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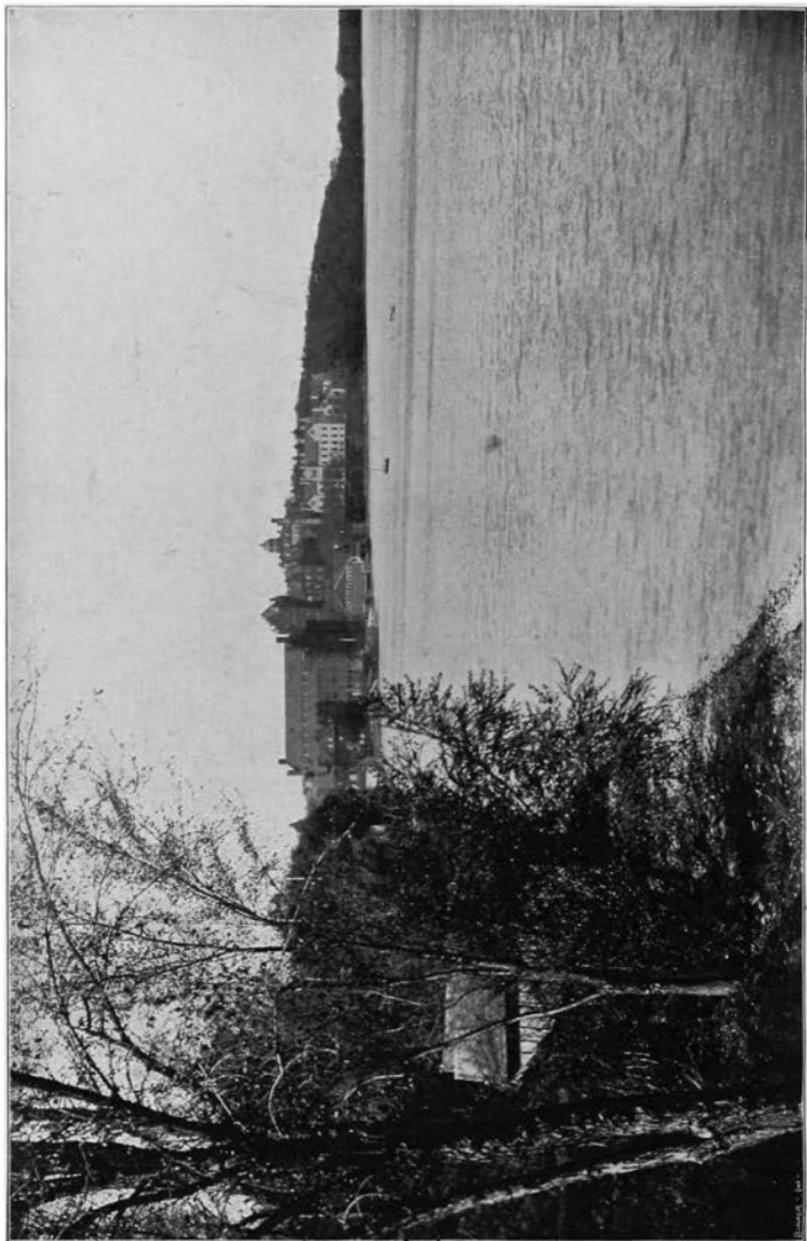
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## THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN AND ITS SEMI-CENTENNIAL.

At the commencement of this year, the University of Wisconsin celebrated its semi-centennial, and invited the universities of America, Europe and even Africa and Asia to be its guests on this jubilee occasion. Fifty years ago, the university was housed in one building which furnished lodgings as well as recitation rooms for the entire body of students and faculty. In fifty years, it has become a university of nearly three thousand students with buildings which cost two million dollars, truly a marvelous growth when compared to its eastern predecessors, but after all a slow one when compared to several other younger universities of this west where when the fiat of a state or capitalist goes forth, universities leap full armed from the brow of Jove.

As one of the oldest of the state-controlled universities (for the eastern and southern universities bearing the state name are usually partially or entirely independent of direct state control), like its compeers of Michigan and Indiana, it had to repel the attacks of the denominational colleges seeking to seize and divide its funds, and in Wisconsin more nearly than in the other states, did this attack threaten to be successful. As in other states, politicians stole the great endowment of pine lands. While Cornell's lands, located in this very state of Wisconsin, brought it millions, the University of Wisconsin received but a few paltry thousands for lands worth as much as those of Cornell.

But at no time has the university had to fight for the affections of the state. Thrown a pauper upon the generosity of the commonwealth, dependent entirely upon recurring appropriations, at no time has the legislature ever stinted it. In no state is a university so felt in every hamlet, in no state does a university so enter every home, so sit by the fireside and instruct the family. The pulse of the central heart of the university throbs on every farm, in every factory. There

its bulletins are read, there its faculty are heard, there are its graduates. Even its academic yell became the battle slogan of the state, and awoke the echoes of southern cities with the roar of Wisconsin's university, and two thousand throats in Porto Rico shouted at the fleeing Spanish lines the cry that resounds from the bleachers when Chicago is the enemy, foe no better loved than Spain. In no state does a single institution instruct so large a portion of the college population, and in no state for population and only in the arid states for area, are there so few degree-giving institutions. In politics as well as war, there is the university, the visible emanation of the state, and in every state convention, there is the university yell shouted by the alumni on the delegates' benches for the candidates of the hour, university men, too, and if not, fathers of university men. Such a situation no other American state can parallel. It is not politics in the university, but the university in politics. Here is the "scholar in politics," a great body, a great unit of college-bred men, sons of the state and the university that proudly bears its name.

It is to be suspected that this bond could not be so strong had the university always been what it is today. This university feeling had its birth in the days of close association, in the days when the institution was a small New England college, presided over by New England men, its students children of New Englanders, or grandchildren of New England emigrants to New York and the Western Reserve. In a very considerable degree, its students were children of collegians. It was a Brahmin aristocracy which it is not today and never will be again. Until 1891, it continued to be a small college of the New England type. It grew very slowly, for a decade it hardly grew at all, remaining stationary at some four hundred or so. It presented the phenomena of having almost no growth while the state added several hundred thousand to its population. When the New England element had been drawn upon to its fullest extent, there was no further source of supply.

Twenty-five years ago, the foreign-born had not the means nor the desire for a college education. Now their children are as eager for it as the Yankees, and the names in the university catalogue show that every element in the state except the Poles, is contributing heavily to the student population. In many ways a more democratic body than the students of today, the old college was in some ways more aristocratic.

While no nouveaux riches of the offspring of German brewers, malsters, and tanners, and Yankee lumber-jacks suddenly become pine barons, gave university society the touch of extravagance it now has, on the other hand, there were practically no students who did manual or other labor during their college residence. It used to be said that Madison provided no opportunities for self-support. They were there, latent, for as soon as there arose a number of students demanding them, they were found. The self-supporting student worked in vacation, or stayed out a year to work. He



THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN—ENGINEERING RECITATION HALL.

did not work while at the university. It is still the spirit here that a young man who would go into personal service as a waiter or bell-boy in a summer hotel, as shoals of eastern collegians do, would absolutely lose caste. It was not until long after the custom had grown up elsewhere, that a student could become a waiter in Madison. This is now done to a limited extent, college opinion being that as the student waits on his mates, as he gets employment at hours when he could be doing nothing else, he suffers no great degradation, and none at all in some quarters. But to become a servant in a summer hotel is another matter. There exists in the

mind of the collegian of whatsoever western college a foolish pride, or sturdy self-respect that will not let him do that, and in these degenerate days some of the old arrogance of the eastern collegian toward the west is being repaid. Unfortunate encounters of members of newly planted western branches of eastern Greek letter societies with men wearing the sacred badge above a white apron, pass current in the west where such a thing is impossible.

A small college for most of its history, the University of Wisconsin is even now a large college more than it is a university. Surpassed somewhat in total number of students by Michigan, Chicago, Northwestern, and Minnesota, in number of four years' straight college students only the first surpasses it, and that very little. The others fall considerably below it in this respect. Huge professional and post-graduate schools give its neighbors their preponderance, while Wisconsin has only a law school and that not a large one, and while its post-graduate departments are becoming stronger all the time, they do not enroll a large number of students. In another respect, Wisconsin looks with complacency upon its neighbors. It is a man's school. While women outnumber men to the tune of several hundred at Chicago, surpass them in the academic departments of Michigan and Minnesota and almost equal them at Northwestern, at Wisconsin, every girl has a choice of six beaux. This disparity is much moralized upon by those who claim that the girls are spoiled by an excess of attention, and many of the most attractive girls suffer physical breakdown attempting to go to several parties a week, receive a caller or so every day, and keep up their work.

Social life finds one expression in the inevitable fraternity and sorority. The first fraternity, Phi Delta Theta, was established in 1857 and since then sixteen more have appeared, four in the last two years. Less than a fifth of the men belong to these organizations. The eight sororities absorb a somewhat larger proportion of the girls. As yet, the handsome fraternity houses found in most eastern colleges, do not exist here. Phi Kappa Psi alone with a property which cost \$26,500 has an establishment which would not suffer by comparison with the fraternity houses at Cornell or Wesleyan. But the present year will see three new houses go up that will cost some twenty thousand each on lots that cost ten thousand more. It is the great cost of real estate, one hundred dollars and over a foot, that has kept back chapter house construction. Madison, though numbering only twenty-three thousand souls is very

congested, shut off by water in every direction as it is, and real estate increases in price all the time.

The great conspicuity of fraternities tends to lessen. Overdone, there has been the natural reaction. For a time, one gained the impression that the university existed but to furnish a location for the fraternities. The press had but little news that was not a relation of their activities. The social activities of the Greek letter folks also tends to lessen, or at least attract less attention. Each gives a number of parties, but they are for the members exclusively and the general uni-



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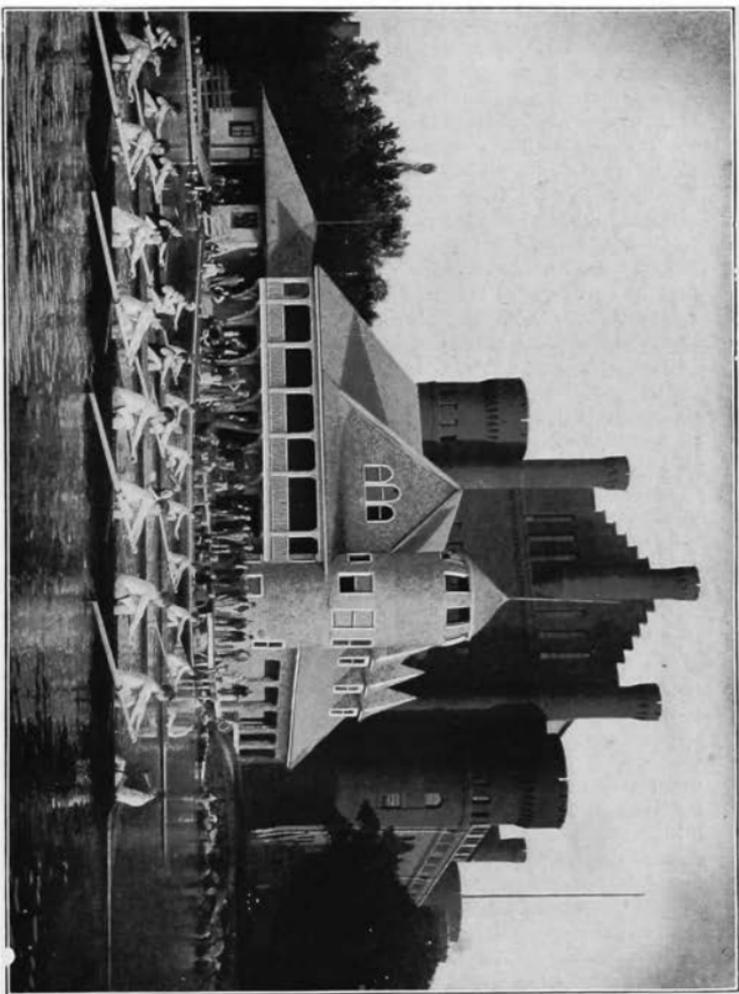
versity knows less and cares less about them all the time. It has inevitably arrived that while each chapter has a tighter grip on its members than ever before, the fraternities have become more monastic, more secluded, isolated, out of the current of events, visible very little in college politics, and no longer the predominant factor in general social life. At the general university parties, the fraternity man who once moved in an aura of social glamor that seemed an irradiation from the glow of the gold, jewels and enamel of his badge, is no more considered than anybody else. In fact, outside the big

junior ball, where they do monopolize everything, fraternity men are not numerous at general university parties. A decade ago, they virtually kept all other students away from the parties and now they stay away themselves. Indeed, a sort of anti-coeducational spirit centres in the fraternities, whether an importation from the chapters at Michigan, who have it much worse, or of local growth, would be hard to determine, though I incline to believe it was borrowed from the Wolverines, whose influence is thus confessed.

As at all large institutions, the intimate association of students with faculty and students with students is absent. This is one of the manifest and precious advantages of the small college which all the prestige and eclat of the big institution does but little to make compensation for. There is, however, an intense, militant pride and esprit du corps, and next to their love for their own alma mater is the splendid hate for the University of Chicago and the rampant aversion for the University of Minnesota. Michigan and Northwestern, however, are liked, perhaps because they, too, hate Chicago with a virulence Wisconsin does not approach and look but coldly upon Minnesota. It is doubtful if such inter-collegiate animosity can be found in any group elsewhere, but it is here in the central west and keeps things from stagnating.

Athletics at Wisconsin is the old story that it is everywhere. Cleaner with us, we like to think. Owing to the water facilities, the university is the one western institution that has a crew. The military side of the institution is more prominent than at most universities. There is a regiment of infantry from the sophomores and freshmen, officered by seniors, juniors, and even men who after graduation and entrance into the law school, still remain with the regiment. These officers from the upper classes are enabled to maintain a discipline impossible where cadets are ruled by their own classmates. The regiment is very much in evidence and called upon for participation in peaceful parades and sometimes ordered to be in readiness for grim visaged war, though the state troops have always been mobilized soon enough to prevent the actual requisition of the eager university soldiers.

Whatever general resemblances Wisconsin bears to other colleges, when it comes to the physical side, it is her transcendent fortune to have a location beyond compare. At least, so saith the Mosley commission, if our words seem too great vaunting. From the top of a noble tree-clad hill, a hammer-shaped ridge half a mile long, the university looks

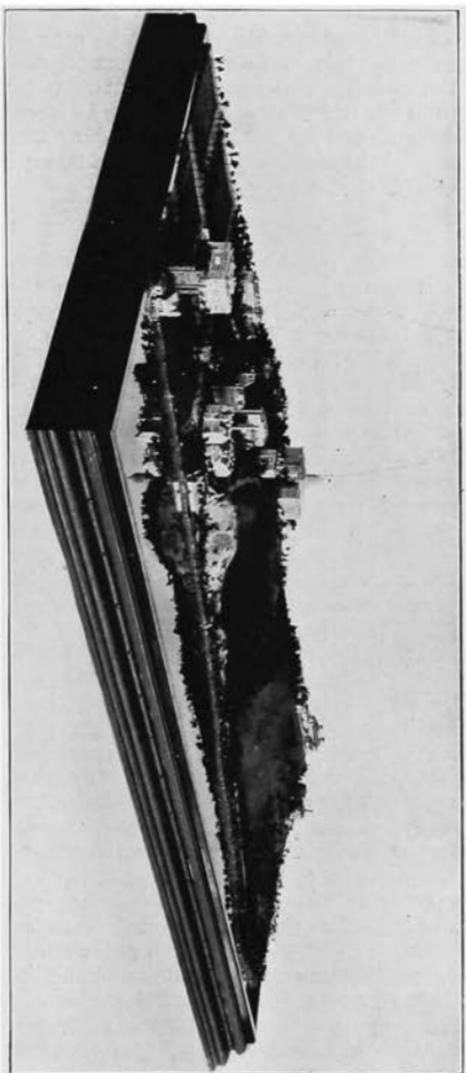


THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN—GYMNASIUM AND BOAT HOUSE.

out over the prospect of lakes and hills that has made Madison famous. For two miles, Mendota bathes the shores of the university domain. To the north, seven by five miles, the lake bends away, broken by long narrow points and great rock-faced headlands as round and straight as citadels of masonry, and bordered by an amphitheatre of hills. Over there to the south, a mile across the isthmus, is Monona, five miles by two, and beyond glitter Waubesa and Kekonsa, hardly smaller. Stretched between the blue waters lies the city, so embowered in trees that it is a veritable forest, and a mile away from the top of a sister eminence, the capitol nods back at the university. Wherever you go, there is the gleam of blue through the trees. Paths lead along the tops of bluffs a hundred feet above the water and down again where the waves rush against the rampart of boulders that guards the shore.

The buildings—every institution has buildings. Large, costly, striking in themselves, we must confess that the tout ensemble is not what we could wish. Of different colors and orders of architecture, the effect is somewhat haphazard. Too bad there were not more Germans among the New Englanders of the old days, for Germans could never have allowed some of the architectural crimes which the Yankees committed for the sake of expediency, if not deviltry.

Our equipment is very satisfactory and grows better. But things of the soul are of more importance than stone and varnish and plethoric endowments and swollen rosters, and it is to this that we are addressing ourselves here at present. We have wandered away from this too much here at Wisconsin. We have become too pragmatic, too much concerned with getting more boys from Marathon county and not enough with the mental ambrosia with which to feed them. One gets a luminous idea of progress from a report of increased numbers. A very elementary mind can comprehend that two and two make four and the university has too much addressed itself to such minds and in such fashion. But the pendulum has begun to swing the other way. The small college has begun to come into its own once more, that ancient honor which big football teams have taken from it. Once more the ideals of the old individualistic New England college rise before men and the big university yearns and struggles for some of that precious spirituality which its own overfed carcass has not. Here at Wisconsin, we are looking to our past for our ideals. From our own past; from the old college of democracy, small in numbers, but great in things of the soul,



THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN—BIRD'S EYE VIEW.  
Model of grounds as exhibited at World's Fair. Three buildings on south side of hill not visible in picture.

the recounting of whose achievements was more than counting heads, comes the president who is inaugurated this year, Charles R. Van Hise, first son of Wisconsin, to hold the seat that none but sons of Wisconsin shall hold henceforth. A new era which means the old ideals, breathing a spiritual life into the body of the present-day magnificent material equipment, dawns.

#### WISCONSIN FRATERNITIES AND WISCONSIN ALPHA.

There are fifteen fraternities and eight sororities at Wisconsin, which are in the order of their establishment:  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 1857;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 1873;  $\Phi K \Psi$ , 1875;  $K K \Gamma$ , 1875;  $X \Psi$ , 1879;  $\Delta \Gamma$ , 1881;  $\Sigma X$ , 1884;  $\Delta Y$ , 1885;  $\Gamma \Phi B$ , 1885;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 1888;  $K A \Theta$ , 1891;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 1893;  $\Pi B \Phi$ , 1895;  $\Theta \Delta X$ , 1895;  $\Psi Y$ , 1896;  $A \Phi$ , 1897;  $K \Sigma$ , 1898;  $\Lambda \Delta \Delta$ , 1898;  $\Phi K \Sigma$ , 1901;  $X \Omega$ , 1902;  $\Sigma N$ , 1902;  $A \Delta \Phi$ , 1902;  $\Sigma A E$ , 1903.

In general, the oldest societies are the strongest. It is not a matter of standing in proportion to age, but the nine strong societies are all found among the ten oldest. In denominational colleges, strength fluctuates greatly, but not in state institutions. The denominational college draws from a town only when there is a crop of students in some particular denomination. The state university draws year in and year out from each town, whether the students are Mennonites or Swedenborgians. In the state university fraternity system, control of source of supply is the principal factor. The older societies all have their towns and the new ones cannot break into them. The new societies at Wisconsin are all creditable organizations and doing well, but they have things to overcome which they would not at some institutions. In a city where real estate is so high, the older society which acquired property years ago, has an advantage which cannot be made up by any effort on the part of newcomers. A year ago, quite a flutter was caused by the fact that the yearlings  $A \Delta \Phi$  and  $\Sigma N$  had each purchased property at the figure of \$8,500, but almost immediately afterward  $\Phi K \Psi$  entered the lists with a \$26,000 property,  $\Sigma X$  purchased a \$10,000 lot and began to erect a \$12,000 house designed for an \$8,000 addition.  $\Delta Y$  purchased a \$6,000 lot and prepared to erect a \$20,000 house.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  sold its present property for \$11,500 and prepared to erect a \$20,000 house on a \$10,000 lot.  $X \Psi$  owns a lot which purchased twelve years ago for \$3,000, could not now be touched at less than \$10,000 or even more. It is the possessor of a house which while it cost \$2,000 less than the present

house of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , was, prior to the erection of the  $\Phi K \Psi$  house, the best arranged chapter house in town.  $\Psi Y$  owns a fine lot, but its house is now well behind the general average. It was anxious to get the lot now owned by  $\Sigma X$ , but as that is out of its reach, will doubtless build on its present lot.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$  enjoys such pleasant relations with its friends and rivals that it would be invidious to make distinctions and attempt to rank the various societies. It is a pleasure to say, however, that the revived chapter of  $\Phi K \Psi$ , taking into consideration the fact that, with a personnel as high as any, it has a chapter house better than any, is ranked by Wisconsin Alpha in its annual report as the best among its rivals. I say it is a pleasure because it vindicates some facts. In 1893, the local chapter of  $\Phi K \Psi$ , which had always been one of the best at Wisconsin, was seduced from its allegiance by resident members of  $\Psi Y$ . The history of the movement was of a nature not pleasant to relate. While plainly engaged in the lifting, the faculty members responsible virtuously denied any connection with it. It was a discreditable chapter of treachery and falsehood. The lifters represented to the chapter that  $\Phi K \Psi$  was a weak organization and that under the banner of  $\Psi Y$  they could not but reach heights otherwise unattainable. The active chapter and two-fifths of the alumni went over to  $\Psi Y$ . In 1897,  $\Phi K \Psi$  was revived. The strength of the national organization was shown by the number of men pledged for the new chapter by other  $\Phi K \Psi$  chapters. In fact, no new chapter could have succeeded so well in any fraternity other than one of those which are so strong here in the central west where Wisconsin's students are drawn from. Wisconsin Alpha constantly receives men recommended by neighboring chapters and we sometimes wonder how our rivals who are without this valuable aid, manage to get along.

Wisconsin Alpha is to have a new house. Beyond the sum to be expended, nothing has been decided. Our lot is exactly opposite our present location.  $\Sigma X$  is between us and the lake, but our lot is L shaped and the last seventeen feet of the lot upon which the  $\Sigma X$  house stands belongs to us. We thus have a lot 105 by 133 feet on Lake Street and a strip 100 feet long and 17 feet wide on the lake. We expect to build a pergola from our house to the lake. Back of us the land belongs to the university and will never be built upon. Our neighbors are nearly all fraternities and Mendota Court is the centre of fraternity life. Here are  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Sigma X$ ,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ ,  $\Sigma A E$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$ ,  $X \Psi$ , and  $K \Sigma$  will be here this fall. While each of

these fraternities has friends and allies elsewhere, they are singularly harmonious and tend to have a sort of unity as "the court fraternities."

Indeed, the bitter rivalries which distract many colleges, do not prevail at Wisconsin. It sometimes happens that the peace and calm of life is disturbed by the single offender against inter-fraternity unity, but there has been nothing to complain of on the part of any fraternity for some years now and the best of feeling exists.

WARDON ALLAN CURTIS, *Wisconsin*, '89.

#### PHI DELTA THETA WEEK AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The Louisiana Purchase Exposition was not designed for benefit of  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ , but so many Phis are employed by the management and the various exhibitors, that without them the big show would be handicapped for a time at least. During  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$  week, July 11—18, the casual visitors who wore the sword and shield, got an idea that the presiding deity of the fair was Bro. Kerro Knox, of Massachusetts Alpha, for to him all turned as a needle to the pole, with confidence that if he could not help them, nobody could. His office in the electricity palace was the Mecca of every Phi who came to the fair, and he deserves great credit for his work to make the reunion a success.

Phis were numerous all over the grounds. The press was favorably disposed towards us, and how could it be otherwise, with Bro. E. M. Watson, of Missouri Alpha, as the man in charge of all newspaper work at the fair? Farmer Phis were expected to frequent the palace of agriculture, and Bro. W. M. Shobe, of Kentucky Epsilon, was ready to meet them all. Someone announced that Bro. R. M. Allen, of Kentucky Epsilon, stationed in the same building would give away samples of the Kentucky brand of "pure food" free to visitors. Fearful of the consequences of this proclamation Allen escaped, but Shobe stood his ground and did the proper thing. The food was up to the standard. Lest there would be something going on that  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$  would not see, a Phi was placed on the top of the building devoted to education, Bro. F. O. Hunter, of Missouri Beta, being in charge of the flags.

A most agreeable Phi, in the person of Bro. D. D. Starr, of Michigan Alpha, had a  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$  register in the Michigan exhibit in the education building, and all the Phis who could went to see him and registered. In all the palaces on the

grounds—electricity, manufactures, liberal arts, transportation, administration, agriculture, mines and mining, everywhere—This were to be found on duty. And in the stately building erected by Missouri, to offer hospitality to the world, a Phi, Bro. R. K. Wilson, of Missouri Beta, did the honors to the strangers within the gates of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  state of Missouri.

The committee on arrangements had designated the Hamilton Hotel as the headquarters, but, while many Phis were quartered there, many more chose their own lodging places and met the crowd only at the stated times. The programme of the week was elastic—very much so. For instance, the Zeta Province men were to have had a meeting at the Missouri building at 7 o'clock, and then go in a body to the plaza of St. Louis, where a gondola ride was announced. The men wisely decided that a walk to this building and then back was exhilarating as exercise, but very foolish as a means of refreshment, to men already worn with the exertions of the day. None notified the province president, however, and he took the walk, met himself at the appointed spot, and led a long and enthusiastic procession, consisting of himself, back to the gondolas. There the Zeta Province men were awaiting him. And, by the way, on July 14, Zeta Province held a very successful convention at St. Charles, Missouri, near St. Louis, in the parlors of Lindenwood College.

Bro. Kerro Knox was treasurer of the gondola fleet, and the man most avoided in the crowd. Bro. R. H. Switzler, of Missouri Alpha, acted as lord high admiral, with Bro. T. M. Phetteplace, of Rhode Island Alpha, as chief signal officer. The gondolas went through the various lagoons in turn, although some were of the opinion that we were taken to a dark part of the water and kept there for the requisite length of time. This was said to get the Venetian effect. If so, Venice is very dark, very noisy and absolutely devoid of girls. This don't like the effect. In the various boats there were about 70 Phis—from Alabama Polytechnic, Chicago, Missouri, Lombard, Pennsylvania, Northwestern, Iowa Wesleyan, Brown, Miami, Franklin, Syracuse, Williams, Dartmouth, Westminster, Tulane, Michigan, Kansas, Cornell, Kentucky State, and Wooster, besides men from Arkansas and South Dakota who were also in the boats by special invitation. With yells and songs, some solo work by Switzler being much admired, the gondolas attracted much attention. The ire of the Italian boatmen in a passing gondola having

been aroused, Switzler invented a yell which met with instant favor, and has been sent to the chapters for their adoption.

Friday night was given over to the banquet of the week at the Irish village. About 100 Phis were present, and a typical Phi meeting was held. Arrangements had been carefully made for this celebration, the culmination of the week, and the Phis present felt fully repaid by the success of it. Frank J. R. Mitchell, S. G. C., made the address of the evening.

Each night during the week there was an expedition down the "Pike" participated in by the visiting Phis. Other parts of the exposition were attractive, but the fair—and unfair, usually unfair—inhabitants of the "Pike" offered the greatest attractions. Saturday night found the Phis weary but alert as ever, and the last night on the Streets of Cairo—with the camels—will be long remembered.

Every body of men needs a king—and once established in power, no usurper can take his place.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's king of the revels—our beloved "Dick" Little—was far away with the Japanese army, and, deprived of him, the Phis were as sheep scattered without a shepherd. But in spite of his absence, the week was a success. Other fraternities had made elaborate plans for a huge celebration at the fair. We simply announced a date and some of us got there. The  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  week at St. Louis will live long in the memory of the men who were there.

Phi Delta Thetas who were present at the dinner are: *Michigan*, David D. Starr, '02; *Knox*, Chas. E. Hyndman, '04, J. Wiley Phelps, '02; *Illinois*, Wm. H. Eiker, '05; *Kentucky State*, W. M. Shobe, '04; *Union*, James H. Richards, '07; *Georgia Tech.*, Sherman Sanders, '07; *Westminster*, R. K. Wilson, James K. Black, '01, W. J. Wilkerson; *Syracuse*, A. D. Burnham, '00, C. M. Marriott, '01; *Nebraska*, Robert B. Updike, '06; J. Homer Hunt, '06; *Kansas*, John L. Starkie, '06; *Texas*, Grant T. Ham, '06; *Pennsylvania*, George A. Dieterle, '06; *Amherst*, William E. Sweeny, '07; *Northwestern*, Oris B. Hastings, '06, W. C. Green, '06, Frank J. R. Mitchell, '96, S. G. C.; *Iowa*, E. M. Hagler, '02; *Williams*, Kerro Knox, '07; *Washington*, Hamilton Daughaday, Jr., '05, Walter Fischel, '05, George M. Brown, '04, Alex. R. Skinker, '05, Allan P. Gamble, '06, Samuel Dodd, '07, Brownlee Fisher, '07, Guy Study, '07, George A. Randolph, '07, A. C. Caldwell, '97, Roy A. Campbell, '06. The following members of Tridentia Society of the University of South Dakota were also present: O. W. Thompson, '93, J. W. Raish,

'05, A. Arthur Trudensfield, '06. Phis who were present at other times during the week are: *Missouri*, Edwin M. Watson; *Kentucky State*, R. M. Allen; *Central*, William Lyle, J. C. Lee, S. V. Rowland, Emory Smith; *Illinois*, B. V. Swenson; *Purdue*, — Porter, J. W. Phelps; *Union*, J. H. Richards; *Vanderbilt*, H. B. Weller; *Westminster*, Bros. H. B. Parks; Ellsworth and Green.

CHARLES F. LAMKIN, *Westminster*, '94.

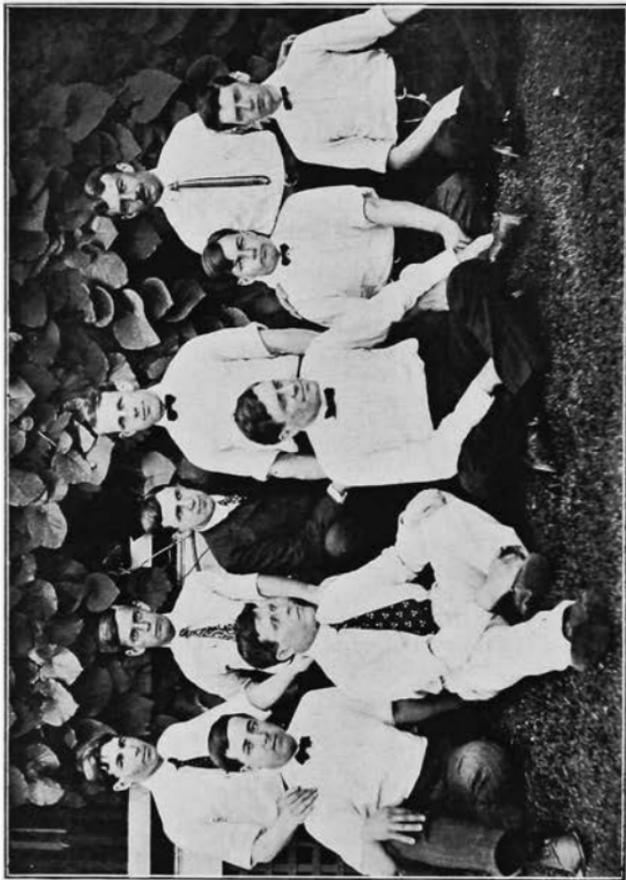
#### PHI DELTA THETAS AT NORTHFIELD AND WAYNESVILLE.

While preparations were being made for a Phi gathering at St. Louis, a less pretentious, but none the less spirited one took place at Northfield, Massachusetts. This year some fifteen wearers of the sword and shield were in attendance at the conference held July 1-10. For some it was the first occasion of meeting, for others it was a renewal of past friendships, but for all alike it offered an opportunity to strengthen the ties of brotherhood. To weld, as it were, the binding link, a dinner was held at the Northfield on July 6. Those present were: F. P. Turner, *Vanderbilt*, '91; Fletcher S. Brockman, *Vanderbilt*, '91; H. Natsch, *Brown*, '02; C. F. Savage, *Brown*, '04; E. H. Cotton, *Colby*, '05; J. McGill Cooper, *Lafayette*, '05; E. H. Hulst, *Williams*, '06; Raymond B. Tobias, *Pennsylvania*, '06; D. A. Likely, *McGill*, '05; John A. McDonald, *McGill*, '05. Occupying the cherished position on the piazza we spent an hour which will long remain a strong reminder of our summer of 1904. Many were the pleasing incidents of college history reviewed in that short time and, to us undergraduates, the interest shown by our alumni cannot but urge us on to greater things. At all times the hearty fellowship of true Phis was noted.

The following brothers were present at some time during the conference, but not at the time of the dinner: Dr. H. W. Mabie, *Chicago*, '68; L. L. Dewey, *Brown*, '02; J. Holmes, *Brown*, '02; A. Gibson, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '02; P. H. Winston, *Texas*, '02. The two latter formed a part of the West Point delegation.

The role played by Phi Delta Theta in this great movement is one of which we can be justly proud, and we look for greater still from him, on whom so much of the interest of the conference was centered, namely, Bro. F. S. Brockman, who has lately returned from years of splendid work among the students of the Chinese universities.

JOHN A. McDONALD, *McGill*, '05.



PHIS AT NORTHFIELD, 1904.

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At the Y. M. C. A. summer student conference at Waynesville, North Carolina, last June,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  had the largest delegation of all the fraternities represented. Waynesville on this occasion was the Northfield of the South, and those present were among the best Christian workers in the foremost southern institutions. Way off in the "land of the sky," among the beautiful mountains of North Carolina, the following Phi Delta Thetas had a season of the most enjoyable association: T. D. Sloan, *Washington and Lee*, '06; J. A. Brown, *Emory*, '06; R. H. Barclay, *Kentucky State College*, '04; Adrian S. Taylor, *Virginia*, '05; R. V. Taylor, Jr., *Virginia*, '06; James Hinton, *Emory*, '06; F. P. Turner, *Vanderbilt*, '91, general secretary for the Student Volunteer Movement; and F. S. Brockman, *Vanderbilt*, '91, general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Associations of China, Korea and Hong Kong.

Bro. Smothers, of North Carolina Beta, is a resident of Waynesville, and he showed us many acts of hospitality, giving us one especially fine drive to Eagle Nest, about five miles away from the conference.

ADRIAN S. TAYLOR, *Virginia*, '05.

#### STAGING A COLLEGE PLAY.\*

College dramatics form quite an important phase of student activity at American colleges, and one, too, of which, except from the "front," the public has little knowledge. The history of college dramatics, the time given to them, their expense, their humorous episodes, and their more serious aspects, are all interesting.

And rare indeed is the college that does not possess its dramatic club.

There are, for example, the Hasty Pudding Club of Harvard, the Yale Dramatic Club, Princeton Triangle Club, the Masque of Cornell, the Varsity Show of Columbia, the Mask and Wig of Pennsylvania, the Dramatic Association of Yale, the Sock and Buskin at Brown, the Dramatic Clubs at Virginia, Minnesota and Dartmouth, the Cercle Comique of Union, the Jesters of Trinity, the Cap and Bells at Williams, to say nothing of the plays which are presented at these

\* This article was written by Bro. Roscoe Crosby Gaige, New York Delta, '03, author of the lyrics in "The Isle of Illusia," the comic opera produced by Columbia University students last spring. The article, with eight illustrations, appeared, with numerous illustrations, in the June number of *The Cosmopolitan*, the editor of which magazine kindly granted permission for republication in THE SCROLL.



various institutions without going through the formality of giving them a name other than the senior class play, the junior class play, and so on. The plays which the Hasty Pudding men give are almost always original, and some of them have been of such excellence that they have gone on the professional stage. As a rule, they nowadays are burlesques, one of the most recent being "The Second Mrs. Corset-stay." Besides the Pudding plays, there are also dramatic offerings by various of the fraternities and by the French, German, Latin and Greek clubs.

At Yale, college theatricals take on a more serious aspect, and the work of the undergraduates is directed toward producing well-known plays and not to presenting comic operas

or burlesques. The Yale students, for example, wished this year to offer George Bernard Shaw's "You Never Can Tell." But this plan was impossible, as Mr. Arnold Daly, after his success with "Candida," had secured the rights in the play for the next year. Pennsylvania, Columbia and Princeton of late years have confined themselves entirely to comic opera, and it is really in this line of histrionic endeavor that the American undergraduate succeeds best. These musical plays are the most expensive for the college men to produce, and very often about five thousand dollars is spent in such a production. Indeed, it costs considerably more than this at Princeton, whose show makes an extensive tour every season, visiting New York, Chicago, Cleveland, Pittsburg and Washington.

Many of those who trod the boards in student days have since become well known in professional dramatics either as actors or as authors. Among these are Clyde Fitch, who in 1884 was a sophomore at Amherst and took part in one of the student productions; J. Cheever Goodwin, author of "Wang;" George Riddle, the reader; James K. Hackett; Stanton Elliott, and Owen Wister.

Where college theatricals attempt to be really serious, the results they accomplish do not amount to much. It is a rare thing to find an undergraduate who can play the part of a girl and not create a laugh, however serious his effort may be.

The selection of a manager is always a difficult problem. A new man, usually a senior, is chosen each year, so he is necessarily inexperienced. The disposition is to let all the burdens fall upon him. He must, in addition to the ordinary business details, superintend the selection of the leading characters and the chorus, making invidious distinctions among his friends. He must find a professional coach who has tact and force enough to deal with amateur college actors, without the power to fine or dismiss them. He must settle all disputes, arrange for credit and plan the entire run of the play. And very often he has the burden of deciding, with the aid of a committee, the merits of the rival plays and music submitted by the student authors and composers.

He has to arrange for the hiring of the theater, and he can rarely secure the dates he wishes. Then the music must be orchestrated, usually by a professional. The manager must attend to the distribution of the patroness' invitations.

A little later come the battles with the author and the composer. The author says it is outrageous that at this date the

leading lady should want an extra scene written for her; that this is a consistent show, anyway, and how can the ingénue expect to sing a moon-song lullaby when the scene is at sunrise? The composer wants to know why his music is being butchered; the college orchestra can't play, anyhow, and why doesn't the manager hire professionals? The hero confidentially says that he has a rotten part and he wants to try for the crew, so he guesses he'll have to quit the show. Here's where the manager, if he has the gift of diplomacy, uses all he has of it.

As the time for the opening night approaches, so too do the "grafters" arrive. Athletes feel that their reputation on field and stream entitles them to free seats; the staffs of the college publications, the cast, the chorus, the orchestra, the authors, and dozens of others, all say with a virtuous air, "Can you spare me a pass?" Indignant are they when they meet with a refusal, as they must in most cases, for if all the applicants were favored there would be no room in Carnegie Lyceum for those who are willing to pay.

Then the dress-rehearsal comes. That is a momentous occasion, for it is a question whether the costumes, for which there have been much bargaining and measuring and worry all season will arrive. Then, there are the wigs, the scenery, the properties, the make-up men, to say nothing of the cast, the chorus, the orchestra, and their instruments, over which latter the manager must keep his watchful eye. The dress-rehearsal is amusing in the extreme. Stalwart young men find it difficult to be at ease in high-heeled shoes. Corsets and the accompanying pads are a source of much difficulty, and masculine fingers find trouble in knowing which way to get inside of waists and skirts, and where to locate hooks and eyes. The dressing room, while the men are getting into their costumes and being made up, presents many wonderful sights. Here is a dainty miss, all curves and dimples, puffing happily on a bulldog pipe; there is a monstrosity, half in trousers and half in corsets, and over all is a blue atmosphere such as in variety and picturesqueness could never emanate from a group of "real ladies."

However, most of these crudities seem magically to disappear when the opening night comes. The auditorium is filled with undergraduates, a large number of mothers and sisters and sweethearts, a few outsiders and a handful of tolerant critics from the newspapers. The curtain goes up, and there is an uproarious laugh as the "girls" stride across the stage,

forgetting the admonitions of the coach to take mincing steps. There is another laugh as the dainty misses sing in deep bass voices. This assumption of femininity by young men is, of course, one of the most amusing features of a college show, and wise is the student author who, realizing this, depends not so much on brilliant acting for his laughs, as on impressing the fact that the girls are men. So the first act wears on. The student composer perspires heartily as he waves his baton over the undergraduate orchestra. The student author hovers in the wings or in the back of the auditorium, wondering why it is that all his pet lines fall flat and the ones he considered bad get a big laugh. There is a burst of applause when the curtain goes down on the first act, no matter whether the show is good or bad, for the audience is always a friendly one. There are congratulations both before and behind the scenes, and then the second act commences. It usually goes better than the first, for the student actors are beginning to get over their nervousness, and some of the "girls" go so far as to flirt with the real girls in the audience. The manager takes a deep breath of relief and goes to the box-office to count up receipts and on their basis figure, as best he can, what will be the financial outcome of the venture.

In this way the show goes on from night to night, with the audiences varying in appreciation so that speculation is always rife as to what kind of house they are going to have that night. By Thursday evening the performance is running in splendid shape, and the manager, thoroughly happy, is inviting all his friends—for he has to apply to no one but himself for free tickets. Friendships are cemented this week of the show, and that good fellowship characteristic of a congenial group of college men is everywhere in evidence. The last night comes with its interpolated pranks, its touch of sadness, its speeches, and its song of "Alma Mater" at the very end. The manager, the authors and the cast gather, quite sleepy from six sleepless nights, and, forgetting all the work and worry of the long weeks of preparation, join in a general jollification, with a touch of regret that all the histrionic glory is over, and all hands must buckle down to college work once more.

ROScoe CROSBY GAIGE, *Columbia*, '03.

#### PHI DELTA THETA AT POUGHKEEPSIE.

From year to year Phi Delta Theta is assuming an increased importance in the Intercollegiate Rowing Association and the Poughkeepsie boat races, which form the most worthy

aquatic function in the athletic calendar of American universities to-day. Six universities send crews to compete in the regatta—Columbia, Cornell and Syracuse from New York; the University of Pennsylvania from Pennsylvania; Georgetown from the District of Columbia; and Wisconsin from the middle west. The crews are both four and eight oared, freshman and varsity, and sixteen different boats start in the several races on the gala rowing day.

In the near future crews are expected from California, Toronto, North Carolina, Minnesota and Princeton, so that the event is sure to increase in importance as the years go on. Of the six institutions now sending crews Phi Delta Theta has chapters in five, and Toronto and Princeton are the only colleges of the prospective competitors where the fraternity is not represented. In this year's regatta Phis were everywhere in evidence. No less than twenty men were connected with the various crews or the management. There were two varsity captains, Maeder of Columbia and Coffin of Cornell, five first varsity oarsmen; two freshmen oarsmen; five substitutes in the various boats; three assistant coaches who were prominent oarsmen in their day and three officials. This record even surpasses that of 1903 which was remarkable in that nineteen Phis had distinguished themselves in intercollegiate rowing circles. The officials were judges at the finish and the vice-commodore of the Wisconsin navy.

On the water proper, in the opinion of the writer, we were better represented than any other fraternity. It is only fair to point out in this connection that at least three Phis were prevented from taking their seats in the Columbia and Cornell boats by illness after they had practically won their places after a protracted period of hard training. Perhaps the best Phi representation came from Columbia. Bro. John Samuel Maeder was the varsity captain and rowed at No. 2 in the premier race. Maeder, whose college class is 1904, is to return to study medicine at Columbia and will assist in coaching the 1905 boats. He came to Columbia from the Horace Mann School in New York, rowed on his freshman crew at Poughkeepsie in 1901, at No. 2 on the varsity in 1902, and at bow in last year's boat. He made "The Nacoms," the most important senior society at Columbia, and was remarkably popular among the students. John Miller, '06, rowed at No. 4 in the varsity boat, and was universally accorded one of the most powerful and finished oarsmen in the crew. He rowed at No 7 in the freshman crew of 1903 and had pre-

viously done good work on the water as a member of the New York Athletic Club. He is also a football player of merit and is regarded as the most probable man for the captaincy of the varsity crew in his senior year.

John Norris, '07, sat at bow in the freshman boat. Lawrence Ripley Clapp, who rowed at No. 7 in the boat until two weeks before the regatta and who had been chosen captain of the crew, was kept out of the contest by an abscess on his neck. He led the crew in the race with Yale at Lake Whitney in May. Elliott Ritchie Alexander, '07, who was also sitting regularly in the first year crew in the coxswain's seat, was stricken with pneumonia and had to retire for the season. Another Columbia oarsman who was kept out of the race on account of illness was Bro. Edwin Hoyt Updike, '04. Bro. Updike had won his spurs on the water as stroke of the varsity four at Poughkeepsie in 1903, at bow in the same boat in 1902, and stroke in the second varsity eight in 1903. He had an attack of malaria which kept him out of this year's race, but served as a judge at the finish on the official stake boat. Bro. Roland Pearce Jackson, captain of the 1902 crew and one of the best oarsmen Columbia has ever turned out, assisted Mr. Goodwin in training the several boats. Bro. Burrill Nash Wheeler, '05, who rowed in the varsity boat in 1903 at No. 2, was a spectator at the races, as were a dozen other Columbia Phis.

Cornell's captain was Bro. Albert Reeves Coffin, '04, of Indianapolis. On the Sunday before the race Bro. Coffin who had been rowing at No. 2 throughout the season, was taken ill with typhoid fever and had to be confined at the Vassar Hospital at Poughkeepsie. It will be remembered in this connection that Bro. John Peter Frenzel, '03, of Indianapolis, who was captain of the Cornell crew last year was also prevented from participating in the varsity race. Bro. Coffin was considered one of Cornell's very best oars. He received his college preparation at the Indianapolis High School. He stroked his freshman crew in 1901 and the two succeeding years acted in a similar capacity in the winning varsity eights. He also played with distinction on the varsity football team at Ithaca for three years. At No. 6 in the Ithacan varsity this year was Bro. Phillips Fazio Ballinger, of Washington, D. C., who has also rowed in other years at Cornell. Former Cornell oarsmen who witnessed the races were Bros. William C. Pruyne, '03, of Albany, N. Y., William Blyler Kugler, '02, of Philadelphia, and Clarence Blyler

Kugler, Jr., '03, who came up the Hudson on his private yacht, the Priscilla, and royally entertained many Phis on board. About nine other Phis from Cornell saw the contests.

In the Pennsylvania varsity four was Bro. John Harry York, '04, who pulled the stroke oar. Bro. York hails from Bristol, Pa., and came into prominence as an oarsman last year when he stroked the Quaker freshman boat on the Hudson. A second Phi in the Pennsylvania boats was Bro. Hayo Henry Block, '07, of Peoria, Ill. He sat at No. 4 in the freshman boat and pulled a plucky race. Bros. John P. Gardiner, '01, and William Gilfillan Gardiner, '03, both former crew captains who sat in the famous Henley boat, assisted coach Ward in getting the crews in condition for the struggles. On the judge's boat at the finish was Bro. Charles Sower Potts, M. D., '85, of Philadelphia. Dr. Potts rowed in the Pennsylvania varsity crews in 1884 and 1885. Bro. Howard E. Pepper, '04, of Philadelphia, who rowed at Poughkeepsie in 1903, saw the races, as did several other Phis from Philadelphia.

Bro. Earl Brown Rose, '05, of Milwaukee, was Phi Delta Theta's representative in Wisconsin's rowing affairs. Bro. Rose was the vice-commodore of the University of Wisconsin navy. At Syracuse no Phis won places in the boats but Bros. Henry M. Russell, '05, and Ray Ernest Smith, '06, were among the crew candidates. Five Phis from the Syracuse chapter were on hand to cheer their crews to victory.

Other than these men quite a number of Phis were seen on the Poughkeepsie streets, in the hotel lobbies and on the observation train at the races. It is impossible to tell the exact number of Phis who were at the regatta. The writer appends a list of over fifty and it is fair to say that seventy-five were on hand. Those who attended the contests were:

*Columbia*—Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, '90; Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, '99; George Chew Atkins, '02; Roland Pearce Jackson, '02; George Sanford Parsons, '02; Roscoe Crosby Gaige, '03; David Montgomery Updike, '03; John Samuel Maeder, '04; Eugene Pitou, Jr., '04; Edwin Hoyt Updike, '04; Thomas Miller, Jr., '05; Burritt Nash Wheeler, '05; John Miller, '06; Everett Ward, '06; Elliott Ritchie Alexander, '07; Lawrence Ripley Clapp, '07; Ferris Sands Hetherington, '07; Emil Valentine Kehrlein, Jr., '07; Oliver Du Fresne Kehrlein, '07; George Norris, '07. *Cornell*—Thomas Stevens Clark, '94; Frank Burnette Stratford, '95; Nathaniel C. Robbins, '96; Abram Bassford, Jr., '98; Allen

E. Whiting, '98; Archie Edwards MacBride, '01; Clarence Blyler Kugler, Jr., '03; William C. Pruyn, '03; Phillips Fazio Ballinger, '04; Albert Reeves Coffin, '04; Edward James Snow, '04; Everett Cartwright Welch, '05; William Blyler Kugler, '02. *Pennsylvania*—Dr. Charles Sower Potts, '85; John P. Gardiner, '01; William Blyler Kugler, '03; Howard E. Pepper, '04; William Gilfillan Gardiner, '06; John Harry York, '06; Carl Christian Block, '07; Hayo Henry Block, '07. *Syracuse*—Guy Comfort, '03; Frank Melvin Edson, '03; Thomas Hill Low, '03; Albert Roe Seaman, '03; Jacob Robert Rubin, '04. *Brown*—Otis Jameson Case, '05; Robert Carlisle Powell, '05. *Leland Stanford Junior*—Emil Valentine Kehrlein, Jr., '05; Oliver Du Fresne Kehrlein, '05. *Union*—Edward Schuyler Colfax Harris, '86; Dr. Daniel James Hoyt, '99; John Daniel Edwards, '00. *Amherst*—Robert Carlisle Powell, '06. *C. C. N. Y.*—Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, '88. *Central*—Allan Wyant Gullion, '01, West Point. *Iowa Wesleyan*—Adelno Gibson, '01, West Point.

B. M. L. ERNST, *Columbia*, '99.

#### A NEW PHI DELTA THETA SONG.

The following song has been written by a member of Missouri Gamma, to be sung to the tune of the Stein Song from the Prince of Pilsen. As originally given, the song was sung by a quartette dressed in black gowns, seated around a table on which was a single lighted candle. It was given at the annual minstrel show which the chapter gives in honor of the alumni, and it produced a fine impression. It is a valuable addition to the songs of the Phi Delta Theta and ought to receive a wide popularity.

Here's to the men that founded us, there fame will never die,  
Here's to the sword and to the shield, here's to the shining eye,  
Here's to the scroll and to the Bond, here's to the flag we fly,  
Here's to the alumni, the best of men, here's to each jolly Phi.

Oh dear Phi Delta Theta, thy sons will ne'er forget

That golden haze of student days is round about us yet.

Those days of yore will come no more, but through our future years

Till eternity we'll brothers be, to each a loyal Phi.

Till eternity we'll brothers be, to each a loyal Phi.

#### JULIUS MARSHALL MAYER.

Phi Delta Theta has again been honored in no uncertain manner by the nomination by the Republican party of New York of Judge Julius Marshall Mayer, *Columbia*, '86, for the

important post of attorney-general of the Empire State.



JULIUS MARSHALL MAYER, COLUMBIA, '86.  
Republican Nominee for Attorney General of the  
State of New York.

Judge Mayer's career, both in the fraternity and out of it, has been a notable one and the latest recognition of his ability and standing was not a surprise to those who knew him best.

The judge is barely thirty-nine years of age, but his success in his profession and in other lines is abundantly attested by his record of service and preferment. He is the son of Joseph Daniel Mayer and Fannie Marshuetz. He received his early education in the New York schools and at the College of the City of New York, where  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  formerly had a chapter. At college Bro. Mayer was the editor-in-chief

of the *College Mercury*, the college newspaper and magazine, and was chosen class prophet to officiate on his class day in 1884. After taking his baccalaureate degree he matriculated at Columbia for the study of law and graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1886, in the same class with Thomas Henry Baskerville and Brinton Harndon Miner, other prominent metropolitan Phis.

After a number of years of successful practice in his profession, Judge Mayer was made counsel to the New York City Board of Exercise in 1895 and served in this capacity for a year. During 1897-98 he was the special counsel to the New York Department of Buildings. He did important work in 1894-95 as counsel to the Reinhart Sweatshop Investigating Committee, appointed by the assembly of the State of New York, which investigated the condition of women and

children in New York workshops and effected important remedial legislation as to factories and the like.

A further honor was conferred on Judge Mayer in 1902, when Seth Low, then the mayor of Greater New York appointed him to a judgeship in the Court of Special Sessions of the Peace. As Judge Bro. Mayer served with distinction both in dealing with criminal cases brought before him and in the Children's Court, which had only been established shortly before. His reputation as the presiding officer in the Children's Court quickly spread and many visitors came to his court to see his exact and humane disposition of the great variety of cases which were daily brought before him. While sitting in this court Judge Mayer's interest was aroused in the unfortunate children of the great city and he instituted many reforms in the handling of cases of juvenile crime and the disposition and commitment of youthful offenders. He once remarked that the bad boy interested him most and he left no stone unturned in his court to employ this interest to the advantage of the children of the streets.

In 1902 Mayor Low re-appointed him to a full ten-year term on the bench, but he resigned his position at the end of the year 1903 to return to the active practice of the law, where his success has been continued. He was chairman of the law committee of the Republican party several years ago, was delegate to the recent national convention which renominated Theodore Roosevelt for the presidency, and has filled many other positions in the interest of his party and good government. Judge Mayer has made a name for himself as an after dinner speaker, and for a number of years has been much sought after by organizations of all sorts.

Upon the organization in 1903 of the Jewish Protectors in New York the judge was singled out for the presidency, which he now holds. He is interested in probation work in the metropolitan courts and is a director of the Educational Alliance, a philanthropic and educational institution, and in other enterprises.

Notwithstanding his popularity and his busy career, Judge Mayer has always found time to maintain his interest and participation in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  affairs, and no Phi project has lacked aid when he stood by. And he was and is always standing by. After leaving college he served for a time as president of Alpha Province and is an editor of THE SCROLL. He has attended a number of national conventions and took a prominent part in the recent New York convention, serving actively

on the convention committee, welcoming the delegates to New York at the Hotel Majestic on the first day's session and delivering one of the important speeches at the convention banquet. At the present time Judge Mayer is the second vice-president of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  club of New York City, and is a regular attendant and orator at Phi gatherings and celebrations of whatever sort. He is interested in every Phi enterprise and has been of service to men in the fraternity in more ways than one. In fine, it may be truly said that he is one of those whom the fraternity as well as the commonwealth and his friends delight to honor. His fraternity wishes him success in the coming campaign and be he elected in November or be his election postponed,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  joins with one accord in saying, "Well done." B. M. L. ERNST.

#### HONORS TO TWO SOUTHERN PHIS.

By competitive examinations, Cecil Rhodes scholarships have been won by Bros. James H. Kirkpatrick, *Alabama*, '03, and John J. Tigert, Jr., *Vanderbilt*, '04. These distinguished honors to two prominent southern  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s reflect lustre upon their fraternity, to which they have just given four years of rare and faithful devotion. They sailed in September for Oxford, where they will pursue special courses of study through the munificence of a man who dreamed of a federation in spirit of all English-speaking peoples. The significance of their good fortune



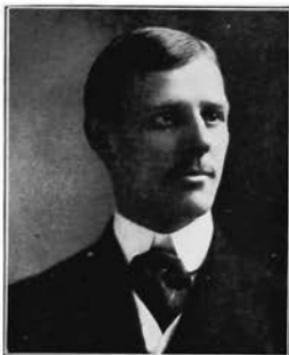
JAMES H. KIRKPATRICK,  
Alabama, '03.

appears all the more clearly when we consider that under the terms of the Rhodes will, the selection of the scholarship recipients is to be determined, not only by scholarship, but by skill in athletics and personal popularity and high standing among fellow students.

James H. Kirkpatrick, of Montgomery, Alabama, is a son of Mr. John A. Kirkpatrick and a grandson of the late Rev. John L. Kirkpatrick, D. D., president of Davidson College, and of Gen. James T. Holtzclaw, an eminent lawyer and Confederate brigadier-general. He was prepared for the University of Ala-

bama at the Starke University School at Montgomery. In the university he attained the highest rank in scholarship, holding the Latin and Greek fellowship in his last year. In 1903 he received the degree of B. A. and in 1904 he was made a master of arts at the age of twenty. He was one of the compilers of *The Corolla*, his college annual, and in his last year, by faculty election he was editor-in-chief of *The Crimson White*, his college journal. Bro. Kirkpatrick was a most active member of Alabama Alpha and filled faithfully every office in the chapter. He declares that his intense love for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will not be impaired by the years of residence abroad.

John J. Tigert, Jr., comes of well known Vanderbilt stock. His grandfather, Bishop H. N. McTyeire, was the builder and, for fifteen years, the head of the university. His father, Rev. Dr. J. J. Tigert, now editor of the *Southern Methodist Quarterly Review*, was one of the first graduates of the institution and for years held the chair of moral philosophy. Bro. Tigert was graduated last June at the age of twenty-two. At the time of his admission to the university, he received a prize for the best entrance examination in Greek and Latin. He always



JOHN J. TIGERT, JR.  
Vanderbilt, '04.

maintained a high grade in scholarship, and in a large graduating class came second for the founder's medal, the highest honor, despite his severe illness for weeks with pneumonia. He was one of the most popular men in Vanderbilt, and was elected captain of the varsity 1904 football team after a brilliant record of four years on the gridiron. Four years ago Bro. Tigert was initiated into Tennessee Alpha, and has ever been one of her most valued and substantial members. For his loyalty and manliness as a true Phi he will be affectionately remembered by his brothers of Tennessee Alpha.

#### A BRILLIANT YOUNG PHI DELTA THETA ORATOR.

A very remarkable honor for an undergraduate was achieved by Howard Stanley Smith, *Miami*, '05, who on June 23 won

the gold medal for the best oration in the contest at St. Louis. Bro. Smith is a loyal member of Ohio Alpha, and was the chapter reporter for last session. The story of his achievement is told in the following

paragraph from *Leslie's Weekly* of August 25:



One of the most commendable functions thus far at the St. Louis exposition was the recent oratorical contest between representatives of American State universities, which took place in Congress Hall, with men from six western institutions competing. The general subject for discussion was, "The Improvement of City Government in the United States," but this was subdivided into special themes, one of which was assigned to each speaker on the morning of the day of the contest. This left scant time to prepare orations on the subdivisions, but the speakers were supposed to be well informed on all

the points involved. All the young orators acquitted themselves well, but the judges unanimously awarded the winner's prize, a gold medal, to Howard Stanley Smith, a student in the junior class at Miami University, Oxford, O., who spoke on "The Adaptability of German Municipal Methods to American Cities." Mr. Smith is twenty-one years of age and his home is at Dayton, O. The university which he is attending can boast of distinguished graduates, including the late President Harrison and Mr. Whitelaw Reid. Apart from his brilliant performance at St. Louis, Mr. Smith's general college career has been creditable, and such as to give him hope of eventually ranking with his alma mater's leading sons.

The Denison University correspondent of the *Beta Theta Pi* writes as follows: In visiting some of the chapters, we have found them in difficulty over the question of their boarding club. Some have a matron, others give it entirely to an outsider to run, or some such plan. We have a plan which we have followed for several years, which we have found to be very good. It might be of interest to some of the chapters who are having troubles along this line to read this over. The club is run entirely separate from the chapter, and is composed of all the members of the fraternity, whether rooming in the house or not. It elects its own officers—president, treasurer and steward—who have entire charge of the running of it, hiring such servants as may be needed for the cooking, waiting on the table, etc. The steward does all the buying, and is paid so much by each member of the club. In this way we have the club entirely under our own control and can see that it is run properly.

## EDITORIAL.

THE national convention will be held this year in the Hoosier capital. Indianapolis is a great Phi Delta Theta city, and Indiana is a great Phi Delta Theta state. There are two cities—New York and Chicago—which have a larger Phi Delta Theta population than Indianapolis, but probably there are more Phis in Indiana than in any other state in the Union. The second chapter of the fraternity was established at Indiana University fifty-five years ago, and both Indiana Alpha and Indiana Beta have had continuous careers of over half a century. During the civil war nothing was left of the fraternity save three chapters in Indiana and one in Kentucky. The state of Indiana now has seven chapters, all of which are flourishing. The youngest of these—that of Purdue—is entering upon the second decade of its existence. The average age of the chapters in Indiana is greater than that of the chapters in any other state.

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THE type of the Hoosier Phi is one that compels admiration. The Indiana chapters have produced many men who have attained high positions, and some who have made national reputations. The standard of these chapters is very high, and we are convinced that many whom they have initiated during recent years will distinguish themselves in the years to come. The Hoosier Phi is a whole-souled Phi, a loyal, ardent and intensely enthusiastic fraternity man. He can always be depended on to do all that lies within his power for the advancement of Phi Delta Theta. The state has furnished many active fraternity workers and leaders, and these men have contributed in very large measure to the making of Phi Delta Theta history. The first state convention of any college fraternity was a Phi Delta Theta convention held at Indianapolis in 1865. For many years a state convention has been held there annually. For several years Indiana by itself has con-

stituted a Phi Delta Theta province, a distinction enjoyed by no other state. The state-province convention held last spring was attended by 167 members. This broke all records for a province convention, and shows what our Hoosier brothers can do when they set out to do things.

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THE Phis of Indiana are hospitable, as has been evinced on many an occasion. Indianapolis has entertained the national convention four times already—more often than has any other city. The national conventions of 1868, 1871, 1880 and 1894 were held there, and each of these conventions was most successful. At the national convention of 1900 the Phis of Indianapolis extended an invitation for the convention of this year to be held there. We are certain of a hearty welcome. The local arrangements are in the hands of a competent and experienced committee, and we may be sure that all who attend will be most handsomely entertained. Everyone who has attended one or more of our national conventions knows how great a pleasure they afford. Phis everywhere should remember that these reunions do not come frequently. They are held biennially, and after the delightful experiences of convention week, it seems a long time to wait for two years before another such opportunity will occur. The rare enjoyments of national conventions will be cherished in the memories of all members who have attended such gatherings.

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Indianapolis is about the center of the Phi Delta Theta population, as it is near the center of the population of the United States. We trust that the attendance at the convention to be held there on Thanksgiving week this year will exceed even that at the great convention held at New York two years ago. We need not urge brothers who have attended previous conventions to go, but to brothers who have never attended a national convention of Phi Delta Theta we say, go to the Indianapolis convention, and our word for it, you will have the greatest time in your lives. Do not let any

other engagement or any other business interfere. You may miss the world's fair, but you cannot afford to miss the 1904 convention of Phi Delta Theta.

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THE history of college fraternities extends backward about eighty years. During the last ten years the extension of the various fraternities has been much greater than during any other decade in the whole period. *THE SCROLL* has made a specialty of news about the Greek-letter world, but so rapid has been the multiplication of new chapters that it has been found difficult to keep a record of them. During the great prosperity which the country has enjoyed for the last seven years the attendance at all institutions for higher education has largely increased, and this has made many openings for new chapters. Not only have many charters been granted to petitioners who of their own accord applied for them, but some fraternities have had an active propaganda at work, and have organized bodies of students at various institutions and then offered them charters. The results are that there are several fraternities which twenty years ago were insignificant, but now are strong and powerful. True, these fraternities have chapters of very uneven merit, but it cannot be denied that they have some excellent chapters, and that they maintain strong national organizations. Many of the chapters recently established by the fraternities which have been growing so rapidly have shown great enterprise in the erection of chapter houses. No longer can these fraternities be looked down upon, as perhaps once they were by the fraternities which have chosen to be more conservative. The relative positions of the various fraternities have changed greatly in the last two decades, and changes as great may be expected in the future.

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So long as there is a considerable number of worthy students in any institution who do not enjoy the benefits of fraternity companionship, there is a good reason for the organization of a new chapter, but sometimes the demand is more than sup-

plied. The effect is to lower the general standing of the fraternities. Certain institutions are overcrowded with fraternities, having so many that almost all students wear some sort of a Greek-letter badge. In several of the eastern colleges the percentage of "oudens," or non-fraternity men is very small. The deleterious effect of overcrowding is shown in Virginia, where eastern fraternities and western fraternities have met on common ground, and where there are half a dozen or more fraternities indigenous to the soil. At Tulane there are entirely too many fraternities for the size of the institution. There are getting to be too many at Vanderbilt. At Purdue the established fraternities are fighting to keep any more from organizing. The eight fraternities which have chapters at Kansas held a Pan-Hellenic meeting last spring and adopted resolutions protesting against the introduction of any other fraternities during the next few years. This action was taken on the ground that the institution was already well supplied with fraternities, and that the installation of new chapters would tend inevitably to lower the "high standard and type of men who belong to fraternities."

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No one can predict how far the development of American college fraternities will extend. However, we do not believe that any fraternity is justified in forcing itself into a field that is already fully occupied. A fraternity which does that lowers the fraternity standard by initiating men of inferior grade, and most of all injures itself by initiating men who, usually for good reasons, have not been invited to become Greeks. We sincerely hope that some of the fraternities which are now adding so many chapters to their rolls will not overdo the matter, that they will exercise wisdom as well as zeal in their extension projects, and not endeavor to enter all the institutions in the country, whether warranted or not by local conditions.

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THE new session brings a new lot of stalwart and intelligent young men who must be trained in the arts and graces

of college and fraternity life. Every chapter will soon have reached a rather clear idea as to the men desired for membership, and it will soon appear how many of them it will obtain. How to give these new men a high and proper comprehension of their new status ought to be deeply considered by the old members. How to start their fraternity career so that it will ever be a joy to them is a matter of dutiful study and effort. The juniors of last year are seniors today. Those who were then lieutenants are now full leaders and leadership brings responsibility. Let these new leaders resolve to surpass in faithfulness and usefulness the predecessors whom they followed. Let the new men come into a full grasp of the beauties and privileges of their membership. We salute heartily the men of 1908 and trust that their achievements will adorn the future pages of THE SCROLL, and be a material contribution to the history of their chapters.

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SOME important chapter house developments are taking place, and we shall soon add several to our list of houses owned and rented. The chapter letters in this number show that the Lombard chapter has rented a new house, the Illinois and Wisconsin chapters are building elegant houses, and Ohio Gamma has just rented and occupied a house for the first time. Others are fast accumulating funds. Such announcements as these send a thrill of gladness throughout all Phi Delta Theta.

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For alumni chapters to omit reports of their activities, reunions, dinners, etc., is as inexcusable and as hurtful as for active chapters to fail with their reports. Nothing impresses one more with a sense of the vitality and power of a rival fraternity than do the published reports of its alumni chapters. Failure to give publicity to all the activities of our adjunctive agencies robs us of just so much valuable aid. Their silence depresses us, we all know. Their activity encourages, stimulates and excites others to emulate their deeds. How can we know of their existence then except by frequent and full reports in our official organ?—*Delta of Σ N.*



IOWA ALPHA CHAPTER, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

## CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

## QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

McGill has entered upon another year of activity and with it our chapter life. Several changes have been made on the staff. Dr. Scane has succeeded Dr. Halsey as lecturer in pharmacology. R. E. McNaughton has replaced Dr. Fraser as lecturer in classics, and Lemuel Robertson, McGill, '99, has been appointed sessional lecturer on the same subject. Murray McNeil has been appointed assistant professor in mathematics. Dr. R. T. McKenzie who for the past few years has been physical director has gone to the University of Pennsylvania and Dr. Harvey has taken his place. As yet no one has been appointed to succeed the Rev. John McNaughton, who has resigned from the chair in classics to take up the chair of church history, at Queen's University.

Last spring we lost by graduation Bros. Drysdale, Lauchland, Faulkner, Crowell, Sellery, Warwick, and Richardson. We have also lost Bros. Gacelon, Bell and Taylor who have stayed out for this session. In the spring examinations Bro. Bell led his class, taking six out of eight possible prizes. Bro. Sharp led the class in mining, and Bro. Laundry took all around honors. In the assigning of the much cherished hospital positions we came in for our share. Bros. Lauchland and Faulkner were appointed internes in ophthalmology and surgery respectively at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Bro. Richardson interne in medical at the Western Hospital, and Bro. Crowell assistant pathologist at the City Hospital, New York.

Fifteen of last year's chapter have returned and rushing has been started in earnest. As the result of our efforts so far, we take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bros. A. A. Putnam, science, '05; H. R. Emerson, science, '06; H. L. B. Peters, medical, '06; W. R. L. Shanks, arts, '08; V. W. Brennan, science, '08; R. E. Powell, medicine, '08. We have also pledged two men and from the abundance of material in the freshman class we expect to add more.

So far we can report the following honors: Bro. Benedict president of the class of '06, Bro. Sharp hockey captain '06, Bro. Housser editorial board of the *Outlook*, Bro. Hibbard secretary editorial board of the *Annual*, Bro. Laundry vice-president of medicine, '07, Bro. Drysdale secretary of science, '08.

A new feature in the line of sports has been added in the interclass meet. Three men are to be entered from each class in each faculty. Men will be picked from these for the regular sports which come later on in the season. In football our prospects are bright in spite of the fact that two of our best men are suffering from fractured clavicles.

Work on the new Y. M. C. A. is progressing slowly. Excavations are being made for the foundation of a new students union.

Since last letter we have had calls from Bros. J. L. A. Connors, of Purdue, Jennings of Cornell, and Dr. Edmunds of Indiana. Such calls are heartily appreciated by us and we will only be too glad to entertain any Phi coming this way.

JOHN A. McDONALD.

Montreal, October 1, 1904.

**MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.**

Commencement is over, the college year is ended, and the campus is once more deserted. The spring term was a most satisfactory one, both for Colby and for Maine Alpha. In base ball Colby won the state championship by securing four of the six games played. The scores of the series were as follows: Colby 3, University of Maine 0; Colby 0, Bowdoin 6; Colby 4, University of Maine 6; Colby 5, Bowdoin 2; Colby 10, Bates 5; Colby 7, Bates 3. This is the sixth time that Colby has won the pennant out of thirteen times awarded since 1890.

The work of improving the campus has been completed, with gratifying results. The college met with a sad loss on July 1, in the death of "Sam," who had been janitor since 1867, and was widely known as a unique character. His funeral was held in the college chapel on Sunday, July 3, and was largely attended by prominent alumni and leading citizens of Waterville. "Sam" will be greatly missed by the undergraduates on their return next fall.

Maine Alpha lost no men by graduation this year, and will return a strong delegation in September. Three of her members had places on the championship ball team,—Bros. Pile, left field; Newman, right field; and Tilton, second base; all from the 1907 delegation. Bro. Field, '05, was elected business manager of the *Oracle* for next year, with Bro. Bowdoin, '06, as assistant manager. Bro. Frye, '05, was made manager of the *Echo*, the college weekly, while Bro. Chipman, '06, was chosen news editor. Both of the junior exhibition prizes were awarded to Phis, Bro. Cotton, '05, receiving the first, and Bro. Coy, '05, the second. Bro. Chipman, '06, secured the first prize for excellence in German.

It is the plan of the brothers to keep in close touch during the summer by correspondence, and to return early next fall for a vigorous "fishing" season. Waterville, July 5, 1904.

CHARLES P. CHIPMAN.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.**

It is with profound grief that the chapter announces the death of one of its most loyal and earnest members, Bro. A. A. McKenzie of the class of 1891. Up to the time that his health failed, Bro. McKenzie was superintendent of buildings at Dartmouth, and it was in a great measure due to his efforts that our chapter obtained its home. His loss will be keenly felt by all who knew him.

The football prospects are very good and we hope to turn out a winning team that will even eclipse that of last year. Bro. Bankart and Bro. Chase who comes to us from Knox College represent us on the squad. The season opens on October 1 when we meet the Amherst Agriculture College.

Extensive preparations are now being made for the ceremonies which will take place at the event of laying the corner stone for New Dartmouth Hall. The date is set for the last of October.

The chapter is in excellent condition and well fitted to enter upon the rushing season, which has already commenced, and hopes to secure a representative delegation.

H. W. HIGMAN.

Hanover, September 25, 1903.

**MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.**

Williams College has opened with the finest prospects in its history. There is an entering class of 140, which, with the large class of 1907, will bring the attendance up to about 450. The Thompson Memorial Chapel is

almost completed, and costing almost \$500,000, will prove one of the most magnificent college chapels in the country.

West College, the oldest dormitory, built in 1793, has been entirely rebuilt inside, and is now a thoroughly modern dormitory.

East and South colleges have been thoroughly renovated, and are now well equipped for dormitory purposes. Nine new members have been added to the faculty. Bro. Karl E. Weston, '96, who was made assistant professor of French last June, has been given a two years leave of absence abroad. Bro. George T. Northrup, '97, is still an instructor in the French department.

By graduation last June Massachusetts Alpha lost Bro. Walter Squires, captain of the track team, and Bro. Richard W. Northrup, manager of the base ball team. Bro. E. DuB. Elliott, '06, will take up medical work at P. and S. in New York City. Bro. Bush, '07, is in business at Mt. Vernon, N. Y., and Bro. Ormsby, '07, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Despite the loss of these men, Massachusetts Alpha returned fifteen men, and has six good men pledged, thereby bringing the chapter up to twenty-one men, the largest number in its history.

In college affairs this year the chapter will be particularly strong. Bro. Crooker, '05, was a member of the '05, *Gul* board, is on the *Record* board, on the musical clubs, and last year won his "W" by getting second place in the two mile run in the dual meet with Dartmouth. Bro. Pruyn, '05, is on the *Record* board, of which Bro. A. P. Newell, '05, is editor-in-chief. Bro. Newell was also elected to Gargoylé, the senior society. Bro. Ketcham, '05, was on his class supper committee last June. Bro. W. A. Newell, '05, was elected captain of the track team for the season of 1905. He was also elected to Gargoylé. Bro. Halst, '06, is editor-in-chief of the 1906 *Gul*. Bro. Case, '06, is assistant manager of the football team.

Massachusetts Alpha wishes a prosperous year to chapters of Phi Delta Theta.

WILFRED S. AYERS, '05.

Williamstown, October 1, 1904.

#### MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

Amherst opens the new year with a large and promising entering class and with very bright prospects of an unusually good football team this season. The class of 1908 numbers 130 men, and they proved their spirit and enthusiasm the first day of college by winning a series of lively rushes with the sophomores. The annual flag rush, however, was lost to the attacking sophomores, but a fierce struggle of four minutes was necessary before the flag could be dislodged.

The services of Coach J. B. Hart, half-back on the Yale, '01, team, have been again secured for Amherst football, and this is a sufficient guarantee of good team work and solid training. Not only are many of last year's squad out but the new material in sight is exceedingly promising, making the line much heavier and supplying more satisfactory substitutes than were available last fall. Bro. W. E. Rounseville, manager of the team, has arranged the following schedule: games at Amherst with Williston, New York University, Bowdoin, M. A. C., and Holy Cross; also games at the home grounds of Trinity, Columbia, Brown, Dartmouth and Williams.

For the first time in several years, the Y. M. C. A. has a general secretary to direct its affairs. The new appointee is Mr. John H. Safford, a graduate of Yale, '04. Bro. D. E. Greenaway is president of the association.

This year the English department has been materially enlarged by the addition of several literature courses, so that now Amherst has an unexcelled

English curriculum. One of the most prominent features will be a series of lectures during the second semester, delivered by Professor George Edward Woodbury, formerly of Columbia.

While regretting the loss of instructors Wilkins and Walker, the college welcomes back professors Morse and Garman, the respective heads of the history and philosophy departments, whose sabbatical years occasioned their absence in 1903-4.

We regret to speak of the death of Bro. William H. King, '99, in August, by accident at Lebanon, Pa. Bro. King was a bright, energetic young man of 26, and formerly an active member of the reportorial staff of the *Springfield Republican*.

A strong delegation was pledged during rushing season, consisting of the following eight men: E. R. Belcher, Plymouth, Mass.; Osceola B. Brewster, Lake Placid, N. Y.; Robert H. Kennedy, Providence, R. I.; Kenneth B. Shute, Gloucester, Mass.; Frederick P. Smith, Golden, Col.; William B. Tracy, Philadelphia, Pa.; Richard C. Turner, Portland, Me.; and Heath E. White, Malden, Mass.

So the star of Massachusetts Beta is still shining brightly.

Amherst, September 30, 1904.

EDGAR W. BURRILL.

#### NEW YORK BETA, UNION COLLEGE.

The middle of September found nine men back for the rushing; Bros. Moon, Sylvester, Dann, and Hall from 1906; Bros. Richards, Bishop, Davidson, Waters and Elliot from 1907. We grieve to say that as Bro. Haight, of 1906, has just lost his mother he will not be back until October 1. With two men, Harry W. Jewell, of Troy, and Charles G. Hafey, of Albany, already pledged, we have worked hard and have succeeded so far in getting five more men pledged. These are Fred R. Peck and James Bell, of Clinton, N. Y., Harry R. Moore, of Ogdensburg, Harry L. Truman, of Owego, and Philip F. Shutler of Utica. The college shows a good healthy growth. There is nothing rapid about it; but the number of students is constantly increasing. "1907" entered with 89 men; 1908 enters with 98. The new freshman class contains excellent football material, and with the majority of last year's team again on deck, Union expects at least to hold her own with colleges of its class. A training table is being started this fall, which it is hoped will stir up more effort as regards getting out to try for the team.

On September 29, Union celebrates the centennial of Dr. Nott's acceptance of the presidency of Union College. Many noted men who knew Dr. Nott well will address the alumni and students at that time on the many different sides of Dr. Nott's character. Among other things Dr. Nott holds the record for the longest as president of a college—50 years.

New York Beta lost by graduation Bros. Lent, Beadle, Hays, Gardener, and Donhauser. Having no men from 1905, we are rather handicapped but present appearances point to an unusually strong chapter this year. Our present quarters, cramped as they are, are only an incentive for a new house capable of containing the whole chapter comfortably. Of 1904, Bro. Lent is studying law with his father; Bro. Beadle is studying law with Judge Tennant of Cooperstown; Bro. Hays is studying law at Columbia; Bro. Gardener is in business in Long Island City, N. Y., and Bro. Donhauser is studying medicine at Albany "Medic."

The chapter expects to hold a small reception after each of the football games, on the campus, and would be pleased to see any of its alumni or brothers from other chapters at those times or at any other time during the year.

Schenectady, September 16, 1904.

MARCUS H. ELLIOTT.

## NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

The university opened its 151st academic year under very impressive circumstances. The dedication of the site for the new chapel by the Archbishop of Canterbury, together with the address of Prof. R. S. Woodward upon "Academic Ideals," brought many interested visitors who had an opportunity of seeing the wonderful progress Columbia is making on the road which leads to the ideal university.

Next month the 150th anniversary of the founding of King's College is to be celebrated. A programme covering four days, beginning October 28 and extending through the 31st, has been arranged. It will be a good opportunity for old Columbia men to see their "alma mater."

The Chapter is very busy at present rushing new men. Several have already been pledged and it looks as though things are going to be quite favorable for a successful year.

The prospects for a winning football team have never been brighter than this fall. Seven veterans are back, and there seems to be an unusual number of stars from other universities. Bro. Wallace, '05, law, is on the squad and is doing exceptionally good work.

To mention baseball which is rather far off, there is only to be said that Bro. Tyler, '04, S., was elected captain for this year; and of course we expect all sorts of good things from him after his brilliant work of last year.

Crew work has been taken up in real earnest this fall. Coach Goodwin is trying to arrange for an extensive regatta to take place during the sesqui-centennial celebration. There are now two or three of the class crews rowing on the river daily. Among the men rowing are Bros. Miller '06, S., Purdy '06, S., Williams '05, S., Norris '07, S., and Clapp, '07, S.

New York, September 28, 1904.

JOHN L. FORMELD, JR.

## PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

Lafayette entered upon her seventy-third year on September 15, with 141 new men. A few changes in the faculty have taken place. Mr. Henry Wyser of the Polytechnic Institute of Blacksburg, Va., has been chosen as instructor in the department of chemistry. Mr. James H. DeLong, Lafayette, '04, succeeds Mr. Charles L. Bryden as tutor in chemistry to the lower classes. Mr. George E. Post, Lafayette, '04, will assist Dr. Moore in the electrical engineering course.

Commencement season at Lafayette passed off very successfully. All the various exercises were well rendered and enjoyed by the many visitors who were present. The feature of the week was the laying of the corner stone of the new field house, the gift of the student body to the college. As far as the writer knows, this is the first building ever given by the student body entirely to any college. Bro. Johnston, our only senior, was fence orator, and had a toast at the banquet. He will enter Princeton Theological Seminary this coming year.

Our annual banquet held during commencement week was a grand success. About fifty brothers were present, and much enthusiasm was manifested. Bro. McCluney Radcliffe, former Historian of the General Council, acted as toastmaster.

Pennsylvania Alpha has returned with fifteen men. Four members of the class of 1908 have been pledged and several others are under consideration.

Football prospects at Lafayette are bright. A large squad has started practicing under the coaching of Dr. Bull and we have reason to look forward to a successful year. Bro. Smith, '05, and McAlroy, pledged, are candidates for the team.

Lafayette had last spring one of its best baseball seasons, being given fourth place among the colleges of the east. With victories over Pennsylvania, Cornell, Indiana, Syracuse, and three victories over Lehigh, we have reason to feel proud of our record. Bro. Hubley, '05, covered second base in a masterful manner.

The track team also had a successful season. Lehigh and Rutgers both were defeated in very close and exciting meets. Bro. Wilson, '06, and Bro. McPherson, '07, represented Pennsylvania Alpha on the team.

Bro. Latham, '05, and Bro. Smith, '06, have been elected to the Knights of the Round Table, an honorary upper classmen's society.

In the musical association elections, Pennsylvania Alpha secured two offices. Bro. Wilson, '06, was elected manager of the association, and Bro. Alexander, '06, was elected leader of the mandolin club.

Bro. Cooper, '05, represented the Y. M. C. A. at the Northfield Student Conference in July, and reports a pleasant gathering with other Phis. Congratulations are open to Bro. Magee, '06, who was married in Easton on September 7, 1904. Bro. McPherson, '07, has left us, and entered the sophomore class at Harvard.

At this beginning of the college year, we extend to all brother Phis who may come to Easton a cordial invitation to visit the chapter.

Easton, September 17, 1904.

E. GRAHAM WILSON.

#### PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Gamma opens her twenty-ninth year with ten members. Bros. McElroy and Dickson, '05, did not return to college this fall. During the summer Bro. Tom Hughes of last year's varsity baseball team made a name for himself in baseball circles, winning thirteen out of seventeen games for the strong Youngstown team. Among the teams defeated by him were Pittsburgh and Brooklyn of the National League.

Bro. Grubbs is manager of the football team this fall, and the schedule which includes Princeton, Pennsylvania State, and Dickinson, promises a lively season. Bro. Paul Stuart, who is president of the college Y. M. C. A., is being counted upon as one of the surest men to occupy a line position. Bro. Davis is again one of the two members of the cotillion committee.

We have particularly bright prospects for this fall and expect to be able to report a good number of initiates in our next letter.

Washington, September 5, 1904.

HORACE W. DAVIS.

#### PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

The 122nd year of Dickinson college opened Thursday, September 15th with a freshman class slightly smaller than last year. During the summer, Denny Hall, which was burned on March 3, 1904, has been partly rebuilt, and is expected to be completed by December 1. There have been no changes in the college faculty but in the preparatory department Bro. Weatherby, of Pennsylvania Delta, has been appointed to the faculty.

We lost by graduation last June Bros. Baker, L. L. Smith, Cheesman, Shedden and Wilcox. The loss of them is deeply regretted by the chapter, but it is sure that they will make their influence felt as alumni.

Thus far only two men are pledged for this year—Beck, '08, of Philadelphia, and Reed, '08, of Atlantic City, N. J. The rushing season is in full view.

The prospects for football this year are brighter than ever. Only two of last year's team were lost by graduation and there is good material to choose from. Several Phis are trying for positions on the team.

Σ X has commenced the erection of a chapter house to be built of imitation stone and brick. Φ K Ψ still occupies the house into which they moved last spring, while Φ K Σ, K Σ, and B Θ Π rent the same rooms they occupied last year. Σ A E still rents the same house as last year.

Bro. Thompson is assistant football coach this season. Bro. Harry Smith is president of the athletic association and business manager of the *Dickinsonian*. Bro. Ralph Smith succeeds to the managership of the combined musical clubs for the coming year. Bro. Shedden, of last year's class, was initiated in Φ B K. Bro. Keeley took second prize in the freshman oratorical contest. Bro. Judy is assistant football manager.

Carlisle, September 17, 1904.

EDWIN D. HAGERTY.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

With the opening of college we find our numbers greatly depleted, having lost Bros. Mack, J. McCleary, Orth, Bonner, Kavanaugh, Cory, Hartzog, Sheesley and Badgley by graduation and otherwise. Bros. Evans and Dorr have returned to college, and these two, with the remaining members, make up a total of nine to start with. Some very adverse faculty ruling here at Lehigh has been causing the fraternities lots of trouble. The substance of the rules is as follows: Fraternities shall not be permitted to pledge freshmen before January 1 of their freshman year; fraternities shall not initiate freshmen until after February 1, and a freshman is prohibited from living in a fraternity house until after February 1. This makes rushing an extremely hard matter, on account of the long space of time in which to carry it out, and moreover, it is very expensive to all concerned. Much comment has been stirred up over the rules, and a plan is on foot among the fraternities here to have the faculty either repeal or amend the rules so that they will be more favorable.

Phi Delta Theta is well represented here as usual on the football field, Bros. Blazer and W. McCleary having the best of chances to make the team. Bro. Blazer was the only member of '07 to win a football "L" last year, and Bro. W. McCleary won his "L" by breaking the college record for the shot-put. Bro. Hartzog, '04 has decided to take up law at the University of Pennsylvania. Bro. Daugherty is assistant treasurer of the athletic association.

A word to our alumni and any Phis who may happen to come to South Bethlehem. Do not forget that a cordial invitation to visit us is always extended to you at all times. We have entertained lately, Bros. Harleman, '01, Hegeman, '02, Beck, '03, Kavanaugh, '04, and Bros. Pierce, Pennsylvania Alpha, and Carson, Pennsylvania Theta. Bro. Beck, by the way, has just been appointed instructor in chemistry at Lehigh University.

South Bethlehem, September 28, 1904.

J. FABER HANST.

#### PENNSYLVANIA THETA, PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

College opened this fall with a freshman class numbering over three hundred. Few changes have taken place in the college. The Carnegie library is ready for use and the dedication will take place some time this fall. Last spring the trustees took an action of importance to the fraternities here. They granted a block of ten lots on the campus to be used for building chapter houses. Any chapter presenting suitable plans can secure a lot. We are working on plans now and expect to start the house next spring.

The '04 class took four from our number, and Bros. Dallas, '05, Cooper, '05, Carson, '06, and Bailey, '07, do not return, leaving us thirteen men to start the year with. With '04 we lost Bro. R. W. Bowers now with The

York Manufacturing Co., York, Pa.; Bro. T. J. Bryson now with The American Bridge Co., Ambridge, Pa.; Bro. N. G. Miller, who is taking a postgraduate course here, and Bro. P. O. Noble now with the General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y. Bros. Cooper and Bailey were unable to return. Bro. Dallas is in business in Philadelphia. Bro. Carson has entered Allegheny College.

We have had a very successful rushing season, having pledged five of the best men in the freshmen class and one in the sophomore. We have initiated and take pleasure in presenting C. F. Hirst, '08, Reynoldsville, Pa.; D. M. Scott, '08, Brooklyn, N. Y.; C. V. McConkey, '08, York, Pa.; D. L. Grey, '08, Bellefonte, Pa.; B. W. Scribner, '08, Ridgway, Pa.; R. Swenk, '08, Sunbury, Pa. We have three others in '08 who will take the pledge after Thanksgiving.

The football team has made the best showing of any for several years. Coaches Fernell and Golden have had the candidates at work since September 1, and the result was shown last Saturday in the game with the University of Pennsylvania, when we held them down to 6-0. This year's schedule includes U. of Pa., Yale, Annapolis, U. of W. Va., and Dickinson.

Bro. Forkem is our only representative on the team. He is captain and makes up in quality what we lack in quantity. We wish to thank the brothers for the assistance given Pennsylvania Theta during the rushing season, and to extend a hearty invitation to all Phis to visit the "Baby Chapter."

State College, September 28, 1904.

H. R. GEIL.

## BETA PROVINCE.

### TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Vanderbilt opened September 21, with its usual bright prospects. Although there is no large increase in numbers, still the year of 1904-05 promises to be one of the brightest in the history of the university.

In football Vanderbilt bids fair to hold up her high standard of the past. The season here opened on October 1, with a victory over the Mississippi A. and M. College by a score of 61 to 0. Bro. Bryan, who for three years has played on the varsity, is back again and is playing a star half on this year's team.

As a result of a successful spiking season we take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. Robert Rhea, Gillispie Adams, Guy McCullom, and John Thompon, Jr., of Nashville, and Bro. William Tarver, of Alabama. Of last year's chapter only fifteen men returned but with our new initiates and Bro. Poage, an affiliate from Georgia Beta, we now number twenty-one.

At commencement last year Bro. Tigert was faculty representative of the academic and engineering departments and Bro. Dobbs faculty representative of the theological department. Bro. Cornelius was faculty critic at the classday exercises. Bro. Tigert won the Cecil Rhodes scholarship for Tennessee and has already sailed for Europe to take up his course at Oxford.

Our chapter house, which was the first at Vanderbilt, has very recently been freshly papered and generally improved by our alumni here in town. Tennessee Alpha is proud of her alumni, who have all always been true and loyal to the chapter.

On the whole,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at Vanderbilt still maintains its position and stands as ever at the top.

OWSLEY MANIER.

Nashville, October 3, 1904.

## TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

The students of every other southern university are now living in the memory of their vacation; we of Sewanee, are living in the anticipation of ours. Alabama Alpha and Virginia Beta are again marshalling into active service, veterans coming back from three months of comparative indolence, and the tug of war when "Greek meets Greek" will soon upheave the American student body. But Tennessee Beta rests on her stalwart spear-shaft and demurely but proudly gazes on the trophies she has won.

Eight initiates, every one a man of recognized worth and popularity, have been added to our chapter roll, and all the fraternities in Sewanee, concede that Tennessee Beta made a "fraternity haul," unequalled since the  $\Delta T \Delta$  success of 1902.

The Sewanee chapter and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at large are really benefited by the initiation of the following brothers: A. B. Wheeler, of New Orleans, La.; B. M. Murray, of Jackson, Tenn.; Bland Mitchell, of Rolla, Mo.; K. R. Winslow, of Appleton, Wis.; J. Spearing, of Shreveport, La.; J. S. Niles and J. A. Niles of Kosciusko, Miss., and George Quintard of New York City. The chapter at present has twenty-one active members, the largest number it has had in years. If enthusiasm, university prominence, and internal peace and contentment are able to insure a chapter's prosperity, we have every evidence for a year of unparalleled success.

Bro. Williams, voted the most popular man in college at a recent election, continues to hold important university offices. He is one of the two proctors of the mountain, is president of the athletic association, and manager of the '04 football team.

Bro. Watkins was elected president of the class of 1908. Bro. Brown represents the fraternity in a literary way, being on the editorial staff of the *Purple*, the literary magazine, and the '05 annual, besides being president of  $\Pi$  Omega literary society and of a new speaking club recently organized. Bro. Palmer is on the *Purple* staff. Bro. E. Kirby-Smith is our football champion, but Bros. Palmer and Watkins are also on the squad. Bro. Mitchell won the Latin medal in the S. Q. S., and Bro. Spearing won the history prize and the medal for best debater in the grammar school. Bro. Brown won the university prize for history and German. A number of our most enthusiastic alumni have visited us during the summer term and have aided us greatly by their example and advice.

The last commencement was the most successful ever carried through in Sewanee. The German Ambassador, Baron Spec von Sternberg, delivered the oration, and many distinguished guests added interest to the exercises.

Our '04 baseball team was poor and lost heavily, but prospects are bright for football retaliation. Spaulding gave the southern football championship to Clemson and Sewanee, and the all pervading question of the day is, can we keep our share of it safe through the coming months?

Sewanee, September 1, 1904.

WYATT BROWN.

## GAMMA PROVINCE.

## GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE

With the approach of the commencement season last June, we made our preparations to lead the Greek world of our college in the coming festivities. Our efforts were crowned with success. Our guests of the fair sex shone as an ideal commencement crowd; and our reception was the most brilliant of all those held. A pan-hellenic reception opened the week, and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  took

her accustomed rank in it. Bros. Brown and Christian represented  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on the commencement stage. During the summer months, we engaged in an active campaign as preparation for the fall spiking season. As a result we show eight new brothers, who, we believe, are destined to rank as the leading men of the student body. Such success as has fallen to us is almost unparalleled here. We have distanced all the other fraternities in winning men, so far that, I think, no two others can boast of more than an equal number of initiates. It is with pride, as well as pleasure that I introduce Bros. W. C. Smith, '08, of Dawson, Ga.; S. M. Solomon, Jr., '08., of Macon, Ga.; W. A. Dozier, '07, of Flovilla, Ga.; R. M. Arnold, '08, of Waycross, Ga.; Carl Stovall, '08, of Vienna, Ga.; Clare Purcell, '07, of Roanoke, Ala.; G. O. Branch, '07, of Decatur, Ga.; and B. T. Carter, '08, of Macon, Ga. It is with deep regret, however, that I must announce that Bro. Purcell was compelled to withdraw temporarily from college on account of failure of his health. His loss for this term causes disappointment, as we expected great things of him. Nevertheless, our prospects for the year are excellent. We should take a full share of honors in every field, and feel confident that succeeding reports from Georgia Beta will be written with ever increasing pride.

JAMES HINTON.

Oxford, Ga., Sept. 26, 1904.

#### ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

The university opened on September 7 with an unusually large attendance. Dr. Brownell resumed the chair of modern languages after an absence of one year on leave. Mr. Burkes, former assistant professor of Greek and Latin, was appointed full professor in place of Dr. Wyman, resigned. Mr. Foster, former assistant in English, was appointed to the chair of German in place of Dr. Parker resigned.

Football is progressing rapidly. Under the skillful coaching of Blount of Yale, who was our coach last season, we expect to turn out a winning team.

The fraternity is in a flourishing condition, returning fifteen old men, losing six.

Bro. J. H. Kirkpatrick, '03, of Montgomery, was the only Alabamian eligible to a Cecil Rhodes scholarship.

We take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity, our recent initiates: Robert E. Steiner '06, Montgomery Ala.; Walter Dudley Seed, '08, Tuscaloosa Ala.; William Samuel Forman, '08, Asheville, Ala.; William Hoadly Merrill, '08, Eufaula, Ala.; Edward Northington, '08, Prattville, Ala.; Seth Copeland, '08, Troy, Ala.

Bro. James Browder Garber, *Alabama*, '98, *Auburn*, '02, is studying law here. His mother chapter is strengthened by his presence.

University, September 28, 1904.

F. B. CLARK.

#### ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Alabama Beta extends a hearty greeting to all of her sister chapters and congratulates them upon whatever they have achieved since college opened.

We met to find that less than half of our old men had returned this year; only seven in all being present for the rushing season. The absentees are accounted for as follows: Bro. Pierce, in college last year as post graduate in electrical engineering, has accepted a position and is entered well upon the duties of his profession; Bros. Turnley and Chambers, graduates respectively in electrical and civil engineering, have secured employment in these vocations; Bro. McDonnell received his degree for proficiency in the

literary course and was honored with a post-graduate course in ancient history and Latin, but did not accept it; Bros. Jordan and Dillard made arrangements to enter Vanderbilt and will most likely affiliate themselves with the chapter situated there; Bros. Baily and Webb have entered respectively, the University of Tennessee and the University of Virginia; Bro. W. G. Boyd has accepted a position in Memphis, Tennessee so he is not with us this year.

In spite of this decrease in membership, we have up to the present time, done better than any other one of the seven fraternities in college, during the rushing season. Seven men of excellent qualifications give evidence of the efficacy of our labors; while the prospects of three or four more good men is very bright.

The chapter has a most encouraging outlook for the year. Indeed the year promises desirable advancement in every respect.

Our initiates are: O. C. Green, '07, Opelika, Ala.; J. C. Green, '07, Opelika, Ala.; W. Burke, '08, Huntsville, Ala.; C. A. Dean, '08, Alexander City, Ala.; H. Butt, '07, Montgomery, Ala.; C. S. Ripley, '07, Macon, Ga.; T. V. Watson, '07, Ft. Valley, Ga.

Auburn is wide awake in every detail. The progress she has made since last year promises much to her future. A new electrical building has been erected, and it is not only an evidence of the college's expansion but is a tangible realization of the prosperity the electrical course is continually deriving from the influential men interested in this institution. The structure is very ornamental and is quite an additional feature of the campus.

The authorities this year denounced rough hazing in college and put stringent restrictions upon the old men in this regard. The year has consequently had a quiet and peaceful beginning, no disagreeable occurrence being manifest on any occasion. College spirit is exultantly disposed towards athletics and emphatically tends to concentrate to the highest degree all interest and skill consistent with success.

Our football coach, H. T. Donahue, once Yale's quarterback, impresses us all as a capable and determined man of indomitable spirit. The manner in which he has begun developing the material before him is extremely encouraging.

The faculty has arranged to give a series of lectures and entertainments in Langdon Hall this year. The superior quality of the programmes gotten up for these occasions promises to eliminate the superficial and unappreciative element in the student body and will constitute a decided source of culture and refinement.

Alabama Beta expects to take advantage of all the educational facilities in college. Each member, individually, hopes to accomplish the very highest attainable in this year's work.

We wish all the chapters a prosperous year and hope to read of their success in THE SCROLL as often as it comes out. C. C. CERTAIN.

Auburn, September 26, 1904.

## DELTA PROVINCE.

### MIAMI UNIVERSITY, OXFORD, OHIO.

Ohio Alpha looks forward to a bright new college year, expecting to return ten active men. This chapter feels highly honored and more than proud of the success of Bro. Howard Stanley Smith in the World's Fair oratorical contest of state universities. That this honor should come to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  when a representative of every national fraternity competed, we are proud. Bro. Jesse Blickensderfer, manager of the university eleven, has O. S. U. scheduled

for the first game and promises a winner. Coach Smith of West Point will have charge of the squad for this season. Smith coaches here for the first time but is backed by an enviable reputation.

Prof. L. O. Lantis will be welcomed as the new academy dean at the fall opening. The summer school enrollment was 351.

Hon. Samuel H. West, senator from the 13th district, delivered the address of the day at the college opening.

HARRY M. NEWMAN.

Oxford, September 15, 1904.

#### OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Commencement week was a most enjoyable one. In response to the invitation of the chapter many of our alumni were with us. The special features of their entertainment were the ball games with Illinois, the banquet given in their honor by the active chapter, and the initiation of Bros. Scott and Stuart. If a strenuous initiation makes a good Phi, these brothers will be of the very best.

The prospects for the coming year are most excellent. We will miss greatly the brothers who graduated last June, yet we hope to make up the loss with the best men. Our new home will be a large factor with us in the rushing season. This, together with the efforts of our active members and of many of our alumni, will, we believe, secure the best of those entering Wesleyan this fall.

Bro. Cary writes us that nearly all the rooms in the house have been engaged, and the remaining one or two we expect to fill with our new men. Mrs. Honeywell, the mother of our late Bro. Honeywell, will take the place of Mrs. Everall, the matron of last year, and we expect life in the house to be quite homelike.

The coming year gives promise of being a prosperous one for the university. Last year's victories in debate and oratory, and especially the championship in base ball, has made the university more prominent than ever, and no doubt an increased attendance will result this year.

In June, the board of trustees provided ample funds for the athletic association, and henceforth athletics at Ohio Wesleyan will be greatly strengthened.

Since his election as captain of the football team, Bro. Rardin has been working hard. He and a squad of twenty men will be back for training early in September. We confidently expect a winning team.

Increased efforts are to be put forth in oratory and debate, and we believe we will have further victories in these fields.

With these excellent prospects, both for the fraternity and the university in general, the coming year bids fair to be a happy one for every member of Ohio Beta.

FRANK J. PROUT.

Delaware, August 23, 1904.

#### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The opening of the college year finds both Ohio University and Ohio Gamma in very promising condition. Since our last letter the new building, which will probably be called "Ellis Hall," has been opened. The new library is well under construction, and is expected to be finished some time this year. With the addition of these new buildings the cramped condition of several departments will be relieved.

At their annual June meeting the trustees decided to install departments of civil and mining engineering in the university. The need of such a department has been very marked.

Few changes have been made in the faculty. Prof. McVey, head of the college of music, and Miss Gaskell, art teacher, have been allowed a year's leave of absence for study. Their places are being filled at present by Misses Bancroft and Tod.

Dr. Doan, professor of psychology, has resigned. His work is being taken care of by Prof. Trendley and Dr. Christman. Prof. Addicott has charge of the civil and mining engineering department. Mr. Hart, of Princeton, has been engaged as director of athletics.

During commencement week of last year the centennial of the university was celebrated in connection with the "Athens Home Coming." It exceeded anything of that kind ever held at the university. We were glad to welcome, at that time, many old alumni and their friends.

As a result of some earnest work, during the summer, by the chapter and alumni, Ohio Gamma has been permitted to join the ranks of "housed" chapters. We have secured the house formerly occupied by Prof. McVey. It is undoubtedly the most convenient house that could be obtained. It is situated in a very desirable place, being opposite the new library and just across the street from the campus. The house contains plenty of room for the chapter as well as affording the whole first floor for reception and smoking rooms. It is by far the most desirable fraternity house at the university.

We held our annual banquet last year on May 31, not being able to secure a date during commencement week, on account of the crowd. Dr. Alston Ellis acted as toastmaster.

The enrollment up to date exceeds that of any previous fall term. The rushing season has been very brisk. We have come out with eight of the best men in college, up to date and good prospects for more. We return nine active and one pledge. Bro. A. W. Tinker of Pennsylvania Gamma is with us again this fall. B Θ II returned five men. Δ T Δ return six men, the majority of whom are pledged. The sororities seem to be in very prosperous condition. We lost but one man this year—Bro. R. T. McClure, who has joined with his father in business.

The football outlook, while not first rate, is better than last year. Coach Hart is working hard, although under disadvantage of green material. We have the manager and several men out for positions with good prospects.

We will be delighted to have the opportunity to greet any Phi who may be in town.

CHARLES H. HARRIS.

Athens, October 4, 1904.

#### OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

Case opened her portals to new students on Tuesday, September 20, while the old men registered the next day. The freshmen class is of average size and seems to contain an abundance of fraternity material.

The condition of Ohio Eta is very flourishing this fall. Twenty-one men have returned to college, so the strength of the chapter is at high tide.

We lost Bros. Case, Cadle, Charlesworth, Drennen, Dutton, and Selby by graduation. Bro. Resch did not return to school as he accepted an excellent business opportunity. His absence will be greatly felt, both in the chapter and on the gridiron.

At present we have four men pledged, and, in all probability, two more blue and white buttons will be seen on the campus in a few days. We intend to hold but one initiation this year, which will occur about the last of this month.

A new national fraternity has entered Case. A K has become a chapter of B Θ II. This makes a total of seven fraternities here, four nationals, and

three locals.  $\Omega \Psi$  has no prospects of becoming a chapter of  $\Phi K \Psi$ , although they have been petitioning for some time.

We are glad to again have a representative on the faculty in Bro. Abbot, Case, '02. Bro. Dutton has returned to school, taking a post graduate course.

The chapter continues to maintain its prominence in athletics. On the varsity football squad we have Bros. Baker, Thomas, Steiner, Roberts, Metcalf and Bourne. Bro. Schroeder who won his college letter last year, will don the mole skin in a few days. "Joe" Wentworth is again coaching the team. From the showing of the boys at Michigan last Saturday, Case bids fair to land the state championship cup for the third consecutive time.

Last spring we were represented on the track team by Bros. Thomas, Vicary and Willard. Our representatives on the baseball team were Capt. Charlesworth and Bros. Baker, Roberts and Schroeder.

During the past summer, a number of the active chapter and alumni occupied the house and entertained many visiting Phis.

We extend a hearty welcome to all members of the fraternity visiting Cleveland to visit us at our chapter house.

ARTHUR C. VICARY.

Cleveland, October 4, 1904.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

A retrospection of the college year just past can give nothing other than a feeling of pleasure and satisfaction to those interested in the welfare and progress of Michigan Alpha. It has witnessed the completion and occupation of one of the finest fraternity houses in Ann Arbor, and the beautifying of the grounds, along the lines laid down by a Philadelphia gardner. Although greatly handicapped by the fall rushing season, we believe the personnel of the chapter has improved as our contributing alumni had every right to expect that it should.

We will return twenty-one old men, and one pledge, so that the prospects are brilliant for the most successful year the chapter has ever experienced. Bro. Ralph McMullen will be back to complete his course in mechanical engineering, and Bro. Clarke to take up new work in the law department. Owing to the death of his father, Bro. Thurber Davis was forced to leave college in February to take charge of his business, but he hopes to enter again the second semester. Both the chapter and college baseball will be materially strengthened by his return.

According to pre-season dope the Michigan football team bids fair to be a world beater this year, but possibly our eastern friends would not appreciate a discussion of this subject, so we will let the results speak for themselves. There will be seven old men to start with, besides Turner, the Dartmouth star of last season, and several other husky sons of the West. Owing to several unpleasant circumstances of our last game with Minnesota, they are not on our schedule this year, but we are still hoping that Columbia will allow us to "come across," and let us celebrate the day of thanksgiving with hearts full of joy.

The chapter hopes to have a large delegation at the national convention in Indianapolis, and unless all signs fail, we will surely be "among those present."

It has always been a pleasure to us to see and entertain Phis who happen to be in Ann Arbor, and we especially invite the brothers on visiting college teams to partake of our hospitality.

WILL G. MOORE.

Ann Arbor, December 14, 1904.

## EPSILON PROVINCE.

## INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

The college year of 1903-04 has been in every way a successful one for Indiana Epsilon. By graduation the chapter will lose Bros. Spalding, Patty, Hatfield, Green, Snyder and Newton. Four of the six Phi graduates hold honor positions in their class and will speak on commencement day. However, the chapter will return with eight experienced men in the fall.

The province convention at Indianapolis was reported to be a grand success by our delegates, Bros. Du Shane and Edwards.

On May 20 a meeting of the chapter and her resident alumni was held in Madison, Ind. At this meeting the alumni and chapter incorporated themselves into one association for the purpose of building a chapter house. Bro. Will Rogers was chosen president and Bro. Chas. Deitler will act as secretary and treasurer for the association.

E. W. NEWTON.

Hanover, June 3, 1904.

## INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

De Pauw University opened this year with a large increase in enrollment and has started upon what promises to be one of the most prosperous years in its history. In the faculty are two new professors; Drs. Seaman and Caldwell and Burton.

Our foot-ball team is a great improvement over last year's team, and it is to be regretted that we have no better schedule.

Like the university, Indiana Zeta is starting out on a prosperous year. Many new improvements have been added to the house and we now have a house equal if not superior to any frat house in town. At present there are six men rooming in the house and two more are expected later.

All fraternities are now in houses, but B Θ Π, Φ K Ψ and Φ Δ Θ are the only ones that occupy the houses to themselves. Of these B Θ Π is the only one that owns its house. By this time next year Φ Δ Θ will own a house second to none in school.

The spike is now over and Indiana Zeta has come out abreast with the others. Three other frats have pledged more men but we stand second in number of freshmen, Δ K E coming first with nine men, five being sons of Δ K E. We also have with us Bro. Gewett, of Indiana Delta. We start out this year with 17 men, 3 seniors, 1 junior, 5 sophomores and 8 freshmen.

Bro. VanDyke is treasurer of the oratorical association and president of the athletic board. Bros. Crawford and Van Dyke have been taken in the senior fraternity, K T K, and also K Φ O A.

Bros. Earl and Forrest Beyer, '07, are in Stanford University this year and Bro. Chaffee, '05, is in Purdue University.

Visiting Phis are always welcome at No. 5 Poplar Street.

Greencastle, September 30, 1904.

DONALD A. HALL.

## ZETA PROVINCE.

## ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The University of Chicago opened October 1, but as students are still matriculating, it is impossible at this date, to give an exact enrollment. However, increased attendance is expected.

The law school of the university, with its excellent faculty and equipment, has attracted students from every section of the country. The law

school building was the last of the structures of the recent programme to be finished. Within a few years the university will embark upon another building programme, which will probably provide for the housing of the engineering and fine arts schools and a general library. At present, however, the campus is unbroken, the first time in many years, and consequently it presents a very attractive appearance.

The football candidates were called out for practice by Bro. Captain Speik and Bro. Sheldon, first assistant coach, early in September. The outlook, as yet, is an enigma. A high class set of backs are trying for positions on the team, but the line is only mediocre.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will be represented on the varsity team by Bros. Speik and Catlin, and pledges Hogenson and Larson. To all appearances the two latter will be assured places on the team, while Speik and Catlin are tried veterans. The team lost good material in Bro. Nordenholdt, who made his name as a line bucker last year, and Bro. Dunbar, another promising back. Both now have left to attend engineering schools. We have secured besides Larson of Aurora, Ill., and Hogenson, of this city, the following pledges: Harold Metcalf of Girard, Ill., Harwood of Des Moines, and Groman, late of Yale. The chapter has more "coming," whom it will introduce to the fraternity in the next SCROLL. With this start and prospect, we hope to fill the gaps left in our ranks by graduation and by those who did not return for other reasons. We have with us at this writing the following members: Bros. Eggemeyer, Speik, Catlin, Lombard, Hook, Mabrey, Eignus, Longley and Hilpert.

Chicago, Oct. 4, 1904.

WILLIS S. HILPERT.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Illinois Delta is closing what in every way proved a most prosperous year. The true fraternity spirit has existed and the active men have held together even better than in the past. The house which we have occupied for several years is especially fitted for fraternity purposes. As it has been leased again, the chapter is assured of a comfortable house for another season. Prospects are also bright for the coming year. A majority of the old men will return and some promising material is already in sight.

The Knox interscholastic athletic meet has just come off. It was most successful and for its success great credit is due to Bro. Hincly, '05, for his untiring energy in its management. Many local records and several state records were broken by the high school athletes who were in attendance. This meet also furnished the members of Illinois Delta an opportunity which they did not neglect to become acquainted with men who are intending to enter Knox next fall, thus paving the way for a speedy and successful start by the chapter at the opening of school.

The base ball team returned on May 14 from a victorious trip of a week through Indiana and eastern Illinois. The team has been on the whole a fine one and has met with few defeats. We are represented by Bro. Edgerton, '05, who plays at shortstop.

On April 17, Knox won the annual debate with Beloit. The question discussed was that of the incorporation of labor unions. Knox contended that they should be incorporated and that such incorporation would be for the best interest of the country at large. Of the local debates the Adelpic prize debate is to be held in a few days. It is between teams picked from the sophomore and junior classes.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is well represented here also, Bro. Ewing, '05, and Bro. Howell, '03, being contestants.

On May 18 Bro. McClelland was elected editor of the *Knox Student*, the weekly publication of the school. Bro. Booz is the retiring manager.  
Galesburg, May 24, 1904. KELLOGG D. MCCLELLAND.

The outlook for a bright and prosperous school year, for both Knox and Illinois Delta, was scarcely ever better. From all appearances the class entering the college proper is larger even than that of last year, besides this many preparatory students who bring the roll of new students far beyond that of last year. As for the chapter, all the old men will return with the exception of Bro. Chase, '06, who enters Dartmouth; Bro. Ewing, '05, who will take up a course in medicine at the university of Illinois, and Bro. Mariner, who expects to work for a year. On the other hand, Bro. Henry Lass, who has had a year of business experience, has returned and this gives us ten old men as a nucleus. We have now pledged three men—George W. Prince, Jr., son of Bro. George W. Prince, Sr., representative of the 10th Illinois district, in congress; Edward Phillip Grant, Creston, Ia., and Albert Arcutt, Arcola, Ill.

Of course we cannot tell what the further outcome of our, thus far very prosperous, rushing season will be, but from the present prospects we expect to have as many men in the chapter this year as we had last, if not more.

In regard to officers for the coming year, we feel that we have fared splendidly. The football team will be captained this year by Bro. Howell and managed by Bro. Edgerton and will easily exceed last year's team. Bro. Howell is also president of the athletic association. Bro. McClelland was elected to the editorship of the *Knox Student* after a very hard and close contest. Bro. Snohr is president of the Knox glee club, and Bro. Lowry is assistant manager. Bro. Edgerton will represent Knox at the junior state oratorical contest this year. Bro. Snohr is a member of the '06 *Gale* board.

Our chapter house was never in better shape. Four rooms have been freshly papered and carpeted besides the large room which the alumni have fitted up at considerable expense with rugs, Flemish oak furniture and window seats for their especial use and of which they are to have entire control. We now feel in a position to welcome each and every Phi whom it may be our pleasure to meet in our city and wish to ask that you make yourselves known.  
HAROLD R. SPINNER.

Galesburg, September 13, 1904.

#### ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

The school year opened at Lombard on September 6 under favorable conditions. The attendance is about as usual and the finances are in good condition. The faculty has widened its musical advantages by converting the former president's house into a conservatory. Prof. Rich is acting as president for the present.

The prospects for a good football team are fine, although we have only six old men back. The new men who are reporting for practice are being put into good form and condition under the careful training of coach Appleman.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the team by Bros. Alvard, Wertman, Justus and Tipton. The first game which occurs Saturday, September 17, is with Chicago University, against whom we expect to make a good showing.

The literary societies are starting out in good condition. A college band is being organized in which Bro. Grimes represents  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . A glee club is also being organized in which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented by Bros. Justus and Tipton.

Illinois Zeta is in very fine condition. There are five old men back, and we all started in with the deepest confidence in that spirit which binds us

together. We have comfortably located ourselves in a two story house, fitted with all modern conveniences. It is situated at 652 Lombard street and we give all This a hearty invitation to visit us when in our city. We have pledged three good men and have five more whom we consider certain.

We lost five men by graduation and five more by inability to return. Bro. Ayars is on the reporter's staff of the *Chicago Inter-Ocean*; Bro. Jansen is in the corresponding department of Sears and Roebuck's wholesale store in Chicago; Bro. Andreen and Couser will continue their medical studies in P. and S. at Chicago; Bro. Durd is in a judge's office in Enid, Oklahoma, Bro. Skinner has taken a school in Yates City, Ill.; Bro. Buck has entered the undertaking business with his father in Joliet, Ill. FRED L. TIPTON.

Galesburg, September 12, 1904.

#### ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The University of Illinois opens its doors with every prospect of continuing its rapid growth under the management of its new president, President James, formerly of Northwestern. At this date the enrollment bids fair to exceed that of last year, every state scholarship being taken. The new woman's building has been started and will be finished sometime this fall or winter.

In football the prospects are bright for a good team. There is plenty of new material and with quite a number of old men back, Illinois rooters hope for a winning team. The graduate system of coaching has been adopted with Bro. Justa M. Lindgren, Hall, Matthews and Lorventhal as coaches under the direction of head coach Huff. Illinois Eta is represented on the squad by Bros. Rothgeb, Hazelwood and Jean Pope.

When we left school last June we confidently expected to have a new house completed and furnished on our two lots, corner Green and Second streets, which we own. But considerable time was spent in getting the plans as we wanted them and, through a mistake by the architect, were compelled to change them considerably. The house is being pushed now by the contractors who have promised to have it finished by December 1.

In the meantime we have rented the downstairs rooms of a house directly across the street from our new one where we are all taking our meals and have a place to meet and for rushing. The fellows all room near by and, although we are working under difficulties, we are sure that we can get some good men and when we move into our new house we will be in better shape than any fraternity here. I will postpone a detailed description of the house until the December SCROLL. ASA B. CUTLER.

Champaign, September 14, 1904.

#### WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

It will be with considerable disappointment that Wisconsin Alpha returns to work on September 28, inasmuch as the vision of a new house ready for occupancy upon returning in the fall has been dissipated, and the old house must be used another year. However, the disappointment felt in this regard ought to be much more than balanced by the prospect of an unusually strong chapter. Of the four graduates of last spring Bro. Loer will return to school this fall. Bros. Lyman and Osborne have decided not to return, although Bro. Osborne may decide to do so the second semester. The remainder of the chapter will all be back; this makes a chapter of twenty men, all upper-class men save two, with the possible addition of Bro. Tellock, '05, and Bro. Rudy of Purdue. Four pledge men, Gerald Peck and "Browny" Morgan

of Milwaukee, Wm. Dugane of Madison, and Thos. Hartley of Kaukauna, will enter this fall.

Wisconsin Alpha was not represented at the informal province convention called at St. Louis by Bro. Lamkin. No provision for a delegate was made by the chapter, as the prospect for a convention was decidedly nebulous before the close of last semester, and it was apparently impossible for any of the chapter to be present in St. Louis at this time, although many of them visited the fair during the summer.

What will be done in athletics this year by Wisconsin is a question of intense interest to the students at present. Although last season's baseball and track teams made a good showing, the last two seasons of poor football and mediocre track combined with the heartrending performance of the 'varsity in the east, have given the impression that the management is at fault and unless this year proves more successful than the two previous years, a change of management will likely be demanded by the students. The oft-repeated phrase "you can't always be the best" uttered among ourselves to console us, is beginning to pale. However, with eight old men back and a wealth of new material, the football team ought to "stock up" better than its late predecessors.

Little change has been made in the courses save that an A. B. degree is now granted in the school of commerce, where formerly the degree B. S. C. was given.

The splendid new chemistry building, for which President Van Hise obtained a state appropriation last year, will probably not be completed when school opens.

Bro. Loer was elected manager of the mandolin club for the coming year. Bro. Rose is commodore of the next spring crew. Bro. Collie is a member of the *Badger* board.

MARSHALL ARNOLD.

Madison, September 10, 1904.

#### MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

The university opened somewhat earlier than usual this fall, classes being called on Tuesday, September 6. Matriculation up to the present time indicates an unusually large attendance this year, an attendance which will closely approximate the 4,000 mark.

The prospect for a successful football season at Minnesota seems exceedingly bright this year. Eight of the 1903 "M" men have returned, and there seems to be an unusual number of speedy new men. The men have been doing light preliminary work at Waconia since August 20 under the direction of assistant coach Dobie, and since college opened about 60 men in all have shown up for regular practice.

Friends of the university will be glad to learn that after an absence of two years from Minnesota, Dr. Benton will return this year and resume his classes in literature.

The fraternities have all shown a rapid and strong growth in the past few years and this year will make greater growth than any previous year. While a majority of the chapter houses are still rented, each year sees a few new houses being built, and better and more substantial houses rented.  $\Theta \Delta X$  is building a new house this year, and  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  has bought property on which it intends to build next year.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has leased an unusually attractive house for fraternity purposes close to the campus and on the main university thoroughfare.

Our chapter was badly broken into this year by graduation, and by men who have left college for business, or to enter other colleges. We have

already held several rushing parties, however, and hope to soon have our ranks filled again.

Bro. Harry Thomas, '03, is traveling for a Minneapolis machine firm. Bro. Oliver Andrieson, '03, is practicing law at Duluth, Minn. Bro. Harry Flannery, '03, has been seriously sick with appendicitis. Bro. John Armstrong, '05, is in business at Luverne, Minn. Bro. Ross Matthewson, '07, is in the milling business at Verndon, South Dakota. Bro. William B. Hinkly, '06, will enter the University of Michigan. Bro. Frank Moses, '06, is editing a newspaper at Marshall, Michigan. Bro. Leroy S. Peters, '06, has entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago.

Minneapolis, September 10, 1904.

EDWARD C. PARKER.

#### MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Westminster opened the 52nd session larger than for the past ten years and the fraternity material is abundant. We returned but six of our sixteen men last year, but we had two pledged men to return. B Θ II opened with eight, and K A with eight or nine. We have initiated Bros. James Laken Edwards of Mexico, Mo. (pledged from last year), and Mason Avery Lewis, Colorado Springs, Colorado. In addition we have five pledged men who will be initiated the next week. Several more are being considered.

Football opens weak, as our old men failed to return. There is an abundance of good material and a good team will represent the college on the gridiron this fall. Among others we lost Bro. L. C. Nesbit, captain of the team this year, who will be in the K. C. Law School this year.

L. M. White, of the last year's chapter, is in the University of Colorado this year. W. A. Soule will be in the University of Washington, and J. G. Miller in the law department of Washington University.

There have been several changes in the faculty, the most important being the new president, Dr. D. K. Kerr, lately of the University of Omaha, who has a great record at that institution. Prof. Wells succeeds Dr. L. L. Campbell, who was called to a chair at Harvard.

O. L. McDONALD.

Fulton, September 21, 1904.

#### KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Kansas University's fall term has opened under most encouraging circumstances, the enrollment now being 1350, which equals the total registration for all of last year. A further attendance of two hundred and fifty may be expected before the end of the year.

A \$50,000 law building is now in course of erection, and will be ready for occupancy in a few months thus relieving the present crowded condition of Fraser Hall, where all classes in the law department now meet.

This year's football outlook is very encouraging. Coach Weeks, who had charge of last year's team, failed to return this fall, and "Bert" K. Kennedy, an old Kansas and Pennsylvania player, who coached Washburn at Topeka last year, will be the Jayhawker's coach. In the first game of the season, played here Sept. 24 with the College of Emporia, Kansas won by a score of 6-0. The extreme heat of the day made fast, snappy playing an impossibility. Φ Δ Θ has two men on the varsity, Bro. Fleishman, right end, and Bro. McCoy, who re-entered school this fall, half back.

We have just passed through the most eventful and most fruitful rushing season of years. We have pledged eight excellent men, "bumping" every fraternity in school. With our new men, Hyden Eaton, Richard Speck, Wm. Knepp, Herbert Breidenthal of Kansas City, Otto Barteldes and Frank

Hopper of Lawrence, Price Holmes of Emporia, and Sidney Cooke, Jr., of Leavenworth, we find ourselves again the strongest chapter in the university.

Bro. Sexton was captain of the last spring baseball team, playing short-stop, and Johnson, pledge, held down third base. In inter-fraternity baseball we were unlucky, losing to  $\Phi K \Psi$  after we had defeated  $\Sigma X$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$  and  $\Sigma A E$ .

Ewing Herbert, editor of a newspaper at Hiawatha, has given a silver cup to be competed for in a series of inter-fraternity debates.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will in all probability be represented by Bros. Davis and McCarty.

Last year in the spring election for the *Kansas University Weekly*, we were successful in breaking a Beta combine which for years has dominated the *Weekly* elections, and were successful in making Bro. McCarty editor-in-chief and electing four people to the board.

We were pleased during the past few weeks to have as guests Bro. Stockton, Vanderbilt; Bro. Black, Kansas, '02; and Bro. Al. Newman, Kansas, ex-'02.

W. SHAW.

Lawrence, September 27, 1904.

#### NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

The university has not opened yet; but we have a good start with the six men that we have had pledged since last spring. There is no doubt that Nebraska Alpha will hold her own as we will be in our new house which is the only one that is owned by a fraternity in Lincoln.

So far as I can learn at this early date nearly all of last year's men will return to the opening of the new house together with the alumni.

Lincoln, September 5, 1904.

CHARLES STUART.

#### ETA PROVINCE.

##### MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The university opened on September 22 with a large number of students and under favorable circumstances. The only change in the faculty is in the English department. Prof. Bishop, of Millsaps College, succeeds Dr. Lipscomb. In place of an eating hall we now have a dining room connected with each dormitory. Both are run on the co-operative plan.

We have on the ground Bros. Fair, J. S. and W. G. Yerger, Kimbrough, Coleman, John Bourdeaux, Hawze, Bray, Witty, C. P. Henry and Somerville.

Last commencement Bro. Fair was unanimously elected captain of the baseball team for the season of '05. Bro. Hawze won the freshman drawing prize in civil engineering department. Bro. Witty won second Phi Sigma freshman medal in declamation.

The trustees have passed a rule for bidding the solicitation of any student for or against any fraternity until he has been in college one year and passed all of his examinations unconditionally. Law students may be approached after they have passed the first term examinations. So no initiations can be made before January.

With Coach Harvey and much new material at work, we hope to put a creditable team in the field.

ROBERT SOMERVILLE, JR.

University, Miss., September 25, 1904.

## ALUMNI CLUBS.

## HARVARD.

The  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  Club of Harvard University closed a very successful year by holding a smoker at the Harvard Union on the evening of May 28. At this meeting officers for the coming year were elected, Bro. Blair, of Vermont Alpha, being chosen president to succeed Bro. Pilcher who finished his course in the law school this year. Plans were also discussed as to securing rooms where the Phis might get together more frequently, but no definite action was taken, the matter being left open for the consideration of the club next year.

The Boston alumni club extended a very kind invitation to the Phis in Harvard to attend their banquet on Alumni Day and those present reported a very interesting and enjoyable occasion.

Thirty-nine men representing twenty chapters located in all sections of the country, composed the membership of the club this year, the roll being as follows:

A. F. Hamilton, W. C. King, C. A. Legg, H. F. Lyman, Amherst; G. E. Buxton, Jr., W. L. Frost, U. H. Gifford, W. R. Haney, A. E. Norton, S. H. Solomon, S. H. Whitley, Brown; W. L. Sudduth, Central, (Ky.); C. M. Owen, D. A. Rollim, Dartmouth; F. V. Smith, De Pauw; J. N. Dorey, Dickinson; F. N. Thurston, C. H. Weyl, Franklin College; S. B. Meisenholder, Gettysburg; F. S. Deibler, Hanover; G. A. Shurtleff, Knox; R. F. Potts, F. S. Stephern, Miami; Fred L. Alderman, J. P. Wood, Jr., Ohio University; G. U. Armstrong, C. P. Hamill, E. W. Hamill, W. L. Robinson, Ohio Wesleyan; E. F. Miller, E. P. R. Duval, R. C. Wells, Texas; E. P. Gaidiner, California; W. B. C. Pilcher, Vanderbilt; C. F. Blair, S. S. Dennis, Jr., Vermont; E. S. Harrison, Washington University; J. B. Ely, Williams; Herbert Lindray, Wisconsin. W. L. ROBINSON.

Cambridge, June 10, 1904.

## DENVER.

The Rocky Mountain Phis have had no regular banquet this year, and for over a year there has been no gathering of the members of the fraternity who reside in and about Colorado. On July 15, as many as could be easily notified got together, at an informal luncheon, in honor of Bro. Walter B. Palmer, of Tennessee. It had been reported that Bro. George Banta, of Wisconsin, would be in the city, but he did not arrive in time to attend the meeting. The following sat down to the table in a private room at Allen's restaurant:

Dr. Donald Kennedy, Indiana Epsilon, Denver; Dr. F. P. Tuxbury, New Hampshire Alpha, Denver; R. D. Ewing, Michigan Alpha, Colorado Springs; H. T. Chaney, Colorado Alpha, Denver; G. R. Edmundson, Pennsylvania Gamma, Denver; C. H. Woodruff, Michigan Alpha, Laramie, Wyoming; W. J. Dugan, New York Alpha, Pueblo; J. S. Curtis, Michigan Alpha, Pueblo; H. P. Daniels, Colorado Alpha, Denver; H. B. Woods, Pennsylvania Gamma, Denver; H. Fulwider, Colorado Alpha, Denver; Karl Steinhauer, Michigan Alpha, Denver; W. B. Palmer, Tennessee Alpha, Nashville, Tenn.

The Phis of the Rocky Mountain region are very loyal and enthusiastic brothers, and an effort will be made to hold a banquet next year in March. There are about one hundred and fifty Phis in Colorado and Wyoming, and many of them will gladly respond to an invitation to meet together at least

once a year. An effort will be made to get out a full list of the members of the fraternity, so that they may be kept in line with fraternity matters in general, and especially with matters which concern Colorado Alpha at Boulder.

July 18, 1904.

R. D. EWING.

#### SALT LAKE CITY.

Owing to the presence of Bro. Frank J. R. Mitchell among us, a few of the Phis of this city gathered at one of our clubs on the evening of September 7, 1904. We enjoyed an excellent dinner and the evening was pleasantly spent in discussing Phi questions. Bro. Mitchell has been in Salt Lake City a great deal during the past two years and has been looking up Phi here. We find that we have about thirty members here and are arranging for a banquet to take place during the latter part of October. At that time we expect to perfect a permanent organization. The writer was asked to act as president and reporter until then. Among those present beside Bro. Mitchell were Bros. H. W. Sherman and John E. Hill, Jr., of Nebraska Alpha; Ralph E. Waterman, of Michigan Alpha; George L. Webster, James G. Porter, John L. Shippert and Robert B. Porter, of Illinois Delta.

Salt Lake City, September 17, 1904.

ROBERT B. PORTER.

#### SAN FRANCISCO.

Through unavoidable circumstances the report of the banquet of the alumni association of San Francisco has been delayed. The alumni association of San Francisco held their annual banquet on March 12, 1904. There were present forty-eight Phis, many of them being from the active chapters at the University of California and Stanford. General good fellowship prevailed and it was conceded to be the most enjoyable and enthusiastic annual banquet held here for years. Great credit is due Wigginton E. Creed for the successful meeting. Speeches were made by the following:

Scott Hendricks, '04, "Labor Day;" Dr. Alfred Emerson, 1882, "Fraternity Life in Ancient Athens;" Hon. H. A. Melvin, 1889, "In Song and Story;" M. S. Blanchard, 1897, Poem on the Banquet and other verse; E. A. Behlow, '04, "Sisters of Men;" Frank Otis, 1873, "Fraternity Banquets;" D. Edward Collins, 1873, "Phi Delta Theta's Contribution to our Life Equipment."

Appropriate remarks were made concerning the deaths of Bros. Perry, Goodyear and Frisselle, and silent toasts drunk to the departed brothers.

Dr. H. P. Hill, Stanford, '98 was elected reporter for the ensuing year. Music and college yells were the final contributions to a most enjoyable time.

June 13, 1904.

HAROLD P. HILL.

## PERSONAL.

*Readers of THE SCROLL are requested to notify us promptly of any members of Phi Delta Theta who may be elected or re-elected to public offices in the fall elections.*

*Vermont*—J. W. Avery, M. D., '93, is a physician at Newton, Conn.

*Emory*—Prof. I. W. Hill, '80, is state secretary of education in Alabama.

*Westminster*—B. G. Boone was re-elected last April, city attorney of Clinton, Mo.

*Centre*—J. O. Scott, M. D., '56, died March 8, 1904, at his home, Sherman, Texas.

*Vanderbilt*—F. J. Fuller, '97, was married, June 8, to Miss Sammie Ward, of Nashville.

*Chicago*—Herbert F. Ahlswede, '00, was married last June to Miss Nancy Miles, of Chicago.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—Karl T. Waugh, '00, is taking special graduate work at Harvard this year.

*Michigan*—Rev. H. F. Shier, '88, is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Munising, Mich.

*Indianapolis and Indiana*—Prof. Horace Ellis, '87, has been elected president of Vincennes University.

*Northwestern*—C. M. Clay Buntain, '99, has opened an office for the practice of law at Kankakee, Ill.

*DePaw*—W. M. Sparks, '94, is the republican nominee for judge for the 16th circuit court of Indiana.

*Gettysburg*—J. Clyde Markhill, M. D., '00, is resident physician at the Germantown hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

*Lafayette*—Harold H. Bender, '03, will spend another year at Johns Hopkins, taking graduate work in English.

*Union*—E. G. Brownell, '00, has resigned from the Hoosic School to enter the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York City.

*Randolph-Macon*—L. L. Kellam, '88, Virginia Gamma and Beta, is a manufacturer's agent and broker at Norfolk, Va.

*Indianapolis*—The Indiana state bar association at its meeting last July, elected as its president A. C. Harris, '62, of Indianapolis.

*Westminster*—Porter E. Stone is in the insurance business in Kansas City. He was married last March to Miss Kilby Gilkerson of Warrensburg, Mo.

*De Pauw*—S. K. Ruick, '97, ex-president of Epsilon province, is a lawyer at Indianapolis, and a Republican nominee for representative in the legislature.

*California*—Geo. W. Rodolph, '87, has retired from the practice of dentistry. He is now president of the Pierce-Rodolph Storage Co., San Francisco.

*Pennsylvania*—P. N. K. Schwenk, M. D. '82, made a summer tour through Holland, France, Switzerland and Germany, his wife and son accompanying him.

*Indianapolis*—Rev. David Utter, D.D., '67, pastor of the Unity Unitarian Church, Denver, delivered the commencement oration at the University of Colorado last June.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—Miami, at its last commencement, conferred the degree of D. D. upon Rev. C. E. Schenck, '90, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Hamilton, Ohio.

*Dickinson*—Dr. Edward Lee Earp, '95, for two years pastor of Grace Methodist Church, Plainfield, N. J., has accepted an offer of the professorship of sociology at the University of Syracuse.

*Gettysburg*—Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., '80, since 1889 pastor of the First English Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Mo., has accepted the presidency of Midland College, Atchison, Kan.

*Lafayette*—For ten years Rev. Dr. J. B. Shaw, '85, has been pastor of West End Presbyterian Church, New York City, which now has 1800 members. He has resigned that pastorate to become the pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church of Chicago. This who attended the New York convention two years ago will remember Bro. Shaw as the toastmaster at the banquet.

*Westminster*—Rev. T. F. Gallaher, '95, was married, June 1, to Miss Irma Burke, of Tyler, Texas. For the last two years Bro. Gallaher has been pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Longview, Texas.

*Lafayette*—Rev. Wm. C. Isett, '01, and Miss Gertrude C. Johnston were married, May 19, at Pittsburgh, Pa. Bro. Isett was graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary this year and has accepted a call to Florida, N. Y.

*Westminster*—C. F. Lamkin, '99, president of Zeta province, has moved to Keytesville, Mo. He is a member of the firm of Minter & Lamkin, engaged in making loans and abstracts, conveyancing and title corrections.

*Indianapolis*—J. T. Lister, '97, is assistant in German and French in the academy for boys in the University of Chicago at Morgan Park. He was married Sept. 6, to Mrs. Grace Hughes Sproull (Ph. B., Chicago, 1900), of Creston, Ohio.

*Lafayette and Pennsylvania*—McCluney Radcliffe, M. D., '77, ex-H. G. C., sailed for Europe July 2, for a three months' trip through England, Ireland, Scotland, France, Switzerland and Germany. His wife and daughter accompanied him.

*C. C. N. Y.*—"Frédéric Mistral, Poet and Leader in Provence," by Charles Alfred Downer, '86, professor of French at the College of the City of New York is published in the Columbia University studies in romance, philology and literature.

*Southwestern*—Le Grande D. Kelly, '03, was married to Miss Casey McCullough, Longview, Texas, Sept. 6, Rev. T. F. Gallaher, Missouri Beta, '95, officiating. Bro. Kelly holds an important position in the office of the Kelly Plow Works, Longview.

*Randolph-Macon*—C. G. Evans, '93, is an instructor in Randolph-Macon Academy, Bedford City, Va. He was married to Miss Jessie Quimby at Bedford City, June 16. His best man was Hon. S. S. Lambeth, Jr., Randolph-Macon, '91, of Norfolk.

*Indianapolis*—H. H. Hanna, '69, is practically sole proprietor of the Atlas Engine Works, at Indianapolis, which is one of the largest industries in Indiana. He has acquired a national reputation by his work in behalf of a sound currency system for the nation.

*Tulane*—At the annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans at Nashville, Tenn., last June, the sponsor for the south and for the United Sons of Confederate Veterans was Miss Corinne Tebault, of New Orleans, sister of Dr. C. H. Tebault, Jr., '90, and G. L. Tebault, '93.

*Pennsylvania*—Chas. A. Oliver, M. D., '77, of Philadelphia, had the unusual honor of being invited as the guest of the British Medical Association, to represent the United States at the meeting of the association held at Oxford, England, in July. He was abroad about two months.

*DePauw and Roanoke*—Rev. D. B. Floyd of Funkstown, Md., was the fraternal delegate of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church to the 9th convention of the united synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South, which met at Newmarket, Va., last July.

*Franklin*—Dr. W. T. Stott, '61, for a third of century, president of Franklin College, has tendered to the trustees his resignation to take effect next June. The growth and present high standard of Franklin College are due in large measure to him. For five years he has been a member of the state board of education.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—W. E. Clarke, '96, instructor in political economy at the College of the City of New York, has published the dissertation submitted by him to Columbia University for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy last June. The title of the book is "Josiah Tucker, Economist." It appears in the series known as Columbia University studies in history, economics and public law, published by the MacMillan Company.

*Dartmouth*—E. O. Grover, '94, has resigned as general editor for Rand, McNally & Co., to become a member of the firm of Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover, well known publishers and school furnishers. The head office is at 238-240 Adams street, Chicago, the Boston office at 220 Devonshire street. Among the announcements of the firm are the art-literature readers and the folk-lore readers, both of which will be illustrated throughout in colors.

*Hillsdale and Cornell*—Wells S. Gilbert, '93, is treasurer of the Klickitat White Pine Co., Goldendale, Wash. He was married, June 21, to Miss Page Morris, daughter of Judge Page Morris. The wedding took place in St. Paul's Episco-

pal Church, Duluth, Minn. Bro. Gilbert was the delegate of N. Y. Alpha at the Atlanta convention, 1891. We believe that he has been a subscriber to THE SCROLL ever since his graduation. He was largely instrumental in the erection of N. Y. Alpha's chapter house.

*Randolph-Macon*—Dr. Andrew Sledd, '92, has accepted the presidency of the University of Florida, Lake City, Fla. This institution was opened in 1884, and in 1903 its name was changed from Florida Agricultural College to the University of Florida. It is co-educational, the number of students in 1903-04 being 176, the professors and instructors numbering 21. There are no fraternities yet in the institution. Bro. Sledd is an A. B. and A. M. of Randolph-Macon, an M. A. of Harvard, and a Ph. D. of Yale.

*Vermont*—C. W. Baker is managing editor, and M. N. Baker is associate editor of the *Engineering News*, New York city. Rev. S. H. Bishop is an Episcopal clergyman in New York city. F. H. Clapp, M. D., is a prominent physician at North Grafton, Mass. W. M. Clark is one of the leading farmers of Vermont, owning the home occupied for many years by Thomas Chittenden, first governor of the state. O. H. Dodds is president of the Thomas W. Emerson Co. of Boston. G. R. Huse is an engineer at Bethlehem, Pa. T. L. Jeffords is a leading attorney in Washington, D. C. Capt. F. J. Mills, formerly lieutenant-governor of Idaho, is now a U. S. engineer at San Francisco. Rev. E. M. Wilbur is dean of the Unitarian College, Oakland, Cal. All of these are members of Vermont Alpha, class of '86.

J. Renwick Hogg, *Lafayette*, '78, and Wm. F. Metzger, *Pennsylvania*, '03, have returned from a nine months' trip abroad. Bro. Metzger is connected with the well known carpet house of James Metzger Company, of Philadelphia, of which Bro. Hogg is also a member.

THE SCROLL for June contained a list of twelve members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  who are members of the 58th congress—one senator and eleven representatives. We believe that all of these representatives are candidates for re-election, except F. M. Griffith, Franklin, '74, who declined re-nomination.

Ex-Secretary of State John W. Foster, contributed an article to the *Yale Law Journal* for June on "America's Contribution to the Literature of International Law and Diplo-

macy." The topic was originally treated by Bro. Foster in an address delivered at the opening of the Gary collection of continental law of Northwestern University in April last. The article reviews the great legal works of Lyman, Kent, Story, Wheaton, Woolsey, Hallock, Field and others and concludes with the statement that "no branch of American literature has been received with more favor in foreign lands or has done more to create a favorable impression of our government and people—neither American history, poetry, romance, philosophy or science—than the contribution of the United States to the literature of international law and diplomacy."

Alfred Bartlett, of '69 Cornhill, Boston, has published a series of broadsides presenting, on heavy white, plain beveled cards, "selections of the most helpful and inspiring thoughts in literature." They are known as The Cornhill Dodgers and among them is one entitled "Contentment" by David Swing, *Miami*, '52.

In the July magazines the following articles appeared: "The Making of a War Correspondent," in *The Reader*, by Edwin Emerson, Jr., *Miami*, '89, *Cornell*, '89; "Organized Labor," in *McClure's* by Ray Stannard Baker, *Hillsdale*, '89, *Michigan*, '93; "The Old Pipe And The New," in *The Critic*, by Wardon Allan Curtis, *Wisconsin*, '89.

At the annual examinations held at New York last June for admission to the bar of the state of New York four Phis were successful, and were subsequently sworn in as attorneys and counsellors at law. They were G. C. Atkins, *Columbia*, '02; J. S. Buhler, *Columbia*, '01; D. E. Griffith, *Union*, '02, and Lewis Squires, *Williams*, '01; *Columbia*, '04.

Massachusetts Alpha has initiated four brothers by the name of Squires. These four brothers with their classes at Williams are: Charles Anthony Squires, '00; Frederick Squires, '00; Lewis Squires, '01, and Walter Squires, '04, captain of the Varsity track team. Last June each of the brothers received degrees. Each of the four degrees was different and they were awarded by three different institutions. Charles Anthony, who received his bachelors degree at Williams, was made a doctor of medicine by Cornell. Frederic and Lewis, both bachelor's of art at Williams, received the degrees of bachelor of science in architecture and bachelor of

laws respectively at Columbia. Walter Squires received his baccalaureate degree at Williams. The four brothers now hold at least seven college degrees, and it is said that they are not through yet.

The *Gazette* of Fulton, Mo., has the following to say of the marriage of Mr. Thomas Lemly and Miss Mary Morrison, daughter of Rev. Robert Morrison, D. D., deceased, one of the founders of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ :

Mr. Thomas Mitchell Lemly and Miss Mary Morrison were married in the Fulton Presbyterian church Thursday morning, June 9, at 10:30 o'clock. The ceremony was said by Rev. William H. Marquess, D. D., of Louisville, Ky., and he was assisted by Rev. John F. Cowan, D. D., of this city. Miss Margery Morrison, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Mr. Frank Lemly of Jackson, Miss., a brother of the groom, was best man. The ushers were Rev. C. A. McPheeters, Rev. J. W. Lewis, Mr. H. C. Ostrom, all of this city, and Dr. R. S. Clark, of Kirksville, Mo. The bride was given away at the altar by R. T. Morrison, of Kansas City. Master Trotwood Bartley and little Miss Mary Gladden Grant were the ribbon bearers. The church was decorated in palms and evergreens and the wedding was quite pretty.

Mr. Lemly is a young attorney of Jackson, Miss., and has the reputation of being a young man of excellent parts. Mrs. Lemly is a daughter of the late Dr. Morrison, and grew up in Fulton. She is a young woman of culture and refinement, who has lived a purposeful life and won the admiration of the community in which she has lived. Mr. and Mrs. Lemly left on the noon train for St. Louis, where they will spend a short time visiting the world's fair, and from there they go to their home in Jackson.

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## HELLENIC.

$\Delta T \Omega$  has entered Purdue.

$\Delta T \Delta$  has entered the University of Texas.

$K \Sigma$  has followed  $\Sigma N$  into the University of Oregon.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Sigma X$  and  $\Delta Y$  are planning to build new houses at Wisconsin.

$\Phi K \Sigma$ , revived at Stevens Institute, makes the sixth fraternity there.

The North Carolina chapter and the Rutgers chapter of  $B \Theta \Pi$  have purchased houses.

The Alpha chapter of  $M \Pi \Delta$  at Washington and Lee has been merged into  $K \Sigma$ , reviving its old Mu chapter, established there in 1873.—*K A Journal* for May.

Only wearers of the 'varsity initial are eligible to membership in the new athletic fraternity at Iowa.

A T  $\Omega$  has lost a chapter at Washington and Lee and one at Marietta, and has established one at Lehigh.

Anti-fraternity laws having been rescinded at Iowa Agricultural College, Ames,  $\Sigma$  N placed a chapter there last April.

At Chicago there are now thirteen fraternities— $\Delta$  K E,  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$ , B  $\Theta$   $\Pi$ , A  $\Delta$   $\Phi$ ,  $\Sigma$  X,  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$ ,  $\Psi$  Y,  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$ , X  $\Psi$ ,  $\Delta$  Y,  $\Phi$   $\Gamma$   $\Delta$ ,  $\Sigma$  A E,  $\Sigma$  N.

B  $\Theta$   $\Pi$ ,  $\Sigma$  N, Southern K A and  $\Sigma$   $\Phi$  E have chapters at Bethany College, W. Va.  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$  was founded there, 1860, but withdrew the charter of its parent chapter, 1895.

The June *Shield* prints the names of 374 Phi Psis who attended the  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$  convention at Indianapolis last April, and says that some who were present were not enrolled.

$\Sigma$   $\Delta$   $\Sigma$ , recently organized at Wisconsin, draws its members from both men and women students. Its career will of course be watched with considerable interest by members of other fraternities.

The  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  SCROLL,  $\Phi$  K  $\Sigma$  *Shield*, K  $\Sigma$  *Caduceus*, *Sigma Chi*,  $\Delta$   $\Sigma$   $\Delta$  *Desmos* and  $\Delta$  X *Quarterly* are kept on file in a case devoted to college and educational journals in the library of congress, Washington City.

Our chapter house movement is fairly launched. So far  $\Sigma$  X,  $\Phi$   $\Gamma$   $\Delta$ ,  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  and A T  $\Omega$  have purchased lots on which to build.  $\Sigma$  X and  $\Phi$   $\Gamma$   $\Delta$  bought lots with houses on them.—Illinois correspondence of  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$  *Rainbow*.

The three months law, regulating the pledging of freshmen, is unanimously conceded to be a failure. The result will probably be a return to the "grab 'em and keep 'em system."—Texas correspondence of *Beta Theta Pi* for June.

Fraternities are established in four institutions in Colorado—the State University at Boulder, the State School of Mines at Golden, Colorado College at Colorado Springs, and the University of Denver. K  $\Sigma$  has four chapters in the state,  $\Sigma$  A E three, B  $\Theta$   $\Pi$  and  $\Sigma$  N two each,  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$ ,  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$  and A T  $\Omega$  one each.

At the University of Texas there are twelve fraternities— $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $K \Sigma$ ,  $\Sigma A E$ ,  $\Sigma X$ ,  $K A$ ,  $\Sigma N$ ,  $X \Phi$ ,  $A T \Omega$ ,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$ ,  $\Phi \Phi \Phi$ . The last is said to be petitioning  $\Phi K \Psi$ .

The latest chapters of  $K \Sigma$  are established at the University of Oregon, University of Chicago, Colorado School of Mines and Massachusetts Agricultural College. At the latter institution  $K \Sigma$  absorbed D. G. K., a local society founded in 1868.

A ruling of the Lehigh faculty, which became effective in September, prohibits initiating or pledging freshmen before January 1 of freshman year, and prohibits their living in chapter houses until the beginning of the second term in February.

$\Delta T \Delta$  has no arbitrary number to which she wishes either to restrict or raise her chapter roll. To our mind our strongest feature is our geographical distribution, which makes us, in the fullest sense of the term, a truly national fraternity.—*Rainbow* of  $\Delta T \Delta$ .

It is understood that the Phi Psis at the University of Illinois have gathered together a fine body of petitioners for the consideration of the executive council under the authority conferred by the recent grand arch council (convention).—*Shield* of  $\Phi K \Psi$  for June.

The *Desmos* for May contains an historical account of  $\Delta \Sigma \Delta$ , the oldest fraternity of dental students. The fraternity was founded at the University of Michigan, March, 1883 (not 1882, as in "American College Fraternities"), and now has 17 active chapters. The *Desmos*, established October, 1894, is edited by Dr. G. E. Hunt and published quarterly at Indianapolis.

There is undoubtedly a more sympathetic unity between the sororities than fraternities. This condition, long apparent, has assumed the form of an inter-organization, which promises to have excellent results in handling fixed and general problems, such as rushing. This organization is making an effort, by establishing Pan-Hellenic associations in the various colleges, to regulate uniformly, as far as local conditions will permit, those questions that vex the fraternity world.—*K A Journal*.

Theodore Roosevelt joined both  $\Delta K E$  and  $A \Delta \Phi$  while he was at Harvard, and  $\Phi \Delta \Phi$  while at Columbia. Charles W. Fairbanks joined  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  at Ohio Wesleyan. Thomas E. Watson, candidate of the Peoples party for president, joined  $\Sigma A E$  at Mercer. We believe these are the only Greeks on the various presidential tickets.

Fraternity membership at Dartmouth and Amherst averages as high probably as at any other institution in the country. Most chapters at each initiate annually very large delegations of from ten to fifteen, with a total average close to thirty.  $\Delta T \Delta$  has thirty-nine undergraduates at Amherst and is not far ahead numerically of others.—*K A Journal*.

Two secret organizations have recently been installed at Tulane. The first, a society for the promotion of college spirit, consists of seniors and juniors, and is called the  $K \Delta \Phi$ . The other, a social organization, limited to sophomores and freshmen, is called the Fox Head. Men from nearly all the regular fraternities are members of these two.—*\Sigma A E Record*.

The  $\Sigma X$  branch at Hampden-Sydney no longer appears on the  $\Sigma X$  roll, and the Washington and Lee chapter is very weak, with only five members.  $\Sigma X$  has had a hard road in Virginia, her University of Virginia chapter, since the death of her Randolph-Macon branch a few years ago, being her sole healthy member on Virginia soil.—*K A Journal* for May.

The fact which makes it safe for  $\Sigma N$  to go into the younger western schools is that a large number of them have been founded and are supported by the states. There is little danger that any of these state schools will ever lack funds to maintain them properly; many of them are entering upon periods of growth which will make them in one generation rivals of all but the greatest eastern universities. Mere numbers certainly do not constitute strength. Unwise and hasty expansion can result in nothing but a weakening of the whole body of the fraternity, but every additional strong chapter adds so much more influence to the fraternity over undergraduate life, and so many more alumni each year. There is an immense advantage on the side of any student organization which has been founded early and grown up with the institution where it exists, molding the life of the school and being molded by it.—*Delta* of  $\Sigma N$ .

The occupation of a house by the Betas led, of course, to the desire of other chapters at Maine to have houses, and from time to time they have rented, built or bought, as circumstances have permitted. The houses built are by K Σ, Q. T. V. (now Φ Γ Δ), Φ K Σ, and one is now going up for Σ A E. Δ T Ω has rented for some ten years. Σ X bought a house two years ago.—University of Maine correspondence of *Beta Theta Pi* for June.

The Σ N house just completed at the University of Illinois is one of the finest structures in that part of the country. It cost \$20,000 and was constructed from plans submitted by members of the fraternity. In height it is three stories; is built of pressed brick, and is equipped with all modern conveniences. There are twenty rooms, besides a large ball room on the third floor. The decorations are handsome, and the furnishings artistic and luxurious.—Σ X *Quarterly*.

A good *Palm* correspondent should know everything that goes on in his own chapter, in his college, in his college town, much of what is doing in the other chapters and student clubs, and as much as possible of what the alumni of his chapter are doing; in fact he should be alive all day and part of the evening in the *Palm's* interest. The chapter should elect a good man, one who understands responsibility, and is willing to take it. Rightly understood and used, this position has great opportunities for a man.—*Palm* of A T Ω.

The subject of extension is always before us. Our strongest competitors are fraternities that are reaching out for new strongholds everywhere, especially in the west. Our field is there as surely as "Westward the tide of Empire takes its way." There we have the opportunities that were seized by older fraternities in the east and if we become pioneers in the west, as they were in the east, our advantages will be correspondingly as great. For the love of Σ N, let us not delay until these same old rivals invade the new territory, and then try to get a foothold. Let us have our day, as they had theirs in the east. We should not be understood to oppose eastern extension. We are in favor of it. But we desire to see a rational view of our greatest, easiest and most productive field of conquest take possession of the minds of our members everywhere. In short, let us not affect the conservatism of some effete organizations, but emulate the example of the most progressive and wide-awake fraternities. Fre-

quently we read in our exchanges and inter-fraternity correspondence: "We,  $\Delta K E$ s,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s, etc., are too conservative. We must extend our boundaries." When these and other large fraternities tire of inaction, can  $\Sigma N$  afford to ape such a senseless policy? We *should* be in the east. We *must* be in the west! Let us wear awhile those seven league boots that placed our rivals in the east so many leagues ahead of us and entrenched them in power for evermore.—Editorial in the  $\Sigma N$  *Delta* for May.

"College fraternity men please register in the northeast corner of Mechanics' Pavilion" was a sign placarded conspicuously about headquarters during the conclave of Knights Templar in San Francisco early in September. The number registered was 137 including 15 of  $B \Theta II$ , 13 of  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 10 of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 8 each of  $\Delta K E$  and  $X \Phi$ , 7 of  $\Psi Y$ , 6 each of  $\Sigma X$  and  $A T \Omega$ , 5 each of  $Z \Psi$ ,  $\Sigma A E$  and  $\Delta Y$ , 4 each of  $\Phi K \Psi$  and  $\Sigma N$ , 3 each of  $\Theta \Delta X$ ,  $A \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ ,  $K A$  and  $K \Sigma$ , 2 of  $\Phi \Delta \Phi$ , 1 each of  $\Phi K \Sigma$ ,  $\Phi \Sigma K$ ,  $\Sigma \Phi$  and  $\Delta X$ .

The  $\Sigma A E$  *Record* for May contains an article about fraternity men at the U. S. Naval Academy. The article, dated January, says that 659 midshipmen are enrolled, of whom 122 have been to college. Of these 62 are said to be fraternity men, the membership of various fraternities being as follows:  $\Sigma A E$ , 12;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 8;  $A T \Omega$ ,  $\Sigma X$ ,  $\Sigma N$ , 4 each;  $\Delta K E$ ,  $\Sigma \Phi$ ,  $\Delta \Psi$ , 3 each;  $B \Theta II$ ,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ ,  $X \Phi$ ,  $X \Psi$ , 2 each;  $\Phi K \Psi$ ,  $\Phi \Sigma K$ ,  $\Psi Y$ ,  $K \Sigma$ , 1 each. This makes a total of only 53 instead of 62. Evidently the list is incomplete, as  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  had 13 members in the academy last spring, as mentioned in the February *SCROLL*.

Within ninety days  $\Sigma N$  entered four institutions—University of West Virginia, February 23, 1904; University of Chicago, April 15; Iowa Agricultural College, April 23; University of Pennsylvania (revived), May 25. The *Delta* calls this "an achievement without a parallel." C. W. Jones, vice-regent of the fraternity, is quoted in the May *Delta* as follows: "The extension question has been largely solved, but before extreme conservatism leads to declination to further expansion, the preservation of our present strength and the material growth of the fraternity demand that chapters be established at the Universities of Minnesota and Nebraska, McGill, Columbia, Dartmouth and Brown."

\*  $\Sigma \Phi E$  seems to have been founded at Richmond College since 1898, when the last edition of American College Fraternities was published, and it now has 15 chapters—Richmond College, University College of Medicine (Richmond, Va.), Roanoke College, University of Virginia, University of Illinois, Bethany College, West Virginia University, Washington and Jefferson College, Jefferson Medical College (Philadelphia, Pa.), Western University of Pennsylvania, University of Pennsylvania, University of Colorado, Johns Hopkins University, Kentucky University, University of Tennessee.

The college year just past has been an auspicious one for  $K \Sigma$ . The chapter roll has been increased from 62 to 71 chapters. and in every instance the youngsters have been vigorous and worthy additions to the fold. Rapid growth of the chapter roll is all right if the growth be healthy. Progress is commendable if that progress is along rational lines. If proper bodies of college men, students in institutions of standing and permanence, continuously petition  $K \Sigma$  to open her portals to them, it is not merely the part of wisdom so to do, it is in reality a duty to the college world in keeping with her fraternity ideals.— $K \Sigma$  *Caduceus*.

At a dinner of the New York association of  $\Delta K E$ , at Delmonico's, April 15, Mr. Harry R. Danner, president of the council of the fraternity, spoke as follows, as reported in the *Quarterly* for June:

Some chapters seem at present strongly, if not unalterably, opposed to any extension. They view with alarm the action of the fraternity in recent years. Five chapters have been established during the last six years, while during the previous nineteen years only two new chapters were founded and one inactive chapter revived. Other chapters believe that in order to maintain our preeminence in the college world we should occupy each vantage point as opportunity offers. Our true course lies somewhere between these two extremes. Our country is undergoing at the present time an epidemic of education. Many institutions which a few years ago were either unfounded or too insignificant to attract general attention, today rank high in the number of their students, in their endowments and in the ability and number of their instructors. This is particularly true of the great universities of the west.

Out of a little over 1300 students, there are about 175 fraternity men at Purdue University.  $\Sigma X$ , the pioneer here, entered in 1875. Ten years later  $K \Sigma$  installed a chapter here, and in 1892  $\Sigma N$  followed. In 1893 three fraternities entered— $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Sigma A E$  and  $T B II$  (honorary).  $\Phi K \Psi$  came in 1901, and  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  the following year. Last fall  $B \Theta II$

granted a charter to a local. All of these fraternities are located in chapter houses, but only  $\Sigma N$  and  $\Phi K \Psi$  are house owners.  $\Sigma X$ ,  $K \Sigma$ ,  $\Sigma N$  and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  all rent halls in the city. According to an agreement with the faculty, the fraternities cannot initiate their freshmen until after the first of April. The first two weeks in April are, therefore, pretty busy days for the "spikes" at Purdue. There are several inter-fraternity functions among the Purdue Greeks. Pan-Hellenic dances are held each year, generally three in number—junior, sophomore and "pan" dances. There is also an interfraternity baseball league, and great interest is taken in this every spring, not only by the fraternity men, but by large numbers of the "barbs."— $\Sigma A E$  Record for May.

The most interesting of recent revivals is that of  $\Theta \Delta X$  at William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va. This institution, founded in 1693, is the second oldest college in America, and every fraternity man knows that there, in 1776, was founded the first Greek-letter society— $\Phi B K$ .  $\Theta \Delta X$  entered the college in 1853;  $\Sigma A E$ , 1858;  $\Pi K A$ , 1871;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 1874;  $K \Sigma$ , 1890;  $K A$ , 1890;  $M \Pi A$ , 1901. The  $\Theta \Delta X$  chapter, suspended in 1872, was revived by the absorption of  $M \Pi A$ , on April 22, 1904. The chapter of  $\Sigma A E$  suspended in 1861, and the chapter of  $B \Theta \Pi$  in 1877. The enrollment of students in 1903-04 was 155, and there are now four active fraternities— $\Theta \Delta X$ ,  $\Pi K A$ ,  $K \Sigma$ ,  $K A$ . All of them are quartered in rooms.  $K \Sigma$  has a suite in a house of the president of the college, Dr. Lyon G. Tyler, who, as well as his son, is a member of  $K \Sigma$ . Dr. Tyler is a son of John Tyler, tenth president of the United States.  $\Theta \Delta X$  expects to rent a house this fall. This revival gives  $\Theta \Delta X$  its only active chapter in the South. It has inactive chapters at North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Washington and Lee.

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#### THE FIRST FRATERNITY IN DELAWARE.

Southern Kappa Alpha, on April 29, 1904, established a chapter of twelve men at Delaware College, Newark, Del. This institution, chartered in 1833, first opened its doors in 1834. It was suspended from 1859 to 1870. In 1870 "a joint and equal interest in the grounds, buildings, libraries and vested funds of the college proper" was conveyed to the state of Delaware, and equal representation upon the board of trustees was given to the state. This was done in consid-

eration of the legislature designating the college as the beneficiary of the appropriations from the federal government under the Morrill bill and Hatch bill.

The buildings consist of a recitation hall, a library, a machine shop, a dormitory, a gymnasium, and an experiment station building. The college has 125 students, all males, and none preparatory. Though K A is the first fraternity to enter this college, or to establish a chapter in the state of Delaware, fraternities have flourished for many years in eastern institutions where the number of students was no larger and in several instances considerably smaller. The following paragraphs are quoted from the K A *Journal* for May:

Delaware College is situated at Newark, a quiet, well-ordered, and hospitable village of 1500 inhabitants in the northwestern part of the state. It is fifty-eight miles from Baltimore and 98 from Washington, lying several miles south of the historic Mason and Dixon's line, which is alike the northern boundary of both Maryland and Delaware.

The permanent endowment fund of Delaware College is \$83,000, while its annual income and expenditure amounts to \$60,000, exclusive of periodical appropriations by the state legislature. The value of buildings and grounds is placed above \$125,000, its scientific apparatus at \$30,000. It is not a co-educational institution, and has no sub-freshmen classes. It has a faculty of twenty professors, and the annual attendance ranges from 115 to 130 students. In accordance with the "Morrill act," the college has the military feature, which extends to all the classes.

The board of trustees consists of fifteen members, representing the original board, and fifteen members on the part of the state appointed by the governor, five from each of the three counties. The governor of the state and the president of the college are members *ex-officio*.

K A is the first fraternity to enter Delaware College, which dates its existence from 1834. We have secured the pick of 125 men, representing the very best families of Delaware and neighboring states. The little state of Delaware is intensely loyal to its only state institution, and here are found the sons of her most prominent citizens.

The college is essentially southern in the prominence it gives to forensic discussion. Before the entrance of K A there were no Greek-letter fraternities at the college, and, consequently, the two literary societies monopolized the interest of the students.

K A is now truly southern—it has at least one chapter in each southern state, and of its 49 active chapters, I know of none which has greater promise for future success than the latest acquisition of loyal spirits at Delaware College.

As usual, wherever K A hangs out her banner, K Σ is not far behind. There is a local at Delaware College which is now petitioning K Σ.

#### CHAPTER HOUSES VS. DORMITORIES.

The Brown chapter of A Δ Φ has purchased the historic Fynal mansion in Providence. Δ Y also entered a home "on the hill" this fall, or rather half of a double house. Previous

to this fall the only fraternity which occupied a home at Brown was  $\Psi Y$ , which purchased it many years ago. The *Providence Journal* says:

For many years fraternities at Brown have been discussing chapter houses, but the discussion has always shown that there is a serious difference of opinion even among students upon the subject. Those in favor of chapter houses argue that life in a house with only congenial fellows is much pleasanter than life in a dormitory that is open to the whole college. And more than that, they add, an attractive chapter house will advertise a fraternity and help to bring into its membership some of the most desirable students.

On the other hand, the opponents of the scheme maintain that it is conducive to the formation of cliques. Little groups of men under such a system will live more and more by themselves and take less and less interest in the affairs of students outside their narrow circle. In short, the fraternity spirit which already endangers the "life together" whenever there is a hard struggle to control offices, will be intensified with chapter houses, especially if they are off the campus. These new institutions will also counteract some of the influences of the Brown Union, now established in the Rockefeller Hall. The union was formed to bring college men together, to unite so far as possible the different elements in undergraduate life. When the fraternities have club houses of their own they will not be so apt to seek amusement in the union.

One great advantage, however, the chapter house does have. It brings the chapter and the local alumni together, and that does undoubtedly mean great pleasure and profit to both graduate and undergraduate, but many men who have studied the question believe that this benefit does not in any large way make up for the loss the student must suffer when he moves off the campus.

Whatever evils there may be in chapter houses of the sort now established at Brown will be at least much limited, if not altogether avoided, by the plan which will be adopted of permitting only the upper classmen to room in these buildings. The new movement is hardly more than an experiment as yet, and the results of it will be awaited with interest by all who have at heart the interest of the college as a whole.

In his annual report, last month, President Faunce said:

A movement seems to be in progress among our students and alumni for the establishment of fraternity houses near our campus. One such house has been in existence for some years. Another has just been purchased, and a third will soon be opened. Personally, I am not eager to see this movement extend, for the dormitory life of Brown University has always been one great cause of our sound and sensible democracy. The centrifugal forces of a city are strong enough, without our creating new ones. It is our aim and hope to maintain such buildings on our campus that students can there find all that can be demanded of a true academic home. I should be sorry to see our dormitories deserted by the very students who do most to give them a wholesome atmosphere and high character. We should all protest against any influence that would divide our students into cliques, or emphasize loyalties which at best should ever be subordinate to loyalty to the entire college.

Yet, on the other hand, there are some advantages to be found in such houses. A refinement of life, a type of social organization is there attainable which it may be difficult otherwise to cultivate. It is possible that the establishment of a few such houses may supplement without injuring the present dormitory system. If, however, such houses are to exist, the import-

ant duty at once devolves on fraternity alumni to see that each building is wisely and strictly controlled, and that there is a clear understanding between the administration of the house and the administration of the university.

Chapters of sororities have been established recently as follows: K A @ at Vanderbilt and Texas, A X Ω at Wisconsin, K K Γ at Newcomb College of Tulane University, Π B Φ at Barnard College of Columbia University, A Ξ Δ at Wittenberg and Syracuse.

X Φ, Σ N and Σ A E rented houses at Emory last year, but at commencement the college trustees (following similar action at Mercer a few years ago) prohibited fraternities from occupying houses. Probably the chief cause of this action was that chapter houses interfered to some extent with the "Emory dining hall and dormitory system," which accommodates 150 students, and which, an advertisement says, furnishes "good board in the dining hall for \$8 a month."

#### THE "WE'RE-THE-WHOLE-THING" CHAPTER.

The following letter from the Hickie Alpha chapter of the Yammi Hammi Ki fraternity is republished from the Φ Δ @ SCROLL for February, 1903; the poem, "In Memoriam," is republished from the K A *Journal*; the poem, "We Are It," is republished from the Indianapolis *Journal* and the Φ K Ψ *Shield*; the cartoon is republished from the *Phi Gamma Delta*, whose editor kindly loaned the plate. The four burlesques go well together. At the banquet of the national convention of Φ Δ @ at New York City, November 27, 1902, Richard Henry Little read the following chapter letter from the Yammi Hammi Ki *Bazoo*:

#### HICKIE ALPHA OF YAMMI HAMMI KI.

School opened this fall with a very much increased attendance, and we take pride in saying that our university now has Yale beat off the block and Harvard run up an alley. With three thousand in the freshman class there was no lack of good Yammi Ham material, but with our usual conservatism we took in only fifty-three, although the entire freshman class lay for three days in the street in front of our house with their heads in the dust, weeping and sobbing for the glorious privilege of being initiated into splendid old Yammi Hammi Ki. As a result of the initiation the following new Yammi Ham brothers take great pride in being presented to the fraternity: Theodore Roosevelt, president of the United States, who is here taking a post-grad. degree; Prince Maki Dakki Higo, heir apparent to the Japanese throne; Pierpont Morgan, the well-known financier, who is here taking a course in economics; Lord Somerset-Somerset, chief equerry in waiting and master of the buck hounds in England; Baron Heinrich Von Rathskeller, captain in the imperial life guards, Germany, and cousin of the Kaiser. This list of course includes but a very few of the men whom we initiated; the others are



THE "WE-LEAD-IN EVERYTHING" CHAPTER-LETTER.

Courtesy of the Phi Gamma Delta.

all of the Yammi Ham standard, no one being admitted to our chapter except millionaires, railroad presidents, and members of the United States senate or their sons.

Our chapter house became too cramped for our present increased membership, and, at our request, the trustees of the university gave us a quit-claim deed to the handsome new library building of the institution, which was only recently completed at a cost of \$300,000. We have just moved in and are now nicely settled. If visiting Yammi Hams will notify us when they intend to come to our college, we will send our automobile and liveried servants to the depot to meet them. Visiting brothers will kindly wear Prince Alberts, gray trousers and silk hats, and before being brought up to the chapter house will be required to present copies of their genealogical trees, a sworn statement of their bank accounts, a sample of their cigarettes and cigars, and their photographs to our "visiting-brothers-committee" to whom they must give an exhibition of their dancing qualities, voices, drawing-room and table manners, before they will be permitted to associate with us or walk around town with their Yammi Ham pins on. We dislike to be so particular, but we are compelled to maintain our social prestige.

While the school year is hardly yet begun we have already taken a number of honors. Nobody but Yammi Hams are permitted to play on the football team. We had the football grounds moved over to our back yard, so that the members of the chapter could sit in our smoking room and watch the game without being compelled to associate with the common herd that usually crowds the grand stand and bleachers. Bro. Bunkum is now acting as treasurer of the university, adviser-in-chief of the college trustees, besides being No. 3 in the boat, pitcher of the baseball nine, halfback on the football team, high jumper, hammer thrower and long-distance walker of the track team, and president of the undergraduate association, the oratorical association and the young men's rescue league. Bro. Flimflamer is president of the four literary societies, the two debating clubs, the four classes, the hop committee, the athletic board, and is stroke oar in the crew. Bro. Ramrod is major, captain and first lieutenant of the military corps of the university, captain of the football team, the track team, the baseball team, the boat crew, and president of the Y. M. C. A., editor of the college paper, and ivy leaf orator. It's hard to think of all the college honors which belong to us, but if there are any that we've overlooked we'll get them as soon as we hear of them.

We did not like the president of the university, Dr. Frowner, and when he objected to our setting fire to the gymnasium as a proper finish to our initiation ceremonies we were reluctantly compelled, the next day, to throw him bodily out of the chapel and put Bro. Blowhard in his place. The trustees at first refused to indorse our action, on the grounds that Bro. Blowhard is only in the freshman class, but when we threatened to withdraw our fraternity from the school they immediately surrendered, and Bro. Blowhard will be installed as president of the university with great ceremony next month. After Bro. Blowhard becomes president we expect to use the chapel of the university for a goat-room, holding all our initiations there. We will allow the chapel to be used by the university at commencement time. We are going to use the observatory as a kennel for our bulldog. We do not like the present faculty very well, and are considering removing the entire body and substituting them with Yammi Hams.

I am sorry that I have so little of real importance to write you this month, but from what I have said you will know that Hickie Alpha chapter is prospering and doing its share towards the glorious advancement of grand old Yammi Hammi Ki.

## IN MEMORIAM, OR HIC JACET.

(Narrating what happened to an aged alumnus upon reading a chapter letter.)

Gray-headed and bent he reclined in his chair,  
 And to his eyes started soft tears,  
 He was thoughtfully scanning a magazine  
 That he hadn't perused in years.  
 Far back in the days of his halcyon youth,  
 When life seemed a vision of joy,  
 He had sworn, at an altar of friendship and truth,  
 The vow of the college boy,  
 That bound him to others in brotherly love;  
 Not for a day, but for life,  
 With a tie which the poet hath feelingly said  
 May not be undone with a knife.  
 And the pages he scanned with his tear-bedimmed eye  
 Awakened the ancient desire  
 To sing the old songs and to spike the new men  
 And to lounge by the chapter house fire.  
 He thought of old friends, many gone to their rest,  
 And of maidens now grandmothers sere,  
 Of hoary professors whose races were run  
 And who passed from the scene with each year;  
 And as he perused, and still further perused,  
 The volume that lay 'neath his gaze,  
 He came to a page that e'en stronger than all  
 Renewed the old halcyon days.  
 'Twas a letter that bore the familiar sign  
 That stood for the old chapter name,  
 And he sought for the words that would bring the glad news  
 That the standard once set was the same.  
 He observed with a start: "We're easily first"—  
 How the ancient times came back, alas!  
 "In fact, in the spiking we lost not a man,  
 We've the pick of the whole freshman class."  
 With a faint smile he ran his eye on down the page,  
 When a short distance further he came  
 To that gag he oft used in his own guileless youth;  
 It ran, "We're the *creme de la creme*."  
 But his ultimate finish he met as he reached,  
 "Our motto is quality not——"  
 But all things around him grew dim, indistinct,  
 And he gasped and expired on the spot.

"G. W." in the *K A Journal*.

## WE ARE IT.

The grand arch council (convention) of  $\Phi K \Psi$  was held at Indianapolis, April 6-8, 1904. The following poem appeared in the Indianapolis *Journal*, April 8. The poem was reproduced, with the following comment, in the  $\Phi K \Psi$  *Shield* for June:

Some envious barbarian, with access to the columns of an Indianapolis paper, recently indulged in some practical persiflage, prompted by the recent

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session of the grand arch council. While the *Shield* is willing to admit that most of the claims made for the fraternity in this effusion are well founded, it is inclined to think that a few must be considered as the effects of poetic license. At any rate the verses are clever, and they are appended:

## PHI PSI.

Who owns the city and the state?

Phi Psi.

What makes the nation truly great?

Phi Psi.

Who rules the most of all the land,  
From Maine's rock-shore to Kansas sand;

Who yells in tunes to beat the band?

Phi Psi.

Whose brains control the papers here?

Phi Psi.

What badge gets work from year to year?

Phi Psi.

What frat is there with such a mold  
That all within the rest uphold,  
And knock the men outside the fold?

Phi Psi.

Who told Japan to lick the Russ?

Phi Psi.

Who gave Bob Evans the right to cuss?

Phi Psi.

Who told the President, Teddy Roo—

To dig the Panny canal through,

If not—who mentioned what they'd do?

Phi Psi.

Who builds the ships which rule the sea?

Phi Psi.

Who are the kings of minstrelsy?

Phi Psi.

Who are the poets, dreamers, braves—

The men for whom old glory waves,

Who are the men that freed the slaves?

Phi Psi.

Who holds the hero-corner firm?

Phi Psi.

Who makes the pugilists to squirm?

Phi Psi.

Who are the ALL, the WHOLE, the SPHERE,

Sun, moon and stars, and all the year;

BRAINS, WEALTH, and POWER—Hear,

Hear! Hear! Hear!

PHI PSI.

## THE TWO KAPPA ALPHA FRATERNITIES.

The K A *Journal* for May contains an interesting article on "Union with Northern Kappa Alpha," written by Mr. L. S. Boyd, Auburn, '92, now connected with the library of con-

gress at Washington. He deals with the subject historically, and says:

For the benefit of the new members it may be well to state that there is not and never has been any connection between the two Kappa Alphas. There is no similarity but the name. Northern K A was founded at Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., in 1825, and now has seven chapters, all of which are located in New York, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and Canada. Southern K A was founded at Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va., in 1865, and has 49 active chapters. Numerically, we are the strongest fraternity in the south, and our lady friends tell us we are by long odds the best. Northern K A is numerically the weakest in the north, and this fact cannot add to its strength and prestige. We have an alumni list of 6,000, Northern K A not exceeding 1,500.

The first convention, in 1870, decided that there should be no extension northward, and no affiliation with Northern K A, but the convention of 1873 appointed a committee to confer with the northern order in regard to a union. It seems that there was a conference between the two orders in 1873 and another in 1883, but the negotiations concluded without any definite action. The question of union having been broached to the Cornell chapter of Northern K A in 1884, a member of that chapter wrote to prominent members of Southern K A, objecting to the proposition, saying:

By joining so large a body as yours we should certainly be "swallowed up" and our independence lost. To speak plainly, I cannot see that any advantage would accrue to either by tying together with a merely formal bond two societies whose only common subject of interest is two Greek initials. In both societies there must necessarily have grown up revered traditions and ceremonies which could not be assimilated. It would be a union of bodies without concord of sentiment, and necessarily distracting.

Northern K A now has 7 active chapters—Union, Williams, Hobart, Cornell, Toronto, Lehigh, McGill. Southern K A has 49 chapters, located in all states of the south, including Delaware, District of Columbia and Missouri, with two chapters in California. Mr. Boyd strongly favors union, saying:

To attain greatness in the fraternity world there must at least be no other fraternity in the field bearing the same name. There must be exclusive ownership in this one common property—an exclusiveness not questioned, an identity. Union, expansion, and centralization mark the advance of the mind of man, and no fraternity, order, or church that limits its operations to any one section of our common country can in the future have the ghost of a show in holding its own ground, much less to compete with those organizations which recognize the permanent unity of the all-conquering Saxon, tearing down all state and sectional barriers, and leaping over the borders, give the right hand of fellowship and love to those who are both willing and worthy to receive it. This applies to Northern as well as to Southern K A.

There is not to be found in the ritual or constitution of Southern K A one single word of a sectional nature, or that could be construed as a bar to

northern extension. . . . That K A has no law against northern extension is evidenced by the two chapters she attempted to establish there. In 1877 we chartered and established Nu Prime, with four members, at the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery, Philadelphia, but as our fraternity was then at its lowest ebb, this chapter died in 1879.

It may be noted that this chapter at Philadelphia is not mentioned in "American College Fraternities." The other northern institution referred to is Marietta College, Ohio. In 1880 a charter was promised to a number of Marietta students for a chapter to be known as Rho, but for some unknown reason they were not organized. An ex-knight commander is quoted as saying recently: "If this chapter had been established and had prospered, the question of northern extension would not now be coming up biennially to vex us, and a large proportion of our chapters today would probably be scattered throughout the north and west." About ten years ago half a dozen members of Southern K A at the University of Michigan applied for a charter which was refused. Mr. Boyd thinks that the ritualistic differences of the two orders could be adjusted, saying:

Our fraternity is of semi-military character, reflecting the environment of its infancy; and our ritual, a grand martial drama, not, however, of the present, but of a past generation—the generation of the courtly knight and the fair lady, and of times when the motto, "*Dieu et les Dames*" summed up the acme of civilization. . . . We need fear no general change of principles at the hand of Northern K A and she need feel no fear from us. I do not believe that either holds principles antagonistic to the other, and which cannot easily be reduced to a common and satisfactory basis. From many quarters there come to us demands for other degrees, and the sacred possession of the two Kappa Alphas can readily be assimilated into one harmonious whole.

Summing up the advantages of a union, Mr. Boyd says:

*What we get:* We become national, and it will no longer be thrown at us that we are local and sectional, thus losing us valuable men in the rushing season. We partake of the age and prestige of Northern K A, and become the oldest American college fraternity, which carries weight with it. We discover new fields in their ritual and customs, which will tend to broaden and elevate. We shall have open to us the whole north and west for further extension, and, finally, we add to our roll a long list of distinguished men of the north, seven active chapters and 1,500 alumni.

*What they get:* They become national, and will thus be placed in a better position to compete with the other national fraternities. They will honor our ritual and ceremonies, written by a conservative southern gentleman of the old school, a graduate and LL. D. of Washington and Lee University, a Confederate soldier and Mason, and a learned classical scholar, now editorial writer on the Baltimore *Sun*—Dr. Samuel Z. Ammen. At one stroke they add to their chapter roll 49 southern colleges, 6,000 alumni, and many of the most distinguished men of the south—including Rev. Thomas Dixon, Capt. Richmond Pearson Hobson, Hon. John Temple Graves, District Attorney Joseph W. Folk, of St. Louis; five members of Congress; ten

college presidents, and 100 high State officials. In the city of New York alone they add 100 of our alumni, probably as many as they have there themselves.

Probably no other fraternity vests such great authority and power in the hands of its chief officer as does Southern K A.

Mr. Boyd says:

With us no convention of chapters can charter a new chapter; it rests entirely with our knight commander and his executive council. . . . Our knight commander, under our law, can, of his own volition, and without the aid and consent of any officer or member, place a chapter in the north if he so desires.

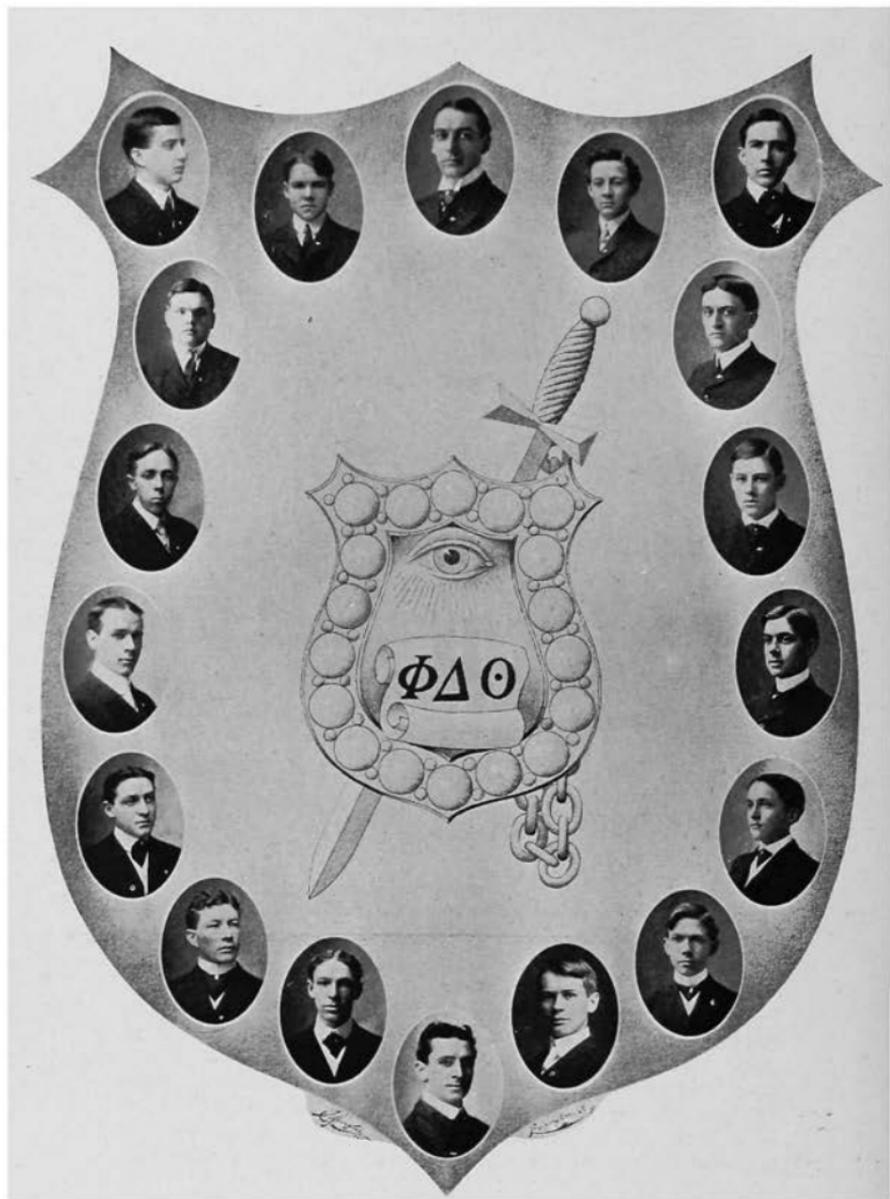
Mr. Boyd mentions that at the K A convention at Atlanta, 1903, "John Temple Graves, our polished orator, in a magnificent speech, set forth the advantages of northern extension, for which he was honored with an election to the council of honor." The editor of the *Journal*, referring to Mr. Boyd's article, says:

In years gone by unquestionably the great mass of the fraternity was opposed to the idea, and John Temple Graves and James W. Morris battled in its favor practically unsupported. In more recent times a great change of sentiment has undoubtedly been taking place in the attitude of the order regarding the question. Not long ago one of our largest and most influential southern alumni chapters unanimously passed resolutions favoring northern extension, and within the past few months out of fifty of the alumni of one of our oldest and most conservative chapters who were asked to give their views on the question—and by one violently opposed to the movement—forty-eight expressed themselves as favoring it. These facts are here stated not in advocacy of the principle, but to open the eyes of those who so blindly maintain that the fraternity is solidly opposed to it.

The policy of western extension, however, is an entirely different matter. The fraternity has already unalterably committed itself to it by the establishment of two chapters in the state of California. It is worthy of note to observe that these two chapters were formed by and with the authority of Bro. S. Z. Ammen, who was knight commander at that time, and who has long been recognized as the leader of the anti-northern extension forces. The two California chapters have struggled manfully and successfully against great odds, and they deserve the sincere thanks and hearty commendation of the fraternity at large for the high stand they have taken. They deserve more. Instead of being left alone to fight the battles of K A, a thousand miles apart from the nearest sister chapter, they should have, and they have a right to expect, the active support of the fraternity in their efforts for the establishment of additional chapters in the west. We trust that, if proper occasion should arise, those in authority will not fail to lend every assistance in their power toward the accomplishment of this end, which seems to us no less than their plain duty.

To the May *Journal* Mr. D. W. Taylor, of the California chapter, contributes an article in which he strongly urges that Southern K A should enter the state universities of Oregon, Washington and Nevada, and he says:

The great trouble with many of us is that we are too fond of patting ourselves on the back and making long orations on what we have done, when in



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reality it is our predecessors who have conquered the lands, broken the soil, and sown the seed which breeds courageous manhood and feminine capitulation. They were the pioneers, the real workers, while we sit around inactive, doing air-architecture, or relating to the younger members the deeds of daring done by our ancestors. We have grown self-satisfied, content to let things stand as they are.

## THE PYX.

The publication of the dates of establishment of chapters in the directory, begun by Bro. Royall H. Switzler and later inadvertently omitted, has been renewed in this number of THE SCROLL. This includes the dates of alumni clubs. The editors believe that this will afford information that is sometimes earnestly sought. They particularly request that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  editors of college annuals shall see that the list of our chapters appears exactly as given in the latest issue of THE SCROLL, not as published three or four years ago. Of course, it is optional whether or not they give the dates of establishment of chapters.

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The editor frankly confesses and apologizes for an error in the account of the Delta Province convention in the June number. It was in the statement that all the chapters excepting Ohio Theta, were represented. The fact is that this splendid chapter was ably represented by two of its members. The article was written by the editor out of copious and accurate material furnished by Bro. C. S. Hoskinson, the province president. In some unaccountable way, this unfortunate statement innocently crept into the article. The convention was complete in representation and Ohio Theta, as usual, did her full duty.

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Grateful acknowledgements are made of the receipt of the following college annuals: *The Record*, of the University of Pennsylvania; *The Tyee*, of the University of Washington; *La Vie*, of Pennsylvania State College; *The Sou'wester*, of Southwestern; *The Debris*, of Purdue; *The Melange*, of Lafayette; and the *The Colby Oracle*. The pleasant perusal of these artistic publications has given us a better insight into these institutions. We are especially glad to note in them the many honors won by Phi Delta Thetas and their prominence in the editorial and business management. In view of the very laborious and time-consuming nature of the work,

we have decided to omit the usual review of college annuals, and without objection from the thoughtful and generous brothers who sent them to us, we will deposit these annuals in the fraternity library.

#### CONVENTION ARRANGEMENTS.

Full of loyalty and glad hospitality, the Phis of Indianapolis and vicinity are preparing to make the November convention the greatest in our history. Those of us who were there in 1894 have especially keen appetites for this coming feast of fellowship. There is abundant indication of a great attendance. Every chapter and alumni club ought to be represented by as many as possible. A fare of one and one-third will be offered. The convention headquarters will be the magnificent new Claypool Hotel, at which all the business sessions and social features will be held. The rates will be \$1.50 per day, European, and \$3, American. The business sessions will be held according to the usual plan, beginning Monday morning, November 21. The social events will be in part as follows: Tuesday noon, buffet luncheon by Dr. J. E. Brown to delegates and officers; Tuesday evening, smoker; Wednesday evening, reception and dance; Thursday, football; Thursday evening, banquet; Friday evening, theatre party. Further details will be announced in the November *Palladium*. The convention committees, which have gone zealously to work, are as follows:

*Executive*—S. K. Ruick, chairman; Amos W. Butler, Frank Martin, Dr. Foxworthy, W. H. Morrison, Dr. Woolen, Robert Sweeney, John P. Frenzel, James Gilchrist, John Kittle. *Dance*—Dr. Foxworthy, chairman; Norman Peck, Charles Wilson, Dr. Torian, Jay Dill, Robert Sweeney, John P. Frenzel, Paul Murray. *Banquet*—W. H. Morrison, chairman; C. A. Macanley, F. A. Preston, Dr. Woolen, Dr. Hood, Dillon Hacker. *Decorating*—Will Wilson, chairman; John Kittle, John Cunningham, Jim Gilchrist. *Finance*—Frank Martin, chairman; Hilton U. Brown, James W. Fesler, S. K. Ruick, Dr. Chas. Little. *Smoker*—S. K. Ruick, chairman; Chas. S. Rauh, Thomas Whallon, Ralph Bamberger, Bob Foster. *Theatre*—James Gilchrist, chairman; John Kittle, George Davis, Dr. Ogle, Dr. Woolen, Dr. Little, Dr. Cunningham, Clarence Miller. *Newspaper*—Robert A. Brown, chairman; Russell Byers, Harry Evans, Hilton U. Brown, Adolph Schmuck, Robert Hobbs, W. C. Robertson.

*Reception*—Claud Tuck, chairman; Bert Day, Leslie Anthony, Dr. Ensminger, M. J. Bowman, Reginald Hughes, Earl Minor, Mark Brown, Frank Olive, Cleo Hunt, Tom Shipp, Olin Finney, Joe Minor, Miller.

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#### THE NEW COVER OF THE SCROLL.

The plate used for printing the covers of THE SCROLL having worn out, a new cover design has been engraved. The cover which appears on this issue for the first time was designed by the assistant editor, and was executed by The Dreka Company, of Philadelphia.

The two last designs used on the cover of THE SCROLL—the one from 1884 to 1892, and the one from 1892 to 1904—were engraved by Louis Dreka, the predecessor of The Dreka Company.

This company has a widely extended and well deserved reputation for fine work, and especially for fine steel plate engraving. It has a large staff of very artistic and skillful designers and engravers, and it has always seemed to us that in college and fraternity engraving the Dreka people always knew better than any other engravers what would be appropriate and in good taste. They seem to understand Greek-letter symbolism, and how to make harmonious and tasteful groupings of classical emblems.

In 1888, Louis Dreka engraved the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  charter plate, which is still in use, except that the coat-of-arms has been changed.

In 1903, The Dreka Company was chosen by the general council to engrave the official plate of the coat-of-arms. This was done, with close attention to details, and the result was a very beautiful specimen of steel plate engraving. Impressions from the new plate made the frontispiece of THE SCROLL for last October.

Several chapters ordered impressions from this plate to use as inserts in college annuals last year. We trust that these inserts will be used exclusively this year in the annuals in which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented, for they are made from the only official plate.

Samples and prices may be obtained from The Dreka Company, 1121 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa. On request, the company will also send samples of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  stationery, including paper bearing the coat-of-arms from a new embossing die.

At the suggestion of the assistant editor, and conforming to his ideas, The Dreka Company has prepared a new design for a "shingle," or certificate of membership, which will be presented for approval to the national convention in November.



PHI DELTA THETA PLAQUE.

J. F. Newman, 11 John street, New York City, official fraternity jeweler, is the manufacturer's agent for the sale of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  plaques. The first one was made in July, and a half-tone of it appears above. The coat-of-arms is cast in brass, and is enameled in the fraternity colors. From the top of the crest to the bottom of the streamer carrying the motto is eight inches. The casting is mounted on a heavy, beveled edge, Flemish-oak board. The shield-shaped board measures  $13\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$  inches. The design is a striking one, and makes a handsome ornament for the room of a Phi or for a chapter hall. It is suitable, even for the exterior of a chapter house. J. F. Newman is agent also for the sale of similar plaques bearing the coats-of-arms of various colleges. Prices will be furnished on application.



PHI DELTA THETA STEIN.

Wright, Kay & Co., 140-142 Woodward avenue, Detroit, official fraternity jewelers, are the manufacturer's agents for the sale of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  steins. The first one was made in June and a half-tone of it appears above. The stein is of porcelain, about five inches high. It is enameled in dark brown, shading off nearly to white, where the coat-of-arms is burned in. Every  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  den should contain one of these steins. The price is \$1.50, express paid.

#### THE CHAPTER HOUSE CURRICULUM.

The college dormitory falls short of the chapter house for several reasons. In the "dorm" the different classes are housed together so far as possible. The freshman never benefits by a senior's experience until he himself is that senior. Let a stranger to the institution be placed in a room in the "dorm" for a few days, as the writer once was, and I can assure you that stranger will not get a very commendable idea of the sociability and hospitality existing in that institution. The freshman or even sophomore will keep strictly to his room. He does not call upon you and offer his service in showing you about the various places of interest. Even at the table this underclassman will sit at your elbow and neither raise his eyes nor open his mouth until you open the conversation.

The institution did not lack hospitality as was later proven when the stranger became acquainted with a sophomore from one of the fraternity houses. This man, along with his fellows, made every effort to afford a genial good time, to present the social side of the college, and even town, in its best light. As fraternity men living in chapter houses they had been trained. Men of larger experience had taught them. As underclassmen they had been made to realize that it was their duty to uphold the reputation of their frat and college in a social manner on such occasions.

Passing over the chapter house as a moral and governing force among the students and confining our attention to a more narrow line of thought, we can truthfully say that as an educator the chapter house stands second only to the college. Indeed, it is not unusual to hear men say that the chapter house has been for them more of a practical educator than the college itself.

In the chapter house college men are made to realize that life is real and must be practical. The bookworm cannot hope to benefit humanity by continually absorbing but never giving of himself. The athlete will find few places in the active world for brute force only. The social fop can find no market for his nonsense. Thus while yet young in his college life the fraternity man learns to combine learning, athletics and social qualities so as to develop himself into an all 'round practical *useful man*. Upper classmen direct his aimless efforts. That the reputation of their fraternity may not suffer they will not allow him to neglect society and athletics.

On the other hand let his grades fall below a standard, almost high, and he is interrogated, told just what is expected of him. Because he lives in the chapter house he is constantly under surveillance. Three times a day at least he must meet the other fellows. Every man who has ever lived in a chapter house knows that ninety-nine faults out of every hundred, in ninety-nine fellows out of every hundred, can be purged away with little danger of recurrence by the thorough systematic roasting in operation at the chapter house table.

A freshman is a freshman and a senior is a senior. Class distinctions have a mighty influence for good discipline. That a good wholesome discipline is exercised when lower classmen are given charge of the house furnace and told to keep the walks free from snow, and are asked to serve refreshments at the smaller house parties, cannot be gainsaid.

This service gladly done, this discipline gladly taken earns to the underclassman what he can get in no other possible way, a real ownership in his frat, his chapter fellowship, and in his chapter home—he has put himself into them and become part of them.

These same underclassmen, when they have become upperclassmen, feel that to exercise a proper influence over their fresh and sophs, they themselves must set a good example and so the good work begun lives on throughout the four years, and, dare we say, throughout life. The proper management of a chapter house is not a little valuable business experience for seniors.

The upperclassmen know and the freshmen soon learn that the alumni are vitally interested in the work of their student brothers. It is not too much to say that often the college derives some of its greatest benefits from its alumni because of the active interest manifested by these old fraternity men in their chapter house and the faithful efforts of the frats to send annual reports to each of its alumni.

Men graduate and pass out to life's battles. New men take their places. Still the same ideals are looked up to, the same ambitions hold sway, the chapter house claimed by old alumni becomes *our* chapter house, the object of love to everyone that has lived and learned his lessons of life there, the first thing in our mind when old college days are remembered.—H. A. D. in *A T Ω Palm*.

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A. H. Fetting, 213 North Liberty street, Baltimore, Md., official fraternity jeweler, is making a souvenir  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  spoon, under the direction of the assistant editor. He is taking much pains with the details. He expects to have the spoons ready for sale by the time of the national convention. For the national conventions in Louisville and New York, and for Alpha province convention in Syracuse, Mr. Fetting designed and made souvenir buttons, and donated them to the fraternity. He is preparing similar souvenirs for the national convention at Indianapolis.

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Messrs. Roehm and Son, jewelers, of Detroit, have just placed upon the market a very neat and stylish watch fob bearing the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  coat-of-arms. They will be glad to advise any inquiries as to the price of it.

The *Phi Delta Theta News*, published by the Philadelphia alumni club, has completed its first volume. This volume contains five issues, which have from four to eight pages each. The fifth number, dated July, makes the gratifying announcement that the receipts from subscriptions during 1903-04 were sufficient to pay all bills and leave a small balance to continue the publication this fall. The *News* is the only local paper published by any college fraternity. It is edited by Bros. Craig Atmore and Edward A. Shumway, M. D. We always read it with pleasure and find in it many items of interest. It contains considerable general fraternity intelligence, as well as information about  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in Philadelphia, and the University of Pennsylvania. The *News* is a worthy enterprise, a credit to the Philadelphia club, as well as to the editors, and to them we extend our congratulations and best wishes for the continued success of the paper. The price of the *News* is \$1 a year, 20 cents an issue.

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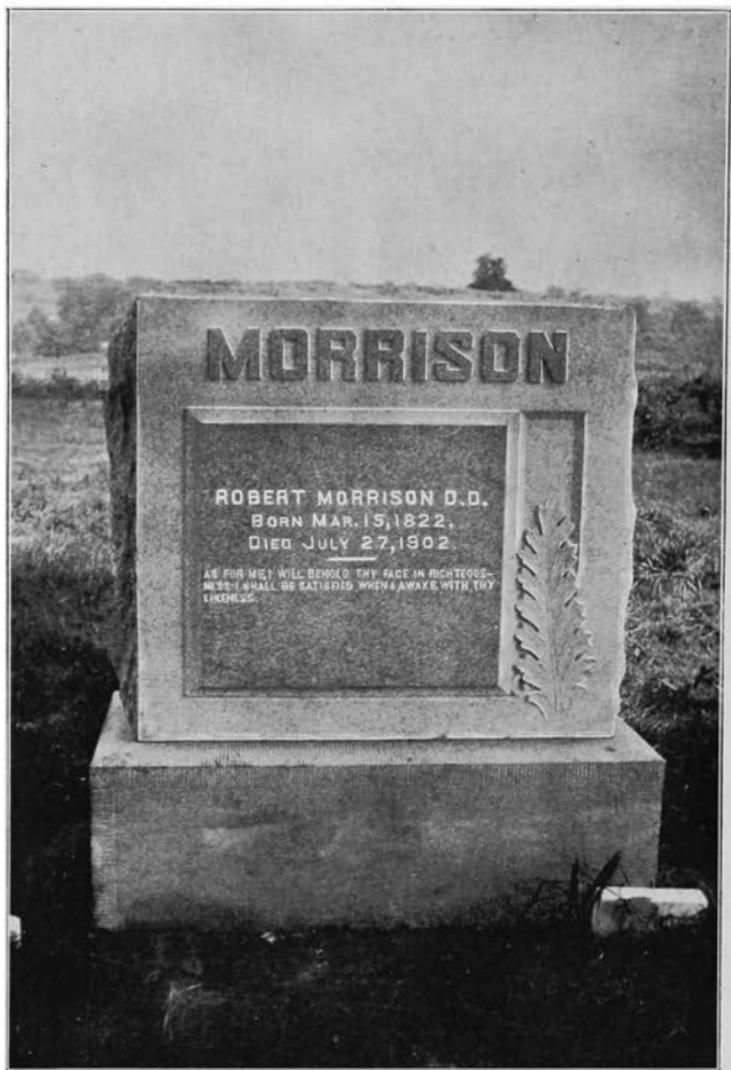
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THE MONUMENT TO FATHER MORRISON.

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## THE GRAVE OF FATHER MORRISON.

Under the shade of a venerable oak near the town of Fulton, Missouri, lie the mortal remains of our beloved founder, Robert Morrison. It seems particularly fitting that he who founded the fraternity should have been in his later years, placed in a college town where his younger brothers held aloft the unsullied banner which he had first unfurled at old Miami. In his dying hours Phis hastened to comfort,—dead, they tenderly laid him to rest, and to-day the Westminster chapter deems that to it has been given the guardianship of his last resting place.

During the past summer a granite slab has been erected, severely plain and yet characteristic of the man who despised show and pretense and admired solid worth. A fraternity, actuated by love, provided the funds to erect the monument. Mrs. Morrison approved the design, and the local work was done under the direction of Bro. D. P. Bartley, *Westminster*, '82, and the general fraternity was represented by Bro. H. H. Ward, former P. G. C.

The monument is of gray granite and stands about five feet high by four feet in width and is eighteen inches thick. It is on the Morrison family lot in the Fulton cemetery, close to the college that he loved so well and almost in the shadow of a great Presbyterian church to which he gave his life's best service.

The frontispiece shows the face of the monument. On the other side is an outline of a shield, within which is a star in the upper angle and the inscription: "Author of the Bond and one of the Six Founders of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity at Miami University, 1848. In Coelo Quies Est."

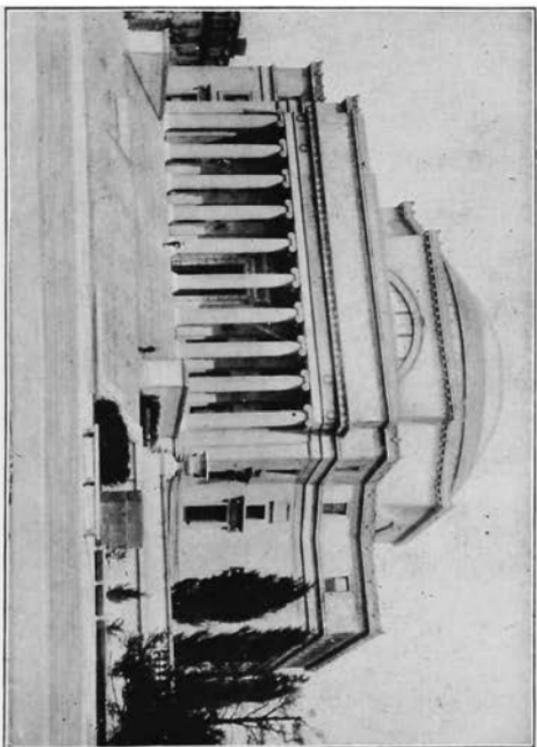
CHARLES F. LAMKIN, *Westminster*, '94.

## COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY AND ITS SESQUICENTENNIAL.

A few weeks ago Columbia College celebrated its 150th anniversary with pretentious exercises. But few American institutions of higher education are older than the metropolitan university, and of these possibly none has had a more varied history. Being located at the gateway of the new world, Columbia has largely been molded by the progress of the country, and, more particularly, of New York City.

On the 31st day of October, 1754, after a protracted and violent religious controversy, King George II of England granted letters patent to "a Body politick and Corporate, in deed, fact, and name"—"the Governors of the College of the Province of New York, in the City of New York in America." The college buildings were erected that year on an appropriate site of land situated west of Broadway, between Barclay and Murray streets; and in a current number of the *New York Gazette* there appeared the following notice: "This is to acquaint whom it may concern that I shall attend in the vestry room in the schoolhouse near the English church, on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week, between the hours of nine and twelve, to examine such as offer themselves to be admitted into King's College. Samuel Johnson (President)."

Dr. Johnson was a graduate of Yale, and as money had been given partly by private individuals, and partly by public fund, he came to New York in April, 1754, to take charge of the new institution. In the New York weekly *Post Boy* of June 3, 1754, appeared the advertisement, "To such parents as now have, (or expect to have), children prepared to be educated in the College of New York." In July, President Johnson, who constituted himself the entire faculty, began the instruction of the first class, consisting of eight men. New York was at that time a city of about 10,000 inhabitants. Dr. Johnson's salary was fixed at \$1250 per annum. The college was known as King's College in honor of George II. It flourished, maintained largely by endowment funds subscribed in England. The college building was finished in 1760 when Dr. Johnson wrote: "We began to lunch and diet in it." The governors of the college passed a resolution that a steward be appointed, "and that he have the use of two rooms and the kitchen in the college, and such part of the garden as the President and he shall agree upon. He causing the students' rooms to be kept clean and their beds made; also that the students breakfast, dine, and sup together in the college hall, but that they be allowed no meat at their sup-



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY LIBRARY.  
This illustration and the illustrations on pages 92 and 101 appeared in the *Broadway Magazine* for April, 1904, and the plates for them were kindly loaned by the editor.

pers." Rules for dieting were adopted, and a formal bill of fare for the students belonging to King's College was adopted with prices for board, to be paid quarterly. The bill of fare read in part as follows:

"Sunday, Roast Beef and Pudding; Monday, Leg Mutton, etc., and Roast Veal; Tuesday, Corn'd Beef and Mutton Chops; Wednesday, Pease Porridge and Beef Steaks; Thursday, Corn'd Beef, etc., and Mutton Pye; Friday, Leg Mutton and Soop; Saturday, Fish, fresh and salt, in season.

"Breakfast, Coffee or Tea, and Bread and Butter; Supper, Bread, Butter, and Cheese, or Milk, or the remainder of Dinner.

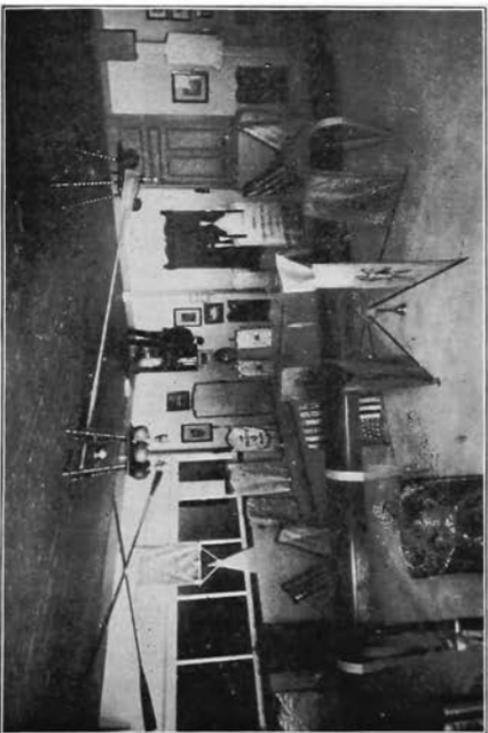
"Settled by the Governors of the college and ordered to be published."

It is to be noted that Saturday, not Friday, was fish day, and it is said that salt codfish was never out of season.

In 1763 it was resolved by the governors "that no woman, on any pretense whatsoever (except a cook) be allowed to reside within the college for the future, and that those who are now there be removed as soon as conveniently may be."

A librarian was appointed in 1763 at the annual salary of \$50. In the same year Dr. Johnson resigned as president, and Dr. Myles Cooper, of Oxford, was elected to succeed him. President Cooper described the college as it was in 1773 as follows: "The college is situated on a dry gravelly soil about 150 yards from the bank of the Hudson River which it overlooks, commanding from the eminence on which it stands a most extensive and beautiful prospect of the opposite shore, and being totally unincumbered by any building and admitting the purest circulation of air from the river and every other quarter, has the benefit of as agreeable and healthy a situation as can possibly be conceived." During Dr. Cooper's administration Alexander Hamilton, John Parke Custis, a stepson of George Washington, and the scions of the proudest American families entered the college. In 1767 a medical department was established with a staff of five professors. This was the first medical school to be established in connection with any American college.

Student pranks in those days seemed to be as common as they are now. There was a "Book of Misdemeanors" also called the "Black Book," which Columbia still has preserved. Extracts from it read as follows: "S—reprimanded publicly at a visitation for having come through a hole in the college fence at 12 o'clock at night. S—suspended by the president



THE TROPHY ROOM OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.  
Suspended from the ceiling is the famous Henley Challenge Cup, won by the Columbia Crew in '74—  
the only American crew that ever won it.

for coming over the college fence at half past 11 o'clock last night. D. V., P. N., who had gone over the college fence the preceding Tuesday to bathe, after being reprimanded, were ordered by the committee to be confined to college until the next Saturday evening. Each of them was also directed to translate into Latin four pages of Dr. Chandler's "Charity" sermon, besides attending the usual college exercises. D—to be reported to the committee ye next visitation for refusing to open his door when repeatedly called upon by the president, and causing four doors to be broken open before he could be laid hold of. N. B.—Found at last in the room opposite to his own where he had hid himself, having opened the door with a false key and hid himself in one of the studies. Students going without their caps and gowns to be presented to the next Board of Governors." The college records say that Washington's stepson left college "owing to the impression of a passion" which would not allow him to apply himself to study, because of his attachment to a daughter of Maryland whom he subsequently married.

President Cooper guided the destinies of the institution for a dozen years. Upon his return from England in 1771 he warmly espoused the side of the king, and the indignation of his political adversaries found expression in a letter which concluded as follows: "The injury you have done to your country cannot admit of reparation. Fly for your life, or anticipate your doom by becoming your own executioner. Signed, Three Million." A fortnight later a mob went to the lodgings of Dr. Cooper in the college to execute vengeance on him. One of the students hastened on before to warn the president, who was in bed and asleep, of his danger. Alexander Hamilton and Robert Troup, of the class of 1774, mounted the college steps to keep the mob at bay. Hamilton addressed them on the impropriety of their conduct. The delay thus gained enabled the president to escape over the back fence. He escaped in very scanty apparel, and after wandering along the river bank until near morning, he found refuge in the house of a friend till the following night when he embarked on an English sloop of war never to return to America. In 1776 the college was closed because of the war, and for almost eight years its buildings were used as barracks for the continental troops. After the war King's College emerged with the new name of Columbia, a word and name then for the first time recognized anywhere in law and history. The famous De Witt Clinton was the first student to be



**INTERIOR OF  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  FRATERNITY HOUSE AT COLUMBIA.**

*A jolly evening with songs, readings and speeches.*

**BURNETT N. WHEELER, BERNARD M. L. EAMST, J. IRVING FORT, WEBSTER L. BENHAM, JOSEPH S. BURLER.**

enrolled in the new Columbia. The well known names of John Jay, Gouverneur Morris, Robert Livingston, and others were placed upon the college rolls, and Chancellor Kent, a graduate of the college, became a professor in its school of law.

Immediately after the Revolution a society known as the Society for Progress and Letters was organized and lasted until 1795. In 1802 the Philolexian Society was organized, and still lives, as the leading literary society of Columbia. Its colors were white, and in 1806 a second literary society was organized whose colors were light blue; the college colors of today are the colors of these two old societies. Succeeding presidents of the institution were William Samuel Johnson, son of the first president, and William Harris, a graduate of Harvard. In 1816 President Harris granted permission for a new literary society composed of graduates of the college to fit up and use a room in the institution. In 1825 the Society of the Alumni of Columbia College was formed; a year before this another society known as the Column was established and maintained its separate life and identity until 1902 when it was merged into the Century Association of New York.

William A. Duer, Nathaniel F. Moore, of the class of 1802, and Charles King were succeeding presidents of the college. In 1856 the site was changed to 50th street and Madison avenue, where Columbia occupied a whole block until 1896. Many students and alumni went to the front when the civil war broke out, and scores served with marked distinction. Among these was Philip Kearny, of the class of '33, the brilliant officer who lost his life at Chantilly in 1862. Professor Lieber was the constant adviser of the secretary of war. F. A. P. Bernard succeeded President King, and under his guidance the college made rapid strides. Seth Low, of the class of '70, was chosen president in 1889, and served until he was called to be mayor of the City of New York in 1901. A great university was organized out of a group of scattered and unrelated schools. In 1897 the institution moved to its new and generous quarters on Morningside Heights. The new site and buildings represent an expenditure of over \$7,000,000. The library alone, the personal gift of President Low, cost over \$1,500,000. The college life and spirit received a tremendous impetus with the removal to the new site, and athletics were practically re-born when the students found space to exercise, and hold their games. Nicholas Murray Butler, of the class of '82, was

chosen to succeed Mr. Low. During the three years since he became president the gifts in money to the university have exceeded \$3,000,000. The campus has been extended and four new buildings erected. The Teachers' College, Barnard College, the College of Pharmacy, and the College of Physicians and Surgeons have been added to the educational system of the university, and the number of students has passed the 5,000 mark. The students hail from every state and territory



A PRANK OF THE "NAUGHTY '05'S."

Painting their class number on the dizzy top of a chimney seventy-five feet from the ground.  
Painted by Leslie Loring Savage, '05, Φ Δ Θ, above University Hall.

in the union and a dozen foreign countries. There are Zulus, Persians, Japanese, Chinese, Indians, South Africans, and Turks, as well as matriculants from Continental Europe, and Americans. The institution draws an income from invested funds amounting to almost \$30,000,000. Already about twenty buildings have been erected, and four new buildings to cost

considerably over \$1,000,000 are in the process of construction. With the growth of the college the fraternities have also prospered and waxed strong.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , organized at Columbia in 1884, has taken its place among the leading college societies, and occupies a commodious house within half a block of the college. The future of the university is summed up in the words of President Butler as follows:

That Columbia will be worthy of the increasing material and moral greatness of our nation its history makes certain. It will continue to draw to itself, in even larger measure than now, ambitious students from the Old World as well as from the New. They will find here those collections of books, apparatus, and, above all, those ripe and experienced scholars, imbued with the spirit of investigation and inquiry that constitute the real greatness of a university. Numbers are of far less importance than quality, but the university community at Columbia will not be many years in passing the limit of 10,000. It will continue unceasingly to promote learning in every field, to study its applications to the needs and wants of men, and to fashion that fine type of character which is, after all, the chief contribution of any institution of the higher learning to the community which sustains it.

B. M. L. ERNST, *Columbia*, '99.

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#### SOME RECENT GATHERINGS OF PHIS.

The early appearance of the June SCROLL after the holding of the conventions of Epsilon and Delta provinces prevented as elaborate accounts of these two events being published as might otherwise have appeared. For perfection of arrangements, harmony of proceedings and display of fraternity enthusiasm, they deserve more than ordinary comment and will be long remembered by those who took part. By reason of family bereavement I was unable to take part in the sessions of Delta province convention held with the Ohio Wesleyan chapter, headquarters being in the beautiful new home of that chapter. I was so fortunate as to meet the delegates of the Cincinnati chapter when passing through Columbus on their way to the convention and again practically all the delegates and visitors who came to Columbus for the banquet at the Hotel Hartman, this being the closing event of the reunion. For the success of the sessions held in Delaware it seems to me fitting that mention should be made, aside from the courtesies of Ohio Beta, of the contribution made by the

officers—Bro. Charles S. Hoskinson, province president and John B. Ballou, T. G. C., who for their presence, enthusiasm and counsel received the thanks of all the boys. For the banquet, arranged for by a committee of alumni, the Phis were indebted to Woodbury Morris, *Williams*, '92, and Dr. John Dudley Dunham, *Michigan*, '94.

I was so fortunate as to be able to attend the sessions of Epsilon Province convention at Indianapolis, April 29, and it is to express my appreciation of courtesies shown as well as to give another enthusiastic indorsement to the virtues of the Indiana Phi, that I add these notes to the memoranda to be preserved of that occasion.

I arrived in Indianapolis at 3 p. m., on the day of the convention and was met at the station by the large body of undergraduate Phis in attendance, headed by a number of alumni. Bros. Will H. Hays, province president, and S. K. Ruick, former province president, were the chief instigators of the police-wrath-provoking fraternity yells with which the return to the convention hall was punctuated. In the convention itself my attention was attracted by the earnest discussion given to chapter house matters. Indiana Beta was voted a winner for the way in which she had pushed her chapter house project to success, and a spirit was apparent in the reports from the other chapters, indicating that she is not long to be alone in her chapter house pride. Indiana Alpha has good and true alumni who have taken up her cause; the DePauw boys are in earnest and promise results in another year; while Purdue is only holding back in order that when she does build it will be to give the fraternity one of its best houses. While the average age of our Indiana chapters is greater than that of those of any other state, the chapter house is yet a comparatively new innovation. Look out at the Indianapolis national convention for chapter house reports showing that Indiana is coming to her own, in this, as she has in all other matters.

On behalf of the general council I was able to present greetings to the convention and make report of the internal affairs of the fraternity at large. Much interest was shown in the approaching national convention especially when it became known that with the consent of Atlanta Phis, the general council was considering the wisdom of transferring it to a more central point for reasons of fraternity economy, there being a marked difference in the expenses of a convention held at a central point and one distant from the geographical

center of the fraternity. The outcome of this was later a request for us to give them the privilege of entertaining the 1904 convention. The great success of the Epsilon Province sessions, ending with the banquet, shows the spirit prevalent among Indiana Phis. While the undergraduate was out in force that night and made the yells of his college fill the air of the banquet room, yet the "old grad" was such a numerous personage that the "old timers" probably outnumbered the twentieth century Phi. The attendance of 167 made the banquet one of the half dozen largest assemblages of Phis on such an occasion in the history of the fraternity. I understand that, while the success of this banquet was contributed to by many, special credit was due to Bro. W. A. Bastian, *DePauw*, '89, who rounded up the Phis young and old, for attendance, and who secured the list of speakers. An evening at a Phi banquet in Indianapolis is "a liberal education" in these strenuous times and all  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  should be on hand Thanksgiving week to get the proof.

Besides other visits mentioned in previous communications, I enjoyed meeting with Chicago Phis on the occasion of the annual banquet held at the Sherman House on the evening of March 15, where I met the entire undergraduate membership of the Northwestern and Chicago chapters. As my visit to the city was a business one with only a limited amount of time I was unable to visit these chapters at their homes.

On Saturday of the same week I journeyed to Ann Arbor, to help dedicate the handsome house already fully described in these pages and to sit down in its dining room with 56 other Phis at the chapter's annual banquet. It was natural that on that occasion I should have taken pride in recalling the fact that I had secured the recognition of Michigan Alpha and conducted the services of its installation in December, 1889. The chapter has made good history for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at Ann Arbor in these fifteen years, and now in its own home is in a position better than ever to maintain a prestige in the university commensurate with its deserts. Michigan Alpha is fortunate in having the intimate counsel of the Phis on the faculty, and we can only hope that other chapters may be as fortunate in this respect, as well as in retaining the interest of her alumni.

JOHN EDWIN BROWN, P. G. C.

## BUILDING A CHAPTER HOUSE.

The question of each chapter of our fraternity owning a building planned and built with the express object of being the house of the chapter, is becoming each year of more importance. The life and customs of the years gone by are only found as traditions in the active, up-to-date chapters of the leading fraternities of to-day. Yesterday, with its rented rooms at the top of several flights of narrow, badly lighted and worse ventilated stairs, in some old-fashioned office or store building, is gone, and to-day is here with its handsome lodges fitted up with every convenience for secret conclave and comfortable, if not luxurious, living or social festivity.

This article has to deal with the fraternity house of to-day; why each and every chapter should build one, and the most satisfactory way to do it. No one in the fraternity will question the advantages that the ownership of a well-equipped chapter house brings. This is perhaps more particularly appreciated by the younger members. The older members are more familiar with the old regime where rented rooms somewhere or anywhere were satisfying, for all their rivals were similarly accommodated. Nowadays the members of our homeless chapters see their more fortunate house-owning rivals easily persuading the annual flock of freshmen to be gathered into their well-equipped lodges—lodges in which one is proud to claim ownership.

Gradually the feeling grows that a house is power, and first one and then another is heard to say, "Well, we must have a house. I wonder how we can get one? For it is quite evident that we must have one." Quite true, brothers, you must have a house of your own. To-day the chapter without a house of its own is falling behind in the fraternity race.

It is after all not such a difficult matter to own your own house, and to have it built simply and solely for the particular needs of your own particular chapter. With the many reputable building and loan associations scattered throughout the country, money can be obtained, and your house built and absolutely paid for in a stated period of time, and this, too, at but a slight advance, in some cases perhaps none at all, in excess of the rent you are now paying every year for uncomfortable and unsuitable quarters.

Probably there is not one of our chapters without a long list of enthusiastic graduate members, who, if the need was but only presented to them, would willingly subscribe to a chapter house fund, who would take pride in the chapter

house that would result from their liberality, and who would always continue to give in order that the house might become more and more nearly perfect as time went on.

This is the way our more fortunate chapters have already provided themselves with lodges. An old proverb says that the first step is the difficult one. Let our homeless chapters take their first step; begin a house fund. It will grow; grow sufficiently to buy the lot that some other fraternity also wants, and the lot once bought means a house soon started. So get to work brothers and begin your fund.

Having a lot then comes the house question. How shall the house be arranged? This is a question that calls for various answers, yet outside of a few local organizations here and there, the average college fraternity is building up a class of house that is distinct in itself, and is but little suited to private uses. The fraternity house should, and its best examples do, contain all the accommodations and conveniences necessary to satisfy the daily life of the college man. It must be arranged not only for his study, but for his recreations, for his eating and his sleeping, and must also be adapted to the peculiar workings of a secret fraternity.

All the requirements may be divided into four groups or sub-divisions: (1) Study. (2) Living. (sleeping, eating, sanitation). (3) Social. (4) Executive.

The study or individual student's working room has been placed first because the work of the college or university must be attended to in order that the chapter exist at all. In the earlier chapter houses built, and indeed in some now being planned, the study and bedroom being connected, forming, with a bathroom in the more expensive ones, a complete suite of apartments. This close connection of the two rooms, whose functions are entirely different, has many drawbacks, the principal of which are these: (1) The bedroom is occupying too prominent and too valuable a position, and forcing some other study into an inferior location. (2) The bedroom cannot be properly and sufficiently ventilated, and if a high degree of comfort is required it leads to an excessive expenditure for plumbing.

At one of our well-known universities the system of devoting one entire floor to bed rooms and bath rooms and another floor to study rooms is being followed. The top floor is preferably devoted to the bed and bath rooms; the floor below to the study rooms. With this arrangement it is always possible to utilize the study floor where large entertainments

are given, leaving the sleeping and toilet apartments undisturbed. The first floor is generally given up entirely to the social life of the chapter. Often a guest room is provided on this floor, and of course such necessities as cloak and toilet rooms and a convenient room for committee meetings. The first floor should be cut up as little as possible, and so arranged that the various rooms may be thrown as nearly as possible into one.

The basement should contain such rooms as the bicycle room, janitors quarters, heater and coal rooms, kitchen and pantry. (The dining room and butler's pantry being provided for on the floor above.)

The lodge room and its accompanying rooms, the all-important part of every well regulated fraternity house, must occupy considerable space, must be easy of access, but at the same time absolutely cut off from the rest of the house. It is usually placed either above the sleeping rooms or in the basement. The latter position is now being largely used.

Our four divisions thus seem naturally to occupy the following positions in the house:

Basement—Service, (heating, ventilating, supplies, storage).

First Floor—Social, (music, reading, conversation, guests, also dining).

Second Floor—Study.

Third Floor—Sleeping, toilet.

The arrangement here outlined will of course be varied to suit varied tastes and needs, but in general is perhaps the logical development of the modern chapter house.

It is to be hoped that before many years every chapter of our fraternity will build and own its own house. The effect it has on a chapter is indeed striking. It refines, it checks carelessness, and develops order; it is a school whose teachings are never forgotten, and last, but by no means least, if properly managed is a good financial investment.

It has been found desirable in most cases to place the management of the property in the hands of the alumni of the chapter, from among whom an executive committee can be elected which will be responsible for its management, leaving the actual daily care in the hands of the chapter.

This short article will have amply fulfilled its mission if it encourages our still homeless chapters to remain so no longer. Already we can point with pride to several beautiful chapter houses. Already some of our chapters have growing house funds. Let the chapters that have neither begin the good work without delay. ARTHUR N. GIBB in the *X Φ Year Book*.

## RECENT FRATERNITY CATALOGUES.

*Continued from THE SCROLL, April, 1900.*

Catalogue of the Δ Κ Ε Fraternity. *Κηρδεν Φίλοι ἀεί.* Council Publishing Company, New York, 1900.

On the reverse of the title page is printed: "Dr. A. N. Brockway, Editor," and the imprint: "Press of the Evening Post Job Printing Office, New York." The book contains XII+ 688 pages,  $7\frac{7}{8} \times 9\frac{7}{8}$ , and is bound in red cloth with gilt side and back stamp.

The last previous edition, printed in 1890, contained 1709 pages, and it still remains the largest catalogue, not only of Δ Κ Ε but of any other fraternity. The tendency to reduce the size of such books, so that they will not be so expensive to produce or so heavy to handle, is shown by the greatly reduced size of this book. The number of members catalogued is not mentioned, but it must be considerably larger than the number of names in the edition of ten years earlier, and yet this book is less than half the size of the 1890 catalogue. The preface says: "The edition of 1890 was so complete and exhaustive that the council decided to have the present catalogue exhibit the full name, occupation and address of each member, without further particulars."

The chapter lists adhere closely to the rule of giving only the full name, occupation and address of each member, and these items are all that are really essential, though it seems desirable to mention very notable distinctions that may have been conferred on members. Besides the chapter lists, the catalogue contains only the names of members of the executive council since its establishment, May 3, 1882 (four pages), a roll of chapters (one page), a geographical distribution or residence directory, a name index, and corrigenda. On the whole, it is a plain, practical, common sense catalogue. The editor is a member of the Hamilton chapter, class of '57.

The catalogue is very honest about placing honorary members in a separate list at the head of the list of each chapter which has such members. It is, however, not so honest about grafting new chapters on dead chapters so as to reduce the number of dead chapters. This is done in two instances, though it cannot be charged that the catalogue editor is responsible. The chapter at the University of Nashville, established in 1847, died in 1861. The chapter at Vanderbilt University was established in 1889. Though located in the same city, these two universities are entirely separate institutions, but in Δ Κ Ε catalogues both chapters are now

together as if they were one, bearing the title of Gamma. The chapter at Kentucky Military Institute, established in 1854, died in 1861. The chapter at Central University was established in 1885. They are entirely separate institutions, never having been located together or connected in any way, yet the two chapters are run together as if they were one, bearing the title of Iota. This clumsy attempt to conceal the number of dead chapters will lead to confusion, and will probably plague  $\Delta K E$  until correction is made. It seems probable that the fraternity already realizes its mistake. In 1899, when it established a chapter at Tulane, it might have given it the title of the dead chapter at Centenary College of Louisiana, but it gave it a new title.

In looking over the list of chapters, one is struck with the rapid and wide extension of  $\Delta K E$  before the civil war. Up to that time it was the most national of all fraternities. From 1844 to 1861 inclusive, it established 33 chapters, 11 or one-third of them in the south. The fraternity suffered heavily on account of the war. After a period of conservatism, it has again begun to extend, and it is expanding much more rapidly than any other fraternity of eastern origin. In recent years it has shown unmistakable signs of an intention of occupying the leading institutions in all sections of the country. It now has 40 active chapters, seven of them in the south two on the Pacific coast, and two in Canada.

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#### PHIS IN METROPOLITAN JOURNALISM.

During the past few years, Phis residing in New York City have taken an active interest in journalism and have become in a number of instances powers in the metropolitan press. A decade ago the Phi journalists in New York could be counted on the fingers of one hand while to-day fully forty are connected in some capacity or other with periodicals published in New York. Their positions vary from that of editor-in-chief to the most modest reporter, but the number of men holding responsible positions, already large, is steadily increasing. There are war correspondents and artists and editors, and advertising managers and free-lancers, and not a few of them have obtained distinguished success in their work.

The daily newspapers have over thirty Phis on their respective staffs and it is to be observed that the higher the class of the newspaper the greater the number of Phis associated with

it and the more responsible the positions held by them. *The Sun*, *The Tribune* and *The World* each count five Phis among those who furnish the news to the public while four are connected with *The Times*, two with *The Evening Post* and one each with several other journals.

Joseph Baker Ross, *Williams*, '01, is at the telegraph desk of *The Evening Sun* and associated with him on the paper are William Henry Stanley, *Williams*, '00, Hayden Talbot, *Williams*, '03, and Roscoe Crosby Gaige, *Columbia*, '03, the college correspondent. Bernard M. L. Ernst is a contributor to both the morning and evening editions of *The Sun*. Until recently Carr Vattell Van Anda, *Ohio*, '85, was the make-up editor of the paper, but he withdrew to accept the position of managing editor of *The Times*. Another well known journalist and author who was formerly connected with *The Sun* is John Randolph Spears, *Butler*, '72, who is now writing nature stories for the *Post* as well as stories for *The World*, magazine articles and books.

Besides Bro. Spears *The World* counts among its staff Gen. Lee Fairchild, *Lombard*, '86, a well known campaign orator, free lancer, member of the Pleiades Club, author of "The Tipster's Vow," and editor of *The Thistle*; Charles Bamford, *Wisconsin*, '82; Walter Conger Harris, *Miami*, '91, the artist and Neal Devan Tomy, *Illinois*, '00. Bro. Tomy is connected principally with the evening editions of this paper.

On *The Tribune*, the venerable sheet founded by Horace Greeley, are Bros. Stanhope Sams, *Vanderbilt*, '81, the clever story writer who was formerly with *The Herald*; George Burdick, *Brown*, '02; Harwood Bigelow Smith, *Amherst*, '94; Sherwood Gray, *Wooster*, '79, and W. H. Miller, *Cornell*, '01.

Phis are making a great record on *The Times*, the paper which has grown so remarkably during the past five years. Bro. Van Anda overlooks things in the capacity of managing editor while the Sunday departments are presided over by Bro. Benjamin Sinclair Orcutt, *C. C. N. Y.*, '88, who was formerly night editor of *The Tribune*. Leland Coppock Speers, *Washington and Lee*, '96, formerly maritime editor of the paper, who has also served on *The World*, is a star reporter and covers the important supreme court assignments. He reported the last international yacht races with distinction, and has done other brilliant work. Roscoe C. Gaige, who has recently sprung into prominence by his contributions of verse to *The Bookman*, the *Columbia Monthly* and other magazines,

is correspondent for *The Times* as well as for *The Evening Sun*, at Columbia University.

Bro. Keats Speed, *Virginia*, '97, holds an important editorial position on *The Evening Journal*. He has served also with *The Morning Telegraph* and *The Daily News*. One of the best known of the New York *American's* reporters is Irving Roger Bacon, *Columbia*, '86. Every reader of *The Press* is familiar with both the verse and the prose of Bro. George Post Wheeler, *Pennsylvania*, '91. Bro. Ernst writes for *The Globe* as well as for *The Sun*. Two Columbia men, Bros. Joseph Stettenheim Buhler, '01, and Franklin Kennedy Sprague, '05, are often read on the sporting page of *The Post*. Bro. Buhler's forte is special articles on football, while Bro. Sprague writes long articles on rowing.

Bro. George Chittenden Turner, *Columbia*, '03, is on the reportorial staff of the *Brooklyn Times*, while Bro. Arthur Oliver, *Williams*, '93, helps to edit the *Newark Sunday Call* and Bro. Frank Livingston Laird, *Gettysburg*, '92, is the New York representative at *The Herald's* building of *The Philadelphia Enquirer*. Among the many free lancers are Bros. Louis A. Van Norman, *C. C. N. Y.*, '93, who has been connected with both *The Voice* and *The Literary Digest*; Gen. Fairchild, John R. Spears, B. M. L. Ernst, James F. Crook, *Alabama*, '89, William Oscar Bates, *Cornell*, '75 and Devereux Lake, *Vanderbilt*, '96, who was formerly on the staff of *The Commercial Advertiser*.

A Phi who has achieved a national reputation as a journalist and author is Col. Edwin Emerson, *Miami*, '89, who is at present in the far east as the special war correspondent of *The World* and *Collier's Weekly*. Col. Emerson was at the front as a reporter and soldier in the Spanish-American war. He was also secret agent of the United States Military Bureau, a Roosevelt rough rider at San Juan Hill and Santiago, and was decorated by President Castro for gallantry in action during the Columbian-Venezuelan War. Several times his life has been in imminent danger and his record is full of hair-breadth escapes. His recent book on "The Nineteenth Century Year by Year" occasioned much favorable comment. At one time Bro. Emerson wrote for *The Sun*.

A number of other Phis are doing magazine and journalistic work on weekly and monthly magazines of various sorts. Bro. John Sanburn Phillips, *Knox*, '82, is the editor-in-chief of *McClure's Magazine*. The associate editor is Bro. Ray Stannard Baker, *Hillsdale*, '89, whose industrial and western

stories are known the country over. Bro. Walter Adams Johnson, *Lombard*, '01, who formerly edited *The Osprey*, is also connected with *McClure's*. The managing editor of *The Engineering News*, one of the leading scientific journals in the country is Bro. Charles Whiting Baker, *Vermont*, '86. His brother and classmate, Bro. Moses Nelson Baker, is the associate editor. Both have written scholarly books and articles on engineering topics. Bro. Charles Tidd Murray, *Vermont*, '00, is with the same publication. Before he moved to Chicago and took up his work with *The Railway Age*, Bro. Arthur Byron Gilbert, *Vermont*, '89, was the advertising manager for *The Engineering News*. It will be remembered that the success of the recent New York convention and of many fraternity dinners were due largely to Bro. Gilbert's efforts. Bro. Frederick Fuller Lincoln, *Vermont*, '97, who at one time was a *Sun* reporter is the advertising manager of *The Army and Navy Journal*. Other Phis connected with the advertising departments of New York periodicals are Bros. Russell Tuthill Barr, *Knox*, '02, and Joseph Amasa Brainard, *Dartmouth*, '04.

Bro. Samuel Abbott, *Williams*, '87, is editor of *The College World*. *The Medical Brief* is edited by Bro. Burton Maude Thompson, *Missouri*, '92, and the destinies of *The Gas Light Journal* are presided over by Bro. Elbert Perce Callender, *Columbia*, '88. At Columbia several Phis are connected with the undergraduate publications and a number of the most important positions during the past few years have been filled by Phis.

The men come from different chapters in all parts of the country and their success has been uniform and rapid. Phi journalists are flocking to the metropolis and in the next decade it is reasonable to predict that they will be heard from with telling effect. BERNARD M. L. ERNST, *Columbia*, '99.

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#### FREDERICK WILLIAM HINITT.

To write a sketch of a distinguished Phi is no easy task. A younger son of the same mother chapter it is hard for the writer to put himself in an impartial position and to write dispassionately of one we have been taught to honor. If the personal reference may be pardoned the writer would tell of the first and last times that he saw the subject of this sketch.

It was in 1894 that the synod of Missouri met in Clinton, and among the ministers was one, younger than the rest, who



FREDERICK WILLIAM HINITT, *Westminster*, '89.  
President of Central University of Kentucky.

wore a sword and shield. That minister was taken in charge by the writer and that night  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was taught to the writer in a way that can never be forgotten. Naturally reserved, Dr. Hinitt was seemingly delighted to tell his younger brother in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  the true meaning of the fraternity life and its Bond, and the remembrance of it has abided with me until now.

Singularly enough, the last time that I had the pleasure of seeing Dr. Hinitt was at the celebration of the semi-centennial of Westminster College. About fifty alumni Phis gathered with the chapter on the last night of the celebration to witness an initiation and as they filed into the room to assist in the ceremony the first and probably the most interested of all was Bro. Hinitt. So much to show his loyalty and his love to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Frederick William Hinitt was born in England but at an early age came to this country and during his early years lived in St. Joseph, Mo. There he studied under a private tutor and in 1886 entered the sophomore class at Westminster College. During his collegiate career young Hinitt displayed much ability and fixity of purpose, winning numerous honors and developing a high degree of ability, not only as a scholar but also as a debater and orator. Very popular among his fellows and with the faculty, he was early looked after by the two fraternities in the college and cast his lot with  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . An enthusiastic Phi, his love for the fraternity has never grown less and it is to-day the boast of the Missouri Beta chapter that not only has it furnished so ripe a scholar and so distinguished a clergyman to the Phi world, but also that he has been chosen to preside over the famous southern institution which is the home of the third chapter of the fraternity, Kentucky Alpha.

On graduating in 1889 from college, *magna cum laude*, Bro. Hinitt entered McCormick Theological Seminary at Chicago, and after a successful career, he again graduated with distinction.

In 1892 Bro. Hinitt was married to Miss Humphries, one of the belles of his college town. He served the Presbyterian Church at Warrensburg for some years, going thence to Ottumwa, Iowa and from there to the presidency of Parsons College, the Presbyterian college of southern Iowa. From this latter place he has so recently gone to Central University. Since his graduation Bro. Hinitt has been given the degree of Doctor of Divinity by two colleges. Bro. Hinitt is a man of distinguished bearing and attractive personality.

He is a very marked success as a college president and under his guidance "Old Centre" will surely come into many good things in the future. Scholarly, a college president of ability, an orator of no mean order and a preacher who has but few superiors, Central University and the Phis of the south are to be congratulated on his acquisition.

CHARLES F. LAMKIN, *Westminster*, '94.

### OLD FRATERNITY RECORDS.

COLLECTED AND EDITED BY WALTER B. PALMER.

*Continued from THE SCROLL, April, 1904.*

Doubtless you have no very high opinion of the average Hoosier promise, judging from the way I failed to fulfill my promise to write to you. I will relate my experiences, and you can judge how much time I have had to write. I left Franklin with Ed Palmer at 10 p. m., Monday, May 20th, and met Hough and Gaskill on the train; arrived at Indianapolis and retired at 1:30 a. m.; was awakened at 5:30 by some one pounding on the door and yelling 'Banta'; opened it to find Fred Austin of Missouri Alpha, my Missouri Alpha correspondent. Loafed about Indianapolis all Tuesday until 6:30 p. m., when the party took the C. C. C. & I. train east. The party consisted of: Gwyn Foster, Frank Hunter, Lou Rogers, H. G. Bradford, and myself, Indiana Alpha; C. D. Whitehead and J. L. Watson, Indiana Beta; J. C. Norris and H. U. Brown, Indiana Gamma; J. L. Matthews, and E. S. Palmer, Indiana Delta; Chas. B. Gaskill, Georgia Alpha; A. S. Hough, Georgia Gamma; F. H. Austin, Missouri Alpha. Between Ed Palmer, Herman Bradford and Fred Austin, we—at least I—did not get one wink of sleep that Tuesday night; rode all night and arrived at Crestline at daybreak, where we changed for Wooster; got to Wooster at 8 o'clock, scraped off some of the outer crust of dust, had breakfast, and went immediately into the convention. I was appointed on the committee on revision of the constitution, and worked on that during the recesses, and after the evening session until 11:30 p. m. Got up at 6, busy all day, and until 11 at night. Friday got up at 6 again, was in convention all day until 4, then went to photographer. After supper went to literary exercises at church; then struck out for my girl, and went to the banquet. By the time that was over, and I had taken her home, the daylight of Saturday morning was breaking. Grabbed my valise and started with the crowd for the 5:10

train west; traveled all day and got to Indianapolis in the evening. Left Palmer at Mansfield, Ohio, also Charles of Michigan Beta; Watson of Indiana Beta and Foulks of Iowa Alpha had come on the evening before. McClurg of Mississippi Alpha returned with us. Tennessee Beta, Indiana Epsilon, Missouri Beta, Pennsylvania Gamma, Georgia Delta, Kentucky Alpha and Virginia Alpha, Gamma and Epsilon were not represented. Came down home Saturday evening; the conductor held the train a moment at Franklin, to allow McClurg, Hough and Gaskill to shake hands with the boys, whom we had telegraphed from Bellefontaine, Ohio, to turn out. Fred Austin came down with me, and staid over until the 29th, the day after the Indiana Delta anniversary; was busy entertaining Austin and Foster until after the anniversary; then went into the office and have been busy ever since. Hence my not writing sooner. I can't begin to tell you all about the convention, so will content myself with telling you of some of the most important changes. The National Grand was changed to Lafayette College. The Illinois Wesleyan chapter was chartered by a vote of twelve to three—Ohio Zeta, Pennsylvania Alpha, and Iowa Alpha voting "no." North Carolina Alpha chartered by the same vote; Texas Beta chartered by same, at least the same "noes," with one or two "ayes" absent. I was much surprised at not hearing from the National Grand about the Galesburg business; I am certain they knew the state of affairs there, but they asked hardly a question and made no comment whatever. Reddig, of Pennsylvania Beta, who was in the chair, voted "aye" no the charters. Reddig was elected President, Bixby and Cone Vice-Presidents, Whitehead Grand Banker, and Norris Secretary. The constitution was entirely changed, taking an old copy of your revision as the basis. Your new form failed to come in time. A resolution was adopted providing that no chapter can initiate a man in another college for the purpose of organizing a chapter, without first getting permission of the Executive Committee. To save correspondence, I obtained permission of the convention for you to organize at Amherst and University of North Carolina. Ed Palmer and Fred Austin, both of whom go to Ann Arbor next fall, were appointed a committee on Michigan Alpha. I got permission for myself to organize at University of Kansas and Northwestern University; Cone got permission for Brown, Wesleyan in Connecticut, and Washington and Lee; Shuey permitted at University of Minnesota; Forbes of Indiana Alpha permitted at

Indiana Asbury—he is going there next fall; Reddig was put on New York Alpha; Ed Palmer is going for Rochester though he did not get formal permission. The Iowa man, Foulks, said he would see what could be done at Iowa City. Fred Austin says the Missouri Alpha is working up a chapter at Westminster College, Fulton, Mo. He reports the  $\Phi K \Psi$  chapter at Columbia broke up. He says that the Phis have a sufficient number of resident alumni at Columbia to organize an alumni chapter. I have written to a Cincinnati Phi to see about an alumni chapter there. I have been regularly elected business manager of THE SCROLL, and I am going to get my correspondents in the various chapters to work among alumni for subscriptions. In my next I will explain the plan adopted for the incorporation of the Fraternity. The next convention will be at Indianapolis in October, 1880. George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to Walter B. Palmer, Marysville, Cal., June 3, 1878.

Hobbs writes me that he has organized the Alabama Beta at Auburn. What do you know of the institution?—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., June 7, 1878.

Our chapter's sending a delegate to the National Convention was of inestimable value to us. We are the youngest of twelve different fraternities here, and are fast making steps to the front. Our chancellor, Gen. A. P. Stewart, formerly professor at Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn., is a Phi. All the chapters here vie for the friendship of the Delta Gamma and Alpha Beta Tau, which are ladies' fraternities, so Bro. Banta and myself have made arrangements for the Delta Gamma to establish a chapter at Franklin, Ind. They invited me to attend a called meeting this morning, and thanked me, declared themselves under lasting obligations, etc.; therefore we are ahead on that score. I find that there are a great many  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s in the state of Mississippi; belonging to chapters in other states. Now if they are not kept enthused, they will lose all interest in our fraternity. Therefore I want your opinion on the practicability of establishing a state organization of some kind. We could procure a hall here which would be taken care of by the active members of the Mississippi Alpha, and have an annual meeting, after soliciting every Phi in the state, and others who wish to come, to attend; elect our orator, poet, historian, etc., and have a general good time, thereby keeping all the alumni members from growing luke-

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warm and indifferent, and building up our fraternity in the estimation of the people at large.—Monroe McClurg, University of Mississippi, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., June 8, 1878.

Heard from Trinity University, Texas, this morning. They have initiated two new men, making nine in all. They now have two seniors, six juniors and one sophomore.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to Walter B. Palmer, South Butte, Cal., June 11, 1878.

We now have five members and hope soon to have another. There are at least twenty good non-fraternity men here, but we have taken and will take only those who are high in their studies, popular in the school, steady and straightforward gentlemen. We close on July 2. Two of our members, Keitt and Haskins, graduate this commencement. One of our members is going to spend his summer here in camp, which will give him a good chance to watch new cadets who commence coming in about the second week in July, and thus two months to watch and select and get ahead of the other fraternities. There are but five fraternities here now—B  $\Theta$   $\Pi$ , A T  $\Omega$ , K A, K  $\Sigma$  K and  $\Sigma$  N. Last year there were two others,  $\Sigma$  A E and K  $\Sigma$ , but they have lost their charters. We will certainly establish a chapter at Washington and Lee next session; our charter was granted too late for us to do anything this session, for all of the undoubtedly good men had become members of other fraternities.—J. B. Beverly, Virginia Military Institute, to Walter B. Palmer, Oroville, Cal., June 17, 1878.

I want you to write to my Texas men and help work them up. They have taken in two more men, making nine in all. Of these they graduate two, having seven to begin with next year. The other fraternities are B  $\Theta$   $\Pi$  and A  $\Gamma$ . Write to S. E. Kennon, Cotton Gin, Freestone county, Texas, and J. H. Gillespie, Tehuacana, Limestone county, Texas.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., June 17, 1878.

The prospects for Indiana Alpha next year are fine; we will start with about nine members. At the last state convention a committee was appointed to re-establish  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  at Greencastle, and I think you may count on it being done. The committee has on it two of the best workers in the state.—

Charles Banta, Franklin, Ind., to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., June 19, 1879.

I do not like many things done by the last convention; I am opposed to the centralization of power. I received the charters for Texas Beta and Illinois Epsilon some days ago and sent them out to those chapters.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to Walter B. Palmer, Oroville, Cal., July 5, 1878.

The president of the University of Alabama and one of the professors have been dropped by the trustees, and it may so happen that the fraternities may be allowed there. I have written on the subject to a non-fraternity friend who will return, and am awaiting his reply.—Thomas M. Hobbs, Helena, Ala., to Walter B. Palmer, Oroville, Cal., July 12, 1878.

I went down to Trinity College the other day to see the president about giving us a permanent and comfortable room in which to hold our meetings. He agreed to let us have the one we had before commencement, and we are delighted, as it is an excellent room.—George M. Bulla, High Point, N. C., to Walter B. Palmer, Oroville, Cal., July 13, 1878.

The North Carolina Alpha charter was sent to me yesterday. I immediately forwarded it to Bulla. Got my photograph of convention group today—48 Phis in it. Send seventy-five cents to W. H. Harry, Wooster, Ohio, for it.—G. W. Cone, Riverton, Va., to Walter B. Palmer, July 26, 1878.

I am a member of the Tennessee Beta,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , at Vanderbilt University, where we are running contrary to the rules, as all fraternity connections are prohibited. We have not been doing remarkably well, but expect to come out all right during the approaching session. I know nothing officially about the last convention, as we were absolutely unable to send a delegate, because it was held in the middle of our final examination, and we were compelled to remain here at that time. Can you send me a copy of the new constitution, and also the particulars of the changes made in signs, etc., if there were any? If you can it would certainly be a great favor to me, as all our boys who are now at home will be back September 1st, and they will expect me to know all about such things; for I have everything in the way of business of this kind to

attend to.—J. M. Barrs, Nashville, Tenn., to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., August 14, 1878.

I saw R. B. John and discovered him to be a member of K A. He gave me the name of T. I. Rogers, who expects to return to Wofford College next session. I send you this name that you may write to him, and I wish you success in your undertaking at Wofford.—J. D. Bundy, Laurinburg, S. C., to Walter B. Palmer, South Butte, Cal., September 4, 1878.

I have been a member of the Tennessee Beta since last Christmas, and I have labored faithfully for it ever since. When I joined, it had six members, who met occasionally as they felt like it, had a social meeting and parted. During all last year we did not hold what could be called a regular meeting even once, but during all that time I strove to get the chapter to work according to the constitution, and now at last I have succeeded. From the middle of last May until tonight I had been doing all that was done, but tonight I had things regularly arranged, so that I could leave here now and the chapter would still run along smoothly. We now have ten good members; we held a meeting tonight, and got things started off all right, under new officers duly elected and installed; and now I am much relieved, as it is not at all natural with me to put myself forward, although I can when absolutely necessary. I am at last enabled to take a back seat and see things go on smoothly under the guidance of young men that I have gotten in and prepared for the work. We now stand head and shoulders above both the other fraternities, the K  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma$  A E; we are stronger than both of them combined. I would give almost anything if we could run openly here. J. M. Barrs, Vanderbilt University, to Charles B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 7, 1878.

I am again at work on THE SCROLL. I remember that you rendered me valuable assistance in furnishing news for the first number in 1877, which was never published, because we had no money. I still have some of your communications, which being of a general character I will publish soon. I have just received them from Bro. Shipman, to whom I sent them for publication last year. Send me all the news you can gather; stir up your friends and give me the Phi news from the west.—M. F. Parrish, Lee, Ohio, to A. G. Foster, October 12, 1878.



-THE KNOX CHAPTER.

## EDITORIAL.

THE record of two years is ours for contemplation as we finish another biennium. Face to face we shall give our account and review the condition of our beloved fraternity. It is impossible here to detail the achievements by which our chapters have in these two years demonstrated their sustained strength and vitality. The true strength of a chapter is in the high mental, moral and social qualities of its members, although its stability and prosperity are often properly inferred from its possession of a home. By all these standards Phi Delta Theta may be thoroughly judged in comparison with herself of two years ago. The pages of *THE SCROLL* and *Palladium* abound in the facts which show that nearly everywhere her chapters are alert and strong, and that they meet successfully the rivalry of the other leading fraternities. We have added one fine active chapter and seven alumni chapters to our list, and we have added more than a thousand to our total membership. Phi Delta Theta is harmonious, strong and aggressive, with a total membership of nearly 13,000. Whatever are her problems, they will be met in earnestness and wisdom by the convention about to assemble at Indianapolis.

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THE national convention two years ago marked a great and important development in the affairs of Phi Delta Theta. The preceding two years were replete with new achievements, and at New York we rejoice in a splendid prosperity, with strong chapters nearly everywhere, of which thirty-three were occupying rented houses and fourteen were domiciled in their own homes. In *THE SCROLL* for December, 1902, Bro. Miller expressed a justifiable pride in our ownership of fourteen homes—a condition materially due to his effort—and insisted that in two years more the number should be at least twenty.

Happily, this standard has been met and more. We have become so accustomed to the surprises of these later years that we have scarcely appreciated their import. THE SCROLL has rarely been without a picture and description of some handsome new Phi Delta Theta home. Chapter after chapter has fallen into line and assumed this position of greater stability and permanency. We cannot doubt that our internal conditions are better when we view these evidences of the love, loyalty, devotion and even sacrifice, of these chapters and their alumni.

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To detail this progress is to compile an additional roll of honor. Where we had fourteen homes of our own, we now have twenty-two. The chapters at the universities of Illinois, Nebraska, Michigan and Wisconsin have erected houses, the two latter for the second time. Homes have been purchased at Vermont, Allegheny, Case, Ohio Wesleyan, Wabash and Missouri. Of the thirty-three then occupying rented houses six have acquired permanent homes, while the chapters at Ohio University, Randolph-Macon, and Southwestern have rented houses for the first time. Our new chapter, Pennsylvania Theta, has added another. Thus we have still thirty rented houses, making a total of fifty-two, out of sixty-nine chapters, occupying homes, only seventeen yet unhoused! The roll can further be strengthened by the fact that the chapters at McGill, Kansas, Iowa and Lombard have rented larger and better houses than before.

Of the seventeen remaining there are encouraging things to be said. In these two years Alabama Alpha, Hanover and Indiana Gamma have started substantial building funds. The Westminster chapter has purchased a lot and will build a home next spring. A few of the others are preparing to launch their movements. While the progress of the next two years may not be so rapid as heretofore, we yet refrain from making predictions lest they fall short, as heretofore, of the results that will be reached. We congratulate, too, those

chapters now occupying rented quarters that are also accumulating funds and shall expect that if the number of rented homes is diminished it will be only by reason of the acquirement of permanent ones. Let us therefore feel happy over our material condition and endeavor always to be otherwise as broad and progressive as it demands of us.

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IN the October SCROLL were published some burlesques on the bombastic chapter letter. The chapter letter has occasioned much comment in the Greek press, and it is difficult to get correspondents to prepare their letters in the approved form and style. In the Hellenic department of this issue will be found some rather pointed and sarcastic advice to chapter correspondents from the *A T Ω Palm*. As a rule, THE SCROLL is well served by the chapter reporters, though few of them ever send letters in exactly the proper form. This art can be well attained by close examination of the letters as they finally appear. On pages 71 to 73 of the general statutes are full directions as to the preparation of them. Reporters are all hereby asked to save the editor as much editorial revision as possible by close observance of all these directions. THE SCROLL is sparing in the use of capitals, paragraphs and abbreviations. Usually all matters relating to the same subject may be grouped in one paragraph—all about the college in one, all about college honors in one, all about athletics in one, all about other fraternities in one. Above all, write only on one side of good paper, spell proper names clearly and correctly, and, when convenient, let the letters be typewritten. Every reporter, and, indeed, every reader of THE SCROLL, is requested to send "personals" to the editor, and to write them in the form that such items have when printed in the magazine.

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EVERY fall we feel more or less concern about the condition of some of our chapters. Usually they are the same chapters—those which ordinarily have a small membership, and which

we believe approach too near the danger line. From an unfortunate spirit of ultra-conservatism, on account of severe competition from numerous rivals, or because of some other local condition or college tradition, certain chapters nearly always have an active membership numerically far below the general average of all chapters in the fraternity. Knowing that they are by no means strong in the spring and that they cannot afford to stand large losses by graduation or otherwise, we cannot avoid a feeling of trepidation about them at the opening of the fall session. We are uneasy until we hear from them—until we learn that they have succeeded well in recruiting their thin ranks. At this writing we have not heard from all the chapters about which we are usually anxious at this season, but we hope all of them will have favorable reports in this issue of *THE SCROLL*, and that all without exception will be represented at the national convention. To the chapters referred to—it is scarcely necessary to specify them—we would say: Amend your ways, so that the remainder of the fraternity may have a relief from anxiety on your account. Put aside that false idea of conservatism which restrains you from increasing your membership beyond a certain arbitrary number. Anyhow do not place your limit below twenty-five. Of course the size of the college and the number of fraternities has something to do with this, but do not govern yourself by what other fraternities do. Act independently of them in regard to how many men you initiate. Get only good men, but get enough of them if they are in college, enough to make your chapter strong. Rush the desirable new men harder than your rivals rush them. Be sure to get your share at least, more than your share if possible. Finally, do not relax your vigilance during the whole college year, but take a good man whenever you can discover one and can secure him. In the almost riotous rush of the early fall many excellent men are overlooked by all fraternities. External appearances are then too much regarded. Keep a sharp watch for men of sterling qualities who, from their innate modesty or other reasons, did not immediately attract

the attention of the swift rushers in the fall campaign. Whenever you find such a man, go after him. Do not stand back because he has not received bids from your rivals. You need him. He will make good timber with which to strengthen the chapter.

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As has long been recognized some of our provinces are too large territorially or in number of chapters for convenience and economy of administration. The two largest provinces, Alpha and Zeta, have so many chapters that it is almost impossible for their presidents to keep in close touch with their respective chapters, and it is almost impracticable for them to visit their respective chapters. In Beta province it is practically impossible to hold a provincial convention. There is no central point for a meeting; the Allegheny mountains separate Virginia and North Carolina from Kentucky and Tennessee. At the Indianapolis convention the secretary of the general council will advocate the division of Alpha, Beta and Zeta provinces, making provinces as follows: 1, New England; 2, New York and Canada; 3, Pennsylvania; 4, Virginia and North Carolina; 5, Kentucky and Tennessee; 6, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota; 7, the remainder of Zeta province as at present constituted. As Michigan adjoins Wisconsin on the north, and as the big university at Ann Arbor has much in common with the larger institutions in Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota, it might be well to join Michigan with those states. For reasons which may not be here discussed, but which really are of no importance, Zeta province has objected to division unless Alpha should also be divided. Alpha is so large that the New York convention adopted the expedient of authorizing two presidents for it. This province now has nineteen chapters. The only reason we have ever heard for not dividing Alpha is that with small provinces the provincial conventions would be small. But there is no reason why the three eastern provinces under the contemplated division should not hold a joint provincial convention every two years. Undoubtedly smaller and more

compact provinces would bring about more efficient administration and more satisfactory results generally.

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IN the Hellenic department of this issue will be found an article about "Governing Boards of Fraternities," copied from the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*. It is interesting to note the differences between the various fraternities in regard to their executive officers. Some of them have simply three or four general officers, while others have boards of control. Some have executive boards and also other officers for special purposes. Phi Delta Theta belongs to the latter class. Our board of trustees is composed of nine members, who are subdivided into a general council of five members, an alumni commission of two and a chapter house commission of two. The general council has executive powers, and also legislative powers, though its acts cannot contravene any acts of the national convention. Each of the five councilors has specified duties to perform, and the council is aided in the administration of affairs by the presidents of the provinces. Besides these officers, we have an editor of the catalogue, an editor of the history and a fraternity librarian.

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THE development of this governmental system has been gradual. Before 1880 we had an executive committee, with poorly defined powers. In that year the general council was established and the province system was adopted. The last change was made by the New York convention, which provided that the four trustees without specified duties should be divided into two alumni commissions and two chapter house commissioners. It seems that we now have a general officer for every purpose. Our system of government has been found to operate harmoniously and successfully, and probably no disposition will be shown to modify this system for some time. After all, the success of a fraternity as a whole depends not so much upon its machinery of government as

upon the ability and efficiency of its administrative officers. These officers should be chosen for their peculiar fitness for the duties appertaining to their respective offices. In their election this should be the only consideration. Given intelligent, active and progressive general officers, the fraternity will make rapid advancement.

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At this close of their term, the editors wish to thank gratefully the brothers who have rendered so much assistance in furnishing the news of the fraternities and colleges, and of Phi Delta Theta. Among many others we make especial acknowledgments to Bros. B. M. L. Ernst and Charles F. Lamkin, presidents respectively of Alpha and Zeta provinces, for their repeated contributions. Both of them have made contributions so valuable that we have not hesitated, as in this number, to publish two articles from them in one issue. Bro. Lamkin, who has had the beautiful privilege of telling us of Father Morrison, his family and his resting place, has also the pleasure of showing how Missouri Beta gave to "Old Centre," our third abiding place, her new and brilliant president. Bro. Ernst delights us with Columbia's history and the remarkable activities of journalistic Phis in New York, as he has hitherto told us of the Poughkeepsie races, the Phis at West Point, and the career of Judge Mayer. We are proud of such contributors. We shall hope for more from them and we welcome others.

## CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

## QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

Athletics in every line have been booming at McGill this year. The annual track meet was held on October 14. Though not up to the standard in some respects, it was well contested and resulted in a victory for the freshmen.

In the intercollegiate meet which was held in Toronto we won back the championship by a score of 59-49. This is the fifth time that we have defeated Toronto since the meet was established six years ago. Bros. Brown and Powell represented us on the track team.

The rifle association brought its second season to a close on October 22. The Birkett cup was won by the juniors.

Although the season is well advanced the football championship still hangs in the balance. At the time of writing Queens and McGill each have two games to their favor. Each has another game with Toronto and should both win they play off on neutral ground. Most of the games in the intermediate series have yet to be played, but our chances are exceedingly bright. Bro. Benedict on the first XIV and Bro. Sharp on the second XIV are our only representatives in the lineup.

Things are still coming our way. In the recent elections we received the following further honors: Bro. Likely, president of the senior year, representative from medicine to Dalhousie; Bro. Benedict, president of the boxing club, chairman of junior dance; Bro. Crocker, secretary reading room committee, arts; Bro. Houser, junior dance committee; Bro. McDonald, representative from medicine to the arts dance.

Bro. Warwick, '04, was married on October 5 in St. John. Bro. Sellery, '04, is externe in the Augustana Hospital, Chicago.

Since our last letter we have had a visit from one of our southern brothers in the person of F. S. Brockman, Vanderbilt, '91.

Montreal, November 1, 1904.

JOHN A. McDONALD.

## MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

The opening of Colby College brought more than the usual number of new faces. Among the new men there was some excellent fraternity material. There are two new teachers this year, Mr. Keniston, Harvard, '04, who is instructor in Latin, and Prof. Reuterdaahl, who comes to us from Brown, has the chair of physics.

The corner stone of the new woman's dormitory was laid. Hon. Percival Bonny, who delivered the address, announced that from the completion of the new dormitory there would be a separate college for the women at Colby.

Colby Day was fittingly observed on October 8 by the Colby football team defeating New Hampshire State College 23-0. Colby Night was a happy occasion for the undergraduates and this expression of satisfaction was heartily seconded by the alumni who were visiting for the day.

After a successful rushing season Maine Alpha has the pleasure of introducing the following men as brothers: A. L. Cotton, C. C. Dwyer, C. F. Flood, F. S. Hamilton, M. R. Keyes, J. T. Mathews, N. I. Mixer, A. C. Thompson, R. F. Thompson, A. W. Weeden, '08, and W. L. Dodge, '06.

The twenty-first initiation banquet of Maine Alpha was held at "The Gerald," Fairfield, October 7. A larger number of alumni were present than for many previous banquets.

The following are some of the honors which have been awarded to the fraternity since the last letter: Bro. Gooch, '06, manager of track team; Bro. Coy, '05, class orator; Bro. Field, '05, class poet; Bro. Upwall, '05, class prophet; Bro. Peterson, '07, class vice-president; and Bro. Thorne, '07, class secretary. Bros. Cotton, '05, Newman, '07, and Dywer, '08, are on the football team.

The fraternity was recently favored by a visit from Bro. D. J. Gallert of New York City. The members take the opportunity at this time to acknowledge the substantial interest and aid which they have received from their alumni. There is a strong determination among the fellows to hold the high prestige which the fraternity has gained in the college. Maine Alpha sends her best wishes to all her sister chapters.

I. A. BOWDOIN.

Waterville, October 28, 1904.

#### VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The University of Vermont opened September 27 with an entering class of 125, a slight gain over last year. Not for years has the outlook been so favorable. The centennial fund has passed \$300,000, the new medical college is approaching completion, and a bill has been introduced in the state legislature appropriating \$60,000 for a new agricultural building to be known as Morrill Hall. This bill has already passed the house and, in all probability, it will pass the senate this week without opposition.

Last spring, we lost four men by graduation: Bros. Briggs, Mack, Cunningham, and Varnum. Bros. Ward, '05, and Thompson, '06, have entered Leland Stanford. Bro. Ranney, '06, has moved to Minneapolis, and Bro. Brown, '07, has gone into business. The rushing season this fall was fast and furious. In fact, it was nearly finished before college opened. Vermont Alpha bore her share of the work and, as a result, finished well toward the top. Seventeen old men returned to college this fall. Now we number twenty-seven. Our initiates include nine freshmen and one sophomore.

Vermont's football season has not been a success. Only two of last year's eleven returned to college and it was necessary to build up a team from green and light material. But one game was won and two were drawn. Bro. Newton was captain and half back, and Bro. Wilson, '08, full back.

Burlington, November 7, 1904.

H. H. WATSON.

#### MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

The new Thompson memorial chapel, given by Mrs. Frederick F. Thompson in memory of her husband, is practically completed. A perfect type of the latest English Gothic style, being very similar to the cathedral at Oxford, it adds materially to the beauty of the campus. The bell tower contains a fine set of chimes, which were made by the Meneely Bell Company, of Troy, N. Y.

The football season so far has not given us many victories, as we have had a hard schedule. Harvard defeated us 24 to 0; Columbia 11 to 0; Dartmouth 11 to 0; and West Point 16 to 0, but on October 22, at Albany, we defeated Hamilton 23 to 0. However, of the remainder of our games we expect to win a good share. Williams plays with Amherst this fall for the first time in several years, and an interesting game is anticipated.

On October 3 Massachusetts Alpha initiated the following men: Willard Ansley Gibson, '08, of Salamanca, N. Y.; Julian Bigelow Howe, '08, of

New York City; William Smith McClellan, '08, of York, Penn.; Samuel Mundy Meeker, Jr., '08, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Zenas Henry Russell, '08, of Honesdale, Penn.; David Burnett Scott, '08, of New York City, and Kenneth Noble Woodward, '08, of New York City.

On October 27 we initiated Robert Joesbury Weeks, '07, of Riverhead, Long Island, N. Y. With these eight men the chapter now numbers twenty-three, the largest in its history.

Our initiation banquet was held Monday, October 10 and was presided over by Bro. Wm. R. A. Wilson, '91. Bro. Peabody, '05, of Amherst, represented Massachusetts Beta at the banquet.

Bro. R. M. Ketcham, '05, of Indianapolis, has made the mandolin club, and several of the underclassmen are trying for the *Record* board. Bros. Ayers, '05, and Knowles, '07, were present October 27 at the initiation banquet of Massachusetts Beta.

WILFRED S. AYERS.

Williamstown, October 31, 1904.

#### MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

Amherst is rejoicing in the victories of its football team this season, especially since it is the only eastern college or university team that has thus far been not only undefeated but not even scored against. We have games yet to play with Holy Cross, Dartmouth, and our good old rival Williams, but there is considerable confidence here as to the outcome. Bro. Rounesville has managed the team during one of the most successful seasons we have ever had. Bro. Powell is substitute quarterback on the team.

The initiation banquet came off on October 28. It marked the close of the process of amalgamating one of the most promising delegations that has entered our local chapter for some time. Bro. White, '08, is now president of his class and a star half mile runner.

In the annual inter-class athletic meet, known here as the "cider meet," Bros. Downey, Roberts, and Pratt scored points for their respective classes.

Bro. McRae has been elected chairman of the junior prom. committee. Bro. Peabody is chairman of the senior dramatics committee. Bro. Turner has made the musical clubs and Bro. Burrill is reader for the same. In literary lines we are represented by Bro. Downey on the *Student*, Bro. Burrill on the *Lit*, and Bro. Worcester on the *Olio*. Bro. Worcester is also assistant tennis manager.

We are fortunate in occasionally having with us, at weekly meeting or banquet, one of America's most distinguished Phis, Dr. Charles A. Eastman, Dartmouth, '87. Bro. Eastman, is the only full-blooded Indian on the lecture platform, and intends to speak this winter in many places, from Massachusetts to California. A book of his is about to be published by Harpers, entitled, "Red Hunters and the Animal People." Bro. Eastman is also the foremost government plenipotentiary for his people, the Sioux. His magazine stories are splendidly told, but they are not nearly so fascinating as those he tells us himself, seated around a blazing fire in some brother's room late at night.

EDGAR W. BURRILL.

Williamstown, November 3, 1904.

#### RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Brown opened its doors this year with exceedingly bright prospects. For the last few years, the campus has been covered with the debris from the construction of the numerous buildings which have been in the course of erection. During the preceding summer all these buildings have been completed, part of the campus regraded, and the old buildings rejuvenated, so

that our university begins this year with a better equipped plant than ever before in her history.

There is much good football material in college this fall and Brown expects to finish the season with one of the strongest teams that she has ever had. Our showing so far, however, has been only fairly good, a number of the best men not having been able to play either because of conditions or injuries. The men showed something of what is to be expected of them by holding Pennsylvania to a single touchdown. The team is being coached by Robinson, '96, assisted by a number of other graduate coaches.

In the interclass track meet held in October, the juniors won first place and the freshmen second. No records were broken, but some exceedingly good work was done, and the meet showed that Brown has better track material than she has had for years. The annual football rush between the freshmen and the sophomores at the close of the meet resulted in a tie.

The musical clubs have been reorganized and greatly strengthened this year. A number of trips have already been arranged. The joint Brown and Dartmouth clubs will give a concert in Boston on the evening before the Brown-Dartmouth game. Another new feature of the schedule is the concert to be given in Worcester in the spring at the time of the New England intercollegiate A. A. meet.

The college was honored recently by having as its guest the noted historian, the Rt. Hon. James Bryce. He delivered a very scholarly address in Sayles Hall during his visit, upon "The Place of Roger Williams in the Church and State."

Brown has now sixteen fraternities. The names and membership are as follows: A Δ Φ, 26; Δ Φ, 23; Ψ T, 20; B Θ Π, 21; Δ K E, 24; Z Ψ, 17; Θ Δ X, 18; Δ T, 25; X Φ, 28; Φ Δ Θ, 19; A T Ω, 19; Δ T Δ, 25; K Σ, 25; Φ K, 32; Φ Γ Δ, 23; Φ K Ψ, 14.

Rhode Island Alpha has begun the college year under the most favorable circumstances, having lost only four men by graduation. We take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity the following men: Howard L. Rice, '06, Providence, R. I.; Albert E. White, '05, Providence, R. I.; Elroy L. Blish, '08, Northampton, Mass.; Joseph F. Jenckes, '08, Wrentham, Mass.; Robert C. Nason, '08, Medway, Mass.; Waldo J. Williams, '08, Statington, Pa. We are glad to state that Rhode Island Alpha this year holds its usual high position among the fraternities at Brown, in college activities. At the close of the baseball season last spring Bro. Tift was elected captain for the ensuing year. Bro. Savage is general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. We are represented on the football squad by Bros. Savage and Graham. Bro. Blish has recently been elected captain of the freshman football team. In the class elections this fall Bro. McIntyre was elected president of the junior class and Bro. Tift president of the sophomore class. Bro. Bright is chairman of the sophomore debating committee. Bros. Graham, Bailey, and Nason represent us on the glee club.

CHAS. S. HUFF.

Providence, October 29, 1904.

#### NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Cornell's prospects for the coming year are particularly bright. Every department in the university shows an increased registration. Two new buildings are now under process of construction, Goldwin Smith hall, and the Rockefeller hall of physics. The recent state donation for the agricultural college also provides for the erection of three more structures. Our campus will be the scene of considerable building activities during the coming year.

Nineteen men returned to the chapter. At first the outlook for filling the place left vacant by last year's graduation class was not the brightest, but a hard, persistent rushing season brought desired results. We take pleasure in introducing Bros. C. R. Sheppard, Quincy, Mass.; C. S. Sweeney, Indianapolis, Indiana; H. C. Hills, Youngstown, Ohio; J. C. Burkhart, Portland, Oregon; I. M. Jackson, Kenneth Square, Pa.; E. S. Hobart, Brookline, Mass; R. K. Bergen, Ithaca, N. Y.; I. B. Simonton, Jacksonville, Florida; and E. L. Burnham, Berwyn, Pa. T. D. Childs is pledged and will soon enter the gates. The following old men returned: R. M. Tolin, '05; E. C. Welsh, '05; R. W. Chase, '05; W. A. Kuhlmeier, '05; H. O. Owens, '05; Julian Frank, '06; B. S. Coe, '06; D. S. Simpson, '06; W. O. McGee, '07; Wythe Whiting, '07; H. G. Bosler, '07; G. Kothe, '07; M. H. Wiley, '07; O. A. Troclicut, '07; H. M. Rogers, '07; W. F. Durand, '07; G. E. Welles, '07; J. F. Sheppard, '07; W. J. Dugan, '07; C. F. Alliance, '06.

The Corn-ll crews suffered defeat at Poughkeepsie last June. The defeat was a severe shock to the whole university and especially to our chapter. Bro. A. R. Coffin, captain and stroke of the varsity eight, immediately before the races was taken seriously ill with malaria fever. It was a keen disappointment to us all, that at the height of his honor Bro. Coffin should be deprived of the opportunity of participating in the last struggle. Bro. Ballinger, '04, rowed 6 in the varsity boat. Bro. Wiley, '07, had a successful season with the baseball team. Bro. Ketchum, '04, captain of the track team, though handicapped by illness and accidents, made a fine showing in the intercollegiates. Bro. Rogers, '07, is captain of the sophomore track. Bros. McGee, '07; Dugan, '07; Sweeney, '08, played on class baseball teams. Bro. Jackson, '08, also won his numerals in track.

The outlook for Cornell athletics is much brighter than for some years past. The football team has the services of Glenn Warner, the well known coach of the Carlisle Indians. He bids fair to create a new era in Cornell football. Though defeated by Princeton, the team nevertheless revealed considerable strength. Warner has done fine work with the material at hand.

The new athletic field now under preparation by the alumni, will be a stimulus to all branches of athletics. The field will contain fifty-five acres of land immediately adjoining the campus.

Many alumni returned to see the Princeton game. We were pleased to welcome at the lodge, Bros. Ketchum, '04; Poole, '05; Kugler, '02; McSparren, '04; Welles, '04; Couch, '01; Short, '00. We have also had welcome visits from Bros. Jennings, '04, and Farnsworth, '03.

The chapter is very enthusiastic over the coming convention at Indianapolis, Thanksgiving.

W. J. DUGAN.

Ithaca, October 31, 1904.

#### NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Syracuse University commenced its college year with a marked increase in the number of students. The entering class numbers approximately 950, making a total registration of about 2,500 students. The opening of college witnesses the completion of Haven Hall, a dormitory for women, and the central lighting and heating plant. The law school which has occupied rooms in the university block, has been moved to the building recently purchased, situated on the corner of State and Fayette streets. The new quarters are much more commodious and convenient than the old ones. Immediately after the opening of college, ground was broken for the new mechanical laboratory, the gift of Mr. L. C. Smith. The new building will be

300x50 feet, three stories high, and will contain the foundry, blacksmith shop, metal and wood working shops and portland cement plant. This is the second large gift by Mr. Smith to the college of applied science; he intends to make good his promise to make the engineering school of Syracuse second to none in the world.

Prof. Harold Butler succeeds Prof. R. G. Calthrop as head of the vocal department. Dr. E. L. Earp, *Dickinson*, '95, is the newly appointed head of the department of sociology. Prof. Kirkpatrick, Illinois Eta, '02, succeeds Prof. Jones in the department of civil engineering. Several new instructors have been added to the faculty.

Φ Δ Θ returned but 17 men this year, but all were full of enthusiasm so we have experienced no difficulty in pledging new men. At present we have ten pledged, whom we have every reason to believe are the best men in their class.

The prospect for a winning team both in football and basketball is very bright. C. D. Hutchins, the head coach, has had phenomenal success with all the teams he has coached. Tommy West, *Dickinson*, '99, is assistant coach. Bro. West has entered the medical college, so he will be with us for four years. Φ Δ Θ is well represented on the team by Bros. Burrell, Russell, Jones and Lyon. In all branches of athletics Φ Δ Θ will be well represented this year. Bro. Sanford is manager of the baseball team; Bro. Burrell is captain of the baseball team, Bro. Distin is manager and Bro. Robertson is captain of the track team.

The brilliant victory of the Syracuse crews on the Hudson last June, has placed the university in a position of prominence never before attained in college circles. It was the first time since the formation of the Hudson River regatta that any but the Cornell crews have "swept the river."

In the inter-fraternity baseball series played last spring Φ Δ Θ won the pennant. We did not lose a game.

The university is to be congratulated upon the fact that Chancellor Day remains at the head. The office of bishop is indeed a high honor to refuse, but while the church loses a great bishop the university retains a great chancellor.

New York Epsilon is looking forward with much interest to the national convention. Bro. H. D. Sanford has been elected delegate.

During the summer Bro. Stewart Harrison died at his home in Seneca Falls. Although Bro. Harrison left college last year on account of ill health, his death came very unexpectedly. In Bro. Harrison the chapter loses a staunch and loyal Phi, and each member loses a true friend.

The chapter wishes to thank all those who sent the names of men entering the university and who otherwise assisted us in rushing.

New York Epsilon wishes to extend their hospitality to Phi's on visiting teams and all others who may come this way. S. B. SMITH.

Syracuse, October 9, '04.

#### PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

Gettysburg College opened its seventy-third year on September 15. The incoming freshman class has a total enrollment of eighty-three students, which makes it one of the largest classes in the history of the institution. This speaks well for Prof. S. G. Hefelbower, our new president, especially when this year's class of eighty-three is compared with last year's class of fifty. Ex-president H. C. McKnight has kindly consented to fill the professorship of intellectual and moral science for another year. The vacancy in the department of Romance languages and literature, caused by Prof.

Hefelbower being elected president, has been filled by Prof. C. E. Dryden, formerly of the Frostburg, Md., Normal School.

The prospects for a successful football season are also very bright inasmuch as we have an abundance of material to pick the team from. To be brief, the outlook for the present collegiate year is surprisingly propitious in every respect.

The chapter returned six active men and three pledges. After a rather successful rushing season we pledged one freshman and four preps and have excellent prospects of securing three or four other new men whom we are now rushing. So far we have initiated the following men into the fraternity: Donald Huber, Gettysburg, Pa.; Henry States Huber, Gettysburg, Pa.; Edgar Faber, Gettysburg, Pa.; and Frederick Augustus Muhlenberg, Reading, Pa. We have pledged Benjamin Philson and Samuel Philson, Berlin, Pa., Agnew Thomas, Gettysburg, Pa., and Rudolph Nichols, Frostburg, Md. We were very fortunate in having Bros. S. B. Meisenhelder, ex-'04, P. B. Dunbar, '04, and H. H. Muhlenberg, ex-'06, with us throughout the rushing season. The chapter is also indebted to Bros. M. F. Huber '01, and David Forney for their loyalty in helping us look after new men.

By graduation the chapter lost three men: Fischer, Eppler and Dunbar. Bro. Fischer, who has been troubled with his health for the last four months, has recovered sufficiently to be able to pay us a short visit this fall. Bro. Eppler has entered the law department of the University of Maryland in Baltimore. Bro. Dunbar has taken up a course of study in chemistry in Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. Bro. H. H. Muhlenberg, ex-'06, has given up his college course to enter the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. Bro. Hay, '03, who was compelled to leave the theological seminary in Gettysburg, last fall, on account of poor health, has about recovered again but will not be able to fulfill his intention of studying for the ministry.

H. S. DORNHERGER.

Gettysburg, November 4, 1904.

#### PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have initiated the following men, whom we wish to present to the fraternity: Bros. Kimmel of Blairsville, Pa.; Anderson of Allegheny, Pa.; and Hobbs and Oug of Martins Ferry, Ohio; McVay of Xenia, O.; Hamilton of Beaver, Pa.; Lepe of Erie, Pa., and Roy of New Concord, O., are wearing our pledge buttons.

In the preparatory department we have pledged Pitcairn, of Wilkensburg, Pa., and Swearingen of Pittsburg, Pa.

The rushing season here has been very strenuous but we are glad to say that we have not lost a single bid and are in better shape this fall for a prospect year than we have been for some time.

Bro. Grubbs is managing the football team with Bro. Stewart at guard, while Roy and Sipe who will be initiated soon, are playing great football in their respective positions of tackle and fullback. We have a strong team this year and feel sure that its work on the gridiron will be creditable to old W. and J. Bro. Davis is busy arranging his baseball schedule and with Bro. Hughes to do the twirling we can be sure of a winning baseball team.

The attendance here this year is not much increased over that of former years, but with the completion of our beautiful new library we can hope for a larger freshman class next year.

T. C. FRAME.

Washington, October 24, 1904.

**PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.**

Since our last letter we have succeeded in pledging Mr. Carl G. Barth, Jr., of the class of 1907, and have affiliated Bro. Andrew Craig Pierce, Pennsylvania Alpha. Bro. Pierce has entered as a member of the class of '08, and is a promising candidate for the basketball team. A rather painful accident has occurred to one of our number, Bro. Wm. McCleary. Bro. McCleary has been on the varsity football team up to a few weeks ago, but during a hard practice game with the scrub his left collar bone was badly fractured, which incapacitates him for any further play this season. Lehigh has had rather hard luck this season as regards her football teams, most of our seasoned players being on the sick list or out of the game altogether.

Although the long rushing season this year has made matters very hard for the fraternities and still harder for the freshmen, Pennsylvania Eta is very confident of getting the usual number of men. The fraternity material in this year's freshman class is good, and our prospects for getting some of the best men are very bright.

There has been some talk of an inter-fraternity bowling league here and if such a thing is organized  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will be well represented by a strong team consisting of Bros. Wallace, Pierce, McCleary, Hanst and Spaeth.

South Bethlehem, October 27, 1904.

J. Faber HANST.

**PENNSYLVANIA THETA, PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.**

Since our last letter we have pledged two men, J. T. Henry, '06, Unionville, Pa., and J. P. Hand, '07, Cape May, N. J. When they have been initiated our chapter will number twenty-one men.

The McAllister Hall is our latest addition to our group of buildings. It is a dining hall and dormitory, of four stories. The work is well under way, and the building will be ready for use next spring.

So far we have had a successful football season, the team under the leadership of Bro. Forkum having lost only two games, U. of P. and Yale. The game of the season is that with Dickinson at Williamsport on November 12. The students are making preparations to attend the game in a body.

Gov. Pennypacker and Mr. and Mrs. Carnegie are expected to be here on November 18, when the Carnegie library will be dedicated. In the evening the annual Thanksgiving hop will be given by the senior class. All the fraternities will hold house dances the evening before.

We are well represented in student activities, having captain of the football team, manager of the 1906 *La Vie*, two men in the forum, a member of the junior banquet committee, toast at the junior banquet, secretary of the freshman class, and men in the orchestra and glee club.

This fall we have entertained Bro. Rane and wife of Durham, N. H., and Bro. Aldrich and wife of Worcester, Mass.

H. R. GEIB.

State College, October 29, 1904.

**BETA PROVINCE.****VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.**

Washington and Lee opened on September 8, and the enrollment proves to be the largest since the time of General Lee. The registration is not yet complete, but there are already 320 matriculates. The new science hall, a magnificent structure, has been completed and is now in use. The new dormitory, which will accommodate about 100 students, is also a very handsome addition to the college buildings.

Virginia Zeta has been fortunate in returning eleven of last year's chapter. In addition to the initiates of this year the chapter hopes to be further strengthened by the return of Bros. Mann and Bagley after the holidays. Bro. Bagley has been offered an assistant professorship in mathematics which he will probably accept.

Just before the close of last session we had the pleasure of initiating Jas. W. Kern, Jr., of Lexington, Va., and E. W. Kelley, of Wise, Va. This session we have had three initiates: Stewart McBryde, of Lexington, Va.; Geo. McP. Minetree, of Washington, D. C.; and Jno. S. Long, of Tampa, Fla. Bro. Kern is a son of Dr. J. W. Kern, professor of Latin in this university. Bro. McBryde is the fifth of the McBryde family to enter  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and is a brother to Robert J. McBryde, former province president.

As usual we hold our share of college honors. Bro. Sloan is the winner of the Young scholarship; president of the Y. M. C. A.; associate editor of the *Ring Tum Phi* and assistant manager of the baseball team. Bros. Campbell and Bagley again represent us on the football field, starting in their old positions of left-end and left half-back. Bro. Campbell is also vice-president of the athletic association. Bro. Kelley is manager of the baseball team; manager of the *Southern Collegian*; assistant editor of the *Calyx* (our college annual), and president of the senior class. He was also chief marshal during the final celebrations in June and won the debater's medal at the intermediate celebration of the Washington Literary Society. Bro. LeGore is manager of the glee club.

Recently we had a very pleasant visit from Bro. H. L. Watson, our province president, and he seemed to be very much pleased with the progress of Virginia Zeta.

GEORGE R. LEGORE.

Lexington, October 30, 1904.

#### KENTUCKY ALPHA-DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY.

Centre College of Central University opened on September 14 her 82nd year, which bids fair to be very prosperous, as she has enrolled more new students than last year. The quality and scholarship of the new students are very much higher than that of last year and the spirit and life of the college is much better and more prosperous than for several years.

There have been three changes in the faculty since last year: Dr. F. W. Hinett, Missouri Beta, '90, has been elected president of the university, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Roberts last fall, and will be installed November 20. Dr. Blayney has been elected to the chair of modern languages to succeed Prof. Waggener and Mr. Price has been elected one of the professors in the law department to succeed Prof. VanWinkle.

Kentucky Alpha-Delta returned eight men from last year's chapter, and as the result of an almost entirely successful spiking season, we take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bro. Shelby Kavanaugh Riner, Harry Quincy Smith, Robert Gibson Richardson and Carl Butler Courtney. We have four more men pledged and others are being spiked.

The prospects for a winning football team are very good. A large number of very promising men are hard at work under the proficient supervision of coach Childs of Michigan Agricultural College. Kentucky Alpha-Delta is well represented on the field by Bros. Thatcher and Riner.

Bro. Hudson is physical director, president of the athletic association, president of the junior dance club, and associate editor of the annual.

Bro. Thatcher is president of the senior oratory class and president of the dramatic club also. No doubt more honors will fall to members of Kentucky Alpha-Delta in the near future.

Among the social pleasures, a reception was given by the chapter to her prospective members, at the beginning of the college year and a few days later a "storm" dance at the country home of one of our sisters, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. There were representatives for each one of the other five frats here. The next function will be a picnic to High Bridge, Saturday, October 15.

Bro. June Hunter, '02, was married to Miss Clyde McGinnis here the first of this month.

Kentucky Alpha-Delta expects to send several men to the convention this fall.

Any Phi coming to Danville may rest assured he will find a hearty welcome awaiting him with Kentucky Alpha-Delta if he will make himself known.

Danville, October 8, 1904.

J. LEWIS GILL.

#### KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

College opened September 5 with an enrollment somewhat smaller than last year. There have been no material changes in buildings or equipment. In the faculty Mr. Leon K. Frankel, II K A, has resigned as assistant professor of mechanical engineering, and has been succeeded by Mr. L. E. Nollau. Commandant George L. Byrsade, Capt. U. S. A., resigned to become commandant at Culver Military Academy, and is succeeded by Lieut. Burt, a graduate of West Point.

Active football practice was begun immediately upon the opening of college, under Coach Shacht, of Minnesota, and with an excellent squad on the field. Lieut. Burt and Mr. J. D. Turner, one of the "Immortals of '98," are coaching the second team. The two games played so far have resulted in scores of 27 to 0 and 12 to 0 in State's favor—the former on September 30, against Paris A. C., here, and the latter against Indiana University last Saturday at Bloomington. The team, on its showing so far, should at least repeat the record of last year, when we only lost one game.

The chapter only returned six men—Bros. Trice, Carney, Barclay, Haynes, Spears and Kinkead. Bro. Price has since retired from college, to return after Christmas. Of our five graduates of last year, Bro. Barclay has returned to take up post graduate work in mining engineering; Bro. Shelby, who was honor man and representative of his class, is in Harvard Law School; Bro. Gary is with the Forbes Manufacturing Co., at Hopkinsville, Ky.; Bro. Matthews is with the Sturtevant Machine Co., in Philadelphia; Bro. Shobe is in charge of the Kentucky agricultural exhibit at the World's Fair.

With the able assistance of Bros. Campbell, Allen and Shelby of our alumni in town, we have carried on a most successful rushing season, and have the pleasure of introducing the following new wearers of the Sword and Shield: Bros. Robert Irvine Cabell, '06, Louisville; Thomas Karr Givens, '08, Paducah; George Christopher Thompson, Jr., '08, Paducah; Sidney Vaughan Dabney, '08; Paducah; James Patterson Headley, Jr., '08, Lexington; Shelby Shanklin, '08, Lexington; William Henry Noel, '08, Bellevue; James Saffell Watson, '08, Lexington; and Pitzer Dixon Black, '08, Barbourville. We also have two pledges and several other men in view.  $\Sigma X$  has proven our strongest rival.

We are again the only chapter at State which is housed, K A having given up the house which they rented last winter. The house was kept open all summer.

We have enjoyed visits recently from Bros. Ellis, '03; Dunn, '02; Gorin, ex-'05; Shobe, '04; Gary, '04, and Almy, ex-'06, of the alumni. Bro. R. M.

Allen, '00, who was secretary of the International Pure Food Congress, which met September 26-October 1 at St. Louis, was honored by being selected as the member from the United States on an international committee on food legislation.

Any Phi who may be in Lexington at any time will receive a hearty welcome at our chapter house, 325 South Limestone. C. W. HAYNES.  
Lexington, October 10, 1904.

#### TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter the medical and dental departments have opened and affairs in all departments of the university are now under full sway. Vanderbilt is still upholding in football the record she made in her first game on October 1, when she defeated Mississippi A. and M. College, so easily. So far we have won easily from Mississippi College, University of Mississippi, Georgetown University, Missouri School of Mines, Central University, and the University of Tennessee, scoring 345 points to our opponents' 4. Bro. Bryan, who opened up the season at half, has had to retire from the gridiron on account of serious trouble with his ankles. This is a great loss to the team as Bryan was a star both offensively and defensively. Bro. Sibley is on the squad and is being used as a sub guard.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bro. Clifton Boswell, of Louisville, Ky., and Bros. Jno. B. Tinnon and Neil Cullom of Nashville, Tenn.

The glee club for 1904-05 is being organized and from present prospects Tennessee Alpha will be well represented this year, as it is rumored about college that there are six or seven Phis who are sure of places on the club.

We enjoy very much meeting Phis who come here on various athletic teams and we wish to extend a hearty invitation to all Phis to visit us here in Nashville. OWSLEY MANIER.

Nashville, November 1, 1904.

#### TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

The football season thus far has been a most successful one for Sewanee. She has won every game, several victories being taken from her strongest opponents, and she bids fair to be the champion of the south. With Bro. J. R. Williams as manager, Bro. M. A. Watkins as center, Bro. E. Kirby-Smith as right tackle and Bros. G. L. Watkins, Murray and Palmer as subs. Tennessee Beta is indeed well represented on the gridiron.

Bros. Mendenhall, Lee Kirby-Smith and J. S. Niles have left Sewanee, the two former being in the medical department which closed for the year on October 26. Bro. Niles intends going to work at Kosciusko, Mississippi.

The chapter still has a roll of twenty-one members, and almost every man expects to return in March. This will give us a larger nucleus to begin work with next year than we have had before.

We introduce to the fraternity our two latest initiates, Bro. P. Palmer, of Fernandina, Fla., and Bro. Robert Lockhart of Selma, Ala. Each of these gentlemen has a brother in the active chapter and it seems as though fortune is with us.

There is quite a revival of fraternity spirit this year and the chapter house is always full of men from morning till night, reading, talking or playing pool. Most of the members are young and will stay in the university a long time, so Tennessee Beta's welfare is assured for several years to come.

K Σ is erecting a unique kind of log fraternity house on Fraternity Row, and Δ T Δ has recently completed a large stone addition to its building.

Sewanee, November 1, 1904.

WYATT BROWN.

## GAMMA PROVINCE.

## GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA:

The University of Georgia opened on September 20 with the largest attendance and the brightest prospects that she has ever had. A handsome library, the gift of Foster Peabody, has just been completed, and a magnificent building is almost completed on the spot where the old science hall stood. Several new buildings are about to be erected on the campus. The football prospects are the best in many years, the varsity team having won the first game from University of Florida by a score of 52 to 0. We are represented on the field by Bros. Strickland, McMillan and Howard, who will probably make substitutes.

Bro. Strickland has been elected president of the freshman class and several other brothers hold class honors. Bro. Marshburn is local editor of the *Red and Black*, the college weekly, also an associate editor of the college annual. Several other brothers belong to social organizations, etc.

The fraternity material which came to college this fall was good and all the fraternities took in an unusually large number of men.

Our chapter was very, very fortunate in spiking, having secured ten of the best men who entered college.

We take great pleasure in introducing to our sister chapters through THE SCROLL the following new brothers: Guy Strickland, Athens, Ga., '08; Marcus McWhorter, Athens, Ga., '08; King Howard, Lexington, Ga., '07; Tom McMillan, Savannah, Ga., '08; Francis Dasher, Savannah, Ga., '08; Grover Middlebrooks, Atlanta, Ga., '08; Robert Carter, Atlanta, Ga., '08; Philip Davis, Lexington, Ga., '07; Rodger Carver, Dawson, Ga., '08; Charles Mills, Griffin, Ga., '00; Kyle Smith, Greensboro, Ga., '08. We returned from last year's chapter nine men, thus giving us a chapter of twenty men.

We wish to thank for their kind aid in rushing season the following: Bros. Earnest Hallman, William R. Turner, Eden Taylor, Douse Bradwell, Knight and Varner. We wish to invite all This who happen to be in Athens to visit our chapter house at 717 Hill Street. CADMUS A. DAZIER.

Athens, October 17, 1904.

## GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE

The college year has opened well at Emory. The men who entered this fall were a fine lot, and have already made their impression on the college life. The prospects for a good year are bright. Plans are now well started for obtaining a new gymnasium, which is a thing needed much, as the college has outgrown the old building. The addition of another handsome building to our campus will make it probably the most beautiful in the state; and judging by the liberality which has erected, in the last few years, two of our most beautiful buildings, the science hall and library, we will possess the new gymnasium before the beginning of another college year.

Athletics have been delayed in getting under headway this fall, since the cross-country relay race, the first athletic event of the year, was postponed several weeks because of the prolonged drouth, which rendered the road unfit to be run over. At last, however, it came off on October 24, and was very exciting; for although the deep dust prevented record time, the race was not won till the freshman runner crossed the finish of the ten-mile course with the sophomore only thirty yards behind. Between the winner and the junior who finished last of the college classes, there was only one minute's difference. The result of the race was a shock to the sophomores, and de-

cidely enlivened the annual rush, which occurred that night. The freshmen in a compact body gallantly defended the flag against their opponents, and after an hour of fighting, when the rush was stopped, neither side could show the trophy as a proof of victory. It was supposed that the flag went the way of a large part of the clothes worn to the scrimmage. Football has just begun with the inter-class series of games. On October 31, the juniors inflicted a great surprise on the people, by tying the seniors, 5-5, through a very close contest. The second surprise came next day, when the freshmen defeated the sophomores, 5-0. Both of these games may be considered memorable, as in football, experience counts for so much that very rarely at Emory does a class even score on their seniors. These games give promise of an exciting season. Bros. Rayne, Thomas, Cox, King, McGregor, and Smith are on their respective class teams.

Since our last letter, we have initiated a new brother. I take pleasure in introducing Bro. K. H. McGregor, '07, of Buena Vista, Ga. We are sorry to know, however, that Bro. Purcell will be unable to rejoin our ranks this year. Otherwise Georgia Beta is enjoying all that could be wished. We extend our heartiest good wishes to our sister chapters and our brothers of the alumni, and end with a wish for the success of the convention soon to be held.

JAMES HINTON.

Oxford, November 3, 1904.

#### ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Alabama has met and defeated three out of four of her opponents, being defeated by Clemson 18-0. Our victories were: Florida, 29-0; A. and M. of Mississippi, 18-5; Nashville, 17-0.

On November 12 we play Auburn, our greatest rival. The game takes place in Birmingham and all eyes of the state will be centered there. Last year we defeated Auburn by score of 18-6. This year, although they have the best in scores, defeating Clemson 5-0, we expect to give them a hard battle and come out the victors.

Alabama Alpha is represented on the varsity squad by W. C. Oates, tackle, and F. B. Clark, half-back.

We take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bro. H. H. Thomas of Prattville, Ala., our most recent initiate.

The chapter has passed successfully through the rushing season, taking in five freshmen, one sophomore and one junior.

F. B. CLARK.

Tuscaloosa, October 31, 1904.

#### ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

During the short period that has elapsed since the publication of the October SCROLL we have delved deeply into an interesting session of college life. The student body has been repeatedly thrown into ecstatic rejoicing over the continued success of the "Auburn Tigers." Celebrations of victory have succeeded each game on the season's programme. The deluge of unrestrained hilarity accompanying these occasions of triumph has in every case flowed from the high water mark of popular expectation.

The sun of prosperity is radiantly shining on the institute with an intensity unknown in any other phase of its existence. Every department is represented by a desirably large class. Rearrangements of class rooms and remodelling of laboratories give evidence of the growth and expansion that is taking place. Alabama Beta bears full appreciation for the advantages involved in such conditions. She realizes that the strength of the fraternity

at large depends directly upon the attainments of individual chapters and sincerely intends to pursue a course consistent with this view.

Bros. Lipscomb and Butt were elected to very creditable class offices during the past month.

The chapter will be represented in a public debate to be held Thanksgiving. The debate is a contest between the two literary societies in college and is an event given much attention by the faculty.

We regret to announce that Bro. Rencher, of Demopolis, Ala., has left college. He was a popular student and loyal member. The chapter realizes a loss in the permanency of his absence.

Recent initiates of the Alabama Beta are: B. B. Barnes, '07, Utah, Ala., and H. Allen, '07, Spring Hill, Ala. This gives us a total of fifteen members, with two men pledged. We have taken in a number of freshmen and anticipate the honor of being well represented in the appointment of corporals in their sophomore year.

The consummate purpose of the labors of Alabama Beta is the maintenance of a place in rank, that will aid in making secure the standing of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  Fraternity.

C. C. CERTAIN.

Auburn, November 6, 1904.

## DELTA PROVINCE.

### OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Miami University opened September 21, upon the eighty-first year of her history, with a larger enrollment than ever before. Prof. F. C. Stone, physical director of Miami University, was honored by being made clerk of the course at the Olympian games held at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition during the latter part of August. Dr. E. C. Hayes was recognized by being given a place as speaker on the program at the International Educational Congress of Sciences at St. Louis, and Dr. E. E. Brandon was made secretary of the International Congress of Modern Languages held at the World's Fair.

Ohio Alpha has been more prosperous than for many years past. Nine active men and two pledges returned and we lost but one man by graduation. Our success during the rushing season has enabled us to pledge six men. The chapter had very pleasant visits from Bro. H. D. Schell, Bro. R. A. Argabright of Hamilton, Bro. E. W. Penn of Kokomo, Indiana, and Bro. W. C. Robertson, of Indianapolis.

On Monday morning September 26, at the chapel exercises Bro. Howard S. Smith was presented with the medal he won at the oratorical contest held at the St. Louis World's Fair in the Hall of Congresses, June 22, 1904. Our prospects for athletic work this year are exceedingly bright. Bro. Blickensderfer is manager of the football team. We will have two men on the team, Bros. Reed and Stevenson. Bro. Hartle would have undoubtedly made the team had he not been unfortunate enough to break a collar bone during the first week of practice. Mr. A. K. Smith of Dartmouth, '02, has been secured as a coach. Miami can consider herself as being very fortunate, for Mr. Smith is one of the best coaches in the middle west. The prospects for Miami having a winning team this year are very bright.

The two buildings for which Miami received an appropriation from the state last spring are well under way, but will not be ready for occupancy for at least a year. They are an addition to Brice Scientific Hall which will more than double the size of the former building, and a ladies' dormitory, which will be one of the finest dormitories in the state and will accommo-

date one hundred ladies. The annual flag rush between the freshmen and sophomores occurred Thursday morning October 6. The freshmen were the winners.

J. S. BLICKENSERFER.

Oxford, October 6, 1904.

#### OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

If there is one thing which has distinguished the rushing season this year above that of other years, it has been the abundance of excellent material at hand. We are not boasting when we say that Ohio Beta has been most successful in securing the best of these men. Some are already distinguishing themselves in athletics, and others will make their mark this fall in debate. Those whom we have pledged are; Hugh Allison, E. G. Barnett, R. L. Cameron, H. I. Dean, K. D. Figley, W. E. Mallory, E. L. Schumacher, Phillip Stroup, and J. I. Eggleston. Dean and Allison, and two of our pledged men from last year, Webb and Morrow, have lately been initiated.

We are surely well represented on the faculty this year. Bro. Hutchinson, assistant in history last year, is now instructor in general history; Bro. Pontius is the assistant in history, and Bro. D. A. Morrow is the assistant in economics.

Ohio Wesleyan has an increased attendance this year, something which is true of few Ohio colleges. Bro. Rardin has organized a football team which is making a strong bid for the championship of the Big Six. It is considered by all authorities that we have the best offense in the State. We have already beaten Oberlin by a score of 22-11, Kenyon 12-0, and have but one hard game in the series yet to play—Case. Bros. Rardin and Dean, Stroup and Cameron, are representing us on the team, and we hope before the next SCROLL appears that they will have helped win other victories.

Delaware, October 29, 1904.

FRANK J. PROUT.

#### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Gamma takes pleasure in introducing eight new brothers to the fraternity, Bros. Shattuck, Lorain, Ohio; Fisher, Akron, Ohio; James, Glouster, Ohio; Davis, Nelsonville, Ohio; Scott, Athens, Ohio; D. C. Coultrap, Athens, Ohio; Foster, Athens, Ohio; and Heyman, Bellevue, Ohio. Also we have pledged Vaughn Kelley, of Union Furnace, Ohio. This brings our chapter strength up to nineteen (19) men, nine (9) of whom live in the house.

Our football team, while not a success as to the number of games won, deserves considerable credit when all the conditions are considered. However, we are ably represented by Bros. Heyman, left end; Jones, right end, and Shattuck, fullback. Bro. Heyman is also manager. We have been trying to get up games among the different fraternities, but as yet have received no encouragement.

The social season for the chapter opened last month. On October 13 we were delightfully surprised with a pillow shower by the loyal Phi girls. The chapter house was formally opened on the evening of October 31. About 150 were present, among whom were the faculty, sororities, alumni and many others. It was by all odds the most delightful fraternity function held at Ohio University for some years past.

The following is a list of the fraternities at Ohio and number of men pledged and initiated: Δ T Δ, 8; Β Θ ΙΙ, 3; Φ Δ Θ, 9. The men we have taken were desired very much by the other frats. This number of men shows quite an increase in numerical strength, and all occupy houses for the first time since fraternities entered this institution.

C. H. HARRIS.

Athens, November 4, 1904.

**OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.**

We began this college year with but seven active members and have initiated six new men: E. I. Gibson, South Charestown, Ohio, a brother of H. K. Gibson, of Pennsylvania Gamma, '03; Wm. Morris, of Columbus; G. B. Cross, Columbus; G. F. Schlesinger, Xenia, Ohio, a brother of H. N. Schlesinger, Ohio Zeta, '99; L. W. Flemming, Columbus; and L. H. Shoemaker.

Bro. Jim Wood, of Ohio Gamma, has entered second year law and lives in the fraternity house. During the term Bro. Woodbury T. Morris, of Massachusetts Alpha; Doctor John Edwin Brown, Ohio Beta, and G. E. Denmead, '03; C. F. Dowd, O. S. U., '00; J. F. Miller, '99; C. S. Beeler, '03; and M. E. Welliver, ex-'05, have been at the chapter house.

Columbus, November 1, 1904.

JOHN C. GIBSON.

**OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.**

The college work is now well under way, and affairs are gradually becoming more settled. All the fraternities at Case seem to have had good success in rushing, and Ohio Eta has met with its usual good fortune in obtaining the men desired.

In football Case has won every game in the state with the exception of the one with O. S. U., at Columbus, where we were defeated by a score of 16-6. The game was far more hotly contested than the score indicates. Had Case shown the form at that time, that it did on November 5, when the "medics" were beaten 21-0, we would have undoubtedly won. Bros. Baker, Steiner and Schroeder all did excellent work in defending the Case colors.

On October 29 we celebrated our first initiation. We were especially fortunate in having a large number of distinguished alumni with us, among whom were Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C.; Bro. J. B. Ballou, T. G. C., and Bro. H. H. Ward, ex-P. G. C. After the ritualistic ceremonies had been performed, a banquet and smoker, which lasted until the early hours of the morning, afforded the entertainment for the guests.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity the following newly initiated brothers: Ed. K. Bacon, '07, Oberlin, O.; Frank Berry Allen, '08, Elyria, O.; Leon Ware Emerson, '08, Milford, N. H.; Byron Weston Esnorth, '08, Warren, Pa.

At present the interest of the chapter is centered upon the coming convention at Indianapolis. A good delegation promises to be in attendance from Ohio Eta.

ARTHUR C. VICARY.

Cleveland, November 5, 1904.

**OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.**

The university opened on October 3, and this date also marked the beginning of a new regime for the University of Cincinnati. Dr. Chas. Wm. Dabney, formerly president of the University of Tennessee, is now our president. The registration list of the engineering college shows a marked increase over last year, while the academic class is of the usual size. Among the new conditions instituted by the new administration are the appointing of committees of discipline from the several faculties, a more vigorous rule resulting, and the "Weekly Convocation," which every student is compelled to attend. These convocations have proved to be a wise thing as it brings the student body and faculty together, where the current events and announcements may be talked over and discussed.

At the annual flag rush, held the third week in October, the sophomores proved themselves superior to the freshmen, after a long and hotly contested

fight. The odds were greatly against '07 all through the fight and they are deserving of great credit for their plucky fight and final victory.

In football the varsity has surpassed all expectations. Never since the days of '96 and '97 has "Old McMicken" put such a squad on the gridiron. As early as the middle of September the candidates were hard at work under Coach Amos P. Foster, at the camp at Tower Hill on the Miami River, so that on the event of our first game, one of the best teams the varsity has ever had trotted upon the field. This game was with Georgetown and resulted in a score of 33-0 in favor of the varsity. Wittenberg next went down to defeat before our boys by a score of 29-4. Other games played were with Miami (46-0), Kentucky State (11-0), and Ohio Medical University, Columbus, O., (11-0). Cincinnati's score is given first in every case. As the schedule is somewhat uncertain, dates for future games can not be given. Cincinnati has challenged O. S. U., for state championship.

The great event of the year, and undoubtedly one of the greatest college events ever held in the Queen City will be the inauguration of Dr. Dabney as president of the university. Representatives from almost every large college in the east, middle west, and south will be present, many of the institutions being represented by their presidents. It is estimated that the procession of faculty, students, alumni and visiting college men, attired in the academic gown, which is to form at the Odeon of the college of music, and march to Music Hall, will consist of over 1,000 persons. A committee of prominent citizens acting with a committee from the faculty have charge of the affair.

Of a chapter of twenty-one last year, Ohio Theta returned fifteen and as many brothers were absent from the city during the summer not much rushing was done during this time. However, work was resumed at the opening of school, and as a result we have pledged six good men up to the present, and we hope to introduce these men as brothers at the next issue of the SCROLL. Altogether the outlook for this year's chapter is very bright. Of the various honors, Ohio Theta has come in for her share. Bros. McGill and Kremier have been elected to the  $\Sigma \Sigma$ , the sophomore inter-fraternity. Bros. Holdredge and Belt were elected president and treasurer respectively of the engineers' club. Bro. Holdredge was elected as one of the marshals of the inauguration procession. Bro. Harry Fetsch has been named for assistant instructor in math. Bro. Miltin Kennedy, ex-'05, is back at school taking a course in mechanical engineering. Bro. Cox, Dartmouth, is instructor in history. Bros. Col. Vos and Edw. Pflueger are attending the law school. Bro. Argebright, Miami, is also attending law school. The reporter wants to take this opportunity, for commending the work of Bros. Kennlin, Vos and Albert Schroethen in the class play of last June. Bro. Kennlin has secured a good position with G. M. Gerb, contractor of this city.

Ohio Theta wishes to extend a hearty invitation to any Phi, who should happen to be stopping in the city, to visit our rooms at the Bradford Block, 6th and Vine, Suite W, where he would be sure of a hearty welcome.

Cincinnati, November 6, 1904.

JOHN E. BEBB.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Michigan Alpha returned twenty-two old men at the opening of the college year, and since that time we have added to our number eight men of the entering class. The chapter takes the greatest pleasure in introducing to the general fraternity, Bros., Edward Blakeslee French, Three Rivers, Mich.; Alfred Roy Hulbert, Oak Park, Ill.; Raymond Burch Linsley, Three Rivers, Mich.; Walter De Witt Graham, Chicago, Ill.; James Hull Quinn, Indianapolis, Ind.; Ray Phillip Hoover, Chicago, Ill.; Roy Walter Sheppard,

Oskaloosa, Iowa; and Branson Harley Holmes, Lima, Ohio. The night following initiation, a banquet was given in honor of the new men at which they were given some idea of the history and aims of the chapter and national fraternity, and also what would be expected of them, as members of such.

Although the Chicago game, at this writing, is yet to be played, the football team this fall seems to be the equal of any that Coach Yost has turned out during his four years at Michigan, which, being interpreted, means the "champions of the west" and the probable equal of any team in the east.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is most worthily represented on the team by Bro. Curtis, at left tackle, and Bro. Graham at right tackle. This is Bro. Curtis's second year on the team, and he seems almost certain of a place on the all-western. Bro. Graham is having his first experience with college football, but is surely making good, as is evidenced by the fact that he has been in almost every game, including the one at Wisconsin.

We are represented on the mandolin club by Bros. A. E. Kusterer, Hinkely, Tullock and C. C. Kusterer, and on the glee club by Bros. Love and Hinkley. Bro. A. E. Custerer has been elected president of the combined musical clubs, and also to the senior societies of Friars and Michigamma.

At the fall tennis tournament, Bro. Sheppard won the championship of the second class, and will undoubtedly make a strong bid for varsity honors.

The chapter has never started out the college year with such glowing prospects as we do at this time, and we hope to be able to report continuous progress during the entire year.

WILL G. MOORE.

Ann Arbor, November 10, 1904.

## EPSILON PROVINCE.

### INDIANA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA.

Indiana University opened its 85th year with an enrollment of over 1400, this number being over a hundred more than at the same time last year. The faculty of the university has adopted a plan which makes it possible for one to complete both the liberal arts course and the law course in five years. The student building is being rapidly pushed to completion. It is to be dedicated next commencement and will be open during summer school. The \$26,000 stone power house which furnishes all the university buildings with heat and light, has been completed. The old power-house is to be remodeled and equipped as a shoproom for the manual training department, which was installed here last year.

Our football team was weak at the beginning of the season, only four of last year's varsity returning. There has been plenty of good green material, however, which Coach Horne has whipped into good form. We were defeated by Chicago by a score of 56 to 0 and by Illinois by a score of 10 to 0. We won from Washington University by a score of 21 to 5, from Ohio State by a score of 8 to 0 and Wabash by a score of 4 to 0. All football interest is now centered toward the Purdue game at Indianapolis. Bro. Kent represents  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on the varsity. The prospects for a strong baseball team are good. There is plenty of experienced material at work.

Indiana Alpha returned but nine men this year. Since the beginning of school, seven men have been initiated: Walter Kemp, Ralph Shook, and Glen Hurrion of Tipton, Fred Seward of Bloomington, Carl Zensmeister of New Albany, Henry Muller of LaFayette, and Albert Aronson of Indianapolis. Cecil Sharp of Charleston has been pledged. Our chapter gave up

the house it occupied last year, not wanting a lease to in any way interfere with our plans for a permanent home. We have resumed our old hall which has been the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  stronghold here for 30 years. The two fraternity combinations which fought each other all last year are things of the past and there is now much good interfraternity feeling. The biggest society event of the term has been a pan-hellenic dance which was given the night of November 4 for athletic benefit.

Bros. Walker and Aronson hold positions on the *Daily Student*.

Of the class of '04, Bro. Harry Long is attending the Indianapolis Law School, Bro. Hanson Gifford the Central Medical College of Indiana. Bro. Geo. Shaw is practicing law in Elkhart, Ind., being a member of the firm of Church and Shaw. Bro. Wm. Hatfield has entered the law firm of his father at Boonville, Ind.

W. DEAN LEVI.

Bloomington, November 5, 1904.

#### INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

Wabash opened her doors this fall to the largest freshman class in the history of the institution and with bright prospects for a very successful year. Not less bright are the prospects of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Twelve old men have returned and everything in connection with our new chapter house is working smoothly. Bros. Linn and Zimmerman have been initiated and the following men pledged: W. H. Gleeser, '08; Bert Morris, '08; W. H. Smith, '06. Bro. Edwards of Indiana Epsilon has entered Wabash and affiliated.

Our football team is the best that has ever represented Wabash and our coach, Bro. Cayon of Illinois Eta, deserves great credit for the showing they have made.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the team by Bros. Miller, quarter, and Edwards, end.

We have also managed to secure our share of offices in the various college enterprises. Bro. Schrock, '05 is manager of the football team. Bro. Beale, '05, is director of the glee club and fraternity editor on *The Wabash* staff. Bro. Miller, '06, is president of the sophomore class, Bro. Reed, '05, is athletic editor and artist on *The Wabash* staff, and has been elected captain of the 1905 track team. Bro. Edwards is secretary of the athletic association.

Our representatives on last year's basketball team were Bros. Loop, Henry and Reed, and on the baseball team Bros. Boulton and Miller.

We lost five men last spring by graduation—Bros. Hess and McDaniels, who won  $\Phi B K$  honors, and Bros. Linn, Loop and King. Bro. Courtney, '05, is reporting for one of the city newspapers and is not in school this year.

We cordially invite to our house all visiting Phis. WALTER S. REED.

Crawfordsville, October 31, 1904.

#### INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

On September 14, the year '04-'05 opened under most favorable auspices. During the summer months extensive improvements on the campus were made and the books were moved to their new home in the Thomas A. Hendricks library. There is a slight increase in attendance over last year.

Not only has prosperity struck Hanover in general but Indiana Epsilon in particular. Bro. Deibler, '05, who is secretary and treasurer of the chapter house association has been hard at work. The association was not formed till May 20, 1904, but in this short time he has succeeded in getting notes for the sum of \$2,400. The alumni as they come to understand the project are responding more and more liberally, and in a short time we expect to

have enough so that we can either build or buy a home for the chapter. We are using the note system.

The football team, which made such a poor showing at the beginning of the season is now playing fast, consistent ball.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has six men on the team.

Three of our undergraduates failed to return this fall, Bro. J. C. Rightor, '07, Bro. W. C. Luyder, '07, and Bro. R. S. Edwards, '06. Bro. Edwards is now in Wabash.

So far we have pledged D. K. Duncan, '06, Bayard Hughes, '08, J. Rankin, '08, C. Lowden, '09, and Robert Lehman, '09.

In the May number of the *Palladium* we noticed that the names of Bro. Donald DuShane, '06, South Bend, Ind., and Bro. T. H. Cartinel, St. Paul, Indiana, were not included in the list of initiates. We take pleasure in introducing them to the general fraternity.

A hearty invitation is extended to all Phis who may happen to be in the vicinity to visit us.

R. V. SIPE.

Hanover, November 10, 1904.

#### INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

Purdue University opened September 7 with an attendance in nearly every department much larger than in previous years, and a freshman class of 500 or more. The enrollment this year will be, in round numbers, about 1,500.

The new physics building which was started last April is now nearly completed and will probably be ready for occupancy by January 1. The building is a handsome two story brick structure, containing a number of class rooms and several large roomy laboratories. The cost of the building will be \$50,000.00 and \$15,000.00 additional will be spent in the equipment of the laboratories.

The football team was hard at work when the university opened, and despite the loss of players due to the unfortunate accident of last October, prospects are most promising for a successful season. Four games only have been played, Purdue winning three of them. Coach Cutts is with the team again this year and under his able training it is rapidly gaining speed and stamina.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the varsity by Bro. Irving H. Long at left guard, and by Bro. D. H. Long at right end.

The basketball team is already at work on the track and in the gymnasium. Nearly all the old men are back and quite a number of promising freshmen are candidates. Bro. J. A. Miner who won his "P" last year will be on the team again this year and J. C. Turpin and J. W. Vaile, pledges will be candidates.

The military department has been improved greatly this year and is being run on somewhat different lines than heretofore. There has been added to the roster of offices the office of cadet colonel. The number of majors has been increased from three to four, there being four battalions instead of three as in former years. There are ten companies of infantry, one signal corps, and one field battery, numbering in all about 850 cadets. Bro. Walton Vaile is major of the 1st battalion and Bros. Warren and Sale are captains of infantry.

Bro. Hughes is local editor of the *Exponent*, the weekly paper published by the student body, and Bro. W. C. Miller is local reporter on same.

The rushing season which is now about over has proved a most successful one for us. We have pledged seven men as follows: James Clifford Turpin, '08, Dayton, O.; Chas. A. Bird, '08, Wilmington, Del.; Thomas S.

Garber, '08, Indianapolis, Ind.; Chas. Bogan, '07, Lafayette, Ind.; John W. Vaile, '08, Fort Smith, Ark.; Oliver M. Babcock, '08, Evansville, Ind.; and Frank DeBoos, Columbus, Ind. We have affiliated Bro. Louis J. Flint, '05, Kansas Alpha, '04. We have 17 old members back this year, and these with the new men give us a chapter of 25.

Fraternities at Purdue now number nine, it being generally understood that the Debonair Club has been granted a charter from A T Ω, although the charter is still held *sub rosa*. All occupy houses.

Indiana Theta's plan for building a chapter house is beginning to assume a definite form, and the alumni are slowly arousing a new interest in the movement.

West Lafayette, October 7, 1904.

C. STANLEY SALE.

## ZETA PROVINCE.

### ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Illinois Alpha started in rushing this fall with 14 men and by much effort and "chinning" pledged five men. We take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. Max Murdock, '05, Streator, Ill.; Allen Rader, '08, Evanston, Ill.; Russel S. Begg, '08, Columbus Grove, Ohio; Leon Willson, '08, Peru, Ind.; George J. Cox, '08, Peru, Ind.

The fraternity is represented on the faculty by Bro. Oldfather, dean, and by Bro. Diebler, instructor in economics. Several of our alumni attended initiation on Saturday evening, October 29.

Northwestern has stirred up more enthusiasm this fall than ever shown before. Although we lost our game with Chicago, still the student body is supporting the team in such a manner that defeat seems almost impossible. An interesting fact to be noticed in connection with the Chicago game is that the two opposing captains are Φ Δ Θs.

Bro. Allen, captain, Bro. Colton and Bro. Van Ryper, represent the chapter on the varsity squad. Bro. Baird is captain of the track team and Bro. Blu is president of the liberal arts department of the athletic association. The chapter is in very good condition and is comfortably situated at 2018 Orrington Ave., where all Phis are always welcome.

Evanston, November 5, 1904.

ORIS B. HASTINGS.

### ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The attendance this year at the University of Illinois has increased ten per cent. over that of last year bringing the total attendance close to four thousand. A noticeable feature is the increase in the number and quality of women students.

Illinois Eta has initiated six men and desires to introduce to the fraternity Bros. Calvin A. Rockwell, '08, Chicago, Ill.; Chas. S. Pope, '08, Moline, Ill.; Elmer O. Furrow, '08, Potomac, Ill.; Roy R. Dodd, '08, Anna, Ill.; Rufus F. Seay, '08, Anna, Ill.; and Smyth McLatta, '08, Hyde Park, Ill. These with one pledge, Mark E. Nebecker of Clinton, Ind., gives us a membership of twenty-five men. Bros. S. C. Eric, C. H. Caton and W. H. Eiker expect to register for the second semester.

Our new house is nearing completion altogether too slowly to suit us, as we are naturally desirous to move in and take possession from cellar to garrett. At present writing we do not expect to be able to have the home completed and furnished before January 1, '05. But after that date we will be prepared to entertain any wearers of the shield and sword and urgently invite any and all to come and see us. Our annual fraternity party comes on Feb-

ruary 10. On the following night we will have a banquet for our alumni and hope to have as many of them present as possible in order to properly celebrate the acquisition of the best fraternity house at Illinois.

Another fraternity has entered the field here, a charter having been granted to the petitioners for  $\Phi K \Psi$ .  $\Delta T$  at their recent convention declined to place a chapter here but the  $\Delta K E$  petitioners hope to secure a charter this fall.

Thus far our football team has not been defeated and bids fair to be one of the best teams that Illinois ever turned out. In the last game we played our rivals, Chicago, off their feet and although the score was a tie it does not show the relative standing of the two teams, as we gained three yards to their one, their score being obtained on a fumble. Bro. Rothget and Haselwood both played a star game.

ASA B. CUTLER.

Champaign, November 5, 1904.

#### IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Iowa Wesleyan was formally opened September 14 with a very able and masterly address by Dr. J. E. McDowell, newly elected bishop of the M. E. church. There have been several changes in the faculty during the past year. The chair of biology which was vacated by Bro. Vorhies (Iowa Alpha, '01), will be filled by Prof. Seever, M. S. (Iowa State University). The chair of English vacated by Prof. Thoburn, who has accepted a position at the Iowa State College, will be filled by Prof. Stover, M. A. (Denver University). Prof. Prince is succeeded by Prof. Morgenson and Prof. G. Ware Stephens, B  $\Theta$  II, will occupy the chair of political and social science. Bros. J. W. Edwards, Ohio Beta, '95, professor of chemistry, and E. S. Hovighorst, Iowa Alpha, '87, president of the German college, continue their former positions.

Iowa Alpha returned but nine men this fall. Bro. Lewis, '06, will not be in school this year. Bro. Paul Houghton, '05, is spending the year in the west. Bro. Van Cise, '06, has entered the pharmacy department at Northwestern, and Bro. Lambert, '06, is engaged in the mining business in Wyoming.

The rushing season is just at its height, but we announce the following as pledged, who will be initiated as soon as certain college requirements permit: Paul W. Helphrey, Boise, Idaho; Luther P. Weaver, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Carl C. Herrmann, Osceola, Neb., and Paul Bringar, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

Although the honors for the coming year have not been distributed to a great extent as yet, Iowa Alpha holds the following to her credit: Bro. Ledru Willits, captain of football team; Bro. Wilson, president of tennis association and member of football team; Bro. C. R. Willits, treasurer of Y. M. C. A.; Bro. Beck, business manager of *Wesleyan News*; Bro. Besser, captain-elect of baseball team, and Paul Helphrey (pledge), president of freshman class.

On the evening of September 28 Bro. Cullison, '00, was married to Ione Jones,  $\Pi B \Phi$ , of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. They will reside in Galesburg, Ill., and have the congratulations and best wishes of Iowa Alpha.

We have received visits from the following of late: Bros. Kauffman, '70. Roth, '00; Crawford, '09; Hean, '96; Simmons, '95; Myers, '02; Burton Beck, '03, and F. R. Beck, '03. Bros. Besser, Myers and Paul Houghton, who attended the Zeta Province convention at St. Louis during July, report an enjoyable and profitable session.

We extend a hearty welcome to all Phis who may be in the city to call at the chapter house.

ARTHUR BECK.

Mt. Pleasant, October 8, 1904.

We have initiated since our last report Carl C. Herrman, of Osceola, Neb., and pledged Clayton L. Brady, of Richland, Iowa. This makes Iowa Alpha ten members and four pledges.

On the night of October 15, the chapter opened its social season with a reception at the chapter house. There were present about twenty-five enthusiastic Phis and pledges with their lady friends including the following out-of-town alumni: Bro. Edward W. Hearne, '94, and wife, of Montclair, N. J.; Bro. Edward M. Myers, '93, of Boone, Iowa; Bro. Chas. A. Hearne, '01, of Denver, Colo.; and Bro. Jasan A. Randall, '99, and wife of New London, Iowa. Prof. J. W. Edwards, of Ohio Beta, and wife were also present.

Iowa Alpha has the honor of holding the presidencies of the four college classes this year. Bro. Shook is president of the senior class, Bro. Wilson of the junior, Bro. Herrman of the sophomore and Paul Hephrey (pledge) of the freshman.

The chapter is in the same house this year that it has occupied since the beginning of its chapter house life. There are seven men staying at the house and a table is run in connection with nine boarders. We feel that this is a great help in strengthening the true Phi spirit and fidelity.

Bro. Lambert, ex-'06, who has been interested the past year in the mining business in Montana and Wyoming, spent several days with us recently.

Mt. Pleasant, November 4, 1904.

ARTHUR BECK.

#### IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

The beginning of this year found us with only five old men back. We have been in school now three weeks, and have initiated three new men, and have two more pledged. We take great pleasure in introducing Bros. E. J. Barrick, of Des Moines, C. R. Leech of Winterset, and L. W. Lovell, of Monticello. The men pledged are Hamilton and Lawrence, both of Fort Madison.

All of the fraternities began this year short of men, but there is good fraternity material in the university, and we are getting our share. Only two of our men will graduate this year and there is no reason why we should not have the strongest chapter in school next year.

Bro. MacGowan is playing fullback on the varsity football team, and is doing good work.

This year is the most prosperous one in the history of the university. The registration far exceeds that of previous years, and the new buildings which are being erected will make the University of Iowa one of the best equipped universities in the west. The buildings in course of erection are a science hall, an engineering building, and a gymnasium.

A chapter of the  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$  was established here this fall and is getting along nicely.

L. W. LOVELL.

Iowa City, October 17, 1904.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

Although Missouri Alpha failed to have a letter in the October SCROLL, it was not from lack of good news.

Missouri University has every prospect of becoming the leading university of the middle and southern states of the Mississippi valley, as such a university must arise in the near future. The prospects of the coming year are the most glorious in the history of the university, the enrollment exceeding that of last year by a considerable number.

There has been very little change in the faculty of the university except that a number of new instructors have been added to the list. The contract

has been let for the new gymnasium, which is to be erected close to the athletic field. Six new tennis courts have also been laid out for the girls.

The football prospects are brighter than they have been for a number of years, there being some splendid material on the squad.

The twenty-eighth of October has been set aside by the university as Missouri University Day at the St. Louis exposition. This day bids fair to be one of the days to be remembered in the history of the university, as a large percentage of the students expect to spend the day at the Fair and the football game which will be played between Missouri and Purdue University.

Missouri Alpha returned this year to her new and beautiful home, which was purchased during the summer months. We returned nine old men and one pledge this year and although we were somewhat handicapped during the rushing season by our house undergoing repairs, we carried everything before us. We take pleasure in introducing to all Phis Bros. Hunt, Beckett and Sebree of Kansas City, Bro. English of Jacksonville, Bro. Crow of Fredricktown, Missouri, Bro. Hider of Greenville, Mississippi and Fred Williams of Dallas, Texas, as a pledge.

All Phis who may be in Columbia are invited to visit us in our new home.  
Columbia, October 27, 1904. W. C. LOGAN.

#### MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bros. Dwight Powell, St. Joseph, Mo.; Clarkson Barnes Hereford, Odessa, Mo.; James Henry Bond, St. Louis, Mo.; and Walter Edgar Ellsworth Koepler, Palmyra, Ills. We also have pledged George Robinson and Ralph Callaway, of Mexico, Mo.; Richard H. Stevens, Clayton, Mo.; and Samuel Black, of Fulton, Mo. Missouri Beta returned five men at the beginning of this year, Bro. Calvird returning a week or so late. B Θ II returned eight and K A nipe. Each chapter has now twelve members.

Φ Δ Θ is weak in football this year. We are represented on the squad by Bros. Calvird, Hereford and McDonald.

Bro. W. C. Brown, '83, of Kansas City, spoke at the court house on October 21. He is canvassing the state for the republican party. Bro. Brown was the first man initiated into Missouri Beta. After his speech, a reception was held for him at the hall.

Missouri Beta has now a fine building lot and nearly a thousand dollars in the bank toward building a chapter house, which we hope to be in by next October.

Bros. Burch, '04, and Nesbitt, '06, are in business in Kansas City. Bro. Wm. A. Soule has gone to Phoenix, Arizona, for his health. Bro. Soule was right halfback on the football team last year and was captain and third baseman on the baseball team, and we are sorry to hear that his health has failed him.

Fulton, October 27, 1904. O. L. McDONALD.

#### MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Twelve men represented Missouri Gamma at the opening of the thirteenth year of Φ Δ Θ's existence in Washington University. Compared with the prospects of a year ago when seven men returned to the university to constitute a nucleus for a chapter which was to enjoy one of the most successful years of Missouri Gamma's history, the coming season is a most promising one. Of last year's chapter Bro. Adaire Rembert, '07, is attending the University of Texas, Bro. Harrold Reader, '07, is attending Shurtleff College and Bro. Samuel Dodd II, '07, has retired from the university.

The freshman class this year is the largest in the history of the university and contains quite an amount of good fraternity material.

Since the opening of college (Sept. 22) we have initiated the following three men, all of whom are relatives of Missouri Gamma Phi: Samuel Allen, '08, Benedict Farrar, '08, and Frank Eliot, '08. Three other men are pledged and will be initiated in a short time. The pledges are John Mare, '08, Charles Gundelach, '08, and Robert McGoodwin, '08. At present Missouri Gamma occupies a flat situated two blocks from the university, which is in temporary quarters. We expect to remain there till February next, at which time the undergraduate department of the university will occupy its new home which is at present being used by the World's Fair as administration buildings, hall of congresses and the department of physical culture. The last two buildings were built by the Fair authorities and are to be presented to the university to be used as a library building and gymnasium.

Plans are now well under way for a beautiful new chapter house to be erected near the new university campus and we hope to be able to occupy it by the opening of the year 1905-06.

Bro. Alex Skinker has been elected track manager for the coming season. Bro. Sam Eliot is vice-president and Bro. Roy Campbell secretary of the Washington University debating society. Bro. Campbell is on the *Hatchet* board.

The football team is up against an exceptionally stiff schedule this year and although it has not met with the success hoped for we are confident that in the remaining games it will be more successful.

During the summer Missouri Gamma opened her rooms to Phi who were visiting the Fair and we are glad to say that quite a number of men availed themselves of the offer.

R. A. CAMPBELL.

St. Louis, October 31, 1904.

#### KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Since the last chapter letter, Kansas Alpha has initiated eight of her nine pledges, and now introduces two additional pledges, Thomas Van Cleve, of Kansas City, Kansas, and Wilford Kepner, of Sabetha, Kansas. This brings our active membership to 21.

We were unfortunate in losing Bro. Burris, ex-'05, who left school a few weeks ago to take charge of his drug business in Burton, Kansas. Although Bro. Burris had been a Phi only one year, the great interest he showed in all fraternity matters makes his place a hard one to fill.

Bro. F. A. McCoy has been elected to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  Law. Bros. Calvin Newman and Chester Cooke have pledged to  $\Theta N E$ .

Bro. Frank Relihan was recently made president of the medical school, and he plays in the university band. Bro. Harry Relihan is a member of the university orchestra.

In a recent election of members for the athletic board, we "broke even" with the Beta faction, each contingent seating two candidates. The fight was one of the hottest in years.

The mandolin club has been reorganized, and will go on an extended tour in the Christmas holidays, visiting towns in Nebraska, Missouri, and our home state. The glee club now numbers forty voices. It, too, will make a holiday trip. The dramatic club, which was badly depleted by graduation last spring, has elected twenty-five new people to membership, and will give either "Charley's Aunt" or a minstrel show soon.

In football, after the small victory over the College of Emporia, the team took a "brace," defeating Kansas State Normal, 34-0. The Haskell Indi-

ans a week later, however, scalped us to the extent of 23-6. Owing to the inability of Captain Hicks to participate and the injury of several other star players, much doubt was entertained as to the outcome of the game with the strong Colorado team, October 15, which a week before had defeated the Nebraska cornhuskers. When the smoke cleared away, it was found Colorado and Kansas each had six points to their credit. We played Oklahoma University at Oklahoma City, October 21, winning by the score of 16-0. On October 29 Washburn College at Topeka, Kansas, went down in defeat by the small score of 5-0.

In addition to the varsity team, the juniors, sophomores, freshmen and medics have organized teams and played a number of games. The idea is encouraged by the athletic association, as it tends to bring out more good football material. Bro. Harry Relihan plays on the junior team and is manager. Bros. Marion Russell and Frank Relihan are members of the medic team and Bro. Johnson plays on the sophomore team.

Within the last few weeks we have been pleased to receive visits from the following Phis: L. E. Watson, Kansas, '97; Frank Case, Kansas, '99; W. J. Rothrock, Kansas, '00; Fred Johnson, Kansas, ex-'01; George Banta, Indiana Alpha, '76, and Mark Banta, Wisconsin Alpha, '04.

Lawrence, November 1, 1904.

WILLIAM SHAW.

#### COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

The university opened September 14 with a larger attendance than ever before in its history, the enrollment showing an increase of twenty per cent over that of last year. Eleven Phis returned to school and as a result of an active spiking campaign we have initiated Bros. E. T. Snyder, '07, of Greeley, Colo., and R. Z. McCoy and L. B. Bonne, '08, both of Loveland, Colo. We have pledged so far J. R. Niece, '08, of Texas, L. P. Ferris, '08, of Boulder, Colo.; Robert Rhoades, '07, Denver, Colo., and J. W. Kellogg, '08, Bolder Creek, Michigan.

Bros. L. M. White, of Missouri Beta and J. H. Fletcher, of Kansas Alpha, have entered school and will no doubt be of great assistance to the chapter.

We still occupy the same house as last year and have fourteen men living in it at present.

Bro. Kellar has been elected secretary of the athletic association, and Bro. Tannan as president of the tennis club.

In other class honors Bro. Fletcher holds the office of secretary-treasurer of the combined freshman class and Bro. Ashley as president of the sophomore medics.

Bro. R. T. Ashley returned to us this fall after a year's absence. Several Phis will try for the glee and mandolin clubs and if successful will make the annual tour of the state with the club, which it takes each spring.

The university expects her football squad to do great things this year. Active training began a week before the opening of school, and Coach Cropp, with the assistance of Coach Hunter has been putting the men through rigid training. Our schedule of games is a difficult one but we are confident of landing the intercollegiate pennant, and hope to make a good showing against the varsity teams of Kansas, Nebraska and South Dakota. Arrangements have been completed for a game with Stanford University on Thanksgiving Day in Denver. Since this is a great chance for the varsity team to learn just what its strength is, the event will no doubt be the best of the year.

The chapter has received pleasant visits from Bros. W. C. Stickney, '03, S. W. Ryan, '04, and R. W. Tiffany, ex-'07.

WADE D. ANNIS.

Boulder, Oct. 4, 1904.

## ETA PROVINCE.

**MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.**

It was a great disappointment to us to lose Bros. J. S. Yerger, F. L. Fair and W. G. Yerger, all of last year's chapter, who were with us at the opening of school. Bro. J. S. Yerger has since entered the A. and M. at Starkville. Bro. W. G. Yerger is in school in Virginia. Bro. Fair expects to be with us next year.

Owing to the new rule, forbidding the setting of any new men until they have been in school one year, we have no initiations or pledged members to report. Our present chapter numbers eight.

Under the able management of Coach Harvey, Mississippi has put a very creditable team on the field to represent us in football this year. We have played three games to date losing one to Vanderbilt. Mississippi Alpha is represented on the team by Bros. Somerville and Howze.

At present the university has the largest enrollment of students ever known in the history of the institution, exceeding that of last year by one hundred.

In the class elections held several weeks ago, we were fortunate in taking the following places: In the sophomore election, Bro. Coleman was elected vice-president of the class; Bro. Somerville, manager of the class football team and Bro. Howze chaplain. Bro. Henry was elected vice-president of the freshman class.

We had the pleasure of having Bro. Martin Magruder with us at the opening ball.

Bro. O. L. Kimbrough has been selected to represent the chapter at the convention to be held at Indianapolis.

ROBT. SOMERVILLE.

University, October 29, 1904.

**LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.**

Louisiana Alpha at the opening of college had only three men back, but we were reinforced by Bro. Martin Smith, from Mississippi Alpha, and have initiated two new men, and have prospects of getting more.

Our medical college opens November 1, and we will doubtless have several men out there. Our new initiates are Bros. Edward Conrad Ansley and John McCruro Seip. We take great pleasure in presenting them to the fraternity at large.

At a recent meeting of the Tulane alumni association, Bro. Gessner, '99, was elected its treasurer. Bro. Gessner has been acting as treasurer for some time and his election only gave him fuller powers.

Bro. Fortier, who graduated last spring, has gone to Johns Hopkins to continue his studies. Bro. Crump, also an '04 graduate, is instructor in physical laboratory. Bro. Edmundson, who received his medical degree last spring, is practicing his profession in southern Alabama.

Tulane has a larger attendance this year than ever before and our prospects are very bright. We play our first football game next Saturday and feel confident of success.

Bro. Steen, of Mississippi Alpha, had his arm badly crushed while working at Lumberton, Miss. He was brought here and has been at the Turo Infirmary for some weeks, so the members of Louisiana Alpha have had the pleasure of seeing him frequently. His many friends will be glad to hear that his arm is healing now and that he will be out shortly.

At a recent meeting of the Tulane German club Bro. Lewis, '05, was elected secretary.

ROBT. G. ROBINSON.

New Orleans, October 17, 1904.

## TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The University of Texas opened September 28 with a large increase in attendance, and the session of 1904-05 promises to be the brightest in its history. The new engineering building was completed during the summer and the engineering department is now domiciled in its new home. The courses offered are mining, civil, and electrical engineering.

In the athletics of the south, the university stands pre-eminent. Last spring our baseball team made an extended trip through the south and won every series of games played. In the southern track meet, which was held here last May, Texas won eight first places in the twelve events and easily won the meet. The meet was in reality a dual one between Texas and Vanderbilt. The football outlook for this year is very bright. We have won two out of three games played so far, having lost the one game to the Haskell Indians by a score of 4 to 0. We do not feel discouraged over this defeat, however, since competent critics declare that the Haskell team this year is the equal of the Carlisle Indians.

The team left on October 27 for St. Louis and Chicago, where we play Washington University and the University of Chicago. The results of these games are being anxiously awaited, this being the first time that a team south of Mason and Dixon's line has ever played one of the big northern teams. This trip marks the beginning of a new era in the history of athletics in the University of Texas.

Texas Beta begins the new year in a very prosperous condition, having returned fifteen men. We lost Bros. E. P. Locke, of Dallas, and H. A. Turner of Henderson, by graduation last year. We have initiated two men this year, Grover Jones, '07, and Don Hall, '07, both of Houston, Texas. They were rushed all last year by three other fraternities, K Σ, Β Θ Η, and Φ Φ Φ. These fraternities renewed their invitations this year, and Φ Δ Θ is to be congratulated on getting these two men.

In all student activities, Φ Δ Θ takes a most prominent part. Bro. Weller captain of last year's baseball team has been re-elected; Bro. Lothrop is an associate editor on the *Texan*, our weekly paper; Bros. Burgher and Sutton are members of the band. Bro. Jones is a star on both the football and the track team. Bros. Watkin, Adoue, and Logan are in the glee club. Bro. Hunt is representative for the senior law class in the students' council, as is Bro. Weller for the senior academic class. Bro. Waggener is president of the sophomore engineers; and Bro. Burgher is president of the sophomore class. Bro. Pope is an associate editor of the *Cactus*, our annual. Bro. Sutton is secretary-treasurer of the German club.

Last year there was a rule that the new men could not be "spiked" until three months after the opening of school. This year the time has been cut down to one month, the limit being November 1. We noticed in the October SCROLL an extract from Texas Correspondence of Β Θ Η that last year's rule was a failure. We beg leave to state that this rule was not a failure, but was a complete success for us. This is attested by the fact that we spiked ten men and pledged ten.

Since our last letter, Δ T Δ, Φ K Ψ, K A Θ, and X Ω have entered the university, making a total of 13 fraternities and 4 sororities.

Texas Beta cordially invites all Phis passing through Austin to call at the chapter house.

WEBSTER McEVoy.

Austin, October 28, 1904.

**TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.**

Southwestern opened on September 15 and entered upon her thirty-second year with brighter prospects than at any time in her history. With a much increased enrollment and an enlarged faculty a prosperous year awaits her. Two new endowed chairs have been added to the academic department, and three additional teachers to the school of fine arts. Dr. Carroll resumed his work as professor of chemistry, after a leave of absence for study in Johns Hopkins. Prof. Hollis, Ph. D. (Johns Hopkins), and Prof. Tinsley, H. M. (University of Virginia) are valuable additions to the teaching force; the former occupying the chair of history and economics and the latter the chair of biology and geology. Prof. Moore is absent for a year's study. Sixteen new scholarships were bestowed upon competitors.

College and class spirit have increased to a marked degree, and it might be said, with all propriety, that Southwestern has indeed entered upon a new era of enthusiasm and renewed activity which will mean much for her future. The inter-class baseball season has just closed, and much new material is at hand. We expect to put out a winning team next spring.

Texas Gamma is in good working condition. We returned ten men for the opening and two others have since arrived. We take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity at large five good men, whom we have initiated the past two months; they are J. N. Ryman, of Matagorda, Texas; LeRoy L. Moore, of Crockett, Texas; Wm. Y. Hotchkiss, of Waco, Texas; W. D. Bolton, of Waco, Texas, and John Deberry Wheeler, of Aransas Pass, Texas.

This year it seems that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will be represented in all the college activities. Bro. Cody is manager of the 1905 baseball team and business manager of the annual. Bro. I. Graves is captain of the 1905 baseball team. Bro. Barkley is captain of the track team.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the magazine staff by Bros. Ryman, Whittle, and I. Graves, in the glee club by Bros. Kurth and Graves. Bro. Moore has been elected a leader for the Alamo Intermediate debate. Bro. Campbelle won the fresh-soph essay medal last commencement, we were also ably represented on the stage.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Wilcox entertained most royally in honor of Texas Gamma last commencement. We were delighted to have a number of our visiting alumni with us for that occasion, and feel sure that they will agree with us that a more pleasant and enjoyable evening was never spent than that one which seemed at the end as if just begun.

Texas Gamma has entertained informally on several recent occasions. All visiting members of the fraternity are welcome at our chapter house and are expected to partake of our hospitality. E. MARLER ARMSTRONG.

Georgetown, October 27, 1904.

**THETA PROVINCE.****CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.**

Our chapter house opened for the fall term on August 10, on which date the brothers began to return from all parts of the state, for another terms work.

We have felt very much the loss of the three brothers who graduated last year; Bros. Scott Hendricks, S. V. Walton and M. E. Lombard, and also the loss of Bro. Philo Lindley, who has gone into business with his father in Los Angeles.

Bro. Chas. Deacon, '05, who has been out of college for a year, has returned this year. We are very glad to have him back. Bro. Alvin Powell, '05, has taken up work in the medical department of the university, which is in San Francisco.

The chapter feels proud to be able to introduce Bro. A. T. Ellis, '05, who was initiated on May 2. Bro. Ellis is from Tahema, Cal.

The '08 class is the largest that has ever entered the university, and has good prospects of being the strongest. From among its numbers we have obtained six, who are all strong men, and whom we know will make good Phis. On September 10 these six men became Phis. They are, P. Victor Morgan, Lewis M. Fassett, John Tyssowski, Clarence LeRoy Variel, Stephen F. Otis and Philip S. Thacher. On the same night we affiliated Bro. Chas. Fassett, from our chapter at Dartmouth. On September 29 we took in Hubert Harplan, '07, and Albert Salisbury, '07. We wish to introduce these eight new brothers to all of the Phis.

Quite a number of honors have been awarded to Phis this year. Bro. W. T. Hale has been made editor of the *Daily Californian*, and Bro. H. S. Jewett exchange editor. In the military Bros. Louis and J. P. Hickey and Chas. Stuart have been made lieutenants. Bro. Stephen Otis has been elected president of the freshman debating society. Bro. V. H. Henderson, '00, is acting secretary of the regents. Bro. Dr. Reinhardt, '97, has been made a Professor. Bro. Harold Ehright, who was an assistant at the U. C. summer surveying school this year, has been made an assistant in civil engineering in the university.

Under the good leadership of Coach Hopper and his assistants the football squad is getting into the best possible condition. The freshman team this year is much stronger than it was last, and it expects to win the freshman game on October 15. The varsity squad is also in good condition, but expects to be in better by the time of the big game which is in November.

The associated students have this year built a new football field on the campus. The bleachers are now being put up and are expected to hold at least 16,000 people. The big games after this will be held on this field.

The California Hall, for which the state gave \$250,000 last year, is now being built and is expected to be completed some time next term. It is to be a building for recitation only.

CHARLES B. MCDUFFIE.

Berkeley, October 8, 1904.

#### CALIFORNIA BETA, STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

The university opened on September 1, with a larger attendance than ever before. Quite extensive improvements have been going on during the summer. The stonework on the museum and the gymnasium is nearly completed, and the foundation has been laid for the new library, which is to be erected at a cost of \$500,000.

Stanford's prospects for a victory in football are good. Nine of last year's unbeaten varsity have returned, among them Bro. Chalmers and Bro. Clark, who is captain. Bros. Bogle and Taylor are also on the varsity squad.

During the summer two rooms in the chapter house were remodeled as a smoking room, and other minor improvements were made. Φ Δ Θ returned seventeen old men. California Beta takes pleasure in introducing to the general fraternity, Bro. William D. Spalding, '08, of Los Angeles, Cal. We are fortunate in that the following men will shortly be affiliated: Bros. Thompson and Ward of Vermont Alpha; Bros. Riddell and Brawley of Washington Alpha; and Bros. E. Beyer and F. Beyer of Indiana Zeta. With this addition our numerical strength will be twenty-four, which is the greatest we have had for several years.

Bro. Hodge has been appointed student assistant in the department of civil engineering. He has also been elected tennis captain. Φ Δ Θ will be even better represented on the musical clubs than last year.

All visiting Phis are cordially invited to call at the chapter house.

Stanford University, October 5, 1904.

G. E. GAMBLE.

## PERSONAL

*Kansas*—Frederick Johnson, '01, is located in Kansas City.

*Syracuse*—Leon D. Heustis, '03, is a chemist at Chester, Pa.

*Kansas*—Rev. F. L. Jewett, '99, is located at Columbus, Kan.

*Syracuse*—Geo. E. O'Bryan, '95, is located at Portland, Oregon.

*Chicago*—T. L. Todd, '07, is in the grocery business at Leavenworth, Kan.

*Columbia*—H. W. Egner, Jr., '98, is a lawyer at 800 Broad street, Newark, N. J.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—C. H. Myers, '02, is attending Drew Theological Seminary.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—J. F. Riggs, '85, is superintendent of public instruction of Iowa.

*Kansas*—R. W. Byers, '05, is in the real estate and cattle business at Byers, Texas.

*Georgia*—Lamar Cobb, Jr., '89, is deputy U. S. mineral inspector at Clifton, Ariz.

*Indianapolis*—L. D. Campbell, '81, is a physician at 830 16th street, Denver, Col.

*Gettysburg*—Rev. J. C. F. Rupp, '78, a Lutheran minister, is located at Morrisburg, Ont.

*Missouri*—C. E. White, '00, is deputy county attorney of Silver Bow county, Butte, Mont.

*Mississippi*—John R. Hampton, '85, is attorney for the Arizona Copper Co., at Clifton, Ariz.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—Edwin Lisle, '03, is secretary of the Powers Manufacturing Co., Clarinda, Iowa.

*Union*—E. S. Harris, '86, has been appointed superintendent of the public schools of Troy, N. Y.

*Miami* and *Wooster*—M. G. Evans, '77, is judge of the court of common pleas, Columbus, Ohio.

*Westminster*—Robert Cowsley, C. E., '98, is a member of the engineering corps at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

*Kansas*—R. J. DeLano, '04, has located at Kansas City, with the law firm of Beardsley, Kirschner & Gregory.

*Kansas*—Prof. V. L. Kellogg, '89, of the Stanford faculty, is about to issue another book, "American Insects."

*Iowa Wesleyan*—E. W. Hearne, '94, is state secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in New Jersey, and is located at Montclair.

*Cincinnati*—N. C. D. Murray, '98, is employed by the U. S. agricultural department's statistical branch, at Washington.

*Missouri*—C. J. Keyser, Ph. D., '92, former adjunct professor of mathematics at Columbia, has been appointed a full professor.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—H. B. McCoy, '01, has recently been admitted to the bar and is a member of the firm of Bolton & McCoy, Oskaloosa, Iowa.

*Dickinson*—M. S. Halderman, '03, travels for Wright, Kay & Co., Detroit, official fraternity jewelers. During 1903-04 he visited 45 of our chapters.

*Emory*—W. A. Bradley, '98, the Pittsburg representative of the Coca Cola Co., was married at Cleveland, Ohio, October 26, to Miss Alice Bertha Howard.

*C. C. N. Y.*, '93; *Columbia*, '96—William Stevens Thyng, E. M., has been appointed professor of mining at the Washington Agricultural College at Pullman, Wash.

*C. C. N. Y.*, '86—C. A. Downer, A. M., Ph. D., has been appointed full professor and the head of the department of French at the College of the City of New York.

*Mississippi*—William Steen, '00, is in charge of one of the lumber mills of the Camp & Hinton Co., Lumberton, Miss. T. A. Hardy, '00, a brother of Lamar Hardy, one of our two alumni commissioners, is taking the textile course at Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College. Thomas M. Caskill is with Hawkins & Co., Hattiesburg, Miss.

*Kentucky State*—T. L. Richmond, '01, with the U. S. agricultural department in the Philippines, is at present carrying on a series of botanical investigations in India for the department.

*Missouri*—G. H. English, Jr., '97, is major of the 3rd battalion, 3rd Missouri infantry. R. B. Oliver is major and in command of the 6th battalion, unattached Missouri state guard.

*Vermont* (?)—We are informed that D. K. Smith, of Vermont Alpha, was the democratic nominee for chief justice of Montana in the recent election, but we cannot locate him in that chapter's list.

*Lombard*—"Gen." Lee Fairchild, '86, the familiar campaign and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  banquet orator, contributed an article to the October *Woman's Home Companion* on "The Funny Side of a Political Campaign."

*Centre*—J. D. Fleming, '75, is professor of law and secretary of the law faculty of the University of Colorado. He is also acting dean of that department, the nominal dean being a justice of the state supreme court.

*Vanderbilt*—H. N. Hawkins, '93, of Richardson & Hawkins, is probably the most prominent lawyer of his age in Denver, Col. Hon. T. M. Patterson was a member of this firm until his election to the U. S. senate.

*Kansas*—E. F. Caldwell, '85, is a lawyer at Lawrence, Kan. J. A. Fowler, '86, is a lawyer at 715 Kittredge Building, Denver, Col. T. J. Schall, '87, is at Troy, Kan. All of them are charter members of Kansas Alpha.

*Brown*—T. M. Phetteplace, '99, president of the New England and Canadian chapters in Alpha province is pursuing graduate work in the department of mechanical engineering at Columbia University for the degree of master of arts.

*DePauw* and *Roanoke*—Rev. D. B. Floyd, '72, a charter member of both of these chapters, has resigned his pastorate of the Lutheran church at Funkstown, Md., and has moved to 522 West Burke street, Martinsburg, W. Va. Bro. Floyd is an accurate Greek and Hebrew scholar, and contributes to the Lutheran Sunday school series articles on difficult and obscure passages of Scripture.

*Kansas*—R. H. Brooks was married to Miss Ida Dunham, Π Β Φ, at the home of the bride's parents, Kansas City, Mo., September 6. They will live in Minneapolis, Minn., where Bro. Brooks has a position on the Associated Press staff.

Among the articles in the November magazines written by Phis are "A 'General Farm' that Pays," in *Country Life* by L. H. Bailey, *Lansing*, '82, professor of agriculture at Cornell University, and "Parker and Roosevelt on Labor," in *McClure's*, by Ray Stannard Baker, *Lansing*, '89; *Michigan*, '93.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—J. E. Randall, '83, has removed from St. Louis to Cleveland, where he is in charge of the Cleveland Lamp Factory. He is known throughout the country as an authority on manufacture of electric incandescent lamps. His daughter is now a student at O. W. U. Bro. Randall's residence address is 71 Streator avenue.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—W. R. Bayes, '01, was recently married to Miss Mabel Ross, an ex-member of the same class. The ceremony took place at the bride's home in Union City, Ind. Bro. Bayes at present is studying law at Columbia, in connection with his labors in a well known New York legal firm. It will be remembered that he was the winner of the fourth contest of the central oratorical league, at Bloomington, Ill., 1901.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—At the recent session of the Cincinnati M. E. conference, members of Ohio Beta received appointments as follows: S. A. Keen, '95, to Groesbeck and Asbury, of Westwood, Cincinnati; A. C. Turrell, '89, presiding elder, Hillsboro district, Hillsboro, Ohio; C. J. Moore, '01, without appointment while attending Boston University; G. P. Benton, '88, President of Miami University, member of Oxford quarterly conference.

*Columbia*—A. R. Allan, '01, was married at St. Luke's church, Montclair, N. J., November 17, to Miss Alice Lockhart Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lockhart Wilson. The couple will be at home to their friends on Wednesdays during January at the Hotel Cumberland, Broadway and Fifty-fourth street, New York. Bro. Allan was prominent in undergraduate affairs. He was editor-in-chief of the *Morningside*, a literary magazine, contributed verse and stories to the college papers and was captain of the university cycle team.

*Miami*—The Bobbs Merrill Co., of Indianapolis, has just issued "Elliott on Evidence," containing 4000 pages in four large volumes, and citing 40,000 cases. This valuable and exhaustive work is by Judge B. K. Elliott, Ohio Alpha, '55, and W. F. Elliott. Judge Elliott was on the supreme bench of Indiana eighteen years, several years as chief justice. He is the author of several other important legal works, which are quoted as authorities.

*Sewanee and Columbia*—J. H. Atkins, '02, who has spent the last two years at Valle Crucis, working at the mission school in the North Carolina mountains under the bishop of Asheville, has been honored by an appointment to a scholarship in the General Theological Seminary, New York City. The scholarship is known as the scholarship of the bishop of Virginia, and Bro. Atkins was appointed upon the nomination and recommendation of the bishop of North Carolina.

*Kentucky State*—R. M. Allen, '00, has been honored by being selected by the international pure food congress at St. Louis, Sept. 26-Oct. 1, as member for the United States of the international committee on pure food legislation. Bro. Allen has been prominent in the campaign of the national association of state dairy and food departments for pure food, having been third vice president, 1901-2, and since then secretary-treasurer, and secretary of the international pure food congress, 1904.

*Knox and Missouri*, '73—The Scribners are publishing an edition of Eugene Field's "Poems of Childhood," with illustrations in color by Maxfield Parrish, who has also designed the title page. The text of this volume consists of the poems in the two volumes "With Trumpet and Drum" and "Love Songs of Childhood," together with one or two poems from other books by Bro. Field. Mr. Parrish's contributions include eight full-page illustrations in color, together with designs for the cover, the title page, and the lining paper, also reproduced in colors.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—Norman I. Taylor, '03, was married to Miss Mabel G. French at their home, Burnside, Ky., on the evening of November 16. Miss French is a graduate of the College of Music of Cincinnati, and is well known in the social circles of southern Kentucky. Bro. Taylor will be remembered as Ohio Beta's delegate to the New York con-

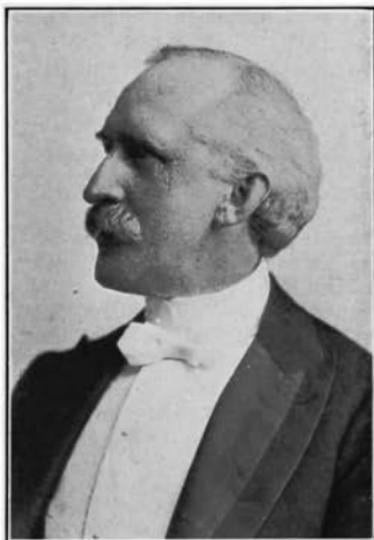
vention, and that he has lost none of his fraternity spirit is evidenced by the fact that the wedding was a typical Phi affair. The blue and white color scheme was carried out even in the attire of the bridal party. Among the attendants were Bro. C. C. Whitney, Ohio Beta, '02 and Bro. T. D. Kelsey, Ohio Beta, '04.

*Vermont*—Several members of Vermont Alpha are prominent in politics. C. H. Stevens, '89, is a member of the house of representatives from Colchester, a town which has sent a democratic member for a long while. Bro. Stevens is a republican and is very popular, being elected by a large majority. He is on two of the most important committees—railroads and education. T. C. Cheney, '91, who has been clerk of the house for six years, has been unanimously reelected for a biennial term. J. N. Harvey, '02, has been appointed clerk of the house committee on revision of bills. Frank Thompson, '98, and Hollister Jackson, '98, have been elected state's attorneys, the former of Caledonia county, the latter of Washington county. Leslie Saunders, '95, of Dickinson Center, Franklin county, N. Y., was the democratic candidate for district attorney in his district (elected?).

*Vermont*—Rev. Earl M. Wilbur, is dean of the new Unitarian Theological School, Oakland, Cal. He was graduated, 1886, from the University of Vermont, being the youngest man of his class, of which he was valedictorian. He taught languages for a year at Mt. Beacon Academy, Fishkill, N. Y., entered the Harvard Divinity School, graduated in 1890, and received the degree of A. M. for postgraduate work at Harvard. He went to Portland, Oreg., as associate pastor of the First Unitarian church in 1890 and became full pastor in 1893. In 1898 he resigned and went to Europe, where he studied at the University of Berlin and traveled for a year. Returning to this country, he became minister of the Unitarian church at Meadville, Pa., in 1899. He has also been instructor in homiletics and in German at the Meadville Theological School. He has published histories of the Unitarian church of Meadville and of Portland, also volumes of sermons and addresses. In 1898 he married Dorothea Dix Eliot, daughter of Rev. Dr. Eliot of Portland.

*Wooster*—Preston Willis Search, '76, was editor of the first edition of the fraternity song book and author of some of the most beautiful and popular of our songs. He was city super-

intendent of schools at West Liberty, Ohio, 1877-78; Sidney, Ohio, 1883-88; Pueblo, Col., 1888-94; Los Angeles, Cal., 1894-95; Holyoke, Mass., 1896-99. During recent years he has been engaged in delivering lectures—serial lectures before normal schools, city institutes, county institutes, chautauquas and summer schools; single lectures before schoolmaster's clubs, women's clubs, college and school commencements.



PRESTON WILLIS SEARCH, WOOSTER, '76.

Editor of the First Edition of the Song Book, 1876. Author of "Phi Delta Theta All Revere" and other favorite fraternity songs.

The titles of some of his lectures are: "Face to face with great ideals," "Music in the fatherland," "The visions of master artists," "A winter in Switzerland," "A ramble with Walter Scott." Bro. Search is a student of education in many lands, and he is called "The schoolmaster traveler." He is the author of "An Ideal School." He is available for lectures and institute work in all parts of the country. His home address is 6 Freeland street, Worcester, Mass.

*Tulane*—Doctors H. B. Gessner, '89; H. P. Jones, '89; Marion Souchon, '89, and J. B. Guthrie, '92, are members of

the medical faculty of Tulane University; Dr. P. L. Cusachs, '95, a member of the faculty of the New Orleans College of Dentistry. F. T. Copp, Jr., '96, is in charge of the New Orleans office of the General Electric Co. Paul Capdevielle, Jr., '00, is on the *Bee*, the French paper of New Orleans. Benjamin Crump, Jr., '00, is with A. Brittain & Co., cotton factors, New Orleans. Frederick Van Ingen, '00, is on the faculty of Rugby Academy, New Orleans. John Upton, '00, is practicing with his father. A. R. Crippen, '01, is in the office of the New Orleans and Northwestern Railway Co. W. B. Mangrem, '01, is with J. M. Parker & Co., cotton factors, New Orleans. Schaumburg McGehee, '01, is a bookkeeper for the Camp & Hinton Co., lumber manufacturers, Lumberton, Miss. T. B. Layton, '02, is traveling physician for the American Fruit Company's line. H. C. Ludlow is with his father who is a cotton factor in New Orleans.

*Northwestern*—Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., '88, T. G. C., 1889-94, has resided for several years in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Hitt, formerly Miss Rosa Burch, is an alumna of the Delta Gamma chapter at Northwestern. She has just issued through the Broadway Publishing Co., of New York, an able and interesting book of one hundred pages entitled, "The Instrument Tuned." The subject is psycho-physical-culture, of whose methods the author has made successful application. It is full of common-sense suggestions, presented in readable style. The chapter-captions are: "Various Therapeutic Agents;" "Influence of Mind;" "Extravagant Emotions;" "Insomnia;" "Relaxation;" "Harmony the Law of Nature." Two very important questions, how to relax and how to control one's self, are clearly and helpfully discussed.

*Wisconsin*—John Harwood Bacon, '97, delegate of Wisconsin Alpha at the Philadelphia convention, 1896, is located at 401 Spring street, Atlanta, Ga. Of his new novel, "The Pursuit of Phyllis," published by Henry Holt & Co., New York, the *Atlanta Constitution* says:

The story of "The Pursuit of Phyllis" is a romantic comedy of a unique type, with a shift of scene from London to Hong Kong, terminating in the capture of Phyllis, heart and all. Only an American of the type Mr. Bacon has so clearly portrayed would have undertaken the task of delivering a package of love letters to an unknown young woman. The author is familiar with the places and scenes traversed by the hero and heroine and takes advantage of the opportunity presented for clever descriptive work. Mr. Bacon has heretofore confined himself to short story writing and his novel bears the marks of the short story writer, giving it a freshness and breeziness which

causes one to regret that the last page has been reached. Mr. Bacon was for a number of years vice consul general at Hong Kong and during his stay in the Far East secured material for a number of stories which will doubtless prove as interesting and popular as "The Pursuit of Phyllis."

Following are other comments on Bro. Bacon's work: *New York Times*: "Airy and sparkling." *New York Evening Post*: "Brisk, buoyant and entertaining." *The Bookman*: "A bright and entertaining story of up-to-date men and women." *Boston Transcript*: "Sparkling in fun, clean-cut and straight-forward in style as the young hero himself." *New York Tribune*: "Very enjoyable. . . . Its charm consists in its naturalness and the sparkle of the dialogue and descriptions." *The Outlook*: "A diverting account of an unattached gentleman's Quixotic pursuit . . . . sprightly and pleasing . . . . quite vivid impressions of the different localities visited."

In the recent elections, S. H. Elrod, De Pauw, '82, was elected governor of South Dakota; Hugh Th. Miller, Indianapolis, '88, was elected lieutenant governor of Indiana; and J. M. Mayer, C. C. N. Y., '84; Columbia, '86, was elected attorney general of New York, with other states to hear from. Bros. Miller and Mayer have each been editor-in-chief of THE SCROLL, so the present editors have a little encouragement at least to hope for their own political preferment in time. We believe that all  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  candidates for congress were re-elected.

Hapgoods employment agency, 309 Broadway, N. Y., was founded by H. J. Hapgood, Dartmouth, '96, and now has branch offices in Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis, Baltimore, Pittsburg, Washington, Buffalo, Cleveland, Columbus, Detroit, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, San Francisco, Seattle, Leweston, Maine, and London, Eng. H. J. Hapgood is president, and several other Phis are connected with the agency. H. M. Thyng is the treasurer. M. B. Wyllie is manager of the college department. H. C. Wilson is manager of the technical department. L. H. Blanchard is manager of the Chicago office.

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## COLLEGIATE.

Washington and Lee has a new engineering hall, a \$30,000 gift from W. H. Reid, of Chicago.

Two institutions in Indiana have new library buildings—Butler University and Hanover College.

Lehigh has a freshman class of over 200, and a total registration of about 650, the largest in its history.

Tulane will receive about \$333,000 for its medical department, by bequest of Alexander Hutchinson, recently deceased.

William and Mary College annually celebrates the anniversary of the first permanent English settlement in America.—*A T Ω Palm*.

Dr. S. F. Smith, author of "America," left \$20,000 to Colby. The college also recently received \$26,000 from other sources.—*A T Ω Palm*.

The 1904 *Blue and Gold*, the annual issued by the students of the University of California, this year contains 750 pages and cost \$8,000 to produce.—*A T Ω Palm*.

Among the matriculates at the University of Virginia are Richard Croker, Jr., son of the former Tammany chieftain, and Robert W. Williams, son of John Sharpe Williams.

Work has already been begun on the enlarging of our science building, and will soon begin on the woman's dormitory.—Miami correspondence of *Σ X Quarterly* for September.

The falling off in the freshman class at Yale, combined with the diminished registration at Harvard and Princeton, has raised anew active discussion of the question whether western universities have begun to draw the students who used to go east for a liberal education.

The New York *Sun* suggests that the day when the baccalaureate sermon served any purpose of essential importance is past. It is a survival from the time "when religion was foremost in the higher education and the presidents of our American colleges were uniformly clergymen."

Syracuse University has lately had an epidemic of college music. Songs innumerable have been written by faculty, alumni and students, and each class has taken turns in fostering the movement by contributing to the prize song fund. Now the university has inaugurated the custom of college "sings." On an eastward sloping hill of the campus the students assemble fair evenings and practice songs. The interest of the "sings" is heightened by competition between the liberal arts and the applied science men.—University of Chicago *Crimson*.

Dr. Ewald Fiugel, professor of English philology in Leland Stanford, has been granted leave of absence for three years, during which time he will undertake the completion and publication of the Chaucer dictionary, upon which he has spent all his leisure hours during the last fourteen years.

The University of Virginia secured \$31,000 from the state legislature for two additional buildings as a part of its new hospital group. Also a gift of \$10,000 from Mrs. Frances B. Scott, of Richmond, has been received for the equipment and maintenance of an electrical engineering laboratory memorial to her late son.—A T Ω *Palm*.

A chapter on German and American universities in "American History from German Archives" records that the first American student at a German university was Benjamin Smith Barton, of Lancaster, Pa., who matriculated at Gottengen in 1766, took his degree in medicine and returned to become a professor in the University of Pennsylvania.

The Reynolds club is a club of men, built by the university, but turned over to the students for management. The dues are but \$2 per quarter, so that nearly every one can belong and enjoy its billiard room, bowling alley, miniature theatre, card rooms, music room, and library. It has become a center of undergraduate life, and will do much for college spirit here.—Chicago correspondence of Δ Y *Quarterly*.

The sesquicentennial anniversary of the founding of Columbia University was celebrated on October 28-31. The corner stones of a chapel, of two dormitories and of a school of mines building were laid. The dormitories and mines building are to be ready for occupancy next fall. Each of the dormitories will have nine stories. A new history of the university, written by members of the faculty has just been published.

One hundred and twenty candidates from the United States have passed the examinations for the Rhodes scholarships, which is more than twice as many as can be appointed this year. In Massachusetts the committee selected for appointment from a group of eight competitors who passed the tests. Considering the complicated desires of Mr. Rhodes about his scholars, the process of selection as worked out by this Massachusetts committee must have been interesting.—*Harper's Weekly*.

Lord Strathcona, chancellor of McGill University, has given a further donation of \$50,000 for the general purposes of the faculty of medicine, and \$25,000 toward a gymnasium, Sir William Macdonald giving \$25,000 for the same purpose. Sir William, who last March gave \$100,000, besides the site for the erection of a students' union, has promised to give \$25,000 more, so that the committee in charge shall in no way be hampered.

Twelve years ago the University of Mississippi labored under many difficulties. It had only two departments, academic and law. The faculty numbered 14, with a student attendance of 100. Great interest has been taken in this institution by its distinguished chancellor, and mainly through his efforts it has improved in a remarkable way. Three new departments, medicine, education and civil engineering, have been added. The faculty now numbers 28, and 300 students were enrolled last year.—Mississippi correspondence of *Σ X Quarterly*.

The new president of the University of Virginia is Dr. E. H. Alderman, formerly president of Tulane. He is the first president of the university. Since the founding of the institution until this year, its chief officer has been the chairman of the faculty. The new president of the University of Illinois is Dr. E. J. James, formerly president of Northwestern University. The new chancellor of the University of the South is Bishop Ellison Capers, of South Carolina. The new president of Gettysburg is Dr. S. G. Hepplebower. The new president of Roanoke is J. A. Moorehead.

"The College Widow," by George Ade, *Σ X*, has been enthusiastically received at the Garden Theatre, New York. Mr. Ade, in a speech, confessed that it was not a problem play, but an attempt to have fun with the American college man. He has taken a middle-west college as his scene, and introduced about every sort of a character known to such an institution. There is the thinnest plot, the story hinging on the scheme laid by the students of a Presbyterian college to secure for their football team the best player of a Baptist college. They are successful, mainly through the efforts of the college widow, the sweetheart of successive freshmen, who uses her wiles upon him. The play is described as extremely clever—"a living panorama of the 'Fables in Slang.'"

The feature of the exercises connected with the laying of the corner stone of the new Dartmouth hall of Dartmouth College was the attendance of the Earl of Dartmouth, a descendant of the Lord Dartmouth who gave a sum of money to establish the institution. On the night of October 25, there was an outdoor programme, consisting of singing by the glee club, and ten historical tableaux, by the dramatic club, illustrating the origin and early days of the institution. On the following day, an historical address was delivered by Prof. Francis Brown, class of '70; the degree of LL. 'D. was conferred on the Earl of Dartmouth, and the corner stone was laid by the earl; and in the evening a dinner was given in his honor. Other institutions were invited to participate in the exercises which from age, or like English origin, or association in the first movements for the education of Indians, have a natural interest in the early history of Dartmouth.

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#### EXPENSES OF COLLEGE STUDENTS INCREASING.

College commencements are on a larger scale today, and consequently expensive. Expensive and elaborate is the other great season of festivities also that is found at many colleges, called the "junior prom" or "junior week," or "house party week," the season at which one or more big dances are the chief attractions. Junior week at Cornell last January cost the community approximately \$15,000, said the *Cornell Alumni News*, including from \$2,700 to \$2,800 for carriages. The receipts from the "junior prom," the biggest of the dances, were \$3,900. At Yale last February the "junior prom," one dance only, cost \$6,103.67, \$1,700 of that sum being paid for supper. The gross receipts were \$7,232. As the author of a college "Mister Dooley" letter once expressed it, writing to a father: "Please send me th' money fr' these few bills, which the same was spint fr' sochel entertainment's required in th' colledge coorse."

Simplicity, whether or not it ought to be, is no longer the rule. The recent erection by a Yale society, of a marble hall to meet in—a hall which cost many thousand dollars, and which has neither windows nor skylight, but is lighted by a refraction apparatus from outside through the cellar—is typical of the present spirit at the larger institutions.

Another, and somewhat similar, modern tendency is to eliminate the literary factor at commencements. The newly made graduates no longer gravely discuss "The influence of

scepticism upon human happiness," as did Theodore Dwight Woolsey, valedictorian of the class of 1820 at Yale, who later was Yale's president; nor the question "Ought emulation to be encouraged?" on which there was a "disputation," at the 1817 Yale commencement. Nor are "forensick disputes," on the question "Whether the profession of law ought, to be abolished?" so customary as they were once.

Class day exercises, with orations and poems, of chief interest to the students themselves, are often ambitious still, and at the planting of the class tree or the class ivy once in a while—once in a great while—something good is heard, but the gathering is after all one chiefly of pomp and pride. What is humorous in the exercises receives most attention; and best remembered, perhaps, of all that happened on a recent Harvard class day were the words of one of the speakers, Dr. Eliot being seated near by: "Whether you earn your living, or become the president of a great university."—*The Bookman.*

#### ARISTOCRACY IN THE COLLEGES.

Courageous professors at Harvard and elsewhere are lifting up their voices against the alarming growth of the aristocratic spirit in many of our American universities. Rich men's sons, these professors claim, are becoming a menace to the very existence of the centers of academic learning in this country. The tone of the colleges, it is alleged, is daily becoming less and less conducive to intellectual life, and to the training of thinkers and scholars. Many of these rich men's sons, these professors declare, enter college with no serious intentions of any kind. Their life is in the main harmless, but frivolous, decidedly indolent, and wholly aimless. But frivolous and aimless as their life is, they are rich men's sons, with abundance of money at their command, and they cannot afford to place themselves on a level with poor men's sons, who have nothing but brains, character and pluck.

There was a time when the American university was democratic. Between the students there was a hearty comradeship. The boys touched shoulders, touched brains, touched hearts. But the old bonds are breaking. The rich students live by themselves, in expensive private quarters, and the community life of the colleges is quickly passing away. Between the student whose father is rich and the student whose father is poor there is no reciprocity of mind or heart. They

live in different worlds, worlds separated by an impassable chasm. The old dormitories are not good enough for the sons of the modern Crœsuses. They must have magnificent private apartments, where they can breathe the air and enjoy the companionship that is in keeping with the wealth of their daddies.

It is feared by many prominent educators that this tendency to "segregate on a money basis" will result disastrously to our institutions of learning; but it is to be hoped that the fear is groundless. Let the young men who have a serious aim in life keep right on about their business, paying no attention one way or the other to the foolish fellows who are trying to be aristocratic. Their fathers' money bags may support the foolish fellows in their scornful luxury and indolence throughout the college course; but out in the great world the prizes will go to those who have the brain and character. Certainly no high-minded, self-respecting young American will allow himself to be even momentarily troubled by the folly of the purse-proud young men, who persist, like Dunderbary's bird, in flocking by themselves. Let them flock. And in the meantime, let the young men who have sense and a purpose in life keep hard at work, and in due season they shall find their reward.—Rev. Thomas B. Gregory, in *New York American*.

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#### PROFESSIONALISM IN COLLEGE ATHLETICS.

Dr. William H. P. Faunce, president of Brown University, writing in *The World To-Day* for October, speaks strongly in regard to the lax morality associated with college athletics because of the efforts to prevent "professionalism." He says:

The rules offered the finest possible field for casuistry and hair-splitting. With student conscience behind them they would have remedied the evil, but that conscience did not insist on literal enforcement. What is "indirect compensation?" If the students secure for one of their number an opportunity to earn money by working in a store in the evening, doing this out of friendship (and friendship may be based on athletic affinity)—is that "indirect compensation?" If a senior take an athletic freshman to room with him without exacting payment of room rent, is that "indirect compensation?" Can any authorities forbid such a deed of charity? If an alumnus engages an athletic sophomore to work for him

during the summer at market rates who can object? But how if the interest of the alumnus is based wholly on the expectation of future athletic distinction? No theological casuistry of the sixteenth century was ever more subtle or specious than that which college sport has produced. If the senior can not pay the freshman in any other way, he makes with him some preposterous wager and loses it. Thus the money has changed hands, but it can not be shown to be compensation for skill.

The rules are regularly circumvented and faculties are outwitted with keen enjoyment. Sometimes the student, refusing to take the money himself, orders it sent to his father or brother. Why should we use soft words when facing such facts? We are living in a time when college athletics are honeycombed with falsehood and when the professions of amateurism are usually hypocrisy. No college team ever meets another to-day with actual faith in the other's eligibility.

Many students who must earn money in the summer find that by far the easiest way to do it is by playing on summer nines usually for the entertainment of guests at hotels. For several years this practice has been growing, and with it has grown remarkable ingenuity in concealing financial results. Many a student receives \$30 to \$50 per week for serving as waiter or bell boy in the hotel, while it so happens that he finds abundant leisure for playing ball before the hotel piazza. Sometimes, by the help of lawyers, a contract is drawn up with the proprietor, certifying that all compensation received was for the innocent games of ball. Thus athletic authorities are either misled or rendered powerless. A student on one of these summer nines plays beside students from other colleges, and knows that they, like himself are paid for furnishing sport. Yet, when he meets those students on an opposing college team the next spring he makes no protest. He protects opponents and they protect him.

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#### BOOKS ABOUT COLLEGE LIFE.

The following list of books relating to colleges and to college life is clipped from the *Phi Gamma Delta*.

- College Days. Outing Publishing Co., New York, \$1.50.  
 Stories of Colleges. J. P. Lippincott Company, \$1.20.  
 Colby Stories. Rumford Press, Concord, N. H., \$1.50.  
 Stories of Bowdoin. J. C. Minot. Augusta, Me., \$1.50.  
 Harvard Episodes. C. M. Flandrau. Small, Maynard & Co., \$1.25.

- Smith College Stories. Josephine Dodge Daskam. Charles Scribner's Sons, \$1.50.
- Yale Yarns. John Seymour Wood. G. P. Putnam Sons, \$1.25.
- Four Years at Yale. A Graduate of '69. Charles Chatfield & Co.
- The Ways of Yale. Beers. Henry Holt & Co., \$1.
- A Princetonian. James Barnes. G. P. Putnam's Sons, 50 cents.
- Princeton Sketches. George R. Wallace. G. P. Putnam's Sons, \$2.
- Pennsylvania Stories. Arthur H. Quinn. Pennsylvania Publishing Company, Philadelphia, \$1.25.
- Cornell Stories. James J. Sanderson. Charles Scribner's Sons, \$1.
- Ann Arbor Tales. K. E. Harriman. George W. Jacobs & Co.
- Diary of a Freshman. C. M. Flandrau. Doubleday, Page & Co., \$1.50.
- Adventures of a Freshman. Jesse L. Williams. Charles Scribner's Sons, \$1.25.
- Cap and Gown in Prose. R. L. Paget. L. C. Page & Co., \$1.25.
- The Land of Joy. Ralph Henry Barbour. Doubleday, Page & Co., \$1.50.
- The Cult of the Purple Rose. S. E. Johnson. The Gorman Press, \$1.25.
- Student Life and Customs. Sheldon. Appleton & Co., \$1.20.
- The Choice of a College. Crowell & Co., 35 cents.
- Within College Walls. Dr. Charles Thwing. Baker & Taylor, \$1.
- College Administration. Dr. Charles F. Thwing. The Century Company, \$2.
- The College Woman. Baker & Taylor, \$1.
- Tom Brown's School Days. Hughes. MacMillan.
- Tom Brown at Oxford. Hughes. MacMillan.
- Literary Landmarks of Oxford. Hutton. Charles Scribner's Sons, \$1.20.

This list does not include a good many titles which appeared in a bibliography of books relating to colleges published in *THE SCROLL*, April, 1903. Of such books there is also a more complete list in the bibliography appended to "Student Life and Customs," reviewed in *THE SCROLL*, April, 1904.

However, the above list includes more books of stories relating to particular colleges than we have seen mentioned in one place anywhere else. About twenty-five years ago was published a very entertaining novel entitled, "Hammersmith, His Harvard Days." "College Days, or Harry's Career at Yale" was published in 1894. A book of "Stanford Stories" was published a few years ago. Several of these books of college stories include stories about fraternities. We are under the impression that books of stories relating to Vassar and Bryn Mawr have been issued.

Attention might be called to "The Torch," a novel treating of college life from the standpoint of the faculty, by Herbert M. Hopkins, published by the Bobbs-Merrill Company, Indianapolis, a review of which appeared in *THE SCROLL*, February, 1904.

Another new book is "Twixt Greek and Barb," by William C. Levere, a novel dealing with fraternity life. The plot includes accounts of bidding a freshman, initiating him, con-

tests between Greeks and independents in college elections, a cane rush, etc. The book is published by W. S. Lord, Evanston, Ill.; price, \$1.25.

We suggest that each chapter ought to send to the fraternity library all books relating to its college.

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## HELLENIC.

X Ω has entered Texas, and Δ Δ Δ has entered Iowa.

The faculty of Bucknell University have forced Θ Ν Ε to disband.

Σ Α Ε has an annual income of about \$8,000 and a surplus of about \$12,000.

Α Τ Ω has five members in Manila and they have formed a Philippine alumni association.

Δ Τ Δ entered Texas last spring, Φ Κ Ψ this fall. There are now thirteen fraternities and four sororities there.

Β Θ ΙΙ has entered Case. It has long had a chapter at Western Reserve University, the campus of which immediately adjoins that of Case.

Σ Χ entered Syracuse October 14, absorbing Χ Α Σ, a local society. Syracuse now has eight fraternities, eight sororities, and six professional fraternities.

At the recent convention of the legal fraternity Φ Δ Φ, C. M. Clay Buntain, '99, a member of the Northwestern chapter of Φ Δ Θ was elected vice-president of the fraternity.

Φ Δ Θ has entered the University of Pennsylvania.—First paragraph in "College and Fraternity Notes" in the *Trident* of Δ Δ Δ for September, 1904. Yes, over twenty years ago.

Α Τ Ω revived its chapter at the University of Michigan, June 11; revived its chapter at the University of Florida, June 15, and established a chapter at the University of Chicago, June 16.

The entrance of Σ Ν, Κ Σ and Α Τ Ω last spring raised the number of fraternities at the University of Chicago to fifteen—"as many as she can well support," says the Chicago correspondent of the Σ Ν *Delta*.

The number of active chapters of some of the larger fraternities is as follows: K Σ, 71; Φ Δ Θ, 69; Β Θ Π, 67; Σ Λ Ε, 62; Φ Γ Δ, 58; Σ Χ, 52; Σ Ν, 52; Α Τ Ω, 50; Southern Κ Α, 49; Δ Τ Δ, 47; Δ Κ Ε, 40; Φ Κ Ψ, 40; Δ Υ, 35; Θ Δ Χ, 24.

Statistical tables in the *Delta* show that on July 1, 1904, Σ Ν had 50 chapters, with an active membership of 870, an average membership of 17.4. Houses were occupied by 31 chapters, halls by 19. The total membership of the fraternity was 5,050.

Earl W. Murray, '04, Kansas, Β Θ Π and winner of the Rhodes scholarship in Kansas, was denied admittance to St. John's College, Oxford, where he had planned to specialize in Greek and Latin, owing to his failure to conform to the teachings of the English Church. Mr. Murray is a Baptist.

As is well known the chapters of Δ Κ Ε, Α Δ Φ, Ψ Υ and Ζ Ψ at Yale are little more than stones upon which the festive Yalensian hops from one class organization to another up to the culmination of Skull and Bones, Scroll and Key, and Wolf's Head, the *summum bonum* of Yale secret society life.—Κ Α *Journal*.

The fraternity gives each of its initiates a beautiful certificate of initiation. This every one is entitled to, but these cannot be engrossed unless the "return of initiation" is sent to the archon grammateus properly signed. Here is a subject to think over. Are your chapter officers negligent?—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

Eight fraternities are represented at the University of Missouri—Φ Δ Θ, Β Θ Π, Σ Χ, Φ Γ Δ, Σ Ν, Κ Σ, Σ Α Ε and Κ Α—and two sororities, Κ Κ Γ and Η Β Φ. During last year Σ Χ was the most numerous, with twenty-seven members, and Σ Ν the smallest, with twelve. Average membership was about twenty.—Κ Α *Journal* for October.

In every college there are men who have refrained from uniting with a fraternity during their first year, and who are extremely desirable in every particular. To these men the chapters should devote themselves; they afford opportunities for future chapter growth more certain than the new men who will enter the colleges in the fall. The year has brought out their good qualities, and in selecting them for membership few mistakes will be made.—Κ Σ *Caduceus*.

According to the *Δ Y Quarterly*, six college fraternities have become corporated bodies—A T Ω, under the laws of Maryland, 1879; A Δ Φ, by special act of the legislature of New York, 1879; B ⊙ Π, under the laws of Ohio, 1879; Φ Δ ⊙, under the laws of Ohio, 1881; Δ K E, by special act of the legislature of New York, 1884; Σ X since 1896.

The chapter of X Φ had its charter withdrawn by the general fraternity about a month before the announcement of the board allowing fraternities to remain, at the meeting in June. It is now reported, however, that the charter will be returned, but this is doubtful, as nearly all of the chapter will enter some other college this fall—Wofford correspondence of Σ A E *Record* for September.

The Σ A E *Record* records the sale of its North Carolina chapter house to B ⊙ Π. It says that the Betas will shortly have their new purchase hauled over and re-established upon a neighboring lot, also recently purchased. The Σ A E correspondent from Chapel Hill hopes by the next *Record* to be able to report his own chapter in its long-desired new chapter house.—K A *Journal* for October.

Although Cornell does not open until September 29, we expect all our active men to return on or prior to September 20, for, as the fraternity competition at Ithaca is very great, we are compelled to force our men to return at least one week before work begins. This was put in the form of a by-law last year and was found to be of great value to the chapter.—Cornell correspondence of Σ X *Quarterly*.

The choice of men by a fraternity chapter, as well as the choice of a fraternity by the freshman, is a serious matter. It means the permanent selection of intimate companions and associates throughout college days, and neither chapter nor individual should act hastily in the matter. Where reasonable and deliberate consideration is given the question by both parties, the right man will always be found in the right fraternity.—K A *Journal*.

We have received the first number of the *Angelos*, a handsome and interesting magazine published by the K Δ sorority. K Δ was founded at Virginia State Normal school, Farmville, Va., October 27, 1897, and has established chapters as follows: Chatham Episcopal Institute, Chatham, Va., 1902; Hollins Institute, Hollins, Va., 1902; Randolph-

Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va., 1903; Gunston Institute, Washington, D. C., 1903; a *sub rosa* chapter, 1903; Fairmount Seminary, Washington, D. C., 1903; University of Alabama, 1904; St. Mary's School, 1904. The sorority was chartered by an act of the Virginia legislature, 1902. Its first convention was held at Richmond, last April; the next will be held at Washington next April.

At the last meeting of the board of trustees, the Rt. Rev. Ellison Capers, D. D., bishop of South Carolina, was elected to the office of chancellor of the University of South. This selection of the board gives to Σ A E the university chancellor, while we already had the chaplain, the dean of the academic department, and also three other members of the faculty.—Sewanee correspondence of Σ A E *Record*. How many of these, may we ask, are honorary members?

In a fraternity with sixty odd chapters dotted over the whole land, perfect homogeneity is as impossible as it is undesirable. It is impossible because one section of the country develops, and needs to develop, quite a different type of man from that produced by another. It is undesirable because, inferentially, a man who is all that could be desired in Omaha, let us say, becomes something less in New York; and a man from either place might, without discredit to himself, fall short of the ideals of New Orleans.—Σ A E *Record*.

A T Ω has revived its chapter at the University of Florida, Lake City, Fla. It is the only fraternity there. The *Palm* says: "The university has of late received greatly increased appropriations from the legislature, and is making rapid strides toward the front ranks of state universities in the southern states. The officers of the fraternity are impressed with the idea that, with the marvelous development of Florida, the institution is destined to become one of the most important in the southeast." K A has a chapter at Florida State College, Tallahassee.

Sewanee is the only southern institution where all fraternities represented own chapter houses, Π K A, the youngest, having recently constructed a modest lodge. Fraternities are warmly encouraged by the university authorities, and are officially recognized as valuable aids in the maintenance of student good order and in the promotion of college spirit. By common consent, based doubtless upon peculiar local con-

ditions, none of the houses are used for living purposes, providing only for meetings and social ends. Most of the houses are of native sandstone, are characteristic in architecture, and aid materially in the general picturesque appearance of this unique academic community. The fraternities are  $\Delta T \Omega$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$ ,  $\Sigma A E$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $K \Sigma$ ,  $K A$  and  $\Pi K A$ .  $\Sigma N$  had a short-lived existence "on the mountain."—*K A Journal*.

The University of Alabama, about the only large southern institution except Tulane where chapter houses have not come into vogue, has given fraternities permission to build on the university campus, provided they construct houses of a certain minimum valuation. This is one of the oldest of southern fraternity strongholds, where  $\Delta K E$ ,  $A \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Sigma X$  and others were strongly entrenched long before the civil war, and where  $\Sigma A E$  was founded in 1856. It now fosters chapters of  $\Delta K E$ , with 9 men;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 18;  $\Sigma N$ , 16;  $K \Sigma$ , 20;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 14;  $A T \Omega$ , 11;  $\Sigma A E$ , 18;  $K A$ , 15, and  $\Phi K \Sigma$ , 8. There is one sorority,  $K \Delta$ , with 10 members.—*K A Journal* for October.

The taking of "honorary" members into undergraduate chapters is not, as some have fondly fancied, out of style, passé. Instances of it are cropping up constantly. No fraternity, however, appears to have gone into the matter so enthusiastically, so hilariously, as  $\Phi K \Sigma$ . The Columbian chapter of this fraternity recently initiated ex-Secretary Cortelyou, of the department of commerce and labor—now chairman of the republican national committee—Dr. Needham, president of the institution, and several popular professors. It is rumored that such unattached members of the faculty as were, in the rush, accidentally overlooked feel decidedly hurt.—*\Sigma A E Record*.

The ritual, in words which cannot be misconstrued, makes it the duty of every chapter to expel any member who breaks the oath taken by him on the night of his initiation. One of these oaths is that he will join no other college secret society. The names of some of those societies are given, and among them is found the  $\Theta N E$ . To that society two of our members belonged. With the laws of our order as our authority, and with the approval of the knight commander, a committee of five was appointed to investigate the charge. The committee's decision was that they should be expelled. This decision was unanimously approved by the chapter. While

before the investigating committee these men named several chapters where no action at all was ever taken when their members joined any of these prohibited societies, but we did not consider this a satisfactory defence. In the most solemn oath possible for a man to take, we swear we will not join any other college secret society, and that we will to the best of our ability see that the laws of our order are enforced.—Central correspondence of *K A Journal* for October.

Arkansas Alpha-Upsilon enjoyed a prosperous year and fraternities generally have been flourishing. Besides the three national fraternities of  $\Sigma A E$ ,  $K \Sigma$ , and  $K A$ , there are two national sororities,  $X \Omega$  and  $Z T A$ . The attendance at the university this year was over eight hundred, and bids fair to be larger next year. The new engineering hall will be completed by this September, and the engineers will have a home of their own instead of being scattered over the main building. Social life at the university was active during the year, and dances took place almost every week. The  $X \Omega$ s and the  $Z T A$ s gave entertainments which were much enjoyed by those who were fortunate enough to attend.—University of Arkansas correspondence of  $\Sigma A E Record$  for September.

No fraternity but  $K A$  in her section has so many or such enthusiastic or such distinguished alumni, so many alumni chapters, or so many chapter houses. Where is there another fraternity in the south that can show a Folk, a Hobson, a Thomas Dixon, a John Temple Graves, a Clark Howell, five members of congress from Dixie, seventy-five college professors, including two at the University of Virginia, three at the University of North Carolina, three at the University of Georgia, four at the University of Alabama, three at Tulane, two at Louisiana State, four at the University of Arkansas, four at Richmond College, and three at Southern University; twelve presidents of southern colleges, including Clemson, Alabama, Emory, Trinity, Randolph-Macon, Georgetown and Bethel, to say nothing of the  $K A$  members of the faculties of the universities of California, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Rensselaer, Princeton, and Cornell.—*K A Journal*.

Fraternity membership at Tulane is as follows:  $K A$ , 20;  $\Sigma N$ , 16;  $A T \Omega$ , 12;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 9;  $K \Sigma$ , 25;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 13;  $\Sigma A E$ , 16;  $\Delta K E$ , 8;  $\Phi K \Sigma$ , 15;  $\Sigma N$ , 10;  $\Pi K A$ , 13;  $\Phi X$  (medical), 10;  $\Phi K P$  (medical), 10;  $A \Delta O$  (medical), 14;  $\Pi B \Phi$  (Newcomb), 16;  $A O \Pi$  (Newcomb), 15;  $X \Omega$  (Newcomb), 10;

K K Γ (Newcomb), 15; Θ Σ (Newcomb), 12. A new chapter at Tulane has a hard time. There are no helping hands for it. It is a case of each chapter for itself, and the one who cannot keep up gets lost in the hubbub. The academic department is situated in one part of the city, the law and medical in another part, and Newcomb College (for ladies) in another part. It is therefore rather hard for the fraternities to get together. There are no chapter houses at Tulane, and there is not likely to be any for some time to come, owing to the peculiar conditions existing there. Everything at the university is controlled by one or the other fraternity, so that the "barb" very often is left out in the cold. —Σ A E *Record* for September.

Σ A E has a new catalogue, the sixth edition. Besides the chapter rolls, the book contains a topographical index and an alphabetical index, so that every name appears three times. There is also a consanguinity table. This is the first edition since 1893. As a result of careful condensation, the sixth edition has thirty odd pages less than the 1893 edition, though the pages are smaller and though thousands of names have been added in the last eleven years. Reviewing the book the *Record* says:

We have already referred to the fact that, in the chapter-rolls, the individual "records" of the various members are very much abbreviated. Apart from the great improvement in respect to appearance, this is, to our mind, the most noteworthy and most desirable change that distinguishes the present volume from the issue of 1893. In the old catalogue, a great mass of matter was printed which could be of no possible interest to anybody except to the men to whom it severally referred, and possibly their next of kin. In those pages we could learn that John Brown was president of the Eulexian society at his college for the years 1890-91; that John Smith contributed verse, doubtless meritorious, to the school paper; that Robinson was sergeant of cadets and mathematics prizeman in 1888, together with much else of a similar gossipy and ephemeral character. The editors of the sixth catalogue have wisely omitted all this; and the volume gains much thereby in wieldiness, and loses nothing in utility. The detail about each man is here sifted down to a statement of his name, year of birth and date of initiation, his occupation and address. To these are added, where existent, any special honors that have come to him for work in the fraternity, collegiate degrees, the name of his wife, and any facts that would naturally be of great interest to members of the fraternity. Student honors and trivial detail have fallen under the blue pencil. This is, of course, in line with the underlying idea of condensation, and is in every way an agreeable change.

#### HINTS TO CHAPTER REPORTERS.

The editor of the Λ T Ω *Palm* insists on typewritten letters from chapter correspondents and gives them the following instructions:

Always give exact dates. "Since our last letter" is now an obsolete term, and the letter in which it is found will get badly slashed. "One week ago last Tuesday" is also a *Palm* outlaw. "Fraternal greetings to sister chapters" was hardly given decent burial. Your sister chapters did not read a line of your letter. Put some flavor in it. A letter should be a live thing, which hits the reader.

Reporter after reporter tells the *Palm* that his chapter has initiated "the following new brothers." Brothers are not initiated into Alpha Tau. Venial literary sins by the score could be avoided if correspondents would write when awake. Names of men or maids, and all proper nouns, should be printed. Time taken from recreation, meals and sleep is too expensive to be wasted on illegible copy. It will be mailed to my waste basket.

The following, printed in italic type, is kept standing at the beginning of the chapter correspondence in the *Palm*:

It is to be hoped that the member elected as correspondent is not merely one upon whom the chapter wishes to confer an honor, but one who can write and will write faithfully, without the editor's having to notify him once or oftener during the year. Give the fraternity, the *Palm*, and your chapter the benefit of such a man.

The following, printed in italic type, is kept standing at the beginning of the chapter correspondence in the  $\Sigma \Lambda E$  *Record*:

Elect as your correspondent the man who can write, and whose sense of duty and personal responsibility is such that it is certain that he will write. No man should have this post because of his mere popularity.

Here are a few "don'ts" from the  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$  *Trident*:

Don't forget to write only on one side of the paper; don't forget to head the letter with the name of your college and chapter; don't forget to date it; don't forget to sign it; and, finally, don't forget to send it.

#### FRATERNITY EXAMINATION QUESTIONS.

The  $\Delta Y$  *Quarterly* publishes the questions that were asked in the fraternity examination recently conducted by the Tufts chapter. The two senior members of the literary committee made out a list of fifteen comprehensive questions and posted them in the hall about ten days before the date of the examination. Notice was given that ten questions would be made up from these fifteen. The examination was taken by the three lower delegations, the seniors acting as judges. The questions were as follows:

1. Give the chapter roll of  $\Delta T$  in the order of founding (no dates) and the location of each college.
2. Give a brief history of  $\Delta T$ , noting the following facts:
  - a. When, where, and why founded.
  - b. Name of the first national organization.
3. Give a brief history of this chapter, noting the following facts:
  - a. Year, month, and day of receipt of charter.
  - b. Number of charter members and names of three of them.
4. What are the four oldest (having at least ten chapters) and the four

- largest national fraternities in the United States?
5. What is the  $\Delta T$  motto, when was it adopted, and what does it mean?
  6. Name one president of the United States, three governors of states, four congressmen, three college presidents, three authors, and three prominent men of to-day, who were, or are, members of  $\Delta T$ .
  7. What is the oldest national fraternity at Tufts? (Answer:  $\Delta T$ .)
  8. Name in the order of founding the different fraternity chapters at Tufts.
  9. How many  $\Delta T$  alumni organizations are there? Name three.
  10. What has always been the policy of this chapter in college politics? (Answer: Never to nominate any of our own men, and to put the interests of the college before those of the fraternity.)

### THE CHAPTER ROLL BOOK

A correspondent of the *Beta Theta Pi*, complaining about the treatment the chapter roll book usually receives, says:

To my own certain knowledge it is the most neglected instrument in the fraternity. The book is large, and it usually occupies part of the floor space of some boy's closet, along with his shoes, or else is put under some one's bed and, after some search, is brought out once or twice a year, when new men are initiated, to have them write in it, and is immediately relegated to its ignominious place until they want it for such a purpose again.

Our own fraternity went to great expense to provide suitable roll books for all chapters, and they were distributed at the convention of 1900. We wonder if the roll books are treated any better by  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  chapters than by  $B \Theta \Pi$  chapters. We fear not, in some cases at least. It is the duty of the chapter historian to keep the roll book, and to keep it entered up to date. If he does this he will have little trouble in filling out the annual membership report for the H. G. C. We suggest that the president of each chapter investigate whether the historian is performing his duty in this particular. An editorial in the  $\Delta K E$  *Quarterly* says:

An important duty, incumbent on every chapter, is the careful preparation and preservation of their records. By records we mean the comprehensive term. To more fully define, we mean, not merely the minutes of meeting, with an occasional elaboration, by way of interpolation, detailing the features of some dinner or some ceremonial function, but a record of their members, including their home addresses, their period of active membership, their honors in college, the address of each alumnus and ex-member, a list of deaths, with the places and dates, and in brief a biographical outline down to date of every member as far as the same is possible.

The editor says that the sources of the great bulk of the information for the fraternity catalogue must necessarily be the chapters themselves; and "unless the chapters keep these records complete and down to date from year to year, it becomes almost an impossibility to obtain the requisite infor-

mation within the allotted time, and the result is either a long delayed catalogue or a publication replete with inaccuracies."

#### SECONDARY SCHOOL SOCIETIES.

The *Σ A E Record* says: During an observation in the east and west of "high and preparatory" school fraternities, the exchange editor has come to the conclusion that they will be found ultimately to be harmful rather than helpful to the collegiate Greek-letter system. Prep school boys are too immature to derive the real good from secret organizations and they are too apt to misinterpret their functions. Mr. Newman Miller, editor of the *Σ X Quarterly*, sounds a note of warning in regard to these organizations, which may well be heeded by all Greek-letter organizations having the good of the system at heart:

Much is being said in educational circles at the present time concerning so-called high-school fraternities. These pseudo-fraternal organizations have sprung up very rapidly during the last five years, especially in schools and academies in large cities. In many instances the organizations are only local societies; in others, an attempt is being made to widen the field and establish chapters in different cities. We are disposed to think that enterprises of this sort can never be of benefit to the public schools or to the legitimate college fraternity. In the one instance they can only be an aggravation to the administration, with but little to accomplish during the brief and restricted relationship of the member with his chapter; and in the other, much of the uniqueness of the relationship of the freshman to his college society will be destroyed.

In our opinion, from the viewpoint of the college fraternity man, the system is open to the same objections which we have urged against class societies, namely, that it opens the way for a division of the affection of the young collegian and takes away from him much of the opportunities for participation and enjoyment in matters which should be sacred to any college alumnus. In one or two instances it has come to our notice that certain college fraternities have utilized chapters of high-school societies as pledging organizations. We are not disposed to countenance this movement, and we believe that it will be detrimental in the long run for any *Σ X* chapter to adopt this plan of securing new members. The situation is one which is bound to receive a large amount of attention during the next year, and it would be well for all active and alumni members to post themselves as far as possible on the various problems which the question presents.

#### SOUTHERN KAPPA ALPHA'S DILEMMA.

Northern extension appears to be a burning question in K A, judging by the heated arguments pro and con. published in the *Journal*. The October number contains several articles on the subject, and it is discussed also in several of the chapter letters. One contributor says: "The knight commander has practically unlimited arbitrary power to

charter chapters where he will; he has unrestricted license in this respect—one as tempting as it is responsible.” A member of the parent chapter at Washington and Lee writes:

Year after year the necessity of our being clearly national becomes more apparent, as not a few good men have been lost to K A because of our sectionalism. Moreover, that sectionalism, which even if not intentional is nevertheless real, is a severe blow to our prestige in the circle of national fraternities; and, furthermore, sectionalism is an essential attribute of narrow-mindedness, and narrow-mindedness is not conducive to success.

Northern extension is strongly opposed by Mr. Verner M. Jones, of Nashville, associate editor of the *Journal*, who says:

If the writer were called upon to give what he considers the prime characteristics of the K A idea of policy and extension he would unhesitatingly say that it was based upon two convictions in chief—firstly, that the so-called small colleges supply most ideally those conditions favorable to the fruitful accomplishment of the true spirit of fraternity among college men; and, secondly, that as a matter of governmental expediency a restriction to prescribed geographical limits is desirable and necessary.

Another associate editor, Mr. L. S. Boyd, of Washington City, favors amalgamation with northern K A. His first article on this subject was published in the *Journal* for May, and quotations therefrom appeared in THE SCROLL for October. The following paragraphs are clipped from his second article in the October *Journal*:

Those northern fraternities with chapters in the south and west are recognized as the strongest and most representative of American college fraternities. This is fully recognized by southern K A, when during the rushing season it has to cope with such strong rivals as Δ K E, Φ Δ Θ, Σ X, Β Θ Π and Χ Φ. From personal observation of fifteen years standing, I am fully justified in saying that K A experienced little difficulty with its southern rivals before they went north, but immediately upon that event the situation entirely changed.

The fraternity *par excellence* of the future will be the general fraternity of national dimensions. It is an undeniable fact that in this respect the fraternity world is greatly impressed with the enviable position of Δ K E, Β Θ Π and Φ Δ Θ. Too broad for sectionalism, they place arguments before the novice that in most cases are simply irresistible. They put before him in engaging manner new views that will tend to widen his horizon, that will make him a brother to all college men of all sections, dispel sectionalism in education and friendships, and open up to the new man and prospective brother rare visions of the great and unknown outside world of college affairs. It is educating, refining, and broadening, and the K A who can lightly regard these strong arguments so liberally used during the rushing season assuredly has but little regard for the future of his beloved fraternity.

Not only have the northern fraternities taken a strong hold in our chosen territory, but we have to meet the renewed and rejuvenated opposition of our old-time southern rivals who have but recently extended into the north. There was a time when we counted for but little the opposition of Σ A E, Σ N and K Σ, but I leave it to any chapter of K A that meets these rivals if the rivalry today is not keener than it was ten years ago. In the rushing season these and other fraternities use against us very effectively our non-

extension policy. These confessions I make reluctantly, but for the good of the fraternity. We cannot shut our eyes to unwelcome truths, nor with supine indifference treat the increased aggressiveness of our rivals.

Mr. Boyd says: "If the principles of K A are good for the south they will be good for the north and west." As to the race question he says:

Let a northern fraternity admit a negro to membership, and it instantly loses its southern chapters. While I am not in a position to know, I wager that nearly every northern fraternity excludes the negro by law. Of my own personal knowledge I know that Σ A E, K Σ and Σ N have laws excluding the negro, and I have little doubt that nearly all, if not all, of the other fraternities have similar laws; and I have never heard that a negro was a member of any American college fraternity. On this subject there is much smoke, but no fire. It is a puerile argument, which, as far as K A is concerned, is already settled by law, and the law will remain the same wherever we extend.

S. Z. Ammen, LL. D., of Baltimore, author of the K A ritual, and formerly a knight commander, strongly opposes northern extension. His article begins:

In Dixie land I'll take my stand,  
And live and die in Dixie.

And ends with the following paragraphs:

In his well-written article in the last *Journal*, Bro. Boyd rightly assumes that combination with northern K A is an indispensable condition of our "going north." A T Ω and Σ N had no fraternity of the same name confronting them when *they* went north. But on crossing the line we should be in a delicate position. We should be held to be pretenders. "Northern K A we know," the critics would say, "but who are you? Are you imitators of our northern K A? Not the genuine thing?" And so on.

But if we are so wanting in self-respect as to ask northern K A to combine with us, we shall be snubbed for our want of delicacy. We shall get a harvest of insults and jeers, but no profit. There has been an unofficial correspondence already with northern K A on this subject which ended in a polite snub. We deserved it and got it. It would be a shame for a powerful fraternity like ours to go on its knees for favors.

We could not, consistently with our obligations, reveal our secrets to northern K A. We could not give up our laws for theirs. They are a series of clubs merely, as different as possible from us, and we could not shape ourselves to their model. If we combine with them on equal terms we should swamp them by our larger number of chapters—from which it is plain that they will never combine with us. Hence from every point of view northern extension is impossible.

#### GOVERNING BOARDS OF FRATERNITIES.

The following article, which we have taken the liberty to amend in slight particulars, is from the Δ Y *Quarterly*:

A general type of fraternity government has developed in the last score of years and from it there are comparatively few variations. The governing body in the average fraternity consists of three to nine men, alumni in most cases, in whom

practically all power rests in the interim between general conventions. As a rule these governing bodies have no authority to grant charters. Their duties are purely administrative and judicial. In many cases the members of the council or executive board have their separate functions prescribed, each officer holding a post by the designation of the convention. In other cases the convention elects a council en masse as it were and leaves it to the members of the board to divide the work as they see fit.

Without attempting to go into vast detail it is worth while to note just how leading fraternities run their affairs. Here is a summary of the characteristic features of the governing boards:

Δ Δ Φ—Executive committee, of nine members, who are part of an executive council, consisting of president, secretary and one other officer, *ex-officio*, nine members at large, two members from each active chapter and one from each inactive chapter.

Α Τ Ω—High council of five. Also worthy grand chief, worthy grand chaplain, worthy grand keeper of exchequer, worthy grand keeper of annals, worthy grand scribe, worthy high chancellor, fraternity architect, chairman song book committee, chairman revision of laws committee.

Β Θ ΙΙ—Six trustees, including president, general secretary, and general treasurer. Also a keeper of the rolls.

Χ Φ—Grand lodge, comprising fraternity president and four others.

Δ Κ Ε—Executive council of eight, with designated president, and secretary.

Δ Τ Δ—Arch chapter of ten—president, secretary, assistant secretary, treasurer, ritualist, editor, and presidents of the four divisions.

Δ Υ—Executive council of nine, three of whom are designated president, secretary and treasurer, and field secretary. Also an auditor, librarian, a catalogue editor, and three trustees.

Κ Α (Southern)—Knight commander, historian, purser, editor, chief alumnus, and catalogue editor.

Κ Ξ—Supreme executive committee of five—designated W. G. M., W. G. P., W. G. M. C., W. G. S., and W. G. T. Also a catalogue editor and a song book editor.

Φ Δ Θ—General council of five—president, secretary, reporter, treasurer, and historian; alumni commission of two members, chapter house commission of two members; these



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nine constituting a board of trustees. Also a catalogue editor, a history editor, and a fraternity librarian.

Φ Γ Δ—President, treasurer, secretary, and two "lay archons."

Φ Κ Ψ—Executive council, of four—president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. Also an attorney general; editors for journal, catalogue, history, and song book; standing committees on chapter houses, ritual, and attendance at convention.

Ψ Υ—Executive council of five members.

Σ Α Ε—Supreme council of five—archon, deputy archon, recorder, treasurer, and editor. Also board of five trustees, and a custodian of files.

Σ Χ—Grand council of fifteen—consul, annotator, tribune, quaestor, editor, historian, and praetors for the nine provinces. Also three triumvirs, and five trustees.

Σ Ν—High council of four—regent, vice regent and inspector general, grand treasurer and editor of catalogue, grand recorder and editor of journal. Also a song book editor and a historian, and standing committees on jurisprudence, and ritual.

© Δ Χ—Grand lodge of three—president, secretary, and treasurer, who name custodian of archives, editor and manager of journal.

In this study of governing bodies of fraternities no account has been taken of what might be called the provincial system—the division of the chapters into groups for more intimate administration.

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## THE PYX.

The convention arrangements have been so thoroughly detailed by circulars and in *THE SCROLL* and *Palladium* that little can be added except to urge that every chapter and alumni club be represented by as many as can possibly attend. There is no reason why we should not have as large and successful a convention as our great gathering at New York two years ago. There is an intense ardor and a broad hospitality among the Phis of Indiana that will readily set aglow all visiting members. It is to be hoped that those coming from the different sections will travel in groups according to arrangements outlined by Bro. F. J. R. Mitchell, S. G. C. Let no one be in Indianapolis twenty-four hours without having become acquainted with every Phi to be found. The editor

will ever cherish the memories of his first convention, at Indianapolis in 1894, and he only wishes for every Phi coming for the first time the acquirement of such friendships as he had the privilege then to form.

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The convention programme is as follows: Monday, Nov. 21, convention called to order by the P. G. C., at 10 a. m.; luncheon by President J. E. Brown at the Columbia Club to delegates and local committee; Tuesday evening, reception and dance in the assembly room of the Claypool Hotel; Wednesday evening, theatre party at English's Opera House — attraction, Frank Daniels; Thursday evening, bi-ennial banquet; Friday evening, smoker and vaudeville for delegates and Phis at the Columbia Club. Business sessions will be held daily from 10 to 1 and from 2:30 to 5, excepting Thanksgiving Day, when the only session will be the memorial service in the forenoon. The final session will be on Saturday morning.

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Some of our convention favorites will be missed this time. We shall not hear the inimitable fun of Dick Little, for he and Bro. Edward Emerson, Jr., are still in the far east detailing the war for the American press. We shall probably miss others who added so much of untold pleasure to the last convention. But we still shall meet many of our old favorites and staunch laborers for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and there will doubtless be new stars in comradeship and post-prandial oratory. Bro. Walter B. Palmer has for several months been in precarious health in Denver, the effect of overwork. We are glad to say that he is much better and will probably be at the convention. It is hard to comprehend his capacity for work. In addition to attending to constantly laborious work for the government, he has regularly performed his duties as one of the editors of THE SCROLL and *Palladium*, and his great History of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has now reached nearly 800 pages of advance sheets. We are sure that ever Phi in the world will anxiously wish for him a complete recovery.

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Many honors in athletics have come to Phis this fall. We note that some very important colleges have Phi captains on the gridiron. It is hoped that later these honors can be presented in compilation so that they can properly become a part of the history of the fraternity. One notable example is that of Bro. C. S. Forkum, *Pennsylvania State*, '05. On

the football team he is captain and fullback. He has repeatedly won his S in football, basketball and baseball, and has excelled in running the low hurdles. He is the best athlete in the college of our youngest chapter.

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Generous sympathies are due Bro. William Steen, of Lumberton, Miss., one of the most devoted  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s in the south. He is confined in Touro Infirmary, New Orleans, with an arm mangled by machinery, and will probably be there until January. Besides being loyal to Mississippi Alpha, his native chapter, Bro. Steen has contributed most usefully to the rejuvenation of the chapter at Tulane.

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Regardless of party sympathy, all  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s will be delighted to learn of the success of our brothers in the recent elections. Bro. Hugh Thomas Miller, long a member of the general council and editor of THE SCROLL, was elected lieutenant-governor of Indiana by a magnificent majority. At the same time Samuel K. Ruick, Jr., was elected to the legislature of Indiana so easily that he says, "it was just like taking cake from a baby." Bro. Ruick, who was president of Epsilon province 1901-02, is the chairman of the Indianapolis executive committee for the convention. He is a popular and successful attorney and will avail himself well of his fine opportunity to serve his state. There is no more active or devoted Phi anywhere than Bro. Ruick. In New York state, Julius M. Mayer, a sketch and portrait of whom appeared in the October SCROLL, shared fully in his party's success, being chosen attorney-general of Empire State—a position second only to the governorship in importance. Bro. Mayer was president of Alpha province in 1889-91, and is popularly known throughout the fraternity. Another distinguished honor was achieved by Samuel Harrison Elrod, *De Pauw*, '82, who was the successful republican candidate for governor of South Dakota. Bro. Elrod has enjoyed a successful career, having been a member of the Dakota constitutional convention of 1883 and for some years afterward probate judge of Clark county, South Dakota. In Vermont Bro. T. C. Cheney has been unanimously re-elected clerk of the house of representatives and will probably be the next speaker of that body. We believe that all of the eleven Phi representatives in congress have been re-elected. Other political honors have doubtless come to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , which THE SCROLL would be glad to chronicle.

Two of the most interesting figures in the freshman class at the University of Pennsylvania are Bros. Shunzo Takaki and Kiheiji Iwaya, who have lately come there from Japan to attend the Whorton School of Commerce. Both of them were renowned in Japan, Takaki being the champion tennis player of Tokio. He is the son of one of Japan's most distinguished men, the retired surgeon-general of the Japanese army, who now holds a seat in the Japanese house of peers. Iwaya is the son of Ruchi Iwaya, the high daishiir, or supreme judge, of Tokio. They are delighted with the life of the university. In Japan they knew Bro. Yaskawa, Pennsylvania, 1900. Bros. Takaki and Dewhurst represented Pennsylvania in the intercollegiate tennis tournament and defeated Harvard, but later lost to Yale, the winner of the tournament. By the way, the staff of *The Red and Blue*, Pennsylvania's fine weekly, includes Bros. Josiah Richards, '05, editor-in-chief; Charles Ellis Goodin, '05, business manager; and Rollin Cantwell Bortle, '05; managing editor.

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Among the souvenir buttons to be conspicuous at the convention will be those donated by D. L. Auld, of Columbus, Ohio. They are very pretty and will be eagerly sought and prized.

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The following names of delegates to the Indianapolis convention had been received up to November 12: McGill, D. S. Likely; Vermont, H. A. Edson; Williams, Albert P. Newell; Amherst, T. Dexter Crowell; Brown, George A. Gessner; Cornell, R. W. Chase; Union, Harry W. Haight; Columbia, W. L. Benham; Syracuse, H. D. Sanford; Lafayette, Darwin C. Pomeroy; Gettysburg, T. Fryatt; W. & J., F. C. Frome; Allegheny, J. E. Morrison; Dickinson, Ralph E. Smith; Lehigh, John Harvey Wallace; Pennsylvania State, C. E. Culp; Virginia, Lyman Johnson, Jr.; Washington and Lee, T. Dwight Sloan; Central, J. M. P. Thatcher; Kentucky State, R. H. Barclay; Vanderbilt, William Henry Morgan; Sewanee, Wyatt Brown; Emory, O. E. Rayne; Auburn, J. S. Boyd; Miami, Merrill D. Prugh; Ohio Wesleyan, ——— Gilchrist; Ohio, W. S. Merritt; Ohio State, James Prendergast; Case, Arthur C. Vicary; Cincinnati, Harry C. Fetsch; Hanover, D. Du Shane; De Pauw, August C. Beyer; Purdue, C. Stanley Sale; Chicago, Walter Eggemeyer; Knox, Harry W. Lass; Lombard, Ray W. Justus; Illinois, Walter E. Brearley; Wisconsin, David S. Law; Minnesota, Willis H. Frisbee;

Iowa Wesleyan, Arthur Beck; Iowa, L. C. Oelkers; Missouri, Rudolph S. Houck; Westminster, Tureman Marquess; Washington, Roy A. Campbell; Kansas, Chester Cooke; Nebraska, James T. Fisher; Colorado, Louis G. Keller; Mississippi, O. L. Kimbrough; Tulane, Robert G. Robinson; Southwestern, Ireland Graves; California, Harold Bright; Leland Stanford, C. G. Guyer; Washington State, Loren D. Grinstead.

#### HISTORY ANNOUNCEMENT.

Publication of the history of the fraternity has been delayed on account of several causes, viz: 1. The book will be considerably larger than was expected. 2. The labor of preparing a classified index and an index of names has been found to be much greater than was anticipated. 3. The pressure of other work. 4. My very poor health during the summer and fall. So far 784 pages have been printed, and 5 pages more are in type, completing the account of the convention of 1902. The manuscript for the book to bring it down to date has been completed. The indexes have been prepared for something over 500 printed pages. It is hoped and expected that the work of printing will be resumed shortly after the Indianapolis convention. I bespeak the indulgence of the fraternity generally and especially of subscribers to the book.

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## THE INDIANAPOLIS CONVENTION.

It was worth seeing and it is worth telling about. The rarest, happiest occasion among men is a national convention of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Each convention seems better than those before; it has some new and valuable features; it brings out a new phase of fraternity development; it embodies the more deeply intensified devotion which in the previous years has surely developed in the hearts of all brothers in the Bond. Each time the delegates show a greater knowledge of the laws and usages of the fraternity. The officers bring to the guidance of affairs a riper experience and more prudent wisdom. What a fascinating and wonderful sight it is when hundreds of keen, thoughtful and devoted young fellows come together for a week to concert together for the promotion of a lofty and ennobling ideal!

This was just the situation at Indianapolis in Thanksgiving week, 1904. We expected a fine crowd and it came. That beautiful city is ideal for conventions, and no Phi in the great country centering about there would dare stay away. We can hardly yet believe that altogether there were 519 Phis present. This is by actual count and their names will appear in the convention minutes. Few more than half of them ever congregated together at one time. They were just coming in and out at their convenience, but there were the touch and glow of more than half a thousand. This was made possible by the great outpouring of the seven active chapters and the alumni of Indiana, and all through the week it was clear that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has no finer or more devoted sons in the world. No veterans with a year of training could have done their work better than that splendid committee which was organized but a few weeks before the convention. Because the

convention had been swapped over there from another city not long before, we hardly expected such elaborate hospitality in the nature of things; but it was in perfect form as if sprung spontaneously from hearts teeming with love strong enough to make all things easy and beautiful. There was, however, one fact, underlying all our anticipations—that we would have a splendid week of manliest fellowship—and it came with a large bounty that makes it among the richest of memories.

Veteran convention-goers may point to one or two others with more dazzling episodes, but they do not remember a convention to which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s came with more of well-founded pride in the existing condition of the fraternity. They may point to a larger aggregation of stars at some previous gathering, but they cannot tell of any composed of more earnest and determined legislators for the common welfare. Early it became evident that they were handsomely equipped by conscientious study for the solution of the pressing problems before them; and though there was wide difference of view as to the most important questions, there seemed to be not one who did not honestly keep ever in mind as his chief end the good of our beloved fraternity. They came, too, with a keen readiness to enjoy all the deep and charming social pleasures which such an occasion could peculiarly afford. The first to arrive had only to adjust themselves to their destination when they received a royal welcome and became the nucleus for the happy crowd. Then by every train their number was augmented. Every new comer instantly became a thoroughly accepted part of the occasion. There was no need for extended introduction. The name and chapter given, then followed a hearty handshaking and a true sense of mutual fraternal regard. All the kind and good things usually necessary to be found out in each other were simply assumed as true, and the convention was a wonderful company of congenial seekers after a good time and an opportunity to do some real good.

It may not seem that the record-breaking attendance at New York was probably equaled at Indianapolis, and yet it is doubtless true. We might have anticipated a large number, though not all together at one time. A year ago the directory compiled by Bros. Ruick and Morrison enrolled 186 members in Indianapolis and 115 in the immediate vicinity. The Hoosier capital has long been a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  stronghold, many of its Phis being foremost in all the higher pursuits of life. It

does seem that everyone of these resident Phis attended the convention or at least one of its social events. The New York convention excelled in the wide distribution of visiting alumni as to chapters, and yet at Indianapolis the large number was by no means confined to Indiana. Every chapter but one sent a delegate. Twenty-eight alumni clubs were officially represented. The general council and all but three of the province presidents were there. Many of the chapters sent one or more besides the delegates, just to get as much good out of it as possible. The chapters most largely represented by visiting brothers are as follows: Franklin, 63; Indianapolis, 49; Indiana, 47; Wabash 34; Purdue, 24; De Pauw, 19; Hanover, 14; Cornell, 14; Miami, 11; Wisconsin, 8; Michigan, 7; Cincinnati, Northwestern and Illinois, 6 each; Columbia, Iowa Wesleyan and Dickinson, 5 each; Pennsylvania, Syracuse and Vermont 3 each. We cannot undertake to set forth the particular characteristics of these splendid delegations, but we can gladly say that without any exception they were groups of strong, delightful fellows who made abiding impressions for their gentlemanly qualities and their usefulness in convention service.

For all of these reasons and more, it was a remarkably successful occasion. While it seemed hard for the committees to get down to thorough work, yet their work when done was complete. The matters to be considered were elaborately set forth in the opening message of President Brown, and the reports of the other general officers were full of valuable data that rendered easy the consideration of any question. In laying out plans for improving the internal administration of affairs, it was ahead of any convention since that at Columbus. No charters were granted, but on the other hand the convention did not in any way declare itself as opposed to a reasonable extension. The financial system was improved. The provinces were changed for closer affiliation between chapters. A better insight was gained into the maintenance of the active interest of the alumni. A deeper interest in the circulation of the fraternity periodicals was stimulated. A greater realization of the duty of each chapter as a news-gatherer for them was reached. The fruition of years of toil was anticipated in the early publication of the history and the catalogue of the fraternity. There was no one indeed who did not go home with a heart bounding with pride in the past and present and with a confident belief in the greater future that is rushing on for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Again was there the blessing of fellowship with the sole surviving founder of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , John Wolfe Lindley, *Miami*, '50. At all of the proceedings he was an interested attendant and with his beautiful and beloved wife—"Mother Lindley," as she was affectionately termed—he graced every social occasion. Their presence was a tender influence laden with the choicest spirit of the past which we honor and revere. Father Lindley's head is scarcely grey at all, and few would think of him as an octogenarian. It was pleasant to note how lightly age had dealt with him in the past two years. Another venerable attendant was Rev. Joseph S. Jenckes, D. D., *Indiana*, '56, the founder of the Wabash chapter and the convention orator at Atlanta in 1891. Then there were Judge John V. Hadley, *Indianapolis*, '63; Hon. Addison Clay Harris, *Indianapolis*, '62, formerly U. S. minister to Austria-Hungary; Hilton U. Brown, *Indianapolis*, '80, P. G. C. from 1882 to 1886; William Oscar Bates, *Cornell*, '76, the first editor of THE SCROLL; Ira W. Christian, *Indianapolis*, '81, a circuit judge in Indiana. Among veterans as convention goers were Clarence L. Goodwin, *Indiana*, '83; George Banta, *Indiana*, '76; Walter B. Palmer, *Vanderbilt*, 80; lieutenant-governor Hugh T. Miller, *Indianapolis*, '88; and Dr. John Edwin Brown, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '84, the retiring president of the general council.

The weather was ideal during the whole week. The beautiful city of Indianapolis certainly could have looked no finer in the late autumn, with its handsome buildings and its long asphalt streets centering at the magnificent monument which commemorates the valor of the sons of Indiana in all the wars. This great monument is not far from the beautiful capitol and the two would be resplendent and imposing ornaments to the very greatest of cities. The convention headquarters was the magnificent Claypool Hotel, a new and metropolitan establishment where the habitues of the most famous hotels would feel at home. Its large assembly room was the scene of the opening exercises, the reception and ball, and the banquet. The business sessions were held in the palm room on the top floor—a place admirably suited to this purpose. Nearly all of the delegates and officers and many visitors were quartered at the hotel, and there was at all times among them a convenient and delightful fellowship.

The convention committees representing the Indianapolis alumni club were as follows:

*Executive*—S. K. Ruick, *De Pauw*, '97, chairman; Amos W. Butler, Dr. Frank W. Foxworthy, W. H. Morrison, Dr.

Wooleen, Robert Sweeney, John P. Frenzel, James Gilchrist, John Kittle.

*Reception and Dance*—Dr. Frank W. Foxworthy, *De Pauw*, '94, chairman; Norman Peck, Charles Wilson, Dr. Oscar N. Torian, Jay Dill, Robert Sweeney, John P. Frenzel, Paul Murray.

*Banquet*—W. H. Morrison, *Cornell*, '01, chairman; C. A. Macauley, Frank A. Preston, Dr. Woolen, Dr. Hood, Dillon Hackestet.

*Decoration*—William W. Wilson, *Wabash*, '93, chairman; John Kittle, John Cunningham, James M. Gilchrist.

*Finance*—Frank Martin, *Franklin*, '96, chairman; Hilton U. Brown, James W. Fesler, S. K. Ruick, Dr. Charles S. Little.

*Smoker*—S. K. Ruick, chairman, Charles S. Rauh, Thomas Whallon, Ralph Bamberger, Robert Foster.

*Theatre*—James M. Gilchrist, *Indiana*, '06, chairman; John Kittle, George Davis, Dr. A. A. Ogle, Dr. Wooleen, Dr. C. S. Little, Dr. Cunningham, Clarence Miller.

*Newspapers*—Robert A. Brown, *Franklin*, '84, chairman; Russell Byers, Harry Evans, Hilton U. Brown, Adolph Schmuck, Robert Hobbs, W. C. Robertson.

*Reception*—Claud T. Tuck, *Michigan*, '02, chairman; Bert Day, Leslie Anthony, Dr. Ensminger, M. J. Bowmann, Reginald Hughes, Earl Minor, Mark Brown, Frank Olive, Cleo Hunt, Thomas Shipp, Olin Finney, Joseph Minor, Clarence Miller.

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#### THE OPENING EXERCISES.

The twenty-eighth biennial national convention met at the Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis, November 21 to 26, 1904. The convention was called to order at 10 o'clock on Monday morning by President John Edwin Brown in the assembly room of the hotel. At this first session delegates were present from nearly all the active chapters and more than twenty alumni clubs, while a number of local alumni and visiting brothers were also in attendance. All the general council and all the province presidents save three were there. The occasion was also graced by the presence of Mrs. John W. Lindley, Mrs. Arthur M. McCrillis, and Mrs. Samuel K. Ruick.

The seat of honor was held by Father John Wolfe Lindley, *Miami*, '50, who opened the exercises by reading the 103rd Psalm and offering a short prayer of thanksgiving for the continued and growing prosperity and usefulness of the fraternity.

An address of welcome on behalf of the alumni of Indianapolis was delivered by Hilton U. Brown, *Indianapolis*, '80, general manager of the *Indianapolis News*. Bro. Brown, who was president of the general council from 1882 to 1886, welcomed the delegates and visitors in a peculiarly cordial and happy spirit, setting forth appropriately the strong hold of Phi Delta Theta in that city. He referred to the fact that three times before had the national convention met in Indianapolis and that the fraternity had numbered among its local alumni many distinguished and honored sons. He assured them of the undiminished and ever-loyal devotion of the Phis of Indianapolis to the fraternity as an organization and to the principles of the Bond.

President J. E. Brown had delegated to others the pleasant privilege of responding to these words of welcome. On behalf of the Phi Delta Thetas of Indiana, her lieutenant-governor-elect Hugh Thomas Miller, *Indianapolis*, '88, ex-P. G. C., R. G. C. and S. G. C., delivered a felicitous address. Bro. Miller showed that Indiana was a veritable stamping ground of the fraternity, having within her borders seven active chapters and hundreds of strong and influential alumni. He spoke of the many interesting attractions in the country near Indianapolis and invited those present to visit the neighboring colleges where chapters were situated. He assured them of the utmost desire of the Phis of Indiana that their visit to the state might be most profitable and enjoyable.

On behalf of the general council and fraternity at large, a few words of appreciation were spoken by John H. DeWitt, *Vanderbilt*, '94, R. G. C. and editor of THE SCROLL. Bro. DeWitt said that he had had a keen appetite for this convention because he was a delegate to the convention at Indianapolis in May, 1894, where he had met some of the truest and noblest men he had ever known. He said that the wide fame of the hospitality of Indiana Phis had prepared all present with the happiest anticipations for the week. As a southern Phi, he was glad indeed to assure them of the great strength and loyalty of their brothers to the southward. He closed by expressing the hope that the convention would be so successful that its impressions would ever live in the hearts of those privileged to be there.

The hall was entered by Hon. Addison Clay Harris, *Indianapolis*, '62, who responded to enthusiastic applause with a few pleasant words of greeting. He said that he was proud to note that Phi Delta Theta had so grandly preserved in her

material extension the noble principles for which she valiantly contended in the days of her infancy. On behalf of the alumni of the fraternity, Raymond L. Skinner, *Syracuse*, '01, made a short response. Bro. Skinner expressed the belief that Phi Delta Theta had as devoted alumni as could be found, and he showed that they had reflected the greatest honor and credit upon their beloved fraternity. The response for the active chapters was delivered in a few, appreciative words by Cloyd George Guyer, *Stanford*, '06, a delegate from the Pacific coast. After this President Brown introduced Father Lindley, the only surviving founder, who was received with hearty applause and cheers. In his honor the entire audience stood and gave the fraternity yell. Though almost overcome with modesty, Father Lindley spoke happily of his joy over being permitted again to meet with a national convention of the fraternity. He expressed the greatest pleasure over the great progress and prosperity of the fraternity and said that it was his earnest wish to be again allowed to attend a national convention. He closed by extending his heartiest good wishes to the brothers there assembled.

The key note of all the speeches was that of love and loyalty. At New York the responses were from the different sections occupied by the fraternity; at Indianapolis they were from representatives of the different elements in the fraternity life and organization. The motive behind every speaker was that of service, and the cause of his devotion was his appreciation of his fraternity as an embodiment of the spirit of brotherhood in mankind. The words of the speakers and the faces of their hearers betokened a most happy satisfaction that the occasion was being ushered in and a buoyant anticipation of a week of rare usefulness and pleasure. Just after these opening exercises the convention went into business session and after a few preliminary committees were announced an adjournment was taken for the first social event—the luncheon at the Columbia Club. The mayor of Indianapolis, Hon. John W. Holtzman, was prevented from being present at the opening exercises, but in the afternoon he appeared and after a tumultuous greeting, he delivered a very happy address of welcome to Indianapolis. He said that though he was not a member of a Greek letter society, he could wish that he were, and when he was roundly cheered he assured the convention that the beautiful city upon which he had glowingly descanted, was entirely theirs. This pleasing address completed the formal opening of the convention.

**THE SOCIAL FEATURES OF THE CONVENTION.**

The delightful social activities of the week were varied enough to suit every taste and every one was a perfect success. A graceful introduction was made in the elegant luncheon of President J. E. Brown on Monday, and the social programme contained one feature for each subsequent day. On Tuesday evening was the reception and dance at the hotel; on Wednesday the theatre party; on Thursday many pleasant calls were made and at night came the banquet; on Friday night was the smoker at the Columbia Club. So thoroughly had the local committee prepared for the pleasure of their visiting brothers that one would never have imagined that everything had been proposed, planned and carried out almost in a few weeks. Truly the memories of these hosts and their entertainment will ever be bright with those so fortunate as to be there.

**DR. BROWN'S LUNCHEON.**

At noon on Monday the delegates, officers, and local committee were the appreciative guests of Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C., at luncheon at the Columbia Club. Over one hundred sat in small groups in the beautiful banquet hall of the club. It was a fit beginning to the comradeship of the week, following appropriately the formal opening exercises of the morning. There were no speeches or demonstrations, as at the memorable luncheon at Louisville, but there was a charming personal element that gave to every man a sense of the richness of heart underlying the occasion. This was further developed in the pleasant, informal associations in small groups on Monday evening, during which there was no formal function. Many of the visitors were busied with calling on the Phi girls whom they were to escort to the reception and dance the following evening.

**THE RECEPTION AND DANCE.**

Aside from the banquet, the largest and most brilliant entertainment of the week was the reception and ball, which took place in the banquet hall of the hotel on Tuesday evening. It was altogether a delightful affair. The beautiful hall was draped with festoons of blue and white, and the walls were hung with the flags of the various colleges, brought by the delegates for their adornment. On the balcony was the large flag of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  made by Miss Ethel Wilder of Louisville and presented by her to a California chapter some years ago. At

the other end of the hall, over the platform where the orchestra was stationed, was a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  shield in electric lights, and once the hall was darkened with the exception of this illumination, which thrilled the company with enthusiasm. There was a great brilliancy of costume, as many of the young ladies wore gowns of blue and white or were adorned with ribbons of these colors.

Over five hundred were present, and the peculiarly college aspect of it gave the occasion an intense fascination. An ample floor committee, headed by Dr. F. W. Foxworthy, managed to make everybody feel at home. At least a dozen numbers were on the programme, and some extras, too, were danced. The dance card was very pretty and artistic. Refreshments were served in the palm room. It was a very cosmopolitan gathering, as the young ladies danced with Phis from every section of the country. These in turn looked upon the very loveliest and most charming of that city of grace and culture. The patronesses, who were relatives of Phis, were as follows: Mrs. W. B. Allen, Mrs. R. A. Brown, Mrs. Willits A. Bastian, Mrs. Amos W. Butler, Mrs. A. W. Coffin, Mrs. Henry Eitel, Mrs. Edwin Finney, Mrs. J. P. Frenzel, Mrs. T. C. Hacker, Mrs. A. C. Harris, Mrs. Richard C. Hughes, Mrs. Thomas B. Noble, Mrs. A. C. Ayres, Mrs. H. U. Brown, Mrs. D. A. Chenoweth, Mrs. Bertram Day, Mrs. J. B. Dill, Mrs. J. S. Duncan, Mrs. J. B. Elam, Mrs. C. C. Foster, Mrs. H. M. Gilchrist, Mrs. T. C. Hood, Mrs. C. S. Little, Mrs. Frank Martin, Mrs. B. B. Peck, Mrs. E. E. Stevenson, Mrs. Claude Tuck, Mrs. T. C. Whallon, Mrs. S. E. Rauh, Mrs. S. K. Ruick, Mrs. A. M. Sweeney, of Indianapolis, and Mrs. George Dinwiddie, of Frankfort; Mrs. George Keiper, of Lafayette; Mrs. Robert Lyons, of Bloomington; Mrs. Arthur M. McCrillis, of Providence, R. I.; Mrs. John Edwin Brown, of Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. W. P. Jones, of Wabash; Mrs. Samuel D. Puett, of Rockville; and Mrs. James L. Randel, of Greencastle. The young ladies present included many of the fairest of Indianapolis society and many a charming memory of them remains in the hearts and minds of the visiting Phis. Among the young ladies were: Misses Leila Thomas, Elizabeth Peck, Julia Hollweg, Elinor Lemcke, Martha, Elinor and Ruth Carey, Alma B. Jordan, Hazel Backus, Helen Day, Anna, Florence and Ida Rogers, Hazel Spellman, Edna Stevenson, Ruth Bushnell, Mary Hord, Jessie Epps, Belle Gilchrist, Laura Fitzgerald, Florence Smith, Lois and Ruth Pratt, Eudora Landers,

Florence Dunning, Martha Foster, Gladys and Nancy Walcott, Mary Carson, Flossie Guirl, Bertha Bals, Gladys Finney, Effie Wilson, Sue and Mary Chambers, Hortense Rauh, Edith and Mary Baker, Irene Berryhill, Monell Kirkpatrick, Elsie Appell, Amelia Kothe, Virginia Shaw, Louise Tutewiler, Louise Brown, Belle and Katherine Layman, Jesse and Helen Cross, Lillian Bailey, Reta Williams, Misses Butler, Alberta and Katherine Conlon, Elizabeth Dill, Lillian Favre, Mary Van Winkle, Julia Kern, Florence and Helen Cothrell, Hazel Osborne, Emily Winters, Helen Bennett, Anna Stanton, Helen Davis, Gray Davis, Norma Von Hake, Cordelia Hughes, Fannie Minor, Mary Davis, Susan Howe, Lila Kurtz, Helen Altland, Hazel West, Marguerite Lilly, Henrietta Frenzel, Caroline Frenzel, Barbara Morrison, Corine Mansfield, Lena Cunningham, Clara Hawkins, Helen Ford, Lillian Foor, Enid Morris, Rena Tucker, Natalie Dalton, Beatrice Beyers, Nannette Grote, Kate and Edith Wallack, Adelaide and Helen Green, M. C. Annman, Helen E. Frazee, Luella McWhirter, Edith Miller, Verna Palmer, Grace Pendleton, Lydia Wallace, Corrine Robinson, Mabel Bishop, Gertrude Spann, Elizabeth Ogle, Julia Hobbs, Florence Kittle, Hazel Springer, Annette Hampton, Cordelia Butler, Constance Addington, and Anna Hughes.

Among the guests from out of town were: Mrs. E. V. Wilder and Miss Ethel Wilder, Louisville; Mrs. Turner, New York; Miss Caldwell, Chicago; Miss Rena Blackburn, Oxford, O.; Miss Ethel Burrows, Elyira, O.; Miss Edna Browning, Louisville; Miss Meta Kuhlmeier, Chicago; Miss Maud Hills, Somerville, Mass.; Miss Rosa Harrison, Louisville; Miss Hortense Fitton, Knoxville, Ill.; Miss Agatha Connors, Columbus, O.; Miss Verna Morarch, Denver, Colo.; Miss Adele Ford, New Orleans, La.; Miss Ella Gilford, Wellesley, Mass.; Miss Edith Le Van, Lawrence, Kas.; Miss Margaret Edwards, Washington, D. C.; Miss Anna Long, Louisville; Miss Esther Guthrie, Oxford, O.; Miss Vida Wood, Topeka, Kas.; Miss Louise Van Winkle, Danville, Ky.; Miss Alice Bates, Shelbyville, Tenn.; Mrs. Lindley, Fredericktown; Miss Marian McHaffle, Stilesville; Miss Nellie Walker, Rockport; Miss Bess Cullom, Frankfort; Miss Martha Levi, New Albany; Miss Florence Cisco and Miss Mymond, Madison; Mrs. Jefferson Reeves, Columbus; Mrs. Frank Cayou, Crawfordsville; Miss Susan Strong, Terre Haute; Miss Helen Downing, Greenfield; Miss Mazie Jenkinson, Goshen; Miss Lulu Atkinson, Willow Branch; Miss Brigetta Rudy, Terre

Haute; Miss Ethel Montgomery, South Bend; Miss Clara Davis, Bluffton; Miss Emma Ogle, Franklin; Miss Ethel Bod, Paoli; Miss Emily Olcott, Muncie; Miss Leslie Kittinger, Anderson; Miss Edith Longley, Noblesville; Miss Elizabeth Overman, Tipton; Miss Alma John, Shellie Smith, Georgia O'Dell, Nona Burkett, Mildred Bishop, Sylvia Christy, Susie McWhirter, Crystal Roberts, Mabel Vickery, Frances Wales, Nell Finch, Vera Cooper, Katherine Stanford, Zella Jones, Jessie Jones, Flossie Vermillion and Lois Preston, of Greencastle; Misses Lucy Valentine, Stella Atwood, Mary Day, Georgia Redmond, Anna Bishop, Grace Magaw, Julia Wilson, Ida Lenan, Maud Witt, Fay Marshall, Edith S. Miller, Bertha Lagrange, Alice Payne, Grace Drybread, Ruth Sloan, Maria Johnson, Nellie Lagrange, Clarinda Lagrange, Caroline McCaslin and Grace Carney, of Franklin; Misses Harriet and Margaret McClelland, Alinna Parker, Mae Green, Bessie Huntley, Emma Miller and M. A. Mann, of Hanover; Mrs. W. P. Jones, Misses Florence Brown and Daisie Howe, of Wabash; Misses Ruth Maxwell, Eva Reeves, Nell Baldwin, Jeff Reeves, Gray Davis, Mary Baker, of Bloomington; Misses Elizabeth Levering, Belle Wallace, Helen Jones, and Katherine Andrew, of Lafayette; Misses Effie Lee, Maud McMechan, Harriet Ristine, Jessie Herron, Florence Herron, Mary Ristine, Frances Evelyn Evans, of Crawfordsville.

#### THE THEATRE PARTY.

It was probably no exaggeration when a daily paper said that five hundred Phis had fun with Frank Daniels and his pretty company at English's opera house on Wednesday night. But the jolly-good-natured comedian also had about as much fun with his audience as they did with him. It was distinctively Phi Delta Theta night and the outsiders in the theatre must have regarded it as a complex performance. The house was resplendent with blue and white. The balcony and boxes were adorned with college pennants. The players wore the fraternity colors and the large Phi Delta Theta flag from California, which did a similar service at New York, was hung in the center of the scenery. The best seats and the boxes were early filled with the wearers of the sword and shield and their fair friends, and everybody appeared mysterious because of certain "stunts" that were expected.

Because he could not, Frank Daniels never received a more cordial, and demonstrative reception. The play, "The Office Boy," was a jovial farce comedy with some very funny

episodes. When Mr. Daniels sang, the college boys sang with him. When he gave his favorite song, "I'm on the Water Wagon Now," they joined in the chorus. But their surprise was reserved for the second act. Each man was armed with coils of paper ribbon, and the bewildering array of pretty girls was about to do some of its best singing and dancing, when a thousand of these coils seemed to be hurled forth at once. In every direction went the paper ribbon, a hundred yards at a throw. Soon the people in the pit were under a network of slim paper. The crowd threw it at the singers in the chorus, and the players had to go through all sorts of side steps to escape being struck by the harmless projectiles or tripped up after they had accumulated on the stage. But the arduous work of dancing in piles of ribbons was accomplished with much perseverance and in the jolliest humor. When Mr. Daniels in his second act sang one of his catchy songs surrounded by the chorus, the lines of paper came so fast as to cross each other on the head, and quickly imagining a maypole effect, he showed great presence of mind by singing, "I'm to be Queen of the May."

This was indeed a gala night, full of the merriest fun, in all respects well to be compared to that memorable evening at Daly's two years before. It is doubtful if any social event during the week enabled everybody to have a more thoroughly good time.

#### THE SMOKER.

Full of good cheer and happy fellowship, the smoker on Friday evening was a grateful recreation from the strenuous exercises of the day and week. The spacious concert hall of the Columbia Club was filled with at least three hundred Phis who gathered in the early hours of the evening. A clever vaudeville programme was taken up as soon as the college yells and songs and other assorted noises had ceased. The performers were well received, although the audience never fully refrained from jovial conversation and often broke into an overstrenuous applause. Sam Ruick seemed to be the master of the ceremonies and the occasion bore many marks of his genius for making people enjoy themselves. After the close of the performance, Bro. Hugh Th. Miller appeared before the footlights and had almost to stampede the crowd to silence. Few had been let into the secret and they listened curiously for a surprise. Bro. DeWitt was requested to escort Bro. Walter B. Palmer to the stage, but Bro. Palmer refused to go. He said that it was no place for a weak, frail

man like him to be compelled to do a "stunt" and he would not submit to it. Finally, by great persuasion and assurance that he would see him safely through, Bro. DeWitt was able to escort Bro. Palmer to the stage. Then Gov. Miller made a speech full of tender feeling and happy spirit, reminding Bro. Palmer that Phi Delta Theta would forever hold in untold gratitude his labors of a quarter of a century in preparing and publishing his magnificent History of Phi Delta Theta. He said that now since the work had practically been completed his brothers of the fraternity desired to tender to him a material and durable expression of their affection and their appreciation of his incalculable services. He presented to Bro. Palmer a beautiful gold watch and chain which had been purchased with the fifty cent contributions of a large number of those who were present. Of course Bro. Palmer was completely astonished. He looked as much abashed as a school girl. Nevertheless he soon recovered his composure and made an appropriate speech containing among other good sentiments, the assurance that it was the proudest privilege of his life that he could wear always the love and appreciation of his brothers of Phi Delta Theta.

After this splendid little episode, supper was served and smoking enjoyed until a late hour. There was high enthusiasm finding many ways of expression. The whole evening furnished a continuous good time. It was the last of the many delightful gatherings of the convention week. The next day was a time of good-byes and departures. The  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  who came with the sentiment and ideals of his own college possessing his soul went away with a vision of the best that was in all the others. Warm ties of young manhood established early in the week were pledged anew and will ever last, though new faces and strange names will appear next time and those at Indianapolis in 1904 will live over at home the ardent memories of those pleasant and broadening days.

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#### THE CONVENTION BANQUET.

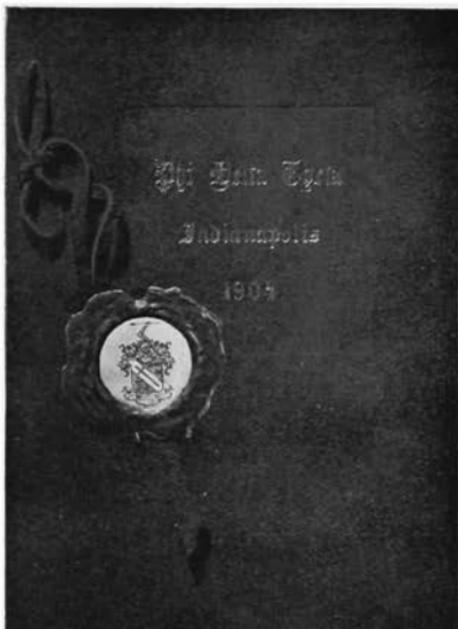
The climax of pleasures, the acme of brilliancy! Night of all nights, how appropriate was Thanksgiving for the biennial convention banquet! Beautiful beyond depiction was that scene in the elegant assembly hall where sat 267 joyous and knightly brothers in the Bond. Every  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  banquet develops new modes of fun and the exuberant manifestation on this rare occasion was never exactly paralleled in the history of the

fraternity. Never once did spirits lag, and they were not of the spirituous sort. No throat seemed weary, no face had a line of care, no heart had any burdens. The merrymaking began early after eight and was cumulative until an advanced hour in the morning. "Georgia" of former days, was not there; "Georgia" had lost her cunning this time. Dick Little was far, far, away. But there was many a clever grind that even outdid the past, and there was brilliant and laugh-making humor to spare in the speeches. Three long tables, with one transverse for the officers and speakers, all gorgeously bedecked with ferns and chrysanthemums, with the brightest and choicest of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's sons with hearts locked together and minds astir with the inspiration of the feast—all this gave a royal aspect to it and was splendidly impressive of the stability and sustained vitality that exists in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

College spirit, as well as fraternity loyalty, ran riot that brilliant evening. Each mind teemed with thoughts of the college home, where the climacteric contest of the season had been fought out on the gridiron. Some were anxious for tidings, others were in moods consequent upon victory or defeat. Seated by provinces, the men from rival colleges were near together and fought over the afternoon with cheers and banterings, and unrestrained devotion found many a noisy demonstration. It was not long before nearly every college yell had been given. Groups of splendid fellows showed the stalwart enthusiasm of Columbia, Michigan, Wisconsin, Indiana, Chicago, Cornell, Purdue and many others. The Purdue yell especially was an exciting finale to every wave of demonstration, as it changed into a wild cheer at the close. Then there were the familiar province yells—"Oski-wow, wow," of Alpha province; "Hi, yi, yi, Epsilon;" "Hullabaloo," of Delta province; and the droll monotone of "Missouraw." Every conceivable witticism or caper was in evidence to give a spicy richness to the many-sided feast. Not the least interesting were the characteristic college songs sung by men from every section, and these all blended with one heart and voice when "Phi Delta Theta, Dear" and "Phi Delta Theta for Aye" were sung by two hundred and sixty-seven ardent throats.

Upon entering the hall the scene was gorgeous indeed. Above the concert stage hung an electric shield and sword, and when the hall was momentarily darkened the glistening of these symbols caused tumultuous cheering. At the other end was the gallery where sat the ladies of the convention—

Mother Lindley, Mrs. J. E. Brown, Mrs. Arthur M. McCrillis, Miss Ethel Wilder and a number of the local sisterhood. On this balcony hung the large  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  flag made by Miss Wilder, and below it was a long banner of McGill with its coat of arms, a shield with three blackbirds. On the stage hung a great  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  flag. Festoons of blue and white bunting hung from pilaster to pilaster along the sides of the hall. On the two great side windows hung a large blue banner of Columbia



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and a red and blue banner of Pennsylvania. On each pilaster was a college pennant, among them being the pennants of Dartmouth, Dickinson, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Lehigh, Lafayette, Cornell, Union, Pennsylvania State, Vanderbilt and Kansas. The hall was brilliantly lighted. The stage was decorated with palms and other potted plants. The tables contained ferns in profusion and chrysanthemums in many large bowls. At each plate was a white carnation.

The banquet cards were of beautiful design, bound with one leaf of genuine brown leather on which was a seal with the coat of arms and a leather cord tied in a graceful love-knot.

At the center of the head table sat Hugh Thomas Miller, toastmaster, and to his right were Father Lindley, Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C., Walter B. Palmer, Hilton U. Brown and Frank J. R. Mitchell, Arthur M. McCrillis and John H. DeWitt of the general council. To the left were Hon. Addison C. Harris, John B. Ballou, T. G. C., Scott Bonham, Martin A. Morrison, and state senator John C. Farber. The feasting had not gone far before the enthusiastic demonstrations already described broke forth. It was begun by the singing of America, Old Kentucky Home, Yankee Doodle and Dixie. Then a leaflet of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  songs was sung through, then began the college and fraternity yells and the varied stunts. Probably the greatest enthusiasm was shown when Frank A. Preston, of Indianapolis, ascended to the gallery and presented to Mother Lindley a large basket of flowers. The ladies were given frequent ovations. Miss Wilder was cheered with the affectionate ardor of those especially who remembered her at three conventions.

Among the amusing performances the first was a march around the hall by the undergraduates in single file led by those from Epsilon province, all with napkins closely tied around their heads. Then Gardner of Pennsylvania headed a procession holding their chairs aloft; then came Alpha province side-stepping with their coats inside outwards. It all seemed a continuous procession of curious movements. In came a little German band and played some stirring pieces, whereupon many of the banqueters waltzed between and around the tables. After a while Skinner brought in the Syracuse dog "Phi," wearing his college S for having whipped the Yale mascot. He was greeted with great laughter and applause. Romans of Northwestern was indescribably funny as a fake strong man, feigning great difficulty in mounting a chair on the table and assuming certain ridiculous poses. Thus the fun went on. It was nothing but the happiest, most innocent, most unconventional fun. When the oratory began to flow they placed one long table athwart the ends of the others and on this and the other outer tables they placed their chairs and sat with full enjoyment of the post-prandial wit and wisdom.

The culinary program, which occupied three hours, was as follows:

	Canape Dumas	
	Blue Point Cocktail Mignonette	
Radishes	Essence of Chicken	Olives
	Celery	
	Planked Whitefish Moderne	
	Sweetbread Pattie	
	Chateaubriand Bearnaise	
Green Peas		Potatoes Noisette
	Fraternity Punch	
	Broiled Squab au Cresson	
	Lettuce and Tomato	
	Nesselrode Pudding	
	Petit Fours	
Cheese		Coffee

The toast-list was as follows:

Toastmaster.....	HUGH TH. MILLER, <i>Indianapolis</i> , '88
	"There's no pleasure in living if you're to be corked up forever."
Opportunities.....	ROBERT M. ALLEN, <i>Kentucky State</i> , '00
	"There is a tide in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune."
The Czar of Russia.....	SCOTT BONHAM, <i>Ohio Wesleyan</i> , '82
	"L'etat c'est moi."
Phi Delta Theta.....	ADDISON C. HARRIS, <i>Indianapolis</i> , '62
	"To those who know thee not, no words can paint; And those who know thee, know all words are faint."
In College and Afterwards....	JAMES HERBERT WILKINSON, <i>De Pauw</i> , '89
	"Though sundered far by time and distance, Forever in the Bond we're bound."
Reminiscences.....	MARTIN A. MORRISON, <i>Indianapolis</i> , '83
	"Remembrance oft may start a tear."
Impromptus	"Let each man wary be, lest he be taken unawares."

Hugh Thomas Miller, beloved among all Phis, was at his best as toastmaster. There was a delightful vim and humor in his remarks and he kept everything going in the finest style, particularly when he exploited the various surprises which he had in store. When his signal came for order he faced a gala sight, half of the banqueters being seated in chairs on the outer tables. His introductory remarks were as follows:

Brother Phis and sisters (applause): in my preliminary utterance here this evening to secure order I am reminded of the good Methodist sister who attended service at an Episcopalian church. She was very much wrought up by the sermon, very much more so than any other member of the congregation. She jumped to her feet and shouted "Glory,

glory Halleluiah." The members of the congregation turned and stared at her in astonishment. A few minutes later, at another epoch, she arose and shouted "Glory to the Lord." Frowns appeared on every side. She waited a few minutes more and shouted "Glory, glory, glory, amen." One of the officials of the congregation walked up quietly to her and took her to one side and said, "My good woman, what is the matter with you?" "Why," she said, "I've got religion." "My dear woman," said the official, "don't you know that this is no place to get religion?" (Laughter and applause.)

Now, gentlemen, you have been entertaining us all evening and making speeches, but from now on, this is no place for you to be making speeches, because we have some gentlemen whom we have imported at great expense from a great distance to do that very work.

Four years ago, at the Louisville convention, we had just the same happy time over expansion that year. One of the features of that time was the question of granting a charter to the Kentucky State College. Those who were at the Louisville convention will remember how that question was discussed, how the matter was threshed out, how the application at that time was finally denied, but how, before it was denied we had the pleasure of listening to the eloquent plea of the young man who represented the Kentucky State applicants, and who is here tonight as the alumnus of the Kentucky State College to tell you of the opportunities that are before Kentucky and before  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . There are opportunities on every hand. There are opportunities in the work in which our good friend Allen is engaged in Kentucky. Our good friend Allen is secretary of the pure food bureau, and in these days when the constitution is stretched as our friends on the other side of the river say, to the breaking point, Kentucky has gone into the stretching business, and is so stretching the constitution of the pure food bureau as to make it a pure drink bureau, and our friend Allen is investigating the pure drinks of Kentucky (laughter and applause and cries of "give us a drink"). I have the pleasure of introducing brother Allen; Kentucky Epsilon, '00.

**BROTHER ALLEN:** Brother Toastmaster, brother and sister Phis, and if I may so say, brother Americans—because it is for that reason that the fraternity endears itself most to us—as I look upon this great crowd of college spirit, as I see the representatives of sixty-nine colleges, the best institutions of the United States (applause), blending the college spirit of the colleges they represent into loud cheers when Gloria Britannia, when Dixie, when America are sung, out of my heart crowds that master of human destinies,

and from it comes fourth—and I cannot keep it down—great is Phi Delta Theta, and Lindley is her prophet (applause).

Mr. Toastmaster, when I heard my old state song played tonight, when I heard you speak of the opportunities of Kentucky, I could not help but hope that the time would come when the admiration, which is extended to Kentucky's eloquence, to Kentucky's beauty, to Kentucky's fair fields and fleet steeds, whatever may be the difference between Indiana and Kentucky, whether Kentucky is wrong or Indiana mistaken, that the same admiration, that the same confidence would be extended to Kentucky's courts, of which, as an attorney, I am a member (applause).

When I got Brother Morrison's note, a couple of weeks ago, assigning me this toast, we had great excitement down in Lexington over a football game. A few years ago, the alumni of the State College and the alumni of the State University took it into their heads that they were going to purify Kentucky colleges from ringers (a voice, "And we have done it, too"). The alumni of K. S. C. got together and for three years builded up a football squad from which we picked eleven men, each man of which was pursuing a course for a degree, passing good grades, and playing for the glory of his college; and I say, when I thought of that football game, and when I thought of the New York and Louisville conventions, I felt very much as the little boy would feel if you should tell him that the Thanksgiving turkey would be served at his grandmother's and the pudding at his aunt's, and they lived too far apart for him to visit both relatives in one day. But I am here tonight, not because I love the other relative more, but because my fraternity cherishes from year to year that true, pure college spirit and binds it by these biennial conventions into an unbreakable bond of union which is doing more than anything else, more than any other factor, to bring us into national confidence into state friendship, and to bring us closer together as we should be, true and fellow-Americans.

The toast which you have assigned me to tonight in every phase is a most serious one, and I have learned a little bit, especially since my experience with college men, that college fellows do not take much to seriousness, especially from one who is not far from their ranks. Again, I am too much of an anti-fatalist to respond to this toast. The element of success in life is viewed from two different standpoints. One man says that it is brought about by fate, chance. Another one says that it is brought about by careful preparation, by strategic times of action, and by favorable occasions which are seized upon to put our policies into action. However that may be, whatever the difference of the schools of philosophy may be, this is true: Opportunities, events, have their seasons, just as nature has its seasons, and man has as much control over the conditions of events as he has over the elements, the soil, and nature. It is true that in many things there is a crucial time, or a critical point. The inventor finds this when the iron is plastic, and he puts his dream into shapely reality. The astronomer finds this when he gets his instrument ready to view some transit. The reformer finds this when the heart of the people is glowing for the reform. But in the great mass of life's events, every hour is a crucial one. Every moment is filled with the harvest and sown of events. Every moment has its transit at which innumerable discoveries are to be made. In reading the biographies of the great men of history, how little we find about the opportunities that made them, and how much we analyze the character that made the careers of those men great. Frederick III was born king of Prussia, but Bismarck founded the German Empire. Louis XIII was born upon the kingdom of France, but Cardinal Richelieu built the power of France. Cavour was born without the heritage of a throne, but he, on the warring king-

doms of Italy, founded their national unity. Pope Leo X was elected pope of his church, but a rebellious monk dared to investigate, and with fearless publicity delivered his church from its Babylonian captivity. How little we remember of some of the kings of England, and how much comes to us of Burke, Walpole, Pitt and Gladstone, men who reigned through their influence more than the kings reigned with their power. Tyler and Fillmore, by the accident of death, became presidents of the United States; but Henry Clay, who would rather be right than president; and Daniel Webster, whose intellect and statesmanship towered above political machines, built the greatness of the nation through their time with only the opportunity of the debate which they created.

But, Mr. Toastmaster, the question with us tonight relates to the opportunities of our beloved fraternity,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . I would say that these opportunities are first chapter houses. And why chapter houses? Because our alumni are prosperous in this time of prosperity. Because money is easy in the market; because interest is low. And the men who are planning chapter houses should at once get ready and get their plans fixed, and get in while such conditions remain. I would say that the next great opportunity which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has is the opportunity of extension into Canada (applause). Every year Canada becomes closer to the United States. I heard the eloquent Mr. Chamberlain last winter, in London, outline a policy by which he would bind Canada closer to Great Britain in formulating his empire; but every year over forty-seven thousand Americans go over to its wheat fields. And not only that; the men who are attending the Canadian colleges are our English cousins. One by one, the barriers of tariff, the barriers to commerce, are being lowered and will be lowered between us; and there is no reason—whether Canada is to remain as she will remain, of course, a separate nation—there is no reason why we should not extend this fraternal feeling across that imaginary boundary, and extend it into every good college that has the chapter, that has the spirit that is manifested at this convention, to work for it and build it up.

The next opportunity, and the greatest opportunity that confronts  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , is westward extension (applause). I know that you eastern men, sometimes disagree with that; but gentlemen, when you get out of your college, it is no longer a college club, but it is a great national, moving, sweeping fraternity that we want extended everywhere over this land of ours. When you find good men in your college, you go after them. You should do the same thing when you come to look at the fraternity in its national aspect. When you find good colleges well endowed, when you find live, young Americans, who will insure the chapters success, it is your opportunity and you should take advantage of it, when you can; because if we can build up sixty chapters, I believe we have a general council who can manage that number. If we have the institutions in the United States, bring them in. No eastern man who has traveled over the great west, no man who has seen the Iowa corn belt, no man who knows anything about the resources of Dakota's wheat fields, no man who has seen what Wisconsin and Minnesota and Missouri and other great institutions in the west, where we have chapters, have done, can doubt the wisdom of our entering institutions similarly endowed and fed by similar students, and extending our fraternity among them wherever we have the opportunity.

I hope I shall never see the time when the policies of this fraternity shall become sectional. Keep them sectional in your own province, but when you come into a national fraternity, there is only the one sentiment to look after, and that is the national policy over which you are deliberating. You cannot make a mistake in taking in good college men in any part of the

United States. College men in their relations to each other, form one great band of brothers. They have been initiated into the same mysteries of science and philosophy. They have toiled the same road to the temple of the muses, and have filled their spirits from the same fountains of Horace and Homer; and whether they come from Michigan or Tulane, from Cornell or Leland Stanford, their hopes are the same, their purposes are united, and there is something between them that will bind them into national fraternity.

As I said in the beginning, it is not only this biennial convention of our national fraternity that brings college men together from time to time that is a great factor in cementing our national greatness. One by one the interstate interests of the government center in Washington, and it necessarily grows imperial. One by one, the interests of commerce cross and re-cross every state. Along with that, as was told in the last national election, the issue of imperialism was settled by the overwhelming imperialism of the people. Year by year, interstate friendship grows; year by year interstate confidence is brought about; and among the great factors that are bringing it about stands this greatest of Greek bands, our own beloved  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  (great applause.)

As I was coming to the convention on Wednesday, as I came to the train to leave Lexington, I saw a lot of my old classmates getting off, and they were surprised that I was leaving, and as I rode on towards Cincinnati, I had a few thoughts about what this convention signifies. Down in the Grand Hotel, I jotted them down in blundering rhyme, and here they are:

There's a plain far out  
On the fields of the heart,  
In the spirit lands of life,  
Where no one comes,  
By method or art,  
Or climbs to the plain by strife,  
The plain of fraternal love.

There college men go  
Sometimes from the world,  
And always a comrade true,  
With life's armour stripped,  
And battle flag furled,  
Sits with a welcome for you,  
Sits musing—that's all.

No words can tell  
What is said on the plain,  
Or what feelings ebb and flow  
When the college muse starts  
With the spirit again  
To the haunts of the old "long ago"  
"Round the walls of the campus."

There are tents on the plain  
Where confessions are made,  
And no one asks the why.  
And mistakes are forgot,  
And troubles grow old,  
And ambitions never try  
To mar the peace.

There's a camp on the plain  
 In that spirit field  
 Where the tents are of silver and blue;  
 And hearts that are known  
 By the sword and the shield,  
 And the sentry passes through  
 To the mystic reveries,  
 And we're tenting on that plain tonight.

(Great applause).

THE TOASTMASTER: Ladies and gentlemen; in all the world there are just three big men, one is the czar, one is the kaiser, and one is great Scott. The third will respond to the sentiment "L'etat c'est moi," which being literally interpreted means "I am it." (Laughter and applause): Mr. Scott Bonham.

BROTHER BONHAM: Mr. Toastmaster, sister Phis, up there in the gallery who look so lovely that I can hardly begin my speech (applause), you know we bachelors are entitled to a certain amount of modesty, that the other old fellows sitting around here don't have the pleasure of enjoying. (Cries of kings ex.) I knew old brother Miller a good many years ago down here in southern Indiana, before he was married, before he ever thought that the people of Indiana would get so low as to make him—well before he ever thought of such greatness as being the lieutenant governor of Indiana (laughter), and he didn't wear whiskers then, either, and there weren't any streaks of grey in the whiskers that he did wear a little later on, but they have come pretty fast.

I think the gentlemen over in the corner didn't do the right thing, when the toastmaster was enumerating all the great men of the earth, in that they allowed him to omit the lieutenant-governor of Indiana. The only difference there should have been the other way. The four greatest men on earth are lieutenant-governor Miller, the czar of Russia, then the kaiser, and then—you know the rest (laughter and applause).

What has the Romanoff family to do with the fraternity of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ? (a voice ("Where you roamin' off to?")) What! Are you trying to call me for "roamin' off" from my subject? (Laughter and shouting.) Shall a whirlwind greet us? I hope I may have your attention now and then, with a good deal of applause (laughter.) I heard brother Allen say something about the college spirits that seemed to be bottled up here (laughter). Now I am not going to charge that there is any of it here tonight, still I might believe that there had been a little on tap somewhere outdoors, from some of the performances that remind us of the Bohemians when we used to live down in the Latin Quartier in Paree, don't you know. They were certainly elegant.

Another question I want to ask before I get into the profound depth of my subject, what is the relation between—now if I don't get off my French as fine as brother Miller did, who never did anything except run a bank and run for lieutenant-governor and study French, if I cannot pronounce *L'etat c'est moi* as nice as he does, it is because I was not taught French down in southern Indiana.—but what is the relation between *L'etat c'est moi* and *homme des affaires*? Has anybody ever seen any resemblance? Has anybody ever tried to trace it? Has anybody ever conceived any resemblance between Czar Nicholas, the two-eyed, and Dr. Ed. Brown of Columbus? If

ever an emperor or any other man gets before Dr. Brown, and he turns his optics, and those other things on him, he will not be even a one-eyed man when he leaves. None of our blue-blood blue books, so far as I know, claim that the "Little Papa" and the big head of the Greek church is related by blood or marriage, or in any other way, so far as I can find out with the Greek societies of the United States; but if it was the purpose of the gentleman who has been the master of this programme and of these toasts, to impose upon me the duty of claiming that, or proving it, I am going to decline to do it right here and now, even though I may be guilty of *lese majesté*—I am not good on my French like brother Miller. Did you see him grit his teeth and shut his eyes when I got that off? And even though I might be considered a fitting target for some of the guns of his Admiral Buttinsky Ravenisky, even though I might be considered a sort of Japanese boat in disguise here as an ordinary every-day fishing smack, I am going to decline to enter into this controversy; and if the toastmaster insists upon it, I am going to appeal to the Hague tribunal, or to the Indiana legislature, to let me out of this dilemma (A voice, "Try Whallon,") or the police judge of Indianapolis. He is a pretty good fellow. He was down at the Elks' reunion in Cincinnati, and I guess he enjoyed himself. When this Mikado of the toast empire assigned me to duty at this Port Arthur a few days ago, he ordered me to fill myself up with as much mule meat as I could find on the menu before I began the bombardment of General Stessel, or the general council or something else. I immediately sent word to him that I would like to know what he wanted me to talk about (a voice "About five minutes") and there came back the response, about five minutes was the length of time he said that I should talk; and he said that I was up against the czar of Russia, and he didn't seem to care a Russian English sparrow whether I met him in Mukden or Port Arthur. I immediately wired him inquiring whether he wanted me to be funny or to be warlike. He answered that he didn't care a Japan fancy fan whether I was funny or warlike; it didn't make any difference; it wouldn't be good anyhow; and he said something in his mikado French, I don't know just what it was, either "cut loose" or "cut it out;" so I am going to try to do both before I get through here.

When I got this important word of his, that I was to talk on this topic, I had been trying a case in Ohio before a jury of farmers where we had been having volumes of expert evidence upon the life of fence rails, without any regard to the Carlisle mortality tables; and we had also been trying to discover the relative difference between open ditching and ordinary tile ditching, as a matter of farming; and you can appreciate how gently, and how kindly I took to the proposition of discussing the subject of the Czar of Russia at this board of eloquent Phis tonight. But here we are. We have got the Czar before us. We will have to tackle him—I guess that's pretty good English to use at this season of the year, tackle. I don't know just how we shall dispose of him on this bill of fare.

Now brothers of the Phi Delta Theta, I felt that I ought to follow the suggestions of brother Morrison in another respect. He said if we wanted to know anything about this subject to cable brother Edwin Emerson or Dick Little and they would give me some information. I did so, but those boys were so engaged in informing the world of the important and minor events that are taking place in that part of the world that they haven't answered my cablegram yet, and I will have to get along without them. Good Lord, I wish cablegrams from Dick Little and Edwin Emerson would come in right now. I think I could discharge my duty. Those dauntless, energetic young fellows who are performing such brilliant enterprises today in that far off country make us appear mere pigmies here, talking about that side of the

world—when we think what they have done to become a part of it, and to become heroes in it, that they might talk to us of it around the globe (ap-  
plause).

Now, brother Phis, before I sit down, I would just like to say a word or two, if I possibly could, that might seem to indicate that there was some connection between what I am saying and the subject of the toast this evening. I have felt that this contest in Manchuria has displayed something of American life, a phase of American thought that possibly we had even appreciated before, but had never recognized so fully. Have you noticed in this contest between that little giant of the land of cherry blossoms, that little giant of those little islands there in the sea, that people of a different religion, of a different race, of different blood, of different characteristics and customs, of a different character of intellectuality; and on the other side, people so like us, a people whose religion is of the same character as our own, a religion that has in its devotion approached almost to the point of superstition, a blind devotion to their religion; have you observed that in that people who are so much like ourselves in intellectual thought, in art, in progress, in commerce, that notwithstanding all that, when it would seem that our sympathies should be with them, that the American, who is so fond of fair play, of seeing the people have a square deal, seems to have put himself on the side of the little fellow in the fight?

And another thought that has seemed to me to come out of this contest in Manchuria. We thought a few years ago when our own boys, our own brothers were in a contest upon our own battle field, that the displays of courage and bravery and endurance and of devotion to the side they thought was right was such as could never be manifested upon any battle field anywhere in this world. We thought we had reached the pinnacle of courage and devotion and bravery upon both sides of that contest. But the thought has come to us in this contest between the subjects of the mikado and the subjects of the czar that there has been the same display of loyalty, devotion to duty, patriotism and endurance, in spite of great odds, beyond our dreams as to them.

And in this connection another thought. I think that we, as young men, should draw from it—and possibly we, as older men—that out of it all there is something for which we should commend that great white czar. We certainly remember in the midst of these exhibitions of bravery and endurance that a few years ago, he, by calling the Hague tribunal, gave evidence of his desire that the contests between the peoples of the world, the disputes, the difficulties, the misunderstandings between nations and peoples should be settled, not by the arbitrament of arms, but in the halls of peace and arbitration; and in that we must feel that he sought earnestly to bring about what the Prince of Peace taught nearly twenty centuries ago.

I do not feel that it is appropriate to this occasion that I should say more upon this subject than to just let you know that I had at least thought about it after brother Morrison had the temerity to assign such a vast topic as this is to me. I do feel that it would be more pleasant for me tonight to refer to the memories of about twenty-four years ago when as a sort of exuberant youngster I attended my first Phi Delta Theta convention in the city of Indianapolis and went back home filled chuck full of enthusiasm, after having met there some boys that I have been a sort of brother to ever since. I shall consider it as one of the delights and pleasures of my life, and I think it is a pleasure greater than any that come in the life of the czar of Russia, with all his glory and grandeur. The memories of that convention of twenty-four years ago are dear to me, when I sat at the feet of old Father Morrison and heard him tell of the early beginnings of Phi Delta Theta. I remember

when I was grasped by the hand on the steps of the old Bates House by Walter B. Palmer—and I remember his cordial greeting—I was a pretty young kid at the time, and I never felt so good in my life because I had heard a great deal of Palmer through the old SCROLL, and I felt I was just about as big a fellow as there was in Indianapolis. And there were other boys here at those times. I remember a banquet we had. It was not on such a whirlwind order as this—the boys were not quite as much up-to-date. Brother Byron K. Elliott, since then Chief Justice of the state of Indiana, presided. I never will forget brother Wheeler, of Center College, Danville, and Sand, of Richmond, Virginia, and McCauley, of eastern Pennsylvania, and a whole lot of the boys; and I shall never cease to remember them with love and affection, although I shall attend a great many more Phi Delta Theta conventions.

I want to thank you, Mr. Toastmaster, and brothers of Phi Delta Theta for this opportunity to come back and enjoy the city of Indianapolis in the company of Phi Delta Thetas (applause).

THE TOASTMASTER: If there is any other one characteristic beside that of numerosity which belongs to Phi Delta Thetas it is modesty; and that characteristic is fittingly displayed by our assigning the subject of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  as a whole to an Indiana man to discuss. They have accused us of trying to monopolize business, the professions, and a great many things in Indiana. In fact, they make something like the same charge against us in politics, and it was made down in my county at the county convention in this campaign. It was at the state convention in which a young man, who was very proud to belong to the church that some folks call the Campbellite church, carried off the honor, and just after the judicial convention had been held in which a man from my county who happen to belong to the same church had been nominated for judge, the county convention was held, and the nominee for representative to the legislature, it happened, belonged to that church; and there was a candidate for sheriff, who did not belong to that church, but he was passed by for a gentleman who did; and the candidate for sheriff, who did not belong to that particular church, "also ran." After the convention, he said, "Well, when I sat there and saw brother So-and-so presiding over the convention and realized that brother So-in-so had been nominated for judge, and brother So-in-so had just been nominated for representative; and saw that I was up against brother So-and-so for sheriff, I had a great mind to get up and move that we have for the emblem on the ballot a camel instead of an eagle (laughter and applause).

Now some of our good Phi Psi friends, who a few years ago had three or four congressmen, the attorney-general and the leading candidate for governor, all at the same time, and

who had been feeling very active in Indiana politics, have been suggesting to us lately that the sword and shield would have made a good emblem at the head of one of the columns on the ballot; and certainly when it came to the legal profession in this capital city of our great state, there can be no mistake in taking such a step as that; and it is our pleasure and honor this evening to have with us the distinguished brother, who has represented Phi Delta Theta to all the rest of the world, Greek and barbarian, under the stars and stripes, Indiana and Kentucky and all the other states, as our ambassador at the court of Austria-Hungary, Hon. Addison Clay Harris (applause).

BROTHER HARRIS: Mr. Toastmaster, fellow-Phis, I felicitate myself tonight that I have the opportunity of speaking for our mystic order in the presence of the last one of the immortal six and his delightful consort, who comes here to greet us with her presence (applause). Could he have thought, and those who sat with him a little more than half a century ago, that tonight we would meet here in this hall the representatives of twelve thousand of the brotherhood which he established, he would have felt that he was laying the foundations of an order grand and glorious, which no other Greek society equaled in number, in fellowship, in all which goes to make a Greek fraternity a noble, lasting and immortal order (applause). And when they were making an emblem, I have no doubt they thought of the answer which an old Greek—I don't know just what his name was now; no matter—made when he was asked to give the definition of a friend: he said "Another eye;" and so we have that eye upon the shield. Do you see the point? It is the eye of hope, the eye that sees all over this proud land, not only the land of the stars and stripes but extending its brotherhood across the lakes and the farther lands to the bright aurora of the north. Our society is older in spirit than a half century, brother Lindley. It is like the old Greek brotherhood of ancient times. Why I have read, not long ago, that the Greek youths, when they attended at the university at Athens, many, many centuries ago, had just such wild and glorious nights as this (a voice, "I doubt it!"). Yes they did, and I'll tell you why. They brought the Greek girls with them, too, (applause) because, they said, all the girls look alike at night (laughter).

Now, Diogenes was a Greek myth. They didn't call themselves mystics. We didn't call ourselves  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . They called themselves myths. And he was asked on an occasion of a banquet like this, "What wine do you like best?" He answered, "Another man's wine." The only regret that I have tonight is that the committee that had in charge the furnishing of this delightful banquet forgot to bring in the good things, like old Greeks had, to cheer us up with a spirit; but this is a temperance town and it is after eleven o'clock (laughter).

Then the Greeks, in their society had another initiative that we have not yet adopted. They marched around the city like our good boys marched around the hall tonight. Over their tunics each one carried a banner, on which was emblazoned the insignia of his order, just as we will sometime in the faraway. Some day, I have no doubt, there will be a great national or international union of all the Greek societies in one common festival, at which time the Phis will lead them all (applause), because the spirit of Phiism, if I may use that phrase, is warmer, heartier, more glorious with

them—and who shall doubt it?—than that of any other Greek organization. There is a fellowship and loyalty among the Phis which is evidenced by our toastmaster here tonight. Anybody who wants to succeed in politics in Indiana must be a Phi (applause). I don't know how many members of congress we have—somebody tell me—I don't know how many senators we have. Here is one and there are others. In this brotherhood of young men, their lies an opportunity which my good friend did not mention, and that is the opportunity which will be taken advantage of in time; and when these young men here are members of the Indiana legislature (cries of "Oh no," "no," "no," "no,")—they can begin that way; it is a good start (cries of "no," "no," "no," "Too many Prohibitionists").

There is a great fellowship in our organization, when three or four hundred spirits come from sixty-nine chapters, representatives of a fraternity in all the greater colleges of our country, and join hands around a festive board like this and pledge themselves to work for the good of the order, they are extending this kindly greeting of good feeling and a whirlwind of enthusiasm—I think I have lost my figure of speech; somebody give it to me, please.

Now Alexander was a Phi, and Teddy belongs to a Greek society, two of them, and if he had an opportunity he would join us tonight (applause and a voice, "The constitution wouldn't let him"). I don't know. He is coming through here tomorrow night, and I think we ought to march down to the train and give him a good Phi cheer (applause), and good speed, because he is a true representative of the Greek society, a man of courage, such a man as we all are, and I hope every one will live long enough to fill his place (applause); and the next time we will put up some other Phi in his place, but we will make the Phi. If we haven't got him now we will make him to fit the place (applause).

Cicero was a Phi (laughter). When he had finished his course at the university, you know, he knew that his education was not completed until he should join a Greek society, and there being no Greek society in Rome at that time, he took a journey and went over to Greek land. Now I rode over the same road from the port up to Athens, that he rode over, and I stopped at the same hotel where he stopped, and I rode in the same carriage, I have no doubt, that he rode in (laughter and applause); and the man who kept the well came out with a bucket of water for the horses and a glass of wine for the traveler, just such wine as Cicero drank. And when he got up to Athens, they initiated him into the mysteries of the order, and he took occasion to say in a book, which Mr. Miller used to teach out here at the college, that the order of mystics, to which he belonged, had given him a delight in life and a hope of the beyond which he never could have appreciated and anticipated, had he not joined the order of a Greek society.

Any man who wants to succeed must be a Phi. Nearly all the men who do succeed are Phis at heart, if not in the order; and the only reason that they sometimes do not belong to a Greek society is because they haven't had the opportunity that we have had.

And now, good friends, if it be that the spirit of the Greeks of the olden time in the upper ether do hover about, think you that they are not here to greet and encourage us in the good life work which all Greek societies in all times have carried forward for the elevation of the race and the development of good deeds and good things in this world? To be a Greek, Mr. Toastmaster, to be a member of a Greek society, is to hold a place in the hearts of all the aspiring and noble-hearted men who belong to these orders throughout our country. They represent and gather to themselves the spirit, the energy, the ambition of the youth of the country. We build our chap-

ter houses at the universities for the very purpose of giving an opportunity to the elect in good fellowship, to get nearer together; and also for the purpose of promoting that acquaintance with the young ladies of the university, where you are placed with them, which often ripens into a condition which some of you are very happy about. Why, Mr. Toastmaster—as there are no reporters here tonight—I do not hesitate to say that when I was a school boy here in Butler, and then in Northwestern, I had a shield and sword which I wore at one time, and it was not very long until I found that shield and sword being worn by a little girl; and it so happens that she has been wearing it ever since then (applause).

I do not set myself up as an example, but I want to assure you that if any young girl takes the shield and sword from your coat lapel and puts it upon her bosom you may be encouraged to believe that no refusal will come to any kindly good wishes, and you may ask her to make the journey through life with you; and you will all be the happier for it (applause). The best wife in the world I think, Mr. Toastmaster, is a Phi wife (applause). And some of you know what I mean by that.

The coming together of these young men is an era in the life of our noble fraternity. It gives us acquaintance. It inspires us with a high and noble friendship. It shows how the young men of this age, like the Greeks of the olden time, look to higher things than simply sordid gain. Why is it, why is it that the Greeks excel so much in art? If I were asked to mention the finest form molded by human hand I would point to some of the old Greek statues; and if I were asked to point to the best illustration in this land I would point to the young maid who stands on the top of the monument, our "Hoosier girl." While she is not quite as shapely in every way as the Venus of Milo yet she stands as the representative of the true loyal spirit of the American people. She stands upon the monument like the goddess that stood at the head of the Acropolis in Athens many years ago, and she guides us sometimes at night, Mr. Toastmaster, when we lose our way around the circle (laughter and applause). She is a great guide to men at certain hours of the night.

And now brother Phis, when in the order of nature the last of our dear immortal six shall cease to meet with us I know that every one here tonight, as long as he lives, will remember this glorious night he has had in the presence of brother Lindley and his sweet good wife (applause); and I want to ask you all now to give a glorious Chatauquan cheer for brother Lindley, the founder of our immortal order. (Cheers).

THE TOASTMASTER: When we meet at these conventions, enjoying these convention festivities, seriously brothers, there is nothing that brings so much to the mind of one who stops to reflect on how much Phi Delta Theta means as these good college pennants that hang about our walls. When we see the red and white of old Cornell, and think of our victories on the water and the part Phi Delta Theta has played in them; when we think of these brawny handsome chaps that go down from Indianapolis, Louisville and St. Louis to sing songs for their fraternity and their college; when we look on old Penn's red and blue, and remember our victories, and especially those on the football field (cries of "Gardiner"), on the water at home and across the ocean, in which our brother here

took part (applause); when we gaze on old McGill's bright pennant and think of the far off snows of that good land, and the jolly good fellows they send back to us every two years; when we look on Kansas and think of that gallant soldier that swam the rivers and faced the bullets across the other sea—every time we gaze on these we think of Phis, we think of chapters, we think of deeds far from us by distance but close to our hearts by the bond; and our brother Wilkinson will speak to us tonight upon this sentiment.

**BROTHER WILKINSON:** Mr. Toastmaster and brother Phis, as I sat here tonight and watched this enthusiastic crowd of young college men marching around this hall with their spirit, with their enthusiasm, with their energy and with their hope and with their courage, I thought of another mob which a good many years ago, in the dark days of the French Revolution, gathered in the streets of Paris, and they sent for a young lieutenant of artillery who a little while before had shown at Toulon that he knew what cannon were made for and how and when to use them; and they said to him: "Young man, can you clear the streets?" The pale lips of the young Corsican lieutenant parted only to reply "My general, I always do what I undertake." And as I sat here tonight I thought that if I were to select a single sentence which sums up the whole history of this splendid order of which we are so proud, which sums up the past, which is symbolical of its present and prophetic of its future I would select the reply of Napoleon to his general (applause). It is  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s that always do what they undertake (applause).

It is this spirit of enthusiasm, it is this spirit of courage, it is this spirit of hope which I would have you take with you and carry with you into the world and keep with you as long as you live. I know it is quite the fashion to lecture young men, to tell them how many things they have got to unlearn before they are able to do anything when they get out in the world; and how many things they have got to forget, and how they are theoretical, and how they are impractical, and how they have got to get out and get in contact with the stern world and find out what is really going on before they amount to anything; but in the moment or two which I will speak to you tonight the thought that I would leave with you is not of the things which you are to unlearn when you get out into the world, but the things which you are to carry with you. One of those, the first word that is written over the door-way of our fraternity, is friendship. That is something that in college and out of college should always be a part of your creed.

I met a good many miles from here the other day a man who was what the world calls successful. He had come to a large city on the Atlantic coast a young man. He was without friends and he made friends. His friends stood by him. The opportunity came and they advanced him. The chance came again and they advanced him another notch. Finally the time came in his career when he had to choose between the men who had stood by him, who had been his friends through thick and thin and who had made him, and the men who had fought him and who had fought his friends, when his alliance with the one meant disaster to those who had stood by him. He deserted his friends. He joined with the other crowd, and he achieved what the world calls success. He became famous. He became more famous. When I met him, when I learned the record of his life, I said that I would rather live and die in the humblest place in this world than to have

stamped upon everything which I might do or might achieve in this world the word, ingratitude. (Applause).

Men, there is nothing like friendship, there is nothing like friendship. Carry that with you. It will last not only through college, but it will last throughout life; in every place, in every position, in every duty. It is these college ideals that I would have you carry with you; loyalty to your friends, loyalty to the truth, loyalty to duty. These things are sometimes called theoretical. These things are sometimes called impractical. These are things upon which the hard world sometimes sneers, saying they don't lead to success; but I tell you that they lead to the only true success in this world—success measured not by the counterfeit standard of wealth and position, but measured by the true standard of love and hope and duty, which will outlast all the honor and all the position in the world (applause).

Now we are all proud of our men who have achieved influence in the world. We take off our hats to our great men, to our presidents and our congressmen and our senators and our judges. We salute them all. But there is something else in this world, something for which our fraternity stands, something grander and nobler than all these; and I thought of it the other day as in a beautiful little town not very many miles from here I went out to the cemetery to see the grave of a boy I had known when he went to college. I knew him when he came there without money, without friends. I knew him as he worked his way through school, sober, industrious, and I was with him when he came to the great city in which I live now. He came there without friends, and I knew him when he went without an overcoat in the winter time that he might send a part of his salary home to his father and his mother. I knew him when he entered upon the practice of his profession, and when the opportunity came to him to go to the state legislature; and when he refused to go because it meant pledges to men and measures that his conscience could not approve. And I knew him when a few years ago the war broke out with Spain and they called for volunteers. He was a college man. He had his college education. He had his professional education. The future was bright before him. But he said, my duty to my country is first. He enlisted. He went to the front as a private, a volunteer soldier in the American army. And I was there when they brought him back, when with arms reversed and drums muffled they laid him to rest forever. And as I stood at that young college volunteer's grave, I said, "Compared with this man's life, compared with his ideas of love and duty and truthfulness and honor, what is all the place and all the position in this world?"

And so my friends the thought which I would leave with you tonight is this, the one sentiment which I would give you is our college ideals, friendship and hope and courage—the ideals of our beloved fraternity. May we never prove false to them. May they ripen into lives useful, into lives which will be an honor to ourselves and to our country and to our order (great applause).

THE TOASTMASTER: Who will say, gentlemen, that in this state of almost unanimous votes, we are not generous to put first on the list our good democratic friend from Kentucky, and fifth, the only surviving democrat in Indiana (laughter and applause), Martin A. Morrison, from Tipton County. Think how good we have been. Why, early on the morning after the election I got this telegram from Brother Lamkin:

"Congratulations for you, but none for your party. Missouri stands firm by the democracy."

Twenty-four hours later I opened a *Chicago Tribune* and I read another story about Missouri, and at the head of the paper saw that inimitable cartoon by John McCutcheon—many of you remember it—on one side a row of smiling young rubbernecks (laughter) gazing, pleased and delighted at the head of the column from which a series of big tracks just like Brother Morrison's led over to the head of the other column where those sturdy, short-necked, puffy, southern colonels with fierce mustaches were lined up for the solid south, and there was Missouri at the head of that column. I mailed a copy of this cartoon to Brother Lamkin and about two days I received this letter from him.

"Your letter with enclosure received. I am receiving copies of the same cartoon from all parts of the union. I wish however, to announce now that any reference to the general result made at the Indianapolis convention will necessitate the performance of the memorial ceremony."

So I will say nothing about it, brothers, but will introduce Martin A. Morrison, who will *reminisce*.

BROTHER MORRISON: Mr. Toastmaster, ladies and brother Phis, in behalf of my good democratic friend from Kentucky, and in behalf of myself, I desire to return our sincere thanks for the permission to continue to live (laughter and applause). Mr. Toastmaster, you rarely make an inaccurate statement. You said I was the only surviving democrat in Indiana. I take great pleasure in saying to you, there are others (laughter). There are yet many democrats in all this Indiana; there are thousands and thousands of them in the work shops and in the mines, in places of business and in the fields, and some sweet day, we will have a democratic platform and nominate a democrat to run upon it, and we will have Indiana back where she belongs in the democratic column (applause). Indeed, it would come with better grace did the men who are elected to office in Indiana recognize the fact that they owe their success to the democrats who were too democratic to vote for a ticket they did not like (applause).

My brothers, when I was informed that I was to speak tonight, that I was to talk of the old days, my memory usurped the functions of all my other faculties and led me down the line of the last twenty-six years. In vision I mingled again with the companies of other days. In vision I sat at many banquet tables, banquets at Butler, banquets at Franklin, banquets local, banquets national. I lost myself for a minute to extend fraternal greetings to all the boys I have known in those twenty-six years that are past; and when the vision was ended and I came to myself, then I knew it was only a dream, a day dream to be sure, but only a dream. Then tonight as I look about I see many of the faces that I recognized while I was on that vision voyage. I look again and I miss many faces, and I remembered why—those boys are men now. They are out in the wide, wide world bearing the heat and burden of the day. I looked still again and I missed other faces, and I remembered that they have fallen asleep.

Mr. Toastmaster and brother Phis, I would not say a word to mar the joy of this festal hour, but I know your hearts well enough to know that every vision that arose before my mind has arisen also before yours. Is the

little span of life so short and yet is it long enough wherein we may forget the friends of other days? The boys who knelt with us at the same altar, the boys to whom we were bound by the Bond indissoluble, the boys whom we loved then and whom we love now? Rather be it said here and now more than at any other time or any other place, so long as we have

"The touch of a vanished hand,  
The sound of a voice that is still,"

it is one of the sweetest qualities of this festal board that it brings back to us the names and the faces, and the kindly hearts, the generous deeds and the imperishable virtues of those whom we have loved long since and lost. Oh, hallowed memory of our brothers dead! This banquet hall would lose full half its charm were it not for thee.

This is Thanksgiving night, and it were a good time to show any gratitude we have. I have often thought that college students were too prone to forget college professors, and that we were ungrateful for those noble men and women who literally gave their lives a loving sacrifice for us. I see men about me who were students at Butler when I was, and when even two or three of us are gathered together and meet and talk and part again it were sacrilege were not some words spoken sacred to the memory of our old professor of English, Catherine Merrill. To come under the sweet influence of her pure uplifting and inspired life is one of the most precious privileges that ever came to the student at Butler; and tonight her memory rests upon us, an abiding benediction, and ever pleads with us like an angel with triumphant tongue against all that is little and mean and vulgar in our lives.

I remember that after I left Butler I was permitted to become a student in that great school established by Thomas Jefferson, nurtured and developed by an unbroken line of men with great hearts and great minds; and when I think of the University of Virginia there rises before me the image of John B. Minor, who for many years was dean of its law department. When we first went into his class room we thought him severe, and yet our experiences were always pleasant. If a student "starred" a twinkle in John B.'s eyes was his reward; if he erred, a gentle frown was his rebuke; and we soon came to understand the man. We soon came to understand that we had come in touch with a man, with a man whom God had touched; and as the days lengthened into weeks and the weeks into months we came to respect and admire and love that great old man of Virginia. John B. Minor's work is done. He will sit in front of his class no more forever, but the influence of his righteous personality goes marching on, and tonight throughout all the great southland lawyers are more learned, more courteous, more courageous, more unselfish; respectable courts are held in higher respect, contemptible courts are held in deeper contempt, because John B. Minor lived and wrought his mighty work at the University of Virginia (applause). His character was a combination of virtues rich and rare, a combination on which God had seemed to set His seal to give the world assurance of a man.

Now when I undertake to remember about my college days one of the first things that comes to my mind is the experience we had with our so-called rivals. Our rivals at that time were the  $\beta \theta \Pi$  and the  $\Sigma \chi$ ; and there were bitter feelings sometimes in those old days, and if we had been called upon then to sit in judgment upon the Betas or the Sigs we would have judged them severely, possibly unjustly; but the lapse of time has taken out all the bitterness. Our notions have grown liberal, our minds have grown broad rather than narrow, and pan-hellenic rather than partisan, and that is a commendable tendency; but my brothers, it is a tendency that we must not allow to go too far. We must not allow liberality of opinion to descend into lack of opinion. Nor must we allow the broadening process

to deprive us of the power to discriminate between right and wrong, good and evil.

A college fraternity is founded on the good old Presbyterian doctrines of original sin and total depravity (applause). It is founded upon the doctrine that if you will scratch the natural man you will discover a barbarian; and it is the office of the fraternity to give that natural man the power to withstand the natural tendency to conform to the customs of barbarism, and to exert over that natural man the power that will lead him to conform unto the image of a civilized and cultured gentleman; and the measurable right of a fraternity to live is the measure of its power to accomplish this work. I need not tell you upon this floor that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has always been entitled to a grade of one hundred. Indeed, it were a contradiction in terms to say  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was entitled to a grade of less than one hundred, for throughout the entire Greek world she is the universally recognized single standard of value. Then you judge a fraternity by its spirit and its genius. The world knows and has long known that the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has much of that sort of spirit that is said to be able to raise a mortal to the skies, and it has none of that other spirit that would drag an angel down (applause).

Now as the  $B \Theta IIs$  we have many legends and traditions. From them we learn that their pretended initiation was a doubtful sort of orgy ending with a feast of dog. Now for fifty years Brother Hilton U. Brown has occupied the same relative position that John Alexander Dowie occupies in Zion City (laughter and applause). He is our prophet, priest and king; and when Brown says a thing, that makes it so; and he has a rule by which he decides all questions. It is what he calls "the eternal fitness of things." Brother Brown used to say that judged by the rule of the eternal fitness of things the Betas were not Greeks at all; that they were merely an order of some unknown barbarian horde. What shall I say of the  $\Sigma X$ ? We have no legends or traditions about the  $\Sigma Xs$  and yet we know a great deal about them as men know institutions by their fruits; and judging them by their fruits it is a safe saying and a conservative estimate to say that if they had anything to offer to barbarians, if they had any message for nature's untutored child, it was only a rude fantastical adaptation of what Jack London would term "The Call of the Wild" (laughter and applause).

And then there were other fraternities, the  $\Delta K E$ , and the  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ . They were Greeks indeed, for they were more like unto that family liked by the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta s$  than all the Greek letter aggregations put together (applause).

Every time I sit down to a Phi banquet my mind goes back to the time and place when and where my eyes first beheld the girl who afterwards became my wife, the keeper of my heart and home, the mother of my children; and I doubt not there are other men here tonight who met their wives at Phi banquets. I doubt not there are young men here tonight whose fathers and mothers met at Phi banquets. To all of these I desire to extend my congratulations, for it is a matter of common knowledge and information that a Phi banquet is the best place to meet the girls, and a Phi banquet is the place where you meet the best girls (applause).

I am laboring under a few disadvantages this evening. In the first place I am to talk of reminiscences. That means what you remember. Now what I remember is necessarily personal, and while my reminiscences might be of interest to me or to Bro. Brown, they could be of no possible interest to the vast body of the brotherhood. Then another thing; my memory clings around those events which transpired in the old Pythonian literary society back at Butler; and in this year 1904 one hailing from the old Pythonian literary society would be as though one had returned from the dead, and his words would sound like a voice issuing from the tomb

of a forgotten age. My experiences were in the last century and before the literary society had been hammered out of the American college with the raw end of a football club.

Now, my friends, this Pythonian society was not any part of the fraternity, and yet it was always controlled by the Phis. It was an instrumentality. We used it to train barbarians to be Phis, to train Phis to be statesmen; and it is a part of the history of this republic that the Pythonian society did develop a great many of what Artemus Ward would call gigantic intellects. It was nothing unusual for them to turn out a man who afterwards attained not only state but national and even international notoriety.

In going through the archives the other day, my hands fell on this little piece of cardboard. I glanced at it and it reminded me that we would have present tonight one of the final products of the Pythonian society. This is the program of an exhibition given by the Pythonian society on June 11, 1888. The first number on the program is an "oration." Now if I were to tell you the subject of the oration, you could guess the orator. If I were to tell you the name of the orator, you could guess the subject of his oration. But in order to avoid any confusion, I will read them both.

"Oration—Hugh Th. Miller,

Subject:

"The Strength of the Spoils System."

(Great laughter and applause).

Those few words written by the boy were prophetic of the man (laughter). In the classic language of the governor-elect of the state of Indiana, those words were prophecy then; they are history now. (Laughter and applause).

Now that little programme reminded me of the fact that sixteen years ago, out at Butler, the beardless boy from the wilds of Bartholomew County grasped an idea (laughter). I do not recall now just how he took hold of it; whether he walked bravely up and took it by the horns, or slipped up and grabbed it by the tail; but it is manifest that he got a strong hold, that he held on like grim death, and that it has carried him to a place of exalted, power and honor.

It is one of the rules of this banquet that you must not relate an incident unless you can show wherein it may be used to point a moral or adorn a tale. Well, this incident points a moral. It has in it a rule of success in Indiana politics. Now this rule is not Emersonian in its nature. It does not teach the young man to hitch his wagon to a star. In Indiana politics that would be regarded as a grotesque and profitless performance. It rather teaches him to link his fortunes to the idea of the ruling passion of the age in which he lives, to hold on with the courage of desperation, and ever keep an eye on the main chance (laughter and applause).

Now what I say may seem boastful, it may seem to you a thing incredible that so much wisdom could be concentrated in one little chapter, in one little college, but if you doubt the sagacity of Indiana Gamma, I call your attention to the fact that she furnished three of the successful candidates for state offices of the state of Indiana, John V. Hadley, judge of the Supreme Court, Fassett A. Cotton, superintendent of public instruction, and our own Hugh Th. Miller, lieutenant-governor (applause); and I am inclined to think that there are a few others whose names I do not now recall.

Now, my friends, the only reason we did not take all of the state offices was that we were afraid that if we did the other fraternities and the bars would get discouraged and lose all interest in the government. I wonder sometimes when I hear fellows talking about a world power—fellows who would not know a world power if they met one on the king's highway, who do not know the difference between a world power and a monkey-wrench—

why my friends, Indiana Gamma organized into the Pythonian literary society, was the original world power, and all others are a cheap imitation. We were a little world by ourselves. All the events and scenes that are being enacted on the great stage of the world were first enacted back yonder at Butler. All questions that are now pressing upon the American people for their decision were decided once and for all back at Butler more than twenty years ago. From that decision there is no appeal. And since then it has been and must remain the chief mission of human history to justify the wisdom of our decision and to fulfill our prophecies. And right well has history performed its allotted task. Why, I hear fellows talking and boasting as though they had originated this new idea of land grabbing. Why my friends the underlying principles of landgrabbing was developed and put into practice by Indiana Gamma. It was our settled policy to grab everything in sight and keep everything we grabbed. And then there is a lot of pestiferous fellows running around and asking people to admire them because they were the first to proclaim this new doctrine of government with a free hand. They are entitled to no credit for originality. They are rank plagiarists. They are servile imitators of wiser and nobler men. It was Indiana Gamma that evolved that idea and put it into practice. No one ever ruled with a freer hand than we did. To us each day was a new era, and we entered upon the performance of its duties unhampered by any preconceived notion, by our prior record or even by our pledges or promises. Each morning found us ruling with a hand as free as the air we breathed, and with a mind in which there was not the slightest prejudice even in favor of the truth (laughter).

We had one rule in the Pythonian society, upon which I have often reflected. If a man failed to perform the duty assigned to him, he was required to get out on the floor and recite that time-tried and far tested oration in which occur these words:

"The past at least is secure. There is Alexander the Great and Bunker Hill, and there they shall remain forever."

We did not understand what was meant by the words, "The past at least is secure." We could not understand how that man got so much satisfaction out of the fact that the past was secure when he had no assurance for the future; but we did not pronounce a hasty judgment. We had been taught in the Pythonian society that a man's viewpoint is continually changing, and that from each new viewpoint he is permitted to get a new view of the truth. We had been taught that a sentence might be meaningless today and meaningful tomorrow. We had been taught that truth is only the gift of time and that life's experiences are its only interpreter. We were willing to wait until our interpreter had come. Since then the years have come and gone with the singing motion of the weaver's shuttle. They have left traces upon us. Our eyes are going a little dim. The hairs of our head have mysteriously changed from pale blonde to silver gray. We have waited until the time when we have passed the meridian, when the shadows begin to grow a little longer, when that time comes, all unconsciously we cease to live in the present or in the future and begin to live in the past; when that time comes we begin to understand something of the meaning of those meaningless words "The past at least is secure." I have read the works of Charles Schwab who is popularly known as a great steel magnate, and I have given due consideration to his words, and tonight, had I the power to choose for my son upon the one hand wealth and power and rank and station, and even that mysterious will-o'-the-wisp that men call success, or upon the other hand the opportunities of a college career, I would not hesitate to choose for him the happy experience of those thrice happy times;

for I know that there must come to him a time when if he is to be rich, he must be rich in the memory of other days; and when if he have no wealth of memory, however else he is stationed, he must be poor indeed. And when that day comes, as come it must, happy will it be for you, oh my son, if then you shall be able truly to speak those few short words, "The past at least is secure."

President Barcus used to read to us the description of a day. It was said that "it shall be neither light nor dark and it shall come to pass that at even time it shall be light." Now that seemed to us a strange description of a day, and it seemed that such a day could hardly come, and yet we dared not disbelieve it for it was written in the Book; and so we believed what we did not understand; but we believed that when that day came it would come to some sage or some saint, and not to us. We are older now and wiser men; and now we know that the day described in the Book is not the day of some sage or saint. It is the day, universally the day of every man. For you my brothers who have been most successful, the day has not been all light—it has been partly dark. For those who have been least successful, it has not been all dark—it has been partly light. For each of us there is yet in store a new and transcendent experience. For a little while, the day will continue to be as it has ever been neither light nor dark, but for each of us, it shall come to pass that at even time it shall be light, all light, and sweet and mellow light, that shall steal in upon us out of the enchanted long ago. I thank you (great applause).

The impromptus were bright and appropriate. First called was Father Lindley, who assured the company that he was always with them in spirit, that he grew young every time he came to a convention, and that he hoped to live to attend future conventions. A telegram of greeting from the Harvard alumni club was read, provoking great applause. As a graceful compliment and expression of esteem, Hon. Burton L. French, congressman from Idaho, was asked to address the banqueters from the gallery where he sat. This brilliant orator then made a capital response in which he said that the Idaho petitioners were longing for an opportunity to sit as Phis at the banquet table and not look on from the gallery.

The toastmaster then successively called on those to stand who were at the conventions at New York, Louisville, Columbus, Philadelphia, Indianapolis, 1894, Atlanta, Indianapolis, 1880 and 1872. Only one member, Thomas S. Graves, *Indianapolis*, '72, arose as a veteran of the convention of 1872. It was a fine evidence of the taking up of the duties of fraternity life by the new generations when the old have laid them down. State senator John C. Farber then responded to a call with many delightful reminiscences of Miami of thirty-five years ago. William Oscar Bates, the first editor of THE SCROLL, was called on and made a witty short speech, showing how in its modest beginning this magazine had great wealth in the devotion of its editor and great poverty of material resources.

Last came a turbulent climax. The toastmaster requested every man to stand and give his college yell. What a wonderful assortment of incongruous noises issued wildly from those hundreds of throats. It was sudden, deafening, exciting and convulsing. It was a cheer of joy that died on the lips of as happy a company of brothers as ever assembled about a festal board. For the rest it was good-night and only one more day.

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#### CONVENTION LEGISLATION.

A burning question before the convention was how to maintain the greatest interest of the alumni. It was felt that the very best personal work among them was most efficient to this end. It was also realized that the question would be solved in part by having a wider circulation of the fraternity periodicals among the alumni. This general subject was referred for thorough consideration to a committee composed of two alumni commissioners and three others to be appointed by the P. G. C., with instruction to publish their report in *The Palladium* for September, 1906.

The general council was directed to formulate and enforce some plan by which all men suitable for membership in Phi Delta Theta may be thoroughly investigated and the chapters notified at the colleges to which they go. Each chapter was ordered to appoint a standing committee to entertain visiting Phis; also to appoint a committee to devise means of bringing about a closer relation between the active chapters and resident alumni. Provision was made for the initiation of alumni of K Σ K, a small fraternity which was absorbed by Φ Δ Θ in Virginia years ago. One of the warmest discussions arose over the question as to where and when to wear the badge. This was made the subject of some amusing cartoons in the *News*, which appear on another page of this issue. This momentous question was settled in the requirement that the badge be worn at all times by all active members on the left breast over the heart.

Alumni clubs are to be represented in conventions only by members or residents of the localities where they are established; and the expenses of such delegates are to be borne by their clubs.

The constitution was amended so that no application for a charter can be considered by a national convention unless it is filed with the general council at least four months prior to

the convention and a notice of such application is published in at least two successive numbers of *The Palladium* prior to the convention. No charters were granted. Three applications were definitely refused. The other pending applications were referred to the general council and the provinces most concerned, for further investigation. The general council was directed to take all necessary steps to strengthen any weak chapters, but happily this did not apply to more than two or three chapters.

The sale of novelty jewelry bearing the fraternity badge, excepting the stick-pin, was prohibited; this, however, does not apply to monograms, coats of arms, or the alumnus button. Burr, Patterson & Co., of Detroit, were added to the list of official jewelers. Chapters were required to provide themselves fully with paraphernalia for the chapter room. The dues to the general fraternity were slightly increased so as to provide a fund to enable the chapters to be visited by province presidents. A method of discounting dues upon prompt payment was adopted in order to insure less delay in the discharge of such obligations. All reports of general officers and province presidents are hereafter to be distributed in printed form at the opening session of each national convention. Every committee shall make at least a partial report to the convention within twenty-four hours after it is appointed.

The convention showed a very gratifying appreciation of the importance of the fraternity periodicals by urging each delegate to interview all the alumni in his town and try to induce them to become subscribers, and to see that each member of the graduating class of his chapter shall subscribe. Each chapter was urged to see that its chapter letter reaches the editor in due time for publication, and to send to the editor its college publications. The work of the editors was warmly commended and an earnest spirit of co-operation with them was shown.

Chapters occupying houses were urged to adopt and enforce stringent rules in order that the manner of living in them may be the most wholesome and elevated. It was urged that to future conventions every delegate from a chapter having a house bring information as to it in tangible form, viz: a copy of the law under which the alumni association is incorporated, a copy of the by-laws of the corporation, copies of circular letters issued concerning the same, and also a report of the financial condition of the corporation.

The province boundaries were considerably changed to insure greater efficiency of administration and closer affiliation between chapters. Alpha and Zeta provinces remain undivided, but each has a vice-president residing in a section different from that in which the province president lives. Kentucky and Tennessee were carved out of Beta province as Gamma province. The names of the former Gamma and Eta provinces were changed to Eta and Theta respectively. The Pacific coast province, formerly known as Theta, was divided into two provinces as follows: Iota province, embracing California, Arizona, Nevada and Utah; and Kappa province, comprising Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Alaska. The provinces with their chapters and officers are fully set forth in the revised directory at the end of this magazine.

The reports of the officers were very complete, containing full information as to the condition of every chapter. Several of the committees also made full reports which will justify a careful reading. The results of the work of the convention will insure a much greater excellence of internal improvement, while the question of extension into places already well considered is still before the fraternity as a vital question.

The convention did not select a place for the next convention, but ordered that it meet in Thanksgiving week, 1906—the place to be selected by the general council.

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#### THE NEW ADMINISTRATION.

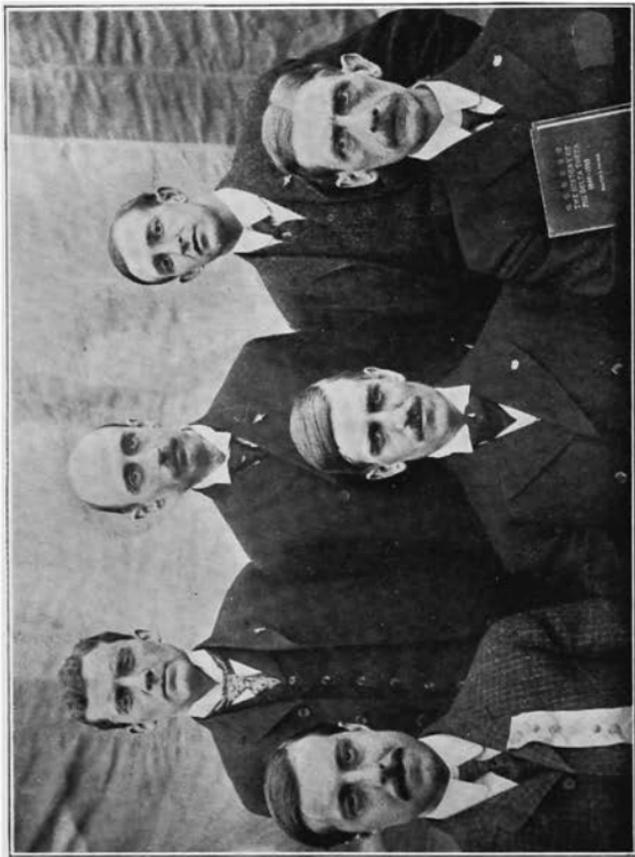
The list of officers of the fraternity, chosen at Indianapolis, is as follows:

The General Council: Francis J. R. Mitchell, *Northwestern*, '96, president; Samuel K. Ruick, Jr., *De Pauw*, '97, secretary; John H. DeWitt, *Vanderbilt*, '94, reporter and editor of THE SCROLL; John B. Ballou, *Wooster*, '97, treasurer; Arthur M. McCrillis, *Brown*, '97, historian.

Alumni Commission: L. E. A. Drummond, *Columbia*, '90; Guido Gores, *Cincinnati*, '01.

Chapter House Commission: Arthur B. Gilbert, *Vermont*, '89; Arthur W. Fairchild, *Wisconsin*, '97.

Province Presidents: Alpha, Raymond L. Skinner, *Syracuse*, '01; vice-president, Irving L. Foster, *Brown*, '93; Beta, Harry L. Watson, *Richmond*, '91; Gamma, Robert M. Allen, *Kentucky State*, '00; Delta, Walter A. Eversman, *Michigan*, '04; Epsilon, Will H. Hays, *Wabash*, '00; Zeta, Charles F. Lamkin, *Westminster*, '97; vice-president, Rich-



**THE GENERAL COUNCIL AND THE EDITOR OF THE HISTORY.**

J. H. DeWitt, Reporter.

J. B. Ballou, Treasurer.

S. K. Ruick, Secretary.

A. M. McCrillis, Historian.

F. J. R. Mitchell, President.

W. B. Palmer, Editor of the History.

ard H. Little, *Illinois Wesleyan*, '95; Eta, Carl A. Brown, *Alabama*, '01; Theta, William Steen, *Mississippi*, '00; Iota, John E. McDowell, *Stanford*, '00; Kappa, Arthur R. Priest, *De Pauw*, '91.

Catalogue editor, Thomas J. Griffin, Jr., *Brown*, '99. Editor of the history and assistant editor of THE SCROLL, Walter B. Palmer, *Emory*, '77.

Librarian, Dr. John Edwin Brown, *Ohio Wesleyan*. '84.

The new members of the official circle are Brothers Ruick, Drummond, Gores, Fairchild, Gilbert, Skinner, Foster, Allen, Eversman, Little, Brown, Steen and Priest.

#### MESSAGES OF GREETING.

Chefoo, November 22, 1904. Convention, Indianapolis. Congratulations and best wishes from Manchuria Alpha. That's me. Little, Mukden. (Answer sent, Manchuria Alpha, hot stuff, convention).

Greeting and good wishes to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Jean Swope (Mrs. Frank D. Swope) to Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C.

Kansas city alumni club sends greetings to the national convention. Thos. S. Ridge, president, to Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C.

One hundred Phis assembled in Macon send you greetings. Solomon, Parks and Richardson to Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C.

Greetings from Phis of Harvard University to Phis of America in convention assembled. Harvard alumni club of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Sickness prevents me from attending. Best wishes for even more successful convention than last one. Lamar Hardy, *Mississippi*, '95, alumni commissioner, to Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C.

The Indiana alumni of  $\Phi K \Psi$  at annual dinner assembled at the Columbia club send fraternal greetings to the members of your splendid fraternity. James E. Watson, president, to the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  fraternity.

It is with the warmest feelings of friendship that I remember the hundreds of my brothers now in session at Indianapolis. The conventions of the past, especially that of two years ago, cannot be easily forgotten; on the contrary, they are lovingly remembered by all of Robert Morrison's family.

That this convention may be the most enjoyable and beneficial of all, is the sincere wish of your sister in the Bond,

Mary Morrison Lemly (Mrs. Thomas Mitchell Lemly, of Jackson, Miss., to the general council and the convention.)

It is a real grief to me that I must decline the cordial invitation which you extend me for Thanksgiving day. Surely it is a high and noble task to which you call me but I find that it is impossible for me to leave home on Thanksgiving day. Many weeks ago I declined a pressing invitation to speak at the banquet in Indianapolis that night.

My love for the dear old fraternity grows with the years and my interest in everything pertaining to it is unabated. It is sweet to meet from year to year  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's new sons, and sweet also as on such an occasion as you mention to look beyond the clouds to the fields of immortality where the chapter grand holds its sessions. Rev. Carter Helm Jones, D. D., *Richmond*, '84, to Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C.

I am very sorry that I have had to miss all the good things of the convention, particularly the luncheon you gave to the delegates. Kindly remember me to all my Phi friends and tell them I regret so much the fact that I am unable to be with them. I hope you are having in every way the best convention of all. J. Clark Moore, Jr., *Pennsylvania*, '93, ex-P. G. C., to Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C.

To the banquet revelers: My inability to be present at the Indianapolis convention of our fraternity is the disappointment of the year to me. Only the most imperative duties could keep me away.

My mind and my heart are with you, and I feel like a lost soul shut out from the "realms of the blessed," because I am not with you in the body also.

Dick Little must have a pain in *his* heart because of *his* enforced absence. This is even more true of "the wearer of the mantle of Morrison," good old Walter Palmer, whose chief fault is that he doesn't get married to some good Phi girl and thereby close Vol. I of his history.

Have a good time, and in all your noise, in all your fun, and in all your work, put  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  first and self last. Here's hoping I may meet you two years hence. H. H. Ward, *Ohio State*, '90, ex-P. G. C., alumni commissioner.

Permit me to thank you for your cordial telegram just received, asking me to address the fraternity convention Thanksgiving morning, taking as my subject "Our Founders." It has for weeks been an occasion of great regret to know that the lecture bureau, over which I had very little control, had made a number of dates for me in the west, extending

through all of Thanksgiving week. I know of no service that would be sweeter to me than the one you ask me to render, and I trust that I may have the privilege at some future time of speaking to our beloved fraternity on this subject. Dr. Guy Potter Benton, *Ohio Wesleyan, '88*, president of Miami University, to Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C.

I hope this may not be altogether too late to extend my most heartfelt good wishes for the well being and success of our fraternity in convention assembled, and to express my deepest regret at not being able to be present, before it will have adjourned. Each time I live in the hope that I certainly will be present at the next.

Mrs. Bohn and I would like also so much to again see the good friends whom we met at Louisville, especially Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Miller, all of whom I suppose will be there, and also others of the Louisville contingent. Nor do we forget the husband or bachelor brothers, all of whom we frequently speak of in our home talk. Give the rah! rah! rah! for us. Charles A. Bohn, *Washington, '93*, to Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C.

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#### CONVENTION SIDELIGHTS.

At this convention the visiting ladies were few in number but very noteworthy. Mrs. J. E. Brown, who has attended seven conventions, came over from Columbus on Tuesday and remained during the week. At New York Miss Eloise Brown of that city, attended the convention ball. As a result of the romance begun that evening, she attended the Indianapolis convention as Mrs. Arthur M. McCrillis. She was a beautiful and admired participant in the festivities of the week. Mrs. E. V. Wilder, of Louisville, with her lovely daughter, Miss Ethel Wilder, gave evidence of an undying devotion to the fraternity. They have attended several previous conventions and are delightfully remembered by many of the former delegates. Their tender and deep love for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is profoundly appreciated throughout the fraternity. Miss Wilder enjoyed very greatly all the social events and was the center of attraction for the Phis, who admired her southern beauty and rare grace of manner. Mrs. F. J. R. Mitchell came on Wednesday, but the illness of her father, Professor Baird, of Northwestern University, compelled her to return to Evanston the next day. Mrs. Mitchell is a fine type of the college trained woman. For the first time, a

national convention of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  had the pleasure of greeting Mrs. John Wolfe Lindley—"Mother" Lindley, as she is now affectionately termed. Her face betokens a beautiful and happy old age. She was the recipient of every possible evidence of devotion, and she seemed to enjoy the whole occasion to the utmost. It was frequently remarked how youthful were the spirits of this venerable couple and how happily they imbibed the spirit of each occasion. It is to be re-



FATHER AND MOTHER LINDLEY

gretted that the snap-shots of them here reproduced are so unworthy of them.

After a period of long and very useful service, Dr. John Edwin Brown is now an ex-P. G. C. S. G. C., 1887-'89; editor of *THE SCROLL*, 1889-'96; P. G. C., 1902-'04; fraternity librarian for many years—surely this is a distinguished record. He can look back upon it with the consciousness of duty faithfully done, and he has the high esteem and best wishes of the whole fraternity. Dr. Brown was an excellent

presiding officer and contributed greatly to the harmony and good fellowship of the convention.

Five bound copies of the first 784 pages of Palmer's History of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  were brought to the convention. On Tuesday afternoon one of these was, at Bro. Palmer's request, presented to Father Lindley in a neat speech by Bro. Hugh Th. Miller. Father Lindley expressed great appreciation of the gift and said that he would read it with pleasure. No doubt it will interest him deeply to go over again so thoroughly the familiar days of half a century ago.

The watch and chain presented to Bro. Palmer were the spontaneous expression of the affection of a large number of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s. Chief among them was Bro. Clarence L. Goodwin, who started the movement that needed little pushing. The watch is plain and elegant. On the back of it will be engraved the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  coat-of-arms. On the inside is the following inscription:

WALTER BENJAMIN PALMER  
FROM HIS BROTHERS OF  
PHI DELTA THETA  
AS A TOKEN OF APPRECIATION OF HIS  
LABOR OF YEARS IN PREPARING  
A HISTORY OF THE  
FRATERNITY.  
INDIANAPOLIS, 1904.

The general council was but slightly changed in personnel, and yet the one new comer is an important addition and amply deserves the honor. Samuel K. Ruick, Jr., S. G. C., is a splendid type of the comradely, diligent, earnest and immensely useful Hoosier Phi. We shall say more of him in a subsequent issue. Frank J. R. Mitchell was most deservedly advanced from secretary to president. The other three, being re-elected, are trying faithfully to show their appreciation of the esteem and confidence of their brothers. A fine feature of the elections was that they lacked one single contest and every vote was unanimous.

The memorial exercises on Thursday were merely ritualistic, there being no formal addresses. Nevertheless, it was well thus to express the love of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  for the memory of her dead and to recount those who had passed into the chapter grand. It was hoped that our brilliant brother, Rev. Carter Helm Jones, of Louisville, would be able to come and deliver a memorial address, but his letter on another page shows that it was impossible for him to be there.

The convention photograph was taken on Wednesday afternoon in front of the state house. It is a very successful picture, although it is to be regretted that many were unable to be present. It is queer especially to see a convention group without Bros. Miller and Palmer, but they could not be there. The editors are extremely glad that this issue of THE SCROLL can present the picture with the faces so plain, as it will enable every one there to remember long the faces of those whom he knew so delightfully during that week. The picture of the new general council and Bro. Palmer was made



SOME EDITORS OF THE SCROLL.

LEFT TO RIGHT—J. H. DeWitt, 1904-...; H. T. Miller, 1896-1902; W. O. Bates, 1875 and 1876; W. B. Palmer, 1883-'84; J. E. Brown, 1889-'96.

under unfavorable circumstances on the roof of the Claypool, and many excuses should be made for it.

The irrepressible Lamkin played a fine joke on the new P. G. C. On Saturday morning in the *News* appeared this advertisement: WANTED: A good dog. Bull dog preferred. Address F. J. R. Mitchell, room 324, Claypool Hotel. On Saturday Bro. Mitchell was kept busy with telephone inquiries from the clamorous owners of canines waiting without. He was compelled to announce that he had closed a deal and the matter was all over. Here are two of the letters received: City, Nov. 26. Mr. Mitchell: I have a fine watch dog which

I want to sell and will sell cheap; he weighs 85 lbs. and is  $\frac{2}{3}$  St. Bernard and is a cross between a St. Bernard and a bull dog. I cannot afford to keep him. If you think he will suit you, call at 1122 N. Dearborn any time. Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_.

Pendleton, Ind., Nov. 26. Dear Sir: I see in the *News*, that you want a bull dog. I have a splendid English bull dog, white, ears boxed, tail bobbed, a good looker, well broke, will mind at the word, very watchful and a great companion. Come and see him. If you cannot come send \$10 and I will express him to you, and if you don't think him well worth \$25, ship him back. Respectfully, \_\_\_\_\_.

The committee on chapters and charters was the busiest of all committees. They say that chairman Hugh Miller fairly astonished his associates with his exhaustive and ready knowledge of American colleges. By close investigation the members gained a valuable insight into a number of institutions well worth considering. The report of the committee leaving nearly all the applications for future disposal, was welcomed heartily late Friday evening when a series of sharp contests was expected. The representatives of the various bodies of petitioners not only presented their claims well, but were also men of attractive personality. There were: Messrs. Thompson and Raish of South Dakota; Hon. B. L. French, congressman from Idaho; Messrs. Morrow and Jagersfeld, of Arkansas; D. H. Stevens of Lawrence; Grame and Morden of Toronto. The sponsor for Illinois Wesleyan was Bro. Andrew J. Barr, *Illinois Wesleyan*, '85, an eloquent lawyer and dignified gentleman, who was the delegate from the Bloomington alumni club. Especially interested in the Arkansas application was Bro. Frank L. Mulky, *Indiana*, '82, who represented the Fort Smith alumni club.

Dick Little's cable message from Manchuria was a fine hit as well as a superb expression of his love for  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ . It reached way into the hearts of all at the convention. Though he gave the fiction of "Manchuria Alpha," he meant to say that he cherished the devotion ordinarily felt by a whole troop of those at home. Bro. Little is expected home very soon, and of course he will find recreation from a strenuous year by devoting his full time to his duties as vice-president of Zeta province.

What with doing the honors and some very hard work at the convention and then listening to the appeals from state senators for advantageous committee assignments, lieutenant-governor Miller was the busiest of men during that week.

Bro. Miller has a very distinguished record in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , having held three different positions on the general council and also edited THE SCROLL for six years. This time Bro. Miller had doffed his erstwhile silk hat and wore a large soft hat and carried a big stick. He stands high in party councils and in the esteem of the people of Indiana, and is sure to go yet higher. However, it was irresistibly funny when the eloquent democrat, Martin A. Morrison, convicted him of being a spoilsman by



C. L. GOODWIN, INDIANA, '83.

producing an old program of exercises at Butler when the youthful Miller spoke on "The Strength of the Spoils System." Gov. Miller couldn't answer that, but of course he was ready to point with pride to his record as a refutation.

The new province presidents are an efficient lot of men (this includes those who were re-elected.) Bro. R. L. Skinner, of Syracuse, is a sturdy young lawyer, full of active loyalty. Bro. H. L. Watson is also a lawyer at Richmond, Va., and has done some useful service heretofore. Bro. R. M. Allen

is a pure food expert at Lexington, and may be depended upon to make very powerful the intense spirit of the four fine chapters in Kentucky and Tennessee. Bro. C. A. Brown has attended the last three conventions and is a worthy successor of Bros. Speer and Hallman. Bro. W. H. Hays has done magnificent work in Epsilon province and was too valuable an officer to think of losing. Bro. W. A. Eversman is an attorney of Toledo and has the dignity and polish of Michigan Alpha. His report as chairman of the committee on chapter houses was remarkably thorough. Bro. W. A. Steen is one of the most active and devoted  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s in the southwest, and will doubtless do great things in strengthening the Tulane chapter especially. He is a fit successor of Bro. G. L. Ray, the splendid worker who was at the convention and who has closed two efficient terms as province president. And Charles F. Lamkin of Missouri, restless in fraternity service, full of good fellowship and parliamentary skill—Lamkin is presiding over Zeta province and Dick Little, of "Manchuria Alpha," is his vice-president. Bros. J. E. McDowell, of Stanford, and A. R. Priest, the father of Washington Alpha, are worthy and able to guide the affairs of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in the two new provinces on the Pacific coast. The fraternity may well be proud of its province presidents and will expect great things from them in internal administration.

The alumni and chapter house commissioners are just such earnest and vigorous workers as are now particularly needed. Bros. Drummond and Gilbert are especially famed for their magnificent work in making the New York convention a success. Bros. Gores and Fairchild have contributed greatly to the prosperity of the Cincinnati and Wisconsin chapters respectively, and have been useful in some recent conventions. Bros. Gores and Drummond, as the alumni commission, have already begun some practical work that will show early results in the celebration of Alumni Day. Bros. Gilbert and Fairchild may be depended on to study the chapter house question thoroughly and further still more rapidly the acquirement of chapter homes.

Bro. Royal H. Switzler, of St. Louis, spent only one day at the convention, but he was heartily greeted by his old associates in the service of the fraternity. It was a pity to lose such a sound and thoroughly competent officer as Bro. Switzler. It is highly pleasing to note his steady success in business in St. Louis. Among those who were especially missed are Bros. H. H. Ward, J. Clark Moore, Richard H. Little,

McCluney Radcliffe, W. O. Morgan, George H. English, F. S. Ball, B. M. L. Ernst, W. R. Brown, E. E. Ruby and Lamar Hardy.

At the convention of 1896 one of the fraternity jewelers presented the delegates with a souvenir pin. At subsequent conventions souvenir buttons have been furnished by fraternity jewelers—one at the convention of 1898, two in 1900, and two in 1902. At the convention of 1904 there were four such buttons. A. H. Fetting presented a sterling silver button, with a scroll bearing "Φ Δ Θ" and "1904;" below, a streamer bearing "Indianapolis;" on either side, a carnation; behind, a sword. Wright, Kay and Co. presented a gilt button shaped like the shield, bearing a monogram of "Φ Δ Θ;"



THE CALIFORNIA DELEGATION.

J. E. McDowell, Stanford, '00, PROVINCE PRESIDENT; H. R. Ebright, California, '05;  
C. G. Guyer, Stanford, '06.

above, "National Convention;" below, "Indianapolis;" on one side, "18;" on the other, "04." D. L. Auld presented a gilt button, consisting of a death's head, bearing "Φ Δ Θ," pierced by a sword; on the guard, "Indianapolis." Roehm & Son presented a gilt button, a convex disc bearing a monogram of "Φ Δ Θ." Burr, Patterson & Co., presented a neat card case.

It was a fitting coincidence that on the day before the convention opened a memorial window to that distinguished Indiana Φ Δ Θ, Benjamin Harrison, *Miami*, '52, was dedicated at the church of which he was so devoted a member. On Monday the *Indianapolis News* said:

At the dedication of the Harrison memorial window at the First Presbyterian church yesterday morning, the Rev. Dr. M. L. Haines, took as his

text the words of scripture that are upon the window: "Awake thou that sleepest and arise from the dead and Christ shall give thee light." He said in part: "He of whom this window stands as a reminder was one of the influences of whose life and the impress of whose character will long abide. Here in this church where he manifested so long the genuineness and power of his Christian faith it is specially fitting that his memory should be cherished and that the example of his conscientious fidelity to duty and to God should abide as a benediction.

"He accepted to the utmost the truths of the Christian religion. God as revealed in the Bible and in the facts of history was to him a reality. His faith in God was no merely nominal acceptance of general beliefs, but one which was as positive as his nature and as clear as his intellect."

The prayer of dedication was in the following words: "Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who through Jesus Christ hath called us out of darkness into thy marvelous light, mercifully accept our service of worship this day and graciously receive this memorial, which we now offer and dedicate to thee in memory of Thy servant to beautify the place of Thy sanctuary and in honor of our Saviour whom Thou has given to be the light of the world, unto whom with Thee, the Father and the Holy spirit, be glory and praise both now and forever. Amen."

#### NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS.

The Indianapolis Press was indeed very sensible of the interest and importance of the convention. The Hoosier capital has frequently seen fraternity gatherings and upon this occasion the newspapers rose fully to the attendant journalistic proprieties. The accounts were not fulsome or prolix; they were not written in a particularly "catchy" style. They were clear, dignified narrations of the fraternity's history and the convention proceedings. All the social events and many interesting ancillary features were described in an interesting manner. Previous to convention week appeared brief announcements of the coming occasion. On Sunday the *News* and the *Morning Star* contained elaborate descriptions of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , the former including a fine portrait of President J. E. Brown. The *News* article was remarkable for its accurate and comprehensive sketch of the fraternity, past and present. Indeed, the convention was peculiarly happy in its official relation to this great paper. The general manager of *The Indianapolis News* is none other than Bro. Hilton Ultimus Brown, *Indianapolis*, '80 who served as president of the general council from 1882 to 1886. His warm interest appeared early when he delivered his happy address of welcome. His extensive knowledge of the fraternity enables him to suggest many attractive and spicy features which appeared in the *News* as to the convention. This paper also presented the very laughable cartoons which are here reproduced. Another



HILTON U. BROWN, INDIANAPOLIS, '80.  
General Manager of *The Indianapolis News*.

local Phi journalist was Bro. Harry Evans, *Wabash*, '02, of the *Star*. The *Sentinel* also contained a brief account of the convention each day.

All of these papers published all the information given out by the press committee, and the social features, which were of especial interest locally were elaborately written up. The *Star* of Saturday inserted a three column group picture of the new general council and Bro. Palmer, while the *News* of Friday published on its front page a fine large portrait of president-elect F. J. R. Mitchell.



From *The News*.

Filled with an enthusiasm born of Greek tradition two hundred Phi Delta Theta men from various colleges all over the country laid claim to Indianapolis yesterday morning and with no "beating 'bout the bush" set the corridors of the Claypool echoing with college yells, Greek songs and care-free shouts of greeting.

The occasion was the opening session of the twenty-eighth biennial convention of the fraternity, which will continue at the Claypool the remainder of the week. Throughout the day yesterday the clean-cut collegians streamed into the hotel with their bag and baggage, glistening fraternity pins. By this evening it is expected that at least three hundred out-of-town members will be in the city.—*Star* of Tuesday.

Business of a preliminary nature was the program for to-day's sessions of the twenty-eighth biennial convention of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, now

meeting at the Claypool Hotel. Nearly all of the delegates from both active chapters and alumni clubs have arrived, about 100 in all. The business sessions are being held in the palm room of the hotel.

Many members of the fraternity, outside of regularly accredited delegates, are attending the meeting from all parts of the country. At noon to-day the total registration was 275, exclusive of the members of the Indiana chapters. Most of the Indiana Phis from the active chapters will reach Indianapolis this evening for the reception and dance, and many of them will remain for the sessions of the convention.

This morning's session of the convention was occupied with reports of the provincial presidents and other officers. At 11 o'clock the convention adjourned for committee sessions. This afternoon a short session of the convention listened to the reports of these committees, when adjournment was taken to the steps of the State House, where the Phis were photographed.—*News of Tuesday.*



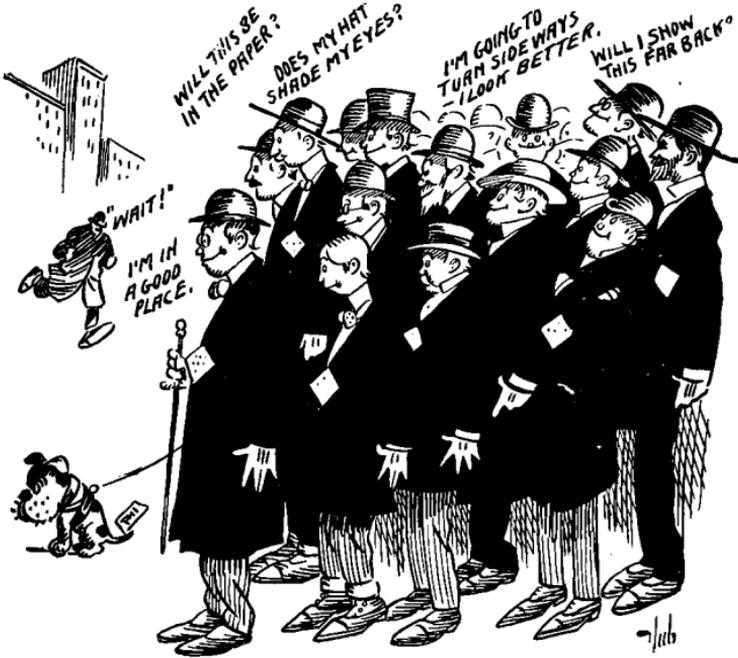
From *The News*.

Delegates and visitors to the twenty-eighth biennial convention of Phi Delta Theta, which is being held at the Claypool this week, have been steadily pouring into the city until it is now estimated that there are more than 500 members of the fraternity here. The dance which is to be given in the assembly room of the Claypool tonight will be one of the society events of the year. There have been more than four hundred invitations sent out to ladies alone, and the attendance is expected to be very large. All day long decorators have been at work decorating the room for the dance and the assembly room walls are almost covered with a profusion of colors which go to make up the different pennants of the numerous colleges where Phi Delta Theta has established chapters.—*Sentinel of Tuesday.*

The dance at the Claypool last night held the stage yesterday for the Phi Delta Theta boys, who are in Indianapolis attending the twenty-eighth convention of the fraternity. The business transacted at the two sessions of the convention was of a routine nature, but the delegates expect to get down to real work today.

The morning session yesterday was devoted to the reports of the province presidents and at 11 o'clock the convention went into a committee session. In the afternoon the committees were not quite ready to report and the session adjourned early. By this morning, all committees will be prepared to report and the convention will proceed to new business and the discussion of the question of its future policy in respect to expansion or anti-expansion.

The program for tonight is at English's, where all the lower floor of the opera house has been reserved. It is said that little Frank Daniels has some-



Phi Delta Thetas Assume Artistic Poses to Have Picture Taken.—*The News*.

thing up his sleeve for the fraternity boys, and, on the quiet, the fraternity boys are saying that they may have something up their sleeves for the little comedian.

Most of the delegates and visitors to the convention arrived yesterday. Last night 300 had registered, not including the local Phi Delta Theta men.—*Star of Wednesday*.

One of the largest and most brilliant social affairs and one of the most notable ever in the Claypool Hotel was the ball given last night by the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, as one of the features of the twenty-eighth biennial convention now in session in this city. It was strictly a college affair and all

the leading colleges of the country were represented and the hall was gay with flags, the fraternity colors, blue and white, and the pennants of all the colleges. Over the platform where the orchestra was stationed was a Phi Delta Theta emblem in electric lights and there were dazzling illuminations both in the ballroom and in the palmroom, where the buffet supper was served. All the college enthusiasm was awakened during the dance intermissions and little groups of men from the several colleges gathered and gave their college yells. Some of them were fearfully and wonderfully worded and given, notable among them those of the University of Pennsylvania,

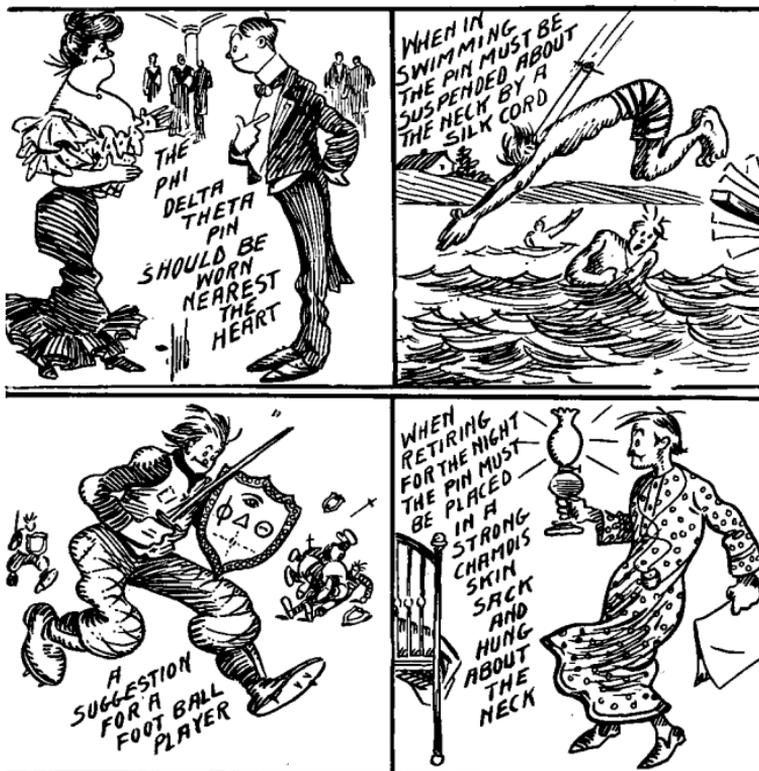


From *The News*.

Cornell and Missouri State University. Other conspicuous yells were those of Purdue and Georgia State University, and in numbers of representatives the Indiana State. Wabash and Butler were not far behind in the noise that was made. There was such a large attendance that dancing was somewhat a matter of "turn and turn about," for all could not be on the floor at the same time. The girls were pretty in their ball gowns of white and there was a liberal sprinkling of red, pink and blue gowns and several with spangles.—*News of Wednesday*.

Phi Delta Thetas took the English Opera-house by storm last night at the performance of Frank Daniel's "Office Boy." The house was decorated with Phi Delta Theta colors and college pennants. Members of the fraternity

had reserved much of the lower floor and a part of the gallery, and made their presence known and felt in unmistakable manner. College and fraternity yells echoed through the theater before the performance, and between the acts. The fraternity men made an appreciative audience, but the greatest enthusiasm of the evening was let loose when one of the feminine members of the cast gave the audience a glimpse of the Phi Delta blue and white in her lingerie.



Phi Delta Theta Law that "Frat" Pin Shall be Worn Day and Night.—From *The News*.

A beautiful effect was produced by the unrolling of hundreds of yards of colored paper ribbons. Rolls were held in the hand, with one end tightly grasped. The roll was then thrown as far as it could be cast. In all directions, up to the balcony from the first floor, up to the gallery from the balcony, and down from each, and even upon the stage, when the curtain had risen on the second act. The whole house was enveloped in a network of

ribbons. Even the actors did not escape. When Frank Daniels appeared, he was made the target of a dozen men and ventured the remark: "Evidently I'm to be Queen of the May."—*News of Thursday.*

Whether a Phi Delta Theta shall wear his fraternity pin at all times, day and night, in all circumstances and under all conditions, and not only when in the "glad rags" of society or clad in his school working clothes, is the question that is being threshed out by the national convention of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity in this city. Several exclusive Eastern fraternities have adopted the rule that their members shall wear the fraternity emblem at all times, awake and asleep, on the football gridiron or in the surf, on the athletic field or in the bath. A strong element of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity is now advocating the same rule for that organization. Its introduction at Wednesday afternoon session of the convention at the Claypool Hotel precipitated a warm discussion, in which both sides of the question were ably defended.—*News of Thursday.*

Two hundred and sixty-seven Phi Delta Thetas, young and old, undergraduates and alumni, sat down to the fraternity's banquet board at the Claypool Hotel last night and enjoyed what is regarded as the greatest of all the social functions of the biennial national conventions. The assembly-



The Charge of the Phi Deltas and Retreat of the Cop.—*The News.*

room of the hotel was decorated with college pennants and fraternity colors, and the scene was a brilliant one. As spectators, many women, mothers, sisters and sweethearts of the Phis, at the board, sat in the balcony. The banquet was served in eleven courses.

Although the rules of the fraternity forbid the use of liquor, and none was served, there was no lack of hilarity, and the "joyous time" that followed the last speech was sufficient evidence of the fact that fraternal enthusiasm may do as much to raise the spirits as can the fruit of the vine. The men were seated at the tables by provinces, and each province vied with every other in the attempt to do the most strikingly original thing possible. Members of one province marched around the hall with napkins tied around heads and with coats turned wrong side out. Others carried their fellows on their shoulders the full circuit of the hall.

Just before separating for the rest of the night, at 2 or 3 o'clock, at the suggestion of the president every man in the room gave his own college yell, at his loudest, and all simultaneously. The pandemonium that ensued was indescribable.

Immediately after the banqueters took their seats for the banquet, all the lights in the room were extinguished, and the room's only light for the instant

was given by the electric bulbs that studded an immense Phi Delta Theta pin, on the south wall.

Mrs. Lindley, the wife of the "father of the fraternity," who occupied a seat in the balcony, was presented with an armload of flowers.—*News of Friday.*

From 8:30 o'clock last night until 2:30 this morning 300 members of Phi Delta Theta sat around the banquet tables at the Claypool Hotel singing college songs, listening to enthusiastic toasts, feasting and indulging in "stunts" that only college men can perform. The banquet was probably the most enthusiastic affair of the kind that was ever given in Indianapolis, and when the banqueters left early this morning, each man was probably more imbued with college spirit than he had ever been before.

When the long rows of fraternity men had lined into the assembly room and taken their seats at three long tables prepared for them, the lights were extinguished for a moment and a large "sword and shield," the emblem of the fraternity, studded with numerous electric lights, was exhibited, lighting the hall.

A moment later the men who had been seated at one table lined up and did a "lock-step" march around the room. They were followed by men from the next table, who turned their dress-coats wrong side out and tied napkins about their heads. Not to be outdone by these the rest of the banqueters sat down backward on their chairs and did a "chariot race" around the room, propelling themselves along much in the same manner that the small boy propels his express wagon.

Fraternity cheers and songs were kept up throughout the evening, and when the affair was at last brought to a close there was scarcely a man who could speak above a whisper.—*Sentinel of Friday.*

A smoker and vaudeville at the Columbia Club last night brought to an end the twenty-eighth biennial convention of Phi Delta Theta. Before noon today the majority of the delegates and visitors had left the city for their homes. It was expected that the business which dragged through the convention could not be completed until late this afternoon, but yesterday afternoon's session was snappy and all matters of business were settled until the next meeting of the convention two years hence.—*Sentinel of Saturday.*

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#### PHI DELTA THETA IN WESTERN FOOTBALL.

The football season of 1904 in the west has been one of especial interest and pleasure to all Phi Delta Thetas who have followed the fortunes of the different teams, due in large measure to the number and prominence of her representatives. Not only have they taken part in almost every college game in the west but in a large degree they have been men of especial prominence about whom the critics all over the country have been writing. In almost every instance four of them have been picked for the "all-western," not to speak of the substitute eleven, and other teams of less national reputation but still of great local interest.

Bro. C. J. Rothgeb of Illinois, has been the universal choice for end on this honorary team and few who have seen him in

action can dispute his right to the position. He is very fast in getting down the field under punts and is a consistent ground gainer, making more long runs than any man on the University of Illinois team. Another man from the same university to obtain the coveted honor is Bro. J. W. Haselwood, who did the most consistent work of all the western centers. On the defensive he is especially strong and in the big games he has repeatedly opened up large holes in the opponents' lines, at the same time passing the ball with accuracy and speed.



C. J. ROTHGEB, ILLINOIS.



J. W. HASELWOOD, ILLINOIS.

Bro. John Spencer Curtis of Michigan, besides making the all-western, was picked by Walter Camp for substitute tackle on the all-American. Although he weighs over 230 pounds he is unusually fast and uses his weight to the greatest advantage. On the defense he not only blocks the plays through his position but very often breaks up the interference on end runs.

Bro. F. A. Speik, captain of the University of Chicago team, is the choice for the end opposite Rothgeb and his ability easily

justifies the selection. His defensive work is something remarkable, being especially prominent in the Michigan-Chicago game where time after time he was called upon to stop the famous half-back Heston.

Bro. Mark S. Catlin, of the University of Chicago team, is the full-back on the all-western. Although he was not in good condition during the season, he managed to take part in all the big games. He was also winner of the individual medal in the conference meet in 1903. Bro. Catlin has been elected



J. S. CURTIS, MICHIGAN.

captain for next season, making the fourth successive time the honor has come to Illinois Beta.

Besides these five men of especial prominence there are many others of marked ability who have made their varsity insignia. Graham, of Michigan and Pope of Illinois played their first year of college football and both won their respective letters, playing in almost every game of the season. Captain Allen, Colton, and Van Ryper represented the fraternity at Northwestern, and were sources of great strength to the team.

Aside from these men representing some of the larger teams  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has had men on almost every team in the west. This is especially true at Case, Ohio Wesleyan, Kansas, Knox, Indianapolis, Hanover, Iowa Wesleyan, and doubtless many other institutions which have not come under the writer's direct notice.

This is a record of which the fraternity can justly feel proud. In every college town a member of the football team is a man of great influence and popularity and is a very



CAPT. F. A. SPEIK,  
CHICAGO.



MARK S. CATLIN, CHICAGO  
CAPTAIN-ELECT.

important factor in what is known as the rushing season. Thus he is not only an element of strength in the game which he acquires but in a larger and more important degree by the desirable men whom he attracts to the fraternity.

#### NEW YORK'S NEW ALUMNI CLUB HOUSE.

The fond dream of the New York alumni club for many years has become a reality. The metropolis now has a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  club house for alumni, of which the fraternity may be proud, and which will welcome visiting Phis from whatever chapter when they reach New York. The new club house is

located at No. 25 East 44th street, just a few doors east of Fifth avenue and within a stone's throw of Delmonico's and Sherry's caravansaries.

It is a brown stone building, four stories high and basement, and provides living accommodations for twelve men. Eleven men have already moved in the house and a rush is anticipated for the single vacancy. There is a library and a large dining room, and in a few weeks all the rooms will be comfortably appointed and ready for visitors. The house is well suited for the needs of the club and it is anticipated that the activity of the organization will be greatly enhanced now that it has a permanent home.

The present lease is only for a period of one year and three months with an option for another year. The club has issued thirty bonds of \$50 each secured by chattel mortgages, and the furnishings were purchased from the proceeds of these bonds each of which bears interest at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. A few yet remain unsubscribed for, but an effort is being made to have all sold before Alumni Day.

The New York alumni club was incorporated in 1898. Several spasmodic attempts to organize were made prior to that time, but nothing lasting was accomplished. During the administration of the Rev. Dr. John Balcom Shaw, *Lafayette*, '85, great progress was made and of the frequently recurring dinners each was more successful than its predecessor. The house movement was started several years ago and about \$1,000 was subscribed on one evening at the St. Denis Hotel when the club was addressed by Bro. J. Clark Moore, then P. G. C. During the presidency of Judge William Albert Keener, *Emory*, '74, rapid advances were made but the house idea was temporarily sidetracked by the preparations to entertain the national convention. Here and at all other times the work of Bro. Arthur Byron Gilbert, *Vermont*, '89, was constantly in evidence.

It remained for Prof. Charles Thaddeus Terry, *Williams*, '89, *Columbia* '93, to push the club house movement to its present happy fruition. In the spring of 1904 the movement which resulted in the leasing of the present club house was begun in very earnest. The directors held a number of meetings and a strong impetus was given at the Alumni Day dinner at the Manhattan Hotel which was attended by about seventy-five Phis. Committees were appointed and did their work. The club district was thoroughly canvassed by Bro. George Chew Atkins, *Columbia*, '02, and valuable

service was volunteered and given by Bro. William LeGrand Burnett, *Auburn*, '01, Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, *C. C. N. Y.*, '88 *Columbia*, '90, Otto Hellmuth Hinck, *Columbia*, '99 and others.

The directors of the club continued to meet frequently at the Republican club and the movement was continually kept alive.



PHI DELTA THETA ALUMNI CLUB HOUSE, NEW YORK.

Few believed that it would succeed as soon and as effectually as it has succeeded. At the annual fall dinner at the Hotel St. Denis which was attended by over a hundred men, president Terry announced that the club house would be a reality within a few months. Additional efforts were brought to

bear on the proposition and early in the new year the lease was signed for a house. It was found necessary to raise the dues from \$2 to \$5 for men who have been out of college for less than five years and \$10 per year for all others. Membership is open to Phis everywhere and a large non-resident membership would be welcomed. On the night on which the announcement was made that the dues were raised, almost seventy Phis signed the new membership roll. The list has now increased to about a hundred and thirty and must be raised to two hundred and fifty at least to assure a successful maintenance of the new club house.

It has been decided to publish a club book at an early date and we want as many on the band wagon as possible when the book goes to press. A new and revised list of the Phis residing in New York City and vicinity is now being prepared. It has been completed through the letter I and contains 319 names, which indicates that the total list which will be ready in a fortnight will comprise over 800 names. We mean to bring as many of these men as possible together and start a well-united effort to boom  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in these parts. The club house will give us a better standing among our rivals and should prove of great advantage to the local chapter at Columbia.

Bro. Burnett, the house manager, announces that the house warming will take place on February 25 at eight o'clock. We want every Phi there who can come. And we want each Phi who is coming to bring another with him. I hope at a later date to tell the fraternity more about our new home and illustrate it all.

BERNARD M. L. ERNST, *Columbia*, '99.

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"Old North," or Nassau Hall, Princeton's oldest and most historic building, is being outwardly changed to make it resemble more nearly its appearance in 1783, when the continental congress sat there for several months. The hall was erected in 1756 and named after William of Orange, Prince of Nassau. At that time it was the largest academy building in the country. It has been burned twice.

The new gymnasium at the University of Pennsylvania and recent improvements on Franklin Field cost \$600,000, which was provided by alumni. In addition \$50,000 has been received for the erection of a training house for university teams and crews, and \$50,000 for an endowment fund for the advancement of physical training at the university.

## EDITORIAL

ON March 15, every company of Phi Delta Thetas will discuss in twofold aspect the practical duties of fraternity membership. Just as we have yearly pleaded for a large observance of Alumni Day, so we now earnestly exhort all who love the brethren to get together again this year. The subject—What the Alumni Owe to their Parent Chapters—involves a consideration of both subjective and objective duties and pleasures. Alumni are not asked to interest themselves in their parent chapters simply for the benefit of the chapters. The purpose of this coming discussion is not just to get contributions or to establish the relation of guardian and ward. The performance of these duties to the chapter passes a very material consideration back to the alumni. While no chapter can securely exist without their active interest, to them it is indeed a profitable activity. When passive they may not realize it well, yet to them their fraternity membership is actually, and still more potentially, an unspeakable blessing. If in college days they have lived in the spirit of the Bond, they have made effective preparation for a life of the highest manhood. If they have then put into their active chapter life the right effort, they may later reap golden results in a certain richness of living. Thus the earlier days are a training for the larger realization of the beauties and blessings of fraternity membership.

The pursuits of life are so absorbent of thought and strength that even some who were most diligent in the chapter will become indifferent from lack of a definite impression as to further usefulness. A custom which revives the finer agencies and nobler influences erstwhile working in them deserves greatly the important emphasis which it receives. If it will this year point impressively to vital duties as well as increase the old devotion, it will accomplish its very highest purposes. The endeavor to give material and moral aid to

the old chapter, to help in making it the strongest influence in college life, to develop the truest manhood in its members, is one of those noble activities that react upon the doers with blessings manifold. Every generous impulse is stirred and every sense is put upon a gracious worthiness. The charm and fascination of college days is enjoyed again with the further consciousness of a fine service well performed. Whether it be in a contribution to the chapter house fund, or a more frequent visit to the chapter, or a judicious aid during the rushing season, or a cultivation of the relation of a true elder brother, or a hundred other practical exhibitions of devotion, the alumnus can find a perennial opportunity to enrich his own life by helping those whose fraternity life is but begun. This is the ideal attainment of the twofold greatness of a true college fraternity. This is the manifest philosophy of that splendid maxim, "Once a Phi, always a Phi."

THE alumni of Phi Delta Theta show indeed a very respectable amount of interest in the fraternity. In all of the large cities they are well organized and hold meetings with reasonable frequency, besides gathering at weekly lunches. Last year at least thirty alumni clubs met at formal dinners and informal functions. We have no complete record of the many delightful gatherings in small groups or visits to the active chapters. The fifty chapter houses in the fraternity are a conclusive evidence of the loyal interest of our alumni. The special problem now is how to arouse some clubs in cities of medium size. An easy solution lies in getting a few men again to go to work. The field is fallow, the interest is not hard to stir up. Get the forces in motion. The alumni commission is going to show large results from its intelligent and unflagging labors. We shall hear of new clubs coming into existence, and we believe that this year will witness the largest celebration of Alumni Day in our history. Phi Delta Theta has over 11,000 members out of college. We will never let go until every one of them is stirred by a strong re-awakening. THE SCROLL is just now trying especially to do

its part not only by giving much space to alumni, but also by sending out a large number of sample copies of this number with the hope of enlarging its subscription list and thereby making secure the interest of our alumni.

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THE Indianapolis convention was another one of those great gatherings which have made Phi Delta Theta a powerful and homogeneous brotherhood. It is impossible to estimate how very far they have gone in giving direction to the fraternity's history. A national convention is absolutely necessary to the prosperity of a fraternity. Our internal organization is so well developed as to make improvement problematical; our periodicals bring the members and chapters into touch as to almost every detail of our affairs; our officers endeavor to supervise the chapters as closely as possible by correspondence and visitation; but nothing can equal in effectiveness this assemblage of the ambassadors from the chapters and the personal association of the hundreds who come for pure gratification of the heart. Every conceivable matter of administration is looked into, every important question of policy is considered; every viewpoint is realized and every inadequacy of view is at least in part remedied. No national convention adjourns without leaving the fraternity in a different condition than before. The discussion of vital questions of policy sometimes reveals conflicting conceptions of the qualifications for membership, and in turn an effort is made to conform them to the principles of sturdy intrinsic manhood set forth in the Bond. Not only for the intense enjoyment but also for its potential effect upon the fraternity, we would welcome a convention once a year.

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PERFECT in hospitality, riotous in fellowship, the recent convention and the Phis of Indiana will live long in our memories. In a charming city, among most delightful people, over five hundred Phi Delta Thetas certainly enjoyed a glorious week. The local committee, called on to do important things with great detail after but a brief notification,

demonstrated again how ready are Phi to answer every call in the interest of our brotherhood. We have endeavored to present a rather full account of the convention with its notable side features, because it is the custom of THE SCROLL to let its readers know first, what is done in the fraternity, and, second, what great good can be derived from attending a national convention.

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THE convention was not epoch-making in legislation, but a number of forward steps were made. By no means, as the editor of the *Kappa Alpha Journal* imagines, was the most important question that as to the time and place of wearing the badge. This subject was indeed warmly discussed and considerably advertised by the clever cartoons of the *News*, but it originated in a desire to give the greatest possible evidence of devotion. Probably the greatest achievement was the formation of another intelligent plan for bringing the alumni into closer relation with the fraternity. The financial system was improved. The provinces were somewhat changed for better administration. Arrangements were made for closer visitation of the chapters by the officers. A greater co-operation in the make-up and circulation of our periodicals was substantially encouraged. The question of extension was not adversely passed upon, but this will still be a live question to be dealt with through the machinery provided for operation between conventions. We doubt not, too, that in every chapter of Phi Delta Theta there is being felt a strong stimulus from its representatives at the convention.

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FIVE conventions—those of 1896, 1888, 1900, 1902 and 1904—have been held during Thanksgiving week. This date was suggested by Dr. J. E. Brown, recently president of the fraternity. It has proven to be a more satisfactory season for the convention than earlier in the fall, or a month in spring, when preceding conventions had been held. The reason that it is a better time is that most colleges give three days' holiday—Thursday, Friday and Saturday—on Thanksgiving week,

on which account active members attending colleges near the place where each convention is held can come to it without losing time from their college duties. Still this half-week holiday permits the attendance of students at colleges within only a limited radius of the convention city, and permits them to attend only half of the convention sessions. It may be well to consider whether the selection of some other month than the months on which previous conventions have been held would not better serve our purposes and be the means of increasing the attendance. Four or five years ago, Bro. Hugh Th. Miller, then editor of *THE SCROLL*, proposed and advocated the holding of the convention in summer. Excepting the convention of 1876, held at Philadelphia in July during the centennial exposition, we have never held a convention in summer. We shall present Bro. Miller's arguments in favor of a summer convention as we remember them.

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EVERY observing member of the fraternity who has attended one of its conventions knows that nothing else does so much as attendance upon a convention to increase the interest and enthusiasm of active members or to revive the loyalty of the older members for the fraternity. For this reason it should be our object to select a date for the convention which will be most convenient for the largest number, and which will insure the largest possible attendance of both active members and alumni. The summer vacation trip is now a fixed habit among Americans who possess the means to indulge in it. But many are able to take only one pleasure trip a year. On account of the time required, as well as the expense, many a man feels that he cannot afford but one pleasure trip in twelve months, and such persons looking eagerly forward to vacation time, often plan their trips a whole year ahead. And in nine cases out of ten when a person can enjoy but one pleasure trip a year he takes it in summer, in fact he has to take it then or not at all. It is the dull season in business, and most business men must improve the opportunity or go without a vacation trip. The courts

are not in session and lawyers are less busy than at any other season. The exigencies of business and professional life are such that summer is the only time in the year when most business and professional men can absent themselves from their places of business. Having taken their trips in summer, many persons can attend a fraternity convention in November only by making personal sacrifices. Most people of the class to which fraternity men belong lay aside sums to be spent on their annual vacations, and having spent these sums in summer, they think they cannot afford to incur the expense of making a trip to a distant convention and stopping at an expensive hotel while attending the convention. Every convention goer knows that of the alumni who attend any convention nearly all are from nearby points, and nearly all of them are present at but one or two of the business sessions, or at the banquet only. And the large majority of active members outside of the chapter delegates are from the nearby colleges and most of them are able to get away from college and attend the convention only during its last two or three days. Another thing which keeps men, active and alumni members, away from the convention is the desire to attend family reunions on Thanksgiving day.

In summer business and professional men could get away from offices, banks and stores. If the convention were held in summer many of them would arrange to make attendance at the convention a part of their vacation trips. Then, instead of being at the convention only one day or a part of a day, many of them would come for the opening session or a day in advance and remain during the whole week. No one can estimate how the fraternity would be stimulated and benefited by having a large body of alumni present at the convention and having them there long enough to enter fully into the spirit of the occasion and to enjoy all of the social privileges which may there be obtained. Alumni would return to their homes with enlarged ideas of the fraternity, with their love and respect for it increased, and with a determina-

tion to advance its interests in their respective localities whenever opportunities could be found. In summer, too, there would be no difficulty about college students getting excused from their college work. They would have no fears of failure to pass examinations by reason of cutting their classes for several days. It would seem, therefore, that summer is the time when it would be most convenient for both alumni and college men to attend a convention. It seems reasonable to expect also that many chapters which have been represented by only one member each, and that the official delegate, would each be represented unofficially by several other members, and in not a few cases by the entire active membership. And who can calculate what an invigorating effect would be produced upon the chapters by the attendance of a large proportion of the active members of the fraternity? By the last of November the rushing season is over. But if the convention were held the last week in August, the delegates would return almost directly to their chapters with a reawakened enthusiasm which would surely count for much in spiking new men, and if several members from each chapter were present, instead of only one delegate, they would on their return to college make a very strong team of spikers.

ONE prominent fraternity—we refer to Beta Theta Pi—always holds its conventions at summer resorts. Beta conventions are held annually, and we believe every one held these twenty-five years has been held in summer. Often they have met at Niagara Falls, Lake Chatauqua, Put-in-Bay and other popular resorts. To all of these places the railroads give reduced rates, without making special arrangements. So far as we are informed, the Betas have largely attended and very successful conventions. The summer months must be a good time for such general fraternity meetings, or Beta Theta Pi would not have met at this season so long. At these resorts we have no large local memberships, therefore the social features of a convention held at one of them would be quite different from the social features of conventions held in

large cities where we have large bodies of alumni. The social features at a summer resort would be comparatively simple and inexpensive. But would this be any disadvantage? The social features of our conventions of 1896, 1898, 1900, 1902 and 1904 have been planned on an extensive scale, and involved the expenditure of large sums of money. The expense which now falls upon the local Phis in the convention city is heavy, and elaborate preparations are made for a variety of entertainments. The result is that it is possible to entertain the convention in a manner equalling that of the last five conventions only in cities where our alumni are strong numerically and are very strongly organized. If more expense is attached to future conventions, or more labor is required for preparations, we fear that the Phis, even where our alumni are most strong, influential and well organized, will hesitate about extending invitations for the convention to be their guest. But if the convention should be held at a summer resort it would take care of itself; no local committee on arrangements would be necessary. There would be no theatre party of course, and no big reception and ball, but there might be an informal dance every evening, or a smoker every evening. Brother Miller thinks that there would be nothing lost if there were no entertainments on some evenings, for in such case the fellows would spend the time in getting better acquainted; they would just sit around the hotel and talk during the evenings, and thus all would learn very much more about the various chapters and the conditions which the fraternity encounters in the various colleges than is learned by delegates now, when every moment of convention week is so fully occupied with either business sessions or social functions. For many reasons it seems that Brother Miller's suggestion of holding the convention in summer at some popular, pleasant and attractive resort is well worthy of a trial. And if the experiment is made it seems opportune to make it for the 1906 convention, since the place of meeting has not been designated. The code permits the general council to change the date for holding a convention.

## CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

## QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, we have initiated six more men whom we introduce with pleasure as brothers in the bond. The initiates are: John Goodal Dickenson, New York City; Chester Harold Payne, Ottawa, Ont.; Harold Moffat Houghton, Kingston, Ja.; Angus Furnival Pringle, Belleville, Ont.; Victor Elliot Dawson, Ottawa, Ont.; and Cecil Middletown Ross, Ottawa, Ont.

The hockey season has opened very auspiciously. On January 13 McGill defeated Queen's University, 6-3, and on January 20 defeated Toronto University, 9-4. In the class games the seniors defaulted leaving only three teams in the league. The freshmen are leading with two victories to their credit. The first was over the sophomore's score, 4-2, and the second over the Junior's score, 4-3. Bros. Hibbard, Powell and Ross are playing on their respective teams.

The basketball team has just returned from a short but successful trip. In the class games the freshmen are again in the lead. Bro. Shanks is playing on the freshman team.

In order to make our collection of pennants complete we sent a McGill pennant to every chapter with whom we had not previously exchanged. If any chapter has not received ours we would like them to let us know.

During the last month we have had visits from Bros. Chess, of Vermont, and Higman, of Dartmouth, and two of our alumni, Bros. Bell and Stonel. Montreal, January 27, 1905.

JOHN A. McDONALD.

## MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

At the regular mid-winter meeting of the board of trustees two new departments were created: one to be known as the department of biology and the other as the department of applied science. Mr. Webster Chester, who was instructor in biology last year was made head of the new department, and professor Arvid Reuterdaahl was made professor of applied science. Professors Chester and Reuterdaahl have done efficient work since their connection with the college and have won the respect and confidence of the student body. The trustees further arranged that the woman's division should be made a separate woman's college.

The basketball season has begun. It is too early to predict what the outcome of the season will be, but there is plenty of material and the prospects are favorable for a winning team.

Since the issue of the last chapter letter Maine Alpha has been making steady progress. Last year new furniture and other fixtures were placed in the hall. This year efforts are being made to secure a new piano. Already members of the chapter and alumni brothers have pledged enough to make the project a sure one. With this addition, the chapter hall will be furnished and put in excellent condition for future use.

Brother Chipman, '06, was awarded first junior part, the highest rank on any member of the class for the first two years of the college course. Bro. Chipman is also editor of the *Echo*. Brothers Coy, '05, Upwall, '05,

Thompson, '08, Mathews, '08, and Keyes, '08, are members of the glee club. Brother Mixer, '08, is reader for the same organization. Brother Flood, '08, is a member of the basketball team.

Waterville, January 27, 1905.

I. A. BOWDOIN.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

At the time of writing the college is just entering upon its semester examinations and consequently Hanover is rather quiet.

Our football team had a very successful season, playing a tie game with Harvard and winning all the other games on the schedule. Our goal line was crossed only once by an opposing team and then it was by a fumbled ball; and the only other time that we were scored upon was through place kicks from the field. Bro. Bankart earned his letter and Bros. Chase and Shoninger represented us on the squad.

In basketball the team has started out well with all the old men back and some good material in the freshman class. The team plays Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Pennsylvania this year for the first time since the inauguration of the sport at Dartmouth.

Our initiation banquet was held December 3, 1904. We take great pleasure in introducing to the general fraternity Bros. W. B. Evans, J. H. Johnson, A. S. Shoninger, A. T. Stuart, W. C. Rich, P. L. Thompson, R. F. Thompson, S. D. Tappan, H. F. Whipple.

Hanover, January 27, 1905.

H. W. HIGMAN.

#### VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The most important event at Vermont in the past few weeks is the founding of a new senior society, "The Boulder." Its object is to better interfraternity feeling, improve college spirit, and to prevent, as far as possible, dirty politics in class and college elections. Its charter members include one man from each fraternity and one "neut." Bro. Newton represents Phi Delta Theta. This society fills a long felt want and it is the hope of every Vermont man that it will prosper and succeed in the objects for which it was instituted.

The basketball season has commenced and the 'varsity has already won two games, defeating McGill 38-24, and Norwich University, 25-8. Bro. Peck, '06, is captain and centre, and Bro. Newton is substitute guard. The college is looking for a very successful season.

A few college honors have fallen to Vermont Alpha. Bro. Edson, '06, has been elected assistant editor of the *Ariel* and Bro. Peck, '06, is on the junior prom committee. Bros. Newton '05, Appleton, '07, and Waterman, '07, were elected members of the cotillion, and Bros. Peck, '06 and Watson, '06, of the *Histrionics*.

Our initiation banquet was held December 10 at the Van Ness House. Bro. Lewis, Rhode Island Alpha, '95, acted as toastmaster. Bro. Leach, '92, was speaker of the evening. We were pleased to have with us Bros. Sinclair and Wood, of Quebec Alpha. A large number of alumni were also in attendance.

H. H. WATSON.

Burlington, January 26, 1905.

#### MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

The opening of the new Thompson Memorial chapel has been delayed for some months on account of the destruction by fire of the organ, which had been ready for shipment for several months. The college suffered a

severe loss on Thanksgiving day by the burning of the interior of Morgan Hall, the largest dormitory on the campus. Steps were immediately taken to repair the damage so that when these repairs are completed the building will have a modern equipment in all respects. Bros. Knox and Winslow, '07, and Meeker and Russell, '08, were among those who suffered losses during the fire.

The football season closed with victories over the University of Vermont and Wesleyan and a defeat by Amherst. The team had a hard schedule to play, and was further handicapped by the loss of several good men who graduated with 1904.

In the recent class day elections Bro. A. P. Newell, '05 was chosen orator to the lower classes. Bros. Knox, '07, McClellan, '08, and Scott, '08, remain in the fifteen competing for the *Record* board. In the class relay races January 28, Bros. W. A. Newell and Ayers were on the senior team, and Bro. Howe was on the freshman team. Bro. Newell will probably be on the team which runs against Dartmouth, February 11, at the B. A. A. meet held in Mechanic's Hall, at Boston.

W. S. AYERS.

Williamstown, January 28, 1904.

#### MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

Amherst has recently been exceedingly fortunate in receiving a number of endowments from alumni and friends of the college. The most important of these are a gift of \$10,000 to be used for the restoration of College Hall, and one of \$30,000 to erect a building to contain a swimming pool and also racquet and squash courts. The plan in connection with the improvements of old College Hall is to build a portico such as the building originally had, improve the entrances, paint the interior and exterior, lay a hard wood floor and provide for proper seating accommodations. The other proposed building will be connected with the gymnasium and heated with it by a new heating apparatus; the tank is to occupy the entire first floor, being seventy feet long.

The basketball outlook is more promising this year than last. There is good material in the freshman class, and there are some of last year's men in the squad also. Brother Greenaway, '07, is one of these, and Bro. Powell is on the 'varsity. The track candidates have begun training for the Boston athletic meet. Brother White is one of those among the most promising, and will undoubtedly make the relay team.

The sophomore hop on December 3 was the great and successful social event of the winter season here. Many of the brothers and their friends enjoyed it.

Two increasingly important features of our college life are the mountain club and the literary club. For the latter, many prominent authors and critics of the day are secured to give formal or informal addresses, besides the preparation by members of papers on individual authors. General discussions follow, thereby affording a source of great profit and pleasure to all those who attend. In the mountain club a snowshoe section has been formed and trips have been made in this vicinity. A long trip is being planned into New Hampshire. Snowshoes, moccasins and toboggans were ordered from Montreal. The Romance and German clubs are also thriving, and occasional foreign speakers address us in their native language.

*The Olio*, the college annual, appeared just before vacation; satisfying the curiosity of all, especially of the junior class.

Y. M. C. A. work this year has taken on a more active form than ever before. Fraternity Bible classes are held every week beside the class con-

ferences. In mission study, classes have been formed in medical missions and in missionary biography. Work is also being done in providing college men as speakers before preparatory schools and churches; this is an entirely new feature of the work.

We are very fortunate this year in having for the first lecturer in the Henry Ward Beecher lecture course, Prof. John B. Clark, of Columbia, who is giving this month an important series of eight lectures on the problem of monopoly.

Amherst, January 10, 1905.

EDGAR W. BURRILL.

#### RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The new term has ushered in but few changes at Brown. The yearly catalogue has just been issued and announces the number of students to be 988—the largest attendance in the history of the university. The basketball and hockey teams are beginning to get into shape for their games. The prospects for the hockey team are not very bright, but we expect to have a good basketball team. All but one of last year's men are back in college together with a number of new men of ability. Because of the illness of manager Sivaffield, Lucian D. Fuller, Δ K E, has been elected to fill his place. He has arranged a very good schedule for the team.

Much interest is being taken in debating at Brown this year. Debates have been arranged with Dartmouth and Johns Hopkins. Besides these two varsity debates there will be a series between the classes, and the sophomores have arranged a debate with the Harvard sophomores for this term. The question for the Dartmouth debate is:—Resolved: That the United States should admit Canadian coal and lumber free of duty.

The usual vesper services of the winter term will be held in Sayles Memorial Hall on Wednesday afternoons. Among the speakers are Pres. Charles Cuthbert Hall, D. D., of Union Theological Seminary; Rev. Samuel A. Eliot, D. D., president of the American Unitarian Association; Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes, secretary of Yale University; Robert E. Speer, and John H. Vincent, D. D., Bishop of the M. E. church.

Our chapter this term is in flourishing condition, and well represented in college activities. Bro. Gessner, our delegate to Indianapolis, recently gave us a very enthusiastic account of the convention and of the condition of Φ Δ Θ in general.

Providence, January 5, 1905.

CHAS. S. HUFF.

#### NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The middle of January finds all the brothers back from the Christmas vacation and about to face the terrors of the mid-year examinations. It is hazardous to risk a prophecy on the results after February 1; but we are all hoping for the best.

The Indianapolis convention is now a thing of the past. We were glad to have a large delegation present. Bro. R. W. Chase was the chapter's official delegate. Those unable to attend, through the glowing accounts of those who were there, were able to enter into the spirit of the occasion. We note with pleasure the bright outlook for the future of Phi Delta Theta, which the convention displayed.

During the holidays the glee and mandolin clubs had a very successful trip through the southern states. Though not a great success from the financial standpoint, in all other respects the season was an exceptionally good one.

Winter athletics are in full swing. The track and baseball men, under Jack Mookley and Glenn Warner, are preparing for spring work. Both coaches are conservative in the opinions as to the value of the new material at hand. With the cross country team Mookley has had unusual success. The team, though handicapped by the loss of last year's stars, easily won the intercollegiate event at New York city.

Coach Courtney as yet has not made public his estimate of the material in the crew room. We have every reason to believe, however, that the prospects are encouraging for winning crews next spring.

The football season was, in many ways, a most unsatisfactory one. We appreciate the task Glenn Warner had before him when he undertook the building up of the football at Cornell in one year. Our faith in him is unshaken, and we feel certain that the improvement this year, small though it be, is indicative of greater advances next year.

The annual mid-winter festivities of junior week are close at hand. The chapter expects to have its annual house party.

The chapter is well represented on the various class committees: Bro. Chase, class day; Bro. Kuhlmeier, senior ball; Bro. Aliaume, junior promenade; Bro. McGee, sophomore cotillion; Bros. Sheppard and Hills, freshman banquet. The following elections have recently been made:

Bro. Aliaume, secretary junior class, Phi Delta Phi and Round Table; Bro. Bosler, Round Table; Bro. Wiley, Phi Delta Phi, Round Table and Dunston; Bro. Rogers, Dunston.

We are sorry to report that Bro. McGee, owing to ill health, has been compelled to withdraw from the university.

W. J. DUGAN.

Ithaca, January 15, 1905.

#### NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

New York Beta extends to each and every Phi her best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

Union has just seen the close of the most successful football season in ten or twelve years, winning six out of nine games. The scores were as follows: Columbia 10, Union 0; Edison Club 0, Union 12, Rochester 6, Union 5; Hamilton 5, Union 0; R. P. I. 0, Union 21; Rutgers 0, Union 35; Trinity 0, Union 23; Middlebury 0, Union 41, N. Y. U. 0, Union 21. At the banquet given the team Brother Dann was elected captain for next year. New York Beta had three regulars and a substitute on this year's team.

For the first time Union will hold a junior week. It will occur during the week beginning February 6 and will include, the Allison-Foote debate, a theatre party, a junior hop, the sophomore soiree, and several fraternity dances. New York Beta will keep open house and would like very much to see any of her alumni present.

Strenuous efforts are being made for the building of a house, and the chapter hopes to have one in the near future. Nearly \$3,000 in notes has been pledged and the bonds are ready for issue.

At the national convention in Indianapolis, the chapter was represented by Brother Harry N. Haight. Few of those who attended it will forget the hospitality of the Indianapolis Phis.

Schenectady, January 14, 1905.

MARCUS H. ELLIOTT.

#### NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

The delegate's report on the convention pleased the chapter very much; and the brothers feel that they were well represented by Bro. W. L. Benham.

The football season just passed, although not entirely a successful one for Columbia, turned out better than we dared to hope after the unfortunate slump in mid-season. The team's good work in the Cornell game, after three successive defeats, proved that there was good stuff in the team and the undergraduate body were not slow in showing their appreciation. After the game about five hundred men marched down from the football field and taking their station in front of the football house gave every member of the team a rousing cheer. In connection with football we are most happy to make the announcement that Bro. Geo. Norris, '07, C., has just been elected assistant manager of the 1905 football team.

It was printed not long ago in one of the New York papers that Bro. W. Tyler had left college. We are glad to say that this is not so. Bro. Tyler is captain of the baseball team this year and his absence would be sorely missed.

Hockey and basketball are now in order in the athletic world. Bro. C. Gantert, manager of the team, states that prospects for a good hockey team seem unusually good. Several of the brothers are candidates, among whom are Bros. Williams, Clapp, Schoonmaker, Banks, and Bode. Bro. Norris, assistant manager of the team, was forced to resign on his election to the football managership.

There was a close game of football the other day between the sophomores and freshmen. The sophomores winning by a score of 6 to 0. Bro. Kehrlen, '07 and Mapledsen, '08, were the Phis who indulged in the game.

Rowing will soon commence and the prospects for a good crew seem excellent. There are fifteen men, who have previously won C's for rowing, who will be candidates. Bros. Updike of the 1903 four, Miller who rowed number four in last year's eight, Clapp and Norris, of the 1907 class crew, will all be strong candidates for positions in the boats.

In the fall regatta this year the following brothers held positions in the various class crews. Bros. Updike, Miller, Maeder, Jackson, Williams, Tonnele, Clapp, Norris, Carleton and G. Bode.

Bro. W. L. Benham, captain of this year's gymnasium team, reports that there is good material for a championship team. From last year's graduating class Bros. Updike, Pitou and Tyler are still with us, all taking post graduate courses. We have taken in seven new brothers this fall and affiliated two. We beg to present Bros. R. Mapledsen, H. Banks, H. Fish, G. Bode, C. Snook, A. Alexander and H. Nichols.

Bros. Elliott, of Williams, and D. Carleton, of Amherst, affiliated with us.

We will be most happy to have any brother who by chance may be in the neighborhood of New York to drop in and see us.

New York, December 2, 1904.

JOHN L. TONNELE, JR.

#### NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The sickness of our reporter, Bro. S. B. Smith, has caused an interruption in our letters to THE SCROLL. Bro. Smith has been obliged to leave college, but will return next year to finish his course.

Syracuse University was never in a more prosperous condition than at the present time. For the first time in its history, the university is entirely free from debt. Besides the new mechanical laboratory given by Mr. L. C. Smith, a hall of natural history will be erected at a cost of \$250,000. This building, made possible through the munificence of Mr. J. C. Lyman, will contain the departments of biology, geology and physiology.

After a successful rushing season, New York Epsilon introduces as Phis: Howard R. Place, Binghamton, N. Y.; Austin G. Kellow, Scranton, Pa.;

Lucius A. Waldo, Jr., Canisteo, N. Y.; Wilson J. Merry, Verona, N. Y.; E. Winship Loucks, Oneida, N. Y.; John J. Stark, Little Falls, N. Y.; Frank M. Simpson, Little Falls, N. Y.; E. Nathan Sears, Syracuse, N. Y.; E. Glenwood Pearce, Herkimer, N. Y.; and Chester B. Grandey, Glens Falls, N. Y. Besides these men, we have initiated Charles F. Taylor, '84, who was a member of the society which petitioned  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  for a charter, but graduated before the charter was granted. Bro. Taylor is a prominent engineer in the city, and was chief engineer in charge of the construction of the Boston subway.

Bro. Stark was married on January 7 to Miss Bertha Smith, of Mohawk, N. Y., and left college shortly after, to go into business with his father at Little Falls. He was a member of the basketball team, and was considered the best forward ever in the university.

In athletic circles, our basketball team has been very successful, defeating Dartmouth, Cornell, Yale, and thus far has not lost a single college game. An excellent baseball schedule has been arranged by Bro. Sanford, including games with Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Georgetown, and Annapolis. The outlook for a winning team is good.

A call has been issued for crew candidates, and coach Ten Eyck is very sanguine over the prospects. All the men of the winning crews of last year are out, and the freshman material is especially promising, about eighty men having reported to the coach.

Bro. Kirkpatrick, of the engineering faculty, has received an appointment as U. S. engineer in the Philippines and will leave for Manila in about two weeks. Bro. Kirkpatrick was one of the youngest members of the faculty, and his appointment is a deserved tribute to his ability.

The incorporation of our alumni makes the outlook for a chapter house in the near future still more promising and we hope to be able to announce to the brothers soon that the house is under process of construction.

Syracuse, February 5, 1905.

F. W. WHITNEY.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

The new year has marked but few changes at Lafayette. The new catalogue, which is being published, shows the enrollment in college to be 398, divided as follows:—graduates 11, seniors 91, juniors 64, sophomores 102 and freshmen 132. The new field-house dedicated last commencement, the gift of the student body, has been in use all fall and has satisfied a long-felt need.

The football season closed on Thanksgiving day with a very decisive victory over our old rival Lehigh by the score of 40 to 6. The season was one of the most successful in the history of football at Lafayette. All the colleges met were defeated with the exception of Princeton and University of Pennsylvania. Bro. McAvoy, '08, played an exceptionally strong game at full back.

Since the last report we have initiated the following men and take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity as brothers: Silas M. Haight, '08, Elmira, N. Y.; Waldo R. Heustis, '08, Philadelphia; Harry M. Hirst, '08, Lansdowne, Pa.; William J. McAvoy, '08, Hazleton, Pa., and Andrew J. Wight, '08, Perth Amboy, N. J.

$\Theta \Delta X$  has broken ground for their new chapter house. It is situated on the campus and when completed will cost about \$25,000.  $\Delta K E$  and  $\Sigma X$  also occupy houses. It is expected that several other fraternities will break ground soon, and let us hope that Pennsylvania Alpha will be among that number.

Several honors have recently been received by members of the chapter. Bro. Wilson, '06, has been elected president of his class. Bro. Smith, '06, has been appointed chairman of the junior week committee, and chairman of the decoration committee of the junior hop. Bro. McAvoy, '08, has been elected president of the freshman class.

The Sock and Buskin club is rehearsing for a mid-winter play to be given junior week. Bros. Alexander, '06, Welsh, '07, Heustis, '08, are trying for places on the cast, and Bros. Hemingway, '07, and Kirkpatrick, '07, for places in the chorus.

The musical clubs are practicing hard and it is expected that good clubs will be turned out. Bro. Wilson, '06, has planned an extensive trip for the spring vacation. Bro. Alexander, '06, and Bro. Wight, '08, are members of the mandolin club.

The 1906 *Melange*, the college annual, expects to make its appearance the end of this term. Pennsylvania Alpha is represented by Bro. H. H. McIntire, '06.

The prospects for good baseball and track teams in the spring are very bright. Bro. Pomeroy, '05, is arranging an extensive trip throughout the south for the baseball team during the spring vacation. Bro. Hubley, '05, will undoubtedly be found on the team again this year, and Bro. McAvoy, '08, is a strong candidate for first base.

The number of initiates this year by the different fraternities is as follows:—Δ K E, 6; Ζ Ψ, 5; Θ Δ X, 4; Σ X, 9; Φ K Ψ, 5; Φ Δ Θ, 5; X Φ, 9; Φ Γ Δ, 4; Δ T, 8; Σ N, 9; A X P, 1; Skull & Raven 4.

Easton, January 16, 1905.

E. GRAHAM WILSON.

#### PENNSYLVANIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Since the publication of the December SCROLL we have pledged two men: William Offut Davis of Frostburg, Md., and Frank S. Chase of Cumberland, Md. Both are members of the class of 1910 in the preparatory department. Otherwise nothing worthy of stating here has taken place which concerns Pennsylvania Beta.

Our football season closed very fittingly with a victory over our old rival, Franklin and Marshall College on Thanksgiving day. The basketball season, though still young, bids to be a very prosperous one. Baseball practice was started in the cage last week and judging from the showing of the candidates to date the college ought to turn out a victorious nine.

During the past week Gettysburg had a small pox scare. Last Sunday evening, February 5, a report was circulated around college that two freshmen were infected with that dreaded disease. All day Monday the same rumor was passing from ear to ear and all sorts of weird stories were told. Shortly after midnight the college dormitories were quarantined by order of the local board of health. Nevertheless, quite a number of students succeeded in making their escape from the buildings both before and after the guards were posted. The next morning, about twenty-five students boarded the train for Harrisburg, but were not permitted to land there and finally were sent back to Gettysburg after being locked up in a car without anything to eat for about ten hours. Some of the more fortunate ones who succeeded in reaching their respective homes were immediately quarantined there, while a few escaped with being fumigated and vaccinated. On Wednesday, Dr. Welch of Philadelphia a well known small pox specialist, who had been secured by the college to look after the small pox patients, pronounced the disease chicken pox. Finally on Thursday afternoon at four o'clock the quarantine was lifted and recitations were resumed on Friday morning.

Gettysburg, February 11, 1905.

H. S. DORNBERGER.

**PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.**

Nearly all the chapter is back from Christmas vacation. We lost two pledged men, Roy and Pitcairn, by their going to other schools, Muskingum and Pennsylvania State.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bros. McVay, of Xenia, O., and Hamilton, of Beaver, Pa.

The chapter has been very much benefited by the Indianapolis convention and is determined to make  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  without rivals at Washington and Jefferson.

We are now contemplating the equipment of a dining room in our house and hope to be able to banquet visiting Phis at our own house in the near future.

We would be glad to receive suggestions from those chapters where the dining table has proven a benefit and success.

Our chapter is delighted with the internal improvement made at Indianapolis and especially in the choice of Bro. Mitchell for P. G. C.

Washington, January 7, 1905.

T. C. FRAME.

**PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.**

Our college opened the year with the largest attendance in its history. The death of James H. Montgomery was a sad loss to our institution.

Athletics have made a very good showing so far this year. Our football team was very much hampered at the opening of the season because only four of last year's players returned; consequently at first we lost a number of games. However we took a brace and broke even with the season, winning five and losing five. Bros. Ballantyne, Thompson, Hines and Miner did good work for the 'varsity.

Under the efficient captaincy of Bro. Lewis, our basketball team is keeping up to her glorious record of the past. We have won the three games played—Yale, Geneva College and Marietta College. Bro. McAuthor is putting up a star game at his old position at forward, while Bros. Tarrel, Challender and Kuncle are doing firm work on the second team.

Bro. Winn has been elected captain of the baseball team and Bro. Thompson manager of the track team.

During the Christmas holidays our glee club, under the leadership of Bro. Swanson, made a very successful tour of western Pennsylvania. Bros. Merrill, Taft, Geisey, Gehr, Tarrel, Perry, King, Greer, Clark, and Bro. Freeman, of Princeton University, accompanied the club.

The banquet on Washington's Birthday is the swell event of the college year. This year we have two of the speakers Bro. Arthur Stoples, president of Beaver College, and Bro. F. M. Thompson.

Unusual interest is being manifested in the debating and oratorical contests which are soon to take place. The prospects are good that we shall meet Cornell University and Washington and Jefferson College in debate. On the preliminary debating teams we have Bros. Farr, Swanson, Greer and Jones.

We are represented in the senior class by Bros. Farr, class president; Wright, orator; Ballantyne, sec.; Morrison, prophet. We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity, Bros. J. L. Minor of Punxsutawney, Pa.; A. D. P. Miller, of Pittsburg, Pa.; A. C. Perry, of Oil City, Pa.; E. M. Deisy, of Wheeling, W. Va.; G. R. Clark of Edenboro, Pa.; C. H. Greer, of New Castle, Pa.; W. R. Main, of Titusville, Pa.; W. E. Thomas, of Tidioute, Pa.; O. C. Jones, of Ashtabula, Ohio; and D. C. Challender, of Pittsburg, Pa.

Meadville, January 25, 1905.

F. M. THOMPSON.

**PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.**

The chapter at Dickinson is in a flourishing condition and in no way did the outlook at the beginning of the college year mislead us. Our rushing season has been most successful and we take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity the following brothers: William Lloyd Hibbs, '07; Geo. P. Beck, '08; R. P. Reed, '08; William A. Zerbey, '08; C. E. Walkley, '08. In addition to these we have pledged Irvin P. Parson who is in Dickinson prep. school.

The football team on Thanksgiving day finished a very successful season being victorious in eight games losing three and tying one. Bros. H. W. Smith, Cramer and Hoffman were members of the team.

Our delegate to Indianapolis, Bro. R. E. Smith, returned with a glowing account of the convention.

Σ X chapter house which has been erected this fall is nearing completion and will soon be ready for occupancy.

A new fraternity, A X P has come among us. It has chapters at Lafayette, University of Pennsylvania, Trinity and Columbia. As yet it has not publicly announced itself, neither have the other fraternities acknowledged it.

Ω Ψ, which is a ladies' local fraternity, gave a reception in Assembly Hall to the faculty and some of the students.

Bro. Kurtz has been elected treasurer of the athletic association, Bro. Judy football manager, Bros. Walkley and Reed have made the glee club, Bro. Benner has been made inter society debater.

A word to our alumni and any Phi who may come our way. Do not forget that a cordial welcome awaits you. During this term we have entertained Bros. Smaltz, of Indiana Beta and Gottschall and Hoffman, alumni of our own chapter.

Carlisle, January 25, 1905.

WILLIAM M. HOFFMAN.

**PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.**

The University of Pennsylvania is now at its high water mark in point of enrollment of students and faculty, having a grand total of 3,356. Last July a summer school was opened for the first time and the plan proved so successful that the sessions will undoubtedly become an established practice. The Wharton school, department of finance and commerce, has moved into its own quarters and opened a night school offering commercial courses to business men. The present tendency of Pennsylvania points toward a development into a great democratic institution when professors and students will ever come into a closer and more intimate contact. In Dr. Harrison, Pennsylvania has a Provost who has done more towards building up the material side of the university than any of his predecessors. The new gymnasium, engineering buildings, medical laboratories and dormitories, all completed within the year, will stand as a monument to his energies. On the authority of Dr. Child, new dean of the department of philosophy, it can be stated that Pennsylvania has more buildings than any other university in the country.

The intercollegiate swimming meet will be held in the new gymnasium. Bro. McCarey is captain, Bro. Block, C. C., and Hawley are members. Bros. Dieterlie and Takaki are on the gymnasium team. Hendri, Zock, Block, H. H., and Hawley are out for the crew. Sixteen rowing machines have been set up in the gymnasium. Bro. Goodin is editor-in-chief of the 1905 class record. Bros. Dieterlie and Sawyer made a good showing in the

mask and wig preliminaries. Bros. Bortle and Ludlow will be in the cast again this year.

Bro. Rane, professor of forestry at Durham, N. H., spent the holidays with us while attending sessions of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Bros. Collins and Davis have returned to college. Bro. Hilderbrand, '03, is an assistant instructor in chemistry.

On January 6 the chapter gave a house party, the first of its kind at Pennsylvania. For three days the house was turned over to two chaperons and sixteen young ladies. The event proved such a success that it will probably continue as a biennial affair.

Philadelphia, January 20, 1905.

JOSIAH RICHARDS.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter Lehigh has had the misfortune to lose two of the ablest members of its faculty. On November 16, 1904, our president, Dr. Thomas M. Drown, died at St. Luke's Hospital, after being operated on for acute appendicitis. Not long after this Dr. Benjamin W. Frazier, professor of mineralogy, was also taken from our midst. In the loss of these two men Lehigh has received a blow from which it will take her long to recover.

Another misfortune of lesser importance was our defeat by Lafayette in the annual football game on Thanksgiving day. Our football team last season had rather hard luck from the beginning. Nearly all of our best men were put out of commission early in the season, and the remaining material was not equal to the occasion. The team was very ably coached by Bro. S. B. Newton, but somehow or other we did not win many games.

We held an initiation on January 21, and take great pleasure in introducing the following men as brothers in the Bond: William Brenizer Sites, Elkins Park, Pa.; Clarence Louis Stein, Butler, Pa.; James Means Fair, Saltsburg, Pa.; and Edmund Duryea Johnstone, Hackettstown, N. J. We have two more men pledged, and expect to hold another initiation soon. All of the new men are members of the class of 1908. A large number of our alumni were back for the initiation, among them being Bro. Thomas F. Newby, '87, one of our charter members. Bro. Newby expressed great satisfaction at the general good condition of the chapter, and gave us valuable advice in regard to fraternity matters here at Lehigh. Bro. Franklin, Kansas Alpha, '96, was also a guest.

Examination week is now on and naturally it is rather a busy time. Our doors are always open, however busy the time, to all visiting Phis in this vicinity.

South Bethlehem, January 27, 1905.

J. FABER HANST.

#### PENNSYLVANIA THETA, PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Theta opened the winter term January 4 with all members returned. We have initiated J. T. Henry and now have twenty-one in the chapter.

There has been one change in the teaching department. Brother L. P. Wyman has resigned his position here as instructor in quantitative analysis to take charge of the department of chemistry at Chester Military Academy. We are very sorry to lose Brother Wyman, and wish him success in his new position.

Our football season closed on Thanksgiving day with a defeat at the hands of the Western University of Pennsylvania. The team was very much weakened by the absence of the captain, Brother Forkum, who was

taken ill in the Annapolis game on November 5 and did not return to college until after Thanksgiving. The entire student body attended the game with Dickinson at Williamsport November 12 and saw State win by a score of 11-0. The winning of this and the Washington and Jefferson game made our season a successful one. The annual freshman-sophomore game was won by the freshmen. Brother Dimelow, '07, filled the quarterback position on his class team. In basketball State will be represented by the same team as last year. Brother Heaton playing one of the guards.

The first annual Pennsylvania Day was observed November 18 Governor Pennypacker and Messrs. Carnegie and Schwab attended the exercises. In the afternoon the Carnegie Library was dedicated by Mr. Carnegie. The Thanksgiving hop was held in the evening. The chapter gave a house dance on the 17.

Bros. Culp and Fleming, '06, represented Pennsylvania Theta at the convention and report a good time. Bros. Bowers, '04, and Geib, '05, attended the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  dinner at Harrisburg December 30. Bro. Culp, '06, was the only student having a toast at the York Club banquet at York December 28.

Bro. Dawson, '07, has been elected assistant business manager of the Collegian. Bro. Bowers, '04, is in charge of the installing of a refrigerating plant in Indiana, Pennsylvania.

We entertained Bros. Bates, Pennsylvania Eta, '07, and Cooper, State, '05, November 17 to 21.

H. R. GEIB.  
State College, January 13, 1905.

## BETA PROVINCE.

### VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The first president of the University of Virginia, Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, will be inaugurated on April 13, 1905. He was formerly president of North Carolina and Tulane universities. He has been well received and the board of visitors are to be congratulated on their choice.

The university has two new buildings which will be completed before the close of the present session,—one Madison Hall, the new Y. M. C. A. building, and the other, the west wing of the hospital. These are both magnificent buildings and are constructed in the Grecian style of architecture and in keeping with the older university buildings. Up to date 702 students have matriculated,—this is more than any previous session.

Virginia Beta is in good condition, and takes pleasure in introducing the following goats: Rea Woodward, Charleston, W. Va.; James Sparks, Fort Smith, Ark.; Roe Davenport, Chattanooga, Tenn., and Gilmore Woods, Arrow Head, Va. There are also three transfers in the university: C. E. Williams, of Randolph-Macon, James Webb, of Alabama Polytechnic Institute (Auburn), John Witherspoon, of Washington-Lee.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the college publications by Samuel B. Woods, Jr., as editor-in-chief of *College Topics*, and assistant editor-in-chief of *Corks and Curis*, the college annual, and by Hartley Sanders, as associate editor of *Corks and Curis*.

Virginia's prospects for a baseball team are much better than last year. Most of all the old men are back and there is a wealth of new material. In all probability Virginia Beta will be represented on the team by Council, behind the bat, and Cracraft in the box. Webb also expects to try for the team.

LYMAN JOHNSON, JR.

Charlottesville, January 28, 1905.

**VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.**

The excitement of football season has passed and Randolph-Macon is again the champion of eastern Virginia. Last spring the Randolph-Macon baseball nine brought the championship cup to the old school; this fall our eleven was similarly successful. Altogether Randolph-Macon is on the boom. While our school is becoming pre-eminent on the athletic field, she has not neglected the more important phases of college life. She has been the victor in the last four intercollegiate debates in which she has entered. Richmond College, Trinity College, and Washington and Lee University twice have succumbed before the eloquence of our debaters.

This year Washington and Lee University, despairing of victory, doubtless, declined to again debate with us. However, we shall again meet Trinity College this year.

Our chapter prospects are good. We have given up the chapter-house and it is now used as a temporary high school, the old high school being recently destroyed by fire. We are preparing for a good chapter hall and other improvements for the next session.

Brother David T. Bowlus left college to engage in business early in the session. Bro. H. S. Blakney will complete the scholastic year at Texas University.

In November we "goated" two men, Bro. Dameron and Bro. W. L. Chenery. Brother Gravely gets his A. B. this year. Bro. Dameron is the chief marshal for the Washington Literary Society public debate and Bro. Chenery is one of the debaters for the Trinity College debate and is assistant editor of the college monthly.

At the election held at our last meeting Bro. Leavell was elected president and Bro. W. L. Chenery reporter.

J. R. LEAVELL.

Ashland, January 27, 1905.

**VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.**

Things in the fraternity world have been running smoothly at Washington and Lee. There has been a recent agitation of the three months rule among the different fraternities here, which we hope will be in force next session.

The outlook for the coming baseball season is very bright. The management has secured the services of Bro. Carter of Virginia as coach, and under his supervision we expect to turn out a stronger team even than we had last year. A very good schedule has been arranged by Bro. Kelly, and the captain hopes to have the men at work within a very short time.

The gymnasium team is rapidly getting into shape for the several contests to be held this spring. The most important meet is with the University of Virginia sometime in March, and our director, who was once a Virginia man, expects to make a good showing.

At a recent meeting the chapter decided to give a german either at Easter or during the finals in June. We sincerely hope that the alumni in this section will take advantage of this opportunity to renew their acquaintance with the chapter and help make this affair a grand success.

Bro. Sloan has been selected as one of the debating team to go against the University of North Carolina. The debate is to be held April 14 and we believe our men will give the "tarheels" all they are looking for.

We are glad to report that Bro. Mann is able to be out again. He recently paid us a short visit and all of us greatly enjoyed having him with us again, even for so short a time. Bro. Mann will return to the University next year.

GEORGE R. LEFLORE.

Lexington, February 7, 1905.

## NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Examinations and the holidays having been put aside as things of the past, the spring term of another scholastic year is now ahead of us and we are looking forward to a term teeming with as bright prospects as we have ever had before. The gymnasium, a new and handsome building, which is the gift of Judge A. D. Bynum, of Charlotte, N. C., has just been completed at a cost of \$25,000, and it is, without doubt, a very valuable addition to the college. This is said to be one of the finest and best quipped gymnasiums in the south, and both students and faculty feel deeply gratified at this greatly needed gift. It was given by Judge Bynum as a memorial to his son who attended the university some years ago, and who was, by the way, a  $\Phi$ . A Y. M. C. A. building, now under course of construction, will also soon be ready to be added to the college campus, and it is proposed that, when completed, this building will serve as a great incentive to the social life of the college, as well as to the cause which its name signifies. A great honor has recently been conferred upon President Venable in his election to the presidency of the American Chemical Society. This is an honor seldom, if ever, bestowed on southern men and, while it is not yet known whether he shall accept or not, he is surely to be congratulated on his good fortune.

Our football season ended with the annual game with the University of Virginia in Richmond on last Thanksgiving Day. They are considered our greatest rival, and although we lost to them last fall by a score of 12 to 11, we are fully resolved to do better the next time we play against them. In Carpenter, V. P. F.'s star halfback, as captain of our next fall's team, the whole of the school has the greatest confidence, and we have great expectations of a winning team.

The baseball schedule for this spring has just been published and it is indeed an excellent one. The list comprises one game with the Navy, two with Washington and Lee University, two with Georgetown College, three with the University of Virginia, and many others of importance.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will probably be represented on the team by Bro. Hinston at first base and Bro. Stem in the field.

Last fall we initiated four new men and it gives us great pleasure to introduce to the fraternity the following new brothers: Fred B. Stem, '08, Darlington, S. C.; Paul P. Lane, Med., '06, Wilson, N. C.; Kinchen C. Moore, Med., '06, Wilson, N. C.; John D. Wells, '07, Wilson, N. C. The number of men initiated by the different fraternities here last fall was as follows:  $\Delta K E$  7;  $\Sigma A E$  4;  $B \Theta \Pi$  5;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  4;  $A T \Omega$  4;  $Z \Psi$  3;  $\Sigma N$  2;  $\Pi K A$  2;  $K \Sigma$  4;  $K A$  6. We lost by graduation last year Bro. T. F. Hickerson, who is now teaching at Bingham School, Asheville, N. C. Bro. Donnelly has gone to the university medical college, at Raleigh, N. C., to complete his medical course. Bro. Donnelly while here was captain of the baseball team for two consecutive years and also made his "N. C." in football. Bro. Yelverton also failed to return to college last fall. Bro. Winston, '98, returned to college last fall and we are very glad to have with us both him and Bro. Askew, also of '98, who has returned since Christmas. They are two very worthy and enthusiastic Phis and will prove a great addition to our chapter. Yet, on the other hand, our ranks have suffered since the holidays by the loss of Bros. Klutz and Loudon, and we deeply regret not seeing them back. Bro. Klutz is now attending the Columbian University, Washington, D. C.

The  $B \Theta \Pi$ 's are having a very neat chapter house erected on fraternity row and we hear that the  $\Sigma A E$ 's are also planning the erection of a very nice one.

Chapel Hill, January 20, 1905.

F. M. WELLES.

## GAMMA PROVINCE.

**KENTUCKY ALPHA-DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY.**

Since our last chapter letter we have lost three men, Bros. Carl Courtney, who was compelled to leave college on account of his eyes; Welburn Harris, who has entered the medical department of the University; and Logan English, who was compelled to leave college on account of his father's illness. Bro. Rankin has not as yet returned, but we are expecting him in a few days. The chapter has been increased by the addition of two very strong men, both of the class of 1908, Bros. Roderick Watkins, of Dyersburg, Tenn., and Harry Boyd, of Columbus, Ga., whom we gladly introduce to the fraternity at large.

Active preparations are now in progress at the gymnasium for the coming track and gym meets. Indoor baseball practice has also begun. There is an abundance of new material and the prospects are very bright for winning teams. An excellent baseball schedule has been arranged and we hope to win the championship of the state.

The play to be presented by the senior class in oratory, assisted by several of the young ladies of the town, is "Esmiraldo." The play is now well under way. The first production of it will be February 17. We are represented in the play by Bro. Thatcher, who is president of the class and also of the dramatic club.

The interest in the literary societies has never before been equaled and quite a number of students are preparing to enter the February oratorical contest. We are now making preparations to organize an inter-fraternity baseball league.

We have had a number of Phis to visit us thus far during the winter. We shall be glad to see more and will try to give them a true  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and Kentucky welcome. If any Phi comes to Danville, I will assure you that, if he will make himself known, he will be welcome in our midst.

Danville, January 23, 1905.

J. LEWIS GILL.

**KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.**

Since October 10, the date of our last letter, we have initiated Bro. James Del Rogers, '06, Louisville, Ky.

About the first of November, S A E moved into a house in South Broadway Park, some distance from the college; this makes the second chapter at State to follow our example, K A having again rented property after a short period without a house.

We now have plans on foot for a more systematic organization of our chapter house note system and hope to report something definite before many months.

Since the opening of the winter term, January 3, there has been little of interest going on among the fraternities. There was only a slight increase in enrollment and practically no new fraternity material.

However, there have been several changes in the chapter. Bro. Black was compelled by the illness of his mother to leave school and has since decided not to resume his engineering course. Bro. Headley is now in Mississippi on his Uncle's plantation. Bro. Trice who had expected to return after Christmas was prevented from doing so by ill health and is now at his home at Hopkinsville. Bro. Cabell was ordered west by his physician and is in Los Vegas, New Mexico. Bro. Forbes, '07, returned at the beginning of the winter term. The chapter now has five pledged men for next year.

Lexington, February 1, 1905.

J. M. FORBES.

**TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.**

This is the season of quiet in university life at Vanderbilt, as we are in the midst of our semi-annual examinations.

Since we closed our football season as undisputed champions of the south, there has been nothing doing in the department of athletics except in the line of class basket ball. There will be no 'varsity basketball team this year owing to trouble in regard to arranging practice hours. Bro. G. A. Hall is captain of the sophomore basket ball team and Bro. Keeling is playing a guard on the same.

Since our last letter the glee club has been thoroughly organized and has already enjoyed several trips. Tennessee Alpha is so fortunate as to be represented on the club by Bros. Howell, Carroll, Wright, McCullom and Sibley. Bros. Howell and Wright are doing special work as soloists with great success, and Bro. McCullom is the club pianist.

At the annual tournament of the Vanderbilt tennis club Bro. Hall won the university championship.

Recently a gentleman, who desires to remain unknown, offered a medal for the highest grade for the year made in freshman mathematics.

Nashville, January, 25, 1905.

OWSLEY MANIER.

**TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.**

The University of the South is now closed for its mid-winter vacation. The campus and streets of Sewanee are strangely quiet and deserted, and the shrill fraternity whistle, the cheering college yell and the midnight melody of young voices are but memories and anticipations. But Sewanee awaits her sons, and with the spring will come a renewal of labor and love, which will hasten on her march of progress.

The members of Tennessee Beta are now scattered far and wide over many states. Five are in Alabama, three in Florida, one in South Carolina, three in Tennessee, three in Mississippi, two in Louisiana, one in New York, one in Illinois, one in Missouri and three are in Europe. But wherever these Phis have carried the sword and shield one fact is certain, they realize the honor, the responsibility and the pleasure of being members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and Tennessee Beta. For as you bend the stalk so will it grow and thus we are taught at Sewanee.

WYATT BROWN.

Eufaula, Ala., February 3, 1905.

**DELTA PROVINCE.****OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.**

The winter term of Miami University opened January 10, with a very large attendance. All of our men returned with one exception, Brother Chester Burns, who will reenter in the spring term. As I have not done so before, I will now introduce the new men whom Ohio Alpha has initiated this year. They are Bros. David Davis Koger, of Paducah; Earl Barnett, of Frankfort; Paul Guthrie Moore, of Salen; Bruce Lloyd, of Oxford; Roi W. Risinger, of Eaton; Ernest Bradley Southwick, of Miamisburg; Joseph Leist, of Kingston; and Carl Stoltz, of Covington. We have one pledge, Robert Dodds, of Miamisburg. While it has given me great pleasure in introducing Bro. Stoltz as one of our new men, yet I regret to say that he withdrew from college to accept a position in the engineering offices in Cincinnati, of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railroad.

The interior of our fraternity house has been greatly improved. Among the improvements is a large safe which Ohio Alpha has recently purchased.

The first game of indoor baseball of the inter fraternity indoor baseball league was played January 21. Ohio Alpha has a very strong team and has very good prospects of winning the pennant to be given by the athletic association. Bro. Reed is captain of the Phis.

Bro. Howard S. Smith was elected president of the Miami Union literary society for the winter term. A very enjoyable dance was given by the chapter December 7. We were pleased to receive an invitation to a hop given December 26 by Ohio Theta.

We were pleased to receive visits from Bro. White of Ohio State, and Bro. Frank Foxworthy of De Pauw. Ohio Alpha extends to all Phis visiting Oxford, a most hearty invitation to call at the fraternity house.

Oxford, January 23, 1905.

J. S. BLICKENSBERFER.

#### OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

College work at Ohio Wesleyan opened for the new term on January 11, with a slight increase in attendance. Since our last letter we have initiated Karl D. Figley, Van Wert, Ohio; Walter E. Mallory, Woodsfield, Ohio; J. I. Eagleson, Cambridge, Ohio. Bro. Mallory can not be with us this term, making the chapter strength twenty-three with four pledges.

The annual reception of Ohio Beta was given Jan. 21, at which time the doors of the house were thrown open to 250 guests, including members of the faculty, sororities, alumni and many others. It was the social event of the season and the members of Ohio Beta may well feel proud of their success in entertaining their guests. Bro. C. C. Whitney, of Mt. Gilead, and Bro. C. C. Miller, '03, and Glen Rardin, ex-'04, of Columbus, Ohio, were with us on that occasion.

The intercollegiate debates this year are to be held with Oberlin and Illinois Wesleyan in March. Bro. Frank Prout is on the team which debates Illinois Wesleyan. For the first time in some years, Ohio Wesleyan will have a lady representative on a debating team, Miss Edith Miller, New Paris, Ohio.

The military battalion will hold its annual reception in March. Bros. W. F. Shaw and E. W. Rardin are commissioned officers of the battalion. Bro. R. B. Morrow has been elected president of sophomore class this term. Bro. Frank Prout is associate editor of *The Bijou*.

All visiting Phis are cordially invited to make the chapter house their headquarters while in the city. A hearty welcome awaits them.

Delaware, January 27, 1905.

WALTER F. SHAW.

#### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The opening of the winter term shows many new faces at old O. U., in fact the enrollment at present is greater than at the winter term of any previous years.

Great activity is being manifested in every branch of athletics. Under the efficient care of coach Hart, a track team is being organized and from the interest shown, it promises to be a success. This is a great change for the better, as for several years, track and gymnasium work has been woefully neglected. Basketball is holding the center of the athletic stage at present, and a stiff schedule has been arranged.

Ohio Gamma has been unfortunate in losing Bros. Earheart and Kelly, both of whom we counted upon for the full year. Both are engaged in business, but Bro. Kelly hopes to return for the spring term. Herbert D. Little, Parkersburg, W. Va., one of our last year's pledged men, is with us this

term and hopes to remain the entire year. Since our last letter we have pledged Edward S. Elliott, of Hillsboro, Ohio, who will be ready for initiation by the end of the present term.

Bros. F. H. Tinker and T. W. Craig paid the chapter a pleasant visit recently.

The chapter is in very good condition and any Phi who may be in Athens will receive a hearty welcome at the chapter house at 1 W. Mulberry St.

Athens, January 24, 1905.

C. H. HARRIS.

#### OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The university again opened January 3, with a somewhat decreased attendance, as a result of the fall term final examinations. The coming term promises to be one of great social activity, especially among the fraternities. An important step in athletics was taken when Sweetland of Cornell, who was the efficient coach of the football team this fall, was engaged by the athletic board, as director of all athletics for a period of two years. There is much promising material for a successful track team and the basketball five has already won laurels by defeating Wittenberg College and the University of Wisconsin.

The chapter has been unfortunate in losing Bro. Ray Grant who will soon depart for New Mexico on an extended visit. Bro. White, Ohio Zeta, ex-'06, is now living at the fraternity house and has assumed the duties of steward. Since the last letter, Bros. Lewis Shoemaker, '08, of Massillon, Ohio, and Lee Fleming, '08, of Columbus, have been initiated and Bretland of Troy, Ohio, has been pledged. The chapter is ably represented on the O. S. U. mandolin club by Bros. Bonnett, Huling, and Waddell, who have taken part in several enjoyable concerts.

A new face in the fraternity world at Ohio State, has made its appearance, in the Δ T has granted a charter to a local petitioning society, Γ N.

The chapter has been pleased on several occasions to have as its guests alumni and visiting Phis, who are always welcome.

Columbus, January 15, 1905.

GEO. F. SCHLESINGER.

#### OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

With the exception of the mid-year examinations, which begin January 30, there is very little of interest going on around Case. The musical clubs are rounding into form for the first concert, which is to be given in the college auditorium on the evening of Friday, February 3rd. Ohio Eta is represented on them by Bros. Dutton, Morris, Hickok, Ingersoll and Barkdull.

Quite an honor has been conferred upon the chapter, in the election of Bro. Baker as captain of next year's football team. Bro. Baker well deserves this as he has played three years on the team, and was the unanimous choice of the coaches for his position of half back, on the all state team.

The state championship will probably come to Case again this year. It has not been definitely decided as yet, but no other school in the state has as clean a record.

If it is awarded to us it will be the third consecutive year the championship has come our way. From present prospects, next year's team will be the heaviest and best that has ever represented Case. "Joe" Wentworth will undoubtedly be back again as coach.

We had the following men on this season's team, Bros. Steiner, Thomas, Baker, Roberts and Schroeder, all of whom were awarded their college letter. One of the most delightful social functions ever given by the chapter,

occurred on January 10. The chapter and alumni were entertained at the Clifton club. It is our plan to give a series of such parties throughout the year.

The last Saturday of each month is devoted to a smoker. It is our earnest desire that as many alumni as possible be present at all of these.

The school paper, the *Case Tech*, is improving in every detail. Bros. Morris, Emerson, Denison and Roberts are on the editorial staff.

The fraternal spirit of the chapter seems to be the best it has ever been. The chapter though smaller is more united.

We are fortunate in having two alumnis of Ohio Beta, Bros. Braun and Skell, present with us, in our chapter house. Both are attending Western Reserve Law school.

ARTHUR C. VICARY.

January 28, 1905.

#### OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

The second term began at the university on January 3. The requirements for entrance to the academic and engineering departments have been raised and the courses of study, especially those of the engineering department have been increased. At a meeting of the engineering faculty held just before the holidays, it was decided that due to this increase in requirements, the degrees of C. E., M. E., E. E., and Ch. E. be given on completion of the course, instead of the bachelor's degree as heretofore. The new 16 inch equatorial telescope is now in place at the observatory and the small "Mitchell" observatory in which the old 11 inch instrument is to be housed is now almost completed.

Our football team was undoubtedly the most successful that has ever represented the university; their only defeat being at the hands of the "stumps," an aggregation of veterans, many of whom have played on eastern university elevens. The score of the "stumps" game was 6—0. Bro. Adam was Ohio Theta's representative on the team and played a strong game at left tackle. He was awarded the "C" at the close of the season, and was also chosen on one of the all-state teams.

Athletic interest is now centering around basketball and our boys have been hard at work under coach Foster preparing for the hard schedule which they have to face. Miami has been defeated by a large score, but our boys went down to defeat before Yale on January 3 by a score of 34—17. They meet Wittenberg and Kenyon in the next couple of weeks. Bro. Adams plays guard on the team.

Since the last letter to THE SCROLL Ohio Theta has initiated the following men and takes pleasure in introducing them to the fraternity at large: Norman Conway, Covington, Ky.; Harry Hull, Cincinnati; Harry H. Hampton, Chattanooga, Tenn.; G. Albert Doeller, Cincinnati; W. S. Berry, Glendale, O.; Edwin Adams, Hancock, N. H. Bro. Calvin Vos received his A. B. at the close of last term, but will remain and pursue his studies in the law department. Bro. Alfred Kreimer has been elected manager of the *Cincinnatian*. The glee club is unusually strong this year and under the instruction of Mr. Alfred Hartzell, instructor in music in the Cincinnati public schools, assisted by Bro. Vos, is preparing for their annual concert, which will be given some time in January. Bro. Argebright, of Miami, has entered the law department and has affiliated with Ohio Theta.

Ohio Theta was represented at Indianapolis by Bro. Fetsch as delegate and Bro. Morris as alternate. Bros. McGill, Holdredge, Clark, Bohlman and Campbell also attended, Bros. Bonham and Gores represented the alumni.

A cordial invitation is extended to all Phis to visit us at our chapter hall, Suite W., Bradford Block, 6th and Vine. JOHN E. BEBB.  
Cincinnati, January 10, 1905.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

On November 12 Michigan played its final game of the season of 1904 with the University of Chicago. It was an event of especial pleasure and interest to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s, owing to the fact that there were four of her men in the game—Capt. Speik and Catlin of Chicago, and Curtis and Graham of Michigan. Sixteen of the old men were back, many of them with their wives, besides several of the Illinois Beta and many fathers and mothers. The chapter entertained in the evening with a smoker at the house, for the pleasure of the alumni and visiting Phis, several of whom stayed over until Sunday evening. The alumni showed in a very practical way their appreciation of the chapter's hospitality by presenting us with a beautiful framed print of Abbey's famous picture, "The Castle of the Maidens."

On the evening before the game, the Michigan Union gave its first annual banquet, in Watterman gymnasium, for the purpose of arousing interest and discussing plans for a club house for university students. There were over 950 men present, and great enthusiasm was manifested, Bro. Richard Hardy, representing the Pittsburg alumni club, making one of the best speeches of the evening.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, Bro. Carl C. Kusterer has been elected inter-scholastic manager, an office in the athletic association which gives him control of the football and track contests held under the auspices of the university. Bro. Robert Lane has been chosen leader of the junior hop, and chairman of the reception committee.

The chapter has recently been presented a large framed picture of the Roman forum by Mrs. A. R. Hunt of Pittsburg, and a large mountain ram's head by Bro. E. J. Woblgemuth, who has been spending the year traveling in the west. These gifts are greatly appreciated, and add materially to the decorations in our house.

The night before the closing of school for the holidays, the chapter enjoyed its annual dinner and Christmas tree, which has now become a fixed custom. Every person received five presents, most of those that were not tobacco being gentle reminders of our respective shortcomings and weaknesses.

The track outlook at this time is not very promising although there is a large squad out, the material being largely from the entering class, and is untried. Ralph Rose, the star weight man, has been permanently disqualified by the athletic board, and has left college. This fact, together with the losses by graduation, have weakened the team almost hopelessly. Three Phis are out on the squad and have excellent chances for their M's.

At a meeting of the board of regents held December 21, President Angell tendered his resignation, suggesting that a younger man be selected, but the same was not accepted, and it is probable that he will continue in service indefinitely.

We wish to renew our invitation to all Phis who visit Ann Arbor to come to the house and see us. They will always find a cordial welcome.

Ann Arbor, January 22, 1905.

WILL G. MOORE.

## EPSILON PROVINCE.

## INDIANA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA.

The winter term opened January 5 with nineteen old men back. Bro. Harry Long, '05, who spent the fall term in the Indiana law school, has re-entered the law department of the university, here. Bro. Orrin Markle has also entered the law department. He played center for two years at Swarthmore and took his A. M. degree in that institution last spring. Bro. Chas. Hatfield, of Indiana Epsilon, has affiliated with our chapter. Bro. Paul F. Hunter, who is associated in business with Bro. George Banta at Menasha, Wis., and who was pledged to Indiana Alpha before he withdrew from school, was, this month, initiated into the fraternity according to a provision made by the national convention at Indianapolis.

Foundation day of Indiana University was observed last Friday and many prominent Indiana people were assembled here for the exercises. Bro. James Fesler of Indianapolis spoke for the trustees. "The Merry Wives of Windsor" was presented by a student caste as a curtain raiser for the occasion.

A panhellenic Bohemian smoker, given last week, was the most significant interfraternity meeting that has been held here for many years. The object of the meeting was to bring about closer interfraternity fellowship and to further the interests of the university.

Our track team promises a fairly successful season. Several middle and long distance men have been developed and all the old "weight men" are in school this term.

Bro. Ernest Hutton, '04, is holding the position of deputy state's attorney at Danville, Illinois. Bro. Oscar Edwards, '06, has been appointed to a clerkship in the house of representatives.

Announcement has been made of the wedding of Bro. Wm. Hatfield, '04, of Boonville, Ind., to Miss Daisee Cavin of Owensboro, Ky. Indiana Alpha wishes Bro. Hatfield and his fiancee much happiness.

Since the last number of THE SCROLL was issued, Bro. Cecil Sharp, of Charleston, and Bro. Thomas Simmons of Bloomington have been initiated. We take pleasure in introducing these men to the fraternity.

Bloomington, January 25, 1905.

W. DEAN LEVI.

## INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, William H. Smith, '06, of Advance, Indiana, has been initiated, the chapter being at present composed of fifteen active members and two pledges. We are unable to boast of great prosperity, and find no little difficulty in making both ends meet in our efforts to pay for our new house, and to provide for the current expenses of the chapter; yet we feel that the satisfaction and advantages of a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  home far overshadow any difficulties we may experience in maintaining it.

Our basketball team deserves especial mention for the good showing it has made so far this season. The following are the scores made in three games played: Wabash 25, Purdue 18; Wabash 37, Rose Polytechnic 28; Wabash 39, Indiana University 16.

This year a new track was built in the college gymnasium, and track practice started January 18. An indoor meet has been scheduled with Indiana University for February 6.

Bro. Cayou of Illinois, who so successfully coached our football team last fall has been retained by the college as physical director and will act in that capacity for the next three years.

Committees of the students are working up a minstrel to be given here some time in February, in order to raise money for the benefit of the athletic association, and present indications point toward a favorable outcome of the undertaking.

WALTER S. REED.

Crawfordsville, January 26, 1905.

#### INDIANA GAMMA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

The college started the year with much brighter prospects than usual. The fall enrollment showed an increase of 30 per cent. in attendance, and a still more marked increase in enthusiasm and spirit as manifested by the student body.

Under the direction of E. R. Wingard, the new coach and athletic director, the football team made a creditable showing. Out of the nine college games played only one was lost, Wabash being the victor. The college feels proud of the record, since the team was composed nearly altogether of new and untried material. Bro. Egbert managed the team and played at half, Bro. Kingsbury was captain, and Bro. Cook played right tackle.

In basketball also Butler is making a record worthy of notice. Of the nine games played so far we have not lost one. We have won the Indianapolis league championship without a single defeat, a record which is unparalleled since the formation of the league four years ago. A singular feature of the team is the fact that every player is a Phi, including the first two substitutes. Bros. Riddle and Murray (captain) are forwards, Bohnstadt center, and Kingsbury and Davenport guards, and Brown has alternated at center and guard. Indiana Gamma feels proud of her team and issues a challenge to any all-Phi team in the country. Bro. Tracey is captain and Bro. Cotton manager of the second team which has arranged for a series of games with several high schools.

Some changes have been made on the faculty this year. Bro. Longley has returned to Chicago to take his doctor's degree and Bro. Johnson takes his place in the chair of mathematics. Prof. Coleman is studying in Europe on a year's leave of absence.

The fall term saw the organization of  $\Sigma \Delta \Theta$ , a local sorority of twelve members. They intend to apply for a charter of  $K \Lambda \Theta$ . An honorary society, "The Scroll and Sword," was also organized with the object, as stated in the constitution, of "advancing the interests of Butler College." Bro. Murray is president and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has also four other men on the membership list.

The chapter is in better shape now than it has been for some years past. We returned six men in the fall and a short but strenuous rushing season resulted in our gaining ten men. We take great pleasure in introducing Bros. Julius Ross Tracey, '08, Anderson, Ind.; Paul Christian, '08, Noblesville, Ind.; Louis J. Bohnstadt, '08, Frank B. Davenport, '07, Earl Riddle, '08, Irwin Cotton, '08, Homer L. Cook, '06, Albert Krauss, '07, Oatley Cockram, '07, and Morten Traub, '08, all of Indianapolis. George Weber, '08, Greenfield, Ind., is pledged. We regret very much that Mr. Weber is out of school this term on account of a serious injury to one eye received in the chemistry laboratory.

The chapter considers itself particularly fortunate in being able to attend the national convention held in this city Thanksgiving week. We all returned to school with a greater love for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and an increased zeal for fraternity work.

In college affairs  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  continues to take a leading part. Bro. Kingsbury is business manager of the *Collegian*; Bro. Cotton is a member of the

freshman debating team; Bro. Bohnstadt is one of the directors of the student play to be given on founder's day; Bro. Murray was elected manager of *The Drift*, the college annual, and treasurer of the senior class; and Bro. Egbert is assistant in zoology.

Indiana Gamma sends her regards to all sister chapters and extends a standing invitation to all Bro. This who may visit our capital city.

Indianapolis, February 1, 1905.

ROBERT H. EGBERT.

#### INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Probably never before in all her history did Franklin college open her doors to so large a student body as she has this year. The new library building which was dedicated last spring, was thrown open for use this year, and the buildings have been remodeled so that one would scarcely recognize the place as Franklin.

Indiana Delta began the year as well as could be wished and we take this opportunity of introducing to the fraternity four new brothers: Bernard Douglas, Hope; Broadus M. Smith, Franklin; Jno. Duggan, Whiteland; and Faris B. Smith, Franklin. The chapter graduated seven brothers last spring, so we are somewhat less in number, but as usual the Phis have held their own very well in college politics.

The college has a basketball team on which our fraternity is represented by Bro. Broadus Smith. The prospects for a baseball team in the spring are at present somewhat discouraging, as the star pitcher of the college Bro. Duggan, has contracted to pitch for Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and will leave before the season commences. However, Franklin will do her best to put a winning team to the front.

Franklin is to have a new president next year. Owing to the failure of his health our present beloved president, Dr. William T. Stott, has been forced to resign his position and Dr. Elmer Burrett Bryan, who at present occupies the chair of educational and social psychology in Indiana University, was chosen and has accepted the presidency as Dr. Stott's successor. His official duties will commence July 1, 1905. Dr. Stott, the retiring president, has held his office since 1872. He was graduated from Franklin college in 1861 and was a charter member of Indiana Delta of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

It is with much grief that Indiana Delta announces the death of Bro. Walter P. White, '94, who died last summer in Lincoln, Neb. Bro. White was a loyal Phi and always took great interest in his home chapter, Indiana Delta. At the time of his death he was secretary of the National Association of Mail Carriers.

Indiana Delta has been quite active socially and while no large social functions, have been given, we enjoyed quite a number of smaller parties.

Franklin, February 4, 1905.

CAVINS R. MARSHALL.

#### INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

Since November 10 several changes have taken place not only as regards the active chapter but the members of last year's graduating class as well.

Bro. Bayard Hughes, '08, left college to accept a position with the Continental Tobacco Company. He is located at Georgetown, Ky. He was not connected with the active chapter long but during that period he proved himself worthy to wear the sword and shield. We are glad to introduce him to the general fraternity.

A. S. Parsons, '08, and D. K. Duncan, '06, both pledged men, have also withdrawn from college. We regret greatly the loss of these three men.

Of the members of last year's graduating class, Bro. C. S. Hatfield entered the Indiana University law school at the beginning of the winter term; Bro. E. W. Newton has been appointed to a consulship in Mexico and has assumed the duties of his position. Bro. E. R. Patty is in the oil business at Independence, Kansas. Bro. S. I. Green entered the medical school at Louisville, Ky., at the beginning of the winter term. Bro. F. C. Spalding, who is physical director of the Y. M. C. A. at Elmira, N. Y., visited Hanover during the Christmas vacation. Bro. P. C. Snyder has left his home in Milton, Ky., to accept a position in Cincinnati.

On January 12, at the City club, New York, the graduates and former students of Hanover gave a dinner in honor of President D. W. Fisher. The college could well be proud of the men who attended. Among others was H. W. Wiley, chief chemist of the United States. Indiana Epsilon was represented by Harry A. Marks, '92, who was a member of the committee on arrangements. Bro. Marks is a business man of New York City. Bro. J. C. Garritt, '83, responded to the toast, "Hanover in the Orient." Bro. Garritt is the foremost missionary to China at the present time and is recognized as the greatest living authority on the Chinese language and literature. Bro. Charlton A. Swope, '85, was also present. He is a brother to Frank D. Swope, who during his life was so popular with the general fraternity.

R. V. SIPE.

Hanover, January 26, 1905.

#### INDIANA ZETA, DEPAUW UNIVERSITY.

The opening of the winter term finds both DePauw University and Indiana Zeta, in a very prosperous condition. Through the untiring energies of President Hughes the university is growing in numbers and influence and a new university life as well as an ever increasing progressing spirit is being instilled into every son of old DePauw. About twenty new students are enrolled this term.

In the primary oratorical contest, which was held in Meharry Hall, December 15, Bro. Devers, '05, won first place with nine men in the race. This is Bro. Devers' second successful attempt at the contest, having won the primary in 1902 and receiving second place in the state contest. With his strong oration and marked improvement in delivery Bro. Devers is expected to bring laurels to his school and to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in the state contest which is to be held in Indianapolis February 3.

Athletics at DePauw are decidedly improving, and an earnest effort on the part of both management and athletes is being exerted now to mend the strained relations existing with several schools of the state. Our football season was very successful, De Pauw losing only two games on her schedule, those two being lost to Northwestern and Notre Dame.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was represented on the 'varsity by Bro. Jewett and Bro. W. A. Hall, who substituted for a back field position, played a strong game on the second eleven. Our basketball squad is strong and fast this year and if a good schedule can be arranged, the team will make a good showing. Bro. Metsker is a member of the squad.

Bro. Crawford who was unable to enter school last fall is back with us this term, making our number sixteen active and two pledges.

Bro. Roller of LaFayette, Ind., visited the chapter recently and reported a very encouraging progress in the chapter house movement. Other visiting Phis of last term were Bros. Felton, Frzier, Turner, Chaffee and Preston.

Visiting Phis are always welcome at No. 5 Poplar St.

Greencastle, January 7, 1905.

CHARLES W. JEWETT.

## INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

At the close of the Christmas holidays, January 5, the new physics building was opened for laboratory and class room work. This magnificent structure is the third of its type which has been added to the Purdue campus within the past two years, the others being the Fowler assembly hall and the heating plant. The total cost of the buildings is \$180,000.00. This outlay for buildings and equipment is a fair index to the rapid growth of Purdue University.

The football season closed with the victory over Notre Dame on Thanksgiving day, leaving Purdue state champion for the first time in five years. Coach Cutts did admirable work in organizing a championship team from practically raw material. Mr. Cutts' term as athletic director has expired and he has announced his intention of taking up the practice of law. There is a possibility, however, of his being able to coach the football team next fall. Bro. I. H. Long and Mr. E. J. Worsham, '08, pledged, won their letters on the 'varsity.

Mr. J. J. Nufer, of Michigan, now has charge of athletics. The basketball season is now on and the team is an excellent one. There is a fair prospect of winning the state championship as usual, notwithstanding the defeat administered by Wabash on December 16. Indiana Theta is represented on the squad by Bros. J. A. Miner and D. H. Long and by Messrs. Frank DeBoos and E. J. Worsham, pledged.

We have pledged Mr. Hodge Worsham '08, of Evansville, Ind. Bros. H. R. Fitton, W. C. Miller, and G. T. Stewart will retire February 1. Bro. Stewart intends to return next fall.

Bro. Conners, '05, is assistant director of athletics, having charge of the gymnasium classes. Bro. Sale has been elected associate editor, and Bro. Hughes fraternity editor of the 1906 *Debris*.

The Debonair club has been granted a charter of A T Ω, the chapter being installed during Thanksgiving week.

•West La Fayette, January 18, 1905. C. STANLEY SALE.

## ZETA PROVINCE

## ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL Illinois Alpha has had many important honors bestowed upon her. Bro. Frank J. R. Mitchell, '96, was elected president of the general council at the Indianapolis convention. The chapter is justly proud of this distinction and is exerting every effort for the advancement of the fraternity. Bro. Allen, '04, and Bro. Blu, '05, are pledged to Φ Δ Φ of the law department. Bro. Moench, of Michigan Alpha, has affiliated with us. Bro. Hart, ex-'06, has accepted quite a lucrative position with the New Orleans branch of A. G. Spaulding and Co. Bro. Albritton, '07, is now associate editor of *The Northwestern*. Bro. Wilson, '08, was elected chairman of the freshman play committee. For the greater part of two years it has been impossible for us to maintain a table in our small house. During that time the fellows boarded at a private table close to the fraternity house. But now in our large new home we are maintaining our own table.

The university has decided to build a new athletic field, which will greatly increase our interest in athletics. Practice has begun for baseball and track work and indications point to a very successful year for Northwestern. Bro. Mitchell, P. G. C., presented the chapter with a loving cup as a reward for our championship in the interfraternity baseball league. Our chapter house

fund is progressing very rapidly and we hope to have a home of our own in the near future.

ORIS B. HASTINGS.

Evanston, January 8, 1905.

#### ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The winter quarter opened here with no great change in attendance, although many students each winter take up work at Stetson University.

A large and enthusiastic track squad is now in training. Our prospects for honors on the indoor track are good, but are somewhat lessened by Bro. Catlin's inability to train. Bro. Catlin, who is one of our best performers, especially in the hurdles, is still suffering from an injury received on the gridiron and will be compelled to rest until spring.

Although several of our best ball players have been "conditioned" by the deans, a large class is working daily in the cages. We expect our team will do some good playing this spring.

Since the first of the year we have been homeless. An accident to our heating apparatus caused much damage to our house, making it untenable for awhile. While repairs are going on we still manage to get together for our meals and meetings and keep up our work as if we were enjoying all the comforts of our house. As soon as we are able to return to our house we will conduct our initiations.

As a result of our first initiation we take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bro. Evarts Graham, *Princeton*, '04, and Bro. Herman Groman, *Yale*, '04.

We are also glad to announce the return to the university of Bro. Quartrell and Bro. Putnam, but regret the absence of Bro. Linthium, who is recuperating from a siege of illness.

Since our last letter the football team held its annual election and we take great pleasure and pride in announcing Bro. Catlin as captain-elect for 1905. This makes the fourth successive year in which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has been represented by the captain of our football team.

We cordially extend the hospitality of our house to any *Phis* visiting Chicago.

WILLIS S. HILFERT.

Chicago, January 18, 1905.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

This year, the fraternity material entering Knox was somewhat limited, but we feel that we have fared splendidly, as we pledged every man who received our invitation. We take pleasure in introducing Bros. Albert Orcutt, '07, Arcola, Ill.; E. P. Grant, '08, Creston, Ia.; George W. Prince, Jr., '08, Galesburg, Ill.; John J. Ellis, '08, La Belle, Mo.; John M. Lowrie, '08, Ipava, Ill.; John Hilding, '97, Vesterberg, Mich.; and Theodore Holman, '08, Millerton, Pa.

Under the able management of Bro. Edgerton, football at Knox during last season was very successful. We were not beaten by any college team we met, and showed up well when up against the Universities of Nebraska and Illinois. The season reached a brilliant climax when Knox defeated her old-time rival, Beloit College, on Willard Field, by a score of 16-0.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was ably represented on our team by Bros. Howell, captain; Erhart, half-back; Hilding, quarterback; Snohr, end; and Edgerton, manager. The annual football banquet this year was one of the most enjoyable events in the history of the college. The young ladies of the college and conservatory were permitted to attend for the first time. The banquet was held on

December 9, in the spacious dining room of the Presbyterian church. The students assembled in classes, each class sitting at a separate table. After a most enjoyable menu a programme of toasts and song contest was held between the different college classes, the preparatory and conservatory students. The song rendered was to be original either in words and music or words to be set to music, the object being to call forth a song that could be used by the college as a college song on any and every occasion. The sophomore class easily won first place, largely because of the original music composed by Bro. Harry Amacher. The catchy and rhythmic nature of the music gives it a spirit of spring that makes it the song Knox has so long needed.

In the annual oratorical contest held in Galesburg in November, Bro. Erastus Edgerton was awarded the second prize of \$75.00. The honor and reputation of Knox college was splendidly upheld on January 11, at the Hamilton Club oratorical contest in Chicago, when her representative, Mr. Ralph E. Chase, won first place; receiving five firsts out of a possible six. Mr. Chase was pitted against representatives of three leading universities of the west—Chicago, Michigan and Minnesota—and to win such a complete victory in such competition is certainly gratifying to every local supporter of Knox.

Our annual Christmas party was held December 16 in Central Hall, and we were much pleased to have quite a number of our alumni brothers in attendance, as well as a large representation from Illinois Zeta. The party was unanimously pronounced a great success.

Bro. John Hilding has been elected captain of next year's football team and Bro. Edgerton captain of the baseball team for this year. The track and baseball squads have been hard at work for some time and prospects for a winning team in each of these branches of athletics was never brighter.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has been well represented in dramatics and oratory as well as in athletics. Bro. Snohr has a leading part in the large class play for February 22, of which Bro. H. W. Lass is manager. Bro. Hilding is in the sophomore class play for the same day and Bro. Spinner has been elected manager. Bros. Howell and McClelland were elected by the Adelphi Literary society to take part in the public debates with the Quothantii society for the Knox-Beloit debate in the spring. Bro. G. Lowry, '07, and Bro. Theo. Holman, '08, both received places on the final freshman-sophomore oratorical contest.

Our chapter is steadily accumulating the chapter house fund. A very well attended and enthusiastic meeting of the alumni and active men was recently held, when the various questions pertaining to this matter were discussed. At present, we have \$3,500.00 pledged and this sum is rapidly swelling, so that it not will be long before a chapter house of our own will not be a thing of the future.

The following alumni of Illinois Delta have been recently married: Bros. Prentiss S. Wilson, '99, Steelville, Ill.; George L. Webster, '03, Creston, Ia.; and Harry O. Snyder, ex-'07, Arcola, Ill.

Galesburg, January 15, 1905.

HAROLD R. SPINNER.

#### ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

Since our last chapter letter, Bros. Tipton and Alovord have left college. The former has taken up work as managing editor of the *Girard Gazette*, while the latter has accepted a good position in Joliet.

With the beginning of the term Bro. Brown returned to school and as we have pledged three new men we now have a membership of twelve.

Φ Δ Θ has been well represented in football this year, six men having earned their official L's. In basketball we are represented by Bro. Justus.

From our alumni we have received many visits, Bros. Gingrich, Smith and Brown frequently being with us. We also have received visits from Bros. Hurd, Skinner, Scott, Andreen, Bird and Conger. Bro. Hurd has recently removed from Oklahoma and is now managing an elevator at Hincley, Ill.

On December 19 the members of Illinois Zeta were entertained by the Knox chapter of Φ Δ Θ, each and every one having a pleasant time. Also on January 7 the members of Φ Δ Θ attended a pan-hellenic reception and dance, given by the Α Ξ Δ sorority and it was a great success.

Galesburg, January 9, 1905.

CHESTER C. HOUSH.

#### ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The campus is a scene of activity, three buildings being in the process of construction—the woman's building, a steam laboratory and a new foundry. The board of trustees of the university of Illinois will ask the legislature now in session at Springfield for a million and a half dollars for the support of the university during the next two years. That amount is no more than is absolutely needed. The university is growing fast—too fast for its own convenience with present facilities. Among the improvements needed are an auditorium, a new physics laboratory, a large extension of the present library and more complete equipment in all the departments. On January 9, the university regiment went to Springfield to assist in the inauguration of Governor Deneen and by their conduct and bearing reflected credit upon themselves and the university.

Upon returning from our Christmas vacation we moved into our new and roomy chapter house. Having been without a fraternity home since September, it was indeed a pleasure to again have all the fellows together under one roof. We have twenty-five men comfortably housed and have room for two more. We have bought about \$700 worth of new furnishings and besides have received gifts from some of our friends including a complete set of dishes, silverware and table linen from our patronesses. In the April issue of THE SCROLL we will have a cut and descriptive article of the house.

Since our last report Illinois Eta has initiated three men: Mark Edmand Nebecker, '08 of Clinton, Ind.; Chas. Raymond Ewing, '08 of Macomb, Ill., and Charles Bowen Busey, '08, of Urbana, Ill. Bro. H. E. Ewing, of Illinois Delta, has affiliated with us.

ASA B. CUTLER.

Champaign, January 21, 1905.

#### WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Although our chapter last year was reduced to 25 men, by the return of 22 of them and by the addition of eight others our membership this year has again been brought up to 30, the usual size of the chapter. The new men are Bros. Rudy, affiliated from Purdue, Nordenholt, affiliated from Chicago, and Bros. Bailey, Hartley, Hodges, Stevenson, Dugane and Walmsley. It is probable, however, that we will lose Bro. C. Roberts after the Christmas recess, as he contemplates accepting a good position in Milwaukee.

Athletic conditions have been greatly disturbed this fall. A crusade against graft and for purer athletics has been started. The opinion that bad coaching caused so many of our football defeats is quite prevalent and the graduate system of coaching is being heartily "knocked." The management came in for its share of criticism and resulted in the resignation of

manager Kilpatrick. Downer, the editor of the *Wisconsin Alumni Magazine* was recently elected to Kilpatrick's place. Vanderboom was elected captain of next year's team, but the coach has not yet been chosen. Bro. Henry Allen was elected assistant manager of the track team.

After this year, one year's credit in the college of letters and science will be required for admission to the law department. This is doubtless the first steps toward making the law school a graduate school.

Wisconsin Alpha was well represented at the convention at Indianapolis. Beside the chapter's delegates, Bros. Law and Lindsay, there were present Bros. Turner, Geilfuss, Fairchild, Manson, Anson, Blake, Hardgrove, Johnson and Woolen.

Visiting alumni so far have been: Bros. Geilfuss, Hodges, Turner, Talman, Manson, Wilbur, A. Roberts, Jas. Blake, Tanner, Frank and Gilbert McDonough.

Bros. Law, Russell, Lindsay, and H. Allen are members of the mandolin club. Bros. Durkee and Sullivan are on the glee club. Bros. Sleep and H. Allen have been taken into the junior society, The Yellow Helmet. Bro. H. Allen has been made a member of the Haresfoot dramatic club, and will take part in their coming production. Bro. Leahy is a member of both the athletic board and the athletic council. Bro. Rose is commodore of the crew. Bro. Walmsley was captain of the freshman football team.

Madison, December 28, 1904.

MARSHALL ARNOLD.

#### MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Minnesota Alpha has initiated eight men so far this year, and takes pleasure in introducing the following brothers to the fraternity. Charles David McCanna, Grand Forks, N. D.; Robert Beals Weitbrecht, Saint Paul, Minn.; Wells Gardner Llodgson, Minneapolis, Minn.; Joseph W. Bingenheimer, Sheldon, Iowa; Joseph Phillips Michels, Mitchell; S. D.; Leonard Frank Boyce, Minneapolis, Minn.; Emory Chester Rebmand, Pipestone, Minn.; Joseph Franklin Ellis, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

The University has suffered an almost irreparable loss the past semester in the destruction of the old "Main Building" by fire. It was built about 1850 and has been in constant service ever since the civil war. It was the only historic building on the campus, and its loss is felt the more keenly for that reason. The total loss of building and contents amounted to about \$135,000, only half of which was covered by insurance. The German and Greek libraries that were destroyed were particularly valuable and it is doubtful if they can ever be fully replaced.

The regents will ask the legislature this winter for an appropriation of \$450,000 to build a new main building, which if granted will add a magnificent building to the campus and relieve the present badly crowded class rooms.

The football season of 1904 was a most successful one again for Minnesota, although her claims to the championship must be divided with Michigan. The team played a strong clever game throughout the entire season, and with the exception of the last game—that with Iowa—succeeded in piling up spectacular scores against her opponents. The score made against Grinnell, 146-0, in two twenty-five minute halves, is the largest score ever rolled up in the annals of football, and shows the speed of the team to have been remarkable. The total score of the season's play—724-12 is also remarkable, and eclipses the record of any other team in the United States.

It is to be regretted that Minnesota and Michigan did not meet in 1904, as they were both undefeated and a game between the two teams would

have settled the championship of the west. It is to be hoped that a triangular league may be arranged in the near future in the west, so that the champions of each section may meet and settle the championship in a more decisive manner than by comparative scores, partisan students talk, or by asinine journalists in Chicago whose eyes are blurred with Standard Oil. Minnesota is ever ready to enter a league of this kind, and to play any college in this country, but as Dean Jones aptly said, "We do not care to play those who have no desire to play with us."

The basketball season has just opened at Minnesota and while no big games have been played yet to reveal the strength of the team, it may safely be predicted that the team will be up to the usual good standard. Four of last year's quint are back again and under the leadership of Captain Deering, a successful season is anticipated.

The junior ball at Minnesota is a thing of the past. It has always been managed by the fraternities, and while not given under their name was largely their affair nevertheless. This year a lot of the "barbs" desired to share in the management, and together with a few indistinguishable fraternities made what is commonly known as a "roar." The two factions could not settle their difficulties and get together so each bawled around a bit and then got up a ball of their own. The opposition ball was known as the junior frolic, but it is rumored around college that those who indulged in the frolic are now busy paying debts. The fraternities have organized and will give a pan-Hellenic ball February 3 which is advertised to be the most spectacular, gorgeous, truly artistic, and distinctive college affair ever planned by college men. Bro. Brown traveled to Paris especially to look up color schemes for this event, and the dim rafters of the old armory are to be clothed in Parisian effects—the material being the bunting left over from last year, supplemented by numbers of fraternity and sorority banners. Frappe will be served in steins to add novelty to the whole affair.

Bro. Bisbee has been elected treasurer of the senior class, and also to the inter-fraternity senior society "Song and Stein." Bro. Brown has been elected to the university press club and is chairman of the pan-Hellenic decoration committee. Bro. Gibson is manager of the dramatic club. Bros. Gillham and Banagar have been elected into  $\Delta X$ , law. Bro. Gillham occupies an important place on the *Minnesota Daily* staff.

Minneapolis, January 11, 1905.

EDWARD C. PARKER.

#### IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

All the old members returned after the holiday vacation with the exception of Bro. Glenn B. Houghton and he expects to be with us again shortly. We wish to introduce Bro. Luther P. Weaver, '08, of Dubuque, Iowa, and before our next letter we hope to introduce several more of our pledges as brothers in the Bond. We have pledged, since our last report, Fred. J. Kinney, '08, Mt. Pleasant, Ia.; Carl Krenmeyer, '08, Farmington, Ia.; and Faruco S. Bridger, '09, Richland, Ia.

Prof. Handy, dean of the academy and professor of oratory resigned at the holiday vacation and his position is being filled by Prof. Geo. L. Minear. Extensive preparations are being made by President Haneber for the celebration of the sextennial of the university during commencement week.

At a recent meeting of the board of trustees of the university Dr. A. E. Craig, of Ottumwa, Iowa, was elected president of that body. Bros. Willits '87, Rogers, '92, and Purdue, '94, are members of the board.

Bro. Wilson is business manager of the 1906 *Croaker* and Bros. Houghton and Beck are also on the staff. Bro. Besser, '05, is a member of the

athletic board of control. Bro. C. R. Willits, '05, is president of Hamline literary society.

Iowa Alpha heartily endorses the plan of Bro. Mitchell's and the general council for the issuance of the annual chapter letter and hopes it may prove a grand success.

ARTHUR BECK.

Mt. Pleasant, January 17, 1905.

#### IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Since our last letter, Iowa Beta has initiated four men, and we still have one pledged. We introduce to the fraternity brothers L. E. Ranck of Iowa City; B. V. Murphy of Ida Grove; L. E. Roddewig of Davenport; and J. N. Streff, of Alton. Bros. Streff and Murphy played the ends on the 'varsity football team last fall, and Bro. McGowan has been elected captain of the team for 1905. Bro. Streff has been elected to  $\Phi \Delta \Phi$  (law), and is president of the freshman law class.

The new gymnasium which has been in the course of erection for the past year is practically completed and will be formally dedicated on February 22. It is one of the finest gymnasiums in this part of the country, and will be appreciated by all the students of the university.

The sophomore cotillion was given on December 16 and was a great success. Bro. W. A. Sanford represented the fraternity on the cotillion committee.

The convention of  $\Sigma A E$  granted a charter to the A J, a local fraternity. The chapter will be installed this month with sixteen charter members. They have rented a house, and there is no reason why they should not succeed.

Iowa Beta extend their hospitality to all Phis who may visit this city.

Iowa City, February 4, 1905.

L. W. LOVELL.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

Since our last letter Missouri Alpha has initiated Bro. Fred Williams, of Dallas, Texas.

President Jesse has asked the legislature for an appropriation of \$1,000,000 and both faculty and students are hoping that the university will receive it. The money is to be used in erecting new buildings, enlarging others and providing for new professors.

A large amount of interest has been stirred up in the state over the alleged misappropriation of the funds for building Read Hall (the girls' dormitory). The university authorities have used the money to put up a building which is expensive to maintain and the legislature thinking that it should be a building for the poorer girls sent a committee here to investigate the matter. The committee made a very favorable report on the matter and it will be a credit to the University. Money has been asked for with which to construct a building to be run on a cheaper plan.

The glee club is now out on a two weeks trip to the different parts of the state and have met with success every where they have appeared.

All of our men returned after the Christmas holidays with the exception of Bro. Williams.

W. C. LOGAN.

Columbia, February 7, 1905.

#### MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

College has reopened after a short vacation. Everyone is preparing for the exams which begin January 24. We miss from our number Bro. James L. Edwards and Bro. James H. Bond, both of whom have left college.

Bro. John J. Rice won the oratorical contest between the two literary societies on December 5. Bro. Rice will represent Westminster College at the state oratorical contest, which is to be held some time in March. The place where the contest is to be held has not yet been decided on.

Thanksgiving we had the pleasure of welcoming back to the college and chapter Bros. Scott, Miller, Nesbitt, Burch, Cuthers, Black. Bro. Elmer Henderson is now in charge of the sales department of D. L. Auld Jewelry Co., at Columbus, Ohio. Bro. Harry Henderson is now in the shoe business here. Bro. C. D. Sevier, ex-'06, is in the Denver Dry Goods Store, Denver Colorado. Bro. R. O. Hamaker, '07, is in business with his father at Richmond, Mo. O. L. McDONALD.

Fulton, January 17, 1905.

#### MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

The undergraduate department of Washington university including the college, and school of engineering and architecture has recently moved from its old quarters on Twenty-Seventh and Locust streets to its new buildings just west of Forest Park, which were used as administration buildings at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

This move marks an important epoch in the history of the university and is an event which has long been looked forward to by the students and faculty.

Missouri Gamma is now located in Tower Hall, one of the largest dormitories, which place will serve as the chapter quarters until the coming fall at which time we hope to be added to the list of chapters who occupy their own home.

The chapter enrollment is now sixteen. Six new men were initiated last fall and Missouri Gamma is pleased to present the following new brothers: Benedict Farrar, '08; Samuel Allen, '08; Frank Eliot, '08; John Mare, '08; and Robert McGoodwin, '06; all of the undergraduate department and Bro. Chas. Gundelach, '08, of the medical department.

St. Louis, February 13, 1905.

ROY A. CAMPBELL.

#### KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The spring term at the University of Kansas commenced January 30, 1905. At a recent meeting, the board of regents petitioned the state legislature for an appropriation of \$275,000 for a new engineering building, a new gymnasium and general university equipment. During the past month, the university has received visits from Governor Hock and several members of the state legislature, all of whom have pledged their support and influence toward securing the appropriation. The new law building is rapidly nearing completion.

Since the December letter, the chapter has initiated Bros. Sidney Cooke, '08, of Leavenworth, Kansas; Wilford Kepner, '05, of Sabetha, Kansas; and Fred R. Cowels, of Kansas City, Mo. Bro. Cowels is a professor in the Proso Preparatory School of Kansas City and is taking a master of science degree at the University of Kansas.

The chapter has been unfortunate in the loss of two men during the last month. Bro. Frank Hopper left school to take a position with the Kansas City Southern Railroad. Bro. Shaw retired from school on January 12. The present roll of the chapter is twenty-two active men.

On January 11, Kansas Alpha celebrated her annual spring party. One hundred and twenty-five couples, including thirty out of town guests, en-

joyed the hospitality of the chapter. Bros. Seddon, Love, Moses, Nelson, Black, DeLano and Burris returned for the occasion.

The baseball prospects at the university are especially bright. A large number of the members of last year's team have begun daily practice. Kansas Alpha will be represented on the squad by Bros. Sexton, Relihan and Johnson. On January 21, the university basketball team defeated the Kansas State Normal School by a score of 44 to 11.

The inter-fraternity baseball championship bids fair to be more hotly contested this year than ever before. Already several of the fraternity teams have begun practice. Kansas Alpha has much good baseball material to choose from and hopes to retrieve the defeat of last year at the hands of  $\Phi K \Psi$ . After we had defeated three of the strongest fraternities in the league, our over-confidence brought us defeat from one of the weakest teams in the school.

During the past month, we were pleased to receive several visits from Bro. George Banta, Indiana Alpha, '76, who gave several very interesting and profitable talks on the methods of securing a chapter house. We desire to congratulate him on securing the contract for the publication of the Kansas University *Jayhawker*.

HYDEN J. EATON.

Lawrence, January 27, 1905.

#### NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Nebraska Alpha now has one of the largest chapter rolls in its history. Fourteen old men are back and nine men have been pledged and initiated. They are: Bros. George Lantz, Willifred Trimble, Ed. Manning, Hugo Birkner, Charles McLaughlin, Fred Harris, Bonne Koehler, Barne Howard and Earl Foster.

We are also able to boast of being the first fraternity at Nebraska to own their chapter house, having purchased ours at the beginning of the school year.

Bro. Hewitt has been elected captain of the Pershnig Rifles and Bro. White is captain of Co. B. Bro. White is also chairman of the senior prom. committee, and Bro. Dorrington is a member of the junior prom. committee.

In football Nebraska again maintained her reputation and defeated both Iowa and Illinois and was only beaten 16 to 12 in the Minnesota game. Bro. Birkner was sub half on the 'varsity and played in some of the important games.

Our new physic science building has been completed at a large cost. All the money for the Rockefeller Temple has now been subscribed and the building will probably be started in the spring.

Lincoln, January 6, 1905.

CHARLES M. MATHEWSON.

#### COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Along lines of chapter work  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has initiated two more men; Bros. H. Whitaker, '08, Denver Colo.; and W. E. Bliss, '08, of Greeley, Colo. This increased the total membership to twenty-three. Bro. Bliss has been forced to leave school on account of ill-health. Bro. L. W. White, Missouri Beta, has returned to his home, and Bro. Fletcher, of Kansas Alpha, has left school to accept a position along his line as a civil engineer. Bro. J. V. Bird, of Washington Alpha, entered school about the middle of the semester, taking special work.

The chapter has entertained in the way of house parties and dances including a real old "Irish wake."

The chapter has had a large badge made with electric lights placed around the border and is a very ornamental decoration.

Four Phis will represent us on the glee and mandolin club this year; Bros. C. Ferguson, tenor, H. Whitaker, bass, C. W. Lightburn, mandolin, and J. W. Brown assistant manager. This tour generally lasts about two weeks.

Although it lost the intercollegiate pennant through one game, the football team had a very successful season. Nebraska was defeated 6 to 0, and Kansas was tied 6 to 6. On election day the School of Mines defeated us by a close score of 13 to 10. The other state schools were defeated by large scores; Colorado College 23 to 0, Denver University 57 to 0 and the Agricultural College 46 to 0. On Thanksgiving day the university played Stanford but was unable to score, Stanford in the meantime running up 33 points in a clean though one-sided game.

Track athletics will soon start, one cross country run having been held already. Plenty of good material is in sight.

In basketball Bro. Snyder is trying for the team. Several games have been played and the team has been very successful.

Bro. Keller was gone a month while on his trip to the convention, spending his vacation at his home in Cincinnati, O.

The chapter has been visited by Bros. J. Wulff, of Illinois Alpha, and R. H. Motten of Pennsylvania Delta.

Boulder, January 22, 1905.

WADE D. ANNIS.

## ETA PROVINCE.

### GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

University of Georgia opened the spring session with an attendance of about four hundred in the academic and law departments, this being a little better than the fall attendance. However, there was no fraternity material among the new matriculates, hence Georgia Alpha has not increased her membership. Bro. Mills transferred his membership to Georgia Beta at Emory, but his place has been filled by Bro. W. R. Turner returning to college after a two years' absence.

Baseball prospects at the university are unusually bright as far as material is concerned, but practice has been very much delayed on account of bad weather.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the squad by Bros. McWhorter and Strickland. Class games are the order of the day on Herty field, but the varsity will begin regular work very soon. The track team has not yet begun work.

Georgia Alpha has been very active in a material way during the past two months. The chapter house, which by the way is one of the most attractive houses in Athens, has been very much improved on the interior by being entirely renovated and refurnished. The spacious parlors are now finished in the fraternity colors and elaborately furnished.

We take great pleasure in reporting two men pledged for next year, Messrs. King and Rogers now at university preparatory school at Stone Mountain.

Georgia Alpha is well prepared to entertain all visiting brothers at our chapter house, 717 Hill Street, and we extend a very cordial invitation to all brothers to visit us at any time.

C. A. DOZIER.

Athens, February 22, 1905.

### GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

The fall term of college ends this week with the final examinations. The prospects with which college opened were not deceitful; and Emory and Georgia Beta are enjoying a prosperous year. The gymnasium has not yet been started, but it is hoped that before long work will begin.

The football season was much closer and more interesting than was expected. The seniors won the pennant, but the games were nearly all close. A special gymnasium class has begun training for exhibition during commencement. Basketball and lacrosse will attract interest as soon as examinations are over, and when the weather becomes warm enough, practice will begin for the track team, baseball and the tennis tournament. We look for interesting contests in all of these sports. Georgia Beta will have numerous contestants for places, and will probably be successful in many cases.

We have added two names to our roll since our last report. Bro. Charles Gardner Mills, Jr., '08, of Griffin, Ga., affiliated from Georgia Alpha and Bro. James Peek Tilley, '08, of Conyers, Ga., was initiated. Our chapter now has eighteen members. There are six other fraternities here with an average membership of about fourteen, as follows: X Φ, 12; K Α, 14; Σ Α Ε, 14; Α Τ Ω, 15; Δ Τ Δ, 11; Σ Ν, 17. This makes about forty per cent. of the students in college. All the fraternities are enjoying about their usual prosperity, but a few are even above their average place in good fortune. We consider Georgia Beta in this class, and hope to keep it always on the rise. On December 3, we entertained the faculty Phis with a smoker in our hall, and enjoyed the evening very much. We were sorry Bro. Hanner could not be present, however. We are in favor of the new plan for chapter letters, and will get ours ready for the printer in a day or two. A fund has been started to improve and beautify our chapter hall. We wish prosperity to all our sister chapters.

JAMES HINTON.

Oxford, January 23, 1905.

### GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Mercer opened on September 23 with the largest attendance in the history of the university. Our beloved president F. D. Pallock, who has been ill for more than a year, was not able to resume his work this fall, but his duties are being ably discharged by vice-president Kilpatrick.

Georgia Gamma was several days late in sending her last letter to THE SCROLL and for that reason it was not published, but we take great pleasure at this late date in introducing to the fraternity Bros. I. W. Capers, '08, Augusta, Ga.; R. B. Cates, '08, Waynesboro, Ga.; W. L. Johnson, '08, Washington, Ga.; S. J. McCathern, '08, Waynesboro, Ga.; H. C. Parker, '08, Statesboro, Ga.; E. W. Roberts, law, Manbac, Ga.; C. E. Suttan, '08, Washington, Ga.; G. R. Solomon, law, Macon, Ga.; J. R. Wesh, '07, Thomson, Ga.

We are also glad to announce the return of Bro. J. T. Martin, who was forced to leave college last spring on account of sickness. Georgia Gamma has been very fortunate in having Bros. Russell, Taylor and Turner re-enter college to study law.

Mercer was most successful last spring in baseball, having the good fortune to win the Georgia state pennant over the University of Georgia and Georgia Tech.

Georgia Gamma was ably represented on the team by Boss. Stakely, Conner, and Newkirk. The prospects are bright for another championship

team this year and we hope to have several men on the squad. Bro. Tift is assistant manager of the team.

Bro. Nichols is president of the tennis club and Bro. Edwards B. Murray is editor in chief of the *Mercerian*, the college magazine.

Φ Δ Θ has kept up her social reputation in Macon this year by entertaining the friends of the chapter at two or three pleasant social functions, the most important of which was a dance given at the Volunteer's Armory on November 25.

Georgia Gamma will be glad to welcome all visiting Phis to our chapter hall in the main college building.

HENRY TIFT, JR.

Macon, February 13, 1905.

#### GEORGIA DELTA, GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

Tech began the year of 1904-05 with unusually good prospects, about 540 students being enrolled. Of this number, eleven were rushed by Φ Δ Θ, ten of whom were taken in. We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity: Bros. S. I. Bell, E. V. Plane and Joseph Winship, of Atlanta, Ga.; Bros. D. W. Wilson and A. W. Walker, of Griffin, Ga.; Bro. S. A. White, of Savannah, Ga.; Bro. W. S. Brown, of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Bro. H. D. Cook, of Montgomery, Ala.; and Bros. W. R. Winship and J. G. Chapman, of Macon, Ga.

In football this season, the Tech team has more than held its own, scoring 288 points against her opponents' 33, and losing but the game with Auburn out of ten played. The teams defeated were, Florida State College, Mooney College, University of Florida, University of Tennessee, University of Georgia, Tennessee Medical and Dental, and last but not least, the strong team of Cumberland University. Most of these defeats were by overwhelming scores, the only teams giving any real trouble being University of Tennessee and Cumberland. The game with Clemson resulted in a tie. We were very much disappointed at the poor showing made by the team of the University of Georgia, for we had hoped to have an interesting game with them. The team this year is the first well organized one for several years, and, by next season, it will be able to give trouble to any team in the S. I. A. A.

Φ Δ Θ is represented on the team by Bros. Davies, left end, Brown, right tackle, Wilson, right end, and Bro. Bell, substitute. Bro. Davies has played his usual brilliant game, while the playing of Bros. Brown and Wilson, new men both, has been exceptionally good, Bro. Brown being unanimously selected a tackle on the all-southern team.

From now on there will be no more trouble about an athletic field, for a suitable piece of ground, very near the school, has been leased for that purpose. The fence, grand-stand, and bleachers are now being built by the students, themselves, and the ground is being graded under the supervision of coach Heisman, so there is no reason why Tech should not have one of the most desirable fields of any in the south.

Φ Δ Θ also holds a lion's share of the other honors of the school, in Bro. Davies, president of the athletic association; Bro. Raht, manager of the baseball team, and Bro. Stout, president of the class of '07.

The prospects for a strong baseball team are very good, notwithstanding the loss of several star players. Bro. Gager will still play in the field, while Bro. Brown, who is reported a wonder, will probably hold down second base. Bro. Knight, who played behind the bat on the second team all during last season, also has a good chance for the 'varsity.

Atlanta, January 12, 1905.

JOHN G. CHAPMAN.

**ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.**

The university opened on January 4, 1905 after Christmas holidays. There was no change in university affairs. Alabama Alpha suffered the loss of the following men who failed to return. J. D. Humphreys, '07; Edwin Northington, '08; H. H. Thomas, '07. We regret very much the loss of these brothers and also of Bro. Sears Lee, who left college in later part of January. Brother Lee will go to Poughkeepsie to attend Eastman's Business College.

The annual game of football between the sophomore and freshman classes was held February 1. The sophomores won by a score of 20. On the sophomore team Alabama Alpha was represented by Lanier, captain and left end; on the freshman by Muirill at center and Forman at left end. Bro. E. L. Clarkson, law 06, was elected to the *Corolla* board. Brother T. B. Catchings, 05, was elected manager of the track team.

The university has splendid prospects for a successful base ball team. Bro. Moody, last year's first baseman, will be a candidate for catcher. Stouch the professional coach, who has for several years turned out winning teams among which were two championship teams, will coach again this spring. The baseball schedule as so far announced is as follows. M. M. I. on the campus; Vanderbilt on the campus; Y. M. C. A. in Mobile; Southern University on the campus; A. P. I. at Auburn. Other games are now being arranged for.

F. B. CLARK.

University, February 12, 1905.

**ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.**

At present there is a lull in athletics. The only excitement going on is a class game now and then—a closing feature of the football season.

A few more weeks yet and the whole aspect of things will be completely changed, for baseball will then be reigning supreme in the realms of sport. Our prospects are bright and Auburn confidently and impatiently awaits the contests that the season's program affords.

Alabama Beta will most likely be well represented again on the 'varsity this year.

A number of new men have matriculated since the holidays. This additional enrollment gives the institute a total of over five hundred students. The chapter has been responsive to the appeal of good material and with gratifying success has secured her share.

We take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity at large our recent initiates: Bro. E. C. Wilcox, '08, Piper, Ala.; Bro. S. J. Mayhew, '08, Huntsville, Ala.; and Bro. R. S. Stuart, '08, Oxford, Ala. We are also delighted to have with us Bro. H. C. Neal, Fort Valley, Ga., formerly of Mercer chapter, whom we have recently affiliated.

The chapter gave a banquet in Opelika, Ala., on January 21. It was an occasion most enjoyable in every respect. Because of its marked success we mention it as a very creditable affair.

The members are all, individually and collectively, doing excellent work in college. Alabama Beta is enjoying to a full extent the results of such conditions. She anticipates much from this year's record.

Auburn, January 30, 1905.

C. C. CERTAIN.

## THETA PROVINCE.

## MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

I regret that I have to report that Bro. John Bourdeaux had to withdraw from college on account of his bad health. At a meeting of the university athletic association Bro. Kimbrough was elected manager of the football team for the season of 1905. Bro. Coleman has been elected president of the Herman literary society.

During the past week the executive committee of the board of trustees has been making an inspection of the university buildings. It is hoped that their visit will result in the erection of a new dormitory which is greatly needed.

Since our last letter we have had visits from Bro. Swanson Niles, Tennessee Beta, Bro. Firman Smith, '82, and Bro. Martin Smith, '01.

University, January 9, 1905.

ROBERT SOMERVILLE, JR.

## LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Tulane has closed the most successful football season in several years. We beat our old local rival, L. S. U., and by defeating the university of Mississippi, we won the di-state championship.

Louisiana Alpha takes great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large our new initiates, Bros. Harry Hamilton Russel and Harry Watkins Meyer. Bro. Meyer is a cousin of Bro. Turner, who is well remembered by all of the brothers who attended the convention.

We have been fortunate this fall in having our province president, Bro. William Steen, with us. He has been suffering from a broken arm, and being unable to work, he has spent a good part of his time on the campus. His arm is now, unfortunately for us, nearly well and he will soon leave us. We have also enjoyed the company of Bro. Jourdan, Alabama Alpha, Bro. Watkins, Tennessee Beta, and Bro. Davy, Missouri Alpha. Bros. Jourdan and Watkins are taking courses at the medical school, and Bro. Davy is working in the city.

At a recent meeting of a committee from the New Orleans alumni club and a committee from the active chapter, plans were laid for our annual banquet. It was decided not to have the banquet March 15 on account of it falling in Lent, but to select some day after Lent when everybody could come.

Since our last letter Louisiana Alpha has enjoyed visits from Bros. Kinnear and Urquhart, Washington Alpha, and Bro. Loug of Purdue.

Recently Bro. Robinson has been initiated into K Δ Φ. K Δ Φ is a junior-senior society whose purpose is to foster college spirit.

New Orleans, January 10, 1905.

ROBERT G. ROBINSON.

## TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The present session has been, so far, one of the best in the history of the university. There has been a large increase in attendance. The entrance requirements have been raised and several needed additions made to the faculty.

In athletics the outlook is very promising. A long trip through Alabama and Tennessee has already been scheduled. The chief indoor game now is handball and quite a number of men are getting in form for the tournament, which will be held in February. Several basketball courts have been built and under the direction of coach Hutchison, many are rapidly learning the game.

Texas Beta takes pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large, the following new brothers: Richard W. Alvey, Galveston, Texas; James L. Witt, Bartlett, Texas; Hobart Key, Marshall, Texas; Robert Weldon Stayton, Jr., San Antonio; and Burke Baker, Austin, Texas. During the present session we have lost three men by retirement from college, making the total number of active members, eighteen.

In the oratorical contests this year Bro. Pope was adjudged the best debater and was put on the team which debates with Missouri here in May; while Bro. Walne was chosen as the best impromptu speaker, and will represent the university in the national contest at St. Louis in June. In the winter term elections, Bro. Logan was elected president of the engineering department and Bro. Lathrop, treasurer of the sophomore academs.

Austin, January 29, 1905.

WEBSTER MCEVOY.

#### TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

That Southwestern is to continue in its growth and development is evidenced by the fact that its interests and claims are more before the people of Texas than ever, and their growing liberality and patronage has increased proportionally. Since our last letter some \$65,000 has been added to the permanent endowment fund. The library facilities are increased by more than a \$1000 worth of books and many additional periodicals. The physical laboratory has \$1000 worth of new apparatus. A biological laboratory has been established, and a suitable gymnasium will be erected.

Dr. John R. Nelson, an efficient financier, has been made commissioner of education for the medical department, at Dallas. As a result of his efforts a \$70,000 building will be erected and ready for occupancy by the opening of next session.

Co-education is indeed a success. The "Annex," our ladies department, continues full, and some twenty or more applicants were declined admission. The present plan is to build a new wing, which will accommodate about seventy students, to the already commodious dormitory.

In athletics, we have bright prospects. Seven men of last year's baseball team are back. Much new material is at hand, and with Bros. Cody and Graves, as manager and captain respectively, a winning team will be the result. Regular practice will begin about the middle of February. While trackteam work and tennis are not so enthusiastically supported as baseball, yet they have many devotees, and some good work is expected from them. Bro. Barkley is captain of the track team.

Φ Δ Θ is other than nominal at Southwestern. Bro. Cooper is press correspondent, and has been selected as one of the debaters against the University of Arkansas; Bro. Cody is manager of the *Souwester*, our annual, and Bro. Ryman is on the publication board of the same; Bro. Carrell is on the magazine staff; Bro. Campbell is president of the San Jacinto society, and is intermediate orator representing his society; Bro. Moore was leader on the winning side of the Alamo intermediate debate. In scholarship the chapter leads all other organizations, and will be ably represented in all athletic activities.

The chapter house has been newly carpeted throughout, and some other furnishings have been added. We wish to give much credit to our loyal lady friends, who have beautified our chapter room, and have spared no pains to make it cozy and homelike.

Several out-of-town brothers have visited the chapter recently. To be the host to our brothers, or to anybody is a pleasure.

Georgetown, January 16, 1905.

E. MARLER ARMSTRONG.

## IOTA PROVINCE.

## CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

During the last few months things on the University of California's campus have been progressing rapidly. California Hall, a \$250,000 stone building is nearing completion, and will be ready for use next August. It is to contain the offices of the university, and some lecture rooms. The mining building, which was expected to be finished for use next August, will not be completed for at least a year. A new power and heating plant for the university has just been finished. It is to supply all lighting and power needed on the campus, and will also supply heat for most of the buildings.

The campus is being beautified more and more every day. The roads are being straightened and made over, the sidewalks are being widened and made better, and trees and plants are being planted. At this time of year it looks its best, with new growth on the trees and grass ankle deep all over it.

We did not fare very well in athletics last term, for we were beaten by Stanford in our annual 'varsity football game, and also lost the freshman game, but our prospects look better this term, for we have good men out for baseball, track, tennis and rowing. Training for all of these events is now in full swing. The boating club just received a new barge from the east. A large number of the brothers are showing interest in athletics this term, there being some out for all four of the athletic events. We have two big C men out whom we expect to make good. Bro. Hickey who is a high jumper, and Bro. Variel who plays tennis.

The chapter roll this term numbers twenty-three, which is three less than it was last term.

Improvements inside and outside the house and around the yard have been in progress during the last few weeks. Everything will soon be in the best of condition.

CHARLES B. McDUFFIE.

Berkeley, February 9, 1905.

## CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JR. UNIVERSITY.

Stanford University opened for the second semester on January 10. The chapter was greatly strengthened by the return of Bros. Swinerton, '06, and Burge, '06. We regret that Bro. Heffron, who left during last semester, was unable to return.

The sororities  $\Pi B \Phi$  and  $\Gamma \Phi B$  entered Stanford during December. This addition makes a total of six sororities here.  $\Phi B K$  granted a charter here last semester. Members have been initiated from the classes of '92-'95. Bro. C. E. Chadsey, '92, was one of those elected to membership.

In football we have passed through an unusually brilliant and successful season. The freshman team defeated the freshmen of the University of California in a gritty uphill game by a score of 6 to 5. The 'varsity was twice defeated in the preliminary contests; once by the Olympic club, whom she afterward defeated decisively; and by the Sherman Indians. Both times the score was 0 to 6, and the touchdown was made late in the second half when practically all of the 'varsity men had retired to give the substitutes a chance. Later in the season the team worked with the perfection of a machine, and on attack was irresistible.

Stanford met and defeated Utah Agricultural by a score of 57-0; Oregon University, 35-0; Nevada University, 17-0; University of California, 18-0; Colorado University, 33-0. This series of victories gives Stanford an indisputable title to the intercollegiate championship of the Pacific Coast and Rocky Mountain states, and by comparison of the scores made by Colorado

against the teams of the middle west, we could claim equality with the best of them. The critics are unanimous in declaring this year's 'varsity the strongest that has been developed on the coast. We were represented on this team by Bro. George H. Clark, left end and captain, Bro. A. J. Chalmers, right half, and Bro. Bogle, sub-full. In the big game against our old time rival California, Bro. Clark's work in boxing the tackle helped gain many yards. Bro. Chalmers was the star of the game. He made all three touchdowns, and his 74 yard run from the kick-off was the feature of the game.

In the tennis tournament Bro. Hodge, '06, tennis captain, won the championship of the college in singles. Bros. Hodge and Guyer won the inter-class championship in doubles. Bro. J. L. Gamble, '05, is class doubles champion.

The prospect for good tennis, baseball and track teams is above the average. Bros. Colbert and Chalmers should have no difficulty in making their old positions on the baseball team.

Bro. Bogle, '06, has been initiated into the the honorary fraternity  $\Sigma \Sigma$ . Bro. Heinly was recently initiated into the law fraternity  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . He passed the state bar examination during December.

One of the most interesting events of the Christmas holidays was the marriage of Bro. Homer Laughlin '98; to Miss Ada Edwards, '98, in the Memorial church. Miss Edwards is a member of K A  $\Theta$ .

Bro. Freeman Ford, ex-'04 is to be married this month to Miss Lillian Guyer. Miss Guyer is a sister of Bro. C. G. Guyer, '06.

All visiting Phis are cordially invited and urged to call at the chapter house.

G. E. GAMBLE.

Stanford University, January 12, 1905.

#### WASHINGTON ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

Washington Alpha has initiated ten new members. They are: Carl E. Morford, Seattle, (a charter member of Washington Alpha but because of absence was never initiated before); Paul D. Mackie, '08, Ballard, Wash.; Edwin J. Dalby, '08, Seattle, Wash.; L. Edward Geary, '08, Seattle, Wash.; Harry S. Crane, '08, Seattle, Wash.; Paul I. Donahoe, '08, Chehalis, Wash., (brother of Bro. T. M. Donahoe, ex-'05); Homer H. Tilley, '08, Portland, Ore., (from University of Idaho); Harry R. Farley, '08, Bellingham, Wash.; Ira G. Balyeat, '08, Van Wert, Ohio; J. E. Marble, '08, Norman, Oklahoma.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented in student affairs by Bro. J. W. Hoover, captain of baseball for 1905; Bro. R. E. McGlinn, manager of the glee club; Bro. Geo. Sieler, manager of the junior annual of this year; Bro. H. H. Thedinga, president of the senior class; Bros. H. H. Tilley, A. Hastings and G. G. Brackett in football; Bros. D. E. Twitchell and R. E. McGlinn in the glee club and Bro. J. W. Hoover, in the orchestra.

A K  $\Gamma$ , a local sorority, has been chartered by K K  $\Gamma$ . A pan-Hellenic society has been formed. The fraternities represented are  $\Sigma N$ ,  $\Sigma X$ , K  $\Sigma$ , B  $\Theta$  II and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ; the members of  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  refusing to join. The pan-Hellenic council has adopted resolutions discouraging the entrance of other national fraternities because of the crowded condition at present, there being six chapters of national fraternities at present with a total enrollment of 800.

Washington's football record of this season was good, having been defeated by Oregon Agricultural College and University of Oregon; having defeated Whitman College, Washington Agricultural College, University of Idaho, Utah Agricultural College and tying the University of California.

Seattle, January 10, 1905.

HENRY H. THEDINGA.

ALUMNI CLUBS.  
NEW YORK.

The annual fall banquet of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  club of New York City was held at the St. Denis Hotel on the evening of December 2. It took the form of a love feast in honor of Bro. Julius Marshall Mayer, *C. C. N. Y.*, '84 *Columbia*, '86, who had just been elected attorney general of the state of New York, a position second in rank to the governorship. A total of 104 Phis turned out, although but short notice of the meeting had been given. The men present came from sixteen different states, from Massachusetts to California and from Michigan to Texas. No less than thirty-three chapters were represented and of these sixteen had more than one graduate in attendance.

Professor Charles Thaddeus Terry, *Williams*, '89, *Columbia*, '93, of the law school of Columbia University and president of the club, was toastmaster and among the speakers were Julius Marshall Mayer, Francis Asbury Winslow, *C. C. N. Y.*, '84, the district attorney of Westchester county; Albert Shiels, *C. C. N. Y.*, '86, principal of a metropolitan school and formerly consul to Panama; Professor Wyllys Grant Johnson, *Leland-Stanford*, '92 editor of the *American Agriculturalist*, Paul Jones, *Vanderbilt*, '79; Lewis E. A. Drummond, *C. C. N. Y.*, '88; who reported on the Indianapolis convention; Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, *Columbia*, '99; George Chew Atkins, *Columbia*, '02 and Webster Lance Benham, *Columbia*, '04. Bro. Atkins reported on the location of the new club house which the club will move into early in February. The membership dues were raised and over 125 men have already signed the new roll. The club hopes to have a real centre for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  activity in this city within a few months which shall be open to Phis anywhere. In my next report I will give the details of the new club house to the fraternity.

The governors of the club have held several meetings this fall and the activity reminds one of convention times.

Those who attended the dinner, arranged by chapters as to numbers, were as follows:

*Columbia*, 30; *C. C. N. Y.*, 11; *Vermont*, 8; *Lafayette*, 6; *Williams*, 5; *Vanderbilt* 4; *Syracuse and Union*, 3 each; *Brown*, *Amherst*, *Cornell*, *Butler*, *Hillsdale*, *Lombard*, *Lehigh* and *Ohio State*, 2 each; *Miami*, *Mississippi*, *Texas*, *Case*, *Washington* and *Lee*, *Dickinson*, *Auburn*, *Alabama*, *Gettysburg*, *Michigan*, *Franklin*, *Center*, *California*, *Leland Stanford*, *Junior*, *Wabash*, *Hanover* and *DePauw*, one each.

The provinces under the old arrangement were represented as follows:

*Alpha*, 75; *Delta*, 7; *Beta* and *Epsilon*, 6 each; *Gamma*, *Zeta*, *Eta* and *Theta*, 2 each.

The state representation which is given to show the wide distribution of the Phis at the dinner is appended:

*New York*, 49; *Pennsylvania*, 10; *Vermont*, 8; *Massachusetts*, 7; *Indiana*, 6; *Ohio* and *Tennessee*, 4 each; *Michigan*, 3; *Illinois*, *Alabama*, *California*, and *Rhode Island*, 2 each; *Mississippi*, *Texas*, *Virginia* and *Kentucky*, one each.

Those present were:

**ALPHA PROVINCE.** *Vermont*—Charles Whiting Baker, '86; George Watson Roberts, M. D., '87; Marshall Avery Howe, Ph. D., '90; Frederick Fuller Lincoln, '97; Joel Allen, '92; Walter D. Parsons, '90; and George Edward Sawyer, '83. *Williams*—Prof. Charles Thaddeus Terry, '89; Russell Lord Tarbox, '92; William Rowe Conklin, '00; Joseph Meeker Ross, '01; and Julius Earl Waller, '03. *Amherst*—John Holbrook Marriott, '99 and Clare J. Crary, '01. *Brown*—Thurston Mason Pettepale, '99 and Otis Jameson Case, '05. *Cornell*—William Waldo Pellet, '01 and Edward James Snow, '04. *Union*—Harlow McMillen, '87, Rev. James Edgar Winnie, '88 and Cornelius Lansing Hays, '04. *C. C. N. Y.*—Judge Julius Marshall Mayer, '84, Attorney General of New York, Albert Shiels,

'86; Francis Asbury Winslow, '87, District Attorney of Winchester county; Rev. John Campbell, '88; Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, '88; Frank Stanleigh Angell, '90; David Clark Taylor, '90; George Lounsbury Walker, '90; Edward William Libaire, '92, Edward Joseph McDonald, '92; John Peter Binzen, '93. *Columbia*—Judge Julius Marshall Mayer, '86; John Badley Edgar Mullaly, '87; Francis Asbury Winslow, '89; Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, '90; Prof. Charles Thaddeus Terry, '93; Edward William Libaire, '94; Frederick Albert Southworth, '95; Russell Lord Tarbox, '95; Harry Mason Hewitt, '96; William George Kilian, '97; Oscar Weeks Ehrhorn, '98; Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, '99; Stallo Vinton, '00; Joseph Stettenheim Buhler, '01; Walter Adams Johnson, '01; George Chew Atkins, '02; Oscar Bullard, '02; Roland Pearce Jackson, '02; George Sanford Parsons, '02; Herman Simon Riederer, '02; John Samuel Maeder, '04; Edwin Hoyt Updike, '04, Webster Lance Benham, '05; Thurston Mason Phetteplace, '05; John Miller, '06; Ralph Bailey Schoonmaker, '06; George Norris, '07; Grover Hartman Bode, '08; Harry Potter Fish, '08 and Curtis Pendleton Snook, '08. *Syracuse*—Edward Dunber Rich, '95; Frank Spencer Perry, '00 and Thomas Hill Low, '03. *Lafayette*—William Ashburner Cattell, '84; Lynn Mateer Saxton, '97; George B. Robb, '01; Joseph Osmun Skinner, '02; Walter David Bushnell, '03 and Alfred Abraham Walter, '03. *Gettysburg*—Jerry Knode Cooke, '94. *Dickinson*—Lynn Mateer Saxton, '96. *Lehigh*—Andrew Thomas Brice, '00 and John James Brice, '00.

BETA PROVINCE—*Washington and Lee*—Leland Coppock Speers, '91. *Centre*—William Raymond Worrall, '79. *Vanderbilt*—Paul Jones '79; Fennell Parrish Turner, '91; Dr. Edwin Moore Rankin, '96 and Lamar Hardy, '00.

GAMMA PROVINCE—*Alabama*—James Sydney Stillman, '96. *Auburn*—William LeGrand Burnett, '01.

DELTA PROVINCE—*Miami*—Walter Conger Harris, '91. *Ohio State*—Charles Grosvenor Bond, '99 and Charles Albert Winter, '87. *Buchnell*—Dr. Carlos Green Webster, '94. *Michigan*—Roy Mitchell Hardy, '97. *Lansing*—Joseph Harlan Freeman, '90. *Hillsdale*—William Oscar Robinson, '88 and Robert Elwood Manley, '97.

EPSILON PROVINCE. *Wabash*—Frank Porter McNutt, '91. *Butler*—Stallo Vinton, '97 and Wayne Dee Parker, '03. *Franklin*—Mark Hunter Miller, '07. *Hanover*—Harry Aaron Marks, '92. *DePauw*—Charles Hedding Rice, '87.

ZETA PROVINCE. *Lombard*—Fay Alexander Bullock, '00 and Walter Adams Johnson, '01.

ETA PROVINCE. *Mississippi*—Lamar Hardy, '95. *Texas*—Banton Moore, '00.

THETA PROVINCE. *California*—Abraham Wendell Jackson, '74. *Leland Stanford*—Willis Grant Johnson, '92.

BERNARD M. L. ERNST.

New York, January 23, 1905.

#### HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA.

An innovation in fraternity affairs in Harrisburg, Pa., was created by fourteen Phis on the evening of December 30, when a dinner and reunion was held at the Grand Hotel. The dinner was the result of an experimental idea, which worked out successfully and was seized upon for an annual holiday affair hereafter.

The dinner was held in the private dining rooms of the hotel, which had been decorated with an official  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  flag and pennants of the colleges represented at the dinner. T. Frank Newby, the real founder of the chapter at Lehigh and member of the class of '87, was toastmaster and informal toasts were made by nearly all the diners.

At the conclusion of the speeches, Bro. Newby was made chairman of a committee to arrange for future reunion during the holidays and the pledged promises of each guest that he would attend the dinner next year, insures beyond a certainty, a reunion of larger pretensions next year. It was the hope and idea of the instigators of the dinner to have Phis attend who live within a radius of fifty miles, but that distance was too short for Bro. Robert S. Loose, Dickinson, '01, who came a hundred miles from Hamburg, Pa., to be present at the dinner.

Those present at the dinner were Bros. T. Frank Newby, Lehigh, '87, Harrisburg, Pa.; Ira B. McNeal, Dickinson, '98, Lock Haven, Pa.; Paul Tompkinson, Dickinson, '03, Carlisle; Robert Y. Stuart, Dickinson, '03, Carlisle; Carl Gehring, Dickinson, '07, Carlisle; E. R. Trevorton, Lehigh, '07, Carlisle; Prof. Harry F. Whiting, Dickinson-Cornell, '90, Carlisle; H. R. Geib, State, '05, Marysville; Ralph W. Bowers, State, '04, York; Ross Hubley, Lafayette, '05, Harrisburg; William C. Peters, '07, Harrisburg; Edgar S. Everhart, Dickinson, '03, Millerstown; Robert S. Loose, Dickinson, '01, Hamburg, and Dean M. Hoffman, Dickinson, '02, Harrisburg.

DEAN M. HOFFMAN.

#### SEATTLE.

The Seattle alumni club of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is in a vigorous and flourishing condition with a membership of fifty. Bro. D. B. Trefethen, Amherst, '98 is president; Bro. Clay Allen, Northwestern, '97, is vice president; and Bro. Howard A. Hanson, Washington Alpha, '03, is secretary-treasurer. The secretary acts as reporter for the club.

The club was chartered in 1900, but for some reason the charter was not sent until a short time ago. It has now been framed and adorns the walls of Washington Alpha's chapter house.

The club's convention delegate was Bro. John Roy Kinnear, Washington Alpha, '05. There were four Washington Phis at the convention, Bro. Loren D. Grinstead, who represented the local chapter, Bro. Charles E. Gaches, who represented the Spokane alumni club, and Bro. James A. Urquhart, of Chehalis, Washington. They are loud in their praises of the convention, and of the hospitable city of Indianapolis, and returned full of enthusiasm and love for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

We are glad to note the action of the convention in organizing the new Kappa province in the far northwest. We are especially well pleased with the selection of Prof. Arthur Ragan Priest, head of the department of rhetoric and oratory of the University of Washington, as the first president of the new province. The alumni club feels a deep sense of responsibility in the matter and will do everything possible to assist in making  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  the peer of fraternities in the northwest.

One of the pleasant features connected with the club is the regular Friday luncheon each week at the Seattle Athletic Club. Through the courtesy of the club management, one of the private dining rooms have been secured for our use on Fridays, and the plan has proved to be very successful in drawing the alumni together, reviving old associations and forming new ones. The club is especially desirous that all visiting Phis make themselves known as soon as they come into the city.

HOWARD A. HANSON.

Seattle, December 30, 1904.

#### DETROIT.

The  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  club of Detroit met October 24 at the Hotel St. Claire for their regular monthly supper. An election of officers was held at which the following were elected: Bro. F. E. Searel, president; Bro. R. D. Steele, secretary; and Bro. C. M. Preston, treasurer, who was also elected delegate to the convention at Indianapolis, with Bro. Roy D. Chapin as alternate.

919 Majestic Building.

REGINALD D. STEELE.

## PERSONAL.

*Iowa*—E. K. Brown, '04, is practicing law in Iowa City.

*Iowa*—G. W. Ball, '03 is captain of Company I, 51st Iowa.

*Missouri*—Percy Napton, '00, is practicing law at Missoula, Mont.

*Allegheny*—D. W. Thayer, '83, is in the insurance business at Richmond, Va.

*Dickinson* '98—Edmund D. Soper, '98, will go to Japan as a missionary next fall.

*Westminster*—Wylie H. Forsythe, '94, is a medical missionary at Funsan. Korea.

*Indianapolis*—Horace Ellis, '97 is president of Vincennes University, Vincennes, Ind.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—F. D. Throop, '99, is managing editor of a paper at East Sterling, Ill.

*Randolph-Macon*—A. C. Nadenbousch, '84, is a prominent lawyer at Martinsburg, W. Va.

*Dickinson*—W. F. Cleaver, '96, is managing editor of the *Alleghanian* Cumberland, Md.

*Michigan*—Walter W. Fox, '02, was married to Miss Ethel McCornac at Detroit, October 4.

*Dickinson*—Robert Y. Stuart, '03, of Carlisle, Pa., is a student of the Yale forestry school.

*Brown*—Arthur M. McCrillis, H. G. C., is a director of the Providence chamber of commerce.

*Gettysburg*—Rev. C. S. Trump, '77, is pastor of St. John's Lutheran church, Martinsburg, W. Va.

*Missouri*—James S. Snoddy is a member of the faculty of the University of Montana at Missoula.

*Michigan*—Dr. Allen H. Kessler, '95, was married to Miss Myrta May Peters at Chicago, October 4.

*Dickinson*—Rev. George H. Bucher, '95, has a call from the Presbyterian church, Woodberry, N. J.

*Wisconsin*—Carl F. Geilfuss is practicing law at Milwaukee. His address is 704 Herman Building.

*Dickinson*—Rev. Frank Moore, '92, has been elected president of Pennington Seminary, Pennington, N. J.

*Iowa*—At the meeting of the "big nine" conference last fall, Prof. A. G. Smith, '91, was elected president.

*Mercer*—A. J. Battle, Jr., '87, is president and general manager of the Glacier Metal Co., Richmond, Va.

*Virginia*—Fontain Broun, '92, is the junior member of the law firm of Broun & Broun, at Charleston, W. Va.

*Michigan Beta*—J. H. Kimball, '95, is assistant director of the U. S. weather bureau station at Richmond, Va.

*Richmond and Virginia*—A. G. Patton, '92, is a member of the law firm of Jackson & Patton, Parkersburg, W. Va.

*Lehigh*—T. Frank Newby, '87, is manager of the Harrisburg Roll-Grinding and Corrugating Co., Harrisburg, Pa.

*Pennsylvania*—J. Chas. Ziegler, '91, is general manager of the Booklovers' Library, with headquarters at Philadelphia.

*Dickinson*—Hugh P. Stuart, '03, is assistant foreman of the plant of the American Iron and Tube Co., Lebanon, Pa.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—John W. Lauder, M. D., '73, is head physician of the M. W. A. of Iowa. He resides at Afton, Ia.

*Dickinson*—M. Hoke Gottshall, '00, is manager of the Savings Fund Loan Association, 417 Fourth avenue, Pittsburgh.

*Mississippi*—L. M. Southworth, '83, is practicing law at Manila, P. I. His address is in care of the Army and Navy club.

*California*—Walter S. Alexander, '77 (West Point '81), reached the rank of major in the U. S. artillery corps last July. In November he resigned from the army to enter business.

*Chicago*—The supreme court of Illinois has assigned F. A. Smith, '66, as justice of the branch appellate court of the first district.

*Westminister*—J. A. McCoy, '82, was secretary of the Republican state committee during the last campaign in Missouri.

*Vermont*—E. C. Mower, '92, is municipal judge of Burlington, Vt., and E. M. Harvey, '96, municipal judge of Montpelier, Vt.

*Indiana*—"Arbitration and the Hague Court," is the title of the latest book by J. W. Foster, '55. It is published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

*Westminister*—Homer P. Mitchell, '96, is the publisher and proprietor of the *Chariton County Signal*, a weekly newspaper, at Keytesville, Mo.

*Virginia*—W. J. H. Bohannon, '88, is a member of the law firm of Bohannon, Honnecker & Stout, with offices at 235 Broadway, New York City.

*Vermont*—W. A. Beebe, '89, is president, and C. D. Howe, '98, is secretary of the Vermont teachers association. The latter teaches at Essex Junction.

*Dickinson*—Merrill C. Haldeman, '03, lately with Wright, Kay & Co., fraternity jewelers, has taken a similar position with Burr, Patterson & Co., Detroit.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—Wm. E. O'Kane, '87, has been promoted from the Kansas City department of the Methodist book concern to the depository at Cincinnati.

*Michigan*—Walter A. Eversman, '01, has recently returned from a year and a half's study in Germany, and is practicing law in the Spitzer Building, Toledo, Ohio.

*Case*—L. J. Shlesinger, '95, one of the founders of Ohio Eta, is superintendent of the Munice, Hartford & Ft. Wayne Railway Co., with general offices at Eaton, Ind.

*Michigan*—On September 24, at the Lakeside Club, Grand Rapids, H. H. Walch, '96, and P. F. Steketee, '03, gave a dinner to active members about to return to college. Fifteen Phis were present.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—C. O. Hooper, '01, for the last two years associate editor of the Ottumwa (Iowa) *Courier*, now holds a position on the Pueblo *Chieftain*, Pueblo, Colo.

*Columbia*—Bernard M. L. Ernst, '99, has been elected to the board of directors of the Educational Alliance, one of the largest philanthropic institutions in New York City.

*Mississippi*—Bem Price, '02, is with the engineers' corps, of the St. Francis levee board. He was married during Thanksgiving week to Miss Lutie Bragg, of Osceola, Ark.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—Charles F. Knowlton, '73 has lately been elected manager of the Chicago-Indianapolis Air Line Traction Co. His headquarters are in the Terminal Station Building, Indianapolis.

*Kansas*—Eugene H. Ware was married to Miss Mary Spencer, at Lawrence, Kansas, January 28, 1904. Bro. Ware is a member of the firm of Glead, Ware and Glead, attorneys at law, Topeka, Kansas.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—J. F. Riggs, '85, is superintendent of public instruction of Iowa. He is one of the vice-presidents of the United States Historical Association, which was incorporated at Washington last October.

*Virginia*—Colonel George W. Miles, '82, has accepted a partnership in the banking house of E. R. Chapman & Co., 80 Broadway, New York. He will retain his citizenship in Virginia and spend his summers at Marion, Va.

*Miami*—A memorial window has been placed in the First Presbyterian Church at Indianapolis, in memory of the late Benjamin Harrison, '52, by his widow. A biography of President Harrison is being prepared by John L. Griffith.

*Virginia*—M. C. Patterson, '85, is president of the R. A. Patterson Tobacco Co., Richmond, Va., said to be the largest tobacco factory independent of the trust. An advertisement of this company appears in this issue of THE SCROLL.

In the general election last November, the Indiana state republican ticket was led by three Phis (all members of Indiana Gamma) in the following order: F. A. Cotton, '02, state superintendent of public instruction; J. V. Hadley, '63, justice of the supreme court; Hugh Th. Miller, '88, lieutenant-governor.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—Rev. J. T. McFarland, D. D., '72, was elected corresponding secretary of the Sunday school union of the M. E. Church at the last general conference. He is editor of the Sunday school periodicals and is located at 150 Fifth avenue, New York. He was president of Iowa Wesleyan University, 1884-91.

The legislature of Indiana contains the following Phis: Hugh Th. Miller, president of the senate and lieutenant-governor, Indianapolis; J. C. Farber, Miami; A. G. Cavins, Wabash; Thomas T. Moore, DePauw, members of the senate; T. M. Honan, Indiana; G. L. White, Franklin; S. K. Ruick, DePauw, members of the house.

*Stanford*—Homer Laughlin, '96, was married on December 28, 1904 to Miss Ada Edwards, '98, a member of K A @. The wedding took place at noon in Memorial church. Immediately afterward a wedding breakfast was served in the K A @ house. Ross Avery, *California*, '97, was best man and four members of the Stanford chapter assisted as ushers.

*Colby*—For eight years D. F. Smith, '89, has been judge of the eleventh judicial district of Montana. Last fall he was the Democratic candidate for chief justice of the state, and was very nearly elected, in spite of the state going overwhelmingly for Roosevelt. His term as district judge expired January 1, and he has resumed the practice of law at Kalispell, Mont.

*Ohio State*—Hubert H. Ward, ex-president of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , has retired from the presidency of the national association of life underwriters, after what the *Western Underwriter* calls "one of the most progressive administrations in the history of the organization." He has recently been chosen as a director in the Central National Bank, one of the largest banking institutions in Cleveland, Ohio.

Among contributors to the January magazines by members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  are: "What Awaits Rural New England," by T. N. Carver, Iowa Alpha, '87, professor of economics at Harvard, and "How to Manage a Successful Dairy," by L. H. Bailey, Michigan Beta, '82, director of the agricultural department of Cornell, Ray Stannard Baker, Michigan Beta, '89, Michigan Alpha, '93, discusses lynchings south and north in the January and February issues of *McClures*.

*Cornell*—S. J. Flickinger, '76, who for the last eleven years has been the Cincinnati manager of the associated press, has resigned to become managing editor of the *Dayton Journal*, with which paper he was connected when he first entered journalism in 1876. The *Journal* is the only morning paper in Dayton, and is owned by a company incorporated with a capital stock of \$150,000.

*Columbia*—F. S. Hackett, '99, was married, December 17, to Miss Frances Dean Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Turley Allen of Ardmore, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia. Mrs. Hackett is a graduate of Bryn Mawr, class of 1902. A large number of Columbia men attended the wedding. Bro. Hackett is connected with the publishing house of Doubleday, Page & Co., New York.

*Indianapolis and Indiana*—Rev. Charles R. Hudson, '97, who has been since graduation pastor of the Christian Church at Franklin, Ind., has accepted a call to Frankfort, Ky., at a salary of \$2,000. Bro. Hudson, who was very prominent in college life, being president of his class and a member of the glee club, has been extremely successful in his pastorate at Franklin, having built a handsome new stone church, and largely increased the membership of his congregation. The Frankfort church to which he goes, is one of the leading Christian churches of Kentucky.

*Pennsylvania*—Comte Seyichiro Terashima, '95, a member of the suite of H. I. H. Prince Fushimi, recently visited Philadelphia, where he has many friends. While a student at the university he won several prizes, among them the sophomore oration prize. After graduation at the university, he entered the Ecole Libre des Sciences Politiques, at Paris, where he received a high degree. Since the opening of the Russo-Japanese war he has been acting as honorary attache at the foreign office in Tokio. He accompanied Prince Fushimi, who bore a special message from the emperor of Japan to President Roosevelt. Count Terashima presented Pennsylvania Zeta with a beautiful book of Japanese scenes bearing his signature. The count was entertained by the Japanese students at the university and was the guest of honor at the Mask and Wig club's football smoker after the army and navy game.

At Washington, D. C., on December 19, Walter Benjamin Palmer, editor of the history and assistant editor of THE SCROLL, was married to Miss Mildred Chester Pearson.

The wedding, which was a quiet one, took place at the Donald and was followed by a dinner at the Raleigh. Besides representatives of the families of the bride and bridegroom, only a few friends were present, one of whom was Claude N. Bennett, Georgia Beta, '88. Bro. Palmer met Miss Pearson for the first time when he went to Denver last May. After their engagement, it was arranged that they should be married early in November and spend their honeymoon at the World's Fair, at Bro. Palmer's home in Nashville and at the Indianapolis convention, but his serious illness caused a postponement. His illness was due partly to overwork in preparing for the United States bureau of labor, of the department of commerce and labor, a voluminous report of labor disturbances in Colorado for the last twenty-five years, and especially of the exciting events attendant upon the strikes of the last two years. In his annual message to congress on December 6, President Roosevelt referred to this investigation, conducted entirely by Bro. Palmer, and said he would shortly send the report to congress, accompanied with a special message. Bro. Palmer completed the report on January 11, and the President transmitted it to congress on January 27. It was ordered to be printed and it has since appeared as an octavo of 365 pages. Since the first of the year Mr. and Mrs. Palmer have been located in Baltimore, where Bro. Palmer will be engaged on official business for several months. Mrs. Palmer has two cousins in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , both of Massachusetts Beta—H. C. Wood, '93, and F. E. Wood, '96.

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### COLLEGIATE.

Williams has a new \$500,000 chapel.

Dartmouth has 857 students, an increase of 55 over last year.

Johns Hopkins has 740 students, an increase of 44 over last year.

The French government has presented a bust of Lafayette to the University of Virginia.

Under a decision of the supreme court of Louisiana, the medical department of Tulane, receives \$800,000 as the residuary legatee of the Hutchinson estate.

The Iowa legislature has appropriated over \$200,000 for constructing state university buildings.

Amherst has received \$30,000 for building a natatorium, squash and raquet courts and a new heating plant.

Northwestern has been given a new athletic field, which has an area of 35 acres. It is the largest and will be the finest equipped in the west.

Andrew Carnegie has given \$50,000 to Dickinson for a library, on condition that an equal amount for the same purpose be raised from other sources.

South Carolina College celebrated its centennial in January. Plans were formed for the expansion of the college into a university that would be a credit to the state.

"The College Girl of America and the Institutions which Make Her What She Is," by Caroline Crawford, was published recently by L. G. Page & Co., Boston.

Sir William MacDonald has given the additional \$10,000 for the new Students' Union of McGill University making the total amount of his donation \$135,000, besides the site.

President Roosevelt, Elihu Root, ex-secretary of war, and James R. Garfield, Williams, '85, U. S. commissioner of corporations, have promised to attend commencement at Williams.

The historical papers which Lord Dartmouth presented to Dartmouth college during his recent visit include a number of manuscripts and letters relating to the early history of its institution.

As an aid to foreign students a cosmopolitan club has been formed at Cornell. The membership includes twenty different nationalities, and among the officers are a New Zealander, a Chinese, and a German.

The University of Vermont has a new society, the Boulder society, whose object is to promote college spirit, to sustain friendly relations among the fraternities and between the fraternity and non-fraternity men, and to encourage anything that would better the conditions of under-graduate life. The number of active members is limited to thirteen, chosen from the senior class.

The Chinese government has presented to the department of Chinese in Columbia University, a copy of the standard dictionary of the Chinese language. It consists of more than 5,000 volumes, or the equivalent of over 100 volumes, the size of an English encyclopedia.

The general assembly of Vermont has appropriated \$60,000 for the use of the agricultural department of the University of Vermont. The money is to be expended in the erection and equipment of a building to be known as Morrill Agricultural Hall, in memory of the father of the agricultural colleges of the country, the late Senator Justin S. Morrill.

Mrs. Hearst, who has given the University of California \$600,000 for buildings and as much more for other purposes, has, suddenly and without explanation, ceased her benefactions to the institution. A stone library building for which Charles Doe, of San Francisco, bequeathed \$600,000, is nearing completion, and California hall, for which the legislature appropriated \$250,000, is now being erected.

The board of student organizations at Chicago has adopted the rule that hereafter all surpluses over expenditures in the publication of student papers, and from university dances, socials and entertainments, and the Reynolds club, shall be turned into a general fund for the establishing of scholarships. Heretofore, the surplus has gone into the pockets of the managers.

The case known as the Fayerweather will case was decided by the United supreme court last November, in favor of the colleges. The case involves a bequest of about \$2,500,000, made to twenty colleges by the late Daniel G. Fayerweather, a leather merchant, of New York, who died in 1890. The will was attacked by his widow and two nieces, fraud being charged. The case has been pending in the courts for many years.

A gift from Andrew Carnegie will provide Princeton with a lake, varying from 400 to 1,000 feet wide, and extending three and three-quarters miles, from Princeton to Kingston. At the latter place a dam will be constructed, which will cause about 1,200 acres to be flooded. This may lead to the establishment of college rowing at Princeton, and there is a strong movement for having at least a freshman crew in future inter-collegiate regattas.

## RHODES SCHOLARSHIP MEN.

The bequest of Cecil Rhodes provides for two scholarships for each state and territory in the United States, each for three years, with a financial allowance of £300 per year. His will directed that the scholarship men should be picked from those who show superior qualifications in, "first, literary and scholastic attainments; second, fondness for outdoor sports; third, unselfishness and good fellowship; and, lastly, moral force of character, and zeal in the performance of public duties." The following list of scholarship men, one for each state and territory, who were appointed in 1904, and who entered the various colleges in the University of Oxford last fall, is copied from the *A T Ω Palm*:

Alabama	J. H. Kirkpatrick, (University of Alabama)	Queens
Arizona	No scholar	
Arkansas	Neil Caruthers, (University of Arkansas)	Pembroke
California	W. C. Crittenden, (University of Cal., '05)	Trinity
Colorado	S. K. Hornbeck, (Denver University)	Christ Church
Connecticut	P. Nixon, (Wesleyan University)	Baliol
Delaware	C. W. Bush, (Delaware College)	Brasenose
Florida	No scholar	
Georgia	R. P. Brooks, (University of Georgia)	Brasenose
Idaho	L. Gibson, (University of Idaho)	Lincoln
Illinois	R. Henry, (University of Chicago)	Worcester
Indiana	G. Hamilton, (Earlham College)	Pembroke
Iowa	J. Walleser, (Iowa College)	Oriel
Kansas	Earl W. Murray, (University of Kansas)	St. Johns
Kentucky	Clarke Tandy, (Kentucky State College)	Exeter
Louisiana	A. K. Reed, (University of La., '02)	Christ Church
Maine	David R. Porter, (Bowdoin College)	Trinity
Maryland	Paul Kieffer, (Franklin and Marshall College)	Oriel
Massachusetts	F. H. Fobes, (Harvard University, '04)	Balliol
Michigan	W. Sperry, (Olivet College)	Queens
Minnesota	B. Wallace, (Macalester College)	Pembroke
Mississippi	No scholar	
Missouri	R. Blodgett, (University of Missouri)	Wadham
Montana	Geo. R. Barnes, (University of Mont.)	Christ Church
Nebraska	R. Coon, (Grand Island College)	Lincoln
Nevada	No scholar	
New Hampshire	J. A. Brown, (Dartmouth College, '02)	New College
New Jersey	B. Price, (Princeton University)	Wadham
New Mexico	No candidate	
New York	W. S. Schutt, (Cornell University, '05)	Brasenose
North Carolina	J. H. Winston, (University of N. C.)	Christ Church
N. Dakota	Henry Hinds, (University of North Dakota)	Queens
Ohio	G. Vincent, (Westminster College, Pa.)	Queens
Oklahoma	W. L. Kendall, (University of Oklahoma)	Brasenose
Oregon	H. B. Denmore, (University of Oregon)	University
Pennsylvania	Thos. E. Robins, (University of Pa.)	Christ Church
Rhode Island	R. H. Bevan, (Brown University, '05)	Worcester
S. Carolina	W. Verner, (South Carolina College)	Christ Church

S. Dakota.....	P. M. Young, (University of South Dakota, '03).....	Oriel
Tennessee.....	J. J. Tigert, Jr., (Vanderbilt, '04).....	Pembroke
Texas.....	S. Ashby, (University of Texas).....	Merton
Utah.....	B. H. Jacobson, (University of Utah).....	Exeter
Vermont.....	J. Sherburne, (University of Vermont).....	Wadham
Virginia.....	W. A. Fleet, (M. A., University of Virginia).....	Magdalen
Washington.....	J. M. Johansen, (University of Washington).....	Exeter
W. Virginia.....	C. Tucker-Brook, (W. Virginia University).....	St. John's
Wisconsin.....	R. F. Scholz, (University of Wisconsin).....	Worcester
Wyoming.....	H. Merriam, University of Wyoming.....	Lincoln

The fraternities of the representatives from the various states, so far as known, are as follows: A T Ω, Georgia; Δ K E, Maine; Φ Γ Δ, Texas; Φ K Ψ, Virginia; Σ N, Louisiana; Z Ψ, North Carolina; Δ Φ, Pennsylvania; Δ Ψ, (local), Vermont; Φ Δ Θ, Alabama, Tennessee; B Θ II, Colorado, Washington; Southern K A, Kentucky, West Virginia; Δ Y, California, Massachusetts, New York, Rhode Island. Mr. Murray, who appears in the list as the representative from Kansas, is a member of B Θ II, but he was denied admission to St. John's College, Oxford, owing to his failure to conform to the teachings of the Church of England, he being a Baptist. The representative from Ontario is a member of Δ Y, so that fraternity has five scholarship men.

The American Cecil Rhodes scholars have been carrying all before them at the Oxford University freshman sports, three of them winning no fewer than seven out of the nine events. W. S. Schutt, of Cornell, won both the half and one mile races, the first in 2:04 3-5 and the other in 4.44 3-5. The weight and hammer contests both fell to D. R. Porter, of Bowdoin. He put the weight 31 feet 1½ inches, and threw the hammer 85 feet 1 inch. P. M. Young, of South Dakota, scored a treble victory, doing 5 feet 5 inches in the high jump, 20 feet 8 inches in the broad jump, and winning the hurdles in 19 seconds. Mr. Young is a member of Tridentia, a local society at the University of South Dakota.

Last January examinations were held for the scholarships yet to be awarded, the second for each state and territory. The examination papers were sent to the United States commissioner of education at Washington, and forwarded to England, without the state committees knowing their contents. The papers of those who pass the required grade will be returned, and the committee in each state will be requested to select the student best fitted for the honor. The students then appointed must be prepared to go in residence at Oxford in October, 1905.

## HELLENIC.

A T Ω has entered Purdue.

X Φ has entered Georgia Tech.

Δ Y has entered Ohio State University.

Δ K E has entered the University of Illinois.

At Stanford there are fifteen fraternities, with 270 members, an average of 18.

Σ N's latest acquisitions are chapters at the universities of Arkansas and Montana.

The fraternities at Johns Hopkins are A Δ Φ, Φ Γ Δ, B Θ Π, Φ K Ψ, Δ Φ, Southern K Λ.

Georgia Tech. now has nine fraternities—A T Ω, Σ A E, Φ Δ Θ, K Σ, Φ K Σ, K Λ, Π K A, Σ N, X Φ.

Of the 67 chapters of B Θ Π, 23 own houses—a gain of 10 houses owned in two years—and 31 rent houses.

Φ K Ψ is the only one of twelve fraternities at the University of Chicago to own its own house.—Φ K Ψ *Shield*.

Σ A E has entered the University of Iowa and George Washington University (formerly Columbian University, Washington, D. C.)

The University of Florida, a new fraternity field, was entered by A T Ω, June 15, 1904; by K Λ, October 22; by Π K A, November 19.

Φ K Ψ, and we believe other fraternities also, requires each of its chapters to have a permanent mail address—a post office box if not a chapter house.

At West Virginia University there are 10 fraternities—Φ K Ψ, Φ K Σ, Φ Σ K, Σ N, Σ Φ E, B Θ Π, Δ T Δ, K A, Σ X, and Π K A with about 750 students.—Π K A *Shield and Diamond*.

There are now 350 students here, of whom 50 are girls. Of the 300 male students, 77 are fraternity men as follows: Δ T Δ, 3; Σ X, 6; Φ K Ψ, 7; Φ Δ Θ, 8; Δ K E, 9; Σ A E, 11; Δ Ψ, 13; K A, 20.—University of Mississippi correspondence of K A *Journal* for December.

At the University of Montana, where  $\Sigma N$  has just placed the pioneer chapter, there are several local societies, all living in houses. One of them seeks a charter from  $\Sigma X$ .

The number of fraternities here now is twelve, with four clubs petitioning for charters of various fraternities.—University of Illinois correspondence of  $A T \Omega$  *Palm* for December.

$\Sigma \Delta \Sigma$ , a secret society for both men and women students, has been founded at Wisconsin. Apparently it is neither fraternity nor sorority. Why not call it a conubiality?— $A X P$  *Garnet* and *White*.

The following sororities have recently established chapters:  $A \Xi \Delta$  at Syracuse,  $Z T A$  at Tennessee,  $K A \Theta$  at Texas,  $\Gamma \Phi B$  at Stanford,  $\Pi B \Phi$  at Stanford,  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$  at Pennsylvania, Bucknell, Iowa and Mississippi.

We have had a very important addition to the list of our sororities this year, by the installation of a chapter of  $K A \Theta$ , which is a sister society of  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ .—University of Texas correspondence of *Phi Gamma Delta* for November.

$\Phi B K$  has recently granted charters for chapters at Smith, Willsley, Mount Holyoke, Woman's College of Baltimore, Tulane, Stanford, Colorado College, Ohio State University and the universities of Colorado, Texas and North Carolina.

The fraternity system is now well established here.  $Z \Psi$ ,  $K A$ ,  $A \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $\Delta Y$ ,  $N \Sigma N$  and  $\Xi \Psi \Phi$  have chapters here, and there are three local societies and two local sororities.—Toronto correspondence of  $\Delta K E$  *Quarterly* for November.

The number of active chapters of various fraternities is as follows:  $K \Sigma$ , 71;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 69;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 67;  $\Sigma A E$ , 63;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 57;  $\Sigma X$ , 53;  $\Sigma N$ , 52;  $A T \Omega$ , 51; Southern  $K A$ , 48;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 47;  $\Phi K \Psi$ , 42;  $\Delta K E$ , 41;  $\Delta Y$ , 36;  $\Pi K A$ , 28;  $A \Delta \Phi$ , 25;  $\Theta X$ , 24;  $\Psi Y$ , 22;  $A X P$ , 5.

If our plans are executed, Tennessee Delta will own within four months the finest chapter house in the south. It will be of stone, two and one-half stories high and will provide dormitory room for twenty men in addition to the club rooms on the first floor. Alumni of the city are taking a lively interest in the matter and are backing us in the enterprise.—Vanderbilt correspondence of  $\Phi K \Psi$  *Shield*.

Many chapters have been established by various fraternities since the last (1898) edition of "American College Fraternities," by Wm. Raimond Baird was issued. He will publish a new edition of this useful and admirable book this spring.

Φ Γ Δ and Σ Ν have tried the experiment of prescribing a plain gold pin as the only official badge of the fraternity, and denying to fraternity jewelers the right to sell the badge in a more elaborate form. These laws are said to have become dead letters already.—Φ Κ Ψ *Shield*.

The chapter of Κ Α at Centenary College of Louisiana, the last of those formerly existing there, has surrendered its charter, because the institution no longer afforded sufficient Κ Α material, having only about 50 collegiate students this year. Φ Κ Σ, Δ Κ Ε, Χ Φ, Σ Α Ε, Κ Σ and Π Κ Α have had chapters there.

Within the last year Southern Κ Α has entered Delaware and Σ Ν has entered Montana. Of the forty-five states only six are now unoccupied by fraternities—South Dakota, North Dakota, Wyoming, Idaho, Utah, Nevada. No fraternity has yet entered any of the territories, but it would not be surprising soon to see a chapter at Oklahoma.

Francis W. Upshur, M. D., and Greer Baughman, M. D., both members of Φ Δ Θ, were chosen as grand senior and junior counselor, respectively, of the Π Μ (medical) fraternity at its election of general officers, December 1904. Π Μ was founded at the University of Virginia, 1892, and now has five active chapters and two petitioning bodies.

In discussing the advisability of initiating into Κ Σ students in professional departments of universities, the *Caduceus* says: "We think no absolute and invariable rule can be followed in such a matter . . . The selection of professional students by a chapter should be done with great discretion, but to debar them altogether is to adopt a policy both narrow and unwise."

Φ Κ Ψ, having recently entered the universities of Texas and Illinois, now has 42 active chapters. The *Shield* says that "for a while Φ Κ Ψ is likely to take a rest in the matter of extension, unless some unforeseen opportunity, too good to be dodged, shall arise," but in the same connection it suggests that the University of Washington would be a good location for a future chapter.

L. C. Lockwood, born December 20, 1815, and F. W. Tappan, born December 29, 1817, the last survivors of the "Social Fraternity," have died recently at very advanced ages—the former on December 1, 1904, the latter October 31, 1904. Both were members of the class of '37 at Williams. The "Social Fraternity" was founded at Williams in 1834, and it developed into Δ Y.

Arrangements have been made for the publication of a historical sketch and questions bearing on the history of the fraternity, to be used by active chapters in initiating new men, which was provided by the last grand chapter (convention). The material has been edited by Grand Historian Perine, and will be published and ready for distribution in a few weeks.—Σ X *Quarterly*.

Π K A, an exclusively southern fraternity, is growing rapidly. It entered North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical College, November 11; the University of Arkansas, November 19; the University of Florida, November 19; West Virginia University, December 16. It now has 28 chapters, and the December *Shield and Diamond* says, "Two more chapters are in process of organization."

As mentioned in the June SCROLL, the Acacia fraternity was founded at the University of Michigan last spring. Only Master Masons are eligible to membership in this fraternity. The parent chapter calls itself the Aleph chapter. Our printers made us say Ateph chapter, an error for which a Hebrew scholar, the present editor of the K Σ *Caduceus*, took us to task. The second chapter, called Beth, was installed at Stanford University November 14.

The new editor of the K E *Caduceus* is Finis K. Farr, the very scholarly professor of Hebrew in Cumberland University, at Lebanon, Tennessee. The editor-in-chief of THE SCROLL has long and pleasantly known Prof. Farr, and he hails with delight this new and important element in their friendship. The new editor is a gentleman of versatile accomplishment and he may be well expected to take a high place in fraternity journalism and ably guard the interests of his rapidly expanding fraternity. With Prof. Farr and Verner M. Jones, the able associate editor of the K A *Journal*, the editor-in-chief of THE SCROLL enjoys a neighborly and happy association.

Φ Δ Θ will soon enter its new \$20,000 home which undoubtedly will be the finest Greek habitation here. The fraternity left its rented home last June, however, and has been without a home practically all fall. Every chapter here is planning a home of its own. Σ X and Φ Γ Δ practically own the places in which they live now.—University of Illinois correspondence of Δ T Δ *Rainbow* for November.

Φ K Ψ has fourteen members of the new congress—Senator Foraker, of Ohio, and thirteen representatives. The *Shield* says: "We doubt if any other college fraternity can match this record." We admit that this beats Φ Δ Θ, which has one senator and ten representatives, but attention might be called to the fact that up to less than twenty years ago the number of members of Φ K Ψ was very much larger than that of Φ Δ Θ.

Of the other fraternities all seem to be in excellent condition. Φ Δ Θ and Σ X have proven to be our closest rivals, and next to us Φ Δ Θ is undoubtedly the strongest fraternity here, with Σ X and Β Θ Π following. Σ A E, Φ K Ψ, Σ N and Δ T Ω come next in the order named. As a whole, we feel very well satisfied with the conditions here.—University of Kansas correspondence of *Phi Gamma Delta*. "Next to us" is naive and good.—Σ A E *Record*.

Mr. Clarence E. Woods, editor of the *Delta* of Σ N, is one of the most enterprising of fraternity journalists. He has broken all fraternity magazine records, in regard to illustrations, by bringing out an alumni edition—the November *Delta*—with 500 illustrations, mostly portraits of alumni, varying from thumb-nail size to full page size. We predict that it will be ten years at least before this record is equalled, unless Mr. Woods himself does it sooner.

Σ A E returned 14 men and initiated 13; X Φ returned 8 men, initiated 7, and affiliated 1; Φ Δ Θ returned 9, initiated 7; A T Ω returned 8, initiated 5, affiliated 2; X Ψ returned 3, initiated 6; K Σ returned 8, initiated 4; Σ N returned 6, initiated 2. Of the 375 men in college this year, 132 are fraternity men. All the fraternities have chapter houses except K A and K Σ. K A has the most convenient club rooms in town, just a block from the college campus, an ideal place. All the fellows like this better, so we do not try to get a chapter house.—University of Georgia correspondence of K A *Journal* for December.

The *Themis* of the Z T A sorority is edited by one of her members at Jelico, Tennessee, and is printed in handsome style at Roswell, New Mexico. The *Rainbow* of  $\Delta T \Delta$  is edited by one of its members at Deming, New Mexico, and is printed at New York City. The *Rainbow* uses nothing but uncalendared paper and no illustrations except full-page half-tones on inserts, but from the free manner in which it criticises journals that differ from it in typographical makeup, it seems to be of the opinion that its own typography is the only style entitled to any consideration.

Last year the fraternities mentioned below initiated the following number of men:  $\Sigma A E$ , 7;  $\Sigma X$ , 6;  $K A$ , 4;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 3;  $K \Sigma$ , 3;  $A T \Omega$ , 3;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 2;  $\Pi K A$ , 2;  $\Phi K \Sigma$ , 2;  $\Delta K E$ , 1;  $\Sigma N$ , 1. The same fraternities this year initiated the following number of men:  $\Sigma A E$ , 3;  $\Sigma X$ , 0;  $K A$ , 3;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 4;  $K \Sigma$ , 1;  $A T \Omega$ , 5;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 4;  $\Pi K A$ , 0;  $\Phi K \Sigma$ , 0;  $\Delta K E$ , 2;  $\Sigma N$ , 0. It will be noticed from those figures what a scarcity of new men there is for the fraternities this year.—Tulane correspondence of  $\Sigma A E$  *Record* for December.

$\Phi K \Psi$  has found an angel in Mrs. S. B. Cochran, of Dawson, Pa., whose son died while a sophomore at the University of Pennsylvania where he joined that fraternity. In memory of her son, Mrs. Cochran gave a chapter house outright to the West Virginia chapter, and has now helped the Pennsylvania chapter by a cash donation of \$6,000, enabling it to build a home, subject to a mortgage, costing over \$20,000. In addition, she will furnish the main room of the house as a memorial to her son.—*K A Journal*.

The pan-hellenic association of the University of Washington has issued to the editors of the various fraternity journals a circular letter dated January 23. It shows that at the end of the first semester the student attendance there was 691—398 men and 293 women. The number of men in each department was as follows: Liberal arts, 260; law, 43; specials, 68; pharmacy, 27. The membership in each fraternity was:  $\Sigma N$ , 21;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 31;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 21;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 24;  $\Sigma X$ , 16;  $K \Sigma$ , 13;  $\Phi B$  (pharmacy), 8; total 134. There are two local organizations—Klatow, applying to  $\Sigma A E$  for a charter, and  $\Phi \Sigma E$ , applying to  $A T \Omega$ . The circular says that there is an "overcrowded condition" of fraternities at the institution, and that "it is altogether inadvisable to establish any new chapters here in the near future."

With the announcement that another fraternity here will open ground in the spring for a new house, the fact is again brought strongly and sadly home to us that in our friendly race with the other chapters here, we start with a handicap that is hard to overcome. Union has ten fraternities and only two are not living in fraternity houses. Of the two  $\Delta Y$  is one. To be sure we have comfortable and commodious quarters in our new lodge, but they are not our own, and they lack the many facilities and advantages of a strictly fraternity home.—Union correspondence of  $\Delta Y$  *Quarterly*.

An article on extension, by Mr. H. P. Simpson, editor of the  $A T \Omega$  *Palm*, says: The editor is not an ardent expansionist, nor its opposite, but he recognizes and believes fully in that law of progress which says "thou shalt grow or die"—a law which has had some plainly perceived workings in the Greek-letter world. Upon this law he bases his belief in a steady, gradual progress for  $A T \Omega$ , not rapid, and not too slow; a policy which has generally prevailed in the fraternity since its birth. There have been seasons when it might have seemed it grew too slowly or too fast, but these seasons and their results were perhaps fully justified by the circumstances at those times.

There are ten fraternities at the University of North Carolina, their years of establishment here and the number of men in each being as follows:  $\Delta K E$  (1851), 17;  $B \Theta \Pi$  (1851), 9;  $\Sigma \Lambda E$  (1857), 12;  $Z \Psi$  (1858), 12;  $A T \Omega$  (1879), 12;  $K A$  (1881), 12;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  (1885), 8;  $\Sigma N$  (1888), 11;  $K \Sigma$  (1893), 5;  $\Pi K \Lambda$  (1895), 5. There are six very pretty fraternity houses on the "hill"—the houses of  $K A$ ,  $Z \Psi$ ,  $\Sigma \Lambda E$ ,  $\Sigma N$ ,  $\Delta K E$ , and  $A T \Omega$ . Of these only two are used for living purposes—those of  $\Delta K E$  and  $A T \Omega$ . There is a great deal of fraternity rivalry among the fraternities, especially at the beginning of the sophomore year (as we are not allowed to pledge freshmen until that time) on the day agreed upon for pledging.—H. Stuart Lewis in  $A T \Omega$  *Palm* for December.

Most of the chapters at Sewanee are in flourishing condition.  $K \Sigma$  is now building a large bungalow. Another handsome memorial window is to be installed in the  $A T \Omega$  lodge. It is also reported that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  contemplates the early erection of a large house. Some excitement was caused a few weeks since by the rumor that a local body was petitioning  $\Sigma N$ . It now appears, however, to have blown over. The established chapters would regret the introduction of

another fraternity at Sewanee, as the number of the chapters is more than ample for the size of the student body. The faculty regulation requiring three months' residence before a student is eligible even to be approached by a fraternity has been rescinded, except as regards conditioned students, who remain ineligible until the removal of their conditions.—University of the South correspondence of  $\Delta T \Delta$  *Rainbow* for November.

The trustees of the memorial hall which Southern K A proposes to erect at Washington and Lee University, the birthplace of that fraternity, are endeavoring to secure, during this college year, the balance necessary to begin building. The  $\Sigma A E$  *Record* suggests that a memorial house be erected at the University of Alabama, the birthplace of  $\Sigma A E$ , that this be done before the semi-centennial of the fraternity in 1906, and that other chapters and members of other chapters contribute to the fund which the Alabama chapter has raised for such purpose. The  $\Sigma A E$  convention at Memphis in December appropriated \$1000 for this purpose provided the Alabama chapter should raise twice that amount.

For the first time in the history of the fraternity, except during the first two or three early conventions, each of our chapters was represented by at least one delegate at the convention of 1904. As the fraternity has increased the number of its chapters it has become correspondingly difficult to secure such a complete representation by properly accredited delegates, on account of the inevitable accidents of illness, death and sudden imperative engagements which cannot be overlooked.—*Beta Theta Pi*. For the first time in the history of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , every active chapter was represented by a delegate at the convention of 1900. Every active chapter was represented by a delegate at our convention of 1902, but in 1904 one chapter was without representation.

The University of Arkansas was established at Fayetteville, in 1871. Since that time it has steadily grown until now it ranks with the other universities of the south. All departments are located at Fayetteville except the law and medical, which are located at Little Rock, and the normal at Pine Bluff. At Fayetteville in 1903-04 were enrolled 818 students, being an increase of 33 per cent over the enrollment of the previous year. There are at the university four fraternities with the following enrollment: K  $\Sigma$ , 23;  $\Sigma A E$ , 22; K A, 14;

Π K Α, 10. Besides these there are the two sororities. X Ω, 15; Z T Α, 14. There are also the Indian club, petitioning Σ X; the Owl club, petitioning Σ N; the Triangle club, petitioning Φ Δ Θ; the Elephant no petition.—Π K Α *Shield and Diamond* for December. On December 21 the Owl (Α Γ) club was installed as a chapter of Σ N, making five fraternities at Arkansas.

In eastern colleges particularly, when the freshmen plan a class dinner, the sophomores try to capture officers and prominent members of the class, to prevent their attendance. Kingdon Gould, a freshman at Columbia, when pursued by sophomores intent upon his capture just previous to the freshman dinner, drew a revolver and fired it—over their heads he afterward declared—and sought refuge in the Deke house. He then telephoned to his father, George Gould, who came in an auto with two detectives and rescued him. After such an exhibition of truculency, violating all student customs and college traditions, we should think that young Mr. Gould would be left severely alone by Columbia men during the remainder of his college course, except possibly by the members of Δ K Ε, to which he belongs.

The frontispiece of the *Shield* for October is a portrait of Miss Mai L. Moore, daughter of Judge Charles P. T. Moore, who was the last survivor of the two founders of Φ K Ψ. The *Shield* says that Miss Moore "may well be termed 'the daughter of the fraternity.'" Judge Moore died July 7, 1904. The *Shield* says:

At the funeral of our founder the much vexed and debated question of a fraternity flower was finally settled. The recital of the Moore funeral services, contains the following:

"A touching incident connected with the services, and which made a profound impression upon the great throng of people present, was the deposit by the eight members of the fraternity there in delegate capacity, of pink and lavender sweet-pea blossoms upon the casket. It will be remembered that a committee of ladies was appointed a few years ago at a grand arch council (convention) to determine for us a fraternity flower, but were unable to agree and reported no progress. Would not the fact of this act at the funeral of our founder make a beautiful precedent which may guide our future choice?"

Acting upon the suggestion thus made, the executive council has since, by a unanimous vote, adopted the sweet pea as the official flower of the fraternity, having in mind the pink and lavender varieties. It is worthy of note that the "official" flower was first used in connection with the burial service at the recent funeral of our brother, Charles S. Niles.



NEW YORK DELTA CHAPTER, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

On December 4 the New York *Tribune* published two pages of correspondence from various educators, relative to the advantages and disadvantages of fraternities, and it offered a prize of \$25 for the best letter, not exceeding 800 words, setting forth the benefits to the college and student body which are derived from fraternities, and another prize of \$25 for the best letter, not exceeding 800 words, setting forth the detriments which accrue to the college and student body from the existence of fraternities. Letters which pointed out the detrimental side of fraternities were published in the *Tribune* of January 27, letters upholding fraternities in the issue of February 5. In the latter issue we find a letter signed "A. S. N.," and written at the "Phi Delta Theta House, University of Chicago;" also a letter from Prof. F. K. Farr, of Cumberland University, editor of the *Caduceus* of K Σ. The *Tribune* offers a prize of \$50 "for the best plan by which the good features of college fraternities could be retained, while their blemishes would be eliminated." The competition will close on April 1. All manuscripts (there are no limitations on their length) must be typewritten and addressed to the Sunday editor of the *Tribune*, New York City.

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### THE PYX.

Chapter letters for the April SCROLL should be mailed by March 15 and reports of Alumni Day celebrations should be sent to the editor as soon thereafter as possible. Let each alumni club reporter *be sure* to send in a report so that the April number may present a full record of these celebrations.

The editors take pride in calling attention to the fact that this number of THE SCROLL contains a letter from each chapter. There is no reason why this should not occur every time.

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The song published on page 25 of THE SCROLL for October, 1904, was written by Bro. Eugene Towner Sensensy, Missouri Gamma, '01.

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The editor-in-chief of THE SCROLL takes great pleasure, in behalf of all Phis everywhere, in congratulating Bro. Walter B. Palmer upon his recent marriage. Every Phi will heartily

wish for him the greatest happiness and an early restoration to health. Bro. Palmer's address for the next two months will be 1027 Madison avenue, Baltimore, Md. The following account of his wedding is from the *Nashville American*:

Information has been received here of the marriage of Walter B. Palmer, of Nashville, to Miss Mildred Pearson at Washington, D. C., on Monday, December 19. The ceremony took place at the Donald, and was followed by a dinner at the Raleigh. The officiating clergyman was Rev. F. J. Prettyman, of the Mt. Vernon Place Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Among those present were Miss Ada Pearson, of Rochester, N. Y., the sister of the bride, and Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Blackburn, of New York City, sister and brother-in-law of the groom. The bridal couple will spend the holidays in Washington, and after New Year's will be located at Baltimore for several months.

Mr. Palmer is well known in Nashville, which he still claims as his home, though he has been traveling in the service of the government for many years. He was formerly connected with various newspapers in Nashville, and resigned a position on *The American* to accept the appointment of special agent in the United States Bureau of Labor. During most of this year he has been in Colorado engaged in preparing a report upon labor disturbances in that state for a period of twenty-five years, and especially of the exciting circumstances attending the strikes of gold and coal miners during the last two years. The President, in his message to Congress on December 6, said that he would soon transmit the report to Congress as a special message. The bride is a very handsome and charming young lady. She is of eastern birth but has lived in the west for several years.

Bro. Palmer's report on the Colorado labor troubles is being issued as U. S. senate document No. 122 as a special report of the commissioner of labor, who gives to Bro. Palmer full credit for its preparation. It will be a book of 300 pages and is an exhaustive history of the Colorado troubles.

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Roehm and Son, of Detroit, have for sale a very nice miniature  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  placque, mounted with the coat of arms. The boards are highly finished, solid mahogany,  $3\frac{3}{8}$  by  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches, arranged with a hanger and mounted with a solid polished and lacquered brass coat of arms. It makes a nice ornament, dainty and unique. The price is seventy-five cents.

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The sympathies of all Phis are with Bro. and Mrs. F. J. R. Mitchell in the death on February 8, of Mrs. Mitchell's father, Prof. Robert Baird, professor of Greek in Northwestern University. Prof. Baird was a distinguished scholar, having received the degrees of A. B. and A. M. from Northwestern and L. L. D. from Syracuse. From 1868 to 1881 he

was instructor, and from 1881 until his death, was a professor, in Northwestern. He was a member of  $\Phi K \Psi$  and  $\Phi B K$ . He died at the age of sixty-one, greatly beloved in the university and highly respected wherever he was known.

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Iowa Alpha recently gave a delightful annual reception at the chapter house. The following is from a local paper:

The suite of reception rooms was ablaze with rich autumn hues and the fraternity colors, blue and white, and the college colors, purple and white, in ribbons and pennants were flung from every vantage point. And the house was day with electric bulbs.

The evening was spent in social gaiety, with college and fraternity songs, and an informal but thoroughly good time. At the psychological moment an appeal was made to the inner man and maiden, an appeal which was responded to with surprising alacrity, considering that these young people were living in an atmosphere of intellectuality and things quite ethical. However, the three course collation served by Luberger, was a decided feature of the evening.

Aside from the young men of the fraternity were present their very best girls, the pledges and especially desired friends and also the following alumni who were in town: Mr. Ed Hearn and wife of Mount Clair, N. J. Mr. Charles Hearn of Denver, Colo.; Dr. Ed Myers of Boone, Ia.; Mr. Jason Randall and wife of New London, all old graduates of Iowa Alpha. There were also present Prof. Edwards of Ohio Beta, and Miss Stover, the new professor in English, who was an especially honored guest.

The fraternity this year is unusually strong and consists of the best men in college and the best known in both college and town social circles. They are all clean manly young fellows, who are a credit to the college and the fraternity.

On November 25 the alumni of Georgia Gamma gave a dance to the chapter at the Volunteers' Armory in Macon. Ohio Theta Phis entertained their friends on December 26 at a reception and dance. Handsome invitations were issued to these affairs.

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In revising the roll of Indiana Zeta, Bro. Charles B. Campbell, of College Station, Texas, finds the following alumni lost: '71, Thomas Hartley, Ind.; '74, John Davy Wright, Ind.; '76, Jas. Scott Sims, M. E. Minister, Ky.; '77, Wm. Fleming, Stillwell, Ind.; '81, Jos. Sigel White, M. E. Minister, Ill.; '84, John Bernard Curtis, Teacher, Illinois or South Dakota; Millard Sylvester Miller, '84, Ind.; '85, John Franklin Wood, Ohio; '87, Richard Thomas Savin, Europe; '87, Chas. Morse, Spencer, Ind.; '89, Anthony Bowen, Washington. They were last heard from in the states above given.

Number 6 and number 7, of volume I of *The Phi Delta Theta News* are dated respectively October, 1904, and January 1905. The paper is published by the Phi Delta Theta club of Philadelphia. The October number was the last one issued by Bros. Craig Atmorse and Edward A. Shumway, M. D. The January number was issued by Bros. J. H. R. Acker and B. H. Ludlow. We believe that the *News* is the only local paper published by any fraternity. We would be glad for alumni in other cities to subscribe to it, that they might therefrom learn to maintain a useful and enthusiastic local alumni organization, as is done in Philadelphia. The subscription price is \$1 a year, and subscriptions should be sent to Bro. Frank M. Hardt, 3303 Powelton avenue, Philadelphia. It would be hard to improve on the plan of the *News*. It is replete with interesting articles and items about the alumni in Philadelphia, the chapter in the University of Pennsylvania, and the fraternity in general. We are pleased to note that the alumni and the active chapter have a joint smoker on the first Tuesday in each month during the college year, except January. The smokers are held at the club and chapter house, 3400 Walnut street. The January *News* mentioning the smoker on December 6, says:

About forty of the alumni joined the active chapter in making the evening a memorable one. The real fraternity spirit was in the air, and the old songs were sung, not only with increased volume but with greater spirit. Most of the alumni imagined themselves, for the evening, back in their undergraduate days, while the active members "rushed" them with the same earnestness they displayed in rushing prominent stars at a fall smoker. Bro. J. George Klemm, Jr., 1890 C., whom most of us had never seen, and who had not attended a smoker for a dozen years, made himself solid with the boys. Dr. Radcliffe was as enthusiastic as ever. Bros. Bill Read, Howard Pepper and Harris Warthwan, all benedicts of short standing, made an exception in favor of the fraternity, and stayed until the end. If there was a brother present who did not enjoy the evening we have yet to hear of him.

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"The Most Popular College Songs" is the title of a book recently published by Hinds, Noble and Eldredge, 31-35 West 15th street, New York City. It has 90 pages and 82 songs, all with musical accompaniments. The collection includes more old favorites than any similar collection we have examined, and there are many songs which have recently become popular. The book is bound in paper and sells for 50 cents. We suggest that copies of it be procured by chapters and that members compose  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  songs to the airs found therein.

Bro. S. K. Ruick, S. G. C., a member of the house of representatives of the general assembly of Indiana, has introduced the following bill in the house:

A bill for an act to exempt real estate and personal property of Greek-letter fraternities connected with a college or other institution of learning from taxation, and repealing all laws in conflict therewith.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the general assembly of the state of Indiana that any part, parcel or tract of land not exceeding one acre, and the improvements thereon, and all personal property, owned by any Greek letter fraternity, which is connected with any college, university, or other institution of learning, and under the supervision thereof, and which is used exclusively by such Greek-letter fraternity to carry out the purposes of such organizations, shall be exempt from taxation.

The bill has passed the house and will probably be passed by the senate. We should be pleased to see this measure exacted in Indiana and similar measures in other states. In some states, however, Tennessee being one, fraternity property is exempt from taxation.

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To the Editor of THE SCROLL:

I beg to submit the following in regretful contemplation of the possible effect of your recently enacted regulation requiring members to wear their pins as I am advised at all times and under all circumstances.

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To take up every pin  
Would it be a sacred duty  
To refuse to enter in?  
Upon this point there ought to be  
A ruling without doubt  
For with liberal construction  
Walter Palmer would stay out.

VERNER M. JONES.  
Associate Editor of the *K A Journal*.

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Burr, Patterson and Co., of Detroit, are the latest among our official jewelers. Their advertisement appears on the second page of the cover.

The Washington alumni club has held smokers at the university club monthly during the winter, the last one on February 20. The activity and enterprise of the club is further evidenced by the publication in January of a list of members in the national capital—99 in number—making a neat pamphlet of pocket size. The officers of the club are: President, Ralph P. Barnard, *Lehigh* '89; vice-president, Claude N. Bennett, *Emory*, '88; secretary, Wm. N. Compton, *Alabama*, '88; treasurer, George M. Rommell, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '97; reporter, Carl D. Sheppard, *Ohio*, '02.

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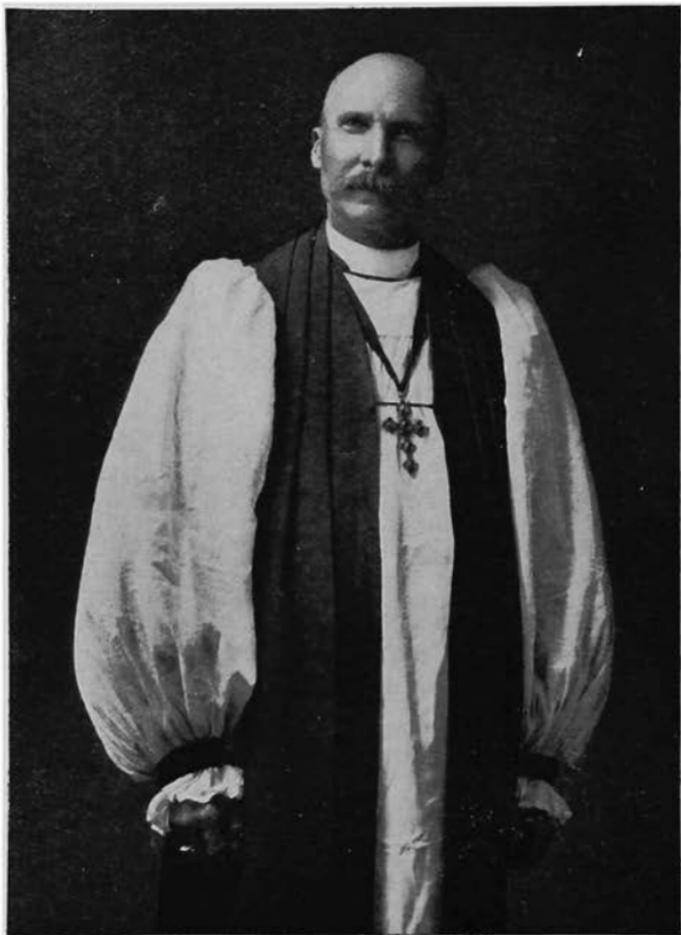
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## THREE BISHOPS

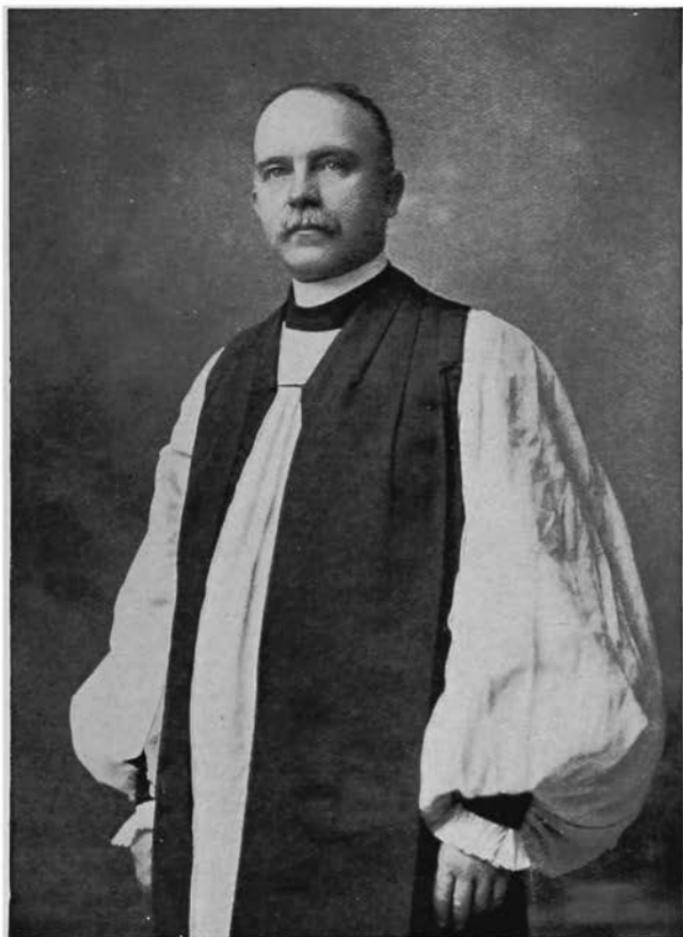
Three bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church are members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , viz: the Rt. Rev. Charles Minnegerode Beckwith, D. D., *Georgia* '73, bishop of Alabama; the Rt. Rev. M. Edward Fawcett, Ph. D., *Northwestern*, '89, bishop of Quincy; the Rt. Rev. William Loyall Gravatt, D. D., *Richmond*, '87, bishop-coadjutor of West Virginia. Through the courtesy of *The Churchman*, we are enabled to present portraits of these distinguished prelates in this issue of THE SCROLL. A biographical sketch of Bishop Beckwith appeared in the issue for October, 1903, a biographical sketch of Bishop Fawcett in the issue for February, 1904.

Though Bro. Gravatt was consecrated as bishop-coadjutor over four years ago, no sketch of him has until now appeared in THE SCROLL. In 1886 he was grand archon of  $K \Sigma K$ , and he represented that fraternity in the conferences which led to the union of its active chapters in Virginia (Richmond, R.-M., V. M. I. and W. & L.) with  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Bishop Gravatt received the degree of doctor of divinity from Washington and Lee University last June. In a recent letter to the editor of THE SCROLL he said: "I always took a deep interest in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and remember with much pleasure the happy days spent in her halls and miss very much the intercourse of former days." The following sketch is from *The Churchman* of December 9, 1899:

William Loyall Gravatt, bishop-coadjutor of West Virginia, is by birth and education a Virginian. He was born at Port Royal and graduated at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute at Blacksburg, the nursery of many men of mark. From this school of practical life he went to the Virginia Theological Seminary, whence he was graduated with honors in 1884.



THE RT. REV. M. EDWARD FAWCETT, PH. D., NORTHWESTERN, '89  
Bishop of Quincy



THE RT. REV. WILLIAM L. GRAVATT, D.D., RICHMOND, '87  
Bishop-Coadjutor of West Virginia

The Virginia church has always room at home for the honor men whom she educates, and Mr. Gravatt became immediately on his graduation an assistant of Dr. Minnegerode at St. Paul's, the largest church of Richmond. In this subordinate position he spent three years, and in 1887 was summoned to the charge of St. Peter's, Norfolk. Here he remained for six years, and in 1893 was unanimously elected rector of Zion church, Charlestown, W. Va., then the largest church in the diocese.

During his six years rectorship the church has prospered, and regard for him has extended far beyond the limits of our own communion. As a preacher, he has been eloquent and convincing; as a pastor, kind yet dignified. The parish can ill spare him, but it is a gratification to his fellow-citizens to learn that he will still reside among them.

The consecration was on Friday, November 10, in his own church and in the presence of a congregation that filled it to the doors. The church had just been completely renovated and remodelled, and it was a happy coincidence that it should have been first opened for this solemn act, so happy to the parish that could give, and so auspicious to the diocese that was to receive. Bishop Gibson, of Virginia, and Bishop Burton, of Lexington, were the presenters; the consecration was by Bishops Whittle, Peterkin and Satterlee. The bishop-elect was attended by his brother, the Rev. J. J. Gravatt, of Richmond, and by the Rev. R. D. Roller, of Charlestown, W. Va., besides whom there were some fifty priests in attendance, who listened to a forcible sermon from the bishop of Lexington.

In the evening the vestry of Zion church gave a reception to the newly consecrated bishop, to the visiting clergy and to the congregation, who were entertained with the traditional Virginia hospitality and extended to the bishop their hearty congratulations.

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#### ILLINOIS ETA'S NEW CHAPTER HOUSE

Several years ago it was realized by Illinois Eta that steps should be taken towards a permanent chapter home. A note system was started. Each man in the active chapter and a number of the alumni signed notes for one hundred dollars payable in installments of ten dollars per year after graduation. Bro. Rufus Walker, Jr., of Moline, Ill., was elected treasurer, and the success of the system has been largely due to his



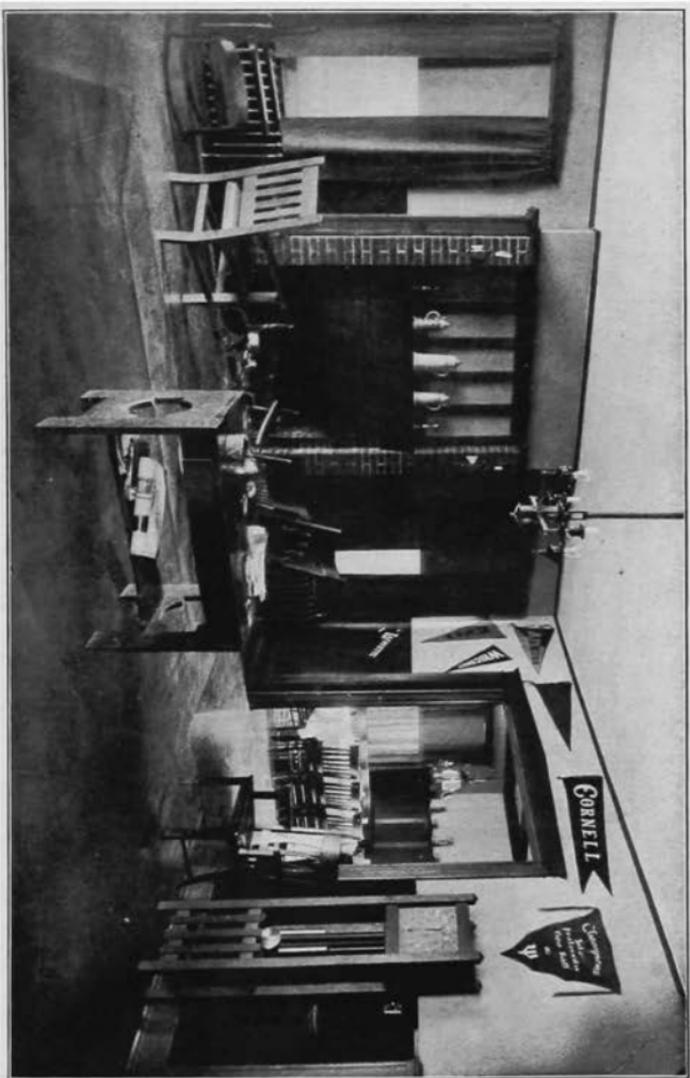
THE NEW ILLINOIS CHAPTER HOUSE

efforts. Every active member since the plan was started has signed notes until now we have notes to the amount of over six thousand dollars, with a yearly income of about four hundred dollars. As a result we are able to purchase two corner lots on Green street with a frontage of one hundred and thirty-two feet, the purchase price being three thousand dollars.

In the fall of 1903 steps were taken towards building a house. A meeting of as many of the alumni and active chapter as could be present was held at the Great Northern Hotel in Chicago, on November 14. At this meeting a corporation was organized to be known as the "Phi Chapter House Association." Bro. George A. Barr, '97, was elected president and negotiations were made for a loan. Plans which were drawn by Bro. Parker, of the active chapter, after slight alterations by a Chicago architect, were accepted and ground was broken in August, 1904. The house was not entirely finished until January, 1905. The construction was under the supervision of Bro. E. S. Mayor, of Champaign, to whom a great deal of credit is due.

The house is a three-story frame structure of colonial style. Its outside appearance is enhanced by a spacious porch. Across the front are the living room and the library, two large square rooms connected by a wide door-way. The living room has an eight foot open fireplace, which adds very much to the comfort and attractiveness of the room. In both rooms the wood is of weathered oak and the lower half of the walls is covered with burlap while the upper half is tinted to match. Back of the living room is the dining room between which rooms are heavy sliding doors. This room has received more favorable comment than any other room in the house. It is finished in Flemish oak with beams across the ceiling and a stein rack extending around the room. Up to the rack the walls are finished in burlap and rectangular panels of oak. Those panels are studded with a row of small incandescent lamps and the chandeliers are of a special lantern design. There is a French door opening on to the porch.

In the dining room yellow is the predominant color; in the living room it is brown and in the library the color scheme is red. These colors in different shades have been carried out in the walls, burlap, curtains, shades and furnishings. These three rooms have excellent hardwood floors and can easily be thrown together for informal dances. The remainder of the first floor is taken up with the guest room, matron's



THE NEW ILLINOIS CHAPTER HOUSE—INTERIOR VIEW

room, hall and cloak room, kitchen, pantry, telephone, etc.

On the second floor are seven sleeping rooms and on the third floor there are five. All are large pleasant rooms, most of them having two closets. There are toilet and bath rooms on each floor. Above the third floor is a large attic suitable for the storage of trunks, etc. In the basement is the lodge room, billiard room, laundry, furnace and coal rooms. The lodge room is twenty by forty feet and makes a fine place for meetings and initiations. The system of heating used is steam.

The house is a model chapter home and is acknowledged to be the best fraternity house at the University of Illinois. It is the result of our best efforts towards, a home and we and our alumni are justly proud of it.

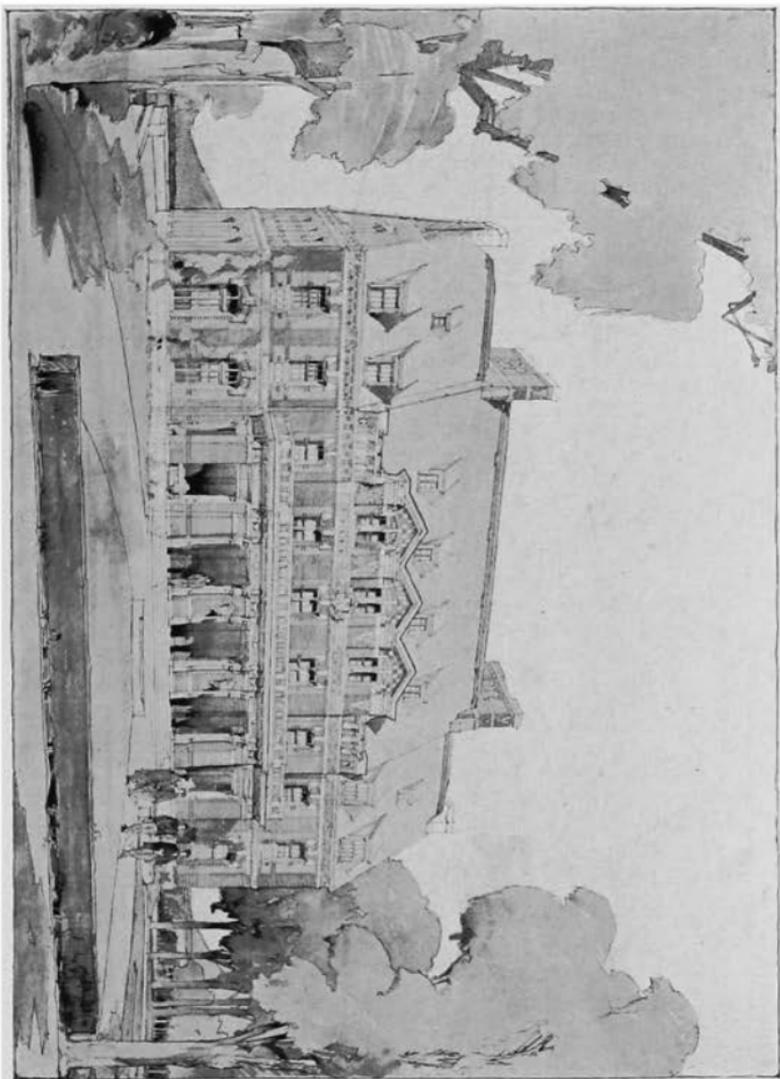
ASA B. CUTLER.

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#### THE PROPOSED NEW WILLIAMS CHAPTER HOUSE

The property owned by Massachusetts Alpha lies between the A Δ Φ and Δ K E lots, and has a frontage of one hundred and fifty-five and a depth of one thousand feet. The plot will be divided as shown on the plan. The new chapter house will be placed on the north lot, lineable with the other houses and with its lawn and tennis courts will occupy a plot four hundred feet in depth. A road has been built along the west edge of the lot, and on this the remaining four lots will face. The present house will be moved and located just south of the chapter house lot. It will be rented or sold. The remaining lots will be for sale. A strong demand has arisen for small houses to rent at about twenty-five dollars per month. The supply is so inadequate that several married men who have been called to Williams as instructors, have had to give up the offer because they could find no suitable houses. It would be a capital investment to build such houses and rent or sell them.

The general proportions of the new house plan have been determined by two requirements. It must accommodate twenty men, and it must present to the street the best front possible. These have been met in the long, narrow plan. The facing of the lot was singularly fortunate, as it gave on one of the long sides a street front and the other a south exposure. Advantage has been taken of this by placing the lounging room parallel with the street and giving the dining room its ideal exposure—a southern one. The library, or



THE PROPOSED NEW WILLIAMS CHAPTER HOUSE

house room, on the east, is happily placed, and the floor is completed by the warden's room and the general toilet room.

The lounging room will be the most elaborate as well as the largest in the house. A person standing in this room can look out upon the street through one of the five arched windows, or into the dining room and library through the wide doorways. At one end is an elaborate fireplace bearing the insignia of the fraternity on a bronze tablet. A table behind the settle holds the current magazines. It is a natural gathering place. The woodwork and beamed ceilings are quartered oak, the decorations, wood colors and gold. A large room like this opening on all the other show rooms of the house will produce a strong first impression on a candidate.

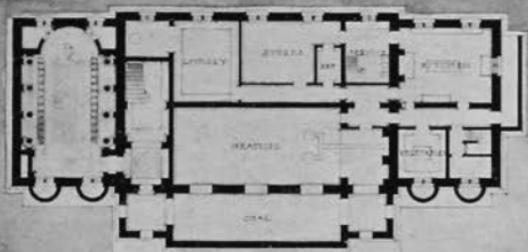
Opening on the lounging room by two wide doors, is the room of next importance—the dining room. It has a southerly aspect and looks out over the tennis courts to the Hopper in the distance. Thirty can be seated at table. The service is by dumb waiters from the butler's pantry to the kitchen pantry below. Birch, stained mahogany, is used, the red colors being strengthened by the contrast with the dull green of the flowered tapestry paper. This room opens up well with the lounging room and will be used with it when the chapter entertains.

Attractively located on the east, and with sufficient isolation, is the library. It is a retreat from the gayety of the lounging room on which it opens and is subdued in tone. In it are the reading and writing tables. It contains the fraternity library in book shelves built into the walls. The woodwork is dark, the wall covering a grass paper of sepia color to form a background for framed photographs of chapter interest.

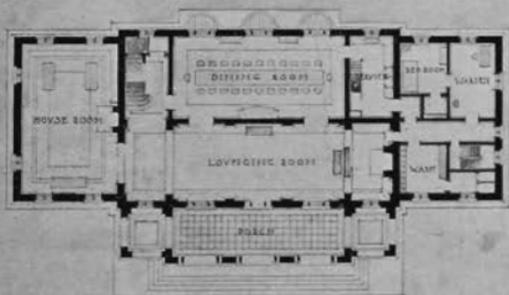
The warden's room is the key to the whole situation. By its position it commands the service stairs, the butler's pantry, the dining room, and the areaway into the story below. The warden oversees the table arrangement, goes to the kitchen or up the service stairs without entering the general rooms of the house. He has a constant line on the movements of the servants, trade people, etc. His rooms, taken in connection with the general washrooms across the hall, form an ideal suite and will give a deserved prominence to the office of warden.

The chapter room is reached by a secret stairway, cut off by a hidden door in the main stair hall. It is in the basement and is completely cut off from the rest of that floor by a

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BASMENT PLAN



FIRST FLOOR PLAN

brick wall. It has openings to the outer air for ventilation and so arranged as to permit no light to pass either in or out. The room is a barrel vault with penetrations and is treated with rough cast plaster marked off in imitation of stone. This is stained to the tone of old masonry. The air of mystery is enhanced by indirect lighting. The arrangement of furniture, etc., is *de règle*.

The long, wide porch is sufficiently protected to give it privacy and still afford an out-door lounging place. It can be used in connection with the lounging room by means of windows to the floor.

A natural slope in the ground from north to south makes the basement almost a full story in the rear, a good fortune which permits of a well lighted downstairs kitchen, pantry and laundry. The plans show the arrangement and appointment of these rooms. A part of the heating space may be converted into a billiard room.

The second and third floors room twenty men. The intention is to provide suites of varying quality as the fact is patent that some men can afford to pay more for their rooms than others. On the plans, "S" indicates "Study" and "B R" "Bedroom." They are then self-explanatory. The furniture shown is a wash basin with hot and cold water, a bed and bureau in each bedroom and desks, bookcases, and in some cases, a divan in the studies. The woodwork on these floors is simple and the decorations are to be left to the occupants.

In the attic, provision is made for bedrooms and a bath for three servants. The general staircase is open and direct from the first story to the third. The service stair runs from the kitchen pantry to the butler's pantry. Then it begins on the other side of the hall and continues, in an enclosure, direct to the attic. It lands on the main hall but is separated from it by a door.

These plans determine the exterior shown in the perspective drawing. It will be much the most impressive fraternity house at Williams.

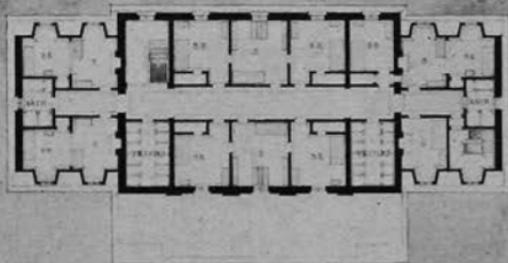
CHARLES THADDEUS TERRY, *Williams*, '89.

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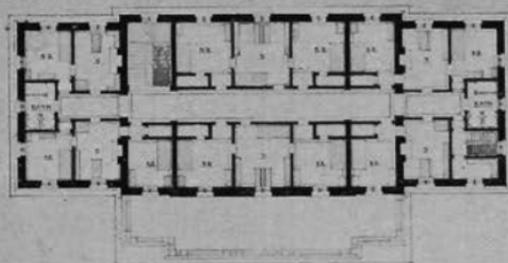
#### TWO WAR CORRESPONDENTS

On March 15 a rumor reached this country that Richard H. Little, war correspondent in Manchuria for the *Chicago Daily News*, had been captured and killed by the Japanese. Later dispatches, however, showed that he was merely a pris-

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THIRD FLOOR PLAN



SECOND FLOOR PLAN

oner of war and was taken with a number of military attaches and other war correspondents to Japan. It is probable that he has already been released. He is expected to return to this country at an early date. As war correspondent he has rendered notable service and endured many remarkable experiences.

The New York *Sun* of February 5 reprints from the Paris *Matin* extracts from special correspondence of the latter paper by its war correspondent in the Far East, Marcel Smet. He describes how he and Col. Edwin Emerson, Ohio Alpha, '89, were welcomed by the Russians in Port Arthur last fall, but were forced to leave within 48 hours. During the Spanish-American war Bro. Emerson was a trooper in the famous "Rough Riders," and he has had a most adventurous and exciting career, as related in THE SCROLL for February, 1904. He was one of the speakers at the banquet of the convention of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at New York, 1902. The *Matin* correspondent says:

On Oct. 3 my companion and I traveled over the hills until we came to a point where our guide, Lieut. Maltchenko, halted us.

"My friends," said he, "this is one of the nearest positions. Our advance guard is about five hundred metres distant. Although there is very little firing in the daylight, it is well to keep behind the talus. So now we must proceed cautiously."

Curiosity and excitement made me inclined to move on at a rapid gait, but Col. Emerson's coolness checked me. At last we reached the desired spot. Lieut. Maltchenko told us to wait a few moments. He went over to an officer, whom he saluted and spoke to while pointing to us. The officer advanced toward us with outstretched hands.

"You are French, are you not, gentlemen?" he asked.

Our guide answered: "Col. Emerson is an American, but his friend vouches for him, and Gen. Stoessel has given them permission to visit all the towns."

"Very well," said the officer.

Smet and Emerson were conducted into Port Arthur. On the evening of October 4 they were dined by the Russian staff officers, who entertained them with music. M. Smet continues:

After the singing Russian and Polish dances began, at the close of which we retired to our chambers. The night was calm, so calm that I could scarcely believe I was in Port Arthur.

In the morning a shell dropped in front of our headquarters and woke us up suddenly. I rubbed my eyes and after a few seconds realized that I was in Port Arthur. How lucky I was to have obtained permission from Gen. Stoessel to remain! Moreover, there was every sign of an assault before long. Col. Emerson was also delighted. We dressed hastily while the orderly, a blonde young Russian, prepared our tchai. The door opened and Lieut. Maltchenko appeared with a depressed look.

"What is the matter with you this morning?" I asked.

He hesitated a moment and then said: "My friends, what I have to tell you may seem strange. It is bad news for you, and it is painful for me. The order is that you must leave Port Arthur at 11 o'clock this morning."

I looked at him with astonishment. "But," said I, "Gen. Stoessel authorized us to remain."

"That is very true," said he, "but what can I do? I cannot attempt to explain the order."

In a yawl they were towed away by a tug to a Chinese junk, which they boarded, their yawl in tow:

"What the devil are we to do?" asked Emerson.

"To go away," said I.

"Yes, but where?"



RICHARD HENRY LITTLE, ILLINOIS WESLEYAN, '95.

Reporting the Russian-Japanese war for the *Chicago Daily News* and the *News* syndicate of newspapers.

"The wind is right for going to the west. Let us go to Chan-Hai-Kouan. But I think we'd better rest all day behind that little island ahead, and in the night we will run the blockade."

"Agreed, all right," said Emerson. But soon he became seasick, and I had to help my Chinamen in handling the sails.

The wind was blowing furiously, and our junk bounded from wave to wave. We reached the island about 5 o'clock in the evening, when the sky was getting red. It was not precisely an island, but simply a rock upon which it was impossible to land. "Meio kchu" (No place to land), said the Chinaman. Alas, at the same instant a little vidette steamer came out from

behind the island. At the stern she flew the Japanese flag, and at the bow a sailor was pointing a machine gun at us.

That didn't suit me for a cent, so I waved my white handkerchief. The boat approached. A little second lieutenant—there is no ensign among the Japanese—told us sharply to come aboard his vessel, and ordered the Chinamen to anchor their junk. Noticing our baggage, he made his men put it in the yawl, which was half full of water and already made fast behind the vidette boat. I protested, telling the young greenhorn that the yawl would swamp as soon as he began to tow her, and that our baggage would be lost.

"I take no orders," said he in English; and the little monkey assumed a comical air of importance. But I was not inclined to laugh. As a matter of fact, when the vessels got under way the yawl was swamped. Our baggage was floating about as well as a quantity of white paper which I had brought with me, intending to write during the trip.

Little Kitchi—that was the name of the second lieutenant—appeared to be angry. He ordered his men to get boathooks with which they began to fish up the sheets of white paper.

"Take up the baggage first," I shouted. "No, no said little Kitchi, 'the papers first.'" So our baggage was left to sink.

Behind the island was the Japanese gunboat *Agakagi*, celebrated during the Chino-Japanese war. On board her Capt. Engoutchi received us very kindly. Little Kitchi saluted, and then, stiff as a rail, presented with pride to his chief the sheets of white paper which he had fished up. Our roars of laughter made him turn red and white. The captain reprimanded him severely, because I told him under what conditions he had lost all our baggage.

The commanding officer was very kind indeed. The others with whom we came in contact later were also kind, but with a certain amount of ostentation and affectation. Next day the captain told us that he had received an order to leave Louisa Bay.

"Which would you prefer," he asked, "to go to Admiral Ossoya, at Dalny, or to Gen. Nogi?" I preferred Gen. Nogi.

A few minutes afterward little Kitchi, who had become very amiable, came to take us away. We bade farewell to Capt. Engoutchi and thanked him for his kindness. Shortly after we had boarded Kitchi's boat the little fellow asked Emerson what was to be done with the yawl. Emerson drew himself up proudly and, putting his hand across his breast, like Napoleon at Marengo, replied in solemn tones:

"Since you have captured her, send her to the prize court of Sasebo."

I roared out laughing, and little Kitchi got angry again.

Finally we landed, and after two hours march we reached a little village where a Japanese officer, Major Saito, surrounded by soldiers and police, received us courteously and gave us tea, after which he ordered two mounted police to lead us to the camp of Gen. Nogi.

The editor of the New York *World*, of which paper Bro. Emerson is a correspondent in the Far East, informed us recently that he was in Japan. *Public Opinion* of April 1 contains an illustrated article by Bro. Emerson, entitled "Personalities of the War." In this article he mentions a meeting with Viceroy Alexiff, to whom he had a warm letter of introduction from Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador at Washington; meetings with General Kuropatkin and other Russian officers, with Prince Kanin, Marshal Oyama, Generals Nogi, Oku, Fukushima and other Japanese officers.

## RECENT FRATERNITY CATALOGUES

Continued from THE SCROLL, December, 1904.

## ZETA PSI—A CONSERVATIVE FRATERNITY.

Zeta Psi Fraternity of North America, founded June 1, Anno Domini 1847. Semi-centennial biographical catalogue, with data to December 31, 1899. Published for the fraternity in the city of New York. Copyright, 1900, by Israel Cariell Pierson. New York: Press of John C. Rankin & Company. Cloth;  $7\frac{1}{4} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$ ; pp. 967.

This is an enormous book in bulk. It has nearly 1,000 pages, and it is over four inches thick. The chapter lists contain very detailed data in regard to the individual members. The chapter lists are preceded by sketches of the founders of Z  $\Psi$ , four pages, and a sketch of the fraternity, eighteen pages. Each chapter list is preceded with a sketch of the chapter and varied illustrations, such as college buildings, chapter houses, chapter groups and portraits of members.

In addition to the chapter lists, the book contains the usual geographical index and index of names. The appendix includes a list of grand chapters (conventions), the dates on which they were held and their officers; a list of "patriarchs" of the fraternity, and a list of fraternity publications. There are no tables and no statement of the exact number of members, though the sketch of the fraternity refers to Z  $\Psi$ 's "muster roll of about 5,050 members, of whom nearly 4,200 are living." It is explained that "the standing committee of patriarchs" is a central organization for administering the affairs of the fraternity. This committee was authorized by the grand chapter of 1892. Z  $\Psi$  alumni are called "elders." It also appears from the sketch of the fraternity that T K  $\Phi$ , and not Z  $\Psi$ , are the initials of the fraternity's secret motto.

Z  $\Psi$  was founded, June 1, 1847, at the University of the City of New York, now New York University. The founders were J. B. Y. Sommers, W. H. Dayton and J. M. Skillman, all of the class of '49. On account of his poor health, Dayton went south and entered the University of North Carolina, in the fall of 1846. The sketch of the fraternity says:

Sommers and Dayton were warm friends and together they conceived the idea of a new college fraternity, which was to start with two chapters, one at New York University and the other at the University of North Carolina. These two young men joined to themselves a third, John M. Skillman, and with him became the founders of the fraternity. The exact date of this agreement of Sommers, Dayton and Skillman to found the Z  $\Psi$  fraternity has been a matter of much discussion. Down to 1883, the date 1847 seems to have been the accepted one for the year of foundation, but in 1883 the grand chapter on the report of Bro. Aubrey, Delta Alpha, and of a committee appointed to investigate the subject, voted to accept 1846 in place of

1847, as the true date of the founding of the fraternity. Accordingly, 1846 was used until researches, undertaken in view of the approaching semi-centennial of the fraternity seemed to cast a doubt upon the correctness of this position, and, in a paper read before the semi-centennial convention, the author of this history maintained that June 1, 1847, was the correct date of the founding of the Z Ψ fraternity.

The author of the sketch notes that a fraternity archivist was appointed in 1884, and since then historical matter, long scattered, has been collected. Since 1897 two very valuable sources for the early history of the fraternity have been found, though they had been missing for over a generation—the original minute book and the original pledge book of the mother chapter. The author refers to these and to other archives to prove that Z Ψ was founded on June 1, 1847, not June 1, 1846.

Dayton, while on his return to Chapel Hill, to continue his attendance at the University of North Carolina, died August 17, 1847. The sketch says:

The opening of New York University in September, 1847, found the two remaining brothers full of hope and enthusiasm for their project, and in the first meeting of the year, and the first meeting of which the minutes have been preserved, held September 15, 1847, at Bro. Sommers' home, 82 Madison street, New York, new members were proposed, and the Z Ψ fraternity was fairly started on its prosperous and honorable career. The name of the fraternity and of the chapter at New York University (Phi) and the broad outline of organization had been incorporated in a constitution adopted by the three original members in the spring of 1847.

The fraternity has never departed from the basal principles laid down by its founders. It has demanded character and culture as the first requisites for membership in Z Ψ. Given character and culture, good fellowship has been preferred to mere scholarship, although the fraternity has always recognized that without scholarship the desired standing of membership and of chapter could not be maintained in the college. It has been the policy of the fraternity, inaugurated by its founders, never to choose men as members solely on account of attainment in restricted spheres of college activity. Scholarship or athletic ability alone, although highly prized when possessed by men of character and culture, were never sufficient qualifications for membership.

Z Ψ is distinctly a social, not a literary organization, social in the broadest and best sense of the word. The aim of the fraternity has been and is to develop the member as a social being, through intimate relations with a limited number of congenial friends, who are bound together in an organization where loyalty, truth, honor and fraternal affection are the guiding principles. To this end literary activity is encouraged as a means, never as an end in itself; to this end likewise all the varied activities of college and fraternity life are supported. The fraternity never loses sight of the fact that the man is more important than the musician, the athlete or the scholar.

The death of Dayton prevented the establishment of a chapter at the University of North Carolina at that time. The second chapter was founded at Williams College in May, 1848.

Z Ψ is noted for being the pioneer fraternity in California and in Canada. Its Iota chapter was chartered by its grand chapter, December 28-29, 1870, and was established at the University of California during the summer of 1871. The sketch says:

Z Ψ was the first of the national secret Greek-letter fraternities to establish a chapter on the Pacific coast, and naturally reaped a great advantage from this priority, which gave it a leading position that has been successfully maintained in the face of increasing competition.

Concerning Z Ψ entrance into Canada the sketch says:

The prosperity of our Canadian chapters, and the high standing in the university and social world which their members sustain, warrant us in considering March 27, 1879, as a very important date in the history of Z Ψ, for on that date Z Ψ first crossed the boundaries of the United States and made itself an international fraternity by establishing a chapter at the University of Toronto.

Z Ψ was first at Toronto as she had been on the Pacific coast, and for thirteen years had the field all to herself. The best men at the university became Zetes, and gave the chapter a prestige that has been of great value since the introduction of other fraternities brought in the element of rivalry for possession of the most desirable men.

Z Ψ entered McGill University in 1883, and was the first fraternity there as well as at the University of Toronto. Z Ψ disputes with Φ Δ Θ the claim of priority at Leland Stanford. The sketch of Z Ψ says:

Z Ψ added another to her long list of pioneer chapters in 1892 by crossing the Rockies for a second time, and placing a chapter at Palo Alto, three months after Stanford University had opened its doors to students. The Iota chapter at Berkeley was naturally desirous, shut off as it was very largely from fellowship with the eastern chapters, of placing a branch of Z Ψ at the new sister university of the Pacific slope, and, under the leadership of Bro. Edwin Mays, Iota, '93 secured the consent of the grand chapter at Philadelphia, January 9, 1892, when a charter was granted to the petitioners, a number of whom had already become members of the fraternity at the Iota chapter. The two Pacific chapters have proved a source of mutual strength, and the Mu has had an extremely creditable, although a short, history, and will unquestionably maintain at Palo Alto the same relative position which the Iota has secured at Berkeley.

This quotation shows that Z Ψ did not succeed in "placing a chapter at Palo Alto" until "three months" after Stanford University had opened its doors to students," which was in the fall of 1891. It also shows that a charter was not granted by Z Ψ for a chapter at Stanford until January 9, 1892. Φ Δ Θ was organized at Stanford about three months before Z Ψ was. The charter for our California Beta was granted October 23, 1891, and the charter members were initiated one day later.

The first grand chapter of Z Ψ was held in August, 1849, and grand chapters have been held annually ever since except in 1861. New constitutions were adopted by the grand chapters of 1850, 1862 and 1890. At the semi-centennial grand chapter, held in New York City, April 23-24, 1897, "representatives from twenty-four chapters signed the convention register, and over 300 members were in attendance."

The list of publications contains notes regarding catalogues issued in 1859 and 1867, an addenda to the catalogue issued in 1874, a catalogue issued in 1883, a directory issued in 1888, a directory issued in 1893, the semi-centennial catalogue issued in 1900; a song book issued in 1871, a song book issued in 1891, a song book issued in 1897; the *Zeta Psi Monthly* published during 1883, the *Zeta Psi Quarterly* published 1884-86. Z Ψ's bibliography is a very short one, the only other books mentioned in the list being a catalogue of the Michigan chapter issued in 1897, and a bulletin issued in connection with the semi-centennial of the fraternity in 1897.

#### SIGMA NU—A GROWING FRATERNITY.

Catalogue and Directory of Σ N Fraternity. Third edition. Revised from January 1, 1869, to November 15, 1902. Published by the Fraternity.

This book contains 391 pages, 5¼ x 7⅝, and is bound in cloth. There is no imprint of the printers. The preface is dated November 15, 1902; a supplemental list, February 10, 1903. The editor was the grand treasurer of Σ N, Hon. Fred H. Heywood, of Columbus, a member of the O. S. U. chapter. The two previous editions of the catalogue were issued in 1889 and 1894.

There are fifteen pages of introductory matter, three pages of which are devoted to an historical sketch of the fraternity. Σ N was founded "on or about January 1, 1869," by four cadets at the Virginia Military Institute, "frequently spoken of as the West Point of the South." The sketch says:

In 1865, A T Ω was founded at the institute, and, being without rivals, soon secured all honor men in the institute. Every effort was made by them to keep up their standing, and, in the language of one of our founders, "Woe unto the rat," as the under-classmen were called, "who refused to join the 'Black-feet,'" by which name the A T Ωs were familiarly known. This was resented by the Western boys, and steps were successfully taken to break down the power of the "Black-feet."

An organization was perfected and a plan of work agreed upon. The first regular meeting of which we have any account was held January 1, 1869. The recollection of our founders seems to be that the organization was at first intended simply as a local society. Its purpose and principles were, however, of such a character as to draw to it the best minds in the institute, and its success was phenomenal from the beginning. Its members were for

a time dubbed "White-feet, in contra distinction to their sworn enemies, the "Black-feet," the members of A T  $\Omega$ .

The idea of extending the organization to other institutions of learning seems to have taken possession of the members of the first chapter during the first years of their organization. It was agreed that the members represented twelve different states, and that extension would not be a difficult matter. The plan of organization was perfected, and a constitution, badge and signs and symbols were adopted, and vigorous measures for the establishment of new chapters were taken.

Success, however, in its best form did not attend their first efforts. Chapters were founded at several institutions of learning, but a multitude of almost insuperable difficulties retarded their growth. In some instances this was due to the character of the institution selected; at other institutions the faculties became hostile, and, by adopting prohibitive regulations, crushed out chapters that seemed well established. It not infrequently happened, as was to be expected, that it was impossible to compete with old rivals, well established and owning costly chapter houses.

These difficulties, together with those encountered by every fraternity—such as the incapacity of the inexperienced successfully to assume the obligations incident to membership in a college fraternity—made the early life of  $\Sigma N$  so ineffective and unsuccessful that, in 1883, fourteen years after the founding of the first chapter, there were to be found but three active chapters out of nine that had been established, and only 300 persons had donned the five-armed badge. After the establishment of Kappa chapter, the fraternity exhibited remarkable energy in improving its condition, and in April, 1883, with but three chapters in existence—Alpha (V. M. I.), Kappa (North Georgia Agricultural College) and Lambda (W. & L.)—it began the publication of a journal called the  $\Sigma N$  *Delta*, the triangular name being suggested by the trio of existing chapters.

In this year the struggle for existence became more successful, and it is at this point that the real history of  $\Sigma N$  begins. A new leader stepped forth in the person of Isaac P. Robinson, of Baltimore, a member of Lambda chapter. Assisted by others loyal to the cause, Robinson, whose enthusiasm for his fraternity knew no bounds, practically reorganized the fraternity and placed it well upon the road to success. Succeeding years have seen the chapter list grow in size and the membership increase until now 61 chapters have been installed with a total membership of nearly 5,000.

The badge of the fraternity is from a design made by J. F. Hopkins, one of the founders, and has remained the same ever since the organization of the fraternity. It is of gold, with five white arms meeting in a center of black enamel, on which is coiled a golden serpent; each arm contains a pair of cross-swords and a letter, forming the sequence  $\Sigma N E T T$ . The color originally chosen for the fraternity was sky blue, but it has since been succeeded by black, white and gold. The white rose has long been a distinctive emblem, and there is a pledge pin of black displaying bars of white and gold, with a field of black, on which a golden badge is inlaid.

The growth of  $\Sigma N$  from 3 active chapters and 300 members in 1883 to 52 active chapters and considerably over 5,000 members in 1905 is one of the greatest marvels in the annals of all fraternities, and  $\Sigma N$  deserves to be heartily congratulated upon its wonderful persistence, indomitable energy and great success.

The third edition of its catalogûe is a plain, practical, common-sense book, one of the most compact and convient works of the kind that we have examined. In many of its features it is a model. It contains little superfluou matter. The biographical entries are limited to the name, year of birth, if known, degrees, occupation, very important honors, address, and, in case of a deceased member, the year of death. The names are arranged in order of initiation and under the years of initiation (as in the catalogue of B @ Π), instead of by classes (as in the catalogues of most fraternities.) We should like the arrangement better if the class year were somewhere indicated. A peculiarity of this catalogue is that it gives the names of persons who have been expelled. The book includes the usual residence directory and index of names but does not contain a table of relationship.

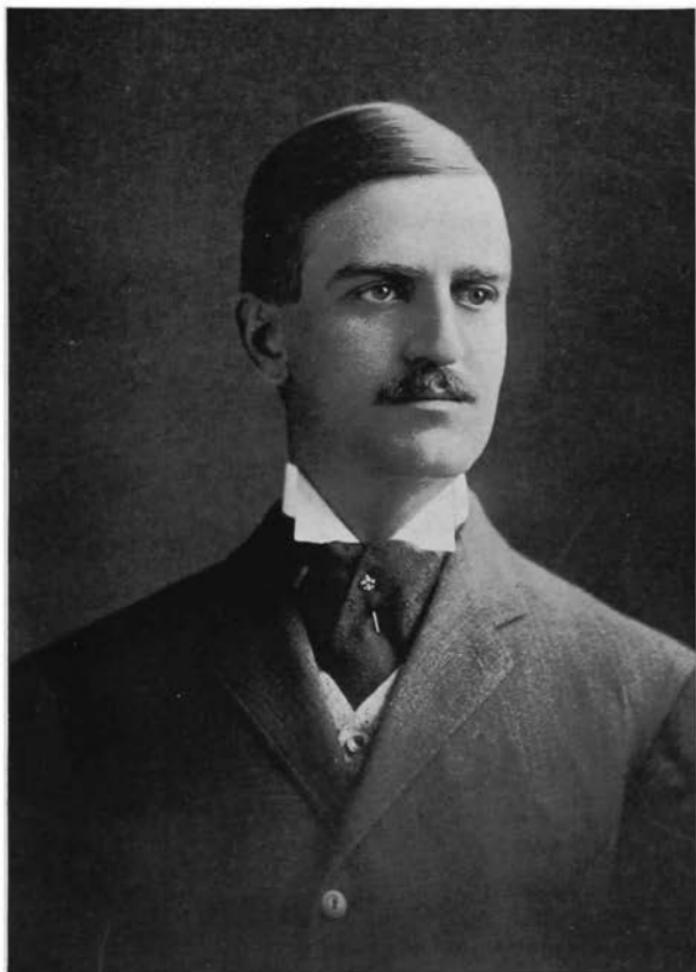
WALTER B. PALMER.

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#### PHI DELTA THETA'S NEW CHIEF OFFICIAL.

Francis Joseph Ross Mitchell, *Northwestern*, '96, has fitly and deservedly become president of the general council. After a career of useful activity as a member of Illinois Alpha he was chosen president of Zeta province at the Columbus convention in 1898. On March 31, 1900 he succeeded Frank D. Swope as secretary of the general council, and at Indianapolis in 1904, after a service of four years and eight months in this position, he was elevated to the distinguished office which he now holds. Three conventions have honored him with unanimous elections to positions on the general council. His work has been thorough. He has originated many new elements in our progress as a fraternity. His view of the possibilities for Φ Δ Θ is large, progressive and comprehensive. He is one of those intensely useful and valuable men who from an unselfish love for the fraternity give it large thought, patient effort and practical accomplishment.

Brother Mitchell is a lawyer in Chicago, and during a career of less than seven years has had remarkable success. His practice is general, though pertaining mainly to corporations. His largest success has just been achieved in winding up the Bear River Irrigation and Ogden Water Works Co., in Utah. In this work he has foreclosed a bond issue of two and a half millions, representing the reorganization committee of the bondholders, of which Hon. John G. Carlisle is chairman. He also wound up the Waukesha Water Co. which



F. J. R. MITCHELL, NORTHWESTERN, '96.  
President of the General Council

conveyed water through pipes from Waukesha to the Columbian Exposition. He is a native of Edgar County, Ill.; taught a country school and entered Northwestern University in 1892. In college he was manager successively of the football and baseball teams, the glee, banjo and mandolin clubs. In 1896 he received the degree of A. B. and in 1899 the degrees of A. M. and LL. B. For the best theses in the law school he was awarded as prizes sets of "Lawyers' Reports Annotated" and the "American and English Encyclopedia of Law." In the fall of 1899 he was admitted to the Chicago bar and on January 1, 1900 he opened an office for the practice of his profession.

Brother Mitchell's whole training has been amid college surroundings. His home is in the beautiful city of Evanston near his alma mater, where on December 18, 1900 he was married to Miss Ruth Baird, *Northwestern '97*,  $\Delta \Phi$ . She is a daughter of the late Prof. Robert Baird, who long held the chair of Greek in the university. Bro. Mitchell is a member of the  $\Delta X$  law fraternity and of  $\Theta N E$ . Aside from his busy professional life and his constant service to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  he has found time to contribute to legal publications—to the *American Law Register* an article on "The Legal Status of the Inhabitants of the Philippine Islands," and to the *American Law Review* an article on "International Liability for Mob Injuries." He has also made contributions to the *National Corporation Reporter*.

Of a clear, strong mind, genial nature and great capacity for work, Bro. Mitchell is certain to fulfill the high expectations of the fraternity. By his eminent faithfulness and devotion he has set a fine example which is certain to bear fruit in the many Phis who are being stimulated to large and constant service.

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#### THE STATE UNIVERSITIES\*

Although the colleges of colonial days were all private corporations, in nearly every instance they had received moneys or lands by public bequest from the colonies in which they were situated. Harvard was established by an act of the general court of Massachusetts. At William and Mary the charter conferred a land endowment and a portion of the public revenues. The colonial legislature of Connecticut,

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not only made grants of lands to Yale College, but for many years in the early eighteenth century made annual appropriations of money. Princeton was first known as the College of New Jersey, and was at least indirectly aided by the legislature through its authorization of a lottery in 1762. The present University of Pennsylvania during its infancy received public money from the city of Philadelphia, the king, and the proprietors of the colony. Columbia, when the College of the Province of New York, was the recipient of excise moneys. Brown University was granted certain exemptions from taxation. At Rutgers, the governor was *ex-officio* president of the board of trustees, and Dartmouth was most generously accorded by the legislature of New Hampshire large tracts of land, and on one occasion £500 for the erection of a new building.

This investment of public funds in colleges was understood by many to carry with it some sort of state control, but since the institutions were all more or less under denominational supervision, such was impossible, and a widespread distrust of them as they were conducted arose. This took many forms, and was shared by men of the most diverse religious and political opinions. But it all came virtually to this: That no one of the colleges fully answered the public needs as regards higher education. Every one of them was the college of a faction or a sect within the commonwealth, and failed therefore to be the college of the commonwealth in its entirety. The democratic spirit which had been rising very slowly since the beginning of the eighteenth century, and the interest in civic affairs, which increased very rapidly as the revolution drew on, both tended to accentuate this feeling of distrust. It was much more pronounced in the case of some colleges than of others but none of them seems to have escaped it entirely.

As a result, the legislatures in most of the colonies tried to gain fuller control of the colleges, and make them more nearly conform to the popular will; in a sense, to make state universities of them. With at least three—Columbia, University of Pennsylvania, and Dartmouth—this was actually done, and each had its brief term of service as a real state institution. With most of the others the controversy was hard fought, but they were too firmly established on other lines to be moved, and retained their original individuality.

But the controversy was not without its effect, for the southern states, and those across the Alleghany mountains,

which were at the point of framing state constitutions, were warned by the difficulties which their older sisters had experienced, and almost without exception made provision for one or more higher institutions of learning under direct state control. In this movement North Carolina took the lead, inserting in the constitution, which was framed in 1776, the clause: "All useful learning shall be encouraged and promoted in one or more universities;" and although an institution founded upon this clause was opened in 1795, it did not come under full state control until 1821. In South Carolina a university was under such control in 1801.

As the vast territory of the middle west was opened up, and constitution after constitution framed, the same wise provision for carrying the public education of the youth to the highest step was made. And it is here that the state university has reached its fullest development. The original interest of all is expressed in the passage from the Indiana constitution written in 1819:

It shall be the duty of the general assembly, as soon as circumstances will permit, to provide by law for a general system of education ascending in regular graduation from township schools to state university, wherein tuition shall be gratis, and equally open to all.

This is the charter of the American state university—the crown of the public school system. "Circumstances" permitted in Indiana in 1820, when the Indiana Seminary was established, which later became the Indiana University at Bloomington. In 1817 the territory of Michigan established a college which, in spite of its name—Catholepistemiad, or University of Michigana—eventually grew into the great university of that state.

East of the Alleghanies the leaven of state control had not ceased to be active; and in 1819 Virginia, after an unsuccessful attempt to gain control of the College of William and Mary, established its state university at Charlottesville. In this enterprise Jefferson was the prime mover; and the wisdom of his plans has been fully demonstrated, not only by the subsequent history of this institution, but of others which have taken it as a model. With the exception of Maine, which founded its university in 1867, no state north or east of the Old Dominion has found place for a state university, for the universities in Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Vermont, though bearing the name of the state, are, in all essentials, private institutions, and the University of the State of New York is but an examining body, without teaching functions.

But the establishment of state universities in the west and south came as a matter of course, and has kept pace with the stars upon the flag. Those states which were formed out of public lands—twenty-seven in all—received the donation known today as "university lands," and displayed wisdom in varying degrees, in its investment. Nearly all, however, used what was not lost through political jobbery in one or more higher institutions of learning. These were usually broadly academic in their nature, though not always, as in the case of Illinois, which used her grant for the foundation of a normal school. Up to 1862, roughly, a dozen states were maintaining institutions of a higher grade, no one of which was more than a struggling college, with a limited number of students, trying to do what it could upon the meagre revenues of what had been saved from the earlier land grants. Hardly one of these institutions could to-day be considered more than of secondary grade.

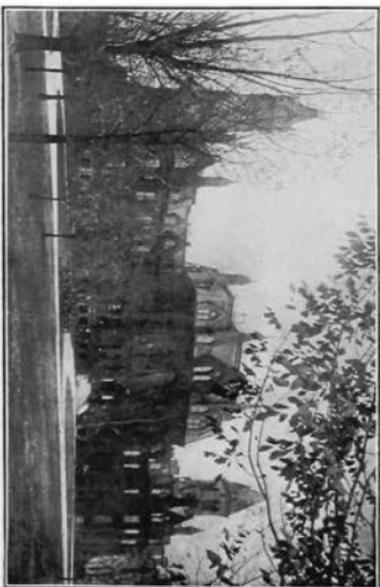
By the passage in 1862 of the Morrill act by congress all this was changed. The act provided for a grant of 30,000 acres of land for each representative and senator in congress. This land was to be "in place" where the state contained a sufficient quantity of public land subject to sale, at \$1.25 per acre; and of scrip, representing an equal number of acres, where the state did not contain such land. The grant conveyed in all 9,600,000 acres, 1,770,000 of which was land in place, 7,830,000 in the form of scrip. The amount raised by the sale of these, varying in different states from \$50,000 to \$750,000, was to be devoted to the support in each state of a higher institution of learning, at which technical and agricultural branches should be taught. Of the purpose of the Morrill land grant act, President Draper says:

It had a distinguishing purpose in view. That was to carry the advantages of education to those engaged in manual industries. The older colleges had all pointed toward the time-honored learned professions. Congress recognized the industrial changes consequent upon the introduction of machinery, the advent of steam and electricity as elements in industrial progress, and the material development incident to the civil war . . . . . By taking the grants and complying with the fortunate conditions on which they are made, and at the same time giving enthusiastically of their own store to combine therewith the disciplinary and culture studies, and supplementing the whole with provision for the old and many new professional courses, the newer states had the most comprehensive university foundation the world has ever seen.

As a result of this grant, within twenty years practically every state in the union has established such a school, either in connection with some already existing college or as a new

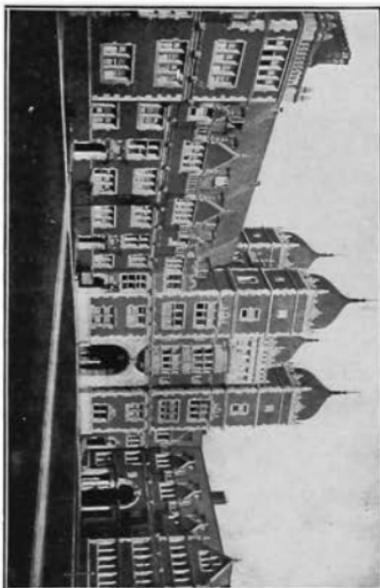
institution. Many of the latter were agricultural colleges pure and simple, while in a number of states the money was used in the foundation of a state university which should comply with the requirements as regards courses of instructions. Among the state universities owing their origin to the Morrill act are those of California, Illinois, Maine, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, Ohio, West Virginia, and Wyoming. At these institutions military training is required of all male students. Coeducation is universal. A part, though not all, of the state universities in existence in 1862, were the recipients of their state's allotments of land through the Morrill act.

UNIVERSITY OF	Year of Founda- tion	1875		1885		1903	
		Stu- dents	Faculty	Stu- dents	Faculty	Stu- dents	
Alabama .....	1831	71	19	207	45	396	
Arkansas .....	1872	62	8	67	70	1080	
California .....	1868	134	34	197	491	3057	
Colorado .....	1877	.....	7	71	105	925	
Georgia .....	1785	202	10	184	138	2689	
Idaho .....	1889	.....	.....	.....	30	347	
Illinois .....	1868	332	25	247	312	3300	
Indiana .....	1820	134	22	151	70	1285	
Iowa .....	1847	145	16	234	160	1512	
Kansas .....	1864	78	16	180	81	1350	
Louisiana .....	1860	8	4	91	27	400	
Maine .....	1867	110	9	84	54	450	
Michigan .....	1837	324	44	524	247	2900	
Minnesota .....	1868	83	30	54	290	3700	
Mississippi .....	1848	55	9	148	18	260	
Missouri .....	1840	132	33	573	100	1681	
Montana .....	1895	.....	.....	.....	14	300	
Nebraska .....	1869	35	16	142	220	2256	
Nevada .....	1886	.....	.....	.....	24	292	
North Carolina .....	1789	67	16	207	69	651	
North Dakota .....	1883	.....	5	.....	37	500	
Ohio .....	1870	40	17	64	136	1516	
Oregon .....	1876	.....	8	46	71	470	
South Carolina .....	1801	86	13	158	16	215	
South Dakota .....	1882	.....	.....	.....	30	450	
Tennessee .....	1794	.....	11	180	80	618	
Texas .....	1883	.....	13	151	109	1300	
Utah .....	1850	.....	.....	.....	28	643	
Virginia .....	1825	326	28	306	57	600	
Washington .....	1861	.....	13	6	35	601	
West Virginia .....	1867	.....	.....	.....	50	900	
Wisconsin .....	1848	216	44	313	187	2810	
Wyoming .....	1886	.....	.....	.....	71	200	
Arizona .....	1891	.....	.....	.....	23	215	
New Mexico .....	1891	.....	.....	.....	12	100	
Oklahoma .....	1892	.....	.....	.....	28	410	
Total .....	.....	2340	470	4599	3471	41369	

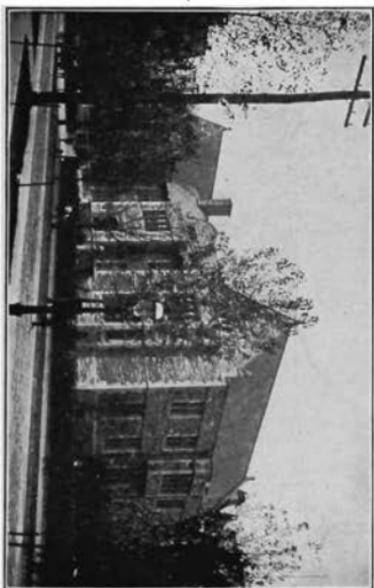
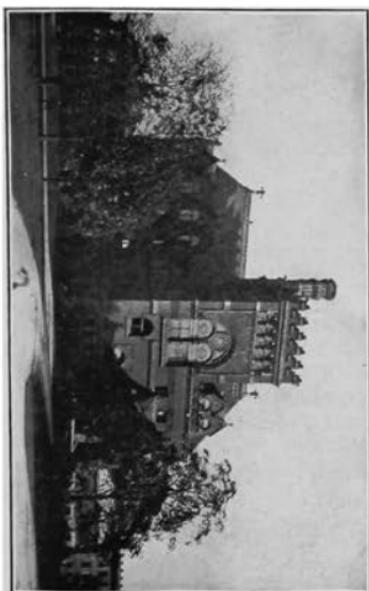


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DORMITORIES  
HOUSTON CLUB HOUSE



The accompanying table shows the states and territories maintaining universities in 1903, together with the year of establishment, and the number of students in each for the years 1875, 1885, and 1903. The table shows that in a little more than twenty-five years the number of students in attendance at the state universities has increased nearly twenty times (fourteen institutions added during the period), and that the number upon their faculties today exceeds by about one-half, the number of students in 1875. It shows that since 1885 the student body has increased eight times and the faculty seven times. Six out of the ten largest universities in the country (1903) are upon the list, and more than that number which are doing work of as high a character as any.

Financially these institutions are in a prosperous condition. The income from the land grant makes it certain that no one of them can be reduced to absolute penury, and for the most part the states have been generous, and either by means of a "mill tax," or by general appropriations made at each session of the legislature, have provided for their wants. Many of them, too, have been the recipients of private benefactions. In all, tuition is free, or practically so, except in the professional departments. Not all maintain such departments, though of the whole number, thirteen have medical and fifteen legal departments. No one of them supports a theological school.

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#### PHI DELTA THETAS AT ANNAPOLIS.

At the United States Naval Academy class spirit and fellowship largely take the place of fraternities, yet the Phis of all classes have been drawn closely together by the Bond. Although we cannot maintain any organization or be associated as a group, our personal friendships are strong. This is especially shown in the fact that the rigid rules of the middies as between the classes are relaxed among fraternity brothers.

Many  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  come to Annapolis on visiting teams to play the Navy. These we always take great pleasure in meeting. We hope that every Phi who comes here will try to look some of us up, or, better still, will notify us in advance of his coming.

On the day of the Army-Navy game in Philadelphia the Phis of the two academies were invited to lunch with the Phis of the University of Pennsylvania. The West Pointers were not allowed to leave the gymnasium, but we midshipmen



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spent a jolly hour with Pennsylvania Zeta, whose hospitality was greatly appreciated by all of us.

The midshipmen in the accompanying group picture are:

FIRST CLASS, John Jackson London, *North Carolina* (now a passed midshipman on board the cruiser Colorado).

SECOND CLASS, John Paul Miller, *Kentucky State College*; John Sidney McCain, *Mississippi*; Will Hayes, *Central*.

THIRD OR "YOUNGSTER" CLASS, Edwin Darrow Almy, *Kentucky State College*; David S. H. Howard, *Texas*; William Henry Lee, *North Carolina*; George Lewis Wellington, *Tulane*; Will Rucker Manier, Jr., *Vanderbilt*.

FOURTH OR "PLEBE" CLASS, Kirkwood H. Donavin, *Ohio State*; Blaine W. Bradfute, *Indiana*.

WILL R. MANIER, JR., *Vanderbilt*, '05.

#### COMEDY PLAYED BY THE WABASH CHAPTER.

Herewith is shown a half-tone, made for the history of the fraternity, from a photograph of the cast of "Captain Racket," a comedy in three acts, which was performed by members of Indiana Beta, in the hall of the Patriotic Order of Sons of America, at Crawfordsville, Ind., February 5, 1903. The audience was composed of the Wabash faculty and their families and other friends of the chapter. The cast of characters was as follows:

Captain Robert Racket, of the national guard—a lawyer when he has nothing else to do and a liar all the time..... Hugh W. Smaltz, '06.  
 Obadiah Dawson—his uncle, from Japan "where they make tea".....  
 ..... Edward C. Courtney, '05.  
 Timothy Tolman—his friend, who married for money and is sorry for it.  
 ..... Alonzo L. McDaniel, '04.  
 Mr. Dalroy—his father-in-law, a jolly cove .... Martin A. Anderson, '07.  
 Hobson—a waiter from the "Cafe Gloriana," who adds to the confusion..... Emory E. Hesse, '04.  
 Clarice—the captain's pretty wife, out for a lark and up to "anything awful"..... Robert D. Schrock, '05.  
 Mrs. Tolman—a lady with a temper, who finds her Timothy a vexation of spirit..... Albert H. King, '04.  
 Katy—a mischievous maid..... Frank F. Hasbrouck, '03.  
 Tootsy—the "kid," Tim's olive branch.... William White,—.

The following account of the performance is from the Crawfordsville *Journal* of February 6, 1903.

What was by far the most pretentious, and at the same time the most successful, society affair ever given by a fraternity, at Wabash College, was that given last evening at the P. O. S. A. hall by the Φ Δ Θ fraternity to about 400 friends of the society. The feature of the evening was the presentation, by eight members of Indiana Beta chapter, of the three act comedy, "Captain Racket," and to say that the affair was a success,

both from a dramatic and a social standpoint, is to speak in mild terms. The play itself is a charming skit, abounding in real wit and humor, and containing room for the display of dramatic talent, of which the young men in the cast took decided advantage.

The principal male part was carried by Hugh Smaltz, of Fort Wayne, who as Captain Racket, made the most pronounced hit of the evening. Mr. Smaltz has more than the ordinary amateur talent, and the ease with which he carried his difficult role excited much favorable comment. The two



THE CAST OF INDIANA BETA'S PLAY.

Left to right: Standing—E. E. HESS, '04; A. S. MCDANIEL, '04; M. A. ANDERSON, '07; W. S. A. BEALE, '05. Sitting—E. C. COURTNEY, '05; F. F. HASBROUCK, '03; R. D. SCHROCK, '05; A. H. KING, '04; H. W. SMALTZ, '06.

female parts were admirably taken by Albert King, of Rochester, Ind., and Robert D. Schrock, of Decatur. The latter was as pretty as a picture in his female attire, and in the last act, when Mrs. Racket appeared in evening dress, the envious eyes of many a girl in the audience were turned upon him. Mr. King's role as the strong minded wife of Timothy Tolman, was difficult, but he played the part to perfection. Ned Courtney, as Uncle Obadiah, created shouts of laughter, and applause by his original interpretation of his part, and Alonzo McDaniel, of Lebanon, as Timothy was a very natural "hen-pecked husband." Martin Anderson, of Peru, was all that could be wished

in his dignified character, of Mr. Dalroy, the father-in-law, while Frank Hasbrouck, of Peoria, Ill., as Katy, the maid, won deserved applause by his clever acting. Emory Hess, although little opportunity was given in his part for any extensive display of talent, did exceedingly well as the waiter from the cafe Gloriana.

The play ran about two hours, and during the entire time there was not a dull moment. Between acts several clever specialties were introduced, among which one by Ned Courtney was especially clever. He appeared as a young girl and his local hits in his monologue were productive of much merriment. His take-off on the Floradora sextette of local young ladies caused a storm of applause and his hits at the college also took well. Before each act there was a chorus from the fraternity's songs, among which were "Rally, Fellows, for a Cheer," "Carmen Fraternities" and "Friends Must Part."

Too much credit for the success of the affair cannot be given to Mr. W. I. A. Beale, who directed the play, and to whose ability in this direction a graceful compliment was paid by the mere success of the play. The affair was given under the direction of a committee composed of Messrs I. D. Goss, W. I. A. Beale, and A. H. King; and the musical numbers were arranged by Mr. Byron Hughes, a member of the fraternity.

After the performance the evening was spent in dancing, music being furnished by Messrs. Brandecamp and Scott; and the affair was not brought to a close until a late hour. A large number of out of town guests were present, among whom were: Miss Jessie Fullenwider of Lafayette; Misses Murphy and West, of Greencastle; Miss Jessie Moore, Greencastle; Mrs. Smaltz, of Fort Wayne; Dr. and Mrs. Barton Griffith, of Alamo; Hon. J. F. Stutesman, of Peru; Messrs. Witt and Foster, of Franklin; Mr. Scott Bower, of Tolona, Ill., Mr. Stahl, of Lebanon; and Mr. Brower, of De Pauw University.

#### ACADEMIC SOCIETIES.

In the last (1898) edition of Baird's "American College Fraternities" mention is made of ten "academic societies" established in academies, seminaries, institutes and high schools. We are not informed as to how many will be mentioned in the new edition now in press, but the number seems to have largely increased of late, and the question as to whether these societies exercise a beneficial or an injurious influence upon their members is one that is exciting considerable discussion among teachers in secondary schools. It appears that these societies are now established in preparatory schools and public schools from New England to the Pacific coast, though we are not aware that any of them have chapters below Mason and Dixon's line. Some of them are national organizations, while others are local, but all imitate fraternities for college men. They are secret in character; they have badges bearing symbols and Greek letters; they give dances and other entertainments, and some of them even support chapter houses. There are fraternities for boys and sororities for girls. During the last year we have noticed a

number of articles in various journals about these societies, and we have clipped them, expecting to republish some of them, but we have never found room for them, except some comments from the Sigma Chi *Quarterly* and the Sigma Alpha Epsilon *Record*, reprinted in THE SCROLL for December. Without exception all articles on the subject that we have noticed have asserted that experience has shown that secret societies in schools are harmful rather than helpful to students of tender years. The following extract is from an editorial in a recent issue of the New York *Tribune*:

Any school day now you may see little boys in roundabouts trotting along to school with detachments of the Greek alphabet embroidered upon their caps or engraved on pretty little gilt badges upon their jackets. They are members of some "kid frat," which has its mystic motto, its finger tangling grip, its password and countersign, and all the secret solemnities of the *Vehmgerichte*. That is the sort of thing against which, it is encouraging to see, the principals and teachers of schools are beginning to protest as a serious evil. Their protest is timely and should be effective. The very notion of boys forming "Greek-letter" organizations when they have not yet learned the Greek alphabet, and when they are in a school in which, perhaps, not a word of Greek is taught, is sufficiently absurd to be condemned as an evil on that ground alone. A school ought to keep its children from making themselves ridiculous. But that is not the chief objection to these things. When one becomes a man he should put away childish things. Conversely, the child should not prematurely ape manly things.

In an article published in the *Saturday Evening Post* last winter, Prof. E. G. Cooley, superintendent of city schools in Chicago, severely arraigns secondary school societies, which, he says, "have multiplied like microbes in the public school system of Chicago, for instance, until their influence upon scholarship and discipline has forced the problem of their existence upon the educational authorities as a burning question which must be squarely faced." He further says: "Both the fraternities and the sororities assume to represent the 'swell' element of the school membership; it is apparent that the pupils of certain races are tabooed, and in other instances there is reason to believe that the business or profession of the father and the social standing of the family are taken into consideration in passing upon the qualifications of a candidate." He states that "the consensus of reports" from 15 principals and 375 teachers of the high schools in Chicago was that the secret societies "contained much of the best elements in the schools in point of capacity and of favorable home environment," while the scholarship records of the members were "far below par." Prof. Cooley declares that parents should clearly understand that the high school 'frat.' means an early and liberal education in snobbishness,

in loafing, in mischief and in the manipulation of school politics. In support of the charge about secret societies manipulating school politics, he states that a certain high school in Chicago has 1330 pupils, of whom 130 are members and 1200 not members of secret societies, yet a recent investigation showed that, of the 25 elective positions in the schools, 20 were held by members of fraternities or sororities, and that, "The representative government of the school was as firmly in the clutches of the 'frat. ring' as the municipal politics of New York City are controlled by Tammany Hall."

President William R. Harper, of the University of Chicago, appointed a committee to investigate what influences are exercised by fraternities and sororities in secondary schools, and to report to the conference of academies and high schools having relations with that university. The report was prepared by Prof. Spencer R. Smith, principal of the Wendell Phillips High School in Chicago. It was submitted at a conference held last November, and was published in the *School Review* for January, and reprinted in the *X X Quarterly* for February. The committee sent questionnaire to the principals of leading high schools and academies throughout the United States, inquiring whether they had found secret societies in their schools to be an advantage or a disadvantage. Answers were received from the principals of 19 private schools and 71 public schools. In these 19 private schools the attendance was 2,207, and the fraternity-sorority membership was 796, or 36 per cent. In the 71 public schools the enrollment was 54,827, and the fraternity-sorority membership was 4,523 or only 8 per cent. In considering this phase of school life, it is necessary to distinguish between the private schools and the public schools. In many private schools the pupils board away from home, and they are comparatively few in number and of nearly the same social standing, conditions which do not prevail in the public schools. The answers to the questionnaire showed that many of the larger private schools in which secret societies existed approve of them, as helpful in the social life of the schools, and often an aid in the discipline. Such societies are favored also by the principals of some schools which are in close touch with colleges, as Lewis Institute, Chicago, and Colgate Academy, Hamilton, N. Y. On the other hand, most of the principals of the smaller private schools oppose them, on the ground that where the school so nearly resembles the home such societies are altogether unnecessary. In the pri-

vate military schools fraternities are not popular, as the military spirit produces a feeling of democracy, and military prizes and promotions provide for natural schoolboy rivalry.

In some public schools secret societies have become very numerous. In the Girls High School of San Francisco there are seven sororities; in the Central High School of Toledo, Ohio, there are nine fraternities and five sororities. As one principal has remarked, "Sororities and fraternities can be as numerous as the Greek alphabet, cleverly manipulated, will permit." The average membership of the secret societies is 30, whether the school contains 100 or 1,500 pupils, the only difference being that in the larger public schools there are more of such organizations. The principals of a few public schools favor fraternities and sororities but the majority strongly oppose them. The majority declare that the societies exert an influence for the worse on the social life of the schools; that their qualifications for membership are "wealth, social standing, personal popularity, good fellowship and athletic prowess;" that their tendency usually is "to lower the scholarship by wasting time;" that "scholarship is simply forgotten and neglected, while the social side of the pupil's life is over emphasized." The principals who disapprove of secret societies in schools say that the societies form cliques and try to run the schools unless sternly repressed by their teachers. Another objection urged against such organizations is their expense, which varies from \$3.50 to \$50 per year, exclusive of the cost of carriages and other incidentals to social functions. One fraternity is said to have an initiation fee of \$10. Dues are paid by the week or month, sometimes by the year. Principals who approve of fraternities have in some cases assigned to them rooms in the school buildings for business meetings, but the social meetings are held in chapter rooms or in the homes of members. Wherever a fraternity can afford the expense, it rents a chapter house or rooms. The sororities always meet in the homes of the girls. The conduct of the girls in their meetings is said to be "perfectly proper." Some principals report that at meetings of fraternities "smoking, drinking, card playing and late hours are habitually indulged in, though a minority of the principals has no such experience." At the meetings of some fraternities the boys indulge in nothing more dangerous than "peanuts, sandwiches and lemonade," but the committee concludes that "dangerous conditions anywhere point to the possibility of conditions becoming dangerous every-

where, and the numerous excesses should be seriously noted."

The committee wrote to the fraternity boys and the sorority girls to get their point of view. They presented the following pleas in behalf of such organizations:

(1) They can be made very useful to the individual student, as well as to the school at large. (2) They aid school discipline. (3) They foster friendships. (4) They increase school spirit and loyalty.

The attitude of the alumni members toward the school fraternities and sororities is said to be "generally friendly, often advisory or paternal, and again cordial and co-operative." Parents are "usually indifferent but sometimes friendly," but "the more serious ones disapprove." The majority of the school principals who reported to the committee are in favor of "unqualified abolition" of secret societies in schools. Some, thinking this impossible, favor the continuance of the societies under faculty supervision. The final conclusions of the committee are a severe arraignment of secret societies intended for youth attending secondary schools. Following is a condensation of the committee's indictment:

(1) Secret societies are detrimental to the school; their tendency is to break up all literary societies, to divide the school into cliques, and to bring into the school the worst kind of politics. (2) They are detrimental, in that they cause a decline of the pupil's interest in the school and in school work; a spirit of indifference to consequences and an air of superiority seem to follow; many never complete their course. (3) They are unnecessary; they fill no real need as college fraternities do; the members are at home, and are too young to choose any life outside of the home life. (4) They are undemocratic; they cause much jealousy and heart-burning, especially among the girls; they are a source of grievance to many who are not "bid." (5) The standards they set up are different from, if not opposed to, the ideal standards set up by the school authorities; all are organized on a social basis, and the faithful pupils who neither dance, smoke, or dress well are not wanted. (6) They are often an element of danger in the government of the school, when they have grown old and strong, and are a source of much annoyance to the authorities.

The board of education in Chicago instructed the superintendent of schools to deny to any secret societies the use of school rooms for meetings, and to deny to them any recognition whatever, and also resolved:

That no student who is known to be a member of a fraternity or sorority or other so-called "secret" society be permitted to represent the school in any literary or athletic contest, or in any other public capacity, and that the attention of parents of the pupils who are to attend the public high schools be called to the fact that the board of education, the superintendent of schools and the principals and teachers of the high schools unanimously condemn all such secret societies.

Parents of four members of the  $\Gamma \Sigma$  fraternity, established in the Hyde Park High School, sued for a writ of in-

junction, to restrain the public school authorities from enforcing such a rule. The writ was granted by Judge Hanecy, who in an oral opinion said:

The common schools belong to the people. The powers of the board of education are not only definitely stated, but they are limited. Discriminations against students belonging to a fraternity would be as uncalled for as if the board attempted to discriminate against a colored person, a Methodist, a Dowie follower, or a Christian Scientist. It is for the parents to say whether their children shall have a part in certain student activities.

The board of education appealed from the decision of Judge Hanecy, and announced that the fraternity issue would be fought to the end. The following is clipped from a press dispatch dated Chicago, April 3:

Do secret societies in high schools and colleges train citizens for good citizenship? Delegates to the meeting of the north central association of colleges and high schools at the Auditorium hotel debated this question and were divided hopelessly on the subject. Principals of Chicago and St. Louis high schools condemned the fraternities, while others appeared as their champions. Principals of Chicago schools spoke in support of the views of Superintendent Cooley, and without exception declared fraternities produced snobbishness and were a detriment. Principal Morrison, of the McKinley high school of St. Louis, characterized fraternities as unqualified nuisances. On the other hand, Dr. E. H. Lewis, of Lewis Institute, Chicago, defended fraternities. He said, "The family is the original secret society, and the more secret it is the better;" and he declared that school fraternities helped to make good citizens.

The editors of THE SCROLL have no personal acquaintance with, or knowledge of, school secret societies, and their opinions on the subject are yet unformed, but they realize that it is a subject of rapidly growing importance, one that in several aspects affects the college fraternity system, and, therefore, one which should receive serious attention and study from college fraternity men.

WALTER B. PALMER.

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At the annual banquet of the Chicago alumni association of Brown University, President William H. P. Faunce discussed the present tendency of colleges and universities to emphasize what he termed the "bread-and-butter studies," and offered a plea for a return to some extent at least to the classical studies as the necessary basis of a broad education. "I went to one of the best technical schools in the country and got a thorough education in electricity," said he, "but when I got out of school I could not write a respectable letter."

## EDITORIAL

FIRST and unique among achievements by the alumni of Phi Delta Theta during the past year is the successful establishment of the alumni club house in New York. In one sense the Phis of Philadelphia were the pioneers in this movement, but their house is shared by them with Pennsylvania Zeta, so that New York Phis have the first club house exclusively for alumni. It is a delightful place as the editor can attest from recent observation, and it is going to do inestimable good in making the alumni club of New York the strongest and most active organization that is possible. Bro. B. M. L. Ernst has already contributed two articles descriptive of the house and life within it, one in the last number of THE SCROLL, with a front view of the house, and in this issue an account of the formal opening, with a picture of the company there gathered. We urge all the Phi Delta Thetas to read these contributions and to join with us in a joyous congratulation to the Phis of New York. They have shown how feasible it is to maintain such club houses for Phis in all the large cities. Chicago, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Cleveland, Pittsburg, Cincinnati and others, take the hint. Take courage and spread the movement. We would like intensely to chronicle in swift succession the establishment of club houses as well as chapter houses. The spirit rife in Phi Delta Theta is that we shall not be lacking in one element of progress that lies within our power.

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ONE of the most fortunate devices of recent years in our fraternity is the alumni commission. Bros. Drummond and Gores have labored very successfully in reviving dormant clubs and bringing about a large observance of Alumni Day. One may find in the letters from alumni clubs in this number a strong evidence of the work done by the commission. It is very certain that our alumni are everywhere re-awakening to the blessings that exist for them in a renewed activity in

the fraternity. The Indianapolis convention wisely provided for the appointment of three alumni to assist the commission in the close and extensive study of our alumni problems and render a report in September, 1906. We are glad to announce that the members of this committee have been chosen with great discretion and wisdom. They are: W. H. Morrison, Jr., of Indianapolis; Dr. Francis W. Upshur, of Richmond, Virginia; and Victor Henderson, of Berkeley, California. They are strong, earnest men who will thoroughly do their important work. Besides studying the whole question of the better care of our alumni, they will materially aid the commissioners in organizing and maintaining alumni clubs at a concert pitch of enthusiasm.

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AN editorial in favor of smaller provinces than those which then existed in Phi Delta Theta appeared in THE SCROLL for December, which was issued before the Indianapolis convention. The editorial said that the proposed plan for smaller provinces had been suggested by Brother Mitchell, the present president of the general council. The convention did not adopt the plan in its entirety, but by dividing two of the provinces made a step in that direction. Two other improvements suggested by Brother Mitchell have been adopted. One of them relates to the question of finances, the other to the question of keeping alive the interest of alumni. These are two vitally important matters. In his message to the convention Brother Brown, the retiring president, credited Brother Mitchell with suggesting a method for collecting regular fraternity dues from chapters so as to insure less delay in discharging such obligations, and that without imposing fines. The new scheme was incorporated in the code, and we have no doubt but that it will be of great benefit to our financial system.

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IN his report to the convention Brother Mitchell, then secretary of the general council, advocated a change in the method of printing and issuing annual circular letters. These

suggestions of his show that he has given careful study to fraternity problems, and we are sure that their adoption will greatly increase the effectiveness of the administration of the fraternity. Through some oversight, the plan for improving the system of chapters sending circular letters annually to their alumni was not referred to any committee for consideration, and was not adopted by the convention because it was not reported for action. But after the convention the general council decided to present the plan to the chapters and ask for their co-operation. In March notice was received from the last chapter reporting that it would co-operate in the new arrangement for issuing circular letters. This arrangement imposes much additional work on the president of the general council, but unquestionably it will result in great benefit. We believe that this plan makes our system of issuing such circulars about as nearly perfect as it can possibly be made, and that it is one of the best of features that have been introduced into our methods of administration in a long time.

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To carry out the purpose of this plan, it is essential that the addresses of alumni be perfected, and we trust that every chapter will make an earnest effort to secure the correct addresses of all of its alumni members. The new catalogue of the fraternity, to be published this year, will aid in this direction, and by the time that the circular letters for 1906 are issued every chapter should have perfected its alumni list. We hope that the historian of every chapter keeps the chapter roll books corrected up to date, so far as information has been received. We further suggest that the president of each chapter investigate whether the historian is doing his duty in this respect. At the convention of 1900 roll books were distributed to all chapters, and if they are faithfully kept by the historians, these officers will have but very little trouble in filling properly and promptly the membership reports which they are required to send annually to the historian of the general council. We also advise chapter his-

torians to make changes in the roll books in accordance with the personals which appear in THE SCROLL and to make them promptly. We obtain personals from varied sources, many that are not sent by reporters or historians, and we print them, depending on the chapter historians to make the necessary changes in the roll books and in the lists of alumni which are appended to the annual circular letters.

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BROTHER HAYS, president of Epsilon province, in his report to the convention, explained a plan for the better organization of provinces, and showed how it would be applied in that province. We do not care to go into details here, but we refer our readers to pages 155 and 156 of the journal of the proceedings of the convention. Without impropriety we believe we may here say that the special object of the proposed closer organization is to secure information about men who intend to enter college and who would make desirable additions to the roll of Phi Delta Theta. The plan was not in effect last year, but under another plan 86 men who expected to enter various colleges were recommended for membership by alumni in Indiana. Epsilon province is exceptional in that it and the state of Indiana are conterminous, and it may be that as thorough an organization is not as practicable in any other province as in that province which is so populous with Phis, but we believe that the plan of Brother Hays could with very great advantage be adopted, if not in its entirety, at least in a modified form, for every province, and we commend the subject especially to the consideration of province providents and province conventions.

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THE general assembly of Indiana enacted, and the governor of the state has approved, the bill which was printed on page 337 of THE SCROLL for February. The act provides that any tract of land, not exceeding one acre, owned by any Greek-letter fraternity which is connected with any institution of learning, and all improvements thereon, and all personal property owned by any such fraternity, shall be free from

taxation. The bill was introduced by Brother Ruick, secretary of the general council, a member of the house of representatives. He received little encouragement even from other fraternity men in the legislature, as most of them deemed the passage of such a measure to be impossible, but by dint of hard work he secured its enactment. This is the first statute of the kind to be enacted in any state, and is therefore of great importance. It will save thousands of dollars annually to fraternities in Indiana. In some states, Tennessee being one, property owned by fraternal and beneficiary associations is by statute exempt from taxes, and, though not specifically mentioned in such acts, college fraternities have under them managed to escape taxation on their property. Recent judicial decisions in New York and Massachusetts have held that under the laws of those states fraternity property is liable for taxation. The act passed by the Indiana legislature is the first act of any legislature in the United States which specifically exempts college fraternity property from taxes. Without doubt this act will lead to the passage of similar measures in other states. The thanks not only of Phi Delta Theta but of the whole fraternity world are due to Brother Ruick.

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THE season for achieving college honors is at hand in its greatest intensity. It is to be hoped that every chapter in the fraternity has a definite standard of achievement toward which its members are working, and that each is doing his full part to reflect the highest credit upon his brotherhood and himself.

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In addressing the Twentieth Century Club at Boston recently, Prof. H. L. Bailey,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , director of the College of Agriculture, Cornell University, said: "I believe that there are more boys going directly back to the farm from the agricultural colleges than there are lawyers going into law from the law schools or doctors going into medicine from the medical colleges."

## CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

## QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

McGill has again shown her superiority over her rivals by winning the intercollegiate hockey championship. The contest was keen and, until the last game, it was thought that the result would be the same as in football, namely that we would have to play off with Queens. This, however, was avoided by Toronto defeating Queens in Toronto thereby giving McGill the lead. The team went through the season with but one defeat. In the intermediate series McGill II won a place in the finals but lost in the last game. The interclass games resulted in a victory for the freshmen and the medical freshmen won the championship of the university.

The basket ball series was won by the freshmen. The season was brought to a close by a game, with the University of Vermont, which resulted in a victory for McGill. Bros. Newton, Peck, and Appleton of Vermont were on the visiting team and paid us a short visit.

On February 25 we held our annual banquet at the Welland Café. Bro. Lauchland, '04, acted as toastmaster and a real Phi time was the verdict of all who were present. We were pleased to have with us on that occasion Bros. Orton and Perry, Vermont Alpha, McFeters and Paul, New Hampshire Alpha, and Avers and Newell, Massachusetts Alpha.

We introduce with pleasure our latest initiate, Bro. S. J. Shepherd, law, '05.

For the first time in its history the chapter has been called upon to mourn the death of one of its members. Bro. Pringle, science, '07, died at his home in Belleville after a short illness, on February 3. "He was the pick of his class," aptly expresses the esteem in which he was held by his classmates, and, his loss has been a severe blow to us who, though we had known him but a short time, had learned to know him as a true friend and brother.

Two new additions have been made to the fraternity world at McGill. A K K medical has installed a chapter of 28 men and a local, E Φ, has started with 8 men.

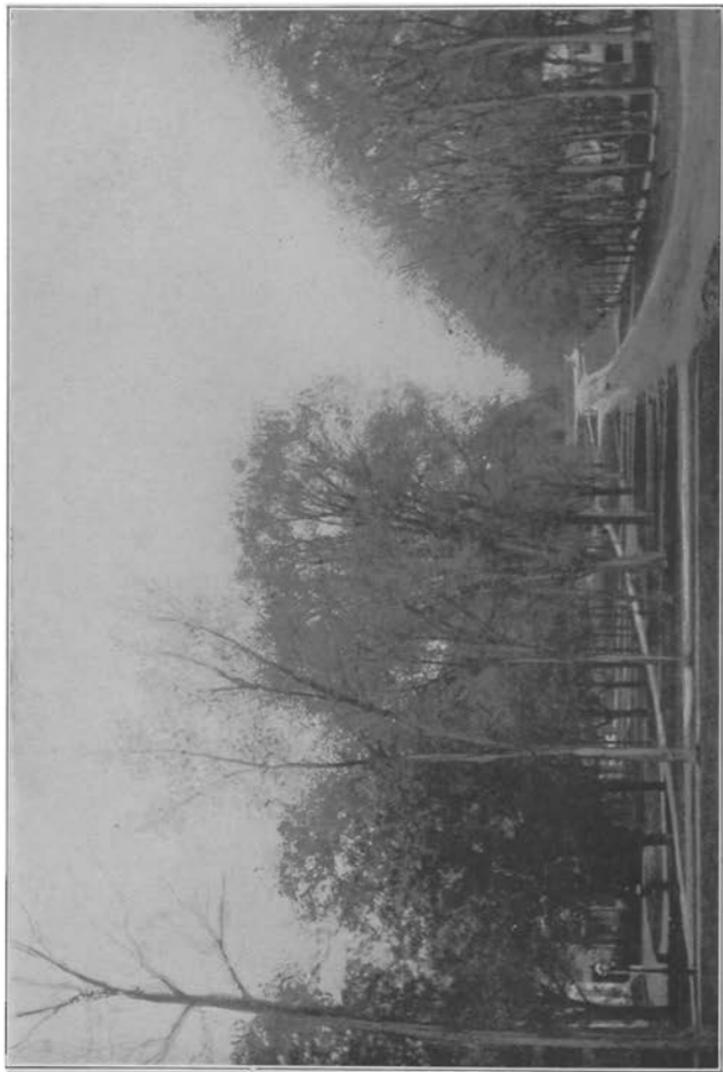
JOHN A. McDONALD.

Montreal, March 18, 1905.

## MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Since our last letter the interests of Massachusetts Alpha have kept in the same prosperous condition as before. Bro. Case has assumed full management of the football Association and has just announced a fine schedule. Brother W. A. Newell was captain of the varsity relay team which ran at the B. A. A. and Troy meets, and Bro. Ayers won third place at the former meet, in the 440 yards novice race. Brother W. A. Newell is on the senior prom. committee, and has won the Lehman cup, a sterling silver trophy offered annually by an alumnus to the Williams athlete, scoring the most points in a series of track events held to decide the ownership of this cup. Bro. McClellan has been elected to the *Record* board, the only freshman to obtain this honor. Bro. Scott '08, is on his class debating team. Bro. A. P. Newell has received a commencement appointment.

The basketball team has just finished the most successful season in the history of the game, winning twenty out of twenty-two games played. The



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New York papers have awarded the team the intercollegiate championship of the United States, the only disputant to the title being Columbia, but from the fact that that team has only played one really strong team, Yale, while Williams has defeated all the crack teams of the east, and has given Minnesota the worst defeat in eight years, the papers are unanimous in giving the title to Williams. In addition to that fact, Williams has improved on Columbia's score in every instance where the teams have played the same opponents.

Bros. Ayers and W. A. Newell attended the banquet at McGill in February and report an exceedingly fine reception and a very strong chapter.

Williamstown, March 15, 1905.

W. S. AYERS.

#### MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

The winter has been marked by two important victories in track athletics. In the annual handicap meet of the Boston Athletic association, Amherst defeated Cornell in the relay race. Cornell's team was the same one which had previously defeated Yale, while Amherst's team included a speedy Phi in the person of Bro. White, '08. Also, in a dual indoor meet with Trinity, Bro. White won the mile run, thus raising Amherst's score sufficiently to defeat Trinity and win the silver loving cup.

Baseball prospects are even brighter than those of last year. Coach Breckenridge has introduced a new system of coaching, from which as great results are expected as those which marked the introduction of a new system of coaching in football four years ago. A most rigid system of training and strict discipline, with the coach acting as final authority in such matters, will be insisted upon. A second team will be kept in just as constant training as the first, so that if necessity arise for any reason, it could commendably take the first team's place. Absences from practice, except for sickness, will not be tolerated, nor will a player be kept on the squad who falls behind in his regular college work. As for the pitchers, great stress has been placed on developing their individual form rather than attempting any change. A good schedule of 25 games has been arranged, the best of them being home games.

Three Phis are in the training squad: Bros. McRae, Powell, and Lamb, of whom the first two were on last year's team.

The oratorio of Elijah which Prof. Bigelow presents this year, with the assistance of an orchestra of 30 pieces and a mixed chorus of a hundred voices, mostly students, is in many respects a distinct advance over the efforts of preceding years. Four prominent New York soloists have been engaged for the leading parts, the baritone being Mr. Carl Dufft, of national reputation.

Bros. Burrill and Downey, '06, have been elected to  $\Phi$  B K, first drawing; and Bro. Crowell, '05, second drawing.

The recent dual concert of the Williams and Amherst musical clubs at Northampton was a great success. Both colleges were represented by good clubs, and the good-natured rivalry existing between the two colleges called forth spirited renderings of the different selections. We were glad to welcome brother Phis at this time, and hope the experiment of a joint concert has proved so successful that it will be tried again soon. If we are to have increased enthusiasm and development along lines of athletics and debates by inter-collegiate relations, why not try the plan more generally in musical lines also?

Bro. Bottomly, '05, has been chosen one of the six commencement speakers.

Amherst has been glad to welcome to the faculty Prof. George Edward Woodberry, formerly of Columbia, whose lectures on literature have proved very popular and instructive. His advent among us has partially compensated for the loss by resignation, of one of our most esteemed professors, Prof. William C. Esty, head of the department of mathematics.

Amherst, March 14, 1905.

EDGAR W. BURRILL.

#### RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The examinations for the winter term at Brown University have just closed. During the past term indoor athletics have been taken up to a greater extent than ever before and have supplemented the usual social affairs. A water polo team represented the university for the first time. The team lost to Yale 5-2, but won from Harvard 4-0. Much interest has also been taken in the gymnasium work and a number of interclass contests have been held. The basketball team has been very successful, winning from such teams as Holy Cross, Syracuse, Dartmouth and Harvard, and losing only three games during the entire season. The last Dartmouth game, which Brown won by a score of 18-17, was one of the best played and most exciting games ever seen in the Lyman Gymnasium.

Bro. Tift, captain of the baseball team, called out the candidates for cage practice February 1. An unusually large number of men responded and the prospects are encouraging for a successful team this season. The squad has been gradually reduced until it now numbers about twenty men. Besides Bro. Tift, Bro. Dickinson is almost certain of his old position at second, and Bro. Graham will also probably represent us on the team.

The university recently met with a great loss in the death of Prof. Alpheus Spring Packard, head of the department of zoology. He was the editor of many well known books on geology and zoology, and was very popular among the students.

Junior week commences April 24. The dramatic club, the "Sock and Buskin," will present "Charlie's Aunt" at the Providence Opera House on the evening of April 26. Bro. Kelley has the part of the leading lady in the play.

Our annual midwinter banquet was held at the Crown Hotel on the evening of March 7, and was a success in every way. Alumni Day was also celebrated in an appropriate manner.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bro. Benson R. Frost, '08, of Rhinebeck, N. Y. Bro. Dickinson has been elected by the sophomore class to represent them on the athletic board of the university.

Providence, March 20, 1905.

CHARLES S. HUFF.

#### NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The examinations for the mid-year which at the time of our last letter were being looked forward to with considerable anxiety have passed. The chapter as a whole stood the test in good shape.

The first week in February was devoted to junior week. Throughout its many social pleasures were entirely successful. The chapter entertained on the evening of February 7 with the annual dance. About twenty-five friends of the chapter were guests at the lodge for the entire week.

With the advent of spring weather, work on the new buildings, Goldwin Smith Hall and the Rockefeller Hall of Physics, is being renewed. By the end of summer they will be nearing completion.

The indoor track season was fraught with success and failure. The relay teams had a very successful season. Bro. Rogers was a member of the one

mile relay team and two mile team, the former defeating Yale at New York City and Georgetown at Washington, D. C. The two mile team was defeated by Yale in Buffalo in a very fast race in which the Yale team smashed the record.

The baseball team has just returned from a very beneficial southern trip. The late spring in Ithaca puts so great a handicap on the baseball candidates, that this trip as offering an opportunity for the real test, is always watched with the greatest interest. With amateur teams the team won three out of four games, while with the New York giants and the Nashville team of the southern league they were defeated by only the closest scores. Bro. Jennings coached the team prior to Easter vacation for a few weeks.

The crews have been making good use of the early spring, work on the meet is in full swing, active work on the lake will soon commence. There is a very noticeable interest being shown in every boat—an interest which forbodes good results even in the face of mediocre material.

The chapter takes great pleasure in introducing Bro. George E. Wyncoop of Bath, N. Y. Mr. Geoghegan of Lockport, N. Y. has been recently pledged and will soon travel over the stony road.

We have been glad to have with us at the lodge Bros. Snow, '04; Sweeney, '06, who spent junior week with us; and Bro. Jennings who stayed at the house while here in the interests of the hall team. We cordially invite all Phis to visit us at the lodge.

Ithaca, April 4, 1905.

W. J. DUGAN.

#### NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

The opening of baseball season finds Union making energetic efforts to put forth a good team. Practice was begun in the gymnasium on February 27, and a squad of about 35 men have been practicing regularly since then. In about two weeks practice on the campus will begin, when coach Cunningham, Lafayette, '03, will be able to get an idea of the quality of the material. Five of the brothers are trying for positions on the team. This year the assistant manager, Brother Noon, '06, has been given the task of running a second team.

On February 22, in an intercollegiate track meet in Troy, Union defeated R. P. I. in a relay race by more than fifty yards thereby adding another loving cup to the trophy room.

The winter interclass track meet was held in the armory on March 15. The freshmen won the meet with a score of 51 points, the juniors following with 36 points. In the meet Bro. Hafley, '08, won second place in the forty and six hundred yard runs and was one of the winning freshmen relay team.

The baseball schedule is as follows: Apr. 8, West Point at W. P.; Apr. 15, Williams at Williamstown; Apr. 22, R. P. I. on the campus; Apr. 29, Wesleyan at Middletown; May 6, Hamilton on the campus; May 10, Rochester on the campus; May 13, Middlebury on the campus; May 20, Rutgers at New Brunswick; May 30, G. E. Test on the campus; June 2, Hamilton at Clinton; June 3, Rochester at Rochester; June 10, Rutgers on the campus. There are one or two open dates for which games will probably be arranged on the campus.

From February 8th, to 11th, Union College celebrated Junior week. The programme for the celebration included a concert, a junior hop, the sophomore soiree and fraternity dances. The chapter held a house party, giving up the house to the chaperones and girls.

On March 10, the chapter held its Alumni Day celebration,—giving a dance, at which about twenty-five Phis were present. The music and floor were excellent, and the dance was much enjoyed by all present.

Final examinations for winter term will be held from March 20 to 24. The spring term begins on March 28.

We were sorry to lose Bro. W. F. Drysdale, Quebec Alpha, '03, from our list of Schenectady Phis. He has taken a permanent position in New York City.

MARCUS H. ELLIOTT.

Schenectady, March 27, 1905.

#### NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

The word "scab" has lately been applied to a number of Columbia men. During the recent strike on the subway and L'roads, quite a large number of the students applied for positions as strike-breakers. Many of them were accepted and we feel quite satisfied to think that Columbia was able to help New Yorkers out of a very uncomfortable position.

The annual "Varsity Show" has just completed a very successful week's run at the Carnegie Lyceum. The show was called the "Khan of Khathan." The book was written by K. S. Webb, '06, college, and the music by H. W. Albert, '05 C. Financially it was a marked success, but as a "piece of art" it fell below the standard of last year's play. Bro. E. V. Kehrlein, '07, C, took a leading part most creditably.

The basketball team has just completed another championship year, again going through the season, without a single defeat. Two games were played with representative universities of the west, Wisconsin and Michigan. Both were victories for Columbia, and it is felt that the latter's claim of the United States intercollegiate basketball championship is perfectly justifiable.

New York, March 18, 1905.

JOHN L. TONNELE, JR.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

With this writing Lafayette closes for the spring vacation which lasts from March 22nd till April 6th.

The baseball team, of which Bro. Pomeroy, '05, is manager, leaves March 22 for its annual southern trip. Bro. Hubley, '05, will this year be found at third base. Bro. McAvoy, '08, will very likely occupy one of the field positions. An extensive schedule has been arranged, and the prospects for a good team this year are very bright.

On March 22 the musical clubs start out on their annual spring tour. Pennsylvania Alpha is represented by Bro. Wilson, '06 who will manage the clubs, and Bro. Alexander, '00.

Several honors have recently come to us. Bro. Hubley, '05, has been elected president of the senior class and will hold the position until the triennial reunion in 1908. Bro. Latham, '03, won the first prize of \$50 in the senior debate. Bro. Wilson, '06, has been chosen as general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. on half time, and will take his senior year in two years, graduating in 1907.

An interesting inter-chapter bowling match was held with Pennsylvania Eta on March 8. A very pleasant evening was spent, and it did much to bring the two chapters closer together. An inter-chapter banquet with Pennsylvania Eta is being arranged for the early part of next term.

Easton, March 21, 1905.

F. GRAHAM WILSON.

#### PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Washington and Jefferson is nearing her 114th annual commencement, and never before has the future of the old institution appeared brighter. Φ Δ Θ here has kept the pace and now leads all her rivals, being represented in every department of college activity.

Bros. Grubb and Mc Elroy, who banqueted with the Pittsburg alumni, March 15, report that our alumni in the Smoky City are enthusiastic and prosperous.

Our debating season has ended disastrously, as we lost all of the three debates in which we participated. Bro. Davis represented us in our debate with Wooster. Our baseball prospects look very good, and with Bro. Davis managing the team, Bro. Hughes doing the twirling and Bro. Ramsey as short stop we cannot but have a successful season. We have thirty-five games scheduled, sixteen of them to be played away from home. The eastern trip will include games with Lafayette, Dickinson, Seaton Hall, Fordhan and Wilmington tri-state league.

Since our last letter we have initiated the following men, whom we wish to present to the fraternity: Bros. Murphy, Hills View, Pa.; Ramsey, Coraopolis, Pa.; Siep, Erie, Pa.; Heaton, Martins Ferry, O.; and Beckman, Cheswick, Pa.

T. C. FRAME.

Washington, March 29, 1905.

#### PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Our basket ball team closed a most successful season by defeating the Buffalo Germans. The baseball squad is now doing splendid work under coach W. B. Rickey, of Ohio Wesleyan. A strong schedule has been arranged and the prospects for the coming year are good. Our track team will take part in three meets: Philadelphia, April 29; New Wilmington, May 13; Washington, May 20.

The most pleasing event of the year for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in Allegheny was the celebration of Alumni Day. Toasts were responded to by Bro. C. F. Ross, Allegheny, '91; Bro. W. A. Elliott, Allegheny, '89; Bro. L. E. Gurney, Colby, '90; and Bro. Bruce Wright, Allegheny, '05.

President W. H. Crawford announced at the opening of the spring term a gift of \$25,000 from Andrew Carnegie.

FRANK THOMPSON.

Meadville, April 7, 1905.

#### PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

We are nearing the end of another college year and when we look back over the events of the year we can say Dickinson has been unfortunate, yet very fortunate. Denny Hall, which was destroyed by fire, is nearing completion. It is one of the best equipped college buildings in the state of Pennsylvania. A clock will be placed in the tower of this building and the old bell on West College will be moved to the new building to peal forth its rich old tone telling of the advancement of the times. We were aided in the construction of this building by a gift of \$50,000 from Andrew Carnegie. The name of the ladies' hall has been changed to Lloyd Hall and the preparatory school now bears the name of Conway Hall.

Track team work and baseball are now in order in the athletic world. Our prospects are bright. We meet State, Bucknell, and Lehigh colleges. Bro. Geo. P. Beck is a member of the track team.

Some improvements have been made in the house since our last letter. A piano has been purchased and a fire place has been presented by the classes of '04 and '03.

The alumni banquet was a success, many of the alumni were in attendance and the good old Phi spirit ran high.

Bro. H. W. Smith has been elected president of the inter collegiate debating committee which will meet in Philadelphia. Bro. Carl O. Benner

has been elected assistant football manager and associate editor of *The Dickinsonian*.

On February 22 the chapter gave its annual stunt to the ladies of the town.

Since last meeting we have entertained Bros. Trout of Lafayette and Fair of Lehigh.

W. M. HOFFMAN.

Carlisle, April 6, 1905.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

University day exercises held annually on February 22 constitute a distinctive feature of Pennsylvania's activities. Each year some noted man in public life delivers an oration on a topic pertaining to Washington, and the university authorities confer honorary degrees upon distinguished men for their public service. Among the recipients of degrees this year were: President Woodward, of the Carnegie Institute of Washington; David Thompson Watson, the noted lawyer of Pittsburg; U. S. Senator P. C. Knox; Rear Admiral Clark of the U. S. Navy; Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, Ambassador from England; Emperor William of Germany, in absentia; and Theodore Roosevelt. This is the third time Pennsylvania has so honored the chief executive. Washington was given a degree July 4, 1783 and McKinley in 1898. President Roosevelt delivered an oration upon "Some Maxims of Washington." Andrew Carnegie has given \$15,000, for the benefit of the university settlement, contingent upon those in charge of the work raising an equal sum. This fund of \$30,000 will be devoted to the construction of a new building. Pennsylvania is fortunate enough to have the intercollegiate track games held again on Franklin Field. The I. C. A. A. association has a fund of \$4,580 on hand for the pulling off of a successful meet on May 26, 27. The annual relay races will be held April 29. Over 125 colleges and schools have entered. The intercollegiate wrestling meet will be held in the gymnasium April 7. Bro. McCarey will represent Pennsylvania in the netterweight, Bro. Hawley in the middleweight. A very creditable and interesting performance of Racine's comedy "Les Plaideurs" was given by the *Cercle Francais* recently. Bro. H. G. Hall is president of the club, Bro. Hawley a member of the cast. Members of the faculty, particularly those in the Wharton school, have adopted the plan of supplementing their courses by a series of lectures by men whose energies have been directed along similar lines. In this way the student has an opportunity of hearing how his abstract theories work out in actual practice. The series of lectures on insurance is particularly noteworthy. At least a dozen actuaries prominently connected with life, fire and marine insurance have lectured during the past term.

The active chapter is showing a keen interest in varsity affairs. Bros. Block, C. C., and McCarey are members of the swimming team that now hold the intercollegiate championship. Bro. McCarey is manager; Block, captain of the water polo team. Bro. de Hamel made a particularly good showing. As candidate for the sparring team, he will represent '08 in the May Day sports. Bro. Takaki is on the baseball squad. Bro. York is rowing in the first varsity eight. Bro. de Hamel is in the freshman boat. In the new Mask and Wig play, "Mr. Hamlet of Denmark," Bro. Ludlow will act the part of the king, Bro. Sawyer, the queen, and Bro. Bortle, Anna— (the part was written especially for him.) Bros. Goodin, Allison and Hall, H. J., are members of the first chorus. The Saturday preceding Easter, performances will be given at Atlantic City; Philadelphia, Easter week at the Chestnut St. Opera House and later on at Wilmington, Del., and Wash-

ington, D. C. Bro. McCarey has been elected president of the Houston club for the ensuing year. Bro. Hendric is on the house committee. Bros. Jackson, *Cornell*, Benham and Ashley, *Columbia*, Forkum and Flemming, *State College*, Tracey and Shoup, *Amherst*, and Bro. Ballou, T. G. C., visited us recently.

Philadelphia, April 4th, 1905.

JOSIAH RICHARDS.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

With the advent of spring and the warm weather Lehigh is once more busily engaged along athletic lines, and Pennsylvania Eta is represented on every squad excepting Lacrosse. Bro. Blazer is playing his usual game in the field and Bro. Pierce is a promising candidate for pitcher. Bro. Stites and Johnstone are working hard on the track squad, and Bros. Wallace and Treverton are in the chorus of the "Mustard and Cheese" Dramatic club.

A feature of interest to many will be the joint banquet to be held by Pennsylvania Alpha and Pennsylvania Eta on May 3, 1905, at the Eagle Hotel, Bethlehem, Pa. Quite a large number of the alumni of both chapters will be on hand for the event, and the affair promises to be one of the most enjoyable of its kind ever held. We expect to have present on that evening Bros. Newby and Burkhart, two of the founders of the chapter; Bro. Franklin, Kansas Alpha, '87; Bro. Drummond, New York Delta, alumni commissioner, and many others.

Lehigh University is still without a president, although the election of Henry S. Drinker, '71, is practically assured. Bro. Daugherty was recently elected to the position of assistant baseball manager, becoming manager next year. Bro. Dorr has had to leave college on account of sickness, but will return in the fall. Bro. McCleary has also left college and is at present with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Co., at Wilkesbarre, Pa.

South Bethlehem, April 10, 1905.

J. FABER HANST.

#### PENNSYLVANIA THETA, PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

We are sorry to report the loss of one of our members. Bro. W. C. Felmeth, '07, has been compelled to leave college on account of the serious illness of his father. Mr. H. P. Reece, who was pledged to Pennsylvania Eta while attending Bethlehem Preparatory School, and who had entered here at the beginning of this semester, has left college to re-enter the Prep.

State closed a very successful basketball season by defeating Dickinson at Carlisle, February 25. The team won games from University of Pennsylvania, Dickinson, and Franklin and Marshall, losing to Swathmore; having won six games, and lost two. Bro. W. Y. Heaton, '06, played a star game at guard. He is one of the most popular men in college, and has been elected captain for next year. We lose only one man by graduation, and so expect a strong team next season. The baseball squad is now practicing out doors, after having indoor practice under the coaching of "Jimmie" Seabring, of the Cincinnati nationals. Bro. Forkum, '05 is the only Phi sure of his position. This year the team will take a southern trip during the Easter vacation, March 29 to April 5, playing five games. The schedule for this season is heavy, including games with Princeton, West Point, Georgetown, Annapolis, Lehigh, and Dickinson. The track team is hard at work under the direction of coach Golden. The men are being tried out for the relay team which will be entered in the inter-collegiate relay races at University of Pennsylvania, April, 29.

The Thespians presented their annual play, February 25. On February 27 they started on a trip, accompanied by the college orchestra, playing at Tyrone, Holidaysburg, and Bellefonte. Bro. W. R. Fleming, '06, has been elected manager for next year. The Pharsonions gave their annual entertainment February 18. Bro. H. P. Dawson, '07, sang a solo. The Pharsonions on their trip played at Boalsburg and Millheim. The glee club, accompanied by the mandolin club, expects to take a trip early next month, playing in Lock Haven, Renovo, and Williamsport. The fraternities will hold a pan-hellenic dance on the evening of April 13, in the new McAllister hall, and on the 14th the senior class will give the annual Easter hop.

On the evening of February 3 we held an informal dance at the chapter house. On March 8 the members drove to Pine Grove Mills where we spent a delightful evening at the home of Bro. C. T. Aikens. On the return one of the carriages was overturned, but no one was seriously injured. Brother I. L. Foster received a bad cut above the eye, but the sight was not affected. We entertained Bro. Taksaurigi, Indiana Zeta, '91, February 13, and Bro. R. J. Smith, Pennsylvania Epsilon, '05, on February 17. On Alumni Day the chapter gave a dinner to the resident alumni, which was a credit to Bro. Culp who had charge of it. The brothers who responded to toasts were: Prof. I. L. Foster, Brown, '93; P. O. Ray, Vermont, '98; Rev. C. T. Aikens, Gettysburg, '85; N. G. Miller, '04. A meeting was held before the dinner at which the officers for the ensuing term were elected. H. R. Geib, '05, was elected president and W. R. Fleming, '06, reporter.

A chapter house fund has been started by the note system, each active and alumni member taking out five notes of ten dollars each. The chapter has been incorporated and the board of directors organized with Bro. Aikens president and Bro. Foster treasurer. The new house will not be started before next fall at the earliest.

Bro. C. E. Culp, '06, has been selected for alternate junior orator.

State College, March 18, 1905.

H. R. GEIB.

## BETA PROVINCE.

### VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

In our last letter we referred to Randolph-Macon's successful season in football. At the present moment baseball is occupying a large share of our attention. The season opened Saturday when in a practice game, we defeated our old antagonist by a score of 14 to 1. Bro. Brent who made his reputation as a fast outfielder last year is in his old position. It may be well here to note that Bro. J. R. Leavell has been elected captain of the 1905 football team.

As is her wont, Randolph-Macon is showing her superiority in other spheres of action. Mr. James of this school was the only one of the contestants for the Cecil Rhodes scholarship fortunate enough to pass the examination recently held. As a result the scholarship lies between him and a University of Virginia man who made the examination last year.

On February 22 Randolph-Macon defeated Trinity College, N. C., in a joint debate on the subject of nomination by direct primary. In intercollegiate debating Randolph-Macon has a singularly fine record, having won over 83 per cent of the debates in which she has contested.

Bro. Chenery was one of R. M. C.'s representatives in the Trinity debate. Bro. Brent was elected the orator of Franklin literary society for literary society night during commencement and Bro. Chenery will represent Washington society in the same capacity on that occasion.

Bros. Dameron and Chenery were members of R. M. C's delegation to the state Y. M. C. A. convention.

Virginia Gamma has been recently leased a large front room in the Hanover Bank building as a chapter hall. This room, for fraternity purposes, is the best located of any in town. We were very fortunate to get it, especially as another fraternity in college wished to get it.

We have received copies of our chapter letter. We were highly pleased with the letter and feel that Bro. Mitchell should be congratulated for the success of the circular letter plan.

WILLIAM L. CHENERY.

Ashland, April 3, 1905.

#### NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The university has lately been offered the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of erecting a library. This was the offer of Mr. Andrew Carnegie, who agrees to pay this sum on the condition that the friends and alumni of the university will contribute another \$50,000 towards the same object. The present library is crowded to its fullest extent and is entirely insufficient for the growing needs of the college. A new one is therefore almost necessary and it is felt sure that the offer will be accepted. By a recent act of the state legislature \$50,000 was set aside for the purpose of erecting a new chemical laboratory building here. This building will be a very fine one, complete in every detail, and will be ready for use during the latter part of this year.

Our baseball season has so far been very successful. Although we lost two games to Lafayette they are our only defeat thus far. During the visit of the Lafayette team we enjoyed very much seeing several Brother Phis who were on the team.

The glee club and orchestra are now getting in trim for a trip which they expect to take in the eastern part of the state during the latter part of this month. Bro. Askew is one of the members of the glee club.

We were unable to have any celebration on Alumni Day, but observed it as best we could among ourselves. Bros. Lane, Best and Moore are members of the medical baseball team, the former having recently been elected captain. Bro. Winston, at short-stop, and Bro. Stem at first base, represent us on the 'varsity. Bro. Stem is also one of the editors of the university annual, which is now in the hands of the printers.

F. M. WELLER.

Chapel Hill, April 9, 1905.

#### GAMMA PROVINCE.

##### KENTUCKY ALPHA-DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter the second term examinations have come and gone. We have initiated two more men, Otho R. Hill, Knoxville, Tenn, and Robert Lee, Danville, Ky., both of whom we gladly introduce to the fraternity at large.

Our base ball team was defeated April 5 by the Rochester, N. Y., team. Our next game will be on April 8. Our manager has arranged several good trips and we are expecting a better season than for several years. Our gymnasium team, under the management of Bro. Hudson, defeated State College by 36 points. Bro. Thatcher won the inter society oratorical contest and will represent the university in the intercollegiate some time this month in Lexington. He was also elected by the senior class to respond to a toast at the alumni banquet in Louisville.

The chapter gave an informal reception to our sisters on February 23.

Danville, April 6, 1905.

J. LEWIS GILL.

**TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.**

Tennessee Alpha celebrated March 15 with a smoker in honor of her alumni. Although there were not as many present as we could have wished, still the entertainment was a decided success. Several rousing speeches were made by different alumni, and plans for building a new chapter house were discussed. The alumni promised their hearty support, and committees were appointed to look into various affairs and plans.

Since our last letter Chancellor Kirkland has demanded that the fraternities come to some agreement through the pan-hellenic association in regard to postponing the spiking season. He suggests that the spiking season be postponed until March 15, but as most of the fraternities object to postponing it at all and especially to such a lengthy postponement, the season will probably not be deferred so long.

Baseball is now in progress and so far Vanderbilt has been only fairly successful. We opened the season by losing a series each to the Nashville professionals and Cornell; however, we partially retrieved ourselves by taking three straights from the University of Alabama, at Tuscaloosa. The schedule however, call for twenty-five more college games and we hope for better success. Bro. Sibley, outfielder, and Bro. Hall, substitute, are Tennessee Alpha's representatives on the team.

The southern intercollegiate track meet will be held at Vanderbilt this year, and we are looking forward to winning out, as we have never yet lost a meet held on our own grounds. The team of last year is back almost to a man, and is this year reinforced by several good men including Bro. Jesse B. Sibley, who won the weight events at the intercollegiate meet two years ago. Besides the intercollegiate meet, Vanderbilt is arranging dual meets with the University of Indiana at Louisville, Ky., and with the University of Georgia at Atlanta. At the last meeting of the Vanderbilt athletic association Bro. Edward G. Thompson was elected assistant manager of the foot ball team for 1905.

On April 3, the medical department closed with thirty-five graduates. Founder's medal, the highest honor of the graduating class, was won by Bro. Paul De Witt.

OWSLEY MANIER.

Nashville, April 5, 1905.

**TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.**

The University of the South has recently reopened and sixteen Phis have again gathered in Sewanee, to be the nucleus for the Tennessee Beta chapter of 1905. These men are enthusiastic members, fully capable of supporting the fraternity standard, and we have every reason to look forward to an enjoyable as well as profitable year in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Sewanee's baseball prospects seem brighter than in several years past, and notwithstanding the annual hindrance in regard to practice, the team bids fair to be a winning one.

Sewanee will have her annual debate with Vanderbilt in the latter part of April, and much interest is being taken in preparation for the contest.

The southern intercollegiate oratorical association meets this year at the University of Virginia. Since the organization of this association Sewanee and Vanderbilt each has won four times, more than any other one institution, and this contest should prove a battle royal between the two rival universities. The University of Alabama has recently been admitted into the Association.

WYATT BROWN.

Sewanee, April 8, 1905.

## DELTA PROVINCE.

## OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

It gives me great pleasure to say that Ohio Alpha won the indoor baseball championship which was mentioned in the last number of THE SCROLL. At the close of the regular series of games, there was a special series of three games between the Phis and Betas. We won two out of three of these games. At the close of the last games with the Betas, Professor Stone the physical director presented Bro. Reed, captain of the Phis, with a beautiful pennant, having on it "Miami Indoor Base Ball Championship, 1905." More interest was manifested in the series of indoor baseball games than has been shown for a long time, and it was by hard work under the efficient captain that Ohio Alpha won the championship. We have four men on the varsity indoor baseball team, Bros. Lloyd, Reed, Hartle and Blickensderfer.

The annual examinations of the winter term of the university occur the week beginning with March 20, and the term closes March 24. The spring vacation commences March 24, and ends April 4. The annual indoor athletic meet was held in the gymnasium on the evening of March 4. It was a success from both the athletic and financial point of view.

The warm weather we have been having the past few days has caused the men to come out for practice, who are trying to make the varsity baseball team. From present indications Miami should have an excellent team this year, as there is more good material in college than there has been for a number of years.

On March 18 Miami played and defeated the North Turners of Cincinnati by the score of 14-7. The work of Bro. Reed as pitcher and Bro. Lloyd as catcher was excellent. Bro. Blickensderfer played first base.

Bros. Prugh and Smith attended the banquet of the Miami alumni which was held in Hamilton on the evening of February 25. Bro. Stoltz, ex-'08, who is in the employ of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad in Cincinnati, frequently visits the chapter. Bro. Vorhees, ex-'03, who is attending the Ohio Dental College in Cincinnati, paid the chapter a very pleasant visit recently.

J. S. BLICKENSDERFER.

Oxford, March 19, 1905.

## OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

At the opening of the spring term, Ohio Beta finds herself with twenty-two members and nine pledges. Bro. Charles Laughlin was forced on account of ill health to leave for Colorado early last February. We have lately pledged, W. D. Flack, C. C. Lyon, W. W. Cary, E. F. Pennywitt, and R. L. Kraw.

The debates are a matter of history. The team against Oberlin was defeated by a majority vote. To offset this defeat was the unanimous decision given the second team against Illinois Wesleyan. Bro. F. J. Prout was a member of this latter team and Bro. J. I. Eagleson was secretary of the local debate league.

We are now in the midst of the oratorical preliminaries. In the one held on April 7, both places were won by Bros. D. A. Morrow and A. W. Prout. When the June SCROLL appears we hope to record that one of these brothers has won the college and also the central oratorical league contest.

Bro. W. F. Shaw has been promoted to first assistant editor of *The Transcript*, and several times the paper has been left in his charge.

The baseball season will open on the 15th of this month, and the pros-

pects for a good team are very bright. Bro. Webb will pitch and several of the brothers are making strong bids for the team.

The struggle for the fraternity baseball championship will be a severe one. The schedule has been arranged and we will play  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  on April 22. Bro. D. A. Morrow is manager of our team, and Bro. H. W. Whitney, captain.

To all Phis who come to Delaware, we extend a most cordial invitation to visit us.

F. J. PROUT.

Delaware, April 10, 1905.

#### OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The university opened for the spring term on April 5, with a somewhat decreased attendance, as a result of the last final examinations. We have lately initiated Charles W. Bretland, '08, of Troy, Ohio, and Clyde C. Sherick, '08, of Ashland, Ohio, whom we gladly introduce to the fraternity at large. We have lost two men, Bros. George B. Cross, who was compelled to leave college on account of typhoid fever, and George F. Schlesinger who has accepted a good position, with the Pennsylvania R. R. at Pittsburg, Pa. Both men will return next fall to complete their courses.

We held our annual alumni banquet on March 18, at the great Southern Hotel. Among those present were our province president Walter A. Eversman, John B. Ballou, T. G. C., and Dr. J. E. Brown, ex-P. G. C. The banquet was a great success and a great deal of enthusiasm about our new chapter house was shown. Bro. Frank Miller, treasurer of the corporation, reported that over \$5,000 had been subscribed, and we believe that the time is not far distant now when we will be able to build a house.

The baseball season is now on and from the abundance of new material and number of old players it looks as if the 'varsity would have no trouble in taking the state championship. The prospects are also bright for Ohio Zeta winning the inter-fraternity baseball championship again, as we have done for the last two years.

Ohio Zeta extends to all Phis visiting Columbus a most hearty invitation to call at the chapter house.

EDWARD I. GIBSON.

Columbus, April 10, 1905.

#### OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

With the advent of the warm spring weather candidates for the baseball and track teams are hard at work trying to win new laurels for Case.

Mr. Young, a Harvard man, who formerly coached for Oberlin, has been secured to coach the track team. Under his direction we expect to put a good team in the field.

On April 1 we turned the chapter house over to the Phi girls, who acted as royal hostesses. Many amusing and novel stunts befitting the occasion were concocted and the surprises were numerous.

The Alumni Day banquet was held at the chapter house on March 15. About thirty-five alumni were present and a characteristic Phi reunion it was. Bro V. E. Barne, Ohio Eta, '08, acted as toastmaster. Numerous toasts were responded to. Bro. J. B. Ballou, P. G. C., spoke on "The Bond." His speech did credit to the subject and was delivered in a masterly manner. It certainly does the chapter a world of good to have so many enthusiastic alumni present with us to enter into the spirit of the fraternity with such deep interest. It only confirms us in our belief that "once a Phi, always a Phi," is a motto, true as it is good.

ARTHUR C. VICARY.

Cleveland, April 9, 1905.

## OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

On March 29 the fourth annual carnival began and will continue for the remainder of the week, closing at midnight April 1. From present indications the carnival bids fair to be as successful as those of former years. The fraternities have combined and will give an "Interfraternity Circus" in the gymnasium. They have received aid from the Cincinnati "Zoo," and also from showman John Robinson, so that the circus promises to be the big hit of the carnival. The glee club will entertain with a minstrel show and the  $\Sigma \Sigma$  (interfrat) with a clever burlesque on "Little Red Riding Hood." The classes and other organizations of the varsity are represented by various booths. The proceeds from the carnival go to the athletic and social settlement funds.

Ohio Theta chapter is ably represented in these festivities. Bro. Vos is director of the glee club minstrels with Bro. Kreimer as interlocutor. Bro. Williams is one of the end men and Bro. Hampton, banjo soloist. We are also well represented in the chorus. Bro. Williams is director of the circus and Bro. Fetsch the animal trainer. In the  $\Sigma \Sigma$  burlesque important parts are taken by Bros. Williams, Kreimer and McGill. The splendid weather which we have had for the past few weeks has permitted our baseball squad to do some strenuous out-door work. The outlook for a successful team for the coming season is very bright indeed. The first practice games will be played next week with the St. Paul (American league) team and latter with the local high schools. The regular season begins the first week in May.

The Alumni Dinner was held on the night of March 15, at the Walnut Hills Business Men's club. Judge J. B. Swing was toastmaster.

The university is experiencing a steady improvement under the guidance of President Dabney. Plans for the further beautifying of the campus have been submitted by a competent landscape architect. It has also been rumored that negotiations for the building of a new engineering hall are under way.

We wish to repeat our invitation to visiting Phis to call at our chapter hall, Suite W. Bradford Block 6th and Vine.

Cincinnati, March 31, 1905.

JOHN E. BEBB.

## EPSILON PROVINCE.

## INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

The spring term opened April 4, and several new students have been enrolled. The glee club, composed of twenty-eight men, made its annual trip over the northern part of the state and met with the greatest success everywhere. Bro. Beale is director and Indiana Beta is represented on the club by six men.

During this term Mr. Edward Daniels, of Indianapolis, will conduct a class in jurisprudence, the course being open to all students of the college.

Our basketball team continued the good work of the football team by winning the state championship. Eight college games were played and all won. The five finished up the season by defeating Purdue, the former state champion, by the score, 49-15. The track team should make a good showing in the spring meets. During the indoor season two dual meets were held—one with Indiana, which we lost, 22-55, and the other with Notre Dame which we also lost, but only after an exciting contest, the score being 66-47.

Bro. Reed won the mile and two mile runs and Bro. Miller took second in the pole-vault. The baseball team prospects look favorable and twenty college games have been scheduled. Bro. Boulton is the only Phi on the team.

The junior class has decided to issue *The Ouatemon*, the college annual, which has been discontinued since '99. Bro. Boulton was elected manager, and Bro. Edwards athletic editor.

Since our last letter two new men have been pledged, Perry Reed, '07, Logansport, Ind., and Clifford C. Freeman, '08, Crawfordsville, Ind.

Bro. Edward C. Courtney, ex-'05, is a newspaper reporter at Terre Haute, Ind. Bro. Edgar Fleming, ex-'07, who has been teaching this year will return to college next fall.

WALTER S. REED.

Crawfordsville, April 7, 1905.

#### INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

On the evening of March 7, Indiana Delta gave her annual reception to the public. We entertained about three hundred and fifty people and enjoyed a most pleasant evening, notwithstanding the fact that the weather was very disagreeable.

In athletics Franklin will not be as strong as might be hoped for, but Capt. Schuler, of the base ball team, is holding daily practice and is putting forth every effort to develop a winning team. Bro. John Duggan leaves on April 8 for Vincennes, where he will take up his duties as a pitcher on the league team at that city. Bro. Roland L. Ott has also been compelled to give up his school work on account of continued ill health, so Indiana Delta loses two of her men for the remainder of the year. These brothers expect to re-enter next fall.

The primary debating contest of the college debating club was held recently, and Bros. Proffitt and Witt were successful in winning positions on the team.

CAVINS R. MARSHALL.

Franklin, March 21, 1905.

#### INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

Along with spring comes baseball as an attendant. The first game of the season was played on March 31. B Θ Π and Φ Δ Θ were the contestants. We won by a score of nine to two. Φ Δ Θ issued a general challenge to all the fraternities in Hanover. The Betas were the first to accept and as a result were the first to be At Rest.

The prospects for the college team are good. Both in and out-field are strong. The greatest weakness is in pitchers but it is hoped that the handicap may be removed. The team will be composed mostly of new men and it will be difficult to develop team work. The men have not yet been definitely picked but Φ Δ Θ will be well represented. April 8th sees the opening game.

The glee club is meeting with success and Prof. Tyler is to be complimented on his work. The club visits most of the towns in southern Indiana and has a two night engagement in Madison during the G. A. R. encampment to be held there June 12-17. Φ Δ Θ has three men in the club.

During the spring vacation Bros. Hatfield, '04, Cisco, '05, (Indiana) and Snyder, ex-'07, visited Hanover.

Indiana Epsilon hopes to be the owner of a chapter house by the end of the spring term. We are negotiating for the Trout property. The house is a

large two story brick building. The lot on which it is situated contains three acres. As a location for a chapter house it is unsurpassed.

Hanover, April 7, '05.

R. V. SIPE.

#### INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

The spring term opened at DePauw university March 27 with an increased attendance. Several new men have entered for spring athletics and the outlook was never brighter for a winning baseball and track team.

Indiana Zeta, believing that "Everlasting vigilance is the price of a good frat," is now rejoicing over new additions to the chapter. Bro. Wiley, formerly of Franklin college, joined us this term. We have pledged two good new men who promise to make the best of fraternity material. Mr. Baron H. Long, of Ft. Wayne, Ind., is one of the best men Indiana Zeta has pledged for some time. He is now a most promising candidate for the baseball team and his football ability is undisputed. Mr. Carter the other new pledge, while only in the academy, is a very bright and promising man.

Since our last letter Indiana Zeta has been receiving her share of college honors. Bro. Devers, '05, won the state oratorical contest, by the greatest margin since Senator Beveridge carried off the honors. Bro. Devers goes to Monmouth, Ill., May 4, where he represents the Indiana association in the inter-state contest. With his strong oration and marked improvement in delivery he is expected to carry back with him the laurels. Bro. Devers is a senior this year. He is one of the most manly and popular students in the university, and with his graduation Indiana Zeta as well as DePauw university will lose one of her ablest and most trustworthy men.

We are represented on the debate team, which meets Notre Dame, at Greencastle, May 5, by Bro. Jewett, '07.

Indiana Zeta has five promising candidates on the baseball squad: Bro. Crawford, '06; Bro. Wiley, '06, Bro. Metsker, '08, Bro. Jewett, '07, and Mr. Long, '07. In track work we are represented by Bro. Van Dyke, '05.

Visiting Phis are always welcome at No. 5 Poplar St.

Greencastle, April 6, 1905.

CHARLES W. JEWETT.

#### INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

Since the last issue of THE SCROLL the state legislature has appropriated \$100,000 for additional laboratory equipment at Purdue. \$40,000 of this amount will be used for a new civil engineering building with more complete equipment, a requirement which Purdue has felt the need of for many years. The remaining \$60,000 of the appropriation will be spent in building and equipping a new chemistry building. At a meeting of the board of trustees, March 29, action was taken toward the erection of these buildings as soon as the appropriation becomes available.

The annual inspection trip this year was open to both juniors and seniors in engineering, and took place March 30-April 1. Nearly 200 took advantage of the trip and places of interest in and about Chicago were visited.

April 1 is set by the faculty as the earliest date upon which freshmen can be initiated, but now that the time has arrived, the local chapters are working overtime. We have initiated the following:—A. G. Caldwell, '05, LaFayette, Ind.; Ned McGaughey, '06, Indianapolis, Ind.; C. A. Bird, Wilmington, Del.; John Vaile, '08, Fort Smith, Ark.; E. W. Worsham, '08, Evansville, Ind.; F. A. DeBoos, '08, Columbus, Ind.; T. S. Garber, '08; Indianapolis, Ind.; O. M. Babcock, '08, Evansville, Ind.; Hodge Worsham, '08, Evansville, Ind.; and J. C. Turpin, '08, Dayton, O.

Θ Ξ a technical society founded in 1864 at Rensselear Polytechnic Institute has granted a charter to a local club. The society is similar to the general college fraternities with the one restriction that it confines itself to technical schools. It is also rumored that Φ Κ Ξ is contemplating entering here. We regret very much the increase in the number of chapters at Purdue, and especially the tendency of the weaker fraternities to rush in, for we feel that it means only the addition of another weak chapter to their list, and a consequent lowering of the standard of fraternity men at Purdue. Many of the strong national fraternities already have chapters here, and because of the character of the university, there is little room for any more.

We held a special meeting March 15, with appropriate Alumni Day ceremonies.

The Purdue Association of Chicago held its annual banquet at the Hamilton Club March 31. Bro. E. B. Hyde, '96 is treasurer of the association.

The baseball season opens April 8 with the game with Rose Polytechnic at Terre Haute. Φ Δ Θ is represented on the squad by Bros. L. J. Flint, E. W. Worsham, C. A. Bird, O. M. Babcock, and E. O. Finney. Prospects are promising for a successful season. Philip O'Neill, formerly of Notre Dame, is coaching the team. The track team, under the direction of Mr. J. J. Nufer of Michigan, is showing up well and everything points toward a winning team. Bro. J. C. Turpin is doing good work in the hurdles. The inter-fraternity baseball schedule has been arranged, and the first game will be played the last of April.

The class of 1906 this year inaugurated the custom of giving a junior prom as a university function. The dance was held in the design room of the mechanical building March 6. About 110 couples were present and the event was a success from every standpoint. Φ Δ Θ was represented on the committee by two men, one of them being chairman.

Bro. Ned McGaughey, '06, has been initiated into T B II.

Bro. S. Miller is a member of the Purdue orchestra, and minstrels.

West La Fayette, April 7, 1905.

C. STANLEY SALE.

## ZETA PROVINCE.

### ILLINOIS BETA.

Illinois Beta is again comfortably at home in our house, which now seems doubly welcome after our forced absence. We have assumed all our duties and are again able to compete with the other fraternities. That we have not been idle is shown by the fact that we are represented on the pan-hellenic commission by Bros. Speik and Mabrey. Bro. Speik is chairman of the reception committee and Bro. Mabrey is on the finance committee. Our brothers assure us that this year's pan-hellenic dance will eclipse all previous dances and proms.

Our representatives in track honors are Bros. Catlin, Speik, Hogenson, Groman and Hook. Catlin, Hogenson and Groman have done excellent work this winter and give promise of fine work this spring. Bro. Speik will have charge of a football class this spring, teaching the rudiments and science of the game. Bro. Harper is again captain of the baseball team.

Since our last letter we have one new pledge to announce, Walter B. Steffens, of North Division High School.

As new members and brothers we are pleased to introduce Bros. Harper, Harwood, Hogenson, Larson and Ridlon.

On Alumni Day, the Chicago Φ Δ Θ club gave their annual banquet— which Illinois Beta attended as a chapter, along with our sister chapter,

Illinois Alpha. About two hundred were present including Bro. J. F. R. Mitchell P. G. C., Rev. John Balcom Shaw, and several others of Chicago's prominent men. The banquet was one of the most successful ever given in every respect. Besides speeches by the guests of honor we were entertained by songs, yells "stunts" and music rendered by members of Illinois Alpha and Linthiam Beta, Brothers Ridlon and Linthiam taking the roles of stars.

As a result of President Harper's illness and operation, the whole university and city were thrown in deep gloom, and it was not until after the operation that any one breathed a sigh of relief. The president passed through the ordeal very well and is again attending to his regular duties. But every one will remember the beautiful lesson Dr. Harper taught by his attitude toward the impending danger; his complete resignation to whatever might happen, his great fortitude and cheerfulness at the almost critical hour, his fearlessness and coolness, will always be remembered and revered.

Chicago, March 20, 1905.

WILLIS S. HILPERT.

#### ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD COLLEGE.

With the beginning of the spring term the members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  returned to school. They have recently conducted initiations and now desire to present Bros. Andrew Ray, Avon Ill.; Fredrick Law, Fountaingreen, Ill.; Murray Titus, Batavia, Ohio; and Ward Richard, Maquon, Ill.

Track work is now in progress at Lombard and the athletes of the college are under the leadership of Bro. Justus, captain, and Bro. Appleman coach. The schedule has been prepared by Bro. Titus who is manager of the track team.

The active members of this chapter were much grieved of late to hear of the deaths of Bro. Royal Porter Wiswell, '99, Cameron, Ill.; and Bro. Wakefield, '66, Sioux City, Iowa.

On March 17 a gymnastic exhibition was held in the Lombard gymnasium.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , was represented by Bro. Grimes, who was awarded first place upon the parallel bars.

On March 18 the members and alumni of Illinois Zeta and Illinois Delta again assembled together at their annual Alumni Day banquet. Bro. Frank J. R. Mitchell, P. G. C., was present and gave many practical suggestions to both chapters.

Galesburg, March 20, 1905.

CHESTER C. HOUSH.

#### ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The prospects for another baseball championship team this spring are not as bright as they might be. Bro. Rothgeb, who has been elected captain, is the only man who was on last year's team. Captain Roberts was killed in a railroad wreck. Three men, Pfeffer, Warner and Cook, were disqualified for playing summer ball without permission, so that whatever else the team may not be it certainly will conform to our strict idea of purity in athletics. Our schedule includes games with Wabash, Armour Institute, Purdue, Northwestern, Wisconsin, Chicago, Michigan and Nebraska. Coach Huff has also announced that Illinois will meet Michigan in football next fall, the game to be played on Illinois field. The track team is this year better than ever before having thus far defeated Chicago in two meets.

This year it was our good fortune to have present at our annual on February 10 a larger number of alumni than ever before. The event marks an epoch in the history of the chapter and the large number of alumni and our of town guests joined hands in making the party a most enjoyable affair.

Illinois hall was very tastefully decorated with southern smilax and the fraternity colors, argent and azure. In the center of the orchestra balcony there was a large shield composed of fraternity colors with small electric lights marking the Greek letters,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . On the following afternoon an informal reception was held at the chapter house. Words of praise for the new house were heard on every hand. All those present adjourned to the porch for a moment while a picture was taken.

A smoker was given at the chapter house that evening for the visiting alumni. Bro. Dean Franklin, of Macomb, Ill., acted as master of ceremonies. Short talks were made by Bros. Geo. A. Barr of Joliet, Ill.; Rea Miller, Bloomington, Ill.; Scott Williams, Sterling, Ill.; Floyd Wittmore, Sycamore, Ill.; Frank H. Hamilton, Springfield, Ill.; J. G. Melliush, Bloomington, Ill.; Rufus Walker, Moline, Ill.; R. R. Ward, Benton, Ill.; L. B. Tuthill, Anna, Ill.; A. R. Johnson, Joliet, Ill.; E. S. Swigart, Champaign, Ill.; and C. O. Bernhardt, M. D., of Rock Island, Ill.

This event closed one of the most enjoyable, and it may be truthfully said one of the most helpful annuals Illinois Eta has ever known.

Champaign, April 6, 1905.

ASA B. CUTLER.

#### WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

The number of fraternities at Wisconsin has been increased recently by the organization of a local society,  $P \Delta \Phi$ . No national charter has as yet been applied for, but it is understood that  $\Delta K E$  will be petitioned in the near future.

Since our last letter, Wisconsin Alpha has suffered a loss of six men. Bros. Allen, Dugane, and Ludlow left college because of ill health; Bros. Hartley and Roberts, in order to secure good positions; Bro. Durkee, to enter the commercial college. We have two new pledges, James Jackson of Madison, a brother of three Phis from this chapter, and Truman Clark of Minneapolis.

The season in indoor track athletics has been disastrous so far, having lost the meet with Michigan and two meets with Chicago University. The outlook for the baseball team is quite promising, most of last year's team having returned. Great satisfaction was everywhere expressed when Bro. Phil King agreed to coach our football team next season. He was chosen unanimously by the athletic board.

A successful trip by the glee and mandolin clubs was undertaken early in March. Concerts were given in Elgin, Chicago, Milwaukee, and Waukesha. The trip was arranged and managed by Bro. Law. Bros. Baily, Durkee, Lindsay, and Sullivan also accompanied the clubs.

One of the biggest hits at the university circus held on March 25 was a freak automobile entered for the special feature prize by  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . It was made by Bros. Rose and Baily and easily captured the handsome loving cup offered as the prize. The entire affair was a decided success. The side-shows, the animals, and the "stunts" were more varied than formerly and much more elaborate. About three hundred people were engaged in the performances and management.

Our house plans are still uncompleted. We are not able to rent this house for next year so we must move whether we build or not. Several thousand dollars yet remain to be raised before our plans can be realized.

Bro. Leahy was recently elected president of the athletic board. Bro. Richter has been elected to The Yellow-Helmet. Bros. Pritchard and Sullivan are members of the new junior society, Monastic.

The engagement of Bro. Herbert Manson, '07, to Miss Daisy Dye of Madison is announced. Visiting alumni have been, Bros. Blake, Butler, Fairchild, Griswold, Hardgrove, Sweet, Tallman, Winegar and Wilbur.  
 Madison, April 4, 1905. MARSHALL ARNOLD.

#### MINNESOTA ALPHA. UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Alumni Day this year was a memorable one for Minnesota Alpha. The banquet and reunion were held in the West Hotel with covers laid for fifty-five. The all-important feature of the reunion was the discussion and adoption of a feasible plan for securing a chapter house for Minnesota Alpha. Every indication points to a successful culmination of the project and the chapter feels that but a short time will elapse before a suitable house will be secured.

The banquet was a notable success. President H. L. Murray of the Twin City alumni club presided as toastmaster and introduced members of the alumni and active chapter, who responded to the following toasts:  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ —Past, L. A. Straight; The Active Chapter, C. D. McCanna;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ —Future, C. B. Teisberg;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in the World, Judge F. C. Harvey; the Active Alumni, L. K. Sowle. The toasts were interspersed with song by the active chapter and by a quartette composed of active men, the evening coming to a close with the singing of a "A Thousand Years Phi Delta Theta" by all present.

The university circus was held March 10 and 11 and proved a huge success both from the entertainment and the financial standpoint. Clowns, freaks and acrobats together with all the usual fakes accompanying a circus were on hand and contributed to the merriment of the occasion.

The advent of spring has stimulated an unprecedented enthusiasm for athletics throughout the university and fraternity; class and department baseball and track teams are being formed. An immense athletic tournament is to be held at the Armory, April 7. There will be bouts between all the foremost boxers, wrestlers and fencers of the university and a feature of the evening will be a three round wrestling match between John Gordon, champion heavyweight wrestler of the northwest and Carl Mattson, champion middle weight. Minnesota will have no regular baseball team this year but in its stead, interdepartment teams have arranged a strong schedule for the season.

A mammoth track meet will be held here in May at which relay teams from all the prominent western universities are expected to compete. Minnesota has excellent prospects for a strong track team this year although much of the material is new and as yet untried. The men have been at work all winter and have shown good form at the indoor try-outs.

Both faculty and students at the university are overjoyed at the passage of the Perley bill through the legislature, as it takes the university from under the supervision of the board of control who have been accused of gross mismanagement of the institution. The bill only awaits the governor's signature to become a law, and this it is expected will be speedily forthcoming.

L. S. GILLHAM.

Minneapolis, April 5, 1905.

#### IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Alumni Day was celebrated by Iowa Alpha with a dinner given at the chapter house at which all the resident alumni Phis of Mt. Pleasant together with the active chapter were present. Impromptu speeches were made and topics of various kinds appropriate for the occasion were discussed.

On January 24 we initiated two more freshmen whom we are pleased to introduce at this time; Bros. Paul Hephrey of Boise, Idaho, and Ned G. Oliver of Packwood, Iowa.

As yet it is most too early to tell definitely what we shall do in athletics this spring. There will undoubtedly be a strong baseball nine on the field under the capacity of Bro. Besser again. In all probability two or three more Phis will be on the team. At the Iowa state oratorical contest held at Cornell College on February 24, the representative from Iowa Wesleyan, Mr. Henry Muenster won second place. This is an excellent showing owing to the fact that the winner of first place this year was the same person with the same oration which won first last year.

The plans for the sexennial celebration are well under way. The date is June 8 to 15, 1905. Iowa Wesleyan is the oldest institution of collegiate grade in the state of Iowa and prides herself on the fact that she sent out the first woman graduate in America. Some of the special features of the occasion will be: Governor's day, at which governors Cummins, of Iowa; Mickey, of Nebraska; Hoch, of Kansas; Folk, of Missouri; and Deneen, of Illinois will be present; and Founders day, at which Senators Dolliver of Iowa and Clark of Montana will attend (the latter at one time a student of Iowa Wesleyan.) Other men of prominence will also be here and speak. Another special attraction will be a music festival including the oratorio of Elijah to be given by a chorus of more than fifty voices. They have been in preparation for the past four months and will be lead by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. There are seven Phis in this chorus.

Iowa Alpha is expecting to move into another house next year which will be larger and better than the one she now occupies. Recent visitors at the house have been Bros. Randall, '00; Roth, '00, and Beck '03.

Mt. Pleasant, March 18, 1905.

ARTHUR BECK.

#### IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

We have lately initiated Bro. R. S. Milner of Belle Plaine, Iowa, and Bro. Paul Houghton of Iowa Alpha, who entered the second semester, has affiliated.

The training for spring athletics is well under way, and many good men are turning out for both track and baseball. The baseball team has an exceptionally bright outlook. Six of last year's team are in school, and the new men are making the competition for places on the team very hard.

We are represented on the track team by Bro. Murphy in the hurdles, and Bro. Hamilton in the quarter mile. "Jerry" Delaney, who has been at Northwestern University, is now in charge of the track team here, and the team is improving fast under his able management.

The athletic competition between the classes this year has led to a great deal of rivalry, and the various class teams seem to be working as hard as the regulars on the 'varsity. Bro. Streff is manager of the freshman law baseball team, and Bro. Murphy is captain of the freshman L. A. track team.

L. W. LOVELL.

Iowa City, April 2, 1905.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

We have recently initiated one new member, Bro. Perry Moss, whom we take pleasure in introducing to all Phis. We have also pledged Mr. William Jewitt, Shelbina, Mo.

The most important event in athletics which has taken place this spring is the Missouri-Kansas indoor track meet, which Missouri won with honors. An inter-high school track meet in which all high schools of the state are expected to take part, will be held in Columbia, May 6. The winning team is to receive a cup.

The baseball team is the strongest which Missouri has produced for a number of years. The team is expected to make a good showing on the trip which it will take through the south the first of May. While gone it will visit the universities of Arkansas and Texas besides a number of other schools.

The inter-fraternity baseball games which are held every spring began last week. These games stir up much enthusiasm as there is great rivalry between the fraternities.

President Jesse has been granted a leave of absence and will sail for Germany on April 18, where he takes up work in one of the universities. The legislature made an appropriation of \$600,000 to run the university for the next two years.

Bro. F. I. Ridge has been taken into Θ N E and Bro. Carl Crow has been elected into *The Asterisk*, a literary society.

We invite all Phis who may be in Columbia to visit us in our chapter house.

W. C. LOGAN.

Columbia, April 8, 1905.

#### MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

The second college semester has opened but did not bring any good material. Bro. J. J. Rice, '06, represented Westminster at the state oratorical contest which was held at Tarkio, Mo., March 10, and got third place. Alumni Day was observed by Missouri Beta with fitting ceremonies. In the afternoon the active chapter and some of the alumni went to the cemetery and decorated Father Morrison's grave. Bro. Lewis, president of the chapter, made a speech about Father Morrison and the good that he had done, after which a prayer was offered by Bro. Keopler. In the evening a smoker was given by the active chapter in honor of the alumni. Speeches were made by Bros. McKee, Indiana Epsilon, Bartley, Morrison, Robnett, and Martin Yates. Bros. Bartley and Morrison spoke on chapter houses and much enthusiasm was shown. Plans for a \$2500 lodge have been drawn up and submitted. In the meantime all the active members who do not live in town have rented a large house and are living there till they can get in to their own house, which they hope to do in time for the quarter centennial of this chapter next year.

On February 15 at the home of the bride in Fredricktown, Mo., Bro. Albert H. Mueller was united in marriage to Miss Angela Augusta Slaughter. They are now at home at Jackson, Mo., where Bro. Mueller is engaged in business.

At the First Methodist Church of St. Joseph, Mo., on March 15, Bro. Gaylord R. Wilcox, Pennsylvania Epsilon, was married to Miss Georgie Caroline Potter of St. Joseph. The bridal couple left for an extended trip in the east, after which they will go to Tulusa, I. T., where Bro. Wilcox will engage in business.

O. L. McDONALD.

Fulton, March 20, 1905.

#### MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Missouri Gamma has lately added a new member to her list in Bro. Ellis Fischel, from Harvard, who has entered the medical department of the university.

On March 28 the alumni banquet celebrating Alumni Day and the installation of Missouri Gamma into Washington was held at Hotel Jefferson and about fifty loyal Phis attended.

April 22 has been set aside by the university authorities as Arbor Day, and some four hundred trees are to be planted on the campus by students and alumni. An interesting programme has been arranged and the occasion promises to be a memorable one.

Mr. C. A. Fairweather, recently of the University of Illinois, is now coaching the Washington track team and the prospects for the season are very good. The dual meet with Missouri State University will be the principal contest.

The baseball season has opened and a schedule of twenty-two games has just been filled. Among the colleges which appear on the list are Nebraska, Missouri State, DePauw, Indiana, Rose Polytechnic and Rollo School of Mines. Frank Pears, a well known St. Louis coach, has the team in charge.

A local society known as  $\Gamma \Phi$  has very recently been granted a charter by the  $\Theta \chi$ , engineering fraternity.

The Areopagus, an inter-fraternity league, has proven to be a very useful organization and its effect has been felt to a marked degree.  $K \Sigma$  having recently joined this league, it now consists of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Sigma \Lambda E$ ,  $\Sigma N$ , and  $K \Sigma$ .  $\Theta \chi$  is now petitioning for membership in the same.

*The Hatchet*, 1906, the annual publication edited by the junior class, is on the press and will appear about May 1. It promises to be the best annual which the university has yet produced.

ROY A. CAMPBELL.

St. Louis, April 8, 1905.

#### KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

On March 2 the state legislature almost unanimously passed a bill appropriating to the university \$560,750, to be expended as follows: maintenance for two years, \$433,800; gymnasium building, \$100,000; for completion of law building, \$15,000; for purchase of land, \$11,950. Work on the gymnasium will begin at once and the structure, when completed, will be one of the finest of its kind in the west. The school of medicine has recently absorbed three Kansas City medical colleges, which together with a hospital and clinic school to be erected at Rosedale will give the medical students of the university excellent facilities and resources.

The second annual track meet between Kansas and Missouri was held in Convention Hall, Kansas City, Mo., November 17. Missouri gained the victory owing to the unbalanced condition of the Kansas squad. The first baseball game of the season between the university and the Haskell Indians resulted in a victory for the latter by a score of 5-3. Inability to hit the ball was responsible for the defeat.

The chapter regrets to announce the withdrawal of Bro. John Fleishman who lately passed through a successful operation for appendicitis.

Kansas Alpha celebrated Alumni Day with the Kansas City alumni club. A banquet at the University Club was thoroughly enjoyed by many alumni and several members of the chapter.

The university and chapter recently received a visit from Bro. Frederick Funston, Kansas Alpha, '90, Brig. General, U. S. A. The chapter was also pleased to receive visits during the past month from Bro. A. H. Speer; Bro. Stockton, Vanderbilt; Bro. Troxell, Pennsylvania Beta, '80; Bro. Armour, Kansas, '96.

HYDEN J. EATON.

Lawrence, April 10, 1905.

**NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.**

Another new building has been started on the campus. It will be called the administration building and when completed will be one of our finest structures. Alumni day was observed as usual by our annual banquet held March 18 at the Lindell hotel. About forty Phis were present and, as usual, enjoyed one of the best times of the year. Hereafter our annual banquet will be held on the night before Thanksgiving in order to make it more convenient for the old men to get down. As next year will be the thirtieth anniversary of Nebraska Alpha the affair will be of special importance and we want all Nebraska Alumni to begin to make arrangements for being present and insuring its success. On March 29, the chapter enjoyed a visit from Bro. Anderson, one of our charter members and also Bros. Gerwig, '89, and Barris '88. In the evening a smoker was given at the house in honor of the old men and the old Phis in Lincoln joined us in spending a very pleasant evening.

The management of the annual pan-hellenic dance has been causing considerable excitement here in fraternity circles. The question whether it should be run by T. W. E. or the anti-T. W. E.'s was finally solved by each side deciding to give a dance of its own.

A very successful basketball season has just closed, which included two victories over Minnesota. The baseball season has just begun, but the prospects for the team are good. The only regular game has been with the Chicago Americans who won by a score of 9 to 4.

The inter fraternity baseball league has been reorganized and the contest for the championship will be an exciting one.

C. M. MATHEWSON.

Lincoln, April 8, 1905.

**COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.**

At the opening of the second semester the spiking season began again, but no men have been pledged so far. The chapter now numbers seventeen, four men having retired from school. Track athletics have been started in earnest now with plenty of good material. Bro. Bonnell is trying for the hurdles. Bros. Snyder and Strayer are trying for the baseball team which is making a good headway. Snyder is trying for the infield while Strayer is holding down his old position in left field.

The schedule of the interfraternity baseball league began April 1. Seven fraternities are represented; Σ A E, Δ T Δ, B Θ II, Σ Φ E, Σ N, A T Ω, Φ Δ Θ. The fraternity winning the pennant for three successive years is allowed to keep it. Φ Δ Θ has a fairly good show.

In social lines the chapter has given its regular monthly dances which have been a success in every particular. On March 10, the annual alumni banquet was held in Denver at the Adams Hotel. The entire active chapter was present and with the alumni made a total of over forty Phis. Rev. David Utter, Indiana Gamma, '67, occupied the chair of toastmaster and many good speeches commemorative of Alumni Day were made. The alumni also had the opportunity of meeting the new members as no banquet was held last year.

WADE D. ANNIS.

Boulder, April 6, 1905.

**ETA PROVINCE.****GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.**

Baseball season opened up very brightly for the University of Georgia, and notwithstanding the fact that we lost two of our best players, so much good material was at hand to fill their places that the team does not seem

to have suffered. We have played four games so far and won all four, winning from Mercer by a score of 8 to 2. The score with Clemson was Clemson 2, Georgia 3.

More interest has been manifested in athletics here this year than for many years past.

Bro. Marshbarn who has taken quite a number of college honors during his stay here, crowned his success by winning a place on the North Carolina debate.

All the students of the university are preparing for our annual encampment. Each year when it first begins to be too warm to study well, usually in the latter part of April, the University of Georgia sends all of her students on an encampment for a week or ten days and the military discipline together with the relaxation from study seems to be of great benefit.

We have lately pledged another man for next year, Mr. E. U. Carter, Jr., of Atlanta.

The men whom we have pledged and the fact that we will return nearly all of our old men next year, make Georgia Alpha's prospects for another good chapter unusually bright.

Quite a number of Phis have visited us this year and we will be glad to have any brother who by chance may be in the neighborhood of Athens to make us a visit at our chapter house, 717 Hill street.

Athens, April 5, 1905.

C. A. DOZIER, JR.

#### GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

With the return of spring athletics have revived. The unusually severe and late winter delayed return to outdoor sports, and caused the basketball and lacrosse schedules to be unplayed. Baseball has however been receiving more than usual attention; and a better article of ball playing is being put up this year in the inter-class series. The new athletic field is the scene of this year's campaign, and is far more satisfactory than the old one. The sophomore team appears to have best pennant hopes; but every contest is witnessed by excited rooters who realize the danger to the leaders' position. The most interesting game so far was the freshman-sophomore game in which the latter won by 3-2 in the tenth inning. Georgia Beta is represented in class baseball by Bros. King, pitcher, and Benton, right field of the juniors; Bro. McGregor, shortstop on the Sophomore team; and Bros. Solomon, pitcher, Mills, first base, and Smith, left field on the freshman aggregation. Bro. Thomas will probably rejoin the senior team when he recovers from an injury received before the season opened.

Track work is progressing also. We will be seriously handicapped in the tri-collegiate meet by loss of several of our best men, but we hope to put out a good team. Georgia Beta has only a few aspirants for honors in this field. Bros. Benton and Hinton, however, have been awarded junior speaker's places on the commencement stage. Dr. J. M. Buckley, of the New York *Christian Advocate* has just completed the third course of Quillan Lectures to the students. The series of lectures drew a large attendance from Oxford and Covington, and were highly entertaining as well as most instructive, and of great benefit.

The stretch from the present to vacation is full of labor, unadorned or relieved by any festivities or other relaxation; but with our eyes bent on the future, we intend to do our duty and receive our reward of rest when it comes. There will be little to tell of the two months to come, but when it is past and then the holidays in turn, Georgia Beta will be ready for another

year, which we hope to make more prosperous even than this one. We have not been negligent of the future, and have a very satisfactory outlook.  
Oxford, April 6, 1905. JAMES HINTON.

#### GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Baseball is the center of interest at Mercer at this time. A pennant has been offered to be contested for by the Georgia colleges, Mercer, the University of Georgia and Georgia Tech., and the keen rivalry thus brought about has resulted in many of the best college players in the state being debarred from playing on account of summer ball. Mercer has been particularly unfortunate in having her star infielders, Taylor and Crovatt removed. Taylor is a Phi. In spite of our crippled condition, however, we are looking forward to a successful season. Bros. Taylor, McCathern and West have made the team, and Bro. Conner would easily have done so, had he not been confined for several weeks with appendicitis. We are glad to report that he is rapidly improving.

Georgia Gamma has been fortunate lately in pledging two prominent Macon boys, Messrs. Jim Wimberly and Tom Park, who will be in college next fall.

Georgia Gamma gave her annual alumni banquet on March 7 and all enjoyed a pleasant evening. This event will likely be instrumental in reorganizing the Macon alumni club.

We regret to say that Bro. Lawton has left college to accept a position in Chicago.

Several members of Georgia Gamma spent the night of March 25 in Athens and were delightfully entertained by Georgia Alpha at a smoker held at the chapter house.

Macon, April 11, 1905.

HENRY TIFT, JR.

#### GEORGIA DELTA, GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

Tech has begun its last term of the year, and although there are some familiar faces absent, others have entered to take their places, and the roll still continues to be long.

We are glad to again have with us Bro. Cheney, of Rome, Ga. Bro. Cheney was forced to leave school last spring on account of sickness, but has now returned to finish his course. It gives us great pleasure to introduce Bro. Hugh Wallace of La Grange, Ga.

The prospects for a good baseball team are as fine as ever. The team has been in practice since the last part of January and has now rounded into fine shape. Although only five of the old players are back, still the places of the absent ones have been ably filled. Several practice games have been played, and a good showing was made in all of them. The first college game is on April 8 with the University of Georgia, and if things turn out as in the football game with them, we have no cause for fear.

Φ Δ Θ is represented in the baseball by Bro. Roht, manager, Bro. Gager, left-field, Bro. Brown, second base and Bro. Knight substitute outfielder. Besides these players on the first team, we have Bro. Stout on the second team.

The athletic field, that was begun in January, is now completed, and several of the practice games have been played on it. At present, the baseball diamond, alone, is finished, but in the near future, a half-mile track will be constructed.

The annual smoker of Georgia Delta will be on April 29 and we hope that any visiting Phis will join us.

Atlanta, April 7, 1905.

JOHN G. CHAPMAN.

**ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.**

Things are not so dull as our last letter found them, especially in an athletic line. We are now in the midst of the baseball season, under the supervision of coach Donahue, who raised Auburn's reputation to the highest standard during the football season, and can entertain no hopes less than the same for baseball.

Alabama Beta is lacking a little in quantity but making it up in quality. Bro. Burgess, who represents us on the diamond, holding down first base and catcher, is as good as there is in that line. Bro. Lipscomb, Auburn's star catcher, did not go out this year on account of his health, but nevertheless we hope to have him on the field soon and are sure he will more than make good whatever he plays for. The field of improvement is now reaching a maximum, and I am glad to announce that Carnegie has offered to the college, under certain conditions \$30,000, for the purpose of erecting a library. We hope by the strong hand of the faculty and student body that within a few months Auburn's campus will be adorned by a beautiful \$75,000 library. This college (Auburn) is the first in the south, below the University of Virginia to which Carnegie has made such an offer and we feel more than proud of it. It is also reported that the college authorities are going to build a system of dormitories some time in the near future, which will improve things very much.

Commencement is nearing and Alabama Beta is preparing to be well represented in any honor that the college can afford as well as in a social way.  
Auburn, April 5, 1905  
L. W. GRAY.

**THETA PROVINCE.****MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.**

Our spring examinations are just over, and the interest of the student body has been turned to baseball. Manager Elmer has arranged an exceptionally good schedule and everything points toward a winning team for the season. We are looking forward with great interest to our coming series with our old rival Tulane.

Everybody at the university is proud of the record made by its representatives in the Cecil Rhodes examinations. Four men passed the examination and Mississippi was surpassed only by New York in the contest.

Recently Mr. Andrew Carnegie had made a very generous offer to the university for a new library. Chancellor Fulton is trying to raise the amount required of the university. His plans are to erect a \$50,000 building.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bro. A. L. Yates, of Utica, Miss., and take pleasure in presenting him to the fraternity.

Last Friday the  $\Delta\Psi$  fraternity celebrated their semi-centennial anniversary. Some of their most prominent alumni were present and their meeting was a great success.

The trustees of the university held their annual meeting March 14 and re-elected all the present faculty for the coming year. They also interpreted the fraternity rule to mean that a student cannot be solicited to join a fraternity until he matriculates for his second year's work.

University, March 28, 1905.

ROBERT SOMERVILLE, JR.

**LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.**

Since our last letter we have enjoyed a season of marked prosperity. Though we have no new initiates to report we have increased our chapter roll by affiliating Bro. J. Martin Smith, of Mississippi Alpha. We can also

report two pledges for next year; Thomas A. Shaffer, Jr., of Rugby Academy, and Lee R. McMillan, of Ferrel's School.

Our Alumni Day banquet did not take place on March 15, but we had a rousing smoker instead. The meeting was presided over by Judge Robt. Marr, Tennessee Alpha, and the refreshments were greatly enjoyed by everybody present. Our banquet will be held some time soon after Lent is over.

Dr. E. B. Craighead, our new president, will be inaugurated March 16. The inauguration of a president is quite an event in the life of a university, and as there are many distinguished visitors from all parts of the country to see Craighead be inaugurated a good time is expected.

March 16 and 17 Founder's Day will be celebrated. Part of the celebration consists of an address made by a member of the senior class. This year the honor of making this annual Founders Day address has fallen to Bro. Percy Tooms, a medical senior. Bro. Tooms has recently been initiated into the mysteries of the  $\Phi$  X fraternity, and Bros. Watkins, Tennessee Beta, and Sloss, Alabama Beta, into A K K.

R. G. ROBINSON.

New Orleans, March 14, 1905.

#### TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Baseball is in full sway now, and will continue to have precedence over all else for the remainder of the session. With the recent improvements on the grand stand and the erection of a new eight foot fence around the athletic field, we easily have the best college diamond in the state. A fast team has been selected and great things are expected in a baseball way.

The corner-stone of the medical department has been placed in position and work on the new building will be pushed to a rapid completion. The laying of the stone called for a student excursion, and all the ceremonies necessary to such an occasion were carried on with befitting pomp and gaiety.

Funds for the erection of the alumni gymnasium have been provided and in a short time the building will be in course of erection.

The plans for the new wing to the annex are complete. Besides having accommodations for some seventy students, it will contain a modern and well equipped hospital for the young ladies.

Texas Gamma has the largest active chapter she has ever had. With two new brothers, H. L. McNeal, Houston, Texas; C. J. Cartwright, Waco, Texas, and one pledged, B. W. Hearne, Palestine, Texas, there are twenty-one in the chapter. A more congenial and loyal set of fellows could not be found.

Of the selections to appear on the commencement stage so far, we are to be represented on the senior contest by Bro. Cooper, on the junior contest by Bros. Ryman and Barkley.

The glee club has completed its tour. It met with such universal success that a two weeks trip immediately after commencement is contemplated, and arrangements for the same are being made by the manager.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Bro. C. W. Batsell '96, to Miss Merle Bowen, to occur on the second night of commencement.

Bro. Batsell is a rising young attorney of Sherman, Texas, and has since graduation shown himself most loyal and in every way has proven the true Phi that he is. Miss Bowen has for a number of years devoted herself to the interests of the chapter, and by her charming graces, her many deeds of kindness and friendship performed with a constant zeal, always keeping in mind the welfare of the chapter, she has won our love and admiration. The wedding will be a school affair, and more—it will be strictly  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . The

ceremony will be performed in the annex chapel, amid Phi decorations and among Phis. The chapter extends to both its congratulations.

The chapter enjoyed the recent visit of Bro. S. W. Dean, '90, from the state legislature.

E. M. ARMSTRONG.

Georgetown, April 5, 1905.

### IOTA PROVINCE.

#### CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

On the morning of February 29, the university was shocked by the sudden and unexpected death of Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford, which had occurred in Honolulu the night before. The public could not but feel intense grief at the death of a woman who had spent the best part of her life in bettering the world by her charities and noble example. This was doubly felt by the students who were receiving the direct benefit of her generosity. The remains were brought back from Honolulu and arrived March 21. The body remained in state at the Stanford country mansion until the day of the funeral, during which time all university exercises were suspended. On March 24 Mrs. Stanford's body was laid at rest in the Mausoleum beside the remains of her husband and son, after a brief but impressive service in the Memorial Church. Delegates from every prominent organization in the state were present at the funeral. The state legislative bodies were declared adjourned on the day of the funeral out of respect for the memory of Mrs. Stanford. Governor Pardee and a committee from the legislature were at the funeral. The profusion and beauty of the floral offerings would be difficult to describe. The community did everything in its power to show the respect felt for the woman who has brought this university to completion and had given her all for its support.

Athletics have suffered much as no meets or games were held on the campus from the time of Mrs. Stanford's death until after the funeral. California University won the first baseball game of the series on April 1 by a score of 3-2, but we have a good chance of winning the series as the battery of the University of California team has since played professional ball and been ruled off the baseball squad by the faculty athletic committee. The track team defeated Pomona College, winning all the events but one. On April 15 the intercollegiate tennis, track, and debating will be held with the University of California in the morning, afternoon and night respectively. Stanford's chances in tennis are good and every indication points to another track victory. The debating team is the same one which won the Carnot debate in such fine style, and should be again easily victorious.

The alumni banquet was to have been held on the night of Alumni Day, but was postponed on account of Mrs. Stanford's death until April 1. It was quite a success and was attended by nearly all the members of the two active chapters and many of the alumni.

All visiting Phis are cordially invited and urged to call at the chapter house.

Stanford University, April 6, 1905.

G. E. GAMBLE.

### KAPPA PROVINCE.

#### WASHINGTON ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

On March 18 we held our annual alumni banquet at the Hotel Lincoln. The occasion was also the first annual convention of Kappa Province. Invitations were sent out by Bro. A. R. Priest, province president, to every

Phi in the northwest. Forty-five in all responded to the call and the following toasts were offered:

Toastmaster, Hon. Charles I. Roth, Ill. Epsilon, "Kappa Province;" Dalbert E. Twitchell, Washington Alpha, '05, "The Western Phi;" Geo. De Steiger, Ohio Gamma, '84, "Phi Delta Theta in the Nation;" Clay Allen, Illinois Alpha, "Phi Delta Theta in the Orient;" Charles E. Gaches, Washington Alpha, '01, "Phi Delta Theta in Politics;" "The Relation of the Alumnus to His Parent Chapter," Prof. Arthur R. Priest, Indiana Zeta, '91.

Hal Tilley, brother of Homer H. Tilley, '08, has entered college and is now wearing the badge of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Prospects for winning athletic teams this spring are bright. The crew meets California on San Francisco Bay, April 15. In May a regatta will be held between California, Stanford and Washington, in which both 'varsity and freshman crews will row. Bro. Brackett, '07, is a strong candidate for the crew.

The track team meets the University of Oregon at Eugene and later in May the University of California at Seattle. Bro. Twitchell, '05, of last year's team is out again in the half mile; Bros. Geary and Tilley, both '08, are also candidates.

Washington expects to have a fast baseball team. Practice was begun early in January and already the team is taking on the characteristics of a champion aggregation. Bro. Hoover, '07, captains the team and plays first base; Bro. Grinstead, left field, is manager; Bro. Sieler holds centerfield; while Harry Isbell, a pledge, plays short. Bro. Grinstead has arranged a schedule with the best teams in the northwest and will take his men on a tour of Washington, Idaho and British Columbia in May.

Bro. Sieler, business manager of *The Tyee*, our junior annual, expects to have his book out May 1. Since our last letter Bro. Hoover has been elected business manager of the '07 *Tyee*.

*The Goat*, an alumni literary monthly, took its place among Washington publications March 6. Bro. McGlinn, '05, is one of its two editors-in-chief.

The pan-Hellenic league, in which the following fraternities are enrolled:  $\Sigma N$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $\Sigma X$  and  $K \Sigma$ , has arranged for a series of inter-fraternity baseball games, the winner to be awarded a beautiful pennant.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will enter a strong team.

The first university circus to be held in the northwest will be pulled off in the gymnasium April 15. We will add an animal to the menagerie as will the other fraternities.

ROBERT E. MCGLINN.

Seattle, April 3, 1905.

## ALUMNI CLUBS.

### BURLINGTON.

The alumni club of Burlington had a very pleasant meeting on March 15, which consisted of the regular exercises in observance of Alumni Day, and afterwards a smoker during which refreshments were served by undergraduates of the fraternity. At the close of the smoker a meeting of the Vermont Alpha alumni club was held and the following officers were elected: H. O. Sinclair, president; G. M. Sabin, M. D., secretary; R. L. Patrick, treasurer; H. H. Greene, reporter.

After the election of officers we discussed the social affairs of the fraternity and formulated plans for entertaining the delegates to the province convention which is to be held here next fall. The meeting closed at a late hour, everyone having had a very pleasant time, and we are in hopes of meeting quite often during the coming year.

H. H. GREENE.

March 21, 1905.

## BOSTON.

The dinner of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  club this year was enthusiastic and inspiring beyond all the hopes of those who had worked so hard for its success, and the singing, speaking and all of the goodfellowship that was in evidence showed the purpose of the club to make the coming year one of great progress. Those who had the dinner in charge worked hard in their efforts to get a large attendance, and they had the pleasure of seeing almost seventy about the tables when the first course was served, from sixteen colleges.

The dinner was held at the American House, and in a nearby room an international checker tournament was in progress between English and American teams, but in the room upstairs it was everybody's move at once and each one grasped the opportunity. Before the members of the club sat down to dinner there was a meeting at which the reports of the officers for the year were read and the election of the officers for the coming year took place, with the following results: president, F. E. Rowe, Dartmouth; vice-president, C. W. Doten, University of Vermont; secretary, E. L. Shinn, Lombard; treasurer, W. W. Howe, Buchtel; reporter, A. L. Philbrick, Brown; warden, S. S. Denis, Jr., University of Vermont; historian, Kent Knowlton, Dartmouth; chorister, E. C. Clark, Colby. During the dinner E. C. Clark, "Herr Conreid," he was called, conducted the singing with an enthusiasm which would have done credit to the famous impressario which he so much resembled. The regular Phi songs were interspersed with college ditties from the west and south which brought cheering from those of northern colleges who had never heard the seductive harmony from other sections of the country. After the dinner was over president Brooks introduced Bro. Carl M. Owen, Dartmouth, '01, of the Harvard club, as the toastmaster of the evening. And right here it should be said that the cooperation of the Harvard club in making the occasion memorable was one of the evidences of fraternity loyalty which marked every detail of the affair. There were any number of Harvard professional school men there and a number of them spoke, and their cheering was the loudest heard in the hall.

Bro. A. L. Philbrick, Brown, '03, began the speechmaking with the topic "Apropos," and he was followed by Bro. Scott Hendricks, University of California, '04, who told about things in the west. His subject was "Occidental Phidom," and his stories of college life in California were received with the applause which they deserved. Bro. H. W. Gladwin, Amherst, '05, the regular delegate from Massachusetts Beta to the dinner, brought greetings from the western part of the state. Bro. Delemer E. Croft, University of Vermont, '89 read the poem of the evening, which was frequently interrupted with applause. The heroic metre of the piece gave it the sound of an epic, but the delightful sentiment was in keeping with a delicate sonnet. Bro. F. D. McIntyre, Brown, '06, brought greetings from Rhode Island Alpha, and Bro. Arthur L. Field, Colby, '05, did the same for the only chapter in Maine. Bro. G. E. Buxton, Brown, '02, delivered one of his famous prose poems entitled "Our Harvard Mother-in-Law." His ornate rhetoric, embellished by flowery figures of speech, was much admired, and no louder applause was accorded to any of the speakers than was given to Bro. Buxton when he had finished. Bro. C. Elwood Nash, Lombard, '75, former president of Lombard University, was the last speaker, and in his delightful way he kept the spirits of the younger boys up until the end. He gave a laughable description of the trials of a college president in raising money for his institution.

The dinner was ended with songs and promises of greater things at the banquet next year. "We are working for over one hundred at our dinner,

and instead of 16 colleges represented at the banquet table we are going to have twenty-five," was the final expression of purpose for the work until March 15 arrives again.

ARTHUR L. PHILBRICK.

March 29, 1905.

#### PROVIDENCE.

On March 16 a Providence paper published the following account of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  banquet, illustrating it with portraits of Bros. W. B. Cutts, president, T. J. Griffin, Jr., secretary, and W. Louis Frost, treasurer:

The alumni club of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  observed Alumni Day last evening by a banquet at the Crown Hotel, followed by a business meeting and election of officers.

The attendance was large and representative of the interest in the fraternity, which has existed as a local chapter at Brown University since 1889. The alumni club was formed more recently and has had some active and able supporters who have upheld the good name of the college and the interests of this organization. After the banquet the members adjourned to the chapter headquarters in Brunonia Hall and held a business session. The general welfare of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was fully discussed.

Interesting reports were made by the secretary and treasurer. A balance on the right side of the books was reported by the latter officer and the club starts its new year under favorable auspices. It was decided to attend the two banquets of the local chapter the coming year, in addition to holding the annual session. Greetings were received from the Boston alumni club.

The following officers were chosen: President—Dr. William B. Cutts; secretary—Thomas J. Griffin, Jr.; treasurer—W. Louis Frost; reporter—Frederick E. Carpenter; executive committee—Charles E. Tilley, Nathan M. Wright, Augustus T. Swift; orator—Clinton C. White.

#### NEW YORK.

##### THE HOUSE-WARMING.

On February 25 the New York alumni club held a house-warming in its new home, 25 East Forty-fourth street, and over a hundred members of the fraternity dropped in during the course of the evening. The attendance again demonstrated the cosmopolitan nature of the metropolitan club. The members and visitors at the house-warming hailed from over thirty different chapters from Colby in Maine to Washington State in Washington, and from the University of Michigan to the University of Mississippi. All told there were representatives from fifteen different states in attendance.

The purpose of the gathering was to give an opportunity to the brothers to see the new house. Satisfaction was expressed on all sides and the consensus of opinion was that the house will mark the beginning of greater activity in fraternity matters in New York. We believe that our club is the first to have a graduate club house of its own apart from any active chapter and maintained for the use of the alumni of all the chapters in the fraternity. Already the accommodations for eleven men to live in the house have been eagerly availed of and there is a waiting list of some size. The brothers who are living in the house at present are Lamar Hardy, Mississippi, '95; Vanderbilt, '00; Joseph Stettenheim Buhler, Columbia, '01; Oscar Bullard, Columbia, '02; Joel Allen, Vermont, '92; Frederick Fuller Lincoln, Vermont, '97; Julius Earil Waller, Williams, '03; James Glenn Orr, Williams, '03; William Le Grand Burnett, Auburn, '01; Joseph Meeker Ross, Williams, '01, and Robert Elwood Manley, Hillsdale, '97.

The programme at the smoker consisted of addresses by Professor Charles Thaddeus Terry, Williams, '89; Columbia, '93, the president of the club, and Gen. Lee Fairchild, Lombard, '86. Music was furnished by a sextette of Phis from Columbia. Bro. Walter Conger Harris, Miami, '91; Ohio State, '93, took a flashlight of a group in the library during the course of the evening which is reproduced on the opposite page. The house was formally thrown open to the use of all Phis who are in these parts or whose business or pleasure brings them to New York.

The attendance at the smoker arranged by chapters is as follows:

Columbia, 29; Williams, 10; Amherst, 9; C. C. N. Y., Lafayette and Syracuse, 5 each; Vermont, 4; Cornell and Brown, 3 each; Dartmouth,



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Hillsdale, Franklin, Ohio Wesleyan, DePauw, Michigan and Lombard, 2 each; McGill, Colby, Union, Miami, Lansing, Indiana, Wabash, Butler, Illinois, Ohio State, Vanderbilt, Sewanee, Auburn, Mississippi and Washington State, one each.

Arranged by states the attendance was: New York, 43; Massachusetts, 19; Indiana, 7; Pennsylvania and Michigan, 5 each; Vermont and Ohio, 4 each; Rhode Island and Illinois, 3 each; New Hampshire and Tennessee, 2 each; Maine, Mississippi, Alabama and Washington one each, and Canada, one.

Among those present at the smoker were: McGill—Bowman Corning Crowell, '04; Colby—David Jacques Gallert, '93; Dartmouth—Kendall

Banning, '02 and Raymond Elder Paine, '02. Vermont—Joel Allen, '92; Dr. Edward Gleason Spaulding, '94; Frederick Fuller Lincoln, '97, and Franklin Reynolds Farrington, '97. Williams—Prof. Charles Thaddeus Terry, '89; Russell Lord Tarbox, '92; Dr. Frederick Reuel Baker, '99; William Rowe Conklin, '00; Joseph Meeker Ross, '01; James Glenn Orr, '03; Hayden Talbot, '03; Julius Earll Waller, '03; Edsall DuBois Elliott, '06, and William Cary Harris, '06. Amherst—Dr. Herbert Austine Russell, '93; Herman Henry Wright, '98; John Holbrook Marriott, '99, Frederick King Bixby, '03; Vernon Seymour Clark, '04; James Herlily O'Donnell, '04, and Dr. Paul Akers Turner, '04. Brown—Howard M. Van Gelder, '97; Thurston Mason Phetteplace, '99, and Otis Jameson Case, '05. Cornell—William Waldo Pellet, '01; Edward James Snow, '04 and Francis William McKinney, '02. Union—Everett Garnsey Brownell, '00. C. C. N. Y.—Albert Shiels, '86; Rev. John Campbell, '88; Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, '88; Thomas Harry Knox, '88 and Edward Joseph McDonald, '92. Columbia—Prof. Charles Thaddeus Terry, '93; Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, '90; Rev. Dr. Charles Harris Hayes, '90 professor in the General Theological Seminary; Harry Mason Hewitt, '96; Henry William Egner, Jr., '98; Oscar Weeks Ehrhorn, '98; William George Kilian, '97; Frederick Albert Southworth, '93; Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, '99; Charles Edward Fleming, '00; Joseph Stettenheim Buhler, '01; Walter Adams Johnson, '01; George Chew Atkins, '02; Oscar Bullard '02; Herman Simon Riederer, '02; Jean Cook Calswell, '03; Edwin Hoyt Updike, '04; Frederick William McKinney, '04; Eugene Pitou, Jr., '04; Webster Lance Benham, '05; Max Hardman, '05; Franklin Kennedy Sprague, '05; Clarence Lewis Campbell, '06; Francis Dudley Carleton, '08; Edsall DuBois Elliott, '06; John Miller, '06; Arthur Lane Purdy, '06, and George Norris, '07. Syracuse—Charles Frederick Taylor, '84; Edward Dunbar Rich, '92; Harvey Milton Hubbard, '96; Frank Spencer Perry, '00, and Thomas Hill Low, '03. Lafayette—William Ashburner Cattell, '84; Charles Paul Van Allen, '97; George B. Robb, '01; Walter David Bushnell, '03, and Alfred Abraham Walter, '03. Indiana—Dr. Oran Arnold Province, '98. Wabash—Frank Porter McNutt, '91. Butler—Wayne Dee Parker, '03. Franklin—Mark Hunter Miller, '04 and Dr. Oran Arnold Province, '98. De Pauw—Charles Hadding Rice, '87 and William Asbury Collings, '00. Lombard—Gen. Lee Fairchild, '86 and Walter Adams Johnson, '01. Illinois—Conrad Frederick Kruss, '97. Miami—Walter Conger Harris, '91. Ohio Wesleyan—Dr. Walter Ernest Clark, '96, instructor in the College of the City of New York, and William Earl Lowther, '02. Ohio State—Walter Conger Harris, '93. Michigan—William Oscar Robinson, '88 and Roy Mitchell Hardy, '98. Lansing—Joseph Harlan Freeman, '90. Hillsdale—William Oscar Robinson, '88 and Robert Elwood Manley, '97. Vanderbilt—Lamar Hardy, '00. Sewanee—William Lowmy Gillett, '00. Auburn—William Le Grand Burnett, '01. Mississippi—Lamar Hardy, '95. Washington State—Max Hardman, '05.

The undersigned will esteem it a favor if the readers of THE SCROLL will send him the names and addresses of Phis residing in New York City and vicinity who may not be on our lists. B. M. L. ERNST.

#### THE ALUMNI DAY BANQUET.

The annual Alumni Day banquet of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  Club of New York City was held at the Hotel Vendome, Broadway and Forty-first street, on March 15. The attendance was rather smaller than usual owing to the short notice given of the dinner and the fact that the brothers had shortly before attended the house-warming of the club's new home on Forty-fourth street.

Nevertheless there were about eighty Phi in attendance and the evening passed off very pleasantly. Brother L. E. A. Drummond, C. C. N. Y., '88; Columbia, '90 had secured vocal and musical entertainment for the amusement of the brothers during the course of the dinner. Professor Charles T. Terry, Williams, '89; Columbia, '92, president of the club, was the toastmaster. Addresses were made by Brother Arthur Milton McCrillis, Brown, '97, H. G. C., whom the New York Phi were glad to welcome, the Rev. William Morrison Fanton, Syracuse, '92; Charles Frederick Taylor, Syracuse, '84; the perennial Gen. Lee Fairchild, Lombard, '86, who had new stories to tell; and Albert Shiels, C. C. N. Y., '86, who delights the club at each succeeding gathering. Bro. B. M. L. Ernst, Columbia, '99, read an account of the early days of the fraternity contributed by the Rev. Edward Patrick Shields, Miami, '84, of Bridgeton, N. J., which will be given at length in the next number of THE SCROLL. During the course of the evening it developed that serious plans were on foot to build new chapters houses at Syracuse and Williams.

At the business meeting of the club which immediately preceded the dinner new officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Charles Thaddeus Terry, Williams, '89; Columbia, '92; first vice-president, Albert Shiels, C. C. N. Y., '86, former consul to Panama; second vice-president, Judge Julius Marshall Mayer, C. C. N. Y., '84; Columbia, '86; attorney general of the state of New York; recording secretary, George Chew Atkins, Columbia, '02; corresponding secretary, B. M. L. Ernst, Columbia, '99, formerly president of Alpha province; treasurer, Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, C. C. N. Y. '88; Columbia, '90, alternate delegate to the recent Indianapolis convention; directors to serve until 1910, Professor Terry, G. C. Atkins and Charles Frederick Taylor, Syracuse, '84; director to serve until 1909, Frederick Arthur Goetze, Columbia, '95, superintendent of buildings and grounds at Columbia University; directors to serve until 1907, Lamar Hardy, Mississippi, '98; Vanderbilt, '00, and William LeGrand Burnett, Auburn, '01; director to serve until 1906, Stallo Vinton, Butler, '97; Columbia, '00; membership committee appointed by the president, Howard Mason Van Gelder, Brown, '97, Chairman; Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, Columbia, '99 and Thurston Mason Phetteplace, Brown, '99. Bro. Charles Grosvenor Bond, Ohio State, '99 has subsequently been appointed to this committee, *vice* Bro. Van Gelder, resigned. The present list of directors of the club and their term is: George Watson Roberts, Vermont, '97, 1906; Otto Hellmuth Hinck, Columbia, '99, 1906; Stallo Vinton, Butler, '97; Columbia, '00, 1906; Thomas Henry Baskerville, Columbia, '86, 1907; William LeGrand Burnett, Auburn, '01, 1907; Lamar Hardy, Mississippi, '98; Vanderbilt, 1907; Julius Marshall Mayer, C. C. N. Y., '84; Columbia, '86, 1908; Albert Shiels, C. C. N. Y., '86, 1908; Russell Lord Tarbox, Williams, '92; Columbia, '95, 1908; William Albert Keener, Emory, '74, 1909; Franklin Backus Ware, C. C. N. Y. '93; Columbia '94, 1909; Frederick Arthur Goetze, Columbia, '95, 1909; Charles Thaddeus Terry, Williams, '89; Columbia '92, 1910; Charles Frederick Taylor, Syracuse, '84, 1910; George Chew Atkins, Columbia, '02, 1910.

The membership committee reported that 154 men had joined the club and there were 28 applications pending. It was announced that a smoker would be held at the club house at the end of the month and that plans were on foot for a large entertainment and dance to be held at the Waldorf during April. A number of amendments were unanimously passed to the by-laws. Among the more important were the following:

Any member of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  fraternity may become a member of the club upon the approval of the membership committee and upon the payment of the first year's dues and an initiation fee.

The annual dues were placed at \$10 for men out of college for five years or more, and at \$5 for those out of college less than five years. A non-resident membership was established with annual dues of five dollars.

The directorate was increased in number from ten to fifteen, of whom three were elected on March 15, 1905 for five years and others were chosen from the other directors for the terms of four, three, two and one years respectively in the order of their election and three directors are to be elected each succeeding year for the term of five years so that the total number shall always be fifteen.

It was provided that a house committee was to be established to consist of the treasurer of the club, *ex-officio*, and four other members to be appointed by the president, one of whom shall be a director of the club who shall be the chairman of the said committee.

The first club book printed under the auspices of Bro. Ernst was distributed among the brothers present at the dinner.

The attendance by chapters was as follows: Columbia, 21; C. C. N. Y., 6; Cornell, 5; Williams and Syracuse, 4 each; Vermont, Brown, Michigan, Union and Lombard, 3 each; McGill, Illinois and Ohio State, 2 each; Colby, Amherst, Lafayette, Washington and Jefferson, Dickinson, Lehigh, Wabash, DePauw, Purdue, Butler, Illinois Wesleyan, Lansing, Hillsdale, Miami, Ohio Wesleyan, Missouri, Mississippi, Vanderbilt, North Carolina, Washington, Alabama, Auburn and Virginia, one each.

The provinces were represented as follows: Alpha, 57; Delta, 9; Zeta, 6; Epsilon, 4; Beta and Eta, 2 each; Gamma, Theta and Kappa, one each.

The men came from the appended list of states: New York, 39; Illinois, 6; Michigan and Massachusetts, 5 each; Pennsylvania, Indiana and Ohio, 4 each; Vermont and Rhode Island, 3 each; Alabama 2; Maine, Missouri, Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, Washington and Virginia, one each; and from Canada, two.

Arranged by chapters the attendance was as follows: McGill—Bowman Corning Crowell, '04, and William Flockhart Drysdale, '04. Colby—David Jacque Gallert, '93. Vermont—Joel Allen, '92; Frederick Fuller Lincoln, '97, and Harry Edward Cunningham, '04. Williams—Professor Charles Thaddeus Terry, '89; Russell Lord Tarbox, '92; Joseph Meeker Ross, '01, and William Cary Harris, '06. Amherst—Frederick King Bixby, '03. Brown—Arthur Milton McCrillis, '97, H. G. C.; Howard Mason Van Gelder, '97, and Thurston Mason Phetteplace, '99. Cornell—Dudley Returned Horton, '75; George Alanson Blauvelt, '90; William Waldo Pellet, '01; Edward James Snow, '04, and Evans Roy Mosher, '05. Union—Harlow McMillan, '87; Robert Calvin Gambee, '99, and Dickinson Ernest Griffith, '02. C. C. N. Y.—Albert Shiels, '86; Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, '88; George Lounsbury Walker, '90; Edward William Libaire, '92; David Joy Greene, '93, and Franklin Backus Ware, '93. Columbia—William Bradford Wharton, '86; Lewis E. A. Drummond, '90; Charles Thaddeus Terry, '92; Edward William Libaire, '94; Franklin Backus Ware, '94; David Joy Greene, '95; Russell Lord Tarbox, '95; Harry Mason Hewitt, '96; Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, '99; Otto Hellmuth Hinck, '99; Charles Edward Fleming, '00; Walter Adams Johnson, '01; George Chew Atkins, '02; Oscar Bullard, '02; Herman Simon Riederer, '02; Roscoe Crosby Gaige, '03; William Adolf Bode, '05; John Luneau Tonnele, Jr., '05; John Miller, '06; Harry Cutler Arnold, '07, and Lawrence Ripley Clapp, '07. Syracuse—Charles Frederick Taylor, '84; Rev. William Morrison Fanton, '92; Edward Dunbar Rich, '92, and William Clarke Gavitte, '96. Lafayette—Lynn Mateer Saxton, '97. Washington and Jefferson—Bernard Slagle McKean, '84. Dickinson—Lynn Mateer Saxton, '96. Lehigh—Arthur Harold Ser-

rell, '97. Virginia—Dr. Henry Dawson Furniss, '97. Vanderbilt—Lamar Hardy, '00. Miami—Walter Conger Harris, '91. Ohio Wesleyan—Walter Ernest Clark, '96. Ohio State—Walter Conger Harris, '93, and Charles Grosvenor Bond, '99. North Carolina—Isaac Faust Harris, '00. Michigan—Evans Roy Mosher, '05; John Wesley Judson, '01, and David D. Starr, '02. Lansing—Joseph Harlan Freeman, '90. Hillsdale—Robert Elwood Manley, '97. Wabash—Frank Porter McNutt, '91. Butler—Wayne Dee Parker, '03. DePauw—Richard Joel Roberts, '05. Purdue—Herbert Vincent Patterson, '99. Illinois Wesleyan—Manley Earle Chester, '97. Lombard—Gen. Lee Fairchild, '86; Fay Alexander Bullock, '00, and Walter Adams Johnson, '01. Illinois—Manley Earle Chester, '97, and Conrad Frederick Kruse, '97. Alabama—Harry Dawson Furniss, '97. Auburn—William LeGrand Burnett, '01. Mississippi—Lamar Hardy, '98. Washington State—Gardner Willard Millett, '06.

BERNARD M. L. ERNST, Columbia, '99.

#### PITTSBURG.

The  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  club of Pittsburg held its eighteenth annual dinner at the Hotel Henry, Wednesday, March 15, 1905. About thirty-five members were present.

Bro. Richard Hardy, Michigan Alpha, acted as toastmaster. After a delightful menu had been disposed of we were ably addressed by the following brothers: H. Hoke Gottschall, on what the alumni owe to their parent chapter. Bro. Gottschall recalled many pleasant recollections as he reminded us of the pleasant times we had enjoyed as members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and of our wider view of things in general in consequence of our associations while in college.

Bro. W. S. Grubbs followed with some interesting remarks concerning Pennsylvania Gamma. Bro. Grubbs is a member of the class of 1905, W. & J., and represented the active chapter at the dinner. Among other information given he told of the plans about to be started by which Pennsylvania Gamma hopes soon to own its own home. Alumni of W. & J. present at the dinner were greatly interested and a fund to help along with this project was started. He also told us of the high position  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  holds in W. & J., being foremost in athletics, literary activity, collegiate honors, social position, and in fact, as is always the case, on top in all branches of college affairs. Last year the chapter gave a dance at Oakwood Park, near Pittsburg, and this proved such an event socially as to warrant another attempt this year. Bro. Hartley B. Woods, Pennsylvania Gamma, followed with an interesting talk on the western  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's. Bro. Woods graduated from W. & J. in 1903. Since leaving college he has spent about a year in the west. He has met and become somewhat acquainted with many of our western chapters and his recital of their doings, general standing, strength, etc., gave us a very pleasant account of our brothers in the west.

Bro. J. Audley Pierce, of Lafayette, responded to the last regular toast, "Typical Phi Delts," in which he emphasized the duty of Phis to be of use to each other, and he made a strong plea for more intimate relations among the members of the Pittsburg club.

Bro. Hardy made an admirable toastmaster and his apt remarks between toasts, together with his introduction of speakers had much to do with the general good will which existed throughout the entire evening.

Efforts will be made to have all the Phis lunch together at some convenient time and place once each week. Bro. Hardy is president of the club this year, Bro. P. B. Straub of Lehigh, secretary, and the undersigned, Reporter.

Representatives were present from the following colleges: Washington and Jefferson, Michigan, Allegheny, Lafayette, Lehigh, Case and Gettysburg.

The new officers will do all they can to increase interest and by our next annual dinner we hope to report an attendance of at least one hundred.

March 25, 1905.

ROBERT W. LINDSAY.

#### PHILADELPHIA.

From the earnest speeches of the alumni to the rather embarrassed effort of the chapter "baby," the Alumni Day dinner in Philadelphia was all that could be desired.

About eighty Phis, of whom twenty-five were from the active chapter of Pennsylvania Zeta, joined in making the event a decided success. The "Rah! Rah! Rah! Phi-kei-a!" was frequently heard, and all sang the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  songs with a spirit that made youths of the older alumni, and caused the active men to look closely to their laurels.

The banquet was held in one of the dinner rooms of the Bellevue-Stratford, where the candelabra and decorations were of white and blue, interspersed with a profusion of white carnations. The menu was very attractive, and besides having a beautifully engraved cover, contained an excellent picture of the chapter house.

Bro. J. Clark Moore, Jr., ex-P. G. C., acted as toastmaster, and in that capacity called, among others, upon Bro. Clifton Maloney, president of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  club of Philadelphia, who outlined the work done during the past twelve months, and sketched the work to be accomplished in the future. Bro. Walter K. Hardt, president of the active chapter, in a few well chosen words, spoke on behalf of the undergraduates. Bro. Potts, one of the founders of Pennsylvania Zeta, touched upon the early days of the fraternity at Pennsylvania, while Bro. J. H. R. Acker, on behalf of *The Phi Delta Theta News*, and Bros. W. T. Read, H. B. McFadden, and others, were heard much to the satisfaction of all.

Bro. J. Henning Nelms, rector of St. Matthew's church of Philadelphia, a Phi from Richmond College, Richmond, Va., was present, and told some genuinely funny Southern stories, as only the disciples of Thomas Nelson Page can. Bro. Iwaya, a Japanese brother in the active chapter, made a characteristically funny and short speech, as did also Bro. Takaki. Bro. McFadden regretted that Father Morrison's birthday was not on March 17, when he "could have had two great celebrations in one."

The greatest praise is due to the committee in charge, which consisted of Bros. Acker, Hoyt, Shumway, Ziegler and Davison, chairman.

In Philadelphia, as elsewhere in the world of Phidom:

"Deep is our loyalty  
And all will faithful be,  
Till time shall end."

March 24, 1905.

BENJAMIN H. LUDLOW.

#### RICHMOND.

It is with much satisfaction that the writer is able to report another most successful re-union and dinner of the Richmond alumni club, which was held at The Jefferson, Richmond's well known hostelry, on the evening of March 15.

Each successive year shows an increased interest and attendance upon these annual gatherings, and our members looked forward to this one with especial pleasure, for the reason that Brother Lyman Chalkley, formerly of this city but latterly of Lexington, Ky., had accepted the invitation to be

our guest of honor and make the leading talk upon the general topic for discussion. Bro. Chalkley, who prior to the abolition of the county court system of Virginia by the recent constitutional convention, presided over the county court of Augusta, at Staunton, has recently been chosen Dean of the new law school at Kentucky University. He has always manifested great interest in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and was at one time president of Beta Province. He was initiated at Richmond College in 1879 and enjoys the rather unique distinction of being an alumnus of three other chapters: Virginia, Washington & Lee and Columbia. It was a source of much regret and disappointment that sickness prevented him at the last moment, from being with us, but nevertheless, the spirit of enjoyment, good fellowship and fraternity loyalty was in nowise lacking, and the company sat down to one of the Jefferson's most enjoyable menus at a banquet board prepared for twenty. The table was decorated with the fraternity flower and handsome menu cards displaying the official coat-of-arms on the front, and containing the names of the forty-odd resident alumni on the back, were at each plate.

President George Bryan, Richmond, '81, presided as toastmaster with his accustomed good humor and ability. After drinking the usual toast, standing and in silence, "To the memory of our Founder, whose birthday we celebrate," Harry L. Watson, president of Beta province, spoke of some of the obligations which the alumni owe to their parent chapters and the general fraternity, emphasizing especially the duty of every alumnus to subscribe to THE SCROLL and *Palladium*. Bro. Adolphus Blair, Jr., gave an account of his stewardship as the club's delegate to the Indianapolis convention: described his impressions of that body and read some interesting extracts from its proceedings relating especially to the organization and control of alumni clubs, and keeping alive, through them, an active interest among the alumni. Dr. Clifton M. Miller, Richmond, '90, after indulging in some good natured thrusts at the members of the legal profession, spoke along the same lines, and strongly advocated more frequent and less informal meetings of the local alumni. The suggestion of meeting weekly or semi-monthly at some down-town restaurant for luncheon, as is the custom of some of the clubs in other cities, was fully discussed and a committee appointed to look into the practicability of such a plan.

After adopting suitable resolutions of regret at the indisposition and enforced absence of our guest of honor, Judge Chalkley, the following officers of the club were chosen for the ensuing year: President, Alexander H. Sands, Jr.; vice-president, Clifton M. Miller; historian, Edward P. Valentine; secretary and reporter, Harry L. Watson; treasurer, John P. Lea.

Those present, in addition to the names already mentioned, were as follows: Malvern C. Patterson, Robert L. Powers and Greer Baughman, Virginia Beta; Robert E. Scott, Arthur L. Pleasants and Conway R. Sands, Virginia Delta; Frank W. Minor and M. Pierce Rucker, Randolph-Macon; William A. Chambers, Virginia Epsilon; Jas. W. Marshal, Washington & Lee; Robert S. Taylor, Kentucky Alpha-Delta; Hervey E. Mastin, Georgia Delta, and Jas. H. Kimball, Michigan Beta.

March 31, 1905.

HARRY L. WATSON.

#### NASHVILLE.

The Phi Delta Theta Fraternity of Vanderbilt celebrated Alumni Day last night with a smoker, which was one of the most interesting and inspiring events in the social annals of the chapter. Twenty-three members were present, with a party of local alumni. Addresses appropriate to the occasion were made by the following Phis: Judge Lytton Taylor, Messrs. W. R. and

J. W. Manier, Alfred E. Howell, R. B. C. Howell, Douglas Wright and Eugene Harris.

A musical programme was an attractive feature. College glees were sung by the men, and Messrs. Douglas Wright and Cameron Montgomery gave solos. Mr. Alfred E. Howell gave violin selections, with Mr. Guy McCullom as accompanist, and Mr. McCullom also played some piano numbers. A delightful supper served at a late hour was a concluding feature of the hospitality.—Nashville *Banner*, March 16, 1905.

#### CINCINNATI.

Alumni Day was observed by the Cincinnati alumni club by giving a banquet at which twenty-seven Phis were present. Judge Jas. B. Swing of Cincinnati acted as toastmaster and the club had as guests of honor Bros. S. K. Ruick, of Indianapolis, Judge Frank Davis and Judge O. P. Griffith, of Batavia, Ohio.

It was decided to omit a formal list of toasts so that no one expected to be called on. The plan was most fortunate for the club as the remarks of those that were called on were happy in the extreme and were full of old time enthusiasm.

Judge Davis, who was a class mate of Dr. Alston Ellis, president of the Ohio University, told us that he had not attended a fraternity meeting since he had left college, old Miama, back in the sixties.

The election of officers resulted in Scott Bonham being elected president and the writer secretary.

WM. H. FILLMORE.

April 13, 1905.

#### BLOOMINGTON.

The following, clipped from a Bloomington paper of March 16, is an account of an enjoyable banquet held the evening before:

The members of the Phi Delta Theta organization held their annual banquet last night at the Illinois and was attended by about twenty members. Mr. Dean Franklin of Macomb acted as toastmaster and toasts were responded to by a number of those who were present. The event was arranged in honor of Founders' day of the organization. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Rea Miller; vice president, Louis FitzHenry; treasurer, Dr. Avery Noble; secretary, James G. Melliush. A. J. Barr, one of the toasters, spoke upon the subject: "What the Alumni Owe to the Parent Chapter," and in connection told of the Indianapolis convention. Mr. Rodecker of Pekin spoke upon "The Relation of the College Fraternity to Business." Louis FitzHenry discussed "Lawyer and Fraternal Life." Mr. McCauley, representing the Wesleyan University of this city, spoke in favor of a petition, now up, for the reinstatement of the frat at that institution. Lee Whitmer spoke upon the "Phi Delta Theta and Professional Life." George J. Smith of the Iowa Wesleyan, spoke of the fraternal spirit in Iowa. Dr. Fullenweider of LaSalle referred to the value of alumni meetings. R. E. Williams told wittily of "Old Epsilon Days."

The newly elected officers also spoke briefly, thanking the gathering for the honor conferred. Those present in addition to those mentioned included Messrs. Fifer, Dr. Yolton, Probasco, Thomas, Noggle, Morrison, McKelvey, Ward and Caton, the last three being from Champaign.

The gathering broke up at midnight, after a most enjoyable evening and entertaining reminiscences of college days.

## MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL.

Phis to the number of fifty-two, representing twelve different chapters from Kansas to Minnesota and Pennsylvania to California, gathered at the West Hotel, Minneapolis, on the evening of March 15 to celebrate the 83rd anniversary of Founder Robert Morrison. It was a great banquet, surpassing in numbers and enthusiasm any banquet which the Twin City alumni club has held in recent years, and well justifying the time and care given to it by the committee in charge—Bros. H. L. Murray, S. C. Confer and W. H. Frisbee.

After an hour spent in renewing old friendships and meeting new Phis, we sat down to an elaborate dinner. Between courses there were songs by the active chapter which brought us back to our college days and put us all in a jovial mood.

The following toasts were responded to, Bro. H. L. Murray acting as toastmaster: Phi Delta Theta—Past, L. A. Straight; The Active Chapter, C. D. McCanna; Phi Delta Theta—Future, C. B. Teisberg; Phi Delta Theta in the World, Judge F. C. Harvey; The Active Alumni, L. K. Sowle. Bro. Murray is well known as a past master in telling Norwegian dialect stories and he certainly added to his reputation by the repertoire which he gave us. Bro. Straight gave us some very interesting reminiscences of his college days and the early history of the fraternity. Bro. McCanna's talk on the active chapter was inspiring and a thrill of Phi enthusiasm and pride for the present generation of active Phis ran through us all during his talk. Bro. Teisberg spoke along the line of the future needs of the chapter in order to maintain the position of Phi Delta Theta at the University of Minnesota. Bro. F. C. Harvey, Miami, '76, gave an interesting speech on the opportunities for the college educated man of today, in which he put forth some very sound ideas. He spoke of the opportunities for such men in the ministry, in medicine and in agriculture, laying special emphasis on agriculture as the great occupation today for the educated young man. Bro. Sowle, taking as his subject "The Active Alumni," spoke very earnestly of the progress that has been made towards raising funds for the new chapter house for Minnesota Alpha. Following Bro. Sowle there was a discussion of ways and means towards owning a chapter house at the University of Minnesota and a committee was appointed to have this in charge, consisting of Bros. L. K. Sowle, H. C. Flannery and A. V. Ostrom, who are to report the progress made at a special meeting of the Twin City alumni club in the near future.

The election of officers at the conclusion of the meeting placed the following in office for the ensuing year: president, Dr. W. H. Condit; secretary and treasurer, Arthur J. Edwards; reporter, R. W. Wetmore.

Those present were: Judge F. C. Harvey, Miami, '76; L. A. Straight, I. R. Van Pelt, R. A. Eaton, Illinois Epsilon; P. J. Sjoblom, Michigan, '89; Prof. Conway McMillan, Nebraska, '85; D. A. Haggard, Nebraska, '91; James G. Wallace, Pennsylvania, '83; C. B. McMath, Kansas; J. B. Lindsay, A. C. McCord, George Simpson, Wisconsin; S. E. Mahan Indiana, '69; Arthur J. Edwards, Stanford, '00; Prof. Thos. G. Lee, Pennsylvania, '85; A. S. Hamilton, Iowa, '94, and the following alumni of Minnesota Alpha: H. L. Murray, '92; Dr. W. H. Condit, '95; Prof. E. P. Harding, '94; S. C. Confer, '99; J. M. Anderson, '88; Jay W. Crane; Clarence Z. Brown; A. V. Ostrom, '00; John MacLane, '02; R. W. Wetmore, '02; L. K. Sowle, '03; H. C. Flannery, '04; J. R. Mathewson, '08; F. R. Moses, '05; Edwin Jensen, '05; M. L. Thompson, '02; R. C. Jones, '02; S. J. Smith, '01; E. C. Bisbee.

The following members of the active chapter were present: Cyrus S. Brown, Welles G. Hodgson, Chas. B. Gibson, J. W. Binghamheimer, T.

M. Colleston, F. M. Zanner, Lynn S. Gilliam, J. F. Ellis, Jr., H. L. Thompson, L. F. Boyce, C. D. McCanna, F. L. Barragar, C. B. Teisberg, J. P. Michels, G. H. Herz, W. H. Frisbee, and Elmer Bisbee.

Minneapolis, April 4, 1905.

R. W. WETMORE.

#### ST. LOUIS.

The St. Louis alumni club had its annual dinner on March 28, 1905, at the Hotel Jefferson. A very enjoyable menu was prepared and the toast-list was as follows: Toastmaster, Royall Hill Switzler, Missouri, '98; "Phi Delta Theta," George Arnold Randolph, Washington, '07; "Brothers All," Dr. George Frederick Ayers, Westminster, '87; "Fourteen Years Tonight," Richard McCulloch, Washington, '91; "Third Bridges," James Patterson McBaine, Missouri, '02; "The Ladies—Always," Thomas Henry Wright, Washington, '98; "Yours Theta," Clarence McMillan, Williams, '03; "Godfathers of Missouri Gamma," Edwin Moss Watson, Missouri, '90; "The Ticket," Xenophon Pierce Wilfley, Washington, '99; "Bond Issues and Chapter Houses," Joseph Dickson, Jr., Washington, '98.

Twenty-three members were present representing chapters as follows: Washington University—Bros. Kennard, '06; Wilfley, '99; Campbell, '06; Gundelach, '08; Gamble, '06; Adkins, '99; R. Glasgow, '01; Codding, '03; McCullough, '91; Leavitt, '00; Skinner, '05; Drabelle, '03; Pollard, '02; More, '08; Fisher, '07; Chaplin, '99; Farrar, '04; Eliot, '08; S. Allen, '08; Skinker, '05; Beneke, '07; Curtis, '03; C. Glasgow, '03; Stephenson, '94; Pettus, '99; G. Allen, '05; Boeck, '97; Wright, '98; Cummings, '94, and Randolph. Central—Bro. Rodes. Illinois—Bros. Ferris, Mills. Missouri—Bros. Thompson, Anderson, McBaine, R. H. Switzler. Vanderbilt—Bro. Howell, Nebraska, Bro. Thomas. Westminster—Bros. Ayres Mitchell. Syracuse—Bro. Marrioth. Williams—Bro. McMillan. Virginia—Bro. Barton.

The officers are: president, Thomas Henry Wright, 721 Olive St.; reporter, George Arnold Randolph, 2628 Pine St.

March 31, 1905.

GEORGE A. RANDOLPH.

#### OMAHA.

The second annual dinner of the Omaha alumni club of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  took place on March 15 at the Commercial Club. It was a very enthusiastic meeting and was the means of bringing together many who would otherwise have never known each other as fellow members of our fraternity. A number of new members were present and we expect before the end of another year to have at least double our present number. Bro. M. A. Hall presided and called on nearly everyone present for a few remarks. Bro. J. L. Kennedy, who was elected to Congress from this district last fall, answered to the toast "President Roosevelt" and others followed with talks on fraternity subjects. The plan of meeting once a week at luncheon was discussed with the result that it was decided to meet every Friday noon at a convenient restaurant and it is hoped that we will be able to keep in closer touch with one another in this way.

The following brothers were present: E. R. Davenport, Nebraska, '98; George Strain, Knox, '99; George Maitland, Missouri, '99; W. P. Thomas, Nebraska, '99; Alfred Mead, Miami, '97; Geo. Palmer, Nebraska, '94; Henry Cruikshank, Miami, '91; H. A. Tukey, Nebraska, '99; C. S. Willis, Minnesota, '01; C. H. Von Mansfelde, Nebraska, '99; M. A. Hall, Wisconsin, '88; Rev. A. S. C. Clarke, Westminster, '86; E. A. Benson, Iowa Wes-

Ieyan, '74; A. F. Johnson, Nebraska, '99; Geo. Bertrand, Vermont, '80; A. J. Anderson, Missouri Gamma, '03; J. L. Kennedy, Knox, '81; C. B. Sumner, Nebraska, '02, E. C. Page, Wooster, '86.

The Omaha alumni club will be glad to see any members of the fraternity who may be in the city at its Friday noon luncheon at the Calumet Restaurant. Do not fail to look them up when in Omaha.

March 30, 1905.

CHESTER B. SUMNER.

#### NEW ORLEANS.

The New Orleans alumni club had an enthusiastic meeting in the rooms of the Orleans Parish Medical Society on March 14, the following members being present: Bros. R. H. Marr, Vanderbilt, W. S. Slack, Sewanee, C. M. Brady, M. D., Alexander Allison, Jr., Horace Crump, P. L. Cusachs, M. D., H. B. Gessner, M. D., W. H. Howcutt, Jr., S. McGehee, Rayner, Smith, G. L. Tebault, VanIngen of the Tulane chapter.

Bro. R. H. Marr was called to the chair and immediately called upon Bro. Slack to state the object of the meeting. After he had done so the regular order of business was taken up, and the reports of the secretary and treasurer, Bro. H. B. Gessner, were read and adopted. Bro. Slack made a verbal report for the executive committee in the absence of Bro. F. P. Johnson, president of the club.

The following names were added to the alumni roll: Bros. E. J. Fortier, C. M. Brady, M. D., and J. C. Martin, Tulane, and Bro. Wm. Steen Mississippi, province president.

Bro. G. L. Tebault made a very interesting talk on the founding of the chapter at Tulane, detailing some of the struggles that were overcome in getting firmly established; now from the "Incognito Society" Louisiana Alpha blossomed out. Bro. P. L. Cusachs reported to the meeting the death of one of the most promising of the members of the Louisiana Alpha Alumni, Bro. Sargent Smith Prentiss. Upon motion duly made and seconded a committee was appointed to draw up suitable resolutions and send a copy to the family and another copy to THE SCROLL for publication. Bros. Marr, Cusachs, Gessner and Slack were appointed as the committee, which later brought in the following resolutions, which were adopted.

Be it resolved, that we the New Orleans alumni club of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, meeting now for the first time since the death of our beloved brother, Sargent Smith Prentiss, testify unanimously to the high esteem and affection with which we regarded him, and to our sense of the great loss which we have sustained.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family in token of our sympathy, another be spread on the minutes of the Club, and another sent for publication in THE SCROLL.

The treasurer, Bro. Hermann B. Gessner, M. D., on account of other duties, asked to be relieved of the office, and Bro. Colgate Scudder was elected in his place. Bro. Gessner still remains on the executive committee.

It was a great pleasure and privilege to have with us at this meeting the enthusiastic president of the province, Bro. Wm. Steen, of Lumberton, Miss. He is one of those whose enthusiasm is contagious.

The meeting over, adjournment was had and light refreshments served. Every one went away declaring that he had spent a very pleasant evening. Several members of the active chapter were present but the secretary failed to get their names, which he regrets.

March 29, 1905.

W. S. SLACK.

## FORT SMITH.

The alumni club of Fort Smith observed Alumni Day by assembling eight of its members at a very enjoyable dinner at the leading cafe of the city. Owing to the absence from the city of several worthy Phis and the calling away of our Rev. Bro. Caleb B. K. Weed of Sewanee a larger number were not present. An election of officers for the ensuing year was held, resulting as follows: President, Robert Dickens, Kentucky Alpha, '98; vice-president, James Reynolds, Kentucky Alpha, '98; Secretary, William James Murphy, Jr., Purdue, '05. Besides the newly elected officers those present were Bros. W. R. Martin, Alabama Alpha, '83; F. L. Mulky, Indiana, '83; William McCorkle, Mississippi Alpha, '92; James Ward, Jr., Alabama Beta, '99; George Cleveland, Jr., Missouri Beta, '05.

March 20, 1905.

W. J. MURPHY, JR.

Barnard College, the women's department of Columbia University, has 372 alumnae, of whom 121 are teaching, two are physicians, one an advertisement writer, one a counselor and attorney-at-law, one a dean, one a tenement house inspector, three secretaries, one a school principal, one a labor inspector, one a landscape architect, four clerks and three librarians.

According to figures recently compiled by Dr. J. H. Canfield, librarian of Columbia University, the more notable of our college and university libraries now rank as follows in respect to size of collections:

	Bound volumes	Unbound volumes and pamphlets
Harvard University .....	670,000	390,000
University of Chicago .....	401,000	200,000
Columbia University.....	363,000	100,000
Yale University.....	315,000	300,000
Cornell University.....	286,500	46,500
University of Pennsylvania.....	200,700	50,000
Princeton University.....	181,800	48,000
Brown University.....	130,000	30,000
University of California.....	124,000	.....
Johns Hopkins University.....	117,400	100,000
Amherst College.....	81,000	25,000
Leland Stanford University.....	80,818	25,000
University of Nebraska.....	65,000	13,000
Williams College.....	52,000	20,000

The figures are based on reports received during the current year, and though some of them are partly estimates and all are in round numbers, "they may in general," says Dr. Canfield, "be depended on as correct and as furnishing an interesting statement of the present actual and comparative status of these libraries."

## PERSONAL.

*Mississippi*—J. C. Rich, '80, is a prominent lawyer at Mobile, Ala.

*Wisconsin*—Byron H. Stebbins, '01, is practicing law at Green Bay, Wis.

*Gettysburg*—Rev. B. R. Lantz, '94, is a Lutheran minister at St. Joseph, Mo.

*Indiana*—C. W. Robinson, '75, is a prominent lumberman at New Orleans, La.

*Brown*—W. Louis Frost, '01, is practicing law at 233 Ohio avenue, Providence, R. I.

*Wisconsin*—Since 1901 Henry F. Mason, '80, has been a justice of the supreme court of Kansas.

*Emory*—L. P. Herrington, M. D., '83, has moved to Waynesboro, Ga., and is county physician.

*Lehigh*—Otto C. Burkhardt has accepted the chair of mineralogy and metallurgy in Lehigh University.

*Cornell*—Arthur Adams, '01, is assistant to the professor of civil engineering at the University of Michigan.

*Mississippi*—W. M. Mitchell, '87, an attorney at law at Grenada, Miss., was married there to Miss Moore, October 26.

*Randolph-Macon*—A. S. Martin, '88, is president of the wholesale drug house of Williams, Martin & Gray, Norfolk, Va.

*Michigan*—Walter E. Eversman, '01, president of Delta province, has moved his offices to 531-532 Spitzer building, Toledo, Ohio, where he will continue the general practice of law.

*Pennsylvania*—C. E. Paxon is an electrical engineer, his address being Portland apartment house, Washington, D. C. He was married recently to Miss Ethel Gould Easton, of Meriden, Conn.

*Iowa Wesleyan* and *Ohio Wesleyan*—W. R. C. Kendrick, '02, has moved to Salt Lake City, Utah, where he is practicing law.

*Dartmouth*—C. Larue Munson, '98, is surgeon and physician of the Pennsylvania railroad relief department, Harrisburg, Pa.

*Northwestern*—I. R. Hitt, Jr., 88, ex. T. G. C., is president of the Illinois republican association of the District of Columbia.

*Ohio State*—H. H. Ward, '90, ex P. G. C., and Mrs. Ward, of Cleveland, Ohio, spent the month of March in traveling through Mexico.

*Vanderbilt*—S. P. Gilbert, '83, ex. T. G. C., of Columbus, Ga., recently entered upon his fourth term of four years each, as solicitor-general.

*Wisconsin*—A recent issue of the *Ladies Home Journal* placed F. L. Wright, '89, of Oak Park, Ill., among the eight leading architects of America.

*Mississippi*—John L. Heiss, '99, was recently re-elected mayor of Gulfport, Miss. He was married to Miss Buchanan, of Okalona, Miss., December 27.

*DePauw* and *Roanoke*—Rev. D. B. Floyd, '72, has accepted a call to become the pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran church, Washington, D. C.

*Emory*—Claude N. Bennett, '88, manager of the congressional information bureau, Bond building, Washington, made a trip to Cuba during March.

*Indianapolis* and *Indiana*—C. L. Goodwin, '83, has moved from Dunlo, Pa., to 5507 East Washington street, Indianapolis, Ind. He is in the lumber business.

*Dickinson*—Rev. J. F. Heisse, D. D., '86, is a presiding elder in the Baltimore conference, M. E. church. His address is 2412 N. Calvert street, Baltimore, Md.

*Brown*—Howard M. Van Gelder, '97, is an electrical engineer at 54 W. 82d street, New York. He was married to Miss Helen Windsor, April 24, in St. Agnes chapel, Trinity parish, New York City.

*Virginia*—W. S. Bryan, '80, is attorney-general of Maryland, not lieutenant-general of that state, as THE SCROLL previously announced. His office is at Baltimore.

*Chicago*—F. A. Smith, '66, a judge of the circuit court since 1903, has been assigned by the supreme court of Illinois to the branch of the appellate court of the first district.

*Iowa*—E. M. Hagler, '02, was married, March 20, to Miss Pearl Hull, '02, of Iowa City. They will reside at St. Louis, Mo. Elmer C. Hull, '01, was best man at the wedding.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—F. J. Smith, '99, who was instructor in German at the University of Illinois, last year, is taking special work in the German language at the University of Berlin.

*Tulane*—Thos. B. L. Layton, M. D., '00, is in the United States marine hospital service at Bluefields, Nicaragua. His home address continues to be 1420 Josephine street, New Orleans.

*Pennsylvania*—A cablegram from Tokio, dated March 9, says that Lieutenant Kenjiro Matsumoto, '95, had been assigned by the Japanese war department as aide to General Mac Arthur.

*Columbia*—J. S. Buhler, '01, has begun the practice of law in New York City. He is a member of the firm of Dennis & Buhler, with new offices at 140 Nassau street. Bro. Buhler lives at the Φ Δ Θ club house, 25 E. 44th street.

*Lafayette*—E. Hultgren, '00, is a supervisor for the Pennsylvania railroad at Harrisburg, Pa.—Harry E. Trout, '03, is connected with the bridge and construction department of the Pennsylvania Steel Co., Steelton, Pa.

*North Carolina*—The first german of the last season of the class of 1905 at the United States Naval Academy, held in the armory at Annapolis, January 27, was led by Midshipman John J. London, '03, and Miss Marion Ayres, of Philadelphia.

*Dickinson*—Rev. J. Max Lantz, '95, is paster of the M. E. church at East Waterford, Pa.—Rev. C. Wesley Burns, D. D., '96, is pastor of the Spring Garden M. E. church, Philadelphia.—Rev. Linn Bowman, '98, is pastor of the Park Avenue M. E. church, Philadelphia.

*North Carolina*—I. F. Harris, '00, delegate to the Louisville convention is in business in New Haven, and is also pursuing graduate work at Yale, where he was recently elected to membership in the honorary society  $\Sigma \Xi$ .

*Columbia*—In the intercollegiate gymnastic championships held at Princeton early in April W. L. Benham, '05, captain of the Columbia team which won the first honors, also captured the individual championship on the parallel bars.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—W. R. Bayes, '01, was one of the Columbia speakers in the tri-university league debate against Cornell in New York City in March. The subject was the regulation of railroad rates and discriminations. Columbia argued the affirmative and won.

*Dickinson*—William H. Cheesman, '07, of Woodstown, N. J., and Miss Elsie May Wright, the daughter of Mrs. Lydia Powell Wright, were married in Baltimore, March 4, and will be at home at 1240 New Hampshire avenue N. W., Washington, D. C., after April 15.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—L. A. Busby, '94, is a member of the law firm of Lyman, Busby and Lyman, Chicago. He has been a member and also treasurer of the board of managers of the Chicago bar association since 1902. He is also a member of the Chicago law institute. In 1901 he was elected trustee of the John Crerer library, life tenure.

*Brown*—Rev. A. P. Reccord, '92, for three years pastor of Channing memorial church, Newport, R. I., has accepted a call from the church of the Unity, Springfield, Mass. The *Providence Journal* says of him: "He is looked upon as one of the best pulpit orators in the Unitarian church in New England, and he has been often sought to address meetings of a varied nature."

*Brown*—Wilfred C. Lane, '01, has recently been appointed by Judge Emory Speer to the office of clerk of the United States circuit and district courts and United States commissioner at Augusta, Ga. Since graduating from Yale law school, 1901, Bro. Lane has been practicing law in Macon, Ga., and teaching in Mercer University law school, but by reason of this federal appointment, his residence in the future will be Augusta, Ga.

*W. & J.*—John A. Matthews, Ph. D., is metallurgist for the Crucible Steel Co., with headquarters in Syracuse, N. Y. He was one of the commission of twelve metallurgists who were appointed to test gold and silver coins in the government mints. The commissioners assembled at the Philadelphia mint, February 8. Their inaugural ceremony is known as "The Opening of the Pyx." About 50,000 coins are tested every year. The members of the commission are rewarded with a special medal struck off for this purpose. This was the second time Dr. Matthews has served on the commission having been appointed by President Mc Kinley in 1900.

*Collier's* for April 8 contains its \$5,000 prize short story. Over 11,000 authors, including many of the best known writers in America, contributed more than 12,000 stories. The judges were Henry Cabot Lodge, Walter H. Page and William Allen White—the latter a Phi—*Kansas*, '90. In addition to the first, second and third prize stories, *Collier's* has purchased sixty-five stories from the best of those entered in the contest. These will be printed during the year. Included among them are two stories by Phis—"The Golden Age of Poincarre," by Stanhope Sams, *Vanderbilt*, '81, and "Lottridge," by Ray Stannard Baker, *Lansing*, '89. Bro. Sams' story, which was seventh in the list, was printed in the Easter number of *Collier's*, April 15. Bro. Baker's story was twenty-second in the list.

*Indianapolis*—The following paragraph was clipped from the New York *Evening Post*, which copied it from an editorial article on "The Scholar in Indiana Politics," which originally appeared in the Indianapolis News. It relates to Hon. Hugh Th. Miller, '88, ex. S. G. C., P. G. C. and R. G. C., who was elected lieutenant governor of Indiana last November and who is, *ex-officio*, president of the senate:

Indiana can furnish a fresh chapter to the discussion of the question of the usefulness of the scholar in politics. In the general assembly that has just closed the college professor was in evidence. The lieutenant-governor, while now a banker, is a scholar and was long a professor. He was educated for the classroom, and for many years, and until within two or three years, held the chair of history at Butler College. It has been doubted whether a college man, devoted to principles and ideals, could adjust himself to practical politics and statecraft. The same question has often been asked with reference to ministers of the gospel. Doubtless it arises from the belief (which is well founded) that the idealist too often lives in a realm to himself, remote from the real affairs of mankind. But the correct ideal of the professional man gives to him not only theory and learning, but a holy

hatred of sham and graft, an alert conscience, and a worldly wisdom not to be despised by the crafty politician. Of such a quality our lieutenant-governor has proved himself to be. There have been an orderliness and an attention to business in the senate that have been most gratifying to those who care to see the state's business administered promptly, decisively, and with a sense of decorum.

*Vanderbilt*—The assistant editor is much pleased to note that, at the commencement of the medical department of Vanderbilt University, April 3, Paul DeWitt, brother of the editor-in-chief, received the degree of M. D. and also the founder's medal, the highest honor conferred by the university upon graduation. His average was 97.3, and he deserves special credit because serious illness prevented him from attending lectures for a month or so during last winter. The Nashville *Banner* of April 4, says: "It is a remarkable fact that Dr. DeWitt led his class all four years of his life in the medical college, being the second man to have that honor." The other man was John W. Hanner, Jr., Tennessee Alpha, '01. By competitive examination, Bro. DeWitt won an internship in St. Thomas Hospital at Nashville, but he relinquished it to enter upon work in the New York Polyclinic Hospital, New York City, where he will remain for at least six months.

*Vanderbilt*—'80—The *American* is in receipt of a book of 365 pages, entitled "Report of Labor Disturbances in the State of Colorado from 1880 to 1904 Inclusive, with Correspondence Relative Thereto," which was prepared under the direction of Carroll D. Wright, Commissioner of Labor. In presenting it Mr. Wright says:

The materials for this report have been collected and prepared under my immediate supervision by Mr. Walter B. Palmer, one of the special agents of the bureau of labor, and I wish to express to him my full appreciation of the faithfulness and efficiency with which he has carried out his delicate commission. Mr. Palmer began his investigations in May last, and has pursued them continuously and industriously until the present time.

Mr. Palmer claims many friends in this city, which he still calls home, and where he lived for many years before entering the government service, and where he was a capable member of the press. The position he occupies in the bureau of labor of the department of commerce and labor is well indicated by his having been assigned the important and responsible task of investigating the Colorado labor troubles, and of presenting the report of his findings.—Editorial in Nashville *Daily American*, March 17, 1905.

*Richmond*—J. Stewart Barney, '86, is the architect of the Broadway Tabernacle, recently dedicated in New York. It cost \$1,000,000 and has been called a "Congregational Cathedral." Containing about 100 rooms, it can house 5,000 people in 10 simultaneous meetings. It is declared to be "the first church adapted to modern conditions." The following is clipped from the *Times Dispatch*, of Richmond, Va:

The *Architectural Record* devotes half of a recent number to an article on "The Works of Messrs. Barney & Chapman," by Montgomery Schuyler. Mr. J. Stewart Barney, a member of this noted firm of architects, will be remembered as the designer and architect of two of the most beautiful of Richmond churches—All Saints' and Holy Trinity. In Gothic architecture Mr. Barney is considered the superior of any architect in this country, if indeed, he is excelled by any anywhere. The article, which embraces about 100 illustrations of the works of this firm, includes pictures of the two Richmond churches, and many of the most famous edifices and handsome residences, hotels, libraries, and other public or semi-public buildings of New York and other cities.

Mr. Barney and his associates have succeeded in accomplishing a brilliant architectural feat in their design for the prospective home of the New York *American*, or *Journal*, as it is better known. This structure will top all the "skyscrapers" in height, being 40 stories high, or 555 feet. That is just the height of the Washington monument, the tallest structure in America, and the second in the world. The *Architectural Record* contains four cuts of the proposed "skyscraper," and explains that, aside from having designed this architectural wonder in point of height, the architects named have had to master a greater problem of their art. The site for the building is quite irregular, the four fronts, on Broadway, the Circle, Eighth avenue and Fifty-eighth street, each being of a different length. They had to utilize to the fullest the area circumscribed by these boundaries, without the loss of a foot of space, and without producing a building that would emphasize, if not exaggerate, the irregularities of the lot. This was the problem that has been so masterfully handled as to excite the unstinted praise and admiration of architects everywhere.

Among other noteworthy works of Mr. Barney and his partner are the Hart Memorial Library, Troy, N. Y.; the Handley Library, Winchester, Va.; the buildings of the Thomas Asylum for orphans and destitute Indian children, Iroquois, N. Y., and additions or improvements to Holy Trinity Church, Grace Church, the Hoffman House and the Hotel Navarre, New York city.

The nominations of two members of the fraternity, appointed by President Roosevelt to office after March 4, were confirmed by the senate at its extra session. E. H. Conger, *Lombard*, '62, formerly minister to Brazil, and recently minister to China, was appointed ambassador to Mexico. C. C. Kohlsaas, Chicago, '67, justice in the federal district court, was promoted to be justice of the United States circuit court.

## HELLENIC.

Z T A has entered Richmond and A  $\Xi$   $\Delta$ , Wisconsin. Both are sororities.

$\Phi$  K  $\Psi$  has completed the largest fraternity house at the University of Pennsylvania.

The journal of  $\Phi$  K  $\Sigma$  is called the *News Letter*. It does not exchange with other journals.

The Rainbow says that  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$  has an "iron-clad law against  $\Theta$  N E and enforces it."

Z  $\Psi$  has revived its chapter at Syracuse which was established in 1875 and became inactive ten years later.

Ten members of Southern K A are midshipmen at Annapolis. A group picture of them appears in the April *Journal*.

There are now five fraternities at Case—Z  $\Psi$ , established 1882;  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$ , 1896; K  $\Sigma$ , 1903; B  $\Theta$   $\Pi$ , 1904;  $\Sigma$  A E, 1905. There is also one local— $\Omega$   $\Psi$ .

A new honor society called the Raven has been founded at the University of Virginia. Membership is based on scholarship and meritorious literary services.— $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$  *Rainbow*.

$\Phi$  K  $\Psi$ 's California chapter has adopted the very praiseworthy custom of inviting two or three members of the faculty with their wives to dine at the chapter house every Wednesday evening.—K A *Journal*.

$\Theta$   $\Delta$  X's Lehigh chapter seems to be up against it. Its scribe reports that membership has been so reduced of late that on one occasion the entire chapter slept in one bed.—Verner M. Jones in K A *Journal* for April.

There are now five fraternities occupying houses— $\Delta$   $\Psi$ ,  $\Delta$  K E,  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$ ,  $\Pi$  K A and  $\Phi$   $\Gamma$   $\Delta$ , the last two having moved into houses this year. Our house is the only one on the university grounds. We have made a good many improvements in our house, which now has accommodations for practically all the chapter.—Only  $\Delta$   $\Psi$  and  $\Delta$  K E own their houses. K A rents a flat.—K A *Journal*. University of Virginia correspondence of  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$  *Rainbow*.

Δ T Δ, once a chapter of standing at the University of Mississippi, seems about to hit the ceiling. There are only three members in Oxford at present.—Verner M. Jones in *K A Journal* for April.

At Wooster there are chapters of B ⊙ Π, A T Ω, Φ Γ Δ, Σ X, K K Γ and K A ⊙, besides the two interfraternities, ⊙ N E and B Δ B. As fraternity houses are not permitted, we all have our rooms.—Wooster correspondence of *Kappa Alpha Theta* for January.

Φ A E, an academic fraternity founded in 1892 in the Clinton (Mo.) Academy by four students there, two of whom have since become Phis, now has 22 active chapters in leading high schools in Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Texas, Kansas, Nebraska, Montana, New Mexico and California. It publishes a bi-monthly paper, a song book and catalogue, and has about 600 members.

The number of active chapters of the various fraternities is as follows: K Σ, 71; Φ Δ ⊙, 69; B ⊙ Π, 67; Σ A E, 65; Φ Γ Δ, 57; Σ X, 53; Σ N, 52; A T Ω, 51; Southern K A, 48; Δ T Δ, 47; Φ K Ψ, 42; Δ K E, 41; Δ Y, 36; Π K A, 28; A Δ Φ, 24; ⊙ Δ X, 24; Φ K Σ, 23; Ψ Y, 22; Z Ψ, 22; X Φ, 21; X Ψ, 18; Φ Σ K, 18; Δ Φ, 11; Δ Ψ, 8; Σ Φ, 8; Northern K A, 7; ⊙ Ξ, 8; A X P, 6; M Π A, 4.

To its frame house at Sewanee, Δ T Δ, at an expense of \$1,700, has made a stone addition, providing five rooms in all—a reception room, library, billiard room, ante room and secret room. Speaking of the other fraternities there the *Rainbow* says: "A T Ω, Σ A E and K A possess pretty stone lodges; Φ Δ ⊙ and Π K A own frame houses, and K Σ has just completed an immense log bungalow. It is understood that the Phis will shortly erect a handsome stone building."

"Address Book of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, 1867-1904" is the title of a very handy little book edited by Mr. David F. Hoy, and printed at Ithaca, N. Y. It contains an alphabetical list of the 5,879 members of K Σ, with their chapters and addresses (streets and numbers if in large cities), and also a list arranged by cities and towns. The book measures 4x6¾ inches, and contains 124 pages. It is the most condensed list of members of any fraternity we have ever seen. It would be well, we think, for our own fraternity to publish such a handbook every year. The expense would be small.

Although Southern K A has no northern chapters, it has a good many alumni in northern cities. It has alumni chapters in Boston, New York and Philadelphia. The annual banquet of the New York alumni chapter, held at the Hotel Imperial, January 20, was attended by 47 members. One of them was Thomas Dixon, Jr., who presented to each of the others a copy of his last novel, "The Clansmen," bound in K A's colors, and with an inserted page of vellum bearing the fraternity's coat-of-arms and a presentation inscription.

THE SCROLL for December copied from and credited to another fraternity journal an item which said that  $\Phi K \Sigma$  was "enthusiastically" engaged in electing honorary members, especially the chapter at Columbian (now George Washington) University. It transpires that this was altogether erroneous, that  $\Phi K \Sigma$  never has initiated honorary members, and, moreover, never has had a chapter at the institution mentioned. We are so informed by Mr. Boyd Lee Spahr, of Philadelphia, grand gamma of  $\Phi K \Sigma$ , to which fraternity we tender our apologies and regrets for repeating an unfounded statement.

$\Theta \Xi$ , the scientific society which was founded at Troy Polytechnic in 1864, has granted charters for chapters at Purdue and Lehigh. The faculty at Purdue has recognized it, but the pan-Hellenic council has not. The fraternities already established at Purdue feel that there is no room for another fraternity there. Without recognition from this council  $\Theta \Xi$  will not be admitted to any of the pan-Hellenic dances, inter-fraternity ball games or any general inter-fraternity affairs.  $\Phi K \Sigma$  has also chartered a chapter at Purdue but at last accounts it had not been recognized by the faculty.

The gaiety of fraternity journalism is promoted by the pungent paragraphs of Mr. Verner M. Jones more than any other influence. He conducts the exchange and the general fraternity news departments for the *K A Journal*, of which he is an associate editor. We note that he has accepted the position of associate editor of *Bob Taylor's Magazine*, the first issue of which, printed at Nashville, Tenn., April, 1905, has excited very favorable comment. It is edited by Hon. Robert L. Taylor, of "the fiddle and the bow" fame, and formerly governor of Tennessee. We trust that this new engagement will not cause Mr. Jones to sever his connection with the *K A Journal*. When we receive a number of that

always interesting magazine we turn to his departments first. His roasts of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , in which he occasionally indulges, are not very funny, we think, but his roasts of other fraternities amuse us greatly, so we feel that we could not afford to lose Mr. Jones from fraternity journalism. Mr. V. Otis Robertson, another associate editor of the *K A Journal*, has been made editor of the *Pythian Journal*, a magazine published at Jackson, Miss.

$\Delta T \Delta$ , like  $\Phi K \Psi$ ,  $\Sigma N$ ,  $Z \Psi$  and some other fraternities, has been trying to find out just when it was founded. The secretary of  $\Delta T \Delta$ , Mr. Henry T. Bruck, says in the November *Rainbow*: "Between the fire which destroyed the building in which the fraternity met and in which the records were kept, and the clash of conflict which drove the interests of the new organization from the minds of the founders, it is no wonder that the actual date of foundation was lost sight of." After an exhaustive investigation, Mr. Bruck reaches the conclusion that "the fraternity was founded about February 1859." At that time Bethany College, where  $\Delta T \Delta$  was founded, was still in the "Old Dominion," West Virginia not yet having been created. There has been uncertainty also about the number of founders—whether it was four, seven or fourteen. Mr. Bruck concludes that it was eight. Of these eight, whose names and classes he gives, all but one are still living. He further says: "The direct cause of the movement leading to the formation of the fraternity, as generally accepted, was opposition to the chapter of the  $\Phi K \Psi$  which had been founded about that time at Bethany and which, by its activity and arbitrary actions in college politics, had aroused the opposition of the general body of the students."

Fijis are buying more expensive badges. An advertisement in the *Phi Gamma Delta* is headed, "Wear the official badge and wear it properly," and says: "The Ekklesia (convention) at Put-in-bay, 1904, contracted with Roehm & Son, of Detroit, Mich., reappointing them exclusive fraternity jewelers. They furnish the official badge for \$3 cash with order, transportation prepaid." Through the same medium the same firm offered the "official badge" for \$2.15 last year. The advertisement of this firm is the only one of any character which the *Phi Gamma Delta* publishes.

$\Theta \Delta X$  is building a \$25,000 house on the Lafayette campus.  $\Sigma X$  and  $\Delta K E$  are already provided with houses there.

The New York *Sun* of March 26 contains an extended article descriptive of the clubs at Harvard. The most famous of these organizations are the Institute of 1770, the Hasty Pudding club and the Porcellian club, all of which are over 100 years old. The general college fraternities mentioned as having chapters at Harvard are  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Theta \Delta X$ ,  $\Sigma \Lambda E$ ,  $Z \Psi$ ,  $\Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Delta Y$ . There are clubs for each of the classes, social clubs of various sorts, literary, language and scientific clubs, musical and dramatic clubs, athletic clubs, religious clubs, school, state and city clubs—in fact clubs in great variety. The article says:

The system is as a whole well adapted to the conditions at Harvard, where the classes are so large that it is impossible for a member to know all the men in a class, and where the elective system has been so thoroughly applied that a man often does not know exactly who his classmates are. Under this system, a man meets the men he wishes to associate with in a social way in one club; in another, he may meet the men interested in the field of work in which he is specializing; in another, the men from his own state; in another, men of his religion, and so on indefinitely.

Men of similar tastes, men of the same social set in the outer world, get together, and have their clubrooms, where they may live as they choose, some very simply, others luxuriously. There is no restriction against organizing clubs at Harvard except that the regent of the university must know of the existence of the club. It is for this reason that men in clubs have little sympathy for those who are opposed to the present system. They say: "If any set of men is displeased with the present club system, let them organize a club of their own."

The constitution of Southern K A has been entirely revised and the *Journal* mentions some of the changes effected by the new instrument. Provision is made for the partial payment of the traveling expenses of delegates from college chapters to the convention when there are sufficient funds for that purpose. The right to hold proxies is severely restricted. Delegates from alumni chapters are permitted to vote in the convention, but not until after such chapters are two years old. At least 75 "male academic students of freshmen and higher grade" is the required enrollment for colleges in which new chapters may be established. The governing council of the fraternity must be unanimous in granting charters. Chapters are subject to a \$5 fine for neglecting reports to general officers. The procedure in the method of trying accused members is reformed. The revised ritual is made obligatory, "humiliating physical ordeals" being prohibited. A digest of decisions by the chief officer of the fraternity is appended to the constitution. The new constitution was prepared by a committee of three members appointed by the

convention, and when it was completed it was promulgated, printed and distributed, without being reported to the next convention or being voted on by the chapters. The following comment is clipped from the  $\Lambda \ T \ \Omega$  *Palm*:

Southern K A has recently adopted a new constitution in rather an unique way. At their last convention a resolution was unanimously adopted directing their executive officer to appoint a commission consisting of three members, "with power to make such changes and additions thereto as they may unanimously agree to, and to put same in full force." This commission has reported, and K A finds itself equipped with a new constitution which no doubt will prove to be wise and efficient, but it would appear that an instrument so adopted must lack the breadth and completeness which would be found in a constitution adopted in convention assembled where all sections and conditions were represented, and where delegates would have the opportunities of so forming their fundamental law as to govern without oppression and at the same time with the consent of the general body.

The *Beta Theta Pi* publishes descriptions and illustrations of handsome new chapter houses built by the Betas at the Universities of Missouri and Maine. The Missouri house with furnishings cost about \$9,000 and was "secured through donations of alumni and active members, together with a loan from a building and loan association." The house on the University of Maine campus cost about \$12,000. The *Beta Theta Pi* also publishes a description and illustration of a dwelling house recently bought by the Betas at Yale. It is customary for the Greek-letter societies in the academic department there to have houses called "tombs," that is structures without any windows, but which have skylights or receive light by means of reflectors. The article descriptive of the Beta house says that "Probably the Betas will follow this custom" of having a tomb-like house "as soon as it is deemed expedient to make the conversion," but the house recently purchased has "ample accommodations for the chapter for a long time to come."  $B \ \Theta \ \Pi$  differs from the other fraternities at Yale in that it draws members from all four of the academic classes, while  $\Delta \ K \ \Xi$ ,  $A \ \Delta \ \Phi$ ,  $\Psi \ \Upsilon$  and  $Z \ \Psi$  are junior class societies, and  $\Phi \ \Gamma \ \Delta$  is a "university society," that is draws members from all departments. Editorially the *Beta Theta Pi* discusses how the Betas have struggled, under discouraging conditions, to establish a chapter at Yale and how well they have succeeded, saying:

The purchase of a house by the Yale chapter is a move of much interest to the fraternity, for it indicates as nothing else can that  $B \ \Theta \ \Pi$  is at Yale to stay there. We heartily congratulate the chapter upon its action and its pluck. Its alumni must put their shoulders to the wheel now and help, so that the obligations assumed may be promptly and fully met. The estab-

lishment of the chapter at Yale was undertaken against the expressed and unfavorable opinion of many of the wisest men in the fraternity. They felt that the peculiar system of class societies at Yale was of such a nature that a regular fraternity chapter could not flourish there, especially after A Δ Φ had tried to run as a regular chapter and then fell in with the Yale system and became a mere junior society.

But John I. Covington and a few others had the courage of their convictions, and pushed the project until the chapter was instituted. For many years the chapter steadily increased in strength. Strange to say, it has always made light of the local opposition against it. The thing which has retarded its best development has been the opposition to it, open and secret, within the fraternity. It has come to be almost a matter of course that some one will make a motion at each convention that the Yale chapter shall be investigated or put on probation, or what not. The junior societies at Yale have disseminated the idea among all their acquaintances that the chapter was not in good condition. Members of these fraternities at other institutions have passed this gossip to Beta friends, and it has had the result stated.

But the Yale chapter, through it all, has progressed steadily forward. The personnel has been better and better. It has a goodly line of scholars and gentlemen on its rolls. It has minded its own business and, within an atmosphere either openly hostile or indifferent, has nurtured the idea of a true college fraternity. It is winning its way. It comprises a group of fine, manly fellows. Those who know them are proud of them. They have evinced their own faith by their deeds in securing a beautiful house of their own, and they can rest assured that the fraternity means to stand by them.

The *Shield* publishes a very entertaining article about the University of Illinois, which Φ K Ψ has recently issued. It shows how rapid and marvelous has been the growth of the state and the state university, a growth in which other states and institutions in the west have shared. The article by Mr. Bert D. Ingels, was clipped by us for publication entire in THE SCROLL, but lack of space forbids, and we can find room only for the following quotations and abstract:

Fifty years ago Illinois was a poor, insignificant state abounding in swamps, ducks, mosquitoes and ague. She had no state educational institutions of any kind and the mere existence of her citizens was about all that could be boasted of. Since that time she has been rapidly advancing to the front. Her lands have been drained, and instead of being worth only from \$5 to \$10 an acre they are now worth from \$150 to \$250 per acre, and even at that are netting 10 per cent. on investments. Men who owned a quarter section of land in those early days are now worth their thousand and are living more than comfortably. Upon the northeastern border of the commonwealth has developed the second city of the republic. The growth of her educational institutions has been nothing short of phenomenal.

The Illinois Industrial University opened in 1868 with a regent, three professors, one instructor and 77 students. Women were admitted in 1870. In 1885, when there were about 300 students, the name was changed to the University

of Illinois. In 1903-04 there were over 3,800 students, of whom about 2,800 were in attendance at Urbana, and 405 instructors of whom 305 were at Urbana. Twelve fraternities have been established in the institution and all of these chapters are now living, viz.:  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 1872;  $\Sigma X$ , 1881,  $K \Sigma$ , 1891;  $\Phi K \Sigma$ , 1892;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 1893;  $A T \Omega$ , 1895;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 1897;  $\Sigma A E$ , 1898;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 1902;  $\Sigma N$ , 1902;  $\Phi K \Psi$ , 1904;  $\Delta K E$ , 1904.  $\Delta T \Delta$  was inactive from 1879 to 1894,  $\Phi K \Sigma$  from 1893 to 1903. Anti-fraternity laws were in force from 1882 to 1891.  $\Sigma X$  and  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  have bought houses,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has built a house, and  $\Delta T \Delta$  owns a building site.  $\Delta T \Delta$ ,  $K \Sigma$ ,  $\Phi K \Sigma$ ,  $A T \Omega$ ,  $\Sigma A E$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $\Sigma N$ ,  $\Phi K \Psi$ , and  $\Delta K E$  rent houses. Mr. Ingels says:

Fraternity relations are probably more cordial and pleasant here than in any other institution in the west. The fraternity houses are all close together and the fellows visit back and forth more than a little, have dancing clubs together, play spirited fraternity baseball games and have an excellent bowling league. Fraternity material is so plentiful that the rushing is comparatively tame, and thus the largest chance of bitter fraternity feeling is minimized. The characteristic of an Illinois fraternity man is that he knows how to treat other fraternity men right and he never lets an opportunity pass to do anything he can for him. The selfish, narrow view of fraternity life is almost an unknown factor, and every man works for the good of his fellow, and for the "orange and blue."

The *Record* prints the names of 247 members of  $\Sigma A E$  who attended its convention at Memphis, Tenn., December 26-29, and says: "The Memphis convention of 1904 is destined to go ringing down the halls of time as the greatest and best gathering that the fraternity has so far produced. In simple truth it was so far ahead of all other conventions this fraternity has ever held as simply to be in a class by itself." Each of the 62 chapters was represented. "With a score of applicants," the convention granted three charters—to establish chapters at Case School of Applied Science and the University of Iowa, and to re-establish a chapter at George Washington University, Washington, D. C. An article on the convention in the *Record*, by Mr. M. E. Holderness, editor of the *Phi Alpha*, the secret journal of  $\Sigma A E$ , says: "The fraternity pursues extension as rapidly as is consistent with internal health and progress, and retains as its motto, 'The boundaries of the fraternity shall be the confines of the nation.'" The convention voted a liberal appropriation to aid in the erection of a building at Tuscaloosa, Ala., where  $\Sigma A E$  was founded in 1856. It will be "a modern club-house," but will be called

the "DeVotie Memorial Hall," in honor of Rev. Noble Leslie DeVotie, founder of the fraternity. The *Record* says:

The convention appropriated \$3,000 toward the erection of this building, which amount will be supplemented by our Mother Mu chapter, and the building pushed rapidly to completion. Mu has about \$1,500 in money, and a lot on the campus donated by the trustees of the University of Alabama. Yet she does not propose to stop here. She has created a board of governors consisting of Wm. C. Levere, eminent supreme archon; G. D. Kimball, eminent supreme treasurer; Gen. W. W. Brandon, Rev. S. B. McGlohon, of Tuscaloosa, and Bro. F. A. Gamble, and this board is still after subscriptions. It shall depend somewhat upon the additional amount secured as to plans and specifications. The house will be used as a meeting-hall for Mu, and will contain the history and the precious documents of the fraternity, becoming thus the repository of our records and relics. The cornerstone will bear the names of our founders and the statue of Minerva. Hellenic decorations will be the idea in furnishing the house, and the style of architecture shall be Greek. If in time it seems expedient and wise and possible, the remains of our founder DeVotie could be removed hither. The semi-centennial convention will be held in 1906 in Birmingham, a distance of 56 miles, and we shall charter a special train and make a visit to Tuscaloosa to dedicate this temple. Five hundred Sigs, young and old, will be there, and each will be given a souvenir watch fob, on which will appear the likeness of DeVotie.

A palpable hit was made by the *Convention Daily News*, a four-page, four-column sheet, edited by the editor of the *Record*. Each issue contained a directory, showing the names of the general officers and convention officers, with the numbers of their rooms in the Gayoso Hotel, and a list of convention committees, with the numbers of the rooms of the chairmen. Other features of the paper were programmes of entertainments and copies of Sig songs. The *Record* publishes a reduced facsimile of the first page of the second issue of the *Daily News*, containing a column write-up of the smoker on the first evening, a column announcement about the theatre party to be held on the second evening, and the following interesting paragraphs:

Convention photographs will be made tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock at the Cossitt Library.

A delegation from the Washington, D. C., local, headed by Lawrence Janney, Massachusetts Gamma, '02, arrived last night.

Two Australians who are among the delegates and visitors are F. Boardman Clapp, Jr., from Worcester, P. I., and Joseph Hayden, of M. I. T.

Hon. S. W. Meek, manager of the Cleveland *Leader*, of Cleveland, O., arrived last night coming in the interest of the Case local. Mr. Meek is an alumnus of Tennessee Eta.

Brothers, remember there are other fraternity men loafing around the hotel, as well as a number of independents. Don't be too promiscuous about giving the grip and talking things you would not care to have others hear.

A new suggestion that has been meeting with a great deal of favor among the delegates, is that the Fraternity should prohibit the use of the

facsimile of the fraternity pin on any jewelry. This does not exclude monogram or coat of arms.

Mr. Holderness says: "The little paper would appear to have found for itself a permanent place in all future conventions."

The annual reports of the secretary of the  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$  fraternity are published in the *Shield*, and are always very interesting. For several years the writer has made abstracts of them for THE SCROLL. The annual report for the year ending December 15, 1904, by the secretary, Mr. Orra E. Monnette, appears in the *Shield* for March, and as usual it is voluminous, covering 65 pages of text and 42 pages of tables, besides 27 full page half tones of chapter groups. The most interesting part of the report relates to  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$ 's growth, past and prospective. Mr. Monnette says: "With the installation of Texas Alpha at the University of Texas on October 27, 1904, and of Illinois Delta at the University of Illinois on November 18, 1904, the number of our chapters has increased to 42," while "the one petition undisposed of by the last grand arch council (convention) remains *in statu quo*." The reports from chapters showed that they favored entering various institutions, as appears below:

Penna. Gamma (Bucknell) favors Lehigh; Penna. Zeta (Dickinson), Penna. State; Penna. Kappa (Swarthmore), Columbian; New Hampshire Alpha (Dartmouth), Massachusetts Alpha (Amherst) and New York Epsilon (Colgate,) all three, Mass. Inst. of Technology; West Virginia Alpha (W. Va. University), Tulane, Georgia, Case, Union, Penna. State and Lehigh; Tennessee Delta (Vanderbilt), Tulane and North Carolina; Mississippi Alpha (U. of Miss.), North Carolina; Ohio Alpha (O. W. U.), Case; Indiana Beta (Ind. Univ.), University of Washington; Indiana Delta (Purdue), Mass. Inst. of Technology.

$\Phi$  K  $\Psi$  has 9 chapters in Pennsylvania, which form its first district—W. & J., Allegheny, Bucknell, Gettysburg, Dickinson, F. & M., Lafayette, U. of Pa., Swarthmore. Mr. Monnette says:

In former years, Lehigh University was considered an objective point, but in recent years it has not been looked upon as particularly promising, although several of the stronger fraternities have maintained successful chapters there. In fact, it has been a stamping ground for Greek-letter societies and if the university had grown as other institutes have, the field might be more inviting. All now regret the arbitrary action which destroyed the opportunity to enter Lehigh fifteen years or more ago, which was eagerly seized by another fraternity, easily today the leader in the institution. This is a commentary on lessons drawn from experience.

The second district, comprising New England and New York, has 8 chapters—Dartmouth, Amherst, Brown, Cornell,

Syracuse, Columbia, Colgate, Brooklyn Polytechnic Inst. Mr. Monnette says:

The only suggestion to be offered concerning the second district is that our work in New England is not completed. If it can be done under conditions which must be the most alluring in the light of local necessity, all are agreed that the fraternity should enter Williams College. Wesleyan is considered a good field, but it is best to advance cautiously under that proposition. Massachusetts Institute of Technology offers absolutely no opening either desirable or advantageous, unless lines previously laid down are open to development again.

The third district—the south—has 7 chapters—Johns Hopkins, Virginia, W. & L., West Virginia, Vanderbilt, Mississippi, Texas. Mr. Monnette says, "The field for extension here is limited," but he mentions that the alumni of Washington City are urging the revival of the chapter which formerly existed in Columbian (now George Washington) University, and says that the movement will be "at white heat" by the time when the next convention will meet.

The fourth district embraces Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, and has 10 chapters—Michigan, O. W. U., O. S. U., Wittenberg, DePauw, Indiana, Purdue, Northwestern, Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Monnette says: "There is absolutely no reason for further extension in this quarter and little room for it," although, "the time will come when the fraternity will be glad to re-establish Ohio Gamma at Wooster."

The fifth district has 8 chapters—Wisconsin, Beloit, Minnesota, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, California, Stanford. Mr. Monnette says:

The west, which is largely our fifth district, affords much promise of development in the future. The states are growing with wonderful rapidity. Wealth is accumulating and the people are generally prosperous. With free hand the revenues from taxation are voted and are pledged to the support of the various state institutions. This means that the western college and university will grow to the extent that will render them equal to the eastern school. The opportunities for favorable movements toward establishing new chapters will be more extensive here than elsewhere. The time will arrive when old Missouri Alpha at the University of Missouri will be re-established and the former attachment of her splendid alumni revived. The University of Washington has a very promising future in the marvelous development of the northwest. But, at the present, the choice institutions of this section now support chapters of the fraternity.

The total membership of the fraternity, December 15, 1904, was 9,636. The 42 chapters then had 759 attending members—an average of 18. Mr. Monnette thinks that several chapters are too small, among them the two in California, each with 13 attending members. Of the Stanford chapter he says: "It is difficult to understand, at this distance, why

a chapter of 25 men cannot be maintained;" and of the chapter at the state university he says: "The same suggestion arises as to why a larger membership cannot be secured. Neither Stanford nor Berkeley seems to lack for students." An important truth is enunciated in the following paragraph:

In the line of internal development, attention was called last year to the danger of small chapter membership. Several chapters have kept up a struggle for positions of power and influence with too small a membership. This struggle is uncertain. The chapter is shorn of its usefulness, no matter the good excuses for its condition. While very large chapters are not the desideratum by any means, it must be understood that when a chapter falls to ten or twelve men, for instance, something is radically wrong. And when a chapter does not report any initiates, or at least but one or two, there is real reason for alarm. The officials are expected to investigate the reasons for these conditions. The suggestion should be kept in mind, and therefore, do not blame the officials if your chapter is questioned as to its meritorious continuation in the fraternity circle. The day of the small chapter has passed. The chapter house movement and the material prosperity of the fraternity demand a strong, working chapter, in which quality must be closely supplemented by proper number.

Fourteen chapters own houses—Allegheny, Gettysburg, Dickinson, Amherst, Cornell, Syracuse, Colgate, West Virginia, DePauw, Purdue, Chicago, Michigan, Wisconsin, Beloit. Four other chapters own building lots—Bucknell, U. of Pa., Minnesota, Kansas. Nineteen chapters rent houses. Regarding the University of Virginia the report says: "Faculty objection to chapter house occupation has at last been overcome;" and the chapter there hopes "to have a house in the process of erection in the course of a year." The real estate owned by the chapters is valued at \$268,100, with a mortgage indebtedness of \$32,300.

Chapters or their officers are fined for delinquency in making reports or remitting fraternity dues. The report says:

The plan of penalization, while subject to some criticism in its use, has been a source of decided effectiveness. The financial reminder is a stern teacher, but still continues a powerful stimulant to otherwise slothful action and lagging memory. It is to be regretted that it ever must be employed. But, only as a last resort has such become the necessity. Few fines have been levied during the year and with the improvement of internal conditions going forward so rapidly, the passing away of this rigorous measure may be anticipated.

The establishment of alumni day by  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in 1889 suggested to several fraternities that they each appoint a certain day for general observance. The 1900 convention of  $\Phi \Kappa \Psi$  adopted an amendment to its constitution providing for a founder's day celebration annually, and the fraternity is well pleased with the results.

## THIRD INTER-SORORITY CONFERENCE.

In pan-Hellenic legislation the sororities are far in advance of the fraternities. The third inter-sorosity conference was held at Chicago, September 16-17, 1904. Representatives of nine sororities were present—Π Β Φ, Κ Α Θ, Κ Κ Γ, Δ Γ, Α Φ, Γ Φ Β, Δ Δ Δ, Α Ξ Δ, Χ Ω. There was no representative from Α Χ Ω. A motion was passed to admit Ξ Κ to the conference whenever she should accept all the rules of the conference. The conference discussed the agreements now included in the inter-sorosity compact and the need of additional legislation: Following are the agreements which are now binding upon all sororities composing the conference:

1. There shall be a pan-Hellenic association in every institution where two or more national sororities exist; each association shall be represented by the chapter first established there; and shall consist of one alumna and one active member of each sorosity. It shall be presided over in rotation by each chapter in the order of its establishment. Any chapter violating the pan-Hellenic agreements shall be reported to its grand president by the pan-Hellenic Association to which it belongs.

2. No student shall be asked to join a sorosity before she has matriculated, matriculation being defined as the day of enrollment as a student in the university or college.

It was moved and unanimously carried that the inter-sorosity conference, through its secretary, request each local pan-Hellenic association to discuss thoroughly and to attempt the adoption of rules:

1. Providing for a pledge day not less than two weeks after the opening of college whether such a compact is entered into by the national sorosity or not.

2. Tending to regulate and limit rushing, especially in the matter of extravagant expenditure and excess of social functions.

After an interesting discussion the conference voted to adopt the three following motions:

1. That the inter-sorosity conference recommend the establishment of women's leagues in our co-educational colleges where women's national greek letter sororities are located—membership in which shall include all women students, and the object of which shall be to co-operate with the faculties in improving the present social conditions, and also to provide for such co-operation along other lines of social service recognized to be within the province of such organizations, the

extent and specific direction of which shall be determined in every case by local conditions.

2. Moved that these leagues be established under the direction of the grand presidents of the various sororities, it being left to these officers to decide where such organizations shall be established and the form of each, the president of such sorority being responsible for the colleges in which her sorority was the first established.

3. Moved that a committee of three be now elected whose duty it shall be: First. To secure, if possible, the co-operation of the college men in this work. Second. To form a bureau of comparative legislation, which shall include the legislation now in force in colleges where women's leagues, women's dormitories and sorority houses exist and to secure reports on the effectiveness of such legislation. Third. To investigate the advisability of asking that deans of women be appointed in all co-educational colleges.

The fourth inter-sorority conference will be held at Chicago in September, 1905.

#### VIEWES OF CONTEMPORARIES ON EXTENSION.

The leading article in the *Δ K E Quarterly* for November, 1904, is by Mr. A. G. Warren, and it discusses the question, "Has the fraternity reached that stage in its development where further expansion would be unwise?" *Δ K E* established a chapter at the University of Illinois on December 2. Following are extracts from the article mentioned:

We have reached the parting of the ways, and the policy which we adopt will very largely determine the character of our fraternity; for that character must of necessity be very different, in accordance with whether we answer that question in the affirmative or in the negative. If we answer it in the affirmative, it means that our limit has practically been reached as to the institutions to which we shall consider the granting of charters, and that our growth is to be restricted to those institutions in which we are already established. If the answer is in the negative, it means that we are determined to become in the fullest sense of the word a national, or even an international, fraternity, and that any institution has the right and in a certain sense is invited, to show that she is up to our standard, and may cherish the hope of obtaining from us a charter if an acceptable organization applies for one.

In all animal and vegetable life, growth is life, and when growth ceases, decay begins. The analogy very largely holds good in all organizations, whether business, political or fraternal. Growth is life; stagnation is decay. But there are different kinds of growth, and it is for us to determine which kind it is wisest for us to strive after.

Those who favor closing the gates of the fraternity against all applicants say that we have already reached the point where practically every institution of high standard which is open to fraternities contains a chapter of *Δ K E*;

that there is no field now suitable for our cultivation and that the granting of additional charters will necessarily lower the tone of the fraternity, admitting a class of members who are not of the kind to which we have been accustomed. They say further that while we are now a homogeneous organization, whose chapters are knit together by common traditions, close acquaintance and mental sympathy and respect, any considerable increase in the number of chapters will inevitably destroy these conditions, making the fraternity unwieldly. . . .

These objections are indeed weighty, and if well founded should have great influence in the determination of the policy to be adopted. But those who advocate a policy of further expansion do not admit that all of them are well founded, and they bring forward arguments in support of their position, which they claim far outweigh the objections which are admitted.

In the first place, they claim that the list of institutions which are up to  $\Delta K E$  standard is by no means exhausted. Besides Harvard and Princeton, where conditions are not now favorable for real fraternity life, there are several state universities whose recent growth has been both rapid and stable. Of these the Universities of Illinois, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Missouri, Iowa and Texas have already reached an enrollment which in point of numbers, at least, entitles them to be considered along with such institutions as Cornell, Columbia, Michigan and California, yes, even with Pennsylvania, Princeton and Yale. Their teaching staff is said to be of a very high order, and the students, while they do not number so many from old and wealthy families as are found at Yale and Harvard, are nevertheless young men of great natural ability and force, children of those men whose labors have produced the remarkable economical growth of the middle west. To be sure these colleges may be new and crude, but it is not many years since that accusation might have been used with equal force against Michigan or Cornell or Chicago. In this land of rapid progress it does not require centuries to upbuild a great university, and even traditions may be acquired in a comparatively short time.

Then, too, it is argued that while our chapters are thickly scattered along the Atlantic slope, with many east of the Mississippi, there is a large gap before we reach the two representatives on the Pacific slope, and those chapters are practically isolated. Chapters in those institutions which have been mentioned would serve to bridge this gap, and would give us a strong representation in that wealthy and rapidly growing region.  $\Delta K E$ , of all the fraternities, has been the most democratic, requiring of postulants native worth and real manhood without regard to the presence or absence of wealth or social position. These indeed have been won because of the possession of the other qualities; and many of those names which shine brightest upon our rolls have won their places in spite of the greatest obstacles of birth and fortune. Among the descendants of the sturdy pioneers of the middle west are likely to be found many of the leaders of the future, and of these  $\Delta K E$  should have the large portion which has come to her when her chapters are already established.

The present, our expansionists say, is a time of rapid growth among the colleges—not so much in the establishment of new ones, as in the great increase in the support and endowment of those already established, and this by both state and private munificence. These western institutions are just coming into their inheritance, and they are advancing with the strides of giants. The territory from which they draw their support is thickly peopled by loyal sons of  $\Delta K E$ , many of them organized into active alumni associations. Chapters in these institutions would receive their heartiest support and could not fail to become strong and militant. Those which are estab-

lished in the earlier years of this marvelous growth cannot fail to partake in the prosperity of their institutions, and to assume the position of leaders to which their membership in  $\Delta K E$  entitles them. Shall a mistaken conservatism deprive us of these great advantages?

A correspondent of the *Beta Theta Pi* asked the editor the following question: Suppose a proposition should be received by  $B \Theta \Pi$  from a fraternity which had chapters in 39 institutions, which the correspondent mentioned, the membership of each chapter being well selected, and the chapter houses on the average equally as good as that of the average Beta chapters. Under these conditions would  $B \Theta \Pi$  absorb such a fraternity? And if  $B \Theta \Pi$  would not absorb such a fraternity as a whole, and it were given an opportunity to make a selection, which of those institutions would it select? The answer of the editor, Mr. W. R. Baird, author of "American College Fraternities," appeared in the *Beta Theta Pi* for April, 1904. Since then  $B \Theta \Pi$ 's chapter roll has not changed except that it has entered Case, Mr. Baird says:

We confess it staggered us. To answer our correspondent's question, and he seems to wish an answer through the *Beta Theta Pi*, probably the fraternity would unite with a fraternity having the chapter-roll suggested. It would not do so hastily, but in our opinion that would be the conclusion of the matter, provided all other things were favorable. But we know there is no such organization, and we believe our correspondent is simply trying to draw us out. Well, possibly our opinion may interest some others besides himself, so here it is. The list is an odd one in some sense. It is easily divided into four classes.

First, state institutions, as the Universities of Vermont, Kentucky, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Utah, Nevada and Iowa State.

Second, technical institutions, as Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Case School of Applied Science, Georgia School of Technology, Missouri School of Mines, Colorado School of Mines.

Third, large universities, as Harvard, New York University, McGill University, University of Toronto.

Fourth, smaller colleges, most of them partially supported by, or drawing patronage from, some church denomination, as Williams (non-sectarian), Tufts (Universalist), Hamilton (Presbyterian), Lafayette (Presbyterian), Swarthmore (Quaker), Bucknell (Baptist), Allegheny (Methodist), Washington & Lee (Presbyterian), University of the South (Episcopal), Emory (Methodist), Tulane (non-sectarian), Lake Forest (Presbyterian), Grinnell (Congregational), Colorado College (Congregational).

In the first place, the fraternity has had chapters in Harvard, Williams, Washington & Lee and Mississippi, and the Mystical Seven had a chapter at Emory. It may be taken for granted that the fraternity would rather re-establish an old chapter than charter a new one; and yet petitions from Emory and Washington & Lee have been denied within comparatively recent years. Probably at any of these places the fraternity would look with favor upon applications from a body of petitioners able to show that they could suitably support a chapter in the right way.

Let us look at the first group. State-supported institutions are fairly sure of permanent and adequate support. Vermont, Kentucky, Alabama, Mississippi and Arkansas are now fairly well supplied with fraternity chapters, and while in all probability each place affords a good fraternity field and would be favorably considered merely as an institution, the applicants would have to prove their cases beyond a doubt. North Dakota, South Dakota, Oregon and Iowa State are institutions which probably now afford a fair field for fraternity enterprise. They are better than Michigan, Indiana, Kansas, Wisconsin and Iowa universities were when we entered those institutions as pioneers, and we believe the fraternity would welcome properly endorsed applications from these places. The universities of the Rocky Mountain states of Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Utah and Nevada hardly seem as yet well enough developed for us to enter, and yet they are growing rapidly and in a few years at the farthest will afford suitable locations for a fine group of chapters.

Let us now consider the second group. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Case and Georgia Tech. have now a multitude of chapters; the schools of mines of Missouri and Colorado have some. There is plenty of room at M. I. T. and Case, and possibly at the other places. We know very little about the two western schools. The M. I. T. is a large city school with not much college spirit. It is a good field if properly entered; but to maintain a proper Beta chapter there means hard work and plenty of it. Case should have been entered long ago. It is a fine institution of high grade and a superior class of students, but the senseless rivalry between it and Western Reserve has so far prevented any fraternity which has a chapter at the one institution from entering the other. The Betas should set an example of common sense in this matter. The other institutions are all right as fields for fraternity effort if the right crowd applies from any of them.

The third group needs little consideration. We have recently withdrawn from Harvard and not very long ago refused a charter to New York University. Possibly an application from either place would at present meet with a cold reception. McGill and Toronto seem to be good places, and a number of fraternities have chapters at each, but there is in each place a large number of professional students compared with those taking undergraduate courses, and the field from which to draw good fraternity material is much more limited than is usually supposed. As to each place we say "it would depend on circumstances."

The fourth group is the one which would excite the most discussion. Our own opinion is that the fraternity would accept petitions from Grinnell and Colorado colleges without much demur. They are fine institutions and practically virgin ground. Williams we have already considered. Within a period of about ten years, petitions have been rejected from Tufts, Allegheny, Washington & Lee, Lake Forest, and University of the South. As to all of this group, we think the fate of a petition would depend upon what the near-by chapters thought of the place and the applicants when the petition was presented. There are traditional enmities between Hamilton and Colgate, Lafayette and Lehigh, Bucknell and Pennsylvania State, University of the South and Vanderbilt, and Lake Forest and Northwestern, which might be difficult to overcome. It would be much more difficult to secure a charter for members of this group than for the members of the first and second groups.

We think we have answered our correspondent's letter fairly. We are willing to give any other brother a chance to say a word. After all no fraternity can say it will or will not consider any particular institution favorably



HEADINGS FOR DEPARTMENTS IN THE KAPPA SIGMA CADUCEUS.

We congratulate the new editor of the  $K \Sigma$  *Caduceus*, Prof. Finis K. Farr, upon his initial number, dated February. It contains 156 pages, and is elegantly printed by the Cumberland Press of Nashville. Outside and inside it is a beauty; we have never seen a handsomer fraternity magazine. The specially designed headpieces for the departments are remarkably appropriate and very artistic. We should like to appropriate the whole lot for *THE SCROLL*, changing the  $K \Sigma$  to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  emblems. Through the courtesy of Prof. Farr, the original plates have been loaned for reproducing the designs in this issue of *THE SCROLL*. The editorials in the *Caduceus* are strong, the departments newsy, the contributions interesting, and we expect to derive much pleasure from reading the magazine while Prof. Farr is its editor.



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in advance of an actual movement to place a chapter in such an institution properly presented and indorsed. Our attitude is the same as that of the courts toward imaginary litigation between fictitious parties. We have no machinery to try moot cases. Actual situations and conditions we are prepared to deal with. Our own opinion is purely personal, and of course will have no influence upon the fraternity; but the question of the expansion of the fraternity is of perennial interest, and it assumes protean forms.

In the *Beta Theta Pi* for February, 1905, there is an editorial based upon a letter from an active member of a chapter "situated at a large state university." This chapter voted against granting a charter to the applicants at Case last year. The correspondent holds that B Θ Π has entirely too large a chapter roll, and he not only opposes further extension but advocates the withdrawal of the charters of many chapters of the long standing. And it appears from his communication that these are the views of his chapter. He says: "It seems to us as though it is a race between Φ Δ Θ, K Σ and B Θ Π to outdo each other in the matter of increasing the chapter list." The editor of the *Beta Theta Pi* takes issue with the correspondent in vigorous fashion. The following paragraphs are quoted from a lengthy editorial:

To consider the statements of our correspondent: In the first place, we do not quite understand upon what he bases the idea that there is any sort of a contest between Φ Δ Θ, K Σ and B Θ Π to increase the number of chapters in either fraternity. During the past ten years B Θ Π has established six chapters and rejected twenty-four petitions. This is in cases where the petitions fully met all of our somewhat severe preliminary requirements, and does not include movements for chapters where those interested failed to secure the local support necessary. Φ Δ Θ has established eight chapters, and rejected about as many as B Θ Π within the same time. K Σ, it is true, proceeded upon a different basis, and within the same period of time has established fifteen or more chapters. It probably has not rejected as many as either of the other two fraternities; but with three or four exceptions, the chapters which it has established have been in good places, with good men, and are flourishing and in no wise to be ashamed of.

Our correspondent, therefore, would seem to be entirely mistaken in the facts upon which he bases his conclusion of a contest of this nature. We have observed no tendency on the part of the fraternity unduly to expand; but, on the contrary, have seen what seems to us to have been a very decided lack of progress in that direction.

Referring to our correspondent's second point: No looseness of organization has followed the very conservative policy which B Θ Π has observed. In fact, during the past ten years our organization has become better and better, and the system of our administration is in no wise as loose as it was before that time. We do not believe that any fraternity in the United States has any better system of administration than B Θ Π, or carries it out any better. Our correspondent is entirely mistaken both in his facts and in his conclusions.

Within the last twenty years we have taken in no chapter below a very high standard. All of the chapters that are in any wise below the standard

of highest excellence, and which is due to no fault of their members, but to conditions surrounding the institutions in which they are located, were admitted prior to 1878; and, consequently, if any of the chapters can be said to have a low standard, it is not due, and cannot be due to any policy of the fraternity in unduly expanding its ranks at the present time.

And yet another matter: Within the past twenty-five years our correspondent's chapter has four times been at death's door. In fact, for about ten years of that period it was about as inactive as a chapter could be and yet retain its charter. It was entirely kept alive by transfers; and yet, when circumstances have changed, so that the chapter has been enabled to lead a proper active existence, we find the chapter at once forgetful of its former condition, and eager to do what it can to destroy the very source of its existence.

The questions of the withdrawal of charters is a very different one from the granting of them. The fraternity expends no energy in expansion. The energy exerted in that direction is expended by the petitioners and not by the fraternity. Because there is an undesirable chapter in one state, that is no reason for refusing to grant a charter to a desirable one in another state.

It seems to us that the fraternity is not growing so rapidly even as it should. But we are quite content ourselves to accept as a principle of proper growth the idea that the burden of proof should be upon any set of applicants to show that we ought not rightly, having a proper regard of our own interests, to reject their application. We cannot go very far in the wrong direction if we meet all such applications with an open mind and are willing to be convinced where the facts seem convincing to any reasonable person. We are thoroughly opposed to any policy of the fraternity being based upon such insufficient reasons, themselves founded upon insufficient and inaccurate information, such as our correspondent has outlined.

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## COLLEGIATE.

Indiana University has a \$100,000 dormitory nearly completed.

The University of Pennsylvania has asked the state for an appropriation of \$650,000.

A \$300,000 structure is to replace the main building of the University of Minnesota, which was destroyed by fire recently.

The army and navy relief fund received \$18,000 as proceeds from the sale of seats for the football game at Philadelphia between West Point and Annapolis in 1903, and \$17,000 proceeds from the 1904 game.

President Charles F. Thwing, of Western Reserve University, declares that the failure to increase the salaries of professors in proportion to the increased cost of living is turning away from the colleges the best type of men.

A member of the class of '95 at Princeton has offered a novel inducement to his classmates to attend their reunion. It is a silver loving-cup inscribed: "Presented to the '95 man who came to the decennial from the most distant point, Princeton, June, 1905."

The University of Iowa opened this year with an exceptionally large attendance and very good prospects for a record year. Every department seems to be growing. Two new medical buildings are now in use for the first time, the new gymnasium, which Iowa has so long needed is about completed, and work is progressing rapidly on the museum and natural-science building. Ground will soon be broken for a \$150,000 engineering building.—Σ X *Quarterly* for November.

It is probable that the Western University of Pennsylvania will soon be moved from the suburbs of Allegheny to Pittsburgh, adjacent to the new Carnegie Technical School, which is now in course of construction. For this purpose, fifty acres of ground are being secured at a cost of several million dollars. This space will accommodate at least twenty large university buildings, the erection of which is contemplated. Many Pittsburg capitalists have agreed to subscribe large amounts toward the new movement.

Some time ago Joseph Pulitzer, owner of the New York *World*, gave to Columbia University \$2,000,000, to establish and endow a school of journalism. The university is now in actual possession of \$1,000,000 and legal provision has been made for the other million. But the school will not be opened until after the death of Mr. Pulitzer. This decision has been recently reached on account of several considerations, one of them, it is said, being the failure of President Butler to agree with the advisory board for the fund, which board the donor suggested, and which comprises such men as President Eliot of Harvard, Andrew D. White, Whitelaw Reid and John Hay.

The New Hampshire legislature has appropriated \$40,000 to Dartmouth for the next two years. New Dartmouth Hall, work on which begins this spring, will be constructed of white brick on the same plan as the old hall, which was burned last year, but the new hall will have an increased width of ten feet.

University Hall, erected in 1770, the first building of Brown University at its present location in Providence, will be restored to its original appearance. For seventy years the brick work has been covered with an olive green stucco, which Superintendent Burlingame proposes to remove. Some time ago a test was made on a small section of the wall, and the brick was found to be in fair condition. The arches over the windows will be replaced, and all the woodwork painted white.

As shown by the report of the United States commissioner of education, the total amount of benefactions to educational institutions in the country during 1903 was \$17,039,967. Each of the following institutions received \$100,000 or over: Chicago, \$2,983,355; Harvard, \$1,095,737; Pennsylvania, \$936,852; Yale, \$595,028; Bryn Mawr, \$572,149; Syracuse, \$567,993; Columbia, \$501,131; Oberlin, \$403,434; Barnard, \$403,290; Brown, \$395,307; Cornell, \$365,935; Beloit, \$358,000; Western Reserve, \$304,000; Wooster, \$300,000; Adelphi (Brooklyn, N. Y.), \$350,000; Penna. State, \$245,000; Smith, \$211,000; Allegheny, \$200,000; DePauw, \$175,450; New York University, \$174,345; Coe, (Iowa), \$170,000; Stevens Institute, \$160,000; Washington (St. Louis), \$157,098; M. I. T., \$147,808; Univ. of Southern California, \$134,000; Trinity (N. C.), \$130,000; Des Moines, \$125,000; Haverford, \$125,000; Vassar, \$117,626; W. & L., \$102,000; Baylor (Texas), \$100,000.

Dr. E. A. Alderman was inaugurated president of the University of Virginia on April 13. He is the first president of the institution founded by Thomas Jefferson eighty years ago. The inaugural exercises were of an imposing character. Many alumni were present and many presidents of other institutions lent dignity to the occasion. Among the distinguished speakers were Governor Montague and United States Senators Martin and Daniel, of Virginia; President Angell, of the University of Michigan; President Jesse, of the University of Missouri; President Hill, of the University of Georgia; President Smith, of the University of North Carolina; President Remsen, of Johns Hopkins University, and President Butler of Columbia University. Prof. Archibald Cary Coolidge, of Harvard, speaking on behalf of the universities of the east, said that they were indebted to the University of Virginia for the elective system and for the honor system. In the evening there was a banquet in the rotunda, preceded by a torch light procession in which 1,000 students and alumni participated.

The New York *Tribune* of March 26 contains a two column article regarding the decay of college democracy at Yale. It cites an editorial in the *Yale Alumni Weekly*, which says that a cult has been formed by men living in high priced private dormitories outside the campus, and that, "Analysis shows that a very large majority of lower classmen who have 'made' societies have lodged in two or three of the private dormitories where the prices have been highest." The *Tribune* also quotes "a well informed undergraduate" as saying:

If a man does not take a room with the "clique" in the Hutchinson, a private dormitory, about a block from the campus, in his sophomore year, his chances to "make" a junior society are about one in three hundred. For the first time in Yale history, money and cliques are determining which Yale students are to receive junior society honors. There is now drawn a sharp line between men who live in the old college dormitories and those who join the "cliques" in the sumptuous private apartment house. As it takes money to go through the society mill and live in the "Hutch," the poor Yale man is nowadays practically shut out from Yale social life, so far as societies go. Moreover, this "clique system" and the "Hutch" have made an enormous difference in campus life. Spring and summer evenings no longer see the entire Yale undergraduate body assembled at the fence, by classes, mixing up and making possible the famous old Yale democracy. Nowadays the old fence is deserted, and the old fence traditions have gone the way of the rest of the treasured Yale ways of democratic living.

The catalogue of Brown University for 1904-05, in summarizing the administration of President Faunce, calls attention to the seven new buildings added to the equipment during the last few years, to the alumni fence now surrounding the front and middle campuses, and the addition of the John Carter Brown Library of Americana. The endowment of the university has been raised to \$2,492,198, exclusive of the funds pertaining to the John Carter Brown library. At the close of the commencement in June, there were enrolled the names of 5,895 graduates. Of the whole number 3,128, or 53 per cent. were living. An added feature in the catalogue of this year is the charter of the university, granted in the year "One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-Four, and in the fourth Year of the Reign of his most Sacred Majesty George the Third, by the Grace of God, King of Great Britain and so forth." One of the provisions of this document is the following: "Into this liberal and catholic institution shall never be admitted any religious tests, but on the contrary all the members hereof shall forever enjoy full, free and absolute and uninterrupted liberty of conscience." The statistics show a faculty numbering 93 members. The attendance of students numbers 988, an increase of 53 over last year.

## STUDENT ATTENDANCE AT UNIVERSITIES.

Mr. Rudolph Tombo, Jr., president of  $\Theta \Delta X$ , and registrar of Columbia University, furnishes to *Science* every year statistics of student attendance at various universities. In that magazine for December he gives statistics showing the number of students at twenty-one institutions which, he is careful to say, are not inclusive of all of "the twenty-one largest or the twenty-one leading universities of the country." The number at each of the selected institutions was as follows: Harvard, 4,516; Columbia, 4,056; Minnesota, 3,671; Michigan, 3,667; Cornell, 3,364; Illinois, 3,233; California, 3,130; Yale, 2,995; Pennsylvania, 2,940; Northwestern, 2,806; Wisconsin, 2,668; Syracuse, 2,419; Nebraska, 2,414; Chicago, 2,218; Ohio State, 1,723; Missouri, 1,536; Stanford, 1,420; Princeton, 1,385; Indiana, 882; Hopkins, 740; Virginia, 691. Summer school students are not counted in this enumeration. The statistics are approximately as of November 1, 1904. The New York *Sun* publishes similar statistics for fifteen institutions and says that a significant feature of such figures is the surprisingly large attendance at western institutions. Commenting on the statistics in the *Sun*, the *Shield* of  $\Phi K \Psi$  says:

It is not surprising that the remarkable change in college conditions, which is a phenomenon of the last fifteen years, is reflected in some conceptions of comparative college fraternity strength. The advantage which has come to  $\Phi K \Psi$ , for instance, in this shifting of things, is that in nearly everyone of the western institutions named, we have been entrenched for a long time, and the little coterie of Greek letter self sufficient are being compelled to trail in at institutions which seemed to them impossible only a little while ago. We are strongly represented in every one of the fifteen institutions named having a real national fraternity system, Princeton, Harvard and Yale not being entitled to such classification.

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 PROPOSED MERGER OF HARVARD AND BOSTON TECH.

The articles of agreement under which it is proposed to combine the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard University were made public on March 25. They provide for a joint school of industrial science, to be known under the present name of the Institute of Technology. According to the plan, Technology must move from Boston to Cambridge, and erect and furnish buildings on the Cambridge side of the Charles river, as nearly as possible opposite Harvard square, the buildings to have as much capacity as those now occupied by the institute. After three years the Lawrence Scientific School, now connected with Harvard, is to be dis-

continued if the institute is then prepared in its new situation to give all needed instruction in industrial sciences to the students of that school, and all machinery, instruments and equipment of the school are to be transferred to the institute. Male students of the institute are to have the same privileges as the students at Harvard in the use of play-grounds, museums and libraries of the university. The institute is to be maintained by present institute funds augmented by the income of all funds of the Lawrence Scientific School, by three-fifths of the net income which may accrue from the Gordon McKay bequest, amounting to several millions, and by the income of all property which Harvard may hereafter acquire for the promotion of instruction in industrial science. The department of architecture of each institution is not included in the union plan. The agreement is to become void if at the end of four years from the time when the project goes into effect "the institute shall not have purchased land and proceeded to a substantial extent" with construction. The agreement also provides that the union may be terminated at any time by either corporation, on reasonable notice being given to the other.

The New York *Tribune* of March 5 contains several columns, of comment on the appeal of President Harris of Amherst College, at a meeting of the Amherst club in New York, for cast-off "dress suits" for the poorer students of his college. Most of the comments expressed disapproval of the proposition. Chancellor MacCracken of New York University said: "Students had better do without evening suits than accept dress clothes as a charity." A professor at Cornell declared: "Of all things a needy man need not beg for, a dress suit stands first of all." A Wesleyan professor said: "I should think the appeal would so grate on the feelings of the leaders of Amherst's social circles as to make them discard the full dress suit altogether and revert to the Prince Albert for all social functions." A Lehigh student said: "Here we make no bones about whether a student goes to a college function in a dress suit or otherwise. He feels just as much at home without as with such a suit and no one ever thinks he is not properly arrayed." A freshman in the law department at the University of Missouri, who supported himself while pursuing his academic course, is quoted as follows:

Would the boys of the University of Missouri appreciate such contributions for their benefit? Not if I know them. The average boy at the University of Missouri doesn't own a dress suit; most of them never wore one.

Some of them can afford it and some can not, but the time has not yet come when it is the first ambition of the Missouri student to wear a dress suit. Every man at the University of Missouri is working for and expecting some time to reach a position in society where dress suits are worn, but he is thinking of the position and not of the dress suit. He expects to reach that position by making himself a useful member of society, and that is the purpose which holds his attention while a student. When that position is reached he will wear a dress suit. But the position will be the result of hard work and good sense. Into that position he will take individual independence and a strong character, and when he wears a dress suit it will be his own. It will add nothing to his self-respect and take nothing away, but will be to him only one of the conventionalities which society has imposed upon him. For the man who is willing to come to the position through the conventionality, the man who is willing to take the short cut by receiving the donation of a dress suit, the Missouri student has a supreme contempt. That man is not of our kind. Only as a son of Adam is he related to us. If the students of this college are in sympathy with the proposition of this eastern president, it is to be hoped that the blood relationship established in the ancient Garden is the only connection we shall ever have with them.

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#### CARNEGIE AIDING SMALL COLLEGES.

At the annual dinner of the alumni of Stevens Institute of Technology, held in New York March 28, Andrew Carnegie, who was the guest of honor, said:

If I had a son, I should prefer him to enter upon a professional career such as you choose rather than any other. I have been looking largely into small colleges of late, and I have entered into the college business as I not long ago entered into the library business. I did a rip-roaring business at the library stand, but I could look ahead and see the demand for libraries slacken. My secretary says that the demand is down to one library a day. I think a young man who goes to a small college receives a better education than at a large one. I like to see men not excelling in football or things pertaining to the foot, but excelling in head expansion. Sport is too generally taking the place of valuable knowledge at the big colleges. Since I have gone into the new business there has been a great boom. Within the past few days I have received more than 100 applications for the material I am sending to small colleges. Business, gentlemen, is promising.

The following gifts from Mr. Carnegie have recently been announced: To the University of Maine, \$50,000 for a library building. To Norwich University, the state military college of Vermont, \$25,000 for a library building and \$25,000 for its engineering department. To Syracuse University, \$150,000 for a library building. To the University of Rochester, \$100,000 for a building of applied sciences. To Stevens Institute, \$50,000, in addition to \$290,000 previously given. To the University of Pennsylvania, \$15,000 toward a Christian settlement building. To Dickinson, \$64,000 for a library building. To Allegheny, \$25,000. To St. John's College (Md.), \$16,700 for a physical and chemical labora-

tory building. To Washington and Lee, \$50,000 for a library building. To the University of Virginia, \$500,000. To the University of North Carolina, \$50,000 for a library building. To Heidelberg University (Ohio), \$25,000 for a library building. To DePauw, \$50,000 for a library building. To Drake University (Iowa), \$30,000 for a library building. To Ripon College (Wis.), \$20,000.

Most if not all of these gifts were made by Mr. Carnegie on condition that the institutions should raise equal amounts from other sources. At the time THE SCROLL went to press he was making donations so rapidly that it was difficult to keep track of them. He has announced that while he does not intend to withhold benefactions from denominational colleges, he will not make gifts to institutions which are narrowly sectarian or which apply any religious test for admission. An editorial in the *Independent* of April 6 says:

Mr. Carnegie is wise in making these gifts to the small colleges. They generally represent local or special needs, and their resources are scanty. The students who attend them would to a great extent not have gone elsewhere. They anticipate and create the demand for the higher education. The students who attend them are of the best quality, not from the ranks of the rich, but from the common people, and they come to work. They represent ambition and noble purpose. These smaller colleges produce their full share of men of mark. Their students are under closer supervision and instruction than are those in the larger classes of great institutions. They spend scanty money in social entertainments, liquor and tobacco, and their athletics cost them little in cash. What money they have goes to their education, and they have high purposes with it. The time has passed to flout the small colleges or the fresh water universities. They can hold their own.

Mr. Carnegie's gift of \$150,000 to Syracuse University for a library building is conditioned upon the raising of another \$150,000 endowment for running expenses. At the New York conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at New York, April 11, Chancellor Day reported that \$10,000 had been raised. Referring to the mooted question as to whether churches and colleges should accept money without regard to its source, he said: "If you know of any man willing to give Syracuse University \$100,000, I assure you there will be no pharisaism on my part about accepting it." This statement was greeted with applause.

The following institutions have recently received gifts from other sources: By the will of the late W. F. Milton, Harvard, on the death of his widow will receive property worth over \$1,000,000. Harvard also has a bequest of \$200,000 from the late J. C. Carter. The class of '80, of which President Roosevelt is a member will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniver-

sary next June by making Harvard a gift of \$100,000 in cash. By a bequest of the late G. L. Littlefield, Brown receives an estate estimated at \$500,000. Columbia has recently received \$146,000, of which \$100,000 was given by J. H. Schiff to endow a chair of social work. In appreciation of the enthusiastic reception tendered Goldwin Smith, of Toronto, formerly a professor at Cornell, during his recent visit to Ithaca, his wife has given \$20,000 for fitting up the new hall of humanities there which has been named for him. M. H. Wilson, a trustee of Northwestern University, has given it \$250,000, and intends, it is said, to increase the gift to a million.

Mr. Carnegie's gift of \$500,000 to the University of Virginia is conditioned upon the raising of an equal amount. At the inauguration of President E. A. Alderman, the first president of the university, April 13, he announced the following gifts toward the second half million: \$100,000 from John D. Rockefeller, \$50,000 from T. J. Jefferson Coolidge, \$10,000 from James C. Carter, \$10,000 from Joseph Bryan, \$9,000 from Charles Broodway Rouss, \$5,000 from Samuel Spencer, \$2,500 from Francis Bartlett, \$2,000 from Alexander Humphreys, \$1,000 from Elihu Root.

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#### SHOULD COLLEGE STUDENTS STUDY?

In the *North American Review* Dr. Charles H. Thwing, president of the Western Reserve University, discusses the question "Should college students study?" It is a timely practical topic and deserves most serious consideration. At first sight many arguments on the affirmative side of this proposition will occur to the average citizen. But unquestionably the great weight of authority in the other way. Solomon, the wisest of men, who had expert information, declares in the most solemn manner that he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow. It is also proverbial that a little knowledge is a dangerous thing. How much more dangerous is a great deal of knowledge. Books, studies and lectures are the greatest drawback to the pleasures of college life. Without them the life at the university would be ideal. Living in a literary atmosphere, with pleasant rooms and congenial companions, what could be more delightful? For mathematics and philosophy to creep in is like the serpent gliding into the Garden of Eden and promoting the tree of knowledge, the fruit of which brought sin into the world and all our woe.

The two most delightful books about college and school life ever written are "Schooldays at Rugby" and "Tom Brown at Oxford." It will strike the most casual reader that the charming, manly boys in those stories troubled themselves very little about books. They were more profitably occupied in drinking beer, playing football and cricket and rowing boat races. Books in a college distract the mind of the student from his athletic sports. No man can serve two masters; neither can a college boy give his attention to football and calculus concurrently. He will hold to one and despise the other. It will be noted that Waterloo was won on the football field at Eton and Rugby, not in the classrooms. Therefore, if we want to win Waterloos in the future keep the boys out of the classrooms and on the football fields and do not distract their attention from athletics by forcing books upon them.

It is related that years ago a committee of the House of Commons was examining into the conditions of the great public schools of England. At Rugby a boy who was being examined by the committee was asked how standing at the head of the school in Greek affected a boy's standing with his fellows. The reply was that if the boy was exceptionally good at cricket or football the witness did not think it would hurt him to stand number 1 in Greek. But that was before football became a science. It requires a man's entire time and effort to become a first-class specialist, and it is impossible to reach the highest honors in football if your mind is in any degree occupied with books. Upon the whole, great minds are decidedly of the opinion that students at colleges and universities should not study.—Baltimore *Sun*.

Dr. W. G. Anderson, director of Yale gymnasium, has been examining the freshmen of the academic department and the Sheffield Scientific School, to determine if a man's physique plays a part in the selection of scientific or classical work, and whether the members of the scientific school select occupations that call for manual dexterity because their bodies are more muscular. The relative measurements and strength tests of the two departments show that the scientific school freshmen, although not so tall and weighing less, have greater strength in practically every test. The comparison, according to Dr. Anderson, leads to the deduction that the students of superior physiques generally prefer the scientific course and they lead more strenuous lives after graduation.

The class of 1904, college, is to present to the University of Pennsylvania a statue of Benjamin Franklin, founder of the university. It will cost \$5,000 and will be placed on the terrace in front of the gymnasium.

Union University has decided to offer a four-year course in Greek for the benefit of students who desire the degree of A. B., but who were unable to take Greek in their high school course. Students electing this course will be required to continue the Greek for the full four years, the first two being devoted to that portion of the work which is usually done in the schools, and the remaining two to those subject of the course usually taken up in the freshman and sophomore years in college. Union has adopted this plan because of numerous applications for such a course.

The Right Hon. James Bryce, M. P., who has been visiting America and composing present conditions in the United States with those he found here thirty-five years ago, gives his impressions in recent numbers of the *Outlook*. He asserts that within the last thirty-five years there has been "a development of the higher education in the United States perhaps without a parallel in the world;" and he states his deliberate opinion that America has now "not less than fifteen or perhaps even twenty seats of learning fit to be ranked beside the universities of Germany, France and England as respects the completeness of the instruction which they provide and the thoroughness at which they aim."

The faculty of the University of Pennsylvania has decided that work done in the summer school from July 5 to August 12 shall be accepted as an equivalent for work in the regular college course. Last year was the first for the new summer school, and 137 students matriculated. Preparations are being made for more than 200 this year.

The latest report of the United States commissioner of education gives seven university law schools with over 300 students each. They are: University of Michigan, 883; Harvard University, 633; New York University, 611; University of Minnesota, 504; Columbia University, 440; University of Pennsylvania, 392; Boston University, 334. Of these schools, Michigan, Minnesota, Boston, Pennsylvania, and New York admit women. The number of women in the seven schools is less than 100.

The plans have been completed for five new buildings for the School of Education, the University High School, and the Chicago Manual Training School, which make up the group of the University of Chicago's secondary schools. The new structures will contain a workshop, an assembly hall, a museum, gymnasium, and additional recitation rooms.

The Cornell *Daily Sun* has lately been incorporated, the stock being taken partly by editors chosen from students, partly by Ithaca business men. The latter will remain as permanent directors, the editorial management being handed on from class to class as heretofore. Incorporation, it is believed, will give the paper greater continuity, and put it upon a firmer business basis.

Princeton is to have a co-operative store. It will be conducted by the Princeton Co-operative Society, and its privileges will be restricted exclusively to men who are stockholders. Members of the seminary, Lawrenceville school and Princeton preparatory school will be allowed to buy at the store on payment of the membership fee, which will amount to about \$2 a year, but they will be allowed no share in any dividends that may be declared. It is hoped that in time the scope of the store may be extended to include all student necessities, as is the case with Harvard's co-operative store.

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## THE PYX.

In this department in the June number we desire to publish a list of summer addresses of reporters or of members to whom communications for the chapters may be sent. Every chapter reporter is asked to note this and supply us with such address.

Now is the season for making plates of chapter groups. Just as soon as your college annual has used your group, send it prepaid to our printers, George Banta Publishing Co., Menasha, Wisconsin, and notify us of the shipment.

All readers of THE SCROLL are requested to send us immediately any data as to deceased members—full names, chapters, classes, former residences, places and exact dates of death—for "The Chapter Grand" department in the June SCROLL. Brief biographical sketches will also be acceptable.



OHIO ALPHA CHAPTER, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

The George Banta Publishing Co., of Menasha, Wis., printers of THE SCROLL, are printing four college annuals this year—the *Ariel* of Lawrence University, the *Forester* of Lake Forest College, the *Jayhawker* of the University of Kansas, and the *Southwestern* of Southwestern Kansas College.

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Let us watch steadily the accounts of our new chapter houses. In this number are presented illustrated descriptions of the new home of Illinois Eta and the home-to-be of Massachusetts Alpha. How ardently we rejoice over such durable achievements! The plans for the beautiful Williams house were drawn by Bro. Frederick K. Squires, an alumnus of the chapter. He is a brilliant young architect at 132 Nassau St., New York. He is giving special attention to the construction of fraternity houses. The Illinois house was largely designed by Bro. Parker of the active chapter. Progress in the chapter house movements at Syracuse, Westminster, Knox, Indianapolis and Indiana is reported to be steady. Meanwhile Missouri Beta is living in a house recently rented, so that every chapter in Zeta province is in a house. We expect to present in the June SCROLL illustrated articles descriptive of the new homes of Missouri Alpha and Nebraska Alpha. We are constantly expecting to hear something good from other chapters as to such matters.

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The Harvard  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  alumni club has just issued a list of its members and their addresses. They number thirty-two and represent twenty chapters, as follows:—*Vermont*, C. F. Blair, '99, president; *Williams*, J. B. Ely, '02; *Amherst*, W. C. King, '02, C. A. Legg, *ex-'03*, J. M. Murdock, '03; *Brown*, B. H. Buxton, '04, G. E. Buxton, '03, E. L. McIntyre, '04, S. H. Solomon, '02, S. H. Whitley, '03; *Lafayette*, W. McPherson, *ex-'06*; *Gettysburg*, S. B. Meisenhelder, *ex-'04*; *Dartmouth*, C. M. Owen, '01; *North Carolina*, C. H. Johnston, '98; *Kentucky State*, J. C. Shelby, '04; *Central*, W. L. Sudduth, '02; *Ohio Wesleyan*, G. N. Armstrong, '97, C. P. Hamill, '03, E. W. Hamill, '01, W. L. Robinson, '02, K. T. Waugh, '00; *Franklin*, F. N. Thurston, '03; *Indiana*, R. W. Morris, '01; *Knox*, G. A. Shurtleff, '03, secretary; *Chicago*, O. B. Wyman, '03; *Iowa Wesleyan*, Prof. T. N. Carter, *ex-'87*; *Illinois*, E. L. Draper, '02; *Missouri*, R. F. Potts, *ex-'05*; *Texas*, R. C. Wells, '00 (instructor); *California*, E. P. Gardiner, '02, S. Hendricks, '04.

This is indeed a cosmopolitan group. In it one recognizes the names of some former chapter reporters, and there is doubtless a great deal left of true devotion to the fraternity. The New York alumni club has just issued a neat pamphlet containing its by-laws, list of officers and members and their addresses. The active members of the club number one hundred and fifty-two.

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The Chicago *Evening Post* of March 27 chronicled a meeting of Evanston students and professors at the Illinois Alpha chapter house in order to begin the organization of a new university club. The temporary chairman is Bro. Harry I. Allen, who was the football captain for 1904. The movement has the earnest support of acting president Holgate of Northwestern University.

These facts help to show that Illinois Alpha is a strong chapter and is a leader in university enterprises.

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The  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  placque of which this is an illustration is sold by Davis & Clegg, fraternity jewelers, 616 Chestnut street,



Philadelphia. The enlarged *fac simile* of the badge is cast in brass, the shield 6 inches long, the sword 10 inches long, and is mounted on an antique oak shield,  $13\frac{1}{2} \times 10$ , the price being \$3. Another placque with the coat of arms,  $8 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ , on an oak shield,  $13\frac{1}{2} \times 10$ , similar in appearance to the placque illustrated on page 88 of the October SCROLL, is sold by Messrs. Davis & Clegg for \$4. In addition, this firm will furnish still larger placques, which

are especially suitable for chapter houses, consisting of the coat of arms,  $12 \times 17$ , or the badge of about the same dimension, mounted on an oblong board,  $18 \times 24$ , the price of each being \$15.

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In a recent notable contest between the Harvard and Columbia gymnastic teams two members of New York Delta distinguished themselves. Bro. W. L. Benham, captain of the Columbia team, made the best impression of the occasion, winning the contest on the parallel bars. Bro. E. Ashley won second place in the contest in flying rings.

In the intercollegiate swimming championship contest on March 18, honors were about evenly divided between Pennsylvania and Columbia. The inter-collegiate championship relay race, won by Pennsylvania, was participated in by Bros. Block and McCarey. Of the six members of the Pennsylvania team three are Phis: Block, captain and right forward; Muhlenberg, left forward, McCarey, half back.

On the next evening was the annual dual exhibition of the Pennsylvania and Columbia gymnastic teams. The feature event of the meet was a special "jiu jitsu" exhibition by Bros. Takaki and Iwaya, of Pennsylvania. Among the star performers of the evening were Bros. Benham and Ashley. Among their worthy competitors were Bros. Dieterle and the two Japanese brothers, of Pennsylvania.

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Bro. A. M. McCrillis, H. G. C., and Bro. W. B. Palmer, editor of the history, who visited Jamaica two winters ago, were interested on learning recently that Quebec Alpha has a member from there—Bro. Harold Moffat Houghton, science, '07, at McGill University, from Cavalier's House, Kingston, the capital of Jamaica. The 28 active members of Quebec Alpha, as shown by its annual circular letter February 1, 1905, hail from Quebec, Ontario, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward's Island, Manitoba, Alta, Jamaica, Massachusetts and New York.

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Last spring Pennsylvania Zeta adopted a hat band consisting of a black silk ribbon, with a white stripe between two blue stripes, the ribbon being one and three quarters inch wide, and each of the stripes one eighth inch wide. The hat band will be modified this year by having a black cord between the white stripe and the blue stripe, so as to set off the colors better.

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The inauguration of Edwin Boon Craighead as president of Tulane University in March evoked great enthusiasm in New Orleans and the university. The new president is a strong, broad man who will undoubtedly develop this famous institution to an extent hitherto unexpected. Among the prominent guests at the great inaugural banquet were the following Phis: Dr. H. B. Gessner, Dr. Marion Souchon, Judge Robert H. Marr, Dr. F. W. Parham, Alex Allison, Jr., Horace Crump, and H. M. Ansley. We are glad to note the

following college honors achieved by members of Louisiana Alpha: Associate editor of *The Olive and Blue* (college weekly), R. G. Robinson; orator, Founder's Day, Percy W. Tombs.

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“Patterson’s College and School Directory” is the title of a book compiled and edited by Homer L. Patterson, the first edition of which appeared in the latter part of 1904. It is an octavo of 346 pages—with advertisements, 384. The body of the work is divided according to the states and territories of the United States and provinces of Canada. Under each of these divisions are given the names and addresses of the state, territorial or provincial educational officials; and under each state and territory in the United States are given the names and addresses of the county superintendents of schools. Under each division also is a list of universities, colleges, academies and seminaries. Two or three lines are devoted to each institution showing its name, location, denominational control if any, name of its president or principal, whether co-educational or not, and in many cases the year of establishment. This list of institutions by states, territories and provinces is convenient for reference, and would be of more interest if more statistics were furnished. Additional statistics are given in a very few instances, evidently because such extra notices were paid for. There are two interesting tables—one of 119 universities and colleges arranged according to age; the other of 120 such institutions arranged according to student attendance. Another commendable feature is a list of papers and magazines published by the students at the universities and colleges. To Greek-letter fraternities 34 pages are devoted—about a page and a quarter to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , for instance. The facts given in regard to each fraternity are the date and place of foundation, a description of its badge, colors and flower, name of its open magazine, and the titles and locations of its active chapters. The years of establishment of chapters are not given, and neither is the membership by chapters or of the fraternity as a whole. Sixteen pages of the book contain interesting information about colleges and universities in Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, New Zealand, South America, Cuba and the Philippines. The book is well printed and bound in cloth. On receipt of \$1.50 the publishers, the American Educational Company, 315 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill., will send it to any address.

Since the article in this issue headed "Two War Correspondents" was set in type, we have noticed a cablegram in the Chicago *Daily News*, referring to Richard H. Little, Illinois Epsilon, '95, and perhaps written by him. The cablegram in part is as follows:

Kobe, March 24—Richard H. Little, The Chicago *Daily News* staff correspondent, Francis MacCullagh of the New York *Herald*, M. Naudeau of the *Journal de Paris* and Baron Krieglstein of the *Berlin Lokalanzeiger* arrived here as prisoners of war on the *Awa Maru* today. They will probably be kept in quarantine for some days. Little and the three other correspondents are being well treated. The governor of the prefecture attended their party and saw them off to Shidzuoka. They will probably be released soon.

Little says that the battle of Mukden was a splendid affair on the Russian side, as well as on the Japanese. Several villages were taken and retaken four times. He and the other correspondents had no idea that the right wing of the Russians, under Kaulbars, would be compelled to retreat until the order arrived from Kuropatkin. Little and his companions were surprised to learn that the Russians had not asked for an armistice or made peace proposals. They say that Russia's position in the field is hopeless; that Kuropatkin lost all his heavy guns and the railway line.

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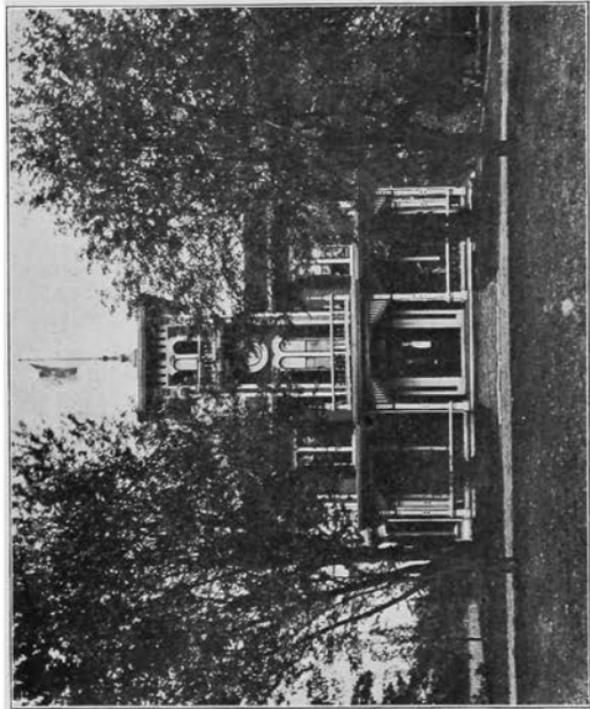
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THE MISSOURI ALPHA CHAPTER HOUSE.

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## MISSOURI ALPHA'S CHAPTERHOUSE

Missouri Alpha's new chapterhouse is a home worthy of the chapter's honorable and uninterrupted career of thirty-five years. It is a home in every sense of the word, and a fitting place for memories of college days to cluster—a place the men when leaving cantie to, can return to find unchanged, and feel to be their own. This is one of the beautiful things about a chapterhouse—one's own chapterhouse, it is there for a man to go back to, to welcome him, to make him feel at home, to bring the old days and the old faces back. And is there one among us who would not give much for such a blessing?

Missouri Alpha's new home is a beautiful place. A handsome old fashioned mansion, set well back on a wide lawn with plenty of room on every side, surrounded by great, old trees and ornamental shrubbery. Situated on high ground in the most desirable residence section of Columbia, and within sight of the university buildings, it is indeed happily placed. Looking to the west, the house faces horticulture gardens, with Read and Horticulture halls in plain view and Academic hall looming up in the middle distance. To the southwest, Rollins Field can be seen, and the new gymnasium will be in sight when completed. The house stands on a point commanding a broad view of the country, and can itself be seen from a great distance.

The house was built a number of years ago by John Bass, Esq., a leading citizen of the community, and subsequently owned and occupied by the father of Robert T. Haines, '89, and Charles G. Haines, '93, both of Missouri Alpha, while they were in college. It was planned on old fashioned generous proportions, with wonderful high ceilings and great wide

rooms, and was built in a most substantial fashion. The arrangement is simple and convenient, and with the few changes that have been made since its purchase, and the addition of more sleeping and bath-rooms, the house is surprisingly well suited to the purpose. The house has been newly decorated and furnished with an idea to present uses, and with the addition of hard floors, is a most attractive and comfortable chapterhouse.

The chapterhouse property was purchased at a bargain for \$9,000, and \$2500 has been expended in additions, improvements and furnishings. The terms of the purchase were very liberal, the seller, S. F. Conley, Missouri Alpha, '90, agreeing to carry a deed of trust for \$7,000. The building lot on University avenue, purchased by the chapterhouse corporation in 1899 for \$1200, was sold for \$2,200, providing sufficient cash to close the deal. The funds for additions, furnishings, etc., were derived from the sale of second mortgage bonds to the alumni. Proceeds of further sales of bonds, bearing a low rate of interest, will be applied on the first deed of trust. The chapter has operated the ten-year note plan for some years, and has on hand in excess of \$4,000 in notes. The payments on these from year to year will be applied to the reduction of the debt on the property. The house is leased to the active chapter at an annual rental sufficient to meet all interest, taxes, insurance and repairs. Fourteen men live in the house.

The efforts of Missouri Alpha chapter to acquire a home of her own are a lesson in patience. While other chapters have been erecting and acquiring chapterhouses after a few months of effort, Missouri Alpha's chapterhouse scheme, although moving gradually along, has at times seemed to be affected with a fatal backwardness. Blessed with a list of alumni of unquestioned loyalty and affection for Missouri Alpha and bound together by fraternal ties of peculiar warmth, we have been slow to realize our hopes and gain the coveted chapterhouse. As long ago as 1884—according to the minutes—the chapter realized it wanted a permanent home. No definite movement was started, however, until 1898, when six men of the active chapter got together after commencement and started a chapterhouse fund by giving notes for \$100 apiece. This was the real start of the movement which after many discouraging trials and setbacks has had so happy a result. For several years, after the purchase of our building lot we cherished the hope of building a house. In July, 1904, plans

had been accepted and we were almost ready to put them into execution, when the opportunity came to purchase our present house on terms within our reach. Far from being a compromise with our former hopes, our chapterhouse is on a scale and of a character far beyond anything we had dared to plan. Located in a beautiful residence street with surroundings all that could be wished for, with grounds having frontage of 155 feet and depth of 350 feet, worth the purchase price without the house, the property will grow in attractiveness and in value with increasing years. Missouri Alpha has reason indeed to be proud and happy over her new possessions.

ROYALL HILL SWITZLER, '98.

#### RECOLLECTIONS OF THE EARLY DAYS OF PHI DELTA THETA\*

The recognition of my seniority in age by your request to tell the story of the organization as an old Phi, in its early days, has gone to my heart with a stir and flutter, I assure you, and it makes me long that I could respond quickly and fully in the affirmative:

Oh, memory! Alight and sing  
 Where rosy-bellied pippins cling,  
 And golden russets glint and gleam  
 As in the old Arabian dream—  
 The fruits of that enchanted tree  
 The glad Alladin robbed for me!  
 And drowsy winds awake and fan  
 My blood as when it overran  
 A heart ripe as the apples grow,  
 In orchard lands of long ago.

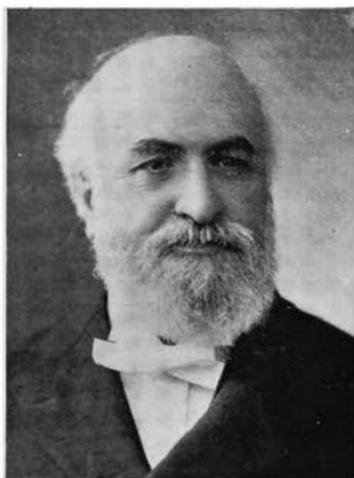
Ah me, the long ago! At old Miami! That humble western college which still has high rank among the pioneer institutions of the now middle west! Old Miami! Unpretentious yet patient and persevering, in its mission to train, equip and send forth a succession of earnest workers in all professions and ranks of life. Ah me, the long ago of the great state of Ohio; how it quickens the thought and pride of all who have ever been under her care. It was once said publicly in my hearing: "All great men were either born in Ohio, or went to school in Ohio, or passed through Ohio."

Yet, broad as is that utterance, it has its reverse side. Far more were they who were born and educated in or passed through its bounds, from her overshadowing influence,

\* An answer by Rev. Edward P. Shields, D. D., Ohio Alpha, '54, of Bridgeton, N. J., to an invitation from B. M. L. Ernst, corresponding secretary of the New York alumni club to be present at the dinner of the club, March 15, 1905.

than became great because of the claim so pleasingly put for the noble commonwealth; a state which has sent out a large train of faithful ones all over this great land for national blessing.

The bright, beautiful village of Oxford, fairer than ever today in the circle of Ohio institutional centres, has become still more famous by reason of the various other colleges which followed the opening of the university in 1824. But the first after varied experiences and adversities, has renewed its youth, and is strenuously keeping abreast of the present



REV. EDWARD PATRICK SHIELDS, MIAMI, '54,  
Bridgeton, N. J.

day educational enterprise, so manifest in so many of her schools of learning, co-educational, or for progress with separate training of both sexes.

An attempt to comply, even imperfectly, with your invitation to tell about the early days of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  as a factor in the growth and influence of the college where it found the light, bids me draw closer to you in all that is now and here written.

Being present at the semi-centennial of the order in 1899, I had the pleasure of crossing palms with the two surviving founders, Rev. Dr. Robert Morrison, '49, of Missouri, and

John Wolfe Lindley, '50, of Ohio. Dr. Morrison was well known to me after his entrance into the Presbyterian ministry, and his enrollment on the editorial staff of the *Presbyterian Herald*. His residence was thus fixed at Louisville, Kentucky, after my college career was begun in 1852; and it continued from 1854 to 1860. He died in Missouri, July 27, 1902.

I found Mr. Lindley a very pleasant and modest man, slow of speech and yet thoroughly imbued with fraternity zeal and pride in the order he had helped to organize in '48-'49. I had never before met him, but the two or three days of our homing in the Oxford Female College drew us together as strangers are seldom drawn.

The Rev. Dr. John M. Worrall is classed with the Phi class of 1849, not as a graduate of the university but as pastor of the Presbyterian church at Oxford, and of course must have been received into honorary membership, not a founder. He is now professor emeritus in the theological seminary recently transferred from Danville to Louisville, Kentucky. He has had a most useful and honored career in the ministry of the Presbyterian church, being for some time a pastor in New York City, and he well merits the resting with content which has fallen to his lot. The writer was his fellow-student in a lower class in the collegiate institute at New Albany, Indiana, for several years. His friendship as a pastor during my stay at Oxford was valued very much indeed.

Dr. Worrall is mentioned thus specifically as now ranking *first* on the roll of Ohio Alpha of the living membership. Next comes Mr. Lindley, as mentioned. The few names of living brethren of the order in Oxford, prior to the class of 1854 are:

Rev. Andrew Jackson Reynolds, '51, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dr. Andrew Carr Kemper, '52, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Pierson Cory Conklin, lawyer, '53, Hamilton, Ohio.

Now bringing in the class of 1854, we have:

Theophilus Cannon Hibbett, civil engineer, Smyrna, Tenn.

Rev. Edward P. Shields, Bridgeton, New Jersey.

Henry Stoddard, real estate agent, Santa Barbara, California.

May I say that in 1899, Mr. Hibbett met the old classmate from New Jersey in reunion after forty-five years: he is an ex-Confederate soldier, who served his state with fidelity and honor, yet recognizing the change which followed the decisive termination of the national issue in an undivided union as for

the best interests of all the people in our borders. The pleasure of the reunion was mutual and strong. The hand clasp spoke so much to each. The glance of the eye and the vocal salute were as natural as in boyhood days when we met in class forms or in the many delights so characteristic in student fellowship.

I would affirm the statement as true, made by David W. McClung, Esq., in the *Diamond Anniversary* of Miami University in an article entitled, "Miami in the war," there embalming the names of the participants in the war of the rebellion of students of that institution: "The foregoing list of active participants in the great war, gives intimation that college training has no tendency to eliminate or reduce the hardy virtues of courage, patriotism, adventure and self-sacrifice. On the contrary, it is doubtful if any other class of men in all the country can show a larger percentage of soldiers than the students and alumni of Miami University. Especially will this appear when it is remembered that prior to the civil war, this was a favorite school for youth residing south of the Ohio river, a large majority of whom acted in sympathy with their own people. These, equally with the others, exhibited hardihood and intrepidity, and stand in evidence that liberal culture has not frittered away any manly quality."

In October of last year, I had the honor of welcoming at my home another classmate of '54, who, unable to attend the college anniversary in '99, had come from the Pacific coast for the express purpose of quiet reunion—Henry Stoddard of Santa Barbara. How we embraced, together of rather weighty presence, well-nigh four hundred pounds! How we gazed, and how we talked of the by-gone days! "As cold waters to the thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country." How we brought before our very eyes the days at Oxford! His was the longer career there as a student: mine was limited to the junior and senior classes. He afterwards went to Yale College. He had the finer memory of the men gone before. But how we paused over the names of our two Phi classmates, Thomas Williams and William Owens, both of Pittsburg, both lawyers and both deceased, Owens first called, preceding Tom by nineteen years almost. Three survivors of the five Phis of class of 1854; a larger proportion than exists among the whole class (28)—3-5 versus 1-4. The hours were all too few for our interview. Oh, the heartaches of a separation covering fifty years, they can only be healed by reunion in the Eden above!

I trust you will pardon the eagerness of an old man in even such brief allusions of sentiment as exhibited by classmates, in the Bond of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

I have had some occasional correspondence with Walter B. Palmer, the historian of the whole order, asking information helpful to his great book (which is now in press) about the days of old in the Ohio Alpha, so far as, with the aid of memory, I could supply it, in recital or hints as to the first five years of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in the mother chapter, and in its later and greater development. I fear it was not much beyond what his indefatigable zeal could elsewhere secure, remembering my long separation from the alma mater of the order.

All my life it has been the occasion of some satisfaction that I had such early association with this beloved organization. I can at least say—“*Quorum parva pars fui.*”

I am rather bewildered when I read in *THE SCROLL* and *The Palladium* and in the newspapers of the day about the great conventions systematically held in our great cities and centres of power, setting forth the growth and widespread influence over college life and over the country we love exerted by the successors of the humble organization begun so quietly at Oxford, Ohio. I can but exclaim—What a marvel is this! What a work consequent upon such a small beginning!

Meeting in some quiet room in college or private dwelling, never did we there dream of a chapter house, like unto the spacious and costly structures which show forth the latter day glory of this fraternity, called the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ !

We may have been too content with our humble and outward condition, compelling caution as to how to find a place of meeting. We thought not of the future material growth, nor of the after progress of the various individuals constituting our Oxford chapter. We were happy in each other, and we loved and trusted the brotherhood, in our sessions making fraternal efforts at self improvement, thus bringing to the chapter as much credit as possible. John Alexander Anderson, son of President William C. Anderson, invited me into the chapter of Ohio Beta, charming circle. As we were old fellow students elsewhere, John had no difficulty in securing my application. But before one year had passed, it was thought best to merge chapter Beta with chapter Alpha; and thus I was advanced as is a junior into the senior class.

There were Ohio Alpha banquets, mysteriously secret, at late hours, with attendance of twelve or fifteen persons. But

the greatest of these was that given by Ohio Alpha, on the occasion of the diamond anniversary of the college, coinciding with the semi-centennial of the order, in 1899, when representatives from other chapters and other colleges were invited in the commemoration of Ohio Alpha, the mother chapter of the now great order of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . I cannot tell tales out of school or in school, but I can wish that you might have eaten and supped with us there and then! Grave doctors of divinity sitting around a festal board, and making speeches by the yard until day began to dawn. Judges of supreme courts playing like small boys at sociability with every one of the charmed fifty guests, and seemed not to care whether their school kept next day or stayed closed for the summer.

Fearing lest my sentences may weary you, coming from a brother Phi who is a stranger to you all, I crave a few lines more to repeat reverently some of the names associated with Ohio Alpha at Miami in the four years from 1849 to 1853.

The class of 1854 in no sense can claim greatness to itself. But our pride points to our predecessors:—theirs are names the world will not willingly let die. Out of twenty-eight members in the first four years, we find but six survivors, and their names have been repeated. Of those gone before us I would specially cite as Phis—diamonds of the first water—Samuel C. Baldrige, John M. Wilson, Robert Thompson Drake, C. B. H. Martin, A. W. Barrett, Ardivan W. Rodgers, Andrew W. Rodgers, Benjamin Harrison, Isaac A. Lane, Lewis W. Ross, David Swing, Samuel Hibben, and James Holmes. Peace to their ashes! "The fathers, where are they? and the prophets, do they live forever?"

"With us their names shall live  
Through the long succeeding years,  
Embalmed with all our hearts can give,  
Our praises and our tears!"

EDWARD P. SHIELDS, *Miami*, '54.

### RECENT FRATERNITY CATALOGUES

Continued from THE SCROLL, April, 1905.

Residence Directory of the Sigma Chi Fraternity: The Chapter Rolls, Alphabetical and Residence Indices, together with an Historical Sketch of the Fraternity since 1890. Chicago: The Lakeside Press. 1902. Cloth; pp. xvi+640, 6¼x9¼.

A large volume called a Catalogue and History of  $\Sigma X$  was published in 1890. What is called a Residence Directory was issued in 1902. It has the essential features of a fraternity catalogue—chapter rolls, an alphabetical index and a

residence index, and no reason is given for changing the name, but it was probably because the data regarding members in the 1902 book is considerably abbreviated as compared with the data in the 1890 edition. The preface of the later edition says that the information regarding each man was limited to "his full name under his chapter and class, collegiate degrees, present address and occupation, together with any official position held at the time of the return of his proof slip." Even with this abbreviation, however, the book is a large one. It contains 656 pages. An examination of the chapter roll shows that there was but little economy in the typographical make up. For instance, the degree or degrees of a member appear on the line below his name, and in many cases there is nothing on the lower line except the two letters indicating the degree, although there is plenty of room for these letters on the line with the name. Therefore there is much blank space on every page. This space was filled with quads by the printer, who doubtless delighted in the "fat" matter.

The preparation of this work was done by several members successively. It seems that each one except the last became fatigued with the labor involved and resigned, an experience which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has had, and doubtless other fraternities, for catalogue work is something closely akin to drudgery. The preparation of this work appears to have been done principally by Messrs. R. G. McDonald, Albion, '93; R. F. Potter, Illinois Wesleyan, '90, and F. A. Perine, Albion, '98. The excellent method was adopted of mailing a proof slip to each member for approval or correction, with directions for return if undelivered. The number of members named in the directory is 7,202. Another excellent plan of the last editor was to mail proofs of each chapter's roll to the chapter historian and to two or more well informed alumni, to obtain corrections and additions before each roll was printed. Despite such care, many addresses are marked with daggers to indicate their uncertainty. The preface states an attempt was made to give full names but it is noticeable that a very large number of names appear with only initials for the first two names. This occurs mostly in the rolls of the older chapters, especially of the inactive chapters, but it occurs also in the rolls of chapters established only a few years ago. In the case of even one of the seven founders of the fraternity—Hon. Isaac M. Jordan—the middle name is missing although he died at Cincinnati less than two years before the book was published.

Where a member belongs to two chapters there is an entry for him in the roll of each, and in the alphabetical index there is a reference to both pages on which the entries appear. The alphabetical index gives the page of entry in all cases, but does not give any member's chapter or class. The residence index gives the class, page and occupation but not the chapter. The street addresses of members are given in both the chapter rolls and the residence index.

The catalogue of 1890 contains about 40 pages devoted to an historical sketch of  $\Sigma X$  from the year it was founded, 1855, until 1890. The directory contains 27 pages devoted to the history of the fraternity during the succeeding twelve years. The sketch for 1890 to 1902 was written by Rev. Joseph C. Nate, past grand consul, except the pages relating to the years (1899-1900) he was grand consul. This sketch contains some matter which is very interesting to other Greeks as well as to members of  $\Sigma X$ .

It begins with the statement, "The fraternity completed thirty-five years of its history on June 28, 1890;" to which is appended the rather curious footnote: "Authority—Section III, original constitution and ritual of the  $\Sigma X$ , and the records of the Alpha chapter in the catalogues of 1870, 1876 and 1890," which would indicate that there had been some uncertainty about the date when the fraternity was founded.

The grand chapter (convention) met at Washington, D. C., 1890. "In connection with an excursion to Mount Vernon, the convention secured the very high and most unusual privilege of being permitted to plant an ivy at the tomb of Washington. This plant has lived and grown, and a suitable copper plate commemorates its planting." The convention formed plans for remedying the financial weakness of the fraternity, which was occasioned by chapters being in arrears to the general fraternity many hundreds of dollars, and by a debt of about \$3,000, largely a balance due on the recently published catalogue and history. These items are noticed by the reviewer because  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has been through the same mill, and misery loves company. The next convention met at Indianapolis in 1892. "It provided among other things, for an enlarged initiation fee of \$4, payable by initiates to the general fraternity, in return for which such initiates were to be supplied each with a copy of the catalogue and the history of 1890," until the remaining copies, of which there were several hundred, should be exhausted.

The legality of the proposed membership of former President Grover Cleveland, who had accepted an invitation to honorary membership in  $\Sigma X$  was considerably discussed. This invitation was tendered Mr. Cleveland by the Theta Theta (Michigan) chapter, acting in ignorance of the fraternity's practice since 1882, and misinterpreting the written law of the fraternity; but he had not been initiated thereunder. No specific action on the proposed initiation of Mr. Cleveland was taken, but a prohibition of honorary membership in most explicit terms was added to the constitution.

Mr. Cleveland having been re-elected president of the United States,  $\Sigma X$  reconsidered.

In November, 1892, Grover Cleveland was elected president of the United States for the second time. There was a feeling in the fraternity that the failure of the grand chapter to provide for his initiation did not express the general wish of the fraternity. This feeling became so marked, especially in the east, that grand consul Fendall, under the constitutional provisions, called a special grand chapter of the fraternity to meet in New York City on January 24, 1893, for the consideration of this issue. The twentieth grand chapter of the fraternity accordingly met on that date.

The actual attendance was small, but many chapters were represented by proxies held by those present. The committee on credentials found thirty-two chapters, active and alumni, entitled to representation. The decision of the grand chapter on the question was to make possible and legalize the initiation of Mr. Cleveland, at the same time explicitly doing away with honorary membership in  $\Sigma X$  thereafter. Mr. Cleveland was initiated into the fraternity somewhat later in New York City by the following committee: grand consul Fendall, Epsilon (Columbian), '64; Theodore A. K. Gessler, Kappa (Bucknell), '64, and Alfred Taylor, Kappa (Bucknell), '66. The honorable and honored initiate was presented with a magnificent badge, which he wore to the general pleasure of the fraternity on the occasion of his subsequent inauguration as president. The Chicago alumni chapter also sent him a very handsomely bound copy of the  $\Sigma X$  catalogue and history.

Another special grand chapter was held in 1893, at Chicago during the World's Fair.

The most important legislation of this grand chapter was along financial lines. During the preceding year the entire fraternity had become aroused by conditions of delinquency in the payment of chapter dues, and the corresponding embarrassment at national headquarters in the payment of national fraternity obligations. Under the recommendations of the grand quaestor, the grand chapter adopted legislation looking to the prompt payment of chapter dues, as unusual in character for a college fraternity as it has been successful in results. By this legislation delinquent chapters, after due notifications and reasonable extensions of time if required, were penalized, first by suspension and then by absolute revocation of their charters. This legislation has remained in the statutes of the fraternity ever since. Under it every cent of dues has since been collected, and, while there have been some suspensions of charters, a revocation has not been required in any case.

This convention appointed a committee to select a flag and in 1894 "the design adopted by them became the official flag of the fraternity." The next convention met at Cincinnati in 1895.

Matters to come before the grand chapter were, for the first time, placed in available and methodical shape by the publication of a special grand chap-

ter issue of the *Sigma Chi Bulletin*, consisting of grand officers' reports and suggestions.

Previous to 1895 charters were granted by a two-thirds vote of the grand council, composed of the six general fraternity officers and the province praetors, but—

The plan for granting charters adopted by this grand chapter, as finally left to the grand tribune for elaboration, provided for a three-fourths vote of the active chapters of the fraternity, in addition to the three-fourths vote of the grand council.

A railway sinking fund was adopted to pay the railway expenses of delegates to grand chapters. The total amount payable by each active member to the general fraternity was increased from \$3.50 to \$5 a year.

The most important financial legislation of the twenty-second (1895) grand chapter was the establishment of the chapter house sinking fund. This fund was established to provide for the acquisition and ownership of chapter houses. Its income was to be derived from (a) a fixed initiation fee from each initiate into the fraternity; (b) a certain per centage of regular dues of active members; and (c) some special plan of alumni payments or contributions to be subsequently determined. Methods of loans to active chapters, etc., for the purpose in view, were carefully determined and safeguarded. This fund was the legislative beginning of what is now  $\Sigma X$ 's well known endowment fund. It was a plan adopted precisely as originated and promulgated by Joseph C. Nate, Alpha Iota (Illinois Wesleyan), '90, then in the fifth year of his service as the fraternity's grand quaester.

In 1896 the grand council made the first loan from the chapter house sinking fund—\$900 to assist the Cornell chapter in the purchase of a building lot. The next convention held at Nashville, Tenn., in 1897, changed the name of this fund to the endowment fund, and loaned therefrom \$500 to the Cornell chapter. The fraternity had been working under a constitution adopted in 1884, frequently amended since then. A committee to formulate "a revised constitution, statutes and ritual of the fraternity," appointed by the convention of 1895, made a report which was adopted by the convention of 1897. The ritualistic features of this work had been prepared almost wholly by Ruter W. Springer, Omega (Northwestern), '87." A committee to design a coat-of-arms for  $\Sigma X$ , appointed by the convention of 1895, made a report which was adopted by the convention of 1897. At this convention also—

A recommendation was made that the yearly anniversary of the establishment of the fraternity (June 28) be recognized as a day for the decoration of graves of deceased founders, to be observed with appropriate ceremonies by chapters conveniently located. It is believed that this idea now well established, will lead to the observance of a general memorial day for the fraternity throughout the country. . . . .

The grand council was incorporated under the laws of the state of Illinois with the legal title "Grand council of the Sigma Chi fraternity."

To increase the endowment fund, the grand quæstor solicited subscriptions of \$25 each from alumni, payable in five annual installments. He was a very energetic officer, and by this means secured pledges amounting to \$12,500. From the endowment fund a loan of \$2,000 was made to the Michigan chapter in 1899. Beginning January 1, 1899, the publication of the minutes of the grand triumvirs became a feature of the *Sigma Chi Bulletin*. The next convention met at Philadelphia in 1899. A third loan was made to the Cornell chapter, amounting to \$2,000, and increasing the loan to that chapter to \$3,400.

The special *Grand Chapter Bulletin* for official reports had become a fixture, and the issue for this grand chapter was one of forty-four pages, the largest *Bulletin* ever issued by the fraternity. It contained grand consul Dudley's report to the grand chapter for the whole fraternity, together with the reports in full of all minor officials to the grand consul.

The most important financial legislation was the adoption, by an enthusiastic and unanimous vote, by the grand chapter, of a system of alumni dues. The plan adopted provides for two notes of 55 each, to be signed by graduates of active chapters, payable respectively one each year for two years after graduation. One half of the income of these notes goes directly into the endowment fund, and the other half is distributed by statute as the needs of the fraternity seem to require.

The next convention met at Buffalo in 1901. The constitution was amended so as to provide that: "Each grand consul who has completed his term of office shall be known as past grand consul, and shall have all privileges of membership in grand chapters when present." Another amendment to the constitution provides: "Alumni notes payable one and two years after cessation of active membership shall be signed by each initiate at the time of his initiation, instead of at the time of severing active connection with his chapter, as heretofore." This convention also adopted a pledge button and a new official flag.

WALTER B. PALMER.

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#### REV. DAVID BITTLE FLOYD.

Rev. David Bittle Floyd, pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of West Washington, D. C., was born March 15, 1846, in Middletown, Frederick county, Maryland, and is the son of Hezekiah and Lydia (Bittle) Floyd. By his paternal ancestry he is of English extraction. Mary (Douglas) Floyd, his great-grandmother, and founder of the branch in America, landed in Baltimore, Md., from England in 1770.

By his maternal ancestry he is of German extraction. In 1780 his great-grandfather, Geoge Michael Bittle, emigrated from Prussia to America. His mother was the sister of Rev. David F. Bittle, D. D., the founder and first president of Roanoke College, Va. His cousin was the wife of Rev. Ezra Keller, D. D., first president of Wittenberg College, Ohio. His aunt was the sister of Rev. Charles P. Krauth, D. D., president of Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Pa.



REV. DAVID BITTLE FLOYD, DEPAUW AND ROANOKE, '72.

Pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, West Washington, D. C. President of the fraternity, 1876. Founder of  $\Phi \Lambda \Theta$  in Virginia, from which state the fraternity extended throughout the south.

In 1858 he moved with his parents from Maryland to Hamilton county, Indiana. In 1862 he left school and enlisted in the army. He served as sergeant for three years in company I of the 75th regiment of Indiana volunteers. He was one of the youngest soldiers in the federal army, being only sixteen years of age at the time of his enlistment. He holds a lieutenant's commission, granted for meritorious conduct by Indiana's war governor, Oliver P. Morton. He fought with Thomas at Chickamauga, under Grant at Chattanooga, and marched with Sherman to the sea.

During the winter of 1866 he was a medical student in the University of Michigan. In 1867 he entered Indiana Asbury (now De Pauw) University, and in 1868 he became a student at Roanoke College, graduating in 1872 with second honor in his class. In the winter of 1872-3, he entered Bellevue Medical College, but a few months prior to graduation he became convinced that it was his duty to abandon his medical studies and enter the ministry of the Lutheran Church. In consequence of this decision he left New York and taught school at Martinsburg, W. Va., until the opening of the session of 1873-4 of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Pa., from which he was graduated in 1876.

In 1876 he was ordained to the ministry by the synod of Maryland. February 15, 1877, he married Miss Mary E., the eldest daughter of Nathaniel and Margaret (Wilen) Cutting. His fields of labor in the ministry have been as follows: Uniontown, Md., from 1876 to 1882; Boonsboro, Md., from 1882 to 1885; Zion's Lutheran Church, Newville, Pa., from 1885 to 1900; Funkstown, Md., from 1900 to 1904; West Washington, D. C., 1905. He is one of the best known clergymen of the Lutheran Church. He is a member of the committee to revise the constitution of the Lutheran synod of Maryland and a member of the board of trustees of the Lutheran orphans' home located at Loysville, Pa.

He is a prolific writer. He was editor of the first miscellany (the *Microcosm*,) published at Roanoke College, and the first editor of the Cumberland valley edition of the *Young Lutheran*. He is an accurate Greek and Hebrew scholar, and a contributor to the Lutheran Sunday school series of articles on difficult and obscure passages of Scripture. He contributes articles also to the church papers and reviews. He is the author of "Necrology of Lutheran Ministers Born in the Middletown Valley;" of "Reynolds' Division in the Battle of Chickamauga;" of "History of the 75th Regiment of Indiana Infantry Volunteers;" of "History of Zion's Lutheran Congregation of Newville, Pa.;" of "Greek Propositions in their Relation to Baptism." By request of the commissioners from Indiana for the erection of monuments in the Chattanooga and Chickamauga military park, he wrote the inscription for the monument erected to the 75th Indiana regiment.

For nearly forty years Brother Floyd has been an ardent Phi. For many years he was very active in fraternity work. He was a charter member of two chapters—Indiana Zeta at

Indiana Asbury (now DePauw) University, in 1868, and Virginia Alpha at Roanoke College, in 1869. He also assisted in the establishment of Pennsylvania Beta, in 1875, being then a student at the theological seminary at Gettysburg. From 1869 to 1872 he was a member of the executive committee, which was the governing board of the fraternity previous to the establishment of the general council in 1880. He was the delegate from Virginia Alpha to the quarto-centennial convention at Athens, Ohio, in 1873. Though not present at the national convention held at Philadelphia, in 1876, he was then elected president of the convention, thereby becoming, *ex-officio* president of the executive committee and of the fraternity. This office he held for about six months and then resigned it.

In organizing a chapter at Roanoke College in 1869 Bro. Floyd performed a great service to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . At that time there was only one chapter of the fraternity in the south—Kentucky Alpha at Centre College. The establishment of Virginia Alpha at Roanoke led to the organization of chapters at other colleges in Virginia, and to the introduction of the fraternity into Georgia, whence it extended to other southern states. It will be seen that the establishment of Virginia Alpha was one of the most important moves that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  ever made. Every chapter established in the south since 1869, including every existing southern chapter save Kentucky Alpha-Delta, may trace its origin, directly or indirectly, to the chapter which Bro. Floyd organized at Roanoke. During the last year or more, while the history of the fraternity has been in press, Bro. Floyd has greatly aided the author of that work in reading the proofs of the book for the correction of typographical errors.

WALTER B. PALMER.

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#### INITIATES OF THE CHAPTER GRAND.



Earl Wiswell Garrison, *California*, '99,  
Died January 24, 1905, at Redlands, Cal.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Theodore Augustus Kaderley, *Case*, '97,  
Died January 4, 1905, at Chicago, Ill.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

Edward Francis McCaskie, *Columbia*, '86,  
Died December 22, 1902, at New York City.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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William Le Roy Dulaney, *Centre*, '57,  
Died July, 1904, at Bowling Green, Ky.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Ralph Charles Weller, *Cornell*, '06,  
Died April, 1904, at Troy, N. Y.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Edward Everett Chalmers, *Dartmouth*, '87,  
Died August, 1904, at Blackfoot, Idaho.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Alexander Anderson McKenzie, *Dartmouth*, '91,  
Died July, 1904, at Hanover, N. H.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Fred Peaslee Tuxbury, *Dartmouth*, '93.  
Died February, 1905, at Denver, Colo.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Charles McKee Kress, *Dickinson*, '03,  
Died, April 18, 1904, at Philadelphia, Pa.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Herman Kenny Smith, *Dickinson*, '03,  
Died January 2, 1905, at Ridgeley, Md.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Charles Spencer McCoy, *Franklin*, '87,  
Died June 17, 1904, at Jacksonville, Fla.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Walter Payne White, *Franklin*, '98,  
Died August 20, 1904, at Lincoln, Neb.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Clifton Wilson, *Franklin*, '00,  
Died, November 30, 1904, at Greenwood, Ind.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



John Edgar McClaskey, *Indiana*, '79,  
Died April 24, 1905, at LaGrange, Ind.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Curliss Elbridge Trussell, *Kansas*, '04,  
Died October 23, 1904, at Kansas City, Kan.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Guy Payson Williams, *Knox*, '90,  
Died January 12, 1905, at Galesburg, Ill.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



George Washington Wakefield, *Lombard*, '66,  
Died March 10, 1905, at Sioux City, Iowa.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Daniel S. Gingrich, *Lombard*, '82,  
Died March 18, 1905, at Chicago, Ill.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Royal Porter Wiswell, *Lombard*, '99,  
Died January 11, 1905, at Monmouth, Ill.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



James Austin Babbitt, *Lombard*, '83,  
Died April 6, 1905, at Saint Augustine, Ill.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Thomas Henry Northern, *Mercer*, '83,  
Died March 23, 1904, at Atlanta, Ga.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Angus Furnival Pringle, *McGill*, '07,  
Died February 3, 1905, at Belleville, Ont.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

Robert Lee Wilkins, *Michigan*, '05,  
Died——, at Milwaukee, Wis.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Philip Henry Trawick, *Mississippi*, '80,  
Died December, 1900, at Gallman, Miss.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



William Luther Ganong, *Mississippi*, '81,  
Died January 1901, at Jonestown, Miss.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



David Dennon McRee, *Mississippi*, '85  
Died——, 1890, at Water Valley, Miss.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Armand Sannier White, *Mississippi*, '85,  
Died, December 31, 1898, at Hinds County, Miss.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



John Oscar Lewright, *Missouri*, '87,  
Died March 10, 1903, at St. Louis, Mo.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



John Edgar Hill, Jr., *Nebraska*, '02,  
Died April 5, 1905, at Salt Lake City, Utah.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Alexander Lackey, *Ohio*, '75,  
Died March 31, 1904, at Louisa, Ky.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Herbert Earl Fuller, *Ohio*, '05,  
Died July 9, 1904, at Athens, Ohio.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



William Erdmann, *Ohio State*, '99,  
Died, March 11, 1904, at ——  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Otho Jackson Richards, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '76,  
Died September 2, 1904, at Hutchinson, Kan.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Albert Clark Turrell, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '89,  
Died February 6, 1905, at Hillsboro, Ohio.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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James Devine, *Syracuse*, '83,  
Died January 12, 1905, at Syracuse, N. Y.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Henry Orrin Sibley, *Syracuse*, '89,  
Died———, at Syracuse, N. Y.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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James Brownlee Sanford, *Syracuse*, '92,  
Died, March 13, 1904, at Denver, Colo.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Harry Curtis Brown, *Syracuse*, '98,  
Died January 11, 1905, at Pittsburg, Pa.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Stuart Manley Harrison, *Syracuse*, '06,  
Died June 13, 1904, at Seneca Falls, N. Y.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Roy Hine Williamson, *Syracuse*, '06.  
Died April 7, 1905, at Batavia, N. Y.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Henry Raphael Denis, *Tulane*, '91,  
Died April 26, 1905, at New Orleans, La.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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Seargent Smith Prentiss, Jr., *Tulane*, '95,  
Died November 6, 1904, at New Orleans, La.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

John Milton Zarecor, *Vanderbilt*, '83,  
Died April 21, 1905, at Nashville, Tenn.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



George Washington Miles, *Virginia*, '82,  
Died February 25, 1905, at Richmond, Va.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



William Henry Lyons, *Virginia* '88,  
Died November 11, 1904, at New York.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Edgar Duncay Burts, *Virginia*, '92,  
Died January 13, 1904, at Columbus, Ga.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



James Farrington Gookins, *Wabash*, '64,  
Died May 24, 1904, at New York City.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Roy Louis Wilkins, *Wisconsin*, '03,  
Died August 19, 1904, at Virogna, Wis.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

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#### BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES



##### EDWARD FRANCIS McCASKIE, COLUMBIA, '86.

Edward Francis McCaskie, *Columbia*, '86, died at New York City on December 22, 1902, in his thirty-ninth year. He was born in Ossining, N. Y., in 1861, and received his early education at the public schools at Ossining, and at the Mount Pleasant Military Academy of the same place, passing through both with honors. In 1884 he entered the school of law at Columbia University and two years later was graduated with the degree of bachelor of laws. Bro. McCaskie then moved back to Ossining to engage in the practice of his profession. He always took an active interest in politics, was an ardent worker for the republican party and at one time was at the head of the spellbinders' association of the New York State republican committee. In his class at Columbia were Bro. Julius Marshall Mayer, C. C. N. Y., '84, the present attor-

ney general of the state of New York: Bro. Thomas Henry Baskerville, and Bro. Brinton Harndon Miner. Bro. McCaskie was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William McCaskie of Ossining, N. Y. A widow and two children survive him.

BERNARD M. L. ERNST.



**ROYAL PORTER WISWELL, LOMBARD, '99.**

Royal Porter Wiswell, *Lombard*, '99, died of tuberculosis at Monmouth, Ill. on January 11, 1905. He was born September 15, 1876 on the Wiswell homestead near Cameron, Ill. After completing his course in the schools of Floyd township, he entered Lombard University, where he remained three years. He was an active and devoted member of Illinois Zeta. In all the circles which make up the life of a college student he was unusually prominent. His strong character made him many friends and it was said of him that he was one of the most popular students who ever attended Lombard.



**ANGUS FURNIVAL PRINGLE, MCGILL, '07.**

Angus F. Pringle, Quebec Alpha, '07, died of hemorrhage at the home of his parents, in Belleville, on February 3, 1905. Brother Pringle graduated with honor from the Belleville



ANGUS FURNIVAL PRINGLE,  
McGill, '07.

High School in June, 1903 and entered McGill in September, registering with the class of science, '07. His college course was short but none the less brilliant. In his freshman year he led the class of electricals and in the sessional examinations held last December he kept his place. He was the winner of the Fleet and Scott prizes.

His genial and kindly disposition and sterling character won for him friends wherever he went. He was a member of the science dance committee during both years of his course and at the time of his death, he was secretary of McGill, '07.

In the latter part of January he went home supposedly to rest,

but the hemorrhages continued, and he died on the morning of February 3. His death came as a heavy blow to us all. We miss him and we feel that, as was so well expressed at the funeral service, "the world was better that he lived."

He was a good student, a faithful friend and a true Phi.

JOHN A. McDONALD.



**JAMES BROWNLEE, SANFORD, SYRACUSE, '92.**

Dr. James Brownlee Sanford, *Syracuse*, '92, died at Denver, Colorado, on March 16, 1904, as the result of an operation for appendicitis. Shortly after his graduation from Syracuse, Bro. Sanford studied for the Methodist Episcopal ministry and lived at Penn Yan, N. Y. Subsequently he became interested in medicine and went to Johns Hopkins University. He took his medical degree and went to Denver to follow his profession. He was regarded as an unusual surgeon. At the time of his death, Bro. Sanford was the speaker of the fourteenth general assembly of the state of Colorado, a fellow of the Royal Geographical Society of London, England and one of the two delegates from the state of Colorado to the recent meeting of the National Medical Legislative Council held at Washington, D. C. He was president of the Denver alumni club of Phi Delta Theta and was a prominent Mason in the state. He had won the regard and esteem of the people of Colorado and at the time of his death it was their desire that he should represent them at Washington. Bro. Sanford was a loyal Phi and his interest and activity in fraternity circles was always manifest.

B. M. L. ERNST.



**ALEXANDER ANDERSON MCKENZIE, DARTMOUTH, '91.**

One of the most useful alumni of Dartmouth and New Hampshire Alpha, was Alexander Anderson McKenzie, who died at Hanover, N. H., on August 25, 1904, aged forty years. Among his greatest services to Phi Delta Theta was his valuable assistance in the erection of the beautiful home of his chapter.

He was born in Burke, N. Y., January 20, 1865, and in 1887 he was graduated from Franklin Academy as class valedictorian. He then spent three years at Dartmouth, from which he went to Central America, where for three years he was engaged on the Nicaragua canal. He returned to Hanover, where he remained until his death. He filled a unique

position in the service of Dartmouth College. Every building within the more recent groups has gone up under his careful inspection. He was employed in the construction of the reservoir of the waterworks, for the supply of the college and the precinct. In 1895 he was appointed by the trustees as inspector of buildings, the position known afterward as superintendent of buildings. This position gave him charge of a large number of men in the employ of the college, brought him into constant relation with the faculty and students, and gave him the oversight, and in no small degree, the material direction of the material growth of the college. It was largely due to his invention, as well as to his careful inspection, that the heating system, introduced in 1898, has proved so great a success. He was so capable an engineer that the ordinary plans for the extension of heating, for electric lighting and for sewers were made in his office. From first to last he had the entire respect and confidence of the trustees of the college in all the service which he rendered. Of him Dr. Tucker, president of Dartmouth College, says:

Few men have been identified with Dartmouth College in any capacity who have called forth more confidence or affection from their associates than Mr. McKenzie has awakened in all with whom he had to do, within and without the college. Everybody knew him as an honorable man, entirely competent for his business, and disinterested in all his relations with others. He was not over-much given to words, but he was generous to the last degree in personal kindness and service. His unflinching patience, tact, good cheer and humor, always made him welcome among his friends, just as his grasp of business affairs, his ready invention, and his courage in emergencies made him invaluable in his work.



**JOHN EDGAR McCLASKEY, INDIANA, '79.**

John Edgar McClaskey was born in LaGrange, Indiana, October 23, 1854. His father, Robert McClaskey, was a pioneer of LaGrange county and one of the founders of the town of LaGrange. After attending the public school, Mr. McClaskey entered the University of Indiana. While in this institution, he distinguished himself as an orator and a debater. Here he laid the foundation for that legal knowledge which made him an eminent member of the LaGrange bar and caused him to be known in northern Indiana as one of the keenest legal minds in the state. During his college course, he was made a member of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  fraternity. After being graduated from the university in 1879, he established himself as a lawyer in LaGrange in the office of W. C. Glasgow. He united with the Presbyterian church December 20, 1882.

On March 24, 1885, he was married to Miss Alta I. Cramp-ton. He was elected prosecuting attorney of Elkhart and LaGrange counties in 1886. He and his brother Miles R. (deceased) were associated in the practice of law from 1887 to 1895. He served as an efficient member of the school board of the town of LaGrange for six years, from 1898 to 1904. In 1901 he formed with Frank J. Dunten a legal partnership which continued until the time of his death. On April 24, 1905, John Edgar McClaskey died leaving a wife and three children.



**CURLISS ELBRIDGE TRUSSELL, KANSAS, '04.**

When death came upon Curliss Elbridge Trussell, October 23, 1904, at his home in Kansas City, Kansas,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  lost one of her most loyal sons.

Bro. Trussell was born August 12, 1882, in Greenridge, West Virginia. Later his family located in Kansas City, Kansas. It was in this city that he received his high school education. In September, 1900, he enrolled in the civil engineering department of the University of Kansas, but was obliged to leave in March, 1903. He was in Fort Smith, Arkansas, when typhoid fever attacked him, and before he reached home he was in a serious condition. It was this and the fact that he was unable to give any reliable information as to the day he was first taken sick that made his case a peculiarly hard one with which to deal. The day before his death he was believed to have passed the crisis, but that night he had a severe hemorrhage, and after that sank rapidly until death claimed him Sunday afternoon.

No one but the friends of Bro. Trussell can understand what a loss we have experienced by his untimely death. The spirit which kept him closely identified with the best interests of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and with all student activities during his years in the university, made him one of our most enthusiastic alumni in after years.

His funeral was attended by all of the active chapter who were in school with him, and a large number of his old fraternity brothers and classmates. No one knew him, but to love him, and those that knew him were legion.

Never did a finer, truer, more straightforward fellow wear the sword and shield, and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will have to look long for his equal.

WILLIAM SHAW.

## ALBERT CLARK TURRELL, OHIO WESLEYAN, '89.

A strong and popular minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church was Bro. Albert Clark Turrell, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '89, who died of nervous prostration at Hillsboro, Ohio, on February 6, 1905. He was



REV. ALBERT CLARK TURRELL,  
Ohio Wesleyan, '89.

born April 3, 1864 in New Jersey, and at the age of eighteen he entered Ohio Wesleyan University in order to prepare for the ministry. The story of his subsequent life is taken from the *Western Christian Advocate*:

Entering the university with but little financial means, the struggle to remain in the institution, to keep up with his class, to attain to true scholarship began, and the success that crowned the end proves the struggle not only heroic, but also in many points sublime. By teaching school, canvassing for books, and working in the harvest fields, he met the financial need of student life, so

that in June, 1889, he was graduated with his class, one of its most deserving as well as one of its most beloved. The spirit of the man for strenuous service for God is recognized in the fact that even while carrying more than the requisite number of studies, made necessary by his absence in teaching school, he, in connection with a classmate, conducted in South Delaware a most successful mission work for a number of years.

Entering Drew Seminary in the fall of 1889, in addition to his seminary work, he, again with a classmate, undertook to establish a mission in Bayonne. At the close of two years of assiduous labor, "Bergen Point" was admitted into the Newark conference, promising the support of \$800 to whomsoever the bishop might send her.

Receiving the degree of bachelor of divinity in the spring of 1891, the young preacher, just as he had supplied the pulpit of First Church, Urbana, Ohio, during the summer of 1889, now supplied Center Street Church, Springfield, Ohio, till the meeting of conference. Having been already admitted in the fall of 1889, he came to the conference convening in First Church, Urbana, September 2, 1891. Here he was ordained deacon by Bishop Foster, and given as his appointment Grace Church, Springfield, Ohio. At the session of 1893 he was sent to Price Hill, Cincinnati. In November following he was happily married to Miss Caroline Reynolds of Bayonne, N. J., who had proved her efficiency in her work as a teacher in the public schools of Jersey City, and in her Christian service in "Bergen Point." Conference convening in Xenia, September, 1898, one of the appointments of Bishop

Vincent was "Xenia, First Church, A. C. Turrell," and the appointment stood for six years, crowned with a success such as seldom comes to the work of even the most faithful. At the conference of 1905, Bishop Bashford appointed "A. C. Turrell presiding elder of the Hillsboro District," and till within a few days of his death the new presiding elder gave himself far beyond his strength to his difficult work. What the recompense to this faithful servant of God will be only the realization of immortality can tell us. On Monday afternoon at 2:20 o'clock, February 6, 1905, owing to nervous prostration, to the astonishment and deepest sorrow of his friends, Albert Clark Turrell "fell on sleep." His devoted wife and three children are tarrying for a little while "till the coming of the morning."

Only slight reference can here be made to the affection in which Brother Turrell was held by those whom he had served. The sight of the great congregations in tears, the many evidences of their deep sorrow, the desire of all to render some service expressive of honor, or of respect, or of love; the songs of the singers, the flowers from friends, the tender welcome accorded by the people of Xenia to his dead body, and their preparation and gift of his final resting-place among their own dead—all were proofs of affection which only the bereaved heart can fully appreciate. His body rests within the grave; his spirit is with his God, and his memory remains still in the keeping of a loving people.



**SEARGENT SMITH PRENTISS, JR., TULANE, '95.**

A gifted and worthy grandson of one of the most brilliant orators America ever produced, Seargent S. Prentiss, Jr., *Tulane*, '95, sank to rest in New Orleans on November 5, 1904. Because of his loyal devotion to Phi Delta Theta as well as his brilliancy and interesting personality, space is given for the following eulogy by Prof. W. B. Smith of Tulane University:

In the sudden death of Seargent S. Prentiss, Jr., there has passed away from New Orleans, from Louisiana, from the south, not only the bearer of an honored historic name, but also an intellect of surpassing brilliancy. It was my fortune to know the youth intimately for a decade of years, and it was my keen interest to observe him narrowly as an extraordinary psychic phenomenon. It has also fallen to my lot to meet many men of intellectual distinction, some of world-wide renown, as well as to teach a large number of youths, some of whom have since acquired national and even international reputation. Among all such I am not pronouncing an obituary eulogy, but merely repeating a deliberate judgment already often expressed—among all men that I have thoroughly known not one excelled Seargent Prentiss in sheer native strength, versatility, and independence of mind. Of his professional ability, his mastery of the law, I have not a word to say, for I know nothing whatever. But of his surprising intelligence in many other fields I have long been a wondering witness. It is very doubtful whether there was in all our southland, a youth of his age, who was such a Shakspearean scholar. His acquaintance with the great dramatist was minute, accurate and comprehensive. The fund of quotations at his command seemed exhaustless. And all this treasure of memory was illumined by a clear, critical appreciation.

The same may be said of him in relation to Balzac, whom he had studied profoundly, and to many Greek and Latin classics. His method seems to

have been keen when he became interested in an author to read everything that author had written and everything worth reading that was written about him. Such a method, had it been properly directed in critical channels for a reasonable length of time, could hardly have failed to attain results of great importance. His interest in music was to the last the very keenest, his enjoyment of it the liveliest and his comprehension of it as a science by far the most thorough I have ever met with at least in any amateur. His musical taste was cultivated and exalted into a region where only the elect dare to tread, but his delight in Beethoven and Wagner was not merely intellectual—a worthy rendition of these masters would move him to tears. He was also deeply interested in architecture, which he had studied with the same Germanic thoroughness that marked his other favorite pursuits. It was often a matter of astonishment, on broaching some far outlying subject, to discover that Seargent had already explored it, perhaps with scrupulous care. Scarcely a year ago I happened to make in his presence some remark about the technique of the Assyrian wedge writing, when he observed that he had read something on the subject. I told him I should be obliged for any references he might give. Not many hours after I found on my desk a long list of pertinent passages, carefully noted by page and column. I have preserved this bit of paper as a curious testimony to the immense range of his reading. Very remarkable also was this reading in its almost exclusively serious character. Scarcely ever did I hear of his taking up any book merely for amusement. His study of Balzac and De Maupassant was no less intensely earnest than his study of Wagner, or Horace, or Justinian. It all sprang from the same insatiable appetite for the strongest mental food, the same feverish thirst for critical knowledge. But he was not merely an omnivorous reader. His mind was extremely analytic, his literary, artistic and scientific insight was piercing. I have never known anyone whose judgment upon any and every subject upon which he had thought or read was more utterly independent.

To sustain such a fierce and consuming fire of mind, the body of young Seargent, in particular his nervous system, was too ill-suited. As a college student, he submitted himself to very severe self-imposed regulations, his room was the perfection of order, his habits were in high degree methodical. More and more, however, as the wings of his spirit beat more impatiently he yielded to the temptation to over-expenditure of nervous strength that really called for careful husbandry. Night after night he would read until far toward morning, sometimes till nearly daybreak. Had his physique and his temperament but matched in some measure the ardor of his intellect, and had his course been directed along the lines of his endowments, there is no question that he would have adorned splendidly the history of our country.



**GEORGE WASHINGTON MILES, VIRGINIA, '82.**

A typical Virginian of the new régime, wonderfully successful in large affairs, eminent among scholars and educators, Col. George Washington Miles, *Virginia*, '82, died at Richmond, Va., on February 25, 1905, at the age of forty-two.

Few men of the later southern generation have accomplished more in so short a life as this distinguished and brilliant young leader. Born at Rheatown, Tenn., of Methodist parents, he attended Emory and Henry College, receiving his B. A. degree in 1880. He then spent two years at the Univer-

sity of Virginia, graduating in the schools of ancient and modern languages and English. At nineteen he was elected adjunct professor of languages at Emory and Henry, and soon afterwards was chosen professor of French and German, a position which he exchanged in a few years for the professorship of Latin and Greek. But in 1892, while he was about to be made president of the college, he founded St. Alban's School for Boys at Radford, Va. His intimate friend, Thomas Nelson Page, delivered the opening address. From the first, St. Alban's took very high rank among training schools and commanded the patronage of many of the best families of the south. In addition to his duties as head master, Col. Miles had charge of the English and Greek. In scholarship and athletics the school was of the highest quality.

But he interested himself in the affairs of Virginia, political, educational and material. His public spirit and interest in civic affairs, together with his inborn fitness for leadership, drew him into larger activities where his skill in dealing with men, his genius for organization, and his fine executive ability, made him more and more the practical man of affairs. He revived the collapsed town of Radford by investing his money in seemingly hopeless enterprises and making them paying investments. He brought in northern capital and organized new industries. He built a power house at the mouth of Little river, which supplies the street railway and lighting systems and several factories. He organized the water company, brought the district fair to Radford, reorganized the Radford Trust Co., and built the Radford-Southern railroad to the ore beds not far distant. He was also president of the Marion and Rye Valley railroad and the East Lynn Coal Co. These large activities necessitated his withdrawal from school works in 1903.

Col. Miles was never a candidate for office, but he was a powerful speaker and his political influence was wide. His address on "Education in Virginia," at the Pan-American exposition, was listened to with rapt attention and warmly praised by the metropolitan press. He served for a number of years as a member of the board of visitors of the University of Virginia and was prominently mentioned for its first presidency. He was an intimate friend of governors Montague and Tyler, and served on the staff of the latter. In every enterprise and every relation of life his delightful personality and splendid executive ability won him the leadership. He made himself a power for progress. He was of

the kind who establish and expand communities and states—the kind most of all needed in the south at this time. His death was a heavy loss to his section and its people.

Only last Christmas had Col. Miles become a partner in the banking house of E. R. Chapman and Co., and removed to New York, when he was called upon to battle for two months with cancer of the liver. With the courage and confidence of the Christian gentleman he faced death. He died attended by his wife, daughter and two sons. The press devoted large space to glowing eulogies of his life and character. At his funeral was a handsome floral offering from the Richmond alumni club, which was a shield of white carnations with the words, "Our Brother in Phi Delta Theta," in immortelles.

Col. Miles had two brothers who were also initiated into Virginia Beta: Fielding P. Miles, '87, who died in 1890; and Lovick P. Miles, '92, now an attorney at Fort Smith, Arkansas.



**HENRY ORRIN SIBLEY, SYRACUSE, '89.**

Poet, scholar, first librarian of the Von Ranke library of Syracuse University, Henry Orrin Sibley, A. M. Ph. D., passed from the fellowship of his brothers on April 11, 1905.

To  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  he bore a relation of deep mutual affection. In addition to being widely known for his distinguished attainments, he is especially remembered by those who attended the Atlanta convention of 1891, where as the laureate of the fraternity he read a fine poem entitled "The Sword and the Shield."

Five years ago he was stricken with diabetes and thereafter he was a constant sufferer until the end. His malady became complicated with others more painful, and yet he patiently endured them and enjoyed the comforts



**HENRY ORRIN SIBLEY**  
Syracuse, '89.

of his great intellectual resources. He seldom complained of his lot except once or twice to express the desire that he might die and be laid beside his father and mother. When the end came a life of singular beauty and rare accomplishment had closed. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary J. Sibley, who performed the duties of librarian during his illness.

Dr. Sibley was born in Royalton, Niagara county, N. Y.; August 19, 1845. His early life was largely spent in the public schools until at the age of 16 he entered the Lockport High School, which he attended for several years, but owing to illness was obliged to leave before graduation. For four years thereafter he studied literature and taught vocal music. On recovering his health he returned to school and graduated in 1870. After graduation he took an active part in the affairs of his native town and filled several important offices. From 1874 to 1885 he was principal in several of the public schools of the state. In September, 1885, he entered Syracuse University and was graduated with the class of 1889. Before he was graduated he was unanimously elected librarian of the university. In this position he showed marked originality and ability in classifying and cataloguing the library, the methods used by him having been originated by him expressly for the stacking in use. During 1891-93 he pursued a post graduate course in Latin in the university and procured on the presentation of a Latin thesis the degrees of A. M. and Ph. D. In 1892 he was elected instructor in library economy, in which position he continued until the midyear examinations of last year, his classes, during his illness, being conducted at his home.

Of literature he was exceedingly fond, and during the time that he was confined to his bed, with eyesight partially gone, one of his greatest pleasures was to pass the time away by recalling as much as possible of the poetry of his favorite authors. During his career as instructor in library economy he was never known to carry a text book into class. He was fond of reading the works of poets and he himself was no mean poet. Several of his best compositions have been published in various literary periodicals and there is now in his library a vast collection of poems which were composed by him during his sickness. One of these, "The Pleasures of Education," contains 2,000 lines and was completed only last fall. Another entitled "The Panther" was composed after his eyesight had become so poor that he could not see to

write, but instead was obliged to dictate the words to Mrs. Sibley. Still another, entitled "The Independence of Cuba," upon which he had spent much time, is in an incomplete form.

Although Dr. Sibley entered the university when he was 40 years of age he entered into class spirit with as much enthusiasm as a student in his teens and it is said by his associates that no more popular or no more brilliant student ever entered the university:

In 1900 it had been planned, before Dr. Sibley became an invalid, to hold a class reunion at his home, and so great was his loyalty to his class that despite the fact that he was unable to get out of doors the reunion was held as planned. Several times during the past two years he had planned to entertain his fraternity, but such a course was deemed unwise and he was prevented from carrying out his desire.

Dean Frank Smalley of the college of liberal arts paid the following tribute to the memory of the deceased:

Dr. Sibley was one of the brightest and most popular men that ever crossed the threshold of Syracuse University. In his work he was careful and accurate and I have never seen a man with a more brilliant mind than his. His learning was prodigious and in the languages and in English he was exceptionally bright. The faculty all admired him and he was admired by his classmates. It was because of his linguistic ability that he was elected librarian of the university. His knowledge of literature was amazing and he himself was no mean poet.

Howard A. Lincoln, *Amherst*, '92, has also said:

Those of us who attended the Atlanta convention, '91, have a pleasant memory of "Uncle Sib." He was the poet of the convention and withal a most genial and companionable man. His cheery countenance and pleasant word were among the things that went to make that convention enjoyable, and a pleasant memory to those who were there.

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#### COMMENTS OF CONTEMPORARIES.

The desirability of a subscription from each chapter in order to retain complete volumes of the journal in the archives, without robbing individual members of their copies, is self apparent.—*Kappa Alpha Theta*.

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If the monogram of A Φ has a meaning to a sister she will not trifle with it. During the past few years we have sown seeds of disregard for the peculiar combination of our letters and have reaped a whirlwind of A Φ monogram cuff buttons, stick pins, watch fobs, collar pins, belt buckles, shoe buckles and some other trifles rather too undignified to mention. Then we have allowed our brothers and friends to borrow these.—*A Φ Quarterly*.

Would it not help us to realize that our  $\Pi B \Phi$  sisters and their colleges really exist if the chapters would exchange college pennants? If the banners were to greet our eyes every time we go into our fraternity rooms, the colleges of which they are the emblem would not seem so remote to us, and their chapters would seem more than mere names on the chapter roll. It seems something of an undertaking for a chapter to solicit a banner from every other chapter, but it need not all be done at once. Would it not be a good plan to begin with the chapters in our own province and then go into the other provinces as we are able?— $\Pi B \Phi$  *Arrow*.

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Americans outside of the large cities seem to take naturally to politics. It isn't a bad thing. It's a mighty good thing. But political methods have, until recently, found no place in the fraternity. We regret to see some of them creeping in. The personal canvass, the making of slates, the arrangement of deals, the trading of votes, log-rolling of sundry kinds, are all more prevalent at our assemblies than heretofore. The chapters should instruct their delegates to conventions, in the slang of the day, to "cut it out." Ambition is to be encouraged, offices should be sought and votes secured, but by manly straightforward methods, not otherwise.—*Beta Theta Pi*.

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I heard of an incident the other day which seems to me to show a true sense of inter-fraternity respect and courtesy. A fraternity man while walking along one of the streets of an eastern city, noticed the pin of a rival fraternity on a man approaching him. The fellow could not believe that this man seemingly a vagrant could rightfully wear the pin. So going up to him and inquiring where he got that pin, the tramp told him he had found it in a ditch. The young fellow asked him how much he would take for it; and when the man named his price, a good round sum, the money was paid unhesitatingly, and the pin then delivered to a man whom the collegian knew, a member of the rival fraternity.—*K K T Key*.

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The first test to be applied to any chapter of any Greek-letter fraternity is the same test which is first to be applied to individual men in private and public life—the test of moral character. It is an old fashioned test, but it is a perfectly sound one. It is the supreme test of the chapter, the supreme

test of the fraternity and the supreme test of the college. When a chapter is composed of men of deep moral worth, of sterling manly courage, then that chapter is a tower of strength to the fraternity, and a source of great inspiration to the college in which it is located. No parents, however solicitous they may be for the welfare of their son, can possibly have a better guaranty of his ultimate success in college and in after-life than to have him positively and permanently identified with such a Greek letter organization.—WM. C. WILCOX in *Δ Y Quarterly*.

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**SOME FRATERNITY "DONT'S".**

I. Don't choose a girl because some other fraternity wants her.

II. Don't be unkind to a girl if she should refuse to become a member of your fraternity.

III. Don't say disparaging things to an eligible girl about your rival fraternities.

IV. Don't boast too much of your fraternity's strongpoints; live up to them in such a way that no one can fail to see them.

V. Don't ask girls simply to increase your chapter roll. Consider quality, not quantity.

VI. Don't pass a girl by because she doesn't wear elegant clothes, if she has all other required qualifications.—Z T A *Themis*.

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**MAGAZINES OF OTHER FRATERNITIES.**

We have often thought that it would be an excellent plan for each of our chapters to subscribe to the journals of our several competitors, especially the magazines of those fraternities represented in a chapter's local field. The official journals of all fraternities publishing them are open to general subscription with the exception of that of X Ψ. Such a course as suggested would not only enlarge the fraternity horizon of our actives, but they would have access to much more general fraternity information and discussion of topics of general fraternity interest than we are able to give them in the curtailed extracts which are all our limited space allows us to reproduce in the two exchange departments of this journal. The subscription price of the majority of our exchanges is the same as that of the *Rainbow*, and if any of our chapters desire to act upon this suggestion we will be glad to forward such subscription to the proper persons.—Δ T Δ *Rainbow*.

**A PLEDGING CEREMONY.**

There are certainly some things to be said in favor of a uniform pledging ceremony. It sometimes happens that a girl who has in charge the pledging of a freshman is at a loss to know how to say the right thing in the best way. A uniform pledging ceremony would do away with this difficulty, for each girl in the fraternity would make herself familiar with it.

Then, it would seem, too, that the ceremony would add dignity to the pledging and help to impress the pledging with the true sense of the standing not only of the chapter to which she is being pledged, but of the national organization into which she is to come some day.

And lastly, the pledging ceremony, would be a distinct part in each girl's after fraternity life and, in its way, would be as impressive and sacred to her as the initiation ceremony.—**Π B Φ Arrow.**

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**FRATERNITY EXAMINATIONS.**

The thorough education of a Delt freshman should not stop at his knowledge of his own fraternity, but should embrace some knowledge of other fraternities, especially those having chapters at his own college. Some of our chapters provide for this by making a regular part of the chapter meetings talks on this and kindred subjects. The older men should post him on the standing of the other fraternity chapters in the local field, their achievements, strength and weakness.—**Δ T Δ Rainbow.**

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Would it not be well to have as part of our initiation rites the examination of each candidate in fraternity matters, so that our members may have a broad knowledge of the Greek world of which they are to form a part? The examinations should include questions pertaining to the fraternity world in general and our fraternity in particular. There should also be consideration given to its relation to the other fraternities, its own individual rules and itself as the best and greatest of fraternities.—**Π B Φ Arrow.**

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**PRESERVATION OF HISTORICAL DATA.**

The preservation of our record and historical data is most important. The only way this can be successfully accom-

plished is by having each individual chapter make it their business to collect and put in shape their own respective data. To insure its preservation this should be reduced to an historical statement, which can be supplemented by a yearly addenda. Those of our chapters which have attained their thirtieth, or more, birthday will undoubtedly find it more or less difficult to cover these early years, but this work should be done, and done now. Many of our chapters have from time to time published reports, containing short historical sketches, an excellent idea and one that should be encouraged. But in all these their early history has been as a rule very much abbreviated. It is in this early history, embracing the formative period of the fraternity and of the individual chapters, that we are in danger in part of losing. It will be a tedious task for probably the majority of our chapters to compile, with any great degree of detail, a comprehensive history of these times, but it is, we think, largely a question of getting down to the job. We would suggest that each chapter appoint a standing committee, or some one competent man with a successor in office, whose duty it shall be to attend to and follow up this work. We have heretofore mentioned the expediency of a chapter historian: At the risk of repetition we mention it again.—*Δ K E Quarterly*.

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#### SORORITIES OR FRATERNITIES?

The use of "sororities" is simply a matter of taste, and perhaps in a coeducational school is an essential word, but doesn't it seem to bring all Greeks to a more even plane to use only the word "fraternities?"—*Δ Δ Δ Trident*.

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Several years ago the *Arrow* published a spirited protest against the word "sorority" as used to designate the woman's fraternity. The arguments were first that we preferred or ought to prefer to be known by a term which had arrived at the dignity of a place in the dictionary, and second that the word fraternity was a mere abstraction, naming a quality common to both sexes. The writer further objected to a distinction in name for organizations which were the same in nature. If this article had any effect it was like that of the pruning knife, which only promotes a more luxuriant growth. So, after an unequal contest, the *Arrow* gives up. We shall have to recognize that fraternities,—we beg pardon, sororities—have evolved a jargon of their own, and that the word

“sorority” is perhaps not the worst one in it. At least it is better than “frat.” In fact it does credit to the widely diffused knowledge of Latin among the Greeks. We are wont to speak of our inherited wealth as our patrimony, but should one of these purists chance to inherit from her mother we shall expect to hear her refer to it, forsooth, as her matrimony!—Π Β Φ *Arrow*.

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#### WEAK CHAPTERS.

Every fraternity is troubled from time to time by what are usually termed “weak chapters.” The student of the Greek-letter society will long, but never expect, to see the millenium when these phenomena of fraternity life, if I may call them such, will entirely disappear. The constant shifting and changing constantly going on in chapter life threatens to involve almost any chapter, and there is no man in our own fraternity, or in any other, who has not witnessed the sudden decline of a strong chapter to pitiful weakness. It is useless to discuss or point out the causes that lead to such incidents; they are too well known to require explanation. In ten short years of watching the chapters of some of the strongest national organizations in one of our colleges, the writer can testify to having seen all of them on mountain heights of prosperity, and in the dark slough of despond. It simply remains for national fraternities to be always prepared for these emergencies, for frequently they come quickly. If a careful plan were adopted to nurse these individuals during their period of sickness, we should then find, instead of so many tombstones standing everywhere through the Greek world, seasoned veterans who, having run the course of their disease, had come to renewed vitality.—Σ Α Ε *Record*.

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Just how “tombstones” are to be changed into “seasoned veterans” the estimable writer in the *Record* does not explain. If he could solve this little chemical or biological problem he could set up as a rival to the “mediums,” to say nothing of helping out many other supreme councils. But we do not mean to scoff at the words of our esteemed contemporary lest we must needs remain to pray.—Κ Κ Γ *Key*.

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#### THE MAGAZINE TO YOUNG ALUMNI.

It would be a paying investment for the chapters if they themselves assured their alumni's receipt of the *Rainbow* for at least the first year after graduation.—Δ Τ Δ *Rainbow*.

In behalf of increased alumni interest in the *Delta*, a thing we devoutly hope for, after many years of reflection, we have concluded that the only practical way we can tie our alumni to the fraternity is to assess each senior for say \$2 for three years' subscription. The reason we suggest this is because no one in the chapter feels obligated to solicit subscriptions from the graduating fraters, many of whom would, with little encouragement, order the *Delta* to their addresses. Granted that it is the duty and should be the pleasure of all alumni to take the *Delta*, especially for a period just succeeding their farewells to their college brethren, then why should we not inaugurate such a plan as I suggest? If men are allowed to continue to believe that their obligations to Σ N cease with departure from college, we can not hope to cultivate their support of the fraternity merely by appealing to their fidelity and love. We must extend our jurisdiction beyond the fateful day of graduation, and have the freshman so understand it when he kneels at the shrine of Σ N.

Such an innovation is not a purely commercial scheme, we assure you. We are not organized to make money, but to bind ourselves together by the ties of true and lasting friendship, and to uphold and advance the fraternity of Σ N. Therefore, who can measure the good to be derived by Σ N by adding each year one to two hundred fresh, active, efficient recruits to our army of active alumni? Surely those thus assessed would not feel we were extorting money from them, when they learn we already supply the *Delta* to our old boys at but little above actual cost.—Σ N *Delta*.

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**REPORTERS, TAKE NOTICE.**

Kindly note the form in which your letter appears in *Desmos*, note the heading and the ending, so you may govern future letters accordingly. Also, write on one side of your paper only.—Δ Σ Δ *Desmos*.

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A few considerate brothers have formed the habit of clipping any items of special or general fraternity interest which they run across in their newspaper and magazine reading, and forwarding them to the editor. The liveness and value of a fraternity publication like the *Record* depends upon the amount of news it can purvey, and the periodical and journalistic literature of the day, only a very small part of which

any one person can possibly see (unless he be an employee of a press-clipping bureau), contains many paragraphs that would interest our readers; so we urge all our brothers to bear us in mind in this connection, to the advantage of the *Record*. Clippings will be thankfully received and promptly acknowledged.—Σ A E *Record*.

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There are just a few points in addition that we should like to emphasize. Never send anything for the *Eleusis* written on both sides of the paper. Failure to observe this rule has meant, in some instances, laborious copying for the editor. Please write your articles carefully, paying strict attention to spelling, punctuation, paragraphing and general rhetorical structure of sentences. We do not like to feel, in preparing the copy for the printer, that we are correcting English exercises, of which we have an abundance in our school work. You would perhaps be astonished to see how many corrections are necessary in the *Eleusis* manuscripts. We understand that these mistakes are made, not from ignorance, but from careless and hurried copying. The letters and articles are often accompanied by, "Please correct all mistakes; I have copied this in a great hurry;" or, "I hope you can make this do; smooth it out, and make any changes you wish," and so on. The editor's task is not a light one, but it would be infinitely easier if every article came into her in just the shape in which it should go to the printer. Remember this, and, keeping in mind X Ω's beautiful teaching, prepare your articles carefully. As some one has said, "There is nothing small in all the world."—X Ω *Eleusis*.

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#### FRATERNITIES LESS SECRET THAN FORMERLY.

When I was in college the fraternities were enveloped in so much secrecy that even such things as the places of meeting were kept profoundly hidden. I well remember the awe that was inspired within me, when, as a very young and innocent freshman, the meeting-place of a rival fraternity was pointed out to me; and I am not sure that this last fraternity did not soon change its place of meeting for no other reason than that it had become known to a few outsiders. All grips, signs, signals, symbols, passwords, mottoes, names of officers and times and places of meeting, initiation fees and dues, and in fact the very slightest and most unimportant details of the fraternity were kept as inviolable secrets. If possible, vacant and

unoccupied buildings were preferred as places of meeting and the darker and stormier the night the more the boys loved to assemble and practice their secret rites and ceremonies.

There is something in a "secret society" that seems to appeal even to men of sober habits and mature years, and to the young man of college age there is in it something inexpressibly fascinating.

In my day and time even the literary societies had their secrets. I distinctly recall that one violated his solemn obligation if he revealed the initiation fee, the motto of the society, and possibly other as important and vital secrets which I do not now call to mind. In fact, the open literary societies, one of which each student was required to join just as he was required to study certain text books, were then very nearly as secret in their workings as the fraternities are today.

The college boy of the present generation, unless he belongs to a *sub rosa* chapter, has little conception of all the delightful pleasures of a genuinely "secret society," and, as I see it, the only compensation for this loss of secrecy and mystery is a fuller and richer and more ornate ritual and possibly more impressive initiatory ceremonies. I am not familiar with the ritual as it is now, but I do not doubt that it has been greatly enriched and improved within recent years. Still, I think it is wise to add to it from time to time until it shall equal, if not excel, in beauty and impressiveness, the rituals of the Masonic and other high secret orders of the country. There should be not less than three degrees, and possibly others; enough to afford a good deal of work but not so as to be cumbersome and common.—P. B. HAMER, Wofford, '73, in *K A Journal*.

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#### AN ERA OF EXPANSION.

Those fraternities which earliest realized the future possibilities of the western state institutions and placed chapters there are today the strong, aggressive factors of the Greek world and, instead of being practically unknown outside of a limited section, their badges command recognition and respect from ocean to ocean. The eastern fraternities of small chapter rolls have contentedly slumbered along, satisfied with the achievement of a past generation and outstripped by their more wide-awake and progressive rivals. In many cases the colleges in which these fraternities have chapters and which were the prominent educational institutions of seventy-five years ago, have sunk into positions of unimportance and are

unable longer to attract as students the most desirable type of college and fraternity men. These fraternities have lost ground in two ways—by failure to occupy new fields and by the retention of chapters in college graveyards.—Editorial in  $\Delta T \Delta$  *Crescent*.

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This is an era of expansion. Unhampered of its political strings, candidates' platforms and campaign pyrotechnics, the tendency in this country of ours is toward expansion. We hear it and have it on all sides. We seem to have become infected. In the fraternity world it has reached an acute stage. We have been and are confronted with this question. There may be those among us who, believing that our territorial conquests are complete and that we are large enough, would say "no" to all. We do not agree with these. To forever close our doors we think would be bad policy. A complete standstill tends toward stagnation. Those fraternities that have persistently refused to yield an inch are approaching a condition of dry rot and in danger of slow but sure death from their own inertia. It is true that we are large in numbers, but compared to some of those great fraternal orders we are, in this respect, small indeed. We have had no cause to regret our extension of the past decade. The reason is because such extension was the result of careful conservatism. There may be fertile fields as yet unopened to us. Shall we not continue our methods of the past and consent to at least look?—Editorial in  $\Delta K E$  *Quarterly*.

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Some fraternities hold that no institution is a fit place for the establishment of a chapter unless it is heavily endowed, has an enormous attendance, and is considered one of the great institutions of the country. This, it seems to us, is a very silly notion, and we would, perhaps, be near the truth if we presumed that the real ground for their attitude was the fact that young men of wealth—the only eligibles for some fraternities—as a rule, attend only such institutions. If a young man is otherwise desirable as a fraternity mate, the size of the college he attends or the bulk of his pocketbook should have little weight. If an institution, though of moderate size, is of average collegiate grade and is sufficiently well endowed and attended to insure its permanency, it is a suitable home for a fraternity chapter, and the ideal fraternity chapter is oftener found in the small college than in the large

university. Many of the most distinguished men of the day—men of whom their fraternities are proud to boast—are graduates of small colleges and had little of this world's goods during their college days.

True conservatism consists in the gradual establishment of chapters in institutions of good reputation and assured permanency, and it is the height of folly to hold that no institution with an attendance of less than five hundred men can maintain a creditable chapter. The proper size for a chapter in a college of less than three hundred men is from twelve to fifteen, and in the larger colleges from fifteen to twenty-five. Of course, no iron-clad rule can be made. In some of the smaller institutions, where the number of fraternities is large, it is impossible to maintain a chapter of high grade consisting of more than eight or ten men, and in the larger institutions, where the number of transfers is considerable, a chapter may be conservative and yet have a membership of thirty-five men.—Editorial in *K A Journal*.

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#### CHAPTER HOUSES.

While it may not be entirely true that the strongest fraternity of the future will be that organization possessing the greatest number of expensive chapter houses, it is safe to say that the weakest fraternities will be among those having the fewest chapter houses.—GEORGE H. KRESS, M. D., in *Σ A E Record*.

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In general, it may be said that the chapter-house is for the pleasure, prestige and profit of the members of the active chapter. Yet there are few cases in which the active members of a chapter, of themselves, can finance a chapter-house. Help must come from the outside, and from whom? From the alumni, and from them almost entirely. When we realize this, we are ready to ask for the reason for such help, and the methods of obtaining it. The most pertinent question at the moment is, why should alumni pay for a chapter-house which will in no wise benefit them materially, and which is for the pleasure, largely, of a group of boys who will probably, if the finances are left to them, mismanage its affairs and allow the property to deteriorate in value? There is primarily but one answer which is to be found in the idea that may have taken weak root in the mind of the alumnus, that the chapter is an institution—a seed susceptible of magnificent growth if

properly nurtured. From this idea comes the wish for the prestige of this institution, pride in its strength, and willingness to make sacrifices that it may be honored and respected.

—RALPH B. MILLER in *Beta Theta Pi*.

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Fraternity houses, as we see them today, are getting to be one of the strongest influences in our college life, especially in large cities. When men coming from comfortable homes and congenial surroundings are compelled to board in the ordinary city boarding house, one can more fully appreciate the existence of a house, and the freedom it allows one to follow out the inclinations he possesses as to just how much work he shall accomplish and how he should conduct himself in regard to his relations with his fellow men.

When a man is invited to join a fraternity, he feels that he is honored by an invitation to affiliate with a body of men who are imbued with principles of self-respect, love of their *alma mater*, honor, truth and brotherly love. As a result he begins to realize more thoroughly that he owes something to his fellows, and he can best pay his obligation by conducting himself as a thorough man and gentleman with the world at large. Study is given an impetus, for everyone knows and fully appreciates the fact that, if we should fail, our first thought would be: "How much I have hurt my chapter's record!"

After a man has been associated with, say, twenty men in a house for seven or eight months, is he not more fully qualified to grasp the salient points of a true fraternity man? Becomes broader minded in his likes and dislikes, realizes that few of us are perfect, one excels in one thing, another differs. Thus, when a man comes up for election into the fraternity, he gets in. Why? Because the house has given us an opportunity to really understand fraternity life, and what a man owes as his part in the body, besides we also have learned to better judge the man coming up, and appreciate what the fraternity owes a good man.

We all fully comprehend how a fraternity is looked upon by the student body, when it is the proud possessor of a self supporting home. Have we not really something in this possession—is it a mere rounding-up place, or our home during our college life; and as it is our college home, should it not demand the respect, pride and efforts of the students to make it our *sanctum sanctorum*, and honor it as such?

The house as a convenience for visiting brothers is not to be overlooked—it is a most pleasant surprise to have brothers from different parts of this great country, stop in and accept our hospitality, and tell us of our distant brothers, how they manage and enjoy their college life in a fraternity house.

It gives a fellow a feeling of security, when he enters a large city or even a small one, to know that somewhere among the vastness of brick and steel, is a little monument of Honor, Truth and Brotherly Love, where if he will simply knock, he shall be admitted, and like the prodigal son, shall receive his portion of the fatted calf and a seat next to father; if the distinction can be made, or father found.

Thus every alumnus, although not an active member any longer, should feel it his duty to take an active and personal interest in his chapter, and by so doing to further its material, moral and mental conditions.—JOHN F. LITTLE, M. D., in *A K K Centaur*.

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#### THE ANNUAL RUSHING CAMPAIGN.

A short and violent rushing season is an injustice to the freshman. It often reacts unfavorably on her character, giving her an undue sense of her own importance. She fails to realize that the fraternity is honoring her, and not she the fraternity. It is an injustice to the chapter which is forced to entertain more frequently and more lavishly than otherwise, often to the detriment of their studies and the duties of the members to themselves. It is also a sacrifice of dignity.—*II B & Arrow*.

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In order that the best results may be obtained, it is necessary for every member of the chapter to be thoroughly familiar with the objects, purposes, and history of the fraternity. It is a lamentable fact that such thorough, general knowledge does not prevail. Every chapter should make the dissemination of such information a part of the regular programme for each meeting throughout the session. Appeals to the intelligence and reason of the prospective member should be made. Such arguments will bear far more weight with a man who is truly desirable than mere stuffing and treating and temporary display of wealth, which are considered such potent levers by the shallow and unsophisticated. Those who have studied the history and tenets of the order, and are familiar with the history of their rivals as well, will be in a position to talk in-

telligently, while those who have not posted themselves in such matters will be at a great disadvantage.—*K A Journal*.

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Now that the smoke has partly cleared from the battlefields of the annual "rushing" campaign, I wish to present a few observations concerning the evils of the present method of pledging new members for the chapters. These evils pertain not alone to A T  $\Omega$ , but to all the other fraternities which adopt the same methods of securing members. In all colleges great rivalry exists among the different chapters during the first months of each new year, and the number of men pledged is often taken as the barometer to indicate the prosperity of the chapter.

During my ten years' observation of the local chapters, I have often watched with alarm the apparent haste and lack of investigation displayed in selecting new members. I am pleased to state that up to the present time my fears have been nearly always without foundation, but Providence may not be as kind in the future.

In the university, whose students come from distant points, it is improbable that all the desirable men have friends in college who can vouch for their fitness. The usual result is that members are selected who appear worthy after a few days' acquaintance. Athletes and other men prominent for the moment are usually singled out by this custom, while many others of great ability and excellent character, who ultimately would make the most desirable of fraternity men, are not known until after the annual initiation. The old method of pledging men before entering college has for the most part become obsolete, but the present scheme has little advantage over that plan.

So many insist that the ideal chapter should consist of all classes of men, so that it may not be developed in any particular direction, and the individual's character may be moulded in a broad way. To such persons the present plan does not seem objectionable. This theory is interesting from a psychological standpoint, but does not seem practical, as the characters of college men are so diversified that a union of all classes would result in a chapter without stability or purpose.

Many recommend that a fraternity should be considered only after a year's residence at an institution. This period allows the new man to make his estimate of the fraternity and

also permits the fraternity to take the candidate's measure. The chief objection to this plan is the loss to the member of a year's fraternity life when such life is most important in developing character; likewise the chapter is unable to do its proper work with no representatives from the entering class.

The choice of a fraternity is without doubt the most important event in the life of a college man. The initiation of desirable members each year is the food upon which the chapter depends for its existence. The greatest care should be taken on both sides to issue a correct choice. The ideal scheme seems to the writer to be briefly as follows.

The annual initiation should be held during the first two weeks in December, after the football season has terminated and before the social season has commenced. No new men should be asked to join until one month previous to the initiation. Each new candidate should be intimately acquainted with all the members of the chapter before giving his pledge. All men, after being asked to join, should have an opportunity to investigate the character of the chapter from neutral sources before making the final decision.

The men who are actively engaged in the pledging should avoid reference to anything derogatory to any other fraternity, and candidates should by all means avoid pledging themselves to any chapter which adopts this method of securing men.

If all the members of the entering class should be provided with a circular of information containing these rules, it would seem that the fraternity transgressing any of its obviously fair provisions would ultimately receive the proper penalty.

This scheme may seem Utopian to many, but there appears no hardships which would impair the success of the method; and, on the other hand, the chance for mature deliberation afforded chapter and freshman could result only in benefit to both. This proposed scheme already exists in a modified form at several institutions, and I have contributed this brief plan with the hope that some beneficial discussion may result.

The present "rushing" method seems to be one of the few points where the usefulness and dignity of a college fraternity are not held up to the usual high standard, and it is the duty of every loyal fraternity man to assist in maintaining the highest ideals.—A T Ω *Palm*.

#### SELECTION OF FRATERNITY MATERIAL.

It is not always an easy thing to pick fraternity "material." When we attempt to size up a couple of hundred freshmen

with an eye to eligible members we should have in mind a few general rules. The usual hit-or-miss, get-him-first plan is apt to be disastrous. It is sadly true that the man most in demand at the beginning of his college career is not always the man most in demand at the end of it, and this certainly confuses matters. At the most, only a comparatively few in the freshman class are destined to be fraternity men; but it is the very best of these few that we want to discover and pledge.

Generally speaking, there are three things which are considered necessary to membership in a fraternity: Sociability, ability as a student or athlete, and good character. Different chapters will name these in a different order, demanding one or another of them in larger proportion, depending upon their position and reputation in their several institutions, but the ideal fraternity man must be developed along these general lines. The first two, to a limited extent, can be ignored, because a chapter can train men in these lines, but the last—good character—cannot. The man of bad habits, who isn't *square*, however brilliant in other lines—and we usually know his character beforehand—should be avoided—*ΔΥ Quarterly*.

It is not a very safe thing to choose your freshmen according to their neckties. They will come in with some beautiful specimens. Father and mother wanted them when they went to college to get the best there was, and they went to the country store and bought the brightest offered. But after they have been in college a little while, they will come out with the normal ritual of necktie. Don't choose your freshmen according to their neckties.

It is one of the weaknesses of the fraternity system, as I have seen it in operation in different colleges, that it doesn't recognize and take in enough men after junior year. Some of the strongest men develop in the last two years in college, and living in your ruts as you do in your fraternity houses and getting inured to each other and getting to think you are so fine prevents you from being able to get that unanimous vote you need for that man in the junior year who has shown himself a strong man. Somebody has noticed idiosyncrasies of his that he can't quite stomach and he votes against him. You want to take in some men as the college course goes on. If you haven't been doing it, do it. You will get your strongest men that way. I don't know but that you will almost every time. An opportunity is afforded by the experience of two years in college. You will all too often

choose your freshmen according to consideration of previous knowledge, social standing, and outward appearance, and you are bound to make some mistakes. But you will not make mistakes with the men you take in at the end of the sophomore year.—Benjamin Ide Wheeler, A Δ Φ, president of the University of California, in a speech before the convention of Θ Δ X.

Boom the fraternity, that is what it needs. We have not reached the stage yet when we can rest on our laurels. And when that time does come, then we must go on with redoubled speed and energy, for to stop, to rest on one's laurels, is the first sign of retrogression and decay. Weakness and utter ruin follow hard on this first faltering step.

To do all this we must look for men; men who are every inch men. The fraternity can not afford to let slip any opportunity of securing such members. Because a fraternity is strong and is represented by influential men, it does not always apply that the chapter representing the fraternity at a particular college contains the best men in the college. By no means, for you doubtless know the old saying, "There are as good fish in the sea as ever were caught." Often local conditions will so affect a chapter as to make the best material decline membership in the representative chapter. It is to our advantage as a body politic to endeavor to remove such influences as much as possible by a judicious selection of officers.

There is a decided tendency in all colleges where fraternities are represented toward cliques. Members of the fraternities naturally associate most freely with their brother members. This is right; but it is not right that the rest of the student body be ignored. We should mingle more freely with the non-members, learn their ways, characteristics and habits. This will enable the fraternity to "discover" desirable, eligible material which would otherwise be unknown and consequently lost, and will tend to promote a general good feeling, which is always much more desirable than even a slight enmity.

Eligible material, to my mind, consists of the greatest amount of good with a minimum of bad. Every college has such material, and if we are going to improve our brotherhood, then we want the best. We *must* have it, even if it requires some sacrifices on our part. Because a good man does not have the necessary fee or moves in a different social set from that of the members of the chapter is no reason whatever for allowing him to slip by us. Reduce your fee, sus-

pend it, pay it yourselves, with a liberal time limit for repayment. Anything that is possible; but get him. Of course, do not create the impression in the candidate's mind that he is indispensable or anything of that kind, for that would ruin him; but if mature judgment tells you that he would make a desirable addition to the fraternity, then use every honorable method of securing him.—W. A. Roberts, D. D. S., in *Desmos of Δ Σ Δ*.

#### AFFILIATION OF TRANSFERS.

Probably most chapters are, at one time or another confronted with the question of the transfer, an individual innocent in herself, but occasionally furnishing one of the most perplexing problems of fraternity life. Fortunately she is often just the girl the chapter would have chosen, and fits into her new surroundings with the adaptability of a congenial spirit. Once in a while, however, the process of assimilation is not so easy, either because of some peculiarity in the character of the girl or because of differences in her former surroundings. Of the former class it is not necessary to say much. The selfish transfer, the stiff-necked and obstinate transfer, the transfer with the unmanageable temper probably never ought to have been initiated in the first place. Any chapter is the worse for her, and a chapter who passes her on to another college is alone responsible for any trouble that may come of it. Happily such transfers are rare, for the friction of fraternity life has already smoothed off the roughest angles.

The usual difficulty is not the result of character but of previous environment. The girl who goes from one college to another is often the product of different conditions, social and intellectual, her college is perhaps of a different standard, while her habits, her views of life, her whole make-up are such as would draw her, if still uninitiated, into some other fraternity or no fraternity at all.

There have appeared lately in several of the men's fraternity magazine articles protesting emphatically against the affiliation of transfers. "Be good to them," they urge, "but do not affiliate them unless they will be a positive strength to the chapter." This reminds us of the articles we ourselves publish far too frequently, bidding us "be kind to the non-fraternity girl." Of course neither one is wanted in the chapter, but they will quite understand and acquiesce if only, forsooth, we are "nice to them." But how, for instance, will the transfer feel when you reject him and receive one from another

college into full fellowship, and how will such discrimination look to the college world outside? Will it not imply something against the character of the one rejected, and since he is a new comer, work him actual harm? Worst of all, will not such a course lower fraternities and the fraternal idea in the eyes of that same college world?

Each year the chapter cheerfully undertakes to incorporate into itself the half dozen or so freshmen whom it has initiated. Considering their immaturity and the frequently hasty rushing, this is fully as difficult a task as assimilating an occasional transfer. We may argue that we choose the freshmen ourselves, whereas we had nothing to do with selecting the transfer. But then, neither did we select our alumnae nor shall we select the freshmen who are to come after us.

A girl's presence in college argues that she is ready to accommodate herself so far as possible to its atmosphere, her presentation of a letter of transfer is pledge of her willingness to meet the chapter at least half way. Should she prove a girl who falls below our standard of breeding or culture, there is still left a common meeting ground, for down below such superficial differences are certain womanly attributes which we may take for granted belong to every fraternity girl. Perhaps it is not a bad thing once in a while to sweep aside the comparatively non-essential, and found our mutual friendship on such basic qualities as sincerity, honor, and high aspiration.

A national organization gives to a fraternity strength, solidity, unity; it gives prestige to the chapter or individual belonging to it. We boast of our national standing, are proud of our strong chapters, and feel a proprietary interest in the achievements of successful alumnae. Shall we take to ourselves all the strength of a strong national organization and not accept the one small evil—the affiliation of an occasional undesirable transfer? Caution in granting charters, and the frequent and careful inspection of chapters reduces even this danger to a minimum, and at the very worst, we at least have our pin and our pledges in common. Sisterhood *de convenance* is not the ideal bond, but in the case of the transfer, it is certainly better than no sisterhood at all.—II B  
Φ Arrow.

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#### REAL COLLEGE HONORS.

We want every freshman in the fraternity this year to be graduated in 1908. It will always be a source of regret to every man who quits college before graduation, that he has

done so. There is plenty of time to make money and get into business after graduation.—*Phi Gamma Delta.*

Perhaps the most important care of the freshmen should be exercised in a supervision of their college work. The most valuable man to a chapter has his value discounted at a stroke when he is dropped from college for deficient scholarship. So it is a mere matter of self-protection for a chapter to see that its freshmen are maintaining a grade of scholarship that will at least retain for them college and active chapter membership. Unless the older men in the chapter look after a freshman there is considerable danger of his slighting his college work. The new life holds so many pleasures for him that he fails to grasp the importance of insuring four years' enjoyment of them by the necessary attention to his college duties. It is in this respect the elder brothers should step in and serve his personal interests while at the same time they are performing a most important chapter duty.—*Δ T Δ Rainbow.*

The curse of professional life today is incompetence. The number of lawyers who are not fit for their work is legion. The number of doctors is as great if not greater, and as for the ministers, if they are judged by tangible results, they have lost the essence of success in their calling. The technological professions do better, principally, we believe, because of the need of some elementary training in mathematics in their work.

But to one who has constantly to meet the incompetent man to see the mischief he causes, the losses to innocent people made by his pretence of learning and worth, it is pitiable to observe how the golden opportunities of youth in college halls are frittered away in pursuit of so-called honors which frequently call merely for physical strength or training in manners. We do not want the Betas to be digs any of them—but we do want them to pay less deference to gladiatorial functions and more to the cultivation of learning.

The number of boys who leave college before graduation is increasing. The fraternity can realize it by noting the small numbers who return each year to carry on the chapter's work. A boy who spends but two years in college has missed the best part of his course. We wish some force, be it public opinion or what not, could compel our youth to study and study hard while they have the chance. At some renowned universities the degree of A. B. may be secured after an elective course made up of easy and entertaining lectures in

natural history, social science, the history of French literature and a similar lot of intellectual pap, that affords not so much training for the mind as the rule of three. And with this weakening of the college course itself comes the rise of athleticism and the worship of social standing to hinder the development of the mind, to distract it from the real college work and put forward false standards for competition. If Betas in college would secure more scholastic and fewer athletic honors we are sure that the alumni, who know the stern realities of life, would rejoice at the change.—*Beta Theta Pi.*

False ideals of college life have become rampant in the minds and mouths of many half-educated, half-baked college boys, who have regarded a broken nose and approving howls of a crowd of pleasure-seekers as of greater value than high grades in college studies. It is time to call attention to the fact that the old landmarks still stand; that honor bestowed by a college faculty is real honor; that high scholarship is the most honorable position to be attained in college life, and that the high scholars in college will be the men of mark later in life, regardless of whether their superior worth was recognized properly by their fellow-students or whether their fellow-students gave their loudest acclaim to some touseled-headed fat man because he was more of an ox than some other fellow was.

Having now discovered, or rather rediscovered, the law that high scholarship is the most beneficial thing and the highest honor that a college student can gain, let us act in accordance with this law. Let every college student govern his life in college, and let every fraternity chapter govern its life, in accordance with the true ideal of college life herein set forth.

Morality is the first essential in individual life in college as elsewhere. It is inevitably the first essential in fraternity chapter life. The second essential to success in college and in later life is high scholarship. The student or the fraternity chapter that fails to uphold and to act in accordance with this ideal is selling a noble birthright for a mere mess of pottage. Do not boast of the parties you have given, the invitations you have received, the bones you have broken, the money you have spent, the bets you have made, the "ponies" you have ridden (they may carry you over a hedge, but they will land you in a ditch on the other side). No; seek real honors, true worth, and boast of that regardless of whether others realize its value or not. They will later!—*Σ N Delta.*

## EDITORIAL

AGAIN comes the season for sound advice and valedictories. Nothing worthily said in any of the numberless addresses at this commencement time will be inconsistent with the truths and principles professed by every true college fraternity. Just as the college trains the mind so does the fraternity educate the heart and stimulate the manly life. Wherever this may not be true the fraternity is a perversion and a failure. Just as in the last analysis the efficacy of college training depends upon the individual effort of the student, so does the blessing of chapter association bear a clear proposition to the contribution which he has made to the worthiness and usefulness of his chapter. If the opportunities embraced in both college and fraternity life have been well and truly cultivated the college graduate is abundantly ready to pass from these pure influences and gentle pursuits into the rough and stern activities of life. There is a refined and noble element that will never disappear from his life. He has been trained to do what untaught he could never have attempted, and he has an increasing vision of the best and truest things spiritual and intellectual that would never have blessed him had it not been for these years in college. And so this month out of every institution go they who are rightfully expected to do the very best that can be done for themselves and for the world.

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EVERY commencement marks for the chapter a partial disintegration and a critical period. It is a hard wrench given by the final departure of the strong and stalwart graduates who have for at least a year or two formed the very backbone of the organization. They do not feel altogether certain that their immediate successors have the strength, the tact, the grasp to maintain the chapter life as it has been; they leave

with them wholesome admonitions that in every way they shall be worthy of their predecessors and keep the proud banner as high as it ever waved. They counsel as to suitable new men and declare that they will keep ever in their hearts the burning fires of loyalty. They bear away the tenderest memories with the resolution that these memories shall never be less tender; and yet, their solicitude for the future of the chapter is often too great in proportion to what they actually do for it in the days to come. Their absorption with the ambitious pursuits of active life too often causes them to leave the destiny of the old chapter to those who were their juniors in college. Wherever a chapter can overcome this by keeping its young alumni close to its life, it will be powerful in college activities, delightful in its meetings and associations, well housed, out of debt, full of vitality and in all other respects what it should be.

Every graduate should be sure to subscribe for his fraternity periodicals and read each letter from his chapter as well as keep informed as to college and fraternity affairs. Too often his one notion is that of growing old, but it is false and mistaken. His duty is to preserve his youth and whatever will give him aid should be eagerly seized upon. He will grow old without trying, so that it is a tendency to resist. Keep close to that old chapter. Don't wait for a year or two, then go back and feel lonesome and be made lukewarm by strange faces. Join the alumni club, attend its meetings and enjoy them not alone for the sake of memories, but also for the glad, helpful friendships they afford for the serious days to come.

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THIS season is full of the stir of splendid progress in the acquirement of chapter homes in Phi Delta Theta. Chapter letters in this magazine announce that Ohio Alpha, at old Miami, has purchased outright a handsome house and lot; that Indiana Alpha, Wisconsin Alpha and Missouri Beta are beginning the erection of houses to be ready for occupancy

in the autumn. There are also intimations of such movements on foot by other chapters, and it is likely that something very substantial will be reported from them in the next issue of THE SCROLL. It is hard to express the keen pleasure which thrills all Phi Delta Thetas who learn of these fine achievements. There can be no valid question as to the strength and worthiness of a chapter that builds a house or maintains a creditable home. We are glad to note, at the end of this college year, from a wide and intimate knowledge of conditions in Phi Delta Theta, that her affairs were never more prosperous and her chapters were never more replete with strength and accomplishment of good than at the present time.

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DURING the last year THE SCROLL has devoted large space to the activities of other fraternities than Phi Delta Theta, and has drawn upon their journals for much valuable material. We have made no calculation but we would estimate that more Hellenic news and quotations from the fraternity press have appeared in THE SCROLL than in any other journal, and this we think is true not only of the last year but of the last eight or ten years. The present editors believe that if members of Phi Delta Theta do not keep informed as to what is going on in the Hellenic world they will become narrow in their fraternity views. It is all important, in our opinion, that our members shall be acquainted with the drift of fraternity sentiment on questions of common interest, as expressed in the journals of rival orders. Many of the Greek-letter organizations are strong rivals of Phi Delta Theta, very active, earnest and strenuous in pressing forward toward the first position. It would be a serious mistake, we think, for members of Phi Delta Theta to ignore what its competitors are doing.

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We pride ourselves on the enterprise of our own fraternity, but there is a great deal of enterprise in similar organizations,

and it is well that this fact should be recognized. Unquestionably Phi Delta Theta may learn much from its rivals. We desire to see every Phi an intelligent fraternity man, meaning by that term a man who has a good knowledge, not only about Phi Delta Theta, but about all the twenty-five or more fraternities which contest for honors in American colleges. With this end in view, we have endeavored to keep the readers of THE SCROLL acquainted with the movements and with the policies of rival orders, so far as information about them could be derived from their official organs. American college fraternities are not developed yet; they are still developing. What changes they will experience in the future no one is far-seeing enough to predict with any certainty. Unless we would be laggards in the race, we must keep abreast with the times, never forgetting for a moment the strength, the many excellencies and the powerful resources of the organizations which are as eager as is Phi Delta Theta to be first and foremost.

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WE desire heartily to commend the sentiments expressed in the following paragraph. It was written by George H. Kress, M. D., the author of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon "Manual," which is reviewed in this issue of THE SCROLL. It appeared in the Sigma Alpha Epsilon *Record* for March. For some time previous to that time he had conducted the exchange and fraternity news departments of that journal. In announcing his withdrawal from the editorial staff he said:

In conducting this column the writer has held largely to the form in use with his predecessors, his aim having been to present excerpts from the publications of other fraternities, the perusal of which would help make Sigma Alpha Epsilon's initiates broad-minded Greek-letter men. No greater misfortune can befall any fraternity than having members who can see naught but ill in other Greek-letter organizations and who imagine that they alone excel in all good things. The truth of the matter is this: Men are men the world over and you find them in all colleges and in all fraternities. Age,

local prestige, chapter houses, all of these are of little avail if a charter be held by incompetents and undesirables.

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ALTHOUGH during the last year we have made liberal drafts upon our exchanges, we find in our portfolio a large number of paragraphs and articles which we clipped from them to republish for the benefit of our own readers, but which have been crowded out by matter that could not well be omitted. These quotations we now print under the heading "Comments of Contemporaries." They include discussions of a wide range of fraternity topics, treated in an interesting and instructive manner. They may be read by Phi Delta Thetas with great profit, and we earnestly recommend their perusal. They are very suggestive and afford many useful hints. We feel that we are very much indebted to our contemporaries for these extracts from their pages. We have read the journals of other fraternities with lively interest and from them have learned much that has been helpful in conducting *THE SCROLL*. To the editors of these journals we present our compliments. Some of the most clever paragraphs and well considered articles which we reprint are clipped from the journals of the sororities, and to the fair editors of those magazines we make our best bow.

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A year-book of Phi Delta Theta has been inaugurated in the form of the bound volume of the annual chapter letters, edited and published under the supervision of F. J. R. Mitchell, P. G. C. Copies of it have been sent to all the chapters, alumni clubs and general officers. This is one of the most valuable innovations ever made in our fraternity. In it the annals of Phi Delta Theta will be periodically recorded and preserved. The alumni lists of all the chapters are presented so that with careful correction they ought to be the material for the catalogue. These letters go to all alumni alike and are read by a large number who do not receive the

fraternity periodicals. They contain a succinct account of each chapter and the general fraternity for each year. They perform a service that can hardly be otherwise rendered. The beauty of it, too, is in the fact that every officer, chapter and alumni club has in durable form the annual letter of every chapter, and the cost to the chapters has not been greater than it would have been had each merely issued its own letter. It was indeed a happy and useful plan which Bro. Mitchell devised, and he enjoys the grateful appreciation of the entire fraternity.

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WHENEVER one of our venerable brothers of the old Miami days shakes the tree of memory there comes down luscious fruits that we are eager to devour. In Bridgeton, New Jersey, lives Bro. Edward P. Shields, *Miami*, '54, a delightful gentleman who is enjoying the rest which he has richly earned after half a century of toil in the service of his Master. We are glad to present his happy face and charming reminiscences of the days when we were an infant order. Bro. Shields cherishes an undiminished love for Phi Delta Theta. The memories of his old brothers and classmates seems to be radiant with the appreciation that lives through long experience. Of the class of 1854 and previous classes at old Miami there are living only six Phis. They are a minority of the noble young men who formed the beginning of Phi Delta Theta. Living they are dear to us, not only for their useful lives and sustained loyalty, but also for the way in which they made it possible for us to enjoy a relation as lofty and pure as ever exists among men. By the way, it may be added that Bro. Shields possesses the oldest badge of Phi Delta Theta in existence.

## CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

## QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

The annual entertainment of the McGill medical society, held on April 14, took on a special nature this year in the form of a farewell banquet to Dr. Osler, our distinguished alumnus, now Regius Professor of Medicine at Oxford. Dr. Osler, before leaving, addressed a meeting of the students, more particularly the class of '05, to whom four years ago he delivered the opening address.

The session of 1904-05 was practically brought to a close by the convocation for degrees in arts, science, and law on April 29. Bro. Putnam graduated in civil engineering and left immediately to accept a position in Gaspé. Bro. Warwick, '04, spent a few days with us.

The medical school closes on June 9, and all faculties reopen the third week in September.

JOHN A. McDONALD.

Montreal, May 4, 1905.

## MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

Alumni Day was fittingly observed by the active members and the alumni in the city. A special programme was arranged and carried out in the evening. Bros. Atchley, Fuller, and Vigue spoke for the alumni; Bros. Cotton, Coy, and Bowdoin for the active chapter. The alumni brothers advocated an alumni club, as there are several loyal Phis in Waterville and the near vicinity.

The baseball season has started in very satisfactory for Colby. Her first Maine college game was won by defeating Bowdoin college 11-6. Last year Colby won the state baseball championship and this year there is as good material for a championship team. Maine Alpha is represented on the team by three regular players: Bro. Pile, '07, center field; Bro. Tilton, '07, second base; and Bro. Dwyer, '08, catcher.

Bro. Gooch is president of the Maine intercollegiate athletic association, and manager of the Colby track team. A coach has been secured and the men are hard at work. At the annual class track meet two college records were broken. The Maine intercollegiate track meet will be held at the University of Maine this year.

Bros. Cotton, Coy, and Flood were senior exhibition speakers. Bro. Young, '07, has received an appointment for sophomore declamation. Bro. Field, '05, successfully passed the Rhodes scholarship examination. There were two other Colby men who passed,  $\Delta K E$  and a  $\Delta T$ . The  $\Delta T$  man got the appointment. Bro. Field came to us from Vermont and has taken high rank and many honors in scholarship during his course. He has also been prominent in many of the activities of college life.

Bros. Mixer and Hamilton, '08, are not in college this term. Bro. Joy, ex-'05, has returned to college and will continue his work with the class of 1906. A fine new piano has been placed in the chapter hall. The annual chapter letter was published under the direction of the general council, and was received with very much satisfaction by the local chapter.

Waterville, May 11, 1905.

I. A. BOWDOIN.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The spring term finds Dartmouth in a most prosperous condition. The work on the new dormitory is being carried rapidly forward, and it will be ready for occupancy by September. The new Dartmouth hall, which is to take the place of Old Dartmouth is also in the process of erection, and it is expected that a new medical school building will be commenced shortly.

In athletics our outlook is very bright. The baseball schedule arranged by Bro. Archibald, '05, is generally acknowledged to be the best for years, and with an abundance of good material the team hopes to carry it through successfully. Bro. Black, '07, is a member of the squad.

The track-team, though severely handicapped by the loss of Captain Paterson, has exceptionally good prospects. Our relay teams in the B. A. A. meet defeated their opponents, Williams, and M. I. T., and in the inter-collegiate games at Philadelphia won the second place in the race for the two-mile championship. Bro. Thrall, '05, and Bro. Evans, '08, represented  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at Boston, and Bro. Thrall ran at Philadelphia. In the dual meet with Brown we were also victorious, Bro. Emery, '05, and Bro. Evans, '08, doing good work for Dartmouth, while Bro. Thrall broke the college record for the half mile by three and four-fifths seconds, winning the race in the fast time of one minute, fifty nine and one-fifth seconds. Bro. Thrall has been elected to the captaincy of the team.

In other lines of college activity also the fraternity is well represented. Bro. Oakford, '06, has been elected manager of the glee and mandolin clubs, and editor of the *Dartmouth Magazine* for next year. Bro. Cochrane, '07, will be one of the associate editors of the next *Aegis*, the annual junior publication. Bro. Garby, '07, and Bro. Wallace, '07, have been elected by their class to the board of ten candidates from which the athletic council will choose the assistant managers of the athletic teams for next year. The inter-fraternity baseball banner, which has been contested for in the inter-fraternity series for several years past, has finally been awarded to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and a new banner will be offered this year.

At present the college is looking forward to the festivities of junior week, the principal dates of which will be May 17, 18, and 19. The committee in charge includes Bro. Bankhart, '06. The program is expected to eclipse all previous observances of the kind. New Hampshire Alpha will hold a house-party this year.

The proposal to have the chinning season postponed until April aroused so much opposition among the weaker fraternities that it was abandoned by the inter-fraternity council.

THURLOW M. GORDON.

Hanover, May 12, 1905.

## MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

During the Easter vacation the baseball team took an extended trip, on which they lost to Pennsylvania in a ten inning game, 7-6, and won from Brown. Since then the team has been defeated by Amherst and Holy Cross on their home grounds. The game with Columbia at New York was cancelled because of rain. At Williamstown we have won from Union and Wesleyan.

The track team is handicapped by injuries and the illness of several men. Bro. W. A. Newell, the captain of the team, is ill with a light case of typhoid fever.

In the meet with Dartmouth on May 13, the chapter will be represented by Bro. Crooker, in the two mile run, by Bro. Winslow, in the pole vault, and by Bro. Ayers in the half mile run.

Bro. W. S. Winslow, '07, has been elected assistant basket ball manager, and Bro. W. S. McClellan, '08, is manager of the Freshman base ball team.

Bro. Hotaling, '07, has left college temporarily on account of illness.

Williamstown, May 11, 1905. W. S. AYERS.

#### MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

Amherst baseball is having a most successful season. The three most important victories so far have been with Harvard, 4-3; Cornell, 4-1; and Williams, 7-2. We also held Princeton down to a score of 1-0, after eighteen innings in one of the most remarkable games in the annals of college baseball. Bro. McRae pitched the entire game. The game with Harvard was the first one that Harvard lost this year. The Amherst team showed to good advantage their careful training and gave promise of excellent work for the rest of the season, which it has so far well fulfilled. Bro. McRae has been pitching fine games and Bro. Powell doing good work at left field.

The prospects in track athletics, though of course not capable of infallible prediction at this date, nevertheless indicate victories at the Amherst-Technology dual meet on May 13 at Boston, and a fourth consecutive one at the annual New England intercollegiate Athletic meet at Worcester on May 19 and 20. Bro. White represents the chapter in track events, in the mile and half-mile.

The tennis outlook is as yet rather uncertain, though dual tournaments will be played with Dartmouth and Williams, besides the annual intercollegiate one at Longwood.

The spring vacation trips of the musical clubs and the senior dramatics were eminently successful, and both made many appearances before good houses. The senior dramatic cast, playing "The Private Secretary," includes Bros. Peabody and Crowell.

Bro. Tracy has been chosen one of the "Kellogg Five"—best speakers of the freshman class.

During the vacation the new telescope was mounted in the observatory. It is the largest refractor in New England. The new observatory itself is practically now finished, and many new mechanisms have been installed. Work on College Hall, now entirely remodelled and enlarged, is nearly done and the building will be ready for use at commencement time.

The detailed account of the biological expedition made last summer under the direction of Bro. Loomis of the faculty is being made public in the current numbers of the *American Journal of Science*. The party explored the country in the vicinity of the Big Horn River, in Dakota, and found 35 skeletons of animals entirely new to science besides many rare specimens of fossils.

A strenuous agitation is now on foot here for the introduction of the honor system, as in vogue, successfully, at such colleges as University of Virginia, Princeton, etc. Also, a scheme is now under discussion for choosing athletic managers by competition instead of by general election; but it is doubtful if either system will be put into effect at present.

Amherst, May 9, 1905.

EDGAR W. BURRILL.

#### RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The last term of the college year is now well under way and all outdoor sports are receiving their due amount of attention. So for this season the baseball team has been fairly successful, winning among others two games

from Dartmouth, and one from Yale, but losing two to Princeton and one to Williams. The prospects for the remainder of the season are much brighter as a number of good men are kept off the team at present by conditions in their studies. The team has been somewhat handicapped by the lack of pitchers, so that Bro. Tift, has been forced to pitch all but one of the games thus far.

Two track meets have been held recently; one with Tufts at Providence and one with Dartmouth at Hanover. Brown won the first but lost the last. The manager expects to have a strong team at the Worcester meet as there is much good material in college. The evening before the meet the Amherst and Brown Glee Clubs give a joint concert in Worcester.

Junior week has come and gone. The "Sock and Buskin" play, "Charlie's Aunt," proved a success in every way, and the festivities of the week were brought to a close by the junior prom. with its customary good time. The first of the outdoor symphony concerts was given Wednesday evening, May 12, a large number of society people of the city being present.

Brown recently won her annual debate with Dartmouth but lost to Johns Hopkins. In spite of the strenuous work of the Sophomores the freshmen succeeded in holding their banquet on the evening of April 25.

The chapter is well represented in all college activities this spring, and is in a flourishing condition. Besides Capt. Tift, Bros. Dickinson and Graham are playing on the 'varsity base ball team. Bro. Funk is the regular pitcher for the sophomore team and Bro. Williams is playing a star game at second base for the freshmen. In the recent carpenter prize contest in public speaking, open to members of the sophomore and junior classes, Bro. Kelly, '07, took first prize. The rushing committee have already begun operations with a view to getting in a strong delegation next year. We lose only three men by graduation consequently the prospects for another year are very encouraging. The chapter wishes to extend to Phis on visiting teams and all others who may visit Providence this spring the hospitality of Rhode Island Alpha.

CHAS. S. HUFF.

Providence, May 10, 1905.

#### NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

New York Alpha takes great pleasure in introducing Bro. Harry J. Geoghegan, '07, initiated since our last letter.

At the annual banquet held March 15 we had the pleasure of welcoming back Bros. Mason and McLaughlin. The chapter extends thanks to these loyal brothers for the beautiful souvenirs of their visit which they left us.

Athletics have enjoyed quite a prosperous spring season. The baseball team after a very successful southern trip returned to Ithaca where they played a very hard schedule, being defeated only once on the home grounds. At Princeton on April 29 they were defeated four to nothing in a fine exhibition of the national game. For the first time in the history of Cornell a regular schedule has been arranged for the 2nd 'varsity.

The 'varsity crew is showing fine form and great results are expected of them at Poughkeepsie. On May 27 the first crew meets Harvard over the two mile course on the Charles River. On Decoration day the second crew will participate in an American Henley at Philadelphia. These two races form a very interesting programme prior to the main event on the Hudson.

Track at this hour is an unknown quantity. The dual meets with Pennsylvania and Princeton during May will furnish a good opportunity of sizing up intercollegiate prospects. Bro. Rogers, '07, is doing excellent work in the quarter and 220 yard dash. Bro. Jackson, '08, promises to be a star

among the intercollegiate pole vaulters. Although a new and inexperienced man, he recently cleared the bar at eleven feet, three inches, indoors. Bro. Burkhardt, '08, is making a strong bid for a seat in the freshman boat.

Fraternities at Cornell are baseball enthusiasts, the series of games between different houses at this date is extremely interesting. The chapter is proud to carry at its belt as trophies the scalps of Greek neighbors the  $\chi \Psi$ 's,  $\Sigma \Lambda \epsilon$ 's and  $\Theta \Delta \chi$ 's.

Prospects for the coming year are exceedingly bright. At present we have seven men pledged for the next fall. Everybody is alive and active; the chapter feels that an early start is the thing. We especially urge all Alumni and Brother Phis to keep a sharp look out for men intending to enter Cornell in September. Bro. Harlan G. Bosler will be at the lodge during the summer, all correspondence of the aforesaid nature should be directed to him.

During the past year the chapter has had the pleasure of meeting in one way or another a number of our alumni. The effect has been very noticeable. We have deeply appreciated their interest. Especially do we urge that all who can during the coming year, will visit us, you will always be welcome at the lodge.

W. J. DUGAN.

Ithaca, May 6, 1905.

#### NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

Another college year is nearly over. It has been a year in which Union has scored both successes and failures; but it is pleasing to note that the former are largely in excess. The college won six out of nine games in football by a total score of 157-21; only having three touchdowns scored against it during the season. Thus far the track team has had but one meet, being defeated by Trinity. However, during the winter Union won a one mile relay race from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in an intercollegiate track meet in Troy. The scores of the baseball games thus far have been: Union vs. West Point, 0-5; Union vs. Williams, 3-11; Union vs. R. P. I., 11-10; Union vs. Wesleyan, 8-4; Union vs. Albany Law School, 7-6; Union vs. Hamilton, 12-3.

On the football team New York Beta was represented by Bro. Dann, '06, right guard; Bro. Moore, '08, right half back; Bro. Shutler, '08, right end; and Bro. Peck, '08, substitute center. Bro. Dann was elected captain of next year's team after the last game.

On the track team we have Bros. Moore, Hafley, and Shutler, all '08. On the baseball team we have Bro. Richards, '07, right field; Bro. Vogt, '08, catcher; and Bro. Jewell, substitute. Bro. Moon is assistant manager.

This year the chapter, having no seniors, loses no members by graduation; and as nearly all the brothers are certain of returning next fall, we shall have with "1909's" delegation a chapter which will continue its endeavors to maintain its rightful position in Union's numerous list of fraternities.

Schenectady, May 9, 1905.

MARCUS H. ELLIOTT.

#### NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

At the time of writing the university is rejoicing over the news that an anonymous gift of \$500,000 has been received, to be used for the purpose of erecting a college hall. It is rumored the donor is a member of the class to be graduated this June. The building will be called "Hamilton Hall," in memory of Alexander Hamilton, Columbia's notable alumnus.

In Athletics Columbia has had consistent success this spring. In baseball and crew, the two major sports, the chapter is very active. The base-

ball squad includes Bros. W. R. Tyler, captain; R. Schoonmaker, C. Snook, and H. Fish.

Bro. J. Miller is now rowing six in the first 'varsity crew. Bros. E. Updike and G. Norris are rowing in the second boat and it is probable that all three will row against Annapolis on May 20. This race will be of great interest to Columbia men, as Annapolis has already succeeded in defeating Yale, Pennsylvania and Georgetown.

A new system has been arranged in the college course for next year. The student will now be required to obtain 124 points, taking no less than 12 hours nor no more than 18 hours a half year, also the graduation thesis is no longer necessary for a degree, according to the new plan.

New York, May 7, 1905.

JOHN L. TONNELE, JR.

#### NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Of all the years of growth and progress since the founding of Syracuse University, the year 1904-'05 has shown the greatest activity. The foundations of four new buildings have already been laid. The new Lyman Hall of Natural History, which in architectural beauty and wealth of interior design will surpass even the John Crouse College of Fine Arts, will be erected at a cost of \$500,000. The Lyman C. Smith Mechanical Laboratory, which will cost \$250,000, will be ready for occupancy next fall. Andrew Carnegie has recently given to the university \$150,000 to be used in the erection of a new library, and an additional \$150,000 has been raised by friends of the university as an endowment fund. John D. Archbold, the donor of the present athletic field, has won a still higher place in the hearts of Syracusians by the gift of a new stadium to cost \$500,000. It is to be constructed of steel and cement and will have a seating capacity of 15,000.

Under the coaching of Dr. C. P. Hutchins track athletics have gained a new impetus. In the meet held last Saturday with Oberlin, Syracuse won out with high honors, several college records being broken. Next Saturday will take place the triangular meet with Colgate and Hamilton. First place is conceded to Syracuse.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is ably represented by Bro. Robertson as captain, Bro. Ralph as relay captain and Bro. Pearce.

The baseball team is at present on the eastern trip, the last trip of the season. Hard luck has been the dominant feature, the team losing hard fought contests by close scores. Bro. Burrell, captain and third baseman, has had many offers from the best professional teams in the east, but has decided not to enter professional ranks and will represent Syracuse another year on the oval and on the diamond. The second 'varsity, under the efficient coaching of Bro. House, has been more successful and has a long string of victories to its credit over the nearby preparatory schools. Much interest is shown in the inter-fraternity baseball league.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  won the pennant last year and hopes to end the season this year with a good percentage of victories.

The crews which are to represent us at Poughkeepsie have been practically selected, the 'varsity being the same as last year with the exception of two men. Every Syracuse man is confident that the victory of last year will be repeated.

Bro. Morgan R. Sanford, '88, has recently been appointed chief of the weather department of Syracuse.

As in former years  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is well represented in the class societies. Bros. Burrell and Whitney were elected to the senior honorary society,  $\Phi \kappa \Lambda$ , Bro. Jones to the senior dinner club and Bros. Griffiths and Cagwin to Corpse and Coffin, a junior class society.

Bro. Emmett House medic, '05 and Bro. C. T. Robertson, '05, will go abroad at the close of the college year; Bro. House to study medicine in Vienna and Bro. Robertson to assist in conducting a party of tourists.

The prospects for a chapter house for New York Epsilon are very bright. A permanent organization has been established among the alumni, and the same has been incorporated under the membership corporation laws of New York state. The board of directors of this association have charge of raising funds for the purpose of purchasing a lot and building a house.

Bro. Chas. F. Taylor, of the board of directors, has purchased a double lot facing directly on the campus, and will hold the lot a reasonable time to allow the alumni to pay the purchase price of \$6000. This insures a favorable location. About one third of this amount has been raised, and the alumni although rather tardy in contributing are showing a good loyal spirit. Bro. Skinner, the president of the board of directors feels assured that the alumni will be prompt in making their subscriptions when they learn that the lot has been purchased, and the success of the movement depends upon their loyalty.

It is the intention of the directors to build at least a \$35,000 home. A bonding scheme will be used for this purpose, and the alumni will be asked to contribute only the purchase price of the lot. If the lot is paid for this fall, the building will begin at once. Every alumnus of New York Epsilon should take an active interest in helping raise the necessary funds by writing their class mates to arouse their interest. Let every alumnus who reads this lend his assistance.

F. W. WHITNEY.

Syracuse, May 16, 1905.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

With spring have come the various out-door athletics which claim the attention of most students.

At the present writing the student body is much elated with the victory of the baseball team over Pennsylvania. Lafayette has one of the best teams she has ever had. The southern trip was very successful, our team, with practically no preliminary work, winning seven out of ten games played. Cornell and Trinity have been defeated, while our old rival Lehigh was shut out by the score of 15-0. Pennsylvania Alpha is represented by Bro. Pomeroy, '05, manager, and Bros. Hubley, '05, and McAvoy, '08, who are playing strong games at third base and centre field respectively.

The track team has prospects this year of being stronger than usual. Fourth place was secured at the University of Pennsylvania relay races. Last Saturday Annapolis badly defeated us, but the team is not yet in the best condition and will be heard from in the meets with the Indians, Lehigh and Rutgers which have been scheduled.

One of the most pleasant features in our fraternity life this spring was the joint banquet held with the Lehigh chapter in Bethlehem on May 3. About forty active members and alumni from the two chapters sat around the festive board and good feeling and jollity reigned supreme. Bro. Franklin, Kansas Alpha '87, acted as toastmaster and a better man could not have been found. Although it was the first gathering of the kind, it was a grand success. Everybody enjoyed themselves and the universal sentiment was that it should be made an annual affair.

Pennsylvania Alpha will lose five strong men this year by graduation—Bros. Cooper, Hubley, Latham, Pomeroy and Smith. Bro. Latham will teach for a year or so preparatory to taking up the study of law. Bros. Cooper and Pomeroy will engage in electrical and Bros. Hubley and Smith in civil engineering work.

The Sock and Buskin are preparing for their annual calculus play to be held at the usual time during commencement week. The club will present a two act musical farce, entitled, "Mr. Sullivan, O. K." Bros. Alexander, '06, Hemingway, '07, and Heustis, '08, are trying for places on the cast and in the chorus.

The 1906 *Melange* is expected to make its appearance in a few days. Bro. McIntire, '06, is one of the associate editors of the annual.

Bro. Latham, '05, has qualified for the Barge oratical contest which will be held on Decoration Day. Bro. Wilson, '06, will represent Wash. Hall in the junior contest.

Bros. McMeen and McAvoy have been elected to the Calumet club, an honorary sophomore society, elections being held at the end of the freshman year.

Plans are being made for our alumni reunion, to be held on Monday evening of commencement week. The banquet will this year be held at Paxinosa Inn. We hope to have a large number of alumni with us at that time.

The chapter has recently had the pleasure of short visits of several of our younger alumni. We enjoyed having them with us and hope to have more such visits.

E. GRAHAM WILSON.

Easton, May 12, 1905.

#### PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

During the past two months Gettysburg has witnessed nothing of importance. Everything has followed its usual order. The baseball team is not up to its usual standard this spring and has not even made a creditable showing. Where the trouble lies no one seems to know. The football schedule will be published in a few days. At present the outlook is for the best season the college has ever had. Gettysburg will not lose one 'varsity player and some very promising material is expected in the incoming freshman class. Of late quite a number of the students have been devoting a large part of their leisure hours to tennis. The annual tennis tournament is on. Bros. D. Huber, P. Singmaster and Dornberger have upheld Pennsylvania Beta in this branch of college activity. The prospects for a good fraternity tennis team are very propitious. The annual will be out within a week or two. At the recent election of the next year's annual staff Bro. P. Singmaster was chosen one of the associate editors. Bro. Dornberger was recently elected president of Pen and Sword, a local honorary society.

During the spring term Pennsylvania Beta has upheld her usual social activity. Several informal dances have been held at the chapter house and it is our intention to hold several more before college closes.

We had the pleasure of meeting Bros. Gullion, Kentucky Alpha; Gibson, Iowa Alpha; Winston, Texas Beta; who accompanied the West Point cadets on their annual tour of inspection over the battlefield. Bro. Stuart, Pennsylvania Alpha, spent a few days in town recently. Bro. Smaltz, Indiana Alpha, was here on business last week. The annual banquet will be held at the Eagle Hotel on June 13. The chapter urges all Phis, who find it convenient to honor us with their presence.

Gettysburg, May 17, '05.

H. S. DORNBERGER.

#### PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Washington and Jefferson will hold its commencement this year on June 21, and it is with pleasure that we look forward to the coming festivities.

Yet it is with sorrow that we remember that the present chapter, which has during the past year enjoyed so much prosperity and good fellowship will no more meet in its halls together.

Six men will leave us this year in the senior class, but our prospects for a good incoming class were never better, and we feel sure that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will get more than her share of freshmen next year.

Bro. Murphy has been elected to succeed Bro. Stuart as president of the Y. M. C. A. for next year.

There has been much excitement this spring among the fraternities over baseball.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  stands at the head of the league with a percentage of 1,000, having defeated  $\Phi K \Psi$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$  and  $\Phi T \Delta$ . We have two more games to play, with  $B \Theta \Pi$  and  $\Phi K \Sigma$ .

Through the kindness of our alumni a chapter house movement has been started and we feel sure that before long we shall be living in our own house. Bro. Hardy of Michigan Alpha, has taken a great interest in our scheme and has been a great help to us in starting the movement.

We wish to remind all This, who know of men coming to Washington and Jefferson next year, that we still have a chapter here and that we would appreciate their notifying us of any good men.

T. C. FRAME.

Washington, May, 1905.

#### PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

With this writing Dickinson ends another successful school year. We are looking forward to the return of many alumni during commencement week and especially the alumni of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . On June 6, dedicatory services of new Denny memorial building and of Conway hall will take place. Addresses will be delivered by Moncure D. Conway, L. H. D., and General Horatio C. King, L. L. D.

Our baseball season has not been as successful as we expected, but the track work of the year is excellent. Bro. Geo. P. Beck is a member of the track team and Parsons a pledged member, in prep. has won a beautiful cup for his work on track, high and broad jump.

Since our last writing we have entertained Bro. Davis, Pennsylvania Gamma. Among the victims of the disastrous wreck near Harrisburg, Pa., was Bro. Malcomb C. Sterrett, '00, law '02, of Chicago, Ill. We are glad to announce to the fraternity that he received no permanent injuries but had a narrow escape.

We lose by graduation this year Bros. H. W. and R. E. Smith and Edward Hagerly.

WILLIAM M. HOFFMAN.

Carlisle, May 19, 1905.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

On May 3, 1905, the first annual banquet of the Lafayette and Lehigh chapters of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was held at the Eagle Hotel, Bethlehem, Pa. The affair was the first of its kind ever held by the two chapters, and nothing could have served better to bring them into much closer relationship than has formerly been the case. There were sixteen men present from each chapter, besides Bro. William Suddards Franklin, Kansas Alpha, '87, who acted as toastmaster. Toasts were responded to by Bros. Franklin Treverton, Hemingway, Hanst, Pomeroy, Smith, Beck, Daugherty, Wallace, and others,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  cheers and songs were given with great enthusiasm by all present, and after a most enjoyable evening the banquet adjourned. It is the earnest wish of all who attended it that something of the kind be held every year, and thus

strengthen the bond of good fellowship between Pennsylvania Alpha and Pennsylvania Eta.

We held an initiation last week and take great pleasure in presenting as a brother in the Bond, Humphrey Dillon Smith, '08, Philadelphia, Pa. Bro. Smith is a member of the Lehigh University orchestra and the mandolin club. The mustard and cheese dramatic association presented "Jack Horner, Freshman," on May 6. The play was an original comic opera written especially for the occasion. Bros. Wallace and Treverton filled their parts very creditably.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has two men on the baseball team this season, Bro. Blazer playing his usual star game in left field and Mr. H. T. Long (pledged) is putting up a fine game at third base. The team lost the first game of the series with Lafayette, and will naturally work very hard now to win the other two. It has been officially announced lately that Bro. S. B. Newton, Williams '97, will again coach the football team next fall. We wish to request all Phis who know of any desirable men who intend coming to Lehigh next fall to write to the chapter recommending all whom they think fit. All such recommendations will be very gratefully received by the chapter. As usual, our larch string is always out for all Phis who come to Bethlehem.

So. Bethlehem, May 7, 1905.

J. FABER HANST.

#### PENNSYLVANIA THETA, PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

Since the time of our last letter we have lost Bro. D. M. Scott, '08. Bro. Scott was an energetic and enthusiastic Phi and we all mourn his loss. He will enter Cornell in the fall. On the other hand we have initiated John Malcolm Coleman, '08, and Hubert Andrew Brady, '07; and pledged Clyde Emanuel Orwig, '08—all of whom will materially strengthen our chapter. Pennsylvania Theta now has twenty-one members and one pledge and expects to resume work in the fall with at least seventeen men.

In baseball, State has more than held her own. On our southern trip we made a clean sweep, winning from Mt. Saint Marys, Annapolis, University of Virginia, and George Washington University. Rain interfered with the Georgetown game. The team returned home and won two games from the strong Villanova club. The eastern trip was not as successful. We won from Dickinson and West Point, but lost to Fordham and Manhattan. Next, Dickinson was defeated in a return game. To date, State has won nine games and lost two. Bro. Forkum is playing a great game at second and is hitting the ball hard. We have lots of field and track material and expect to hold our own. The relay team captured a close second in the second class inter-collegiate relays, the University of Virginia winning out.

In June State celebrates her semi-centennial, and every effort is being made to make this commencement the greatest in the history of the college. Pennsylvania Theta has the assurance of a house full of guests for commencement and is making preparations for the same.

Bro. Geib is chairman of the Harrisburg club banquet committee, and Bro. Fleming is on the junior assembly committee.

Pennsylvania State College, May 8, 1905.

WM. R. FLEMING.

#### BETA PROVINCE.

##### VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

At the close of our baseball season we are again in the throes of the examinations. Our nine has not been as successful this spring as in former years, still our victory over our old antagonist, Richmond College, yesterday afternoon, sweetens somewhat our failure to again win the championship of eastern Virginia.

Brother Blakney has developed into a good player. Although he was not recognized until late in season his pitching has been highly praised and he will undoubtedly make a good man for our future teams. Brother Brent's playing, especially as seen in the Richmond game, has excited much favorable comment. He has been prominently spoken of as the captain of next year's team.

The editors of the college magazine, one of whom is a Phi, are preparing for an alumni number for the final issue. Prominent alumni representing every period of the college history have consented to contribute articles. The idea has been well received and a marked success is anticipated.

In this our last letter of this session to THE SCROLL we would say a word to our alumni. Virginia Gamma expects to have a large chapter next session. In order to do this we need your co-operation and advice. We therefore request you to send photographs of yourselves and Phi groups for our new chapter hall. May we additionally request you to write either to the chapter or to the province president who is very attentive to all fraternity interests, about any good man who may contemplate entering Randolph-Macon. Only in this way can the chapter maintain itself most efficiently and accordingly we trust this request will be heeded.

WILLIAM L. CHENERY.

Ashland, May 8, 1905.

#### NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The spring term is now fast nearing its close and we are thus brought to realize that that which only a short time ago we dreaded so terribly has passed away so shortly that, were it not for the fact that examinations are now staring us in the face, we could scarcely believe that the time for our separation is so nigh at hand. The end of the term marks the close of a very brilliant and prosperous season in the university's life, and she finds herself better equipped for the future than she has ever been before.

The baseball team has reaped its full share of success this season, and every student and alumnus of the institution has just cause to be proud of the team, by reason of the many signal victories they have won. It is true that we have lost to several northern teams, as Georgetown and Lafayette, yet we do not mind acknowledging ourselves vanquished by foemen so worthy of our steel. On the other hand we count our team doubly victorious, because of other victories which signify a great deal more to us. Although one of the three games scheduled with the University of Virginia was forced to be cancelled on account of inclement weather, we won the other two by a score of 6-1 and 3-2. This came, undoubtedly, as a great surprise to the Virginians who were confident of winning, but of course we have to surprise them sometimes. We also gave the Navy a close game which resulted in their winning from us by the narrow margin of one run in a thirteen inning game. Bro. Stem has been elected captain of next year's baseball team. Although one of our intercollegiate debates this spring was won by Washington and Lee University we were consoled by a victory over Georgia. It was rather a peculiar coincidence that both of the debaters on the Washington and Lee team were Phis. We enjoyed greatly meeting with Bros. Sloan and Semple, and although our feelings leaned naturally to the side of our own college, we were very proud to see the decision to go the side which was represented by two such worthy Phis.

Copies of our chapter letters have been received and we are indeed greatly pleased both with the plan for the issuing of these letters and with the letters themselves. We have already received congratulations from several of our alumni upon the issuance of this, our first annual chapter-letter, and we feel

assured that this is a further step toward the future progress of our chapter. For the benefit of those who have seen or may see a certain statement made in the April B Θ II *Magazine* by the reporter of their chapter here, we wish to correct this statement. In enumerating the list of active fraternity chapters here he has left our chapter out, which is an error due entirely to his negligence. Our attention was called to this by our province president, and upon investigation we found that the reporter had made this mistake unintentionally as we expected. On the contrary we wish to say that we are as much alive and active for the interests of the fraternity as ever.

Chapel Hill, May 9, 1905.

F. M. WELLER.

### GAMMA PROVINCE.

#### KENTUCKY ALPHA-DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY.

Our baseball team has not been as successful as was expected at the first of the season. Bro. Watkins represented us on the team as one of the pitchers. Bro. Thatcher, who won the state intercollegiate oratorical contest at Lexington, April 28, has been selected as class day orator, and he will speak on commencement day. Bro. Hudson will deliver the valedictory.

We lose by graduation this year Bros. Hudson, Thatcher, Andrews and Gill. The chapter will give a dance on June 6.

Danville, May 9, 1905.

J. LEWIS GILL.

#### KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

We are preparing to bid each other a fond farewell after all the pleasures and necessary troubles of the past intercollegiate year. Kentucky Epsilon is now enjoying a most prosperous career and with the men we will return together with the seven men we have pledged, Kentucky Epsilon is sure to enjoy a banner year for 1905-'06.

Several important college events have lately occurred. The first annual indoor athletic meet held at Alumni Hall was won by the freshmen. We were represented on every class team. Bro. Carney, '07, broke the college record for twenty yard dash and ran on the sophomore relay team. Bro. Shanklin, '08, won the rope climb; Bro. Branham, '07, placed in hurdles and half mile, and Bro. Rogers, '06, was a member of the junior relay team which broke the college record for the mile distance. We were ably represented on the gymnasium team: Bro. Spears, '07, was elected captain of the team and won a medal in the tournament held in March. Bro. Shanklin, '08, and Bro. Carney, '07, were also members of the team.

In the college opera "The Girl and the Goose" given by the dramatic club, of which Bro. Forbes is vice-president, Bros. Noel and Carney were our representatives. Two performances were given in Lexington and one in Winchester, Ky. We gave a box party to several of our sisters at the night performance here. The box was beautifully decorated in blue and white.

Several receptions have been given by the young ladies of Patterson Hall, while the monthly cadet hops are largely attended.

The K Ξ fraternity gave its annual dance last month, while the X E X sorority entertained at a card party in honor of the fraternity men.

We were represented in both the Kentucky inter-collegiate oratorical and declamatory contests. Georgetown college won the declamatory, while the honors of the oratorical went to John M. P. Thatcher, a Phi from Central University.

Both the Neville and Philosophian literary societies have held open sessions during the past month.

State College won the dual track meet against Kentucky University on April 22, scoring 84 points to K. U.'s 37. Three Phis were in the squad. State College is now in the lead for the silken flag in the Kentucky intercollegiate baseball association. We have lost but one game, K. U. winning it 13 to 7. Bro. Carney has caught all the games except one for 'varsity team.

The greatest honor that has ever fallen to our lot happened in March when Bro. Branham succeeded in winning the Cecil Rhodes scholarship. He will leave in September to enter Exeter College, Oxford.

Out of all the representatives from the Kentucky colleges, Bro. Branham was the only competitor that passed the examination.

Kentucky Epsilon together with Kentucky Alpha Delta chapter of Central University, gave a picnic at High Bridge, Ky., on May 6.

Next year we will lose a good many of our old men. Bro. Barclay, who has been taking a "post" course, has accepted a position for next year. Bro. Forbes will go in business with his father. Bro. Kinkead has already accepted a position outside of the state. Bro. Branham will attend Oxford University. Bro. Carney has accepted a position in electrical engineering in Mississippi. Bro. Dabney is now in the engineering department of the Chicago and Alton R. R., and Bro. McFerran will probably work his blue grass farm.

Something should be said of the honors we have won since our last letter. Bro. Haynes has been announced the honor man of the scientific courses. He is assistant editor of the annual and was local editor of the *Colonel*. Bro. Trice is a member of the college orchestra and glee club, and president of the tennis club. Bro. Rogers was chosen a member of the senior society, the "Lamp and Cross" on Tap Day. He was also athletic editor of the *Colonel*. Bro. Spears was chosen a member of the junior honorary society "The Mystic 13."

The inter-fraternity baseball championship has not yet been decided but we feel confident that we will win it. The winner will be awarded a loving cup.

We cordially extend the hospitality of our house to any Phis visiting Lexington during the summer.

J. M. FORBES.

Lexington, May 15, 1905.

#### TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

On April 20 the main building of the Vanderbilt university with most of its contents, including the valuable library, chemical and physical apparatus, was completely destroyed by fire. The loss was estimated at between \$150,000 and \$200,000, with only \$115,000 of insurance. Despite the inconvenience caused by the fire, class work was resumed without the loss of a single day. During the last three weeks the Nashville alumni and citizens have subscribed about \$75,000 for the rebuilding, and committees are at work all over the south soliciting contributions from the alumni of other cities and states.

On May 9 the club assisted by the glee and instrumental clubs of the Belmont College for young ladies, gave a joint concert the proceeds of which were to go toward placing a handsome pipe organ in the new chapel.

The baseball team at last seems to have struck its stride and is playing good ball, having lately taken series from University of Nashville, University of Tennessee, University of Indiana, and Kentucky State College.

The track team met the University of Indiana in a dual meet on May 11, but lost out badly. The southern intercollegiate meet comes off in a week or more, and we hope to see the team redeem itself by winning out.

Bros. Bryan, Montgomery and Morgan have been elected to membership for next year in the Commodores—the senior dance club.

Bro. Jesse B. Sibley has been elected class representative of the academic and engineering departments for commencement day.

The annual debate between Sewanee and Vanderbilt was won this year by Sewanee. Vanderbilt was represented by Messrs. Lloyd and Cook.

The question of postponing the spiking season has been settled definitely, and it has been agreed that for next year no spiking shall be done until February 4.

OWSLEY MANIER.

Nashville, May 13, 1905.

#### TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Since our last letter, our chapter has been materially strengthened by the return of Bro. T. W. Palmer, '07.

The annual alumni banquet, postponed as usual on account of our winter vacation, was held on May 12. Vanderbilt played Sewanee here on that day and Bros. Sibley, McCollum, and Barrett, of Tennessee Alpha, honored us with their presence. Every one enjoyed himself thoroughly.

Sewanee's baseball team this year promises to be a repetition of 1902 in that it will win the championship of the south. Eleven games have been played and only one lost. Eleven more are scheduled. Bro. G. L. Watkins is substitute on the team.

Bros. Williams and Brown are graduated this commencement and while we regret very much to lose Bro. Williams we are glad to say that Bro. Brown will be with us some years yet, as he will take up his studies in the theological department. In Bro. Williams we lose a valuable man. He is one of the honor men of the university, having held nearly every honor which could be bestowed upon him by the student body, and also has been proctor for the past year. The football team of '04, under his management, was one of the greatest successes, financially, that we have had for some years. Bro. Brown has distinguished himself in a literary way. Last commencement he was awarded the prizes for history and German and this commencement is to be valedictorian of his class.

We enjoyed the privilege of having Bro. Threlkled, Kentucky Epsilon, '04, with us at the chapter meeting on April 25. He is manager of the Cumberland University baseball team.

Tennessee Beta prides itself on the collection of pennants of the universities where  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  exists, which is the only collection, secured by exchanging, owned by any chapter. This set, complete with the exception of Case, was secured through the efforts of one of our sisters and the chapter house has been tastefully decorated with these pennants.

Sewanee, May 18, 1905.

K. BLAND MITCHELL.

#### DELTA PROVINCE

##### OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

It gives me great pleasure to say that Ohio Alpha has purchased a new chapter house. The house is a two story house, with ten rooms, water and electric lights. It faces the campus directly opposite the new women's dormitory, Hepburn Hall, and has ample room to accommodate fourteen men. The lot is 66x165 feet, and affords us the most ideal corner location obtainable for a fraternity house, facing the campus. It was only on May 8 that we learned that the property could be purchased. At the time we had no definite plans or organization for carrying on this work. But through the in-

defatigable efforts of Bro. K. H. Zwick, of Roanoke, Louisiana, who has been spending several weeks with us; together with the chapter, the deal was closed in exactly a week from the time it was started. The chapter expects to occupy this house next September.

The Ohio Alpha chapter house association expects to solicit aid from our alumni to erect at some future time a Phi Delta Theta chapter house which will prove a fitting memorial to our beloved founder, Robert Morrison. The present house is so arranged that it can be beautifully and economically remodeled, or it can be moved to the rear of the lot and rented or sold, and the front portion of the lot will give us ample room upon which to erect the Morrison memorial, which we trust will receive the support of all Phis.

Our alumni residing in the vicinity, upon whom we called in the work, have helped us loyally, and we desire to assure them and President Guy Potter Benton of Miami, who has rendered us valuable council and assistance, of our hearty appreciation of their help.

As the collegiate year, 1904-05, is drawing to a close, it is a great pleasure to say that it has been a very successful year for us. During the fall Bro. Blickensderfer was manager of the football team, while Bro. Reed played left half-back, and Bro. Stephenson, left tackle. Bros. Barnett and Southwick were subs., Bro. Lesit played guard on the baseball team. On the varsity indoor baseball team we were represented by Bros. Reed, Hartle, Lloyd and Blickensderfer. Bro. Prugh is a member of the senior dramatic club, and Bro. Lloyd is on the varsity baseball team. The annual athletic meet will be held on May 27, and we will be represented by several men.

We have recently pledged Mr. Charles Smith, a brother of Bro. Howard S. Smith.

We will lose three men this year by graduation—Bros. Prugh, Smith and Moore. We regret very much that these brothers will not be with us next year and they have our best wishes.

Bros. W. R. Hughey, Beeler, and Welliver, of Ohio Zeta, visited the chapter. Bro. Watkins of Kentucky Alpha-Delta, who played on Central's team, spent several days with the chapter, during the two games of baseball between Central University and Miami.

Bro. Whipple, ex-'07, who just returned from California after spending the winter there, visited us a few days recently.

Oxford, May, 1905.

J. S. BLICKENSDERFER.

#### OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The highest honor that can come to an Ohio Wesleyan man, was won last Friday evening by Bro. D. A. Morrow, when he was chosen at the preliminary to represent our university at the inter-state oratorical contest on May 19. Three out of seven men who have represented Ohio Wesleyan since the formation of the league have now been members of Ohio Beta.

Another victory was won for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on April 30, when we defeated  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  in the first game played in the inter-fraternity baseball league. The contest was most decisive, as the score 16-0 will indicate. We are confident we have the best team in the fraternity league and unless some accident occurs we will have the cup again in our possession by the end of June.

Bro. W. F. Shaw has been elected to the presidency of the senior class. Our prospects in 'varsity baseball are very bright. We have played three games and have won all of them. Much of the credit for this success is due to Bro. Webb as pitcher.

We have lately added to the roll of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  the names of Bros. Kraw, Sigler and Cameron. The initiation was the first for a considerable time and was perhaps for that reason an exceptionally good one.

We would call attention to the fact that Bro. C. S. Hoskinson is an active candidate for the trustee of the university who is to be elected this coming June. All the brothers of Ohio Beta who are entitled to vote should send their ballots to the reporter in time for the election. Through the columns of THE SCROLL we also wish to invite our alumni to be with us at the annual banquet, in June.

F. J. PROUT.

Delaware, May 8, 1905.

#### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

We have lately initiated Frank B. Kurtz and with the return of Bros. Kelly and Harry Coultrap, will have a strong chapter of nineteen men.

On March 15 we observed Alumni Day by a banquet held at Hotel Berry. Many alumni were present and the affair proved to be of more than usual enjoyment to all participating.

Our baseball season so far has been very successful, but owing to the weather we have only played a few games. We won from Otterbein by the decisive score of 14 to 0 in a six inning game. Ohio Gamma, as usual, is at the front in baseball. We are represented by Bro. Davis on third, Bro. James at short, Bro. Preston, center field, and Bro. Shattuck, outfielder and utility pitcher.

The active chapter is showing a keen interest in all departments of the university. Especially is this true in athletics and the musical department where everything runs smoothly for us. In a musical comedy given at the beginning of the term we were represented by Bros. Merritt and Harris in leading parts and several others of the brothers in the chorus. Bros. Preston and Norton are on *The Mirror* staff and Bro. Preston is also president of the junior class.

Recently the university met with a great loss in the death of Prof. B. O. Higley, head of the department of history and economics. Prof. Higley was very widely known in educational circles and exceedingly popular among the students.

Just at present the feeling between the "barbs" and frat men is especially bitter. This state of affairs seems to be common about once in every three or four years and just now seems to have reached its highest point and is about due to fall flat. The real trouble is in athletics, where the fraternities have about ninety-five per cent. of the men on the various teams.

The chapter entertained on the evening of May 4 with a dancing party. About twenty-five couples were present. The music and floor were excellent and the dance was much enjoyed by all present.

Again Ohio Gamma wishes to extend to all Phis visiting Athens a most cordial invitation to visit us at the chapter house.

C. H. HARRIS.

Athens, May 15, 1905.

#### OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

The first year of the administration of Dr. Chas. W. Dabney, is drawing to a close, and it has been a very successful one throughout for our university. Although the time has been too short to make any radical changes, many important steps have been taken for the advancement of the institution. An endowment association, composed of influential citizens of Cincinnati and alumni of the university, has been formed to raise necessary improvement funds. An association of women, but recently formed, has contributed quite a large sum of money for the improvement of the campus, and the work of planting trees and shubbery has been going on for some

weeks. The property south of the campus and bordering on Calhoun street has been condemned by the city authorities and will be added to the campus, as soon as vacated by the occupants.

Graduation festivities will commence on June 12. "The Shoemaker's Holiday" will be presented by the senior class on the campus. In the cast are Bros. Pflueger, Holdredge and Fetsch.

The senior baseball team will meet the faculty in their annual baseball game. Commencement exercises will be held on Wednesday morning, June 14, at 10 o'clock.

Ohio Theta has enjoyed a successful year, but it remained to Bro. Edward Pflueger to cap the climax by winning the Jones prize for oratory. His splendid oration was delivered in a masterly style and he certainly merits the hearty congratulations of his college and chapter. The writer has been appointed student assistant in civil engineering, a position established at the beginning of the third term. We lose as active members Bros. Holdredge, Fetsch, Pflueger and Bebb. Bro. Pflueger will remain and pursue his studies at the law department. The *Cincinnatian*, '05, will appear shortly. Bro. Alfred Kreimer has managed the publication and it is said to be one of the best of recent years.

Our first rushing party was held on May 3 at Heidelberg, a picturesque resort in the Kentucky highlands. The early part of the evening was spent in bowling and at 11 o'clock a Dutch lunch spread in one of the pavilions was enjoyed by all. Besides the active chapter many of the alumni were present and lent their aid in making the affair a successful one.

Athletic interest is now centering around baseball and tennis. Up to the present writing our baseball team has played but one college game, but acquitted itself very well in that one, beating Indiana by a score of 6-3. Miami will be played on May 12 and other Ohio colleges in the near future. A southern trip has been arranged on which a series of three games will be played with Vanderbilt. Bro. Adams is our representative and plays right field. Bro. Morris will represent Ohio Theta in the men's singles at the various tournaments to be held during the latter part of May and the first week of June.

Our track meet with Earlham College did not result quite so successfully, the 'varsity losing by a score of 32-17. But as our track team is composed mostly of freshmen, great hopes are placed upon it for next year.

We would be pleased to meet visiting Phis at our quarters. Suite W, Bradford Block, 6th and Vine streets.

JOHN E. BEBB.

Cincinnati, May 10, '05.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

"The County Fair," given by the fraternities and clubs of the university for the benefit of the Michigan Union, came to a close last night. It was probably the largest and most successful affair of its kind ever attempted on a college campus. A street parade, over a mile long, and composed of stunts furnished by the different college organizations, was given Friday and Saturday afternoons, through the streets of Ann Arbor. Great excitement was caused by the "camel," escaping from its keeper, and rushing into "Joe Parker's," but beyond this accident nothing happened to mar the success of the occasion. Φ Δ Θ was represented in the parade by a fife and drum corps, and a company of veterans, representing the "spirit of 76," and immediately following some of the less dignified brothers, suitably attired and equipped to represent the "spirit of 1906." A water-wagon, with Bro. Acty Graham as Carrie Nation, on top, and Bros. French and Hunt in a horrible condi-

tion vainly trying to climb on, added a very realistic touch. Our stunt in the show proper, was a "radium dance," which was universally declared to be the hit of the fair. The radium effect was produced by calcium sulphate which has the peculiar property of absorbing light, and emitting it in the dark. The great success of the performance was due to the efforts of Bro. Tullock, and any other chapter desiring to work up a "stunt" would do well to write to him.

At the invitation meet, held at Philadelphia, under the auspices of the University of Pennsylvania the Michigan representatives won the four mile relay, and scored more points than any other team.

Bro. French won second place in the broad jump, and was awarded a silver cup.

The baseball team has been unusually successful this spring, having played Chicago, Illinois and Wisconsin without a defeat. A large number of the fellows are out for their class teams and Bros. Kusterer and Morrison respectively, are captains of the 1905 and 1907 engineer teams.

We have lately initiated Carl C. Quinlan, of Petosky, Michigan, who entered the university in February, and whom we take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity.

Our annual banquet was held March 11 at the chapter house, at which were present many out of town alumni, and Bro. Mitchell, P. G. C., Bro. Howard M. Raymond, of Chicago, dean of Armour Institute, acted as toastmaster, and Bros. E. D. Jones, W. D. Graham, F. J. R. Mitchell, R. D. Chapin, E. T. Hammond and W. A. Eversman, president of Delta province, responded to toasts. This occasion is looked forward to with the greatest pleasure by the alumni and active chapter alike, and this year has certainly been no disappointment.

In the indoor track meets which have just been finished, Bros. Hulburt, Quinn, Graham, and Curtis have won their class numerals. Work has now been taken up out doors, and Bros. French and Curtis are very promising candidates for the broad jump and hammer throw respectively. The prospects for the baseball team have been seriously darkened by the generous distribution of conditions among the players. Capt. Tom Bird has resigned his position to play with Buffalo in the eastern league, and Charles Campbell has been elected to fill the vacancy. Bro. Graham is an energetic candidate for the position of catcher, with good prospects of winning out. Bro. Harley Holmes recently made the musical clubs, and Bro. James Quinn was elected assistant manager, and Carl Kusterer; secretary for the coming year. The usual spring trip has been abandoned for various reasons, but a concert will be given in Ann Arbor during senior week.

WILL G. MOORE.

Ann Arbor, May 7, 1905.

## EPSILON PROVINCE.

### INDIANA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA.

As the end of the year approaches, our thoughts turn as often toward the year that is to come as to the year that is passing. Our prospects for next year would be very pleasing indeed were it not for the fact that we will lose Bros. Harry Long, and Clinton Asco by graduation.

Bro. Walter Bradfute, a Bloomington alumnus, has contracted to build for us a stone fraternity house on our lot on East Third Street, to be ready for occupancy by the first of next year. Building will begin at once. About fifteen men will return next fall so that we feel assured of a successful rushing season.

Next year will also see the completion of the student building and the erection of a \$100,000 library building, which was granted to the university at the last session of the legislature. The present library building—Maxwell Hall—will be handed over to the school of law.

Indiana University has been more successful than usual in her athletic teams. The baseball team won from Kentucky University, Kentucky State, Central University, Ohio State, Rose Poly., and Butler; and lost to the University of Cincinnati and Kentucky University.

The track team has met with even fewer defeats. On last Saturday it defeated the Purdue team in a dual meet by a score of 63½ to 48½. Bro. Seward took first in the hurdles. This is the strongest track team Indiana has ever turned out and it probably stands first in the west.

Today and tomorrow the centennial of Schiller's death will be commemorated by the presentation of "Wallensteins Lager" and "Kabale und Liebe"—both five act dramas—by the German department.

"Strut and Fret" recently presented Sheridan's "School for Scandal" with some success.

The junior prom. will be the biggest undergraduate social event of the year. The junior class has taken a step out of the usual course by publishing a year-book which will be distributed the night of the prom.

It brings great pleasure to Indiana Alpha to know that Bro. John W. Foster, the most famous alumnus the university has ever graduated and whose picture honors the first page of Indiana's register of graduates, will deliver the commencement address in June. Wishing all Φ Δ Θs a happy summer, Indiana Alpha bids them goodbye for the year.

Bloomington, May 8, 1905.

W. DEAN LEVI.

#### INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

We have recently initiated, and take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity, Bros. Bert L. Morris, '08, of Shelbyville, Ind., and William H. Gleiser, '08, of Monticello, Ill. The chapter is at present composed of seventeen active and three pledged men. Of the active members, four will be lost by graduation, Bros. Beale, Schrock, Linder and Reed.

This spring an inter-fraternity baseball league was organized here. The members of the league are Φ Δ Θ, Φ Γ Δ, Κ Σ, Β Θ Π, Δ Τ Δ. Φ Δ Θ has won three games and lost none, and has one more game to play and win in order to get the large sheepskin pennant which will be awarded to the team holding the highest percentage at the close of the series. Φ Γ Δ comes second with the others in the order named. A game will probably be arranged with Indiana Zeta at DePauw.

Our college baseball team has made an enviable record so far this season, and bids fair to win the state championship if they can maintain the pace they are setting. Nine college games have been played and but one lost and that to the strong Illinois team on their own grounds by a score of 2 to 11. Purdue was beaten 6-4; Indiana, 2-1; Rose Poly., 1-0; DePauw, 5-0 and Northwestern 5-0.

The track team will go to Terre Haute May 20th to take part in the meet of the secondary colleges; but owing to poor training facilities, little can be expected of the men. Wabash also has a dual meet with DePauw on June 3 to be held at Greencastle.

Bro. Edgar Fleming, of Ft. Wayne, who was out teaching school, has returned to college this term.

WALTER S. REED.

Crawfordsville, May 13, 1905.

**INDIANA GAMMA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.**

We regret to say that our one pledge, George Webber, is still unable to attend school on account of the injuries to his eyes received in the chemical laboratory.

The baseball team has not been, so far, satisfactorily successful, but we still hope it may finish the season in better form and do credit to the college as did our basketball and football teams this year. Bros. Bohnstadt and Riddle head the batting list; Bro. Murray, however, was obliged to resign the captaincy and quit the game on account of a fractured elbow. Final arrangements are now being made for an inter-fraternity track meet to be held about the first of June and we hope to repeat last year's success, when we captured all three of the banners.

For the first time in the history of the college the junior class will give a prom and from the interest shown it will undoubtedly be the social event of this term. Bro. Kingsbury is chairman of the junior committee.

Bros. Murray, Riddle, Bohnstadt, Kingsbury, and Egbert are in the cast of a play, "The Gentleman from Irvington," to be given by the Scroll and Sword society.

We have erected on the college campus a very attractive boulder summer house which will stand, as long as the present college buildings remain, as a monument to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

ROBERT H. EGBERT.

Indianapolis, May 11, 1905.

**INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.**

Franklin's baseball team is making a much more creditable showing than was anticipated and there has resulted a marked increase of enthusiasm in athletics.

Bro. Ott, who was reported as withdrawn from school because of illness, has recovered and reentered. Of the new students who entered Franklin for the spring term, Indiana Delta pledged one man, W. Roy LeGrange, who will doubtless make an energetic worker for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  next year.

On the evening of April 27 Indiana Delta banqueted in honor of her supporters and this proved to be one of the most brilliant events of the social year. Bros. Roy Schrock, of Wabash, and Roy Stott of Chicago University were with us on this occasion.

Bros. Frank Bachelor and Arnold, '04 have also visited friends here, recently.

Indiana Delta is planning to give a stag banquet in honor of her alumni, during commencement week. A very pleasant reunion is anticipated.

Franklin, May 19, 1905.

CAVINS R. MARSHALL.

**INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.**

The college year that is drawing to a close finds Indiana Epsilon in a prosperous condition. We lose only one man this year by graduation and so far as is now known all the undergraduates will return. Bro. G. P. Roberts, ex-'99, intends reentering college next fall.

We wish to introduce to the general fraternity J. R. Rankin, '08, Madison, Ind. Bro. Rankin has made a record for himself during his freshman year. He was quarterback on the football team and is president of his class.

Bro. Oldfather and Whallon, B  $\Theta$  II, will again represent the college in tennis and expect to win the state championship. They have held the championship in doubles for the past two years. Besides the regular state

meets a meet has been arranged between Cincinnati University and Hanover to be held at Hanover on June 2.

On the baseball team Indiana Epsilon is represented by Loudon, Parker and Sipe. Francis injured his knee in the first game of the season and will be unable to play again this year.

R. V. SIPE.

Hanover, May 6, 1905.

#### INDIANA ZETA, DEPAUW UNIVERSITY.

Indiana Zeta has been crowned with honor and glory by one of her noble sons. Bro. J. M. Devers, who represented the Indiana oratorical association in the inter-state contest, held at Monmouth, Ill., May 4, won first place. This is held as the greatest honor a man can win for his school during his college course, as it gives the school first rank among eleven of the best states in the west. This is the first inter-state victory Indiana has won for thirteen years. Bro. Devers was greeted, on his return, by one of the greatest demonstrations of college enthusiasm and spirit that DePauw has witnessed in many years. Bro. Devers' work as an orator has reflected much glory and honor on DePauw university as well as  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and his name will be cherished with those of Chas. F. Coffin, J. H. Wilkerson and A. J. Beveridge, so long as DePauw University shall stand.

This year DePauw for the first time supported two debate teams. One team met the team from Cornell College, Iowa, the other met the Irish from Notre Dame. On the team which met Notre Dame,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was represented by Bro. Jewett. The debate occurred in Mehary Hall before a home audience and the work of Bro. Jewett on that occasion won for him the enthusiastic support of the student body and the confidence and praise of every Phi. Bro. Jewett's forensic effort surpassed the most sanguine hopes of his friends and the excellent grades he secured from judges and audience announced him as a strong candidate for the university oratorical honors next year. As one of the three best debaters he was awarded a share in the \$75 prize given by Hon. Hugh Dougherty, president of the Marion Trust company, and president of the board of trustees of DePauw University.

In athletics  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented by Bro. Long, on the 'varsity baseball team and by Bro. Van Dyke on the track team.

In the interfraternity baseball league Indiana Zeta is a strong favorite for the championship. The deciding games will be played next week between  $\Delta \kappa \epsilon$ ,  $\Delta \tau$  and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Bro. Van Dyke was awarded a membership in  $\Phi \beta \kappa$  for his excellent scholarship during his college course.

In general Indiana Zeta is decidedly on the boom and next year promises to be a banner year in her history.

A. C. BEYER.

Greencastle, May 14, 1905.

#### INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

The university this year closed on June 3, with commencement exercises on June 7. Senior vacation begins May 17 and lasts until commencement day. Preparations will be made during this month for elaborate celebration during "gala week" and many entertainments will be given for visiting alumni.

With the graduating class of 1905, Indiana Theta sends out seven of the best men she has ever had, and although we feel that they will be a credit to the chapter as alumni members, we regret to lose them from active work. The graduating members are: Walton Vaile, Fort Smith, Arkansas; Harry

G. Warren, Evansville, Indiana; J. A. Miner, Indianapolis, Indiana; Harry M. Bowser, Fort Wayne, Indiana; J. L. A. Connors, Columbus, Ohio; L. J. Flint, Minneapolis, Kansas; and Arthur G. Caldwell, Lafayette, Indiana. As seniors, these men have worked consistently and uniformly for the good of the fraternity and chapter as few classes have done in our history.

The baseball team this year is showing up in good shape and prospects for the state championship are promising. The team left on May 8 for an extensive trip, having the following games scheduled; Beloit, May 9, Northwestern, May 10, Chicago, May 11, and Notre Dame, May 13. Bros. L. J. Flint and C. A. Bird accompanied the team on this trip and both have won their letters for varsity baseball.

In the dual track meet with Indiana University, Purdue lost by a score of 47-½ to 61½. Notwithstanding this defeat, however, we feel reasonably confident that we will be able to win the state championship on May 20. Bros. D. H. Long and J. C. Turpin are doing good consistent work in the hurdles, Bro. Long having landed third place in the 120 yard hurdles at the dual meet.

Of the three men that Purdue sent to the Pennsylvania relay carnival at Philadelphia, Thomas, '07, landed first in the hammer throw at 150 feet 10 inches, and Glover, '06, got third place in the pole vault at 11 feet 3 inches. This is an excellent showing for Purdue's representation.

The Purdue minstrels were held on May 3 and 4, and both performances were good. Nearly the entire number of seats were sold for each night and the proceeds has swelled the memorial gymnasium fund considerably. Several new features were staged this year that showed some excellent talent among the students.

Bros. S. V. B. Miller and G. T. Ellis both took part in the Purdue quintet given as a special feature of the minstrel programme.

The Indiana Theta Alumni Association will hold a meeting on June 3 and 4 at Lafayette, Indiana, with the intention of taking some immediate action toward the erection of a new chapter house on the lots they have already purchased at Third and Waldron streets. With the funds on hand and those easily available, we believe that they will be able to secure the new house some time very soon.

Bro. C. S. Sale has been elected editor-in-chief of the Purdue *Exponent* for the year 1905-'06.

Bro. D. H. Long was chairman of the committee which had in charge the sophomore pan-hellenic dance given May 5. The dance was one of the best pan-hellenic dances given for some time at Purdue. On May 8 the senior fraternity men gave the second of their series of pan-hellenic dances for the '05 class at Tecumseh Trail.

In the inter-fraternity baseball league  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has as yet played but one game, which we won from  $B \Theta II$  on May 2. From present indications our team will stand a good show for the pennant, although the teams of  $\Phi K \Psi$  and  $\Sigma A E$  are very strong.

Lafayette, May 9, 1905.

C. STANLEY SALE.

## ZETA PROVINCE.

### ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter Illinois Alpha, after a hard rush with  $B \Theta II$ , has pledged two men—Roy Beitel and R. H. Gee—who will be in college next year and will be valuable assistants in rushing. We are trying to get in close touch with several men who expect to come to Northwestern next year. From present prospects our chapter of 1905-'06 will be much larger than ever before.

In athletics Northwestern has shown marked improvement. The 'varsity baseball team has lost only three games. Each practice brings out new candidates so there is no complaint about a lack of interest in baseball. Dr. Harley Parker is coaching the team and has inspired the men with enthusiasm. Bro. Barker, '07, is playing shortstop on the team and has already won his letter. He is also captain of the sophomore team. Unless some unforeseen misfortune arises, Northwestern will finish second in the "big nine."

The track team meets the University of Minnesota May 13 and each man is confident of winning his event. This is the first "big-nine" meet for two years, in which Northwestern has contested, and some surprises are sure to come forth. Bro. Baird, '05, captain, Bro. Barker, '07, and Bro. Rader, '08, represent Illinois Alpha on the track team.

In the interfraternity baseball league  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  stands second, having been defeated by  $\Delta T \Delta$ . However, the remainder of the schedule is comparatively easy and the pennant cannot leave our chapter house where it has hung for a year. The senior vaudeville given April 28 in the gymnasium was a pronounced success. It was originated and conducted chiefly by  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s, and the success of the performance was, to a large extent due to their efforts. Bro. R. A. Willson, '05, was chairman of the committee. Three of our men are on the cast of the freshman show to be given May 26.

Illinois Alpha has five seniors this year. However, we will only lose three—Bros. Wakeman, Baird and Murdock. The former two expect to live in Evanston and take an active interest in the fraternity. Bro. Murdock will practice law at Streator, Ill. Bros. Blu and Willson return next year to study law.

ORIS B. HASTINGS.

Evanston, May 11, 1905.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

At the last annual founders day exercises February 14, President McClelland announced to the college that the \$100,000 endowment, for which he had been working, had been secured. The committee on the gymnasium building fund also reported that a considerable amount had been secured and that within two years a \$25,000 gymnasium would in all probability be completed. This building will help greatly the cause of athletics, which has suffered for lack of quarters. On April 6, President McClelland announced that Mr. Andrew Carnegie would give to Knox College \$50,000 for a science hall, provided that an additional \$50,000 endowment be raised. The president is assured that this amount will not be long in coming and that the building will be completed within two years. With the greater facilities offered to the college, a great stimulus has been given to the courses in science. With the endowment and the two new buildings assured, the college looks forward to a bright and successful future. The attendance this year has increased over that of last year's enrollment.

The third annual conference of the colleges of the interior was held here during the last week of March. Some vital problems in regard to the life of the colleges were discussed.

Nelson Willard, our present coach, has resigned and Bro. Fred. Ewing, '03, has been secured for the next two years as football coach. With Bro. Ewing's past experience on the Knox team and his two year's experience as a coach, a strong team should be turned out next fall. Prospects in baseball are very bright and a successful season is looked forward to. The team showed up well in a series of games with the Davenport three-I team and defeated Monmouth College by a score of 6—0. Bros. Edgerton, captain '05, Hilding, '07, Ellis, Orcult, and Grant, '08, are in the squad. Bros.

Spinner, '07, Ehrhart, '05, Snohr, '06, are on the track team. Bro. McClelland, '05, is on the honor roll. Bro. Howell, '06, was appointed college marshal by the faculty. A Phi has held this office every time with the exception of the last two years. Bro. Holman, '08, won the freshman oratorical contest. Bros. Snohr, '06, G. Lowrie, '07, and Grant, '08, are on the Glee club, which has just closed one of its most successful seasons for some time. Bro. Lass, '06, was on the junior prom committee, which was one of the great college events of this year. The pan-hellenic was held April 15. Bro. Judson was a member of the committee.

It is with deep regret that I am compelled to report the loss of Bro. Guy P. Williams, who was a victim of heart failure on January 19. The active chapter will miss greatly his cheerful and encouraging words.

The chapter enjoyed greatly the visit of Bro. Frank J. R. Mitchell, P. G. C., at our Alumni Day banquet, the account of which will appear in the alumni letter.

HAROLD R. SPINNER.

Galesburg, April 16, 1905.

#### ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD COLLEGE.

The student body of Lombard College were recently much gratified to observe the entire college and chapel reseated. This movement was begun by the senior class of '05 and it is to their efforts that the college owes this improvement.

On April 7 this chapter held an informal dance in the Lombard gymnasium. Eight members of Illinois Delta were present. The hall was decorated in college and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  colors.

On a recent date this chapter was informed of the death of one of its founders, Bro. D. S. Gingrich, who passed away on March 18, 1905.

Galesburg, May 11, 1905.

CHESTER C. HOUSH.

#### ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The last two years have seen a revival of interest in debating and oratory at Illinois. The department of oratory has been given an instructor and more attention is paid to its courses. Last year we had intercollegiate debates with the universities of Iowa and Indiana, both resulting in victories for Illinois. This year out of two debates the Illinois teams have a record of two victories, Indiana and Missouri being their opponents. The debate with Indiana was held here March 3 in the armory. The fact that this was the first time in years that the interest here was deemed sufficiently strong to require the use of the armory to accommodate the audience, is an indication of the revival of interest in this line of inter-collegiate contests.

The gridiron on Illinois field has been plowed up, leveled and seeded. The old field was a little down-grade, giving a slight advantage to the eleven going down the field. A strong tennis team has been gotten together as a result of an increase of interest in the game. Purdue has been defeated in both singles and doubles and matches have been arranged with Chicago, Iowa and Northwestern.

The appropriation from the state legislature this year is in the neighborhood of \$1,300,000. It provides for a new \$150,000 physics building which greatly advances the work of this department. The equipment of all the colleges of the university is to be increased to keep pace with the rapid growth in attendance. A fact of no little comment is the activity in the building of dwelling houses on streets adjacent to the campus. The fair grounds within three blocks of the campus and consisting of forty acres,

has been subdivided and will soon be built up. The university will some day be the center of a great educational community.

Illinois Eta loses this year the following men: Bros. F. W. Cutler, Parker, Keayon, Rothgeb, Brearley and Williams, all good men whose loss we will feel. We expect about twenty men to return next fall, and installed in our new chapter home, we will be in good shape for rushing. Bro. Carl D. Garlough, of Delavan, Ill., and family will occupy the house during the summer months.

ASA B. CUTLER.

Champaign, May 6, 1905.

#### WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

On May 1, to the great satisfaction of the chapter, work on the new chapter house was begun. The contract calls for a house which will cost no less than \$20,000 when completed. Although the funds now available are not adequate for the completion of the house, about \$2,000 remaining to be provided for, it is thought that the shortage will be easily supplied as work progresses. It was not possible to delay longer the construction of the house and have it completed and ready for occupancy when school opened next fall.

The new chemistry and Y. M. C. A. buildings are progressing rapidly, the former being nearly completed. Both are being built of white brick and are very handsome.

The baseball season has not been very successful so far. Out of five "big nine" games only one was won by Wisconsin. For the first time in twenty-five years, Wisconsin has secured the first prize offered by the northern oratorical league; this was won by Max Loeb, '06, subject "Ideas and Ideals." Gov. La Follette was the last Wisconsin man to achieve this distinction.

Among fraternities here there is a decided building movement.  $\Phi K \Psi$  built a year ago;  $\Sigma X$  erected a new house last year;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and  $\Delta \Omega$  will build this year as also  $\Gamma \Phi B$ ,  $\Delta \Gamma$  and  $A \Phi$ .  $B \Theta II$  won first place in the interfraternity bowling league. Few of the interfraternity baseball games have been played, but the teams are well matched as far as can be judged at present, and the contest promises great interest.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  won the only game it has played, against  $A \Delta \Phi$ .

Owing to the short notice given the attendance at the alumni banquet was very small and another will be given in the spring during commencement week.

Alumni who have visited the chapter since the last letter are: Bros. Fairchild, Hardgrove, Hartley, Marling, Pickarts, Winegar, Wilbur, and Colton, Michigan Alpha.

MARSHALL ARNOLD.

Madison, May 7, 1905.

#### MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

The university of Minnesota closes the year with the knowledge that next year will see the erection of a splendid new main building, to replace the one destroyed by fire September 15 last. Before its adjournment the last legislature appropriated \$350,000 for the erection of the building, and the \$60,000 obtained on the insurance of the old main swells the available building fund to \$410,000.

There has been an unusual amount of activity in athletics this spring. May 13 Minnesota and Northwestern met on Northrop field in a track meet, in which Minnesota succeeded in scoring 72 points to Northwestern's 54.

Numerous interfraternity baseball games have been played with A Δ Φ now in the lead. The university has supported no regular baseball team this spring.

"The Symposium" is the name of the organization which has been formed at Minnesota, composed of the members of the various fraternities represented here. A meeting was held during the first part of the month at a downtown dining room with over 200 fraternity men present. A temporary organization was effected and officers elected. The object of the organization is to bring the fraternity men into closer touch with one another.

Minnesota Alpha expects to lose only three or four men this year. We have rented the house we are now in for another year and will return in the fall with about sixteen active men and in far better condition to begin active rushing than we were last fall.

Bro. Brown has been elected to membership in Song and Stein, a senior interfraternity society. Bro. Gibson has a prominent part in the senior class play and Bro. Brown had a part in "Pillars of Society," the university dramatic club's play.

The active chapter will tender the seniors of the chapter a banquet before the close of the year.

We have had an exceedingly prosperous year and feel greatly encouraged over our prospects for 1906. Three men are already pledged and "The Phi Delta Theta House Association" has been incorporated, and the new system will be used in securing funds for the house.

Minneapolis, May 25.

L. S. GILLHAM.

#### IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Our graduating members this year number four—Bros. Besser, Shook, L. C. and C. R. Willits. By the graduation of these men we lose four enthusiastic and loyal Phis whose absence will be severely felt. The remaining nine active members will return next fall, together with four pledges who may be initiated soon after the opening of the new year.

An alumni club has recently been organized in the city which will be of much benefit to the chapter. The alumni contemplate holding a banquet during commencement week and are expecting about fifty of the out of town alumni to be present. The chapter will give its annual banquet on the night of June 6, to which all Phis (with their special friends) are invited to attend. This is our most elaborate social event of the year and the time is awaited with great expectancy by the admirers of the white and blue.

Honors which have not before been mentioned are:—Bro. Houghton, manager of the football team, and Kinney, member of the athletic council. Bro. Besser is captain of the baseball team. Two pledges, F. J. Kinney and Carl Krenmyer, are also on the team. We have issued a challenge to B Θ Π for a series of baseball games, which has not yet been accepted.

The '06 *Craaker*, the junior annual, will appear about June 1 and is looked forward to with great anticipation. Bro. Wilson is business manager and Bros. Houghton and Beck are members of the board.

During the summer several minor improvements will be made about the university. The chemical and physical laboratories will be enlarged to meet the increase in those departments, and a steam heating plant will be installed of sufficient size to heat all the buildings on the campus. Another improvement over former years will be the change from the three term to the semester system.

Bro. Burton Beck, '03, spent a few days with us recently while on his way to Spokane, Wash., where he expects to locate. Other visitors at the

house have been Bros. Helphrey, '98, Kenney, Indiana, '05, and Griffin, Amherst, '97.

ARTHUR BECK.

Mt. Pleasant, May 15, 1905.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

The University of Missouri is nearing the end of a very successful scholastic year. Success has attended the efforts in almost every field and both students and faculty feel well satisfied with present conditions and the prospects for next year.

The high school track meet, held in Columbia, May 6, was attended by about two thousand high school students and teachers from different parts of the state. Ten schools entered the meet which was a tie between St. Louis Central and Kansas City manual training high schools, each making 37 points. The baseball game between St. Louis and Kansas City Central high schools was won by Kansas City.

The Missouri baseball team will soon complete its nineteen days trip in the southwest, having been very successful. The team has played exceptionally well so far this season, having lost only three games out of fifteen.

The third annual musical was held in the university auditorium May 1 and 2 for which a number of prominent musicians from a distance were secured.

Bros. Cowles, Kansas Alpha, and Peters, Missouri Alpha, of Kansas City, Bro. Moore, Missouri Alpha, of St. Louis, and Bro. White, Missouri Alpha, of Mexico, Missouri, were visitors of Missouri Alpha May 6.

Columbia, May 10, 1905.

W. C. LOGAN.

#### MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

I take pleasure in introducing Bro. Doulin Ross Harrison, of Tuscumbia, Mo. Bro. Harrison was the crack third baseman on the college team. Bros. Harvey and Rice also represented us on the team. The college will close about June 10 and everyone is working for the exams. The prospects for a large number of the old chapter to return next year are good. Bros. Sevier and Hamacher may also return.

We welcomed back to the hall of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in April Bro. Byrd, of Jackson, Mo., and in May Bro. C. F. Lamkin, of Keetsville, Mo. A large number of the alumni are expected at the banquet, which is to be held on the night of June 1.

O. L. McDONALD.

Fulton, May 13, 1905.

#### MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

April 22 will be a day of annual interest at Washington University as arbor day, for following out the suggestion of Dean C. M. Woodward, the faculty, alumni and students of the university set out over 400 elms and hard maples on the new campus. The ceremonies, which were unique and interesting, consisted of a light luncheon served at one-thirty, followed by speeches by members of the board of directors and faculty, then the informal planting of the trees by their owners. A metal plate bearing the name and class of the owners was attached to each tree as it was placed in position.

Washington University has recently joined the southwestern inter-collegiate athletic association in which the larger colleges of Texas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma and Missouri are members. Several of the large colleges in these states have not, as yet, joined this association but expect to do so in another season.

The baseball season has thus far been quite successful. Washington won one and lost one game to Nebraska.

On May 19-20 the track and field meet of the southwestern intercollegiate athletic association will be held at the Stadium. The universities of Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado and Denver, together with Washington and several smaller colleges, will participate.

On May 21 the dual meet between Washington and Missouri will take place in the Stadium.

The condition of the chapter is very good at present although we have only seventeen members. Several very good men are being rushed at present and our prospects for the coming season are quite good.

A very conveniently located suite of rooms in Tower Hall is being used as chapter quarters but we hope to begin building a chapter house within the year.

The fraternity at large as well as Missouri Gamma has the honor of having in it another member who has been so fortunate as to win a Rhodes scholarship at Oxford. Bro. Samuel Ely Eliot is the successful competitor for the scholarship from Missouri.

ROY A. CAMPBELL.

St. Louis, May 6, 1905.

#### KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Another year of prosperity is closing about Kansas Alpha and with its passing the prospects for the coming year seem exceptionally bright. After a most profitable rushing season, although we have suffered considerably from withdrawals, we have maintained a strong membership, always numbering above twenty. At present the hopes of our owning a chapter house have received a sudden revival. The note system has been adopted and if the spirit manifested by many nearby alumni is carried into the entire body, our cornerstone will be laid before another year is gone.

The university baseball team has proved itself a success. At the time of writing, eight of the thirteen games played have been won. The team is now in Colorado where still better results are expected.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the team by Bros. Sexton, Johnson and Relihan. The track team was defeated by Colorado on May 6, our squad being unable to withstand the effects of the high altitude. The track team was defeated by Colorado on May 6, our squad being unable to withstand the effects of the high altitude. The track team competes with Missouri at Lawrence on May 20.

In inter-fraternity baseball we were again unlucky, losing to  $\Sigma X$  in our first game by a score of 5-3. A high wind was blowing throughout the game which equalized the abilities of the two teams.

During the last two months we have received several visits from Bro. William A. White, Kansas Alpha, '90, who has lately been appointed a regent of the university. He has promised us material aid in our chapter house project, evincing a spirit which is quite encouraging to the enterprise. We have also been pleased to receive Bro. Boone, Missouri Beta, and Bro. Snyder, Colorado Alpha.

HYDEN J. EATON.

Lawrence, May 15, 1905.

#### NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

The annual election of student members of the athletic board has just taken place. There were two tickets in the field, a mixed ticket composed of two fraternity men and three barbs against a straight fraternity ticket. The straight fraternity list carried the day with one exception, Bro. Hewitt being the only man on the mixed ticket who was elected.

Letters have been written to all our alumni in regard to our thirtieth anniversary which will be celebrated next fall on the night before Thanksgiving. A cordial invitation is extended to all Phis who can be with us at that time. The annual Thanksgiving game with Illinois will be played the next day and a dance given in the evening and we anticipate a glorious good time. Our baseball team is now on its easter trip but has had but moderate success. We have defeated Colorado and Iowa but have lost to Chicago and Illinois.

Our track team is preparing for several meets and the prospects are good. Bro. Manning, who holds the university records in the 220 and 440, is out again strengthening the team very materially. The fraternity baseball contest is still unfinished and is creating a good deal of interest. The chapter has recently enjoyed a visit of Bro. Ferris, Wisconsin, 1902.

Lincoln, May 10, 1905.

C. M. MATHEWSON.

#### COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Baseball and track athletics are the two events of absorbing interest here at the present time. The baseball team lost the first game of the season to Sacred Heart College by a score of 10-6. On April 27 the team started on its trip through Kansas and Nebraska, with a schedule of nine games. To date the score of the game is as follows: Nebraska 9, Colorado 1; Kansas Aggies 4, Colorado 1; St. Mary's College 2, Colorado 1; Washburn 1, Colorado 3; Kansas University, 9, Colorado 1; Kansas University 2, Colorado, 4; Haskell Indians 5, Colorado 2. Four more games are yet to be played.

On May 6, the university track team defeated Kansas by a score of 88 to 29, in the first annual meet. Colorado won twelve firsts out of fifteen events and tied for first in the 120 yard high hurdles. Bro. McCoy sprinter and weight man on the Kansas team spent some time at the chapter house. On May 20, Colorado meets Nebraska in Lincoln in its annual track meet. Last year Nebraska was defeated by a large number of points and by the showing against Kansas will no doubt again be victorious.

On May 13, the various high schools in the state have their inter-scholastic track meet here in Boulder. About twenty-four participated last year and this large attendance gives the various fraternities great opportunities for spiking.

Bro. Snyder made the baseball team, playing left field. Bro. Strayer, whose position was left field, obtained a position as electrical engineer and was forced to leave school.

The university closes this year on June 2, with commencement week extending from June 5 to 11. A cordial invitation is extended to all visiting Phis.

Boulder, May 7, 1905.

WADE D. ANNIS.

#### ETA PROVINCE.

##### GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

As the year draws to a close, events of interest are becoming less frequent. The college is only engaged in putting the finishing touches to the year's work. The athletic contests are nearly finished for this term, only a few more baseball games of the inter-class series remaining to be played. The baseball this year has been very creditable, indicating that Emory would occupy no inferior place in the intercollegiate arena, if it were permitted to enter. Our only contest in this realm, however, was not crowned with victory this year. We are allowed to enter the state track-meet each year in Atlanta, and on

May 8 our team was narrowly defeated by the University of Georgia, though itself some distance ahead of Georgia Tech. The meet was close all the way through between Emory and Georgia. The final score was Georgia 47, Emory 39, Tech. 22. Bro. Hinton was Georgia Beta's only representative on the track team. Bro. King has been elected to the editorial staff of the *Phoenix* for next year. Bro. Carter is assistant photographer to Bro. Brown, who is manager of the Emory Camera Club. The club has recently purchased a fine camera and is making quite a collection of first class athletic photographs, as well as other kinds. Emory again won from Trinity College, North Carolina, in the annual debat, thus gaining two out of three. Money is being rapidly raised for the new gymnasium, and we have the expectation of a first class one sometime during the next year.

Commencement extends from June 11 to 14 inclusive this year. We hope to make this a time of general reunion of our alumni and hope to see all who can be here, on hand. We held a smoker for a number of our alumni on May 6. On account of the small population of Oxford and Covington, we have only a few alumni near, and could not have had many present; but with those who did come a very pleasant evening was spent. Bidding farewell for the session of 1904-5, we wish a happy vacation to all the brothers and renewed prosperity to every chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  when once again they begin a year's work in their respective homes.

Oxford, May 11, 1905.

JAMES HINTON.

#### GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

The trustees of Mercer have finally decided to elect a new president for the college, to take the place of Dr. Pollock, who has been forced to resign on account of ill health. Bro. Pollock is greatly loved by the students and we lose him with much regret. Much interest will be centered in the election which takes place during commencement.

Many plans are being made for a pleasant commencement season which promises to be an enjoyable time. Georgia Gamma will lose nine men by graduation this spring. Bros. Lewis, Roberts, Russel, Solomon, Taylor, and Turner, (law;) and Bros. Murray, Flournoy, and Nichols ('05.) This will be a great loss to the chapter, but ten men will return next year, and as we have three men pledged, our prospects for a good chapter are bright.

Mercer has not been as successful this season in baseball as usual, but we still have a good chance to win the state pennant. There are two Phis on the team, Bros. McCathern and West.

Georgia Gamma was glad to have Bros. Strickland, Howard and McWharter of Georgia Alpha with us on the evening of May 6.

Macon, May 10, 1905.

HENRY TIFT, JR.

#### GEORGIA DELTA, GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

Tech has almost completed the most successful year of her history, for although a great many have failed during the year, the attendance now is better than ever before at this time of year.

The baseball team has been playing fine ball so far, defeating Trinity, the University of Georgia in two games, Newbury College in two games, Clemson in one, and Mercer in one, and being defeated but by Clemson and Auburn. Another game will be played with Auburn, which we hope to take.

Field day came off on April 28, and the contestants showed up in good form. The meet between the University of Georgia, Emory and Tech is on May 8, and our chances are better than ever before.

Several of our brothers from Mercer came up with the team, and we were glad to have them with us.

Georgia Delta has enjoyed a most prosperous year, and she still holds a place foremost among the fraternities at the Tech. Nearly all of the brothers will return next fall, and with this body as a nucleus, we may expect to have, next year, a chapter even stronger than the one of this year.

In conclusion, Georgia Delta wishes every brother a most pleasant summer, and every chapter a most successful opening next fall.

Atlanta, May, 1905.

JOHN G. CHAPMAN.

#### ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Baseball season is now over and left us in such a position as expected, champions of the south. We might say today that Auburn has reached her zenith in athletics, claiming championship for both football and baseball in the south, and winning the Cox medal for the state of Alabama. Nevertheless we have strong aspirations to maintain this standard though we have a pretty hard schedule for next year in football, viz: Vanderbilt, Clemson, Sewanee, University of Michigan, A. & M. of Mississippi, Georgia, Alabama, and a few minor games. The last of the features of athletics for the year were the class games, which do not amount to much. Bro. Lipscomb was manager elect of the sophomore team. A gloom of sadness and sorrow has settled over us lately by the death of our beloved and worthy Dr. Smith, professor of mathematics. Dr. Smith was connected with the college thirty-five years and spent a greater part of his life for the advancement of educational cause. He leaves many friends who will mourn his death, he leaves a community, whose influence will be felt, but all rest assured that he has gone to await the resurrection of the just.

Commencement exercises will not be what was expected on account of Dr. Smith's death, but nevertheless  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will contribute her efforts toward making it a success. And, too, all expect more than our share of the college honors as usual. The president of Johns Hopkins University, will deliver the baccalaureate address and we are sure that it will be appreciated by all that hear him. By graduation we will lose Bros. Pierce and Johnson, in whom we lose two of Alabama Beta's most influential members, and it is with much regret that we have to give up such men. But we have a very bright future ahead of us for the coming year. We will return probably twelve or fourteen members and that is a very good chapter within itself. With this strength to begin with it is easily possible to have at least 25 or 30 strong for the year of 1905-06.

We wish our sister chapters a very pleasant vacation.

Auburn, May 20, 1905.

L. W. GRAY.

#### THETA PROVINCE.

##### MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

On April 30, Miss Sara McGhee Isom died. Miss Isom has held the chair of oratory for the past twenty years. Miss Isom was loved by her students and her death was a great loss to the university. The students have started a movement to erect a monument to her memory.

This season our baseball team has been very successful, having won every series played. We have won from Tulane, University of Nashville and others.

The Cecil Rhodes trustees awarded the scholarship to Ebb J. Ford,  $\Sigma X$ . On April 24,  $\Delta K E$  celebrated her 55th anniversary.

Bro. Somerville has been elected a member of the board of control of the athletic association.

Mississippi Alpha was late in sending in her material for the chapter letter but we were pleased when we received the letters and since then we have heard from many of our alumni who expressed their gratification.

It is rumored on the campus that several of our best professors intend to leave "Ole Miss."

None of our members graduate this year and all expect to return next fall, so while we anticipate a pleasant summer we have bright hopes for the session of 1905-06.

ROBERT SOMERVILLE, JR.

University, May 4, 1905.

#### LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Things are not so dull as our last letter found them; in fact the past two months have seen the greatest activity imaginable along all lines.

The season in baseball has been very successful considering the fact that our team was minus the services of one of our pitchers when they took the Alabama-Mississippi trip. On this trip twelve games were played, three each with the University of Mississippi, the Mississippi A. and M. college, University of Alabama and Southern University. Of these twelve games, Tulane won five and tied one. When Tulane returned home they were joined by their absent twirler and defeated Louisiana State University, our greatest rival, in two games, one of them being by the score of 15 to 1.

In track athletics we have been very successful. Although we lost to the New Orleans Y. M. C. A. by four points, we won the state track-meet held at Baton Rouge on May 6. This meet was participated in by Tulane, Louisiana State University, Louisiana Industrial Institute, and Southwestern Louisiana Industrial Institute. Tulane scored 70½ points, Louisiana State, 45½, Louisiana Industrial, 1, and Southwestern Louisiana Industrial, 5½ points. Φ Δ Θ was represented on the team by Bro. Edward C. Ansley, assistant manager.

There has been some excitement caused in the university by a rupture in the board of *The Olive and Blue* our college weekly. Owing to some misunderstanding, all of the old board except the Σ A E's resigned. Bro. Robinson and Ansley were among those who resigned and they were immediately elected by their respective classes to editorship on the new paper that all of the student body, except the Σ A E's, are preparing to issue. The Σ A E's claim that they will continue the publication of the old paper, so that a lively time is promised in college journalism.

Tulane has also won glory on the rostrum as well as on the athletic field. She defeated Texas in the annual Tulane-Texas debate held in New Orleans on April 28. The judges rendered an unanimous decision in favor of Tulane. This debate was the fifth of a series. Texas has won twice and Tulane three times. Our representatives were Messrs. Giffen Levy and Sol Weiss.

The annual Carnot debate was held on May 4. It was won by Mr. Edw. O. Tabor, of the senior class.

Tulane also expects to win the Gulf states oratorical contest to be held here in May. The contesting colleges are Tulane, University of Alabama, University of Mississippi and Louisiana State University.

The law and medical departments of the university have closed, and the academics and Newcombs are busy preparing for the June examinations.

We have lost Bro. Percy W. Toombs, medical, by graduation, and have said goodbye until next year to Bros. Watkins, Sloss, and Jordan of the med-



LOUISIANA ALPHA CHAPTER, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

ical department. We are sorry to lose these brothers, but hope to have three of them with us next year. Bro. Whiting has withdrawn from the academic department on account of sickness. He expects to return next year.

The X  $\Omega$ 's gave their reception a short while ago and it was greatly enjoyed by the representatives of the other fraternities who were so fortunate as to be present.

On May 5 the K K  $\Gamma$ 's entertained the fraternities and sororities at an informal reception. Everyone present voted them ideal hostesses.

On May 2 the Tulane French circle gave their annual play at French Union Hall. Bro. Hampden Lewis was in the cast.

The Newcomb freshmen have presented their class play, "Shakespeare vs. Mother Goose." If an enthusiastic audience can be made to serve as a judge, the play was a great success.

A new inter-frat. fraternity has appeared at the academic department. Its name is  $\Delta T \Gamma$ . Bros. Seip, Meyer, and Ansley are members. It has a membership, at present, of eight men  $\Sigma T \Sigma$  is the name of a chemistry frat. recently organized in the academic department.

There is a movement on foot to establish a pan-hellenic association at Tulane, but the movement bids fair to be a failure on account of the refusal of  $\Sigma A E$  and  $\Sigma X$  to send delegates to the meeting held on May 2. However, another meeting has been called of the different delegates for May 18, and it is hoped that every one of the eleven fraternities will send delegates. Our delegates are Bros. Robinson and Ansley.

The various classes are busy organizing their class baseball teams. Bro. Seip plays second base for the specials, Bro. Ansley being manager. Bro. Lewis is catcher on the senior team.

On May 4 Louisiana Alpha joined with the New Orleans alumni club and gave a banquet at Hotel Bruno. The banquet was attended by thirty-five active men and alumni, and was a great success in every sense of the word.

Louisiana Alpha regrets exceedingly to announce the death of one of her charter members. Bro. Henry Raphael Denis died on April 26, 1905 at his home here. Attention is again called to the request made in our annual chapter letter for news and information about men coming to Tulane next year.

Since our last letter we have affiliated Bro. Wythe Whiting of New York Alpha who has been attending the academic department.

The 1905 *Jambalaya* college annual, is out and it is indeed a creditable book.

A short time ago the chapter had the pleasure of hearing Bro. George G. Earl, Pennsylvania Alpha, '84, lecture to the student body on the drainage and sewerage problem. Bro. Earl is superintendent of the New Orleans sewerage and water board and is authority on all subjects pertaining to them. He has charge of the enormous works being completed by the sewerage and water board.

Louisiana Alpha wishes all of her sister chapters a pleasant vacation and requests any Phis visiting New Orleans during vacation to look some of us up.

New Orleans, May 9, 1905.

EDWARD C. ANSLEY.

#### TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Texas Beta and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in general have been honored by the selection of Bro. H. P. Steger, Texas Beta, '02, as the Rhodes scholarship man from Texas for this year.

The school year at the university is drawing to a successful close. This session has been marked by a great advance in scholarship. Important

changes have been made in the law school work, several new subjects having been added to the course of study..

In the intercollegiate debate this year Texas won from Missouri and lost to Tulane.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was represented on the team against Missouri by Bro. Pope, who has this year proven himself to be a debater of great ability.

A great deal of interest is being taken in baseball and track work this spring. The baseball team starts on a ten days trip through Louisiana, Alabama and Tennessee on May 12.

The first annual Southwestern track meet will be held in St. Louis sometime this month. Texas has good prospects of winning the meet. Bros. Jones and Hall are doing fine work on the track team and will undoubtedly make the St. Louis trip.

Texas Beta has recently enjoyed visits from Bro. Jewett, of Kansas Alpha, and Bros. Ham, Conally, Locke and Duncan all of Texas Beta.

During the last three months we have entertained with several informal dances at the chapter house, which have been very enjoyable affairs.

Austin, May 10, 1905.

WEBSTER McEVROY.

#### TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Final examinations are on, all are preparing for commencement, and soon the year's work will be a matter of history. The university has enjoyed a year of prosperity, and has entered into a new life of growth and development which bespeaks much for her future.

The *Commencement Daily* this year will be under the auspices of the senior class. Bro. I. Graves has been elected editor-in-chief, and with a class of thirty to be used as reporters, besides his able corps of associates, a very creditable paper of some eight pages, containing cuts, cartoons, and other special features of attraction, will be issued. Bro. Whittle is an assistant manager.

Since the inauguration of *The Sou'wester*, our annual, there has been no time in its history when a Phi has not been either its editor-in-chief or business manager, and as a result of the recent elections both of these places will be filled next year by Phis—Bro. Armstrong being elected to the former, and Bro. Ryman to the latter.

Taking a retrospective view of the year's work, an outsider would be compelled to pronounce the chapter's record highly creditable. Including the initiation of Bro. Hunter Yarborough, '08, Navasota, Texas, on May 20, and after the initiation of B. W. Hearne, pledged, Palestine, Texas, next Saturday night the chapter's roll for the year will contain twenty-two names. Bro. Yarborough has just returned with the ball team from a two weeks tour of the state and Arkansas, and his record on "short" is enviable.

Thirteen men will return for the opening next year, so in spite of the fact that we lose nine men by graduation this year a good strong chapter will remain.

Our annual commencement reception will be at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Whittle on the evening of May 31. They are such charming entertainers that it is needless to say that a great time is expected. A smoker will be given to the alumni on the afternoon of June 2 at the chapter house.

MARLER ARMSTRONG.

Georgetown, May 23, 1905.

#### IOTA PROVINCE.

##### CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

With the class day exercises on May 15 we terminate a most successful year. Class day is one of the best functions of the college year, and at present

nearly everything is in readiness for it. We will entertain on class day from four until six-thirty.

On the evening of class day the senior extravaganza will be given in the Greek amphitheatre. It was written by three seniors, Bro. Bert Campbell being one of the three. Bro. Campbell is the chairman of the extravaganza committee, and also a member of the student affairs committee.

Bro. Salisbury within the last month has been elected secretary of the associated students and president of the boat club.

In athletics California has been most successful this term, defeating Stanford in baseball, tennis and track; also winning the regatta from the university of Washington, whose crew defeated Stanford. We did not meet Stanford in boating, owing to the impossibility of reaching satisfactory terms.

The first baseball game of the series was won by us on our campus by a score of 3 to 2. The second game we won on the Stanford campus by a score of 4 to 1, after having lost our battery because of their becoming professionals.

We won the track meet, which was expected to be very close, by a score of 73 to 49.

In tennis we won both the singles and doubles. On the doubles it was Phi against Phi; Bro. Variel playing for California and Bro. Hodge for Stanford. The province convention was held here this year, and we were very glad to have almost the entire chapter from Stanford here. In the morning before the meeting we had a baseball game between the two chapters. California had the lucky team. On the evening after the convention we went to the alumni banquet which was held in San Francisco.

We close this year's work with a feeling that we have been successful in that which we have undertaken, and hope for as great success next year.

Berkeley, May 14, 1905.

CHAS. B. MCDUFFIE.

#### CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

This semester will close one of the most important years in the history of Stanford University. In attendance a marked increase has been made over any previous year. On May 15 the cornerstone of the new library building was laid with appropriate ceremonies. This building when finished will be one of the finest structures on the campus and will practically complete all building operations for some time to come. Work on the new athletic field has been started. This important addition to the athletics of the university will give to Stanford one of the finest fields in the country.

Preparations for commencement week are now under way and everything points towards a most successful week. A very extensive programme has been arranged for the alumni reunion which is to be held during commencement week.

Stanford has not been very successful this semester in athletics. Bros. Colbert, '06, and Chalmers, '07, made the 'varsity baseball team and also captained their respective class teams. The University of California defeated us in baseball, track, and tennis this year. Bro. Hodge was captain of the tennis team which represented Stanford in the intercollegiate tournament with California. The varsity crew was defeated by Washington by half a boat length after a very exciting race. This summer we expect to enter a crew in the regatta with Washington and California on Lake Washington, Seattle, Wash.

The interfraternity baseball league schedule has been practically played off and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has qualified for the finals. Our prospects for winning the cup again are very good. On April 15, Stanford defeated California in the annual intercollegiate debate and is entitled to the permanent possession of

the Hearst debating cup, having won the debates for three years successively. On April 29 and May 1, the 'varsity baseball team defeated the nine of the Waseda University of Japan. The attendance at the first of these games was greater than at any other athletic event on the campus for some time past.

Φ Δ Θ has come in for a share of the honors during the past year. Bro. Hodge has been elected to the Quadrangle club and senior society. Bro. Chalmers has been initiated into Σ Σ, the junior society.

Our graduating class this year numbers three—Bros. Geo. Gamble, Heinly, and Ward. Bro. Gamble expects to return next year to take post graduate work in the chemistry department. Bro. Heinly is a candidate for the bachelors degree in law. Arrangements have been made to look up prospective men for next year, and with fifteen of the active chapter back, our prospects for a successful rushing season are bright.

Stanford University, May 16, 1905.

W. W. BEHLOW.

### KAPPA PROVINCE.

#### WASHINGTON ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

Since the last letter the university crew has defeated Stanford and been defeated by California at California. On May 24 a four cornered race will be held at Victoria, B. C., between U. of California, Stanford, James Bay Athletic Club and U. of Washington. Then on May 29 a three cornered race will be held at Seattle on Lake Washington to decide the championship.

In baseball the university has had a very successful season. The team has just returned from a trip through the eastern part of Washington and Idaho, having won six games and lost one. The games were U. of W. vs. Whitman College, 17-1 and 15-2; U. of W. vs. Cheney, 6-1; U. of W. vs. Lewiston, 6-0; U. of W. vs. Palouse, 4-5; U. of W. vs. Ritzville, 6-1 and 5-4.

Φ Δ Θ was represented in baseball by Bros. Hoover, captain; Grinstead, manager; Sieler and Isbell; and on the track by Bros. Twitchell, Brackett and Geary.

On the evening of May 4 the juniors gave a farce, and on May 5 celebrated junior day. In the morning the exercises were opened by an address by E. C. Hughes, after which there was a boat race between the 'varsity and freshmen crews. The afternoon was taken up by an interclass track meet. The day was closed by the junior prom.

The second annual observance of campus day was held May 12.

Seattle, May 23, 1905.

HENRY H. THEINGA.

### ALUMNI CLUBS.

#### NEW YORK.

The New York alumni club held its first smoker at its new club house, 25 East 44th street, on the evening of March 25. No effort for special entertainment was made, as the occasion was largely to give an opportunity to the metropolitan Phis who had not seen the club house to go there and feel at home in the presence of the regular club members. There were about seventy Phis present from chapters all over the country. The evening was spent in conversation and refreshments were served. The club has created a non-resident membership at the nominal dues of \$5 a year and extends an invitation to all out of town Phis who expect to get to New York at all to enroll as non-resident members. All inquiries should be addressed to the membership committee which consists of Joseph Harlan Freeman, *Lansing*, '90; Thurston Mason Phetteplace, *Brown*, '99, *Columbia*, '05; Charles Grosvenor Bond, *Ohio State*, '99; Joseph Meeker Ross, *Williams*, '01, and Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, *Columbia*, '99.

B. M. L. ERNST.

## PITTSBURG.

Since our last letter the Pittsburg alumni club of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has been active in establishing a weekly luncheon. A meeting of this sort has been discussed for several years past at our annual dinner, but it seemed impossible to interest any great number in this endeavor. Our officers for this year believing that such meetings could be held with pleasure and profit, decided to give this their earnest attention. Our first luncheon was held on April 14, at 12:30 in the Hotel Henry dining room. One Phi, Bro. Tredway, Pennsylvania Gamma, '86, met with the officers. We talked the matter over and provided a fund from which postals were secured, and thirty-five Phis who were most likely to attend were notified that we would lunch together every Friday at The Henry. Since our first meeting we have had from seven to sixteen present. Our plan is to notify a given number until they become regular attendants and then remind others of the luncheon. Our meetings have been very enjoyable and we have become better acquainted than we could ever expect to become by attending numerous banquets. Considerable enthusiasm has been awakened and several Phis who have recently located in Pittsburg have been brought to our notice. In this way we have met Bro. Walker, *Pennsylvania*, '04, and Bro. Mark Bruce Wiley, *Dartmouth*, '03. Bro. Walker is associated with Hall and Co., brokers, and Bro. Wiley with the Pittsburg office of Hapgoods. We expect to try a plan by which we hope to increase our attendance, that is, to appoint one member from each college whose duty it shall be to notify the Phis from his own chapter. We have been promised by the hotel authorities a private dining room provided we can secure an average attendance of thirty-five. We feel that these meetings will greatly increase the attendance at our annual dinner and that they will bring the Phis in Pittsburg into close and advantageous acquaintance. I desire to extend a cordial invitation to any and every Phi to lunch with us any Friday at the Henry. I feel that I will have great things to report of our Pittsburg club in the near future.

ROBERT W. LINDSAY.

May 12, 1905.

## CLEVELAND.

Forty-eight Phis sat down of the banquet to the Cleveland alumni at the chapter house on the evening of March 15. It was a most enjoyable occasion for all. We keenly felt, however, the unavoidable absence of Bro. H. H. Ward, who was on a trip to Mexico, and on that account was not able to be present. Early in the evening, on motion of Bro. French a message of greeting was sent to him by the assembled Phis.

Toasts were responded to as follows:—"Mr. William Goat," Bro. Wood; "The Active Chapter," Bro. Baker; "Comradeship," Bro. Shurtleff; "The Social Phi," Bro. Case; "The Bond," Bro. Ballou; "Something Doin'," Bro. Skeel; "The 1904 Convention," Bro. Merriam; "The Phi Girls," Bro. Briggs; and "The Phi House," Bro. Randall. Brother Varney E. Barns acted as toastmaster. Bro. Hulett reported the excellent financial condition of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  chapter house corporation.

After the list of toasts was completed, the election of officers for the coming year took place and resulted as follows: Bro. French, president; Bro. R. F. Denison, vice-president; Bro. Case, secretary and treasurer; and Bro. Skeel, reporter.

A plan is on foot for a closer union and more active work on the part of the Cleveland alumni. We hope and believe the movement will succeed.

April 4, 1905.

E. L. SKEEL.

## CHICAGO.

The Phi Delta Theta Club of Chicago gave its regular annual dinner at the Hamilton Club on the evening of March 16th. There were 130 Phis

present. Among the speakers were Rev. John Balcom Shaw, formerly president of the New York club. Dr. Shaw strongly urged the inauguration of a plan looking to the building or renting of a chapter house in Chicago. Other speakers were Judge Frederick A. Smith, of Chicago and Charles C. Campbell of Kankakee, Ill. Captain Henry L. Kidder acted as toastmaster. Judge Christian C. Kohlsaat was on the programme as one of the speakers but did not attend. Having in mind the unwarranted charges recently laid at the door of this honored brother, the 130 Phis present gave expressions to their feelings in the matter by passing resolutions of regard for, and confidence in Judge Kohlsaat. The following Phis were present:

*Dartmouth*, Guy H. Abbott, '02, L. H. Blanchard, '97, P. S. Blanchard, '04, C. C. Colton, '03; *Northwestern*, Elmer S. Albritton, '07, Harry G. Allen, '04, Robert Wilson Baird, '05, J. Lawrence Barker, '07, Russel S. Begg, '08, Elmer F. Blu, '05, F. Bondurant, '07, C. M. Clay Buntain, '99, Charles B. Campbell, '94, Herbert L. Harker, '04, Oris B. Hastings, '06, Henry M. Kidder, '59, Frank W. McCasky, '97, W. H. Mann, '97, Francis J. R. Mitchell, '96, Max Murdock, '05, Allen F. Roder, '04, J. B. Romans, '04, Harold A. Romans, '06, James R. Van Riper, '57, Olin A. Wakeman, '05, Harry E. Weese, '02, Herbert T. Wheat, '01, Leon T. Wilson, '08, R. A. Willson, '05; *Michigan*, Dr. Edwin S. Autisdale, '90, Lewis S. Miner, '04, W. A. Rider, '96; *Alabama Polytechnic*, John Arrington, '97; *Miami*, Aaron Dwight Baldwin, '72, W. E. Stokes, '99; *Hillsdale*, Charles I. Barker, '87, Frank B. Draper, '01, Fayette F. Soule, '97; *Hanover*, William B. Barr; *Purdue*, J. B. Bartholomew, '03, Percy H. Batten, '98, H. B. Clapp, '10, Edwin Lennox, '99, L. E. Russell, '01, Edward B. Hyde, ex-'95, Rudolph Tschentscher, '97, Fred G. Whipple, Charles W. Wilson, '03, H. R. Wilson, '01; *Wisconsin*, William M. Biersach, '00, James B. Blake, '04, J. I. Chrissinger, '91, John W. O'Neill, '89, Samuel B. Gregg, '00, Gilbert T. Hodges, '94, Hawley W. Wilbur, ex-'04; *Vanderbilt*, John T. Boddie, '87, Ernest S. Jones, '97; *Knox*, T. A. Broadbent, '85, John E. Edwards, '70, Fred E. Ewing, '03, George C. Gale, '93, Edward B. Stephenson, '03; *Chicago*, Clarence J. Buckwalter, '06, Mark Catlin, '06, Lester B. Fulton, ex-'99, William E. Godso, '03, Dr. Robert E. Graves, '98, H. C. Groman, '05, Earl C. Hales, '00, H. M. Harwood, '08, Willis S. Hilpert, '03, William Hogenson, '08, Ingraham D. Hook, '05, Lester L. Larson, '08, W. R. Longley, Mark W. Lumbard, F. D. Mabrey, '07, C. S. Miner, '03, G. W. Putnam, '06, Ralph Putnam, '04, J. Ridlon, '08, John Henry Small, '04, Judge Frederick A. Smith, '66, Frederick A. Speik, '05, Harvey T. Woodruff, ex-'99; William E. Ramsey, *Chicago*, '00, *Illinois*, '03; *Iowa Wesleyan*, Dr. Charles F. Weir, '91, Frank L. Dixon, '04, W. E. Guylee, '98, A. E. Smith, '97, Howard G. Van Cise, ex-'06; J. C. Harper; *Iowa*, R. L. Clark, '04; *Lombard*, William H. Couser, '04, Albert S. Webster, '03; *Illinois*, James F. Cook, '03; *Cornell*, Rev. W. C. Covert, Frederick L. Davies, '98, Frank G. Gardner, '91; *Vermont*, Arthur B. Gilbert, '89; *Butler*, D. M. Hillis, '64, Charles Foster McElroy, '04; *Minnesota*, Homer F. Horton, '02, LeRoy S. Peters, '04, James Thompson, Jr., '04; *Indiana*, Warren D. Howe, '86, Hoyt King, '92, P. H. Linthicum, '99; *Iowa State*, Dr. Charles E. Kahlke, '91; *Amherst*, Samuel B. King; *Vanderbilt*, Thomas S. Meek, '80; *Missouri*, W. Emmet Moore, '97, J. C. Lipton, '90; Allen S. Neilson, *Wisconsin*, '01, *Nebraska*, '05; *Nebraska*, Charles S. Whedon, '04; *Williams*, R. W. Northup, '04; *Union University*, Alfred E. Phillips, '87; *Transylvania, Ky.*, Curtis H. Remy, '71; *University of Iowa*, Dr. Wm. H. Slater, '94; *Wabash*, George W. Warwick, ex-'69.

No business was transacted at this dinner, but it was decided to hold a business meeting on the evening of March 24. While in the point of attend-

ance the banquet was not as great a success as was desired, the spirit and enthusiasm displayed was declared by all the best that has been manifested at any of our annual dinners.

On Friday evening March 24, the business meeting of the club was held at the Union restaurant. A committee with Brother F. F. Soule as chairman was appointed to make a thorough investigation into the following question and report at the next meeting,—“Shall the club proceed with arrangements for the renting and occupation of a permanent club house in which Chicago Phis may reside, or of club rooms in the down town district?” It was decided at this meeting that the Friday noon lunches, which the club has been holding at the College Inn should be continued. It was decided to incorporate the club. A committee was appointed to consider the question of whether or not the club should tender an invitation to the general fraternity to hold the national convention of 1906 in Chicago. Officers were elected as follows:

J. E. Edwards, president; A. B. Gilbert, first vice-president; Hoyt King, second vice-president; Wm. E. Godso, secretary; E. B. Hyde, treasurer.

The following were elected to act as a board of trustees:—

John T. Boddie, chairman; Gilbert T. Hodges, David M. Hillis, Frederick G. Whipple, F. W. McCaskey.

The next meeting of the club will be held April 28, at which time reports from these various committees will be heard. The officers together with the board of trustees, will constitute a board of management, which will conduct the affairs of the club.

WILLIAM E. GODSO.

April 8, 1905.

#### GALESBURG.

The fifth annual Alumni Day banquet of Illinois Delta and Illinois Zeta was held at the Illinois hotel in this city on Saturday evening March 18. According to the custom of previous years the Knox and Lombard chapters and the Galesburg alumni club held their celebration together. Between fifty and sixty loyal Phis sat down to the banquet tables, among whom were a number from out of town, including Frank J. R. Mitchell, P. G. C., and Bros. Smith, Warner, McElvaine, Tanney, Booz, Tipton, Ray and Allen all alumni of either Illinois Delta or Zeta. After partaking of the repast that had been prepared the following program was listened to, with Hon. Peter F. Brown, Illinois Zeta, '71, as toastmaster: “In College and Afterwards,” Edward M. Smith, Illinois Zeta, '02; Song, Phi Delta Theta for Aye! “Behind and Under the Paddle,” Carter Housh, Illinois Zeta, '08; Phi Delta Theta in General,” Frank J. R. Mitchell, P. G. C., Illinois Alpha, '96; Song, Quartette, from Illinois Delta, “All for One and One for All” Erastus G. Edger-ton, Illinois Delta, '05; “A Phi Toast,” Charles W. Hoyt, Illinois Delta, '97; Impromptu speeches; song, A Way we have in Our Chapter. Bro. Charles F. Lamkin, president of Zeta province was to speak on “Phi Delta Theta in the Future” but at the last moment was kept away by business engagements. Bro. Mitchell, who gave the principal toast of the evening, emphasized the importance of chapter houses and reviewed in a telling manner the strides which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  hastaken in the direction of housing all its chapters in residences of their own. This theme was followed out and dwelt upon by Bro. Hoyt and all of the alumni and others who were called upon for impromptu speeches. The banquet was a most successful one in every detail and gave to the chapter house movement a greater impetus, especially in Illinois Delta than it has ever had before.

CURTIS H. BROWN.

March, 1905.

#### NEW ORLEANS.

The annual banquet of Louisiana Alpha chapter and the New Orleans alumni club took place at Hotel Bruno, Thursday evening, May 4, 1905.

Bro. Thomas Gilmore *Tulane*, '02, was toastmaster. Toasts were responded to as follows:—"Φ Δ Θ," Walter S Lewis, *Tulane*, '94; "In College and Afterwards," Robt. H. Marr, *Vanderbilt*, '80; "1904 Convention," Robert G. Robinson, *Tulane*, '06; "Founding of the Tulane Chapter," Dr. C. Milo Brady, *Tulane*, '89; "A Chapter House," Horace E. Crump, *Tulane*, '04; "Φ Δ Θ Girls," Geo. H. Upton, *Tulane*, '05; "Reminiscences," Dr. Marion Lonchon, *Tulane*, '91.

The impromptus were numerous and those of Bros. Bordeaux and Smith were particularly witty. A great deal of interest was manifested by the alumni in the active chapter and an appeal was made by Bro. Crump to the other alumni to aid the chapter in building a chapter house.

Various matters of interest to the fraternity were discussed and taken as a whole the banquet was a success in every sense of the word.

It was a great reunion, and the only disappointing feature was the smallness of the attendance, only about forty being present out of a possible two hundred. The Louisiana bar association and the medical society banquets were on the same night, as was the Episcopal conference. This doubtless caused the small attendance.

Those who always attend the fraternity gatherings who were absent, are:—William Steen; province president, Rev. W. S. Slack, *Sewanee*, and F. P. Johnson, *Amherst*, Dr. H. B. Gessner, *Tulane*, '90, and Bros. C. H. and G. L. Tebault, *Tulane*, '89.

However, what was lacking in attendance was made up in genuine enthusiasm and every one present voted the banquet a success and expressed his determination to attend the next one given.

Those present were, Thomas Gilmore, *Tulane*, '02; Dr. Pierre Leon Casacles, *Tulane*, '96; Dr. C. Milo Brady, *Tulane*, '89; George G. Earl, *Lafayette*, '84; Walter S. Lewis, *Tulane*, '94; Alex Allison, Jr., *Tulane*, '93; Colgate Scudder, *Tulane*, '00; Harry H. Russell, Jr., *Tulane*, '08; Rev. Francis Oscar Henry Boberg, *Sewanee*, '98; Dr. J. L. Lewis, *Mississippi*; Robert G. Robinson, *Tulane*, '06; Horace E. Crump, *Tulane*, '04; Edward Bolton Ellis, *Tulane*, '03; Joseph G. Martin, *Tulane*, '98; J. Martin Smith, *Mississippi*, '03; *Tulane*, '05; A. Ringgold Crippen, *Tulane*, ex-'05; Anthony D. Bordeaux, *Mississippi*, '01; Henry H. Flaspoller, Virginia Alpha, '86; Benjamin Crump, Jr., *Tulane*, '01; Thomas Alexander Shaffer, Jr., (Pledge); E. T. Wooldridge, *Mississippi*, '83; John R. Upton, *Tulane*, '00; J. Hampden Lewis, *Tulane*, '05; Frederick Seip Van Ingen, *Tulane*, '02; W. B. Mangum, *Tulane*, '02; Cyrus T. Rayner, Jr., *Tulane*, '02; W. H. Howcott, Jr., *Tulane*, ex-'07; Auguste Capdevielle, *Tulane*, '02; George C. H. Kernion, *Tulane*, '95; Edw. C. Ansley, *Tulane*, (special); John M. Seip, *Tulane*, (special); and Harry W. Meyer, *Tulane*, (special); and R. E. Bruce, *Mississippi*, '01.

May 9, 1905.

EDWARD C. ANSLEY,

#### SALT LAKE CITY.

The Salt Lake alumni club gave a banquet on the evening of April 1, in honor of Bro. Frank J. R. Mitchell. It was the first meeting held by the alumni club here for many years. A very enjoyable evening was spent. Bro. D. R. Gray, Ohio Beta, '90, presided as toastmaster. Toasts were responded to by Bros. Benner X. Smith, Graham F. Putnam, A. J. Weber, J. M. Hamilton, Judge John M. Breeze, C. G. Ruffner, and Bro. Mitchell. Letters of regret were received from lieutenant R. E. Beebe, Vermont Alpha, '00, 29th Infantry, Salt Lake City; C. S. Hemphill, Shoshone, Idaho; Lester Winter, Missouri Alpha; and W. S. Knox of Beaver, Utah.

A permanent organization was effected with the following officers: Bro. Benner X. Smith, president; Bro. D. R. Gray, vice-president; Bro. W. H. Sherman, secretary-treasurer; Robt. B. Porter, reporter.

Bro. J. E. Hill, Jr., Nebraska Alpha, '02, died suddenly April 4. Bro. Hill was manager of the Pittsburg Consolidated Mining Co., at Alta, Utah, and was very popular among those who knew him. His body was taken to Lincoln, Neb., for interment and six pall-bearers were selected from the active chapter of the Nebraska Phis.

Among those present at the banquet were the following: Frank J. R. Mitchell, *Northwestern*, '96; Benner X. Smith, *Knox*, '90; Ernest M. Fowler, *Iowa*, '89; Chas. G. Ruffner, *Missouri*, '00; Graham F. Putman, *C. N. Y.*, '88; John C. Jones, *Nebraska*, '97; Robt. B. Porter, *Knox*, '02; John M. Breeze, *Indiana*, '73; A. J. Weber, *Iowa*, '80; Jas. G. Porter, *Knox*, ex-'07; John P. Shippert, *Knox*, '04; Geo. L. Webster, *Knox*, '03; Jas. D. Pardee, *Ohio*, '86; J. M. Hamilton, *Knox*, '82; D. R. Gray, *Ohio*, '90; H. W. Sherman, *Nebraska*, '02; S. J. Armstrong, *Vermont*, '00.

April 8, 1905.

ROBERT B. PORTER.

#### SEATTLE.

The Phi Delta Theta club of Seattle gave an informal smoker on January 20, 1905, in the main dining room of the Seattle Athletic club. This was the first opportunity the Seattle Phis have had for some time of coming together, and they made the most of it. Late in the evening a luncheon was served. Prof. Priest, president of the new Kappa province, spoke briefly of the province and the relation of the alumni clubs therein to the province and to the active chapter, Washington Alpha. A committee consisting of Prof. Priest, D. B. Trefethen, B. P. Lawrence, R. R. McCloy and Howard A. Hanson was appointed to arrange for a province convention sometime in March. Plans were discussed for entertaining Phis at the Lewis and Clarke Exposition in Portland, Oregon, next summer. This matter will be definitely announced in THE SCROLL in next issue. It was decided to hold the province convention in conjunction with the annual banquet of the club. Prof. Priest announced that after corresponding with the Portland and Spokane clubs, it seemed best to hold the coming convention in Seattle.

The fourth annual banquet of the Seattle alumni club, combined with the first convention of Kappa province, was held in the banquet room of the Hotel Lincoln, March 18, 1905. This was the largest gathering of Phis ever assembled in the Pacific northwest, in fact the largest assembly of members of any college fraternity. Forty Phis from eight different chapters gathered about the banquet board to renew their love for the fraternity and their loyalty to the principles of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Bro. Chas. I. Roth, Illinois Epsilon, '83, was toastmaster. Both Bro. Roth and Bro. Ritchie Kinnear, Illinois Alpha, '94, are members of the legislature.

In addition to the proceedings of the province convention, which are reported elsewhere, the following toasts were responded to:

"Kappa Province," Dalbert E. Twitchell, Washington Alpha, '05; "The Western Phi," George E. DeSteigener, Ohio Gamma, '84; "Phi Delta Theta in the Nation," Clay Allen, Illinois Alpha, '97; "Phi Delta Theta in the Orient," Chas. E. Gaches, Washington Alpha, '01; " $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in Politics," Howard A. Hanson, Washington Alpha, '03; "The Relation of the Alumnus to His Parent Chapter," Prof. Arthur R. Priest, Indiana Zeta, '91.

Bro. B. P. Lawrence, Illinois Delta, '97, who has won a reputation as a story teller, responded to the toast, "The Swede in His Element." Bro. Loren D. Grinstead, Washington Alpha's delegate to the Indianapolis convention, spoke briefly of the convention.

It is difficult to overestimate the good accomplished by this meeting. The spirit of fraternal love and loyalty seemed to pervade the entire evening. The toasts were exceptionally good, those of Bros. Roth, Priest and Allen being long remembered.

HOWARD A. HANSON.

April 18, 1905.

## PERSONAL.

*Wabash*—Dr. F. G. Wishard, '94, is practicing dentistry in Nashville, Tenn.

*Union*—T. Warren Allen, '86, is supervisor of Cebu province, Cebu Island Philippines.

*Union*—Arthur E. Bishop, '03, was married, March 23, to Miss Carrie L. Watson of Schenectady, N. Y.

*Mississippi and Vanderbilt*—'95. Lamar Hardy has moved his law office to the Bank of Commerce building, 31 Nassau street, New York City.

*Buchtel*—S. E. Findley, '94, former president of Delta province has been promoted to a full professorship at Penn Charter School, Philadelphia, Pa.

*Vermont*—R. A. Stewart, '93, has resigned his position as first assistant attorney-general of Massachusetts, to become a member of the firm of Choate, Hall & Stewart.

*Miami*—'52. It is understood that the Harrison memorial committee has raised between \$40,000 and \$50,000 for a statue of President Benjamin Harrison at Indianapolis.

*Union*—J. Edward Swanker, '87, a charter member of New York Beta, is the general manager of the Tees Side Bridge and Engineering works, Limited, Middlesborough, England.

*Kansas*—'87. Prof. S. William Franklin, head of the department of physics at Lehigh University, has invented a harmless toy cannon. It was inspired by the annual slaughter caused by the kind that are now used to celebrate the Fourth of July. The explosive power is a combination of gas and air, which cannot burst the cannon and which emits a flash of so low a temperature that it does not scorch tissue paper. It is estimated that 5,000 shots can be fired at a cost of five cents.—*The Kansan*, of the University of Kansas.

*Vanderbilt*—Paul Jones, '79, a lawyer at 54 William street, New York City, is the author of "The Commercial Power of Congress." The *New York Times* "Saturday Review of Books and Art," of May 13, reviewing the book in a leading editorial of a column and a half, says:

Paul Jones, LL. B., is the author of a law book which is singularly interesting to a considerable class of readers, and it seems to have been for him, in a way, a labor of love. It is "privately printed," and very well printed, too, in neat binding, with gilt top that sets the seal of personal nicety on it,

as if to emphasize the fact that it is not the ordinary professional, still less the ordinary trade, product. It bears evidence of a lot of painstaking work and is written in a style excellent for its purpose. The title of the book is "The Commercial Power of Congress," and the author's object is to trace the history and show the present authoritative interpretation of that pregnant declaration of the constitution of the United States: "Congress shall have power \* \* \* to regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes."

At the present moment much attention is being given to the application of this provision to the effort to regulate what are popularly known as "trusts"—usually with a very large T—and to the effort to regulate the charges of transportation companies. But whatever authority may finally be recognized as lodged in congress for these two purposes—very vague and complex and important purposes they are—it must be relatively a novel outcome of more than a century of legislation and adjudication under the clause quoted. Mr. Jones has undertaken to trace this process in a manner not only satisfactory to the professional lawyer, but to be understood by people generally, and he has had remarkable success.

*Cornell*—S. W. French, '04, is a hospital steward in the navy and is now located at Agana, Guam. Writing from there recently to Bro. L. E. A. Drummond, alumni commissioner, he said: "I was very glad to hear from you and to know that the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  club of New York City is no longer a myth. I think it is a grand idea and should be backed, financially and socially, by every Phi in New York City (and some of us that ought to be there.) Through you I wish to express to all the brothers of the club the hearty congratulations of a brother Phi who realizes what their efforts and hard work have done to advance the cause of good old  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in New York City, and may she be followed by all the larger cities in the country."

Quite a number of Phis have been associated in one way or another with the compilation and editing of the new International Encyclopedia, published by Dodd, Mead & Company of New York. J. W. Ihlder, *Cornell*, '01, was one of the editors of the department of biography, while I. J. Cox, *Dartmouth*, '96, was one of the compilers of the department of topics in gazetteer. Among the articles contributed to the encyclopedia were the following by members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ : "Lace," by M. N. Baker, *Vermont*, '86, associate editor of the *Engineering News*; "Felibrige," "Frederic Mistral" and other articles by C. A. Downer, *C. C. N. Y.*, '86, professor of romance languages and literatures in the College of the City of New York; "City of Mexico," by I. J. Cox; "Lacquer Work" in Volume II by M. N. Baker. Bro. Baker was the head of the editorial departments of engineering and manufactures.

## HELLENIC.

B Θ II has recently built a house at the University of North Carolina.

Amherst has 412 students, of whom 336 or 82 per cent. are fraternity men.

X Ω has entered the University of Texas. K K Γ has entered the University of Washington.

Fraternity Bible study classes are being formed in large numbers under the direction of the national student Y. M. C. A. organization.—K Σ *Caduceus*.

At its last convention Σ A E established the post of chapter house officer, to assist chapters in entering and in acquiring houses.

The semi-centennial convention of Σ X will be held at Cincinnati June 27-30. On the 28th there will be a pilgrimage to "Old Miami."

Σ X has petitioners at Harvard, Arkansas, Montana and Colorado College.—K Σ *Caduceus*. It has chartered the Colorado College petitioners. It is the second fraternity there, K Σ having entered last year.

The Columbia chapter of Σ A E plans to buy a \$30,000 house, the active chapter contributing \$2,000, the fraternity loaning \$3,000, and "the balance will be secured by the sale of 30-year 3 per cent. bonds and a first mortgage on the property."

The University of Maryland at Baltimore has no literary department. It is not owned or controlled by the state. It has four professional departments—law, medicine, dentistry and pharmacy. The fraternities drawing members from these departments are K Σ, Φ Σ K, Φ K Σ and several professional fraternities, not to speak of T. N. E.

The convention of Ψ Y at Bethlehem, Pa., was attended by about 100 members, including delegates from 20 of the 22 active chapters. On May 10 there was a smoker at the house of the Lehigh chapter; on the next evening, a luncheon at the country club, with a performance by five vaudeville actors from Koster & Bial's, New York; and on the evening of the 12th, a banquet at the Eagle hotel.

The legal fraternity  $\Delta X$ , a rival of  $\Phi \Delta \Phi$ , has established a chapter at Stanford, the first chapter it has established west of the Mississippi. It has sixteen chapters east of the Mississippi and one in Canada.

After long inactivity,  $\Theta \Xi$  has begun to extend and now seems ambitious of having a large chapter roll. Its recently established chapters are located at Cornell, 1903; Lehigh, 1904; Purdue, 1905; Washington U., 1905. It draws its membership from scientific students only.

$\Pi K A$  has 28 chapters, all in the south. A press dispatch relating to its convention, which closed at Chattanooga April 26, says: "A new constitution was drafted and adopted by the convention. The main point over which the fight was made was whether or not the fraternity should remain south of Mason and Dixon's line. After several hours of debate it was decided not to extend the territory."

The number of active chapters of the various fraternities is as follows:  $K \Sigma$ , 71;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 69;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 67;  $\Sigma A E$ , 65;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 57;  $\Sigma X$ , 54;  $\Sigma N$ , 52;  $A T \Omega$ , 51; Southern  $K A$ , 48;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 47;  $\Phi K \Psi$ , 42;  $\Delta K E$ , 41;  $\Delta Y$ , 36;  $\Pi K A$ , 28;  $A$ ,  $\Delta \Phi$ , 24;  $\Theta \Delta X$ , 24;  $\Phi K \Sigma$ , 24;  $\Psi Y$ , 22;  $\Sigma \Psi$ , 22;  $X \Phi$ , 20;  $\Phi \Sigma K$ , 19;  $N \Psi$ , 18;  $\Sigma \Phi E$ , 13;  $\Delta \Phi$ , 11;  $\Delta \Psi$ , 8;  $\Sigma \Phi$ , 8;  $\Theta \Xi$ , 8; Northern  $K A$ , 8;  $A X P$ , 6;  $\Omega \Pi A$ , 6;  $\Delta \Sigma \Phi$ , 5;  $\Theta X$ , 2.

It might be of interest to note that  $\Phi B K$  granted a charter to Colorado College this year and one also to the University of Colorado. Our committee on chapters and charters last year, you will remember, considered that Colorado College was not deserving of a charter of our fraternity, but  $\Phi B K$  considered it worthy of a charter and granted one.—Denver alumni chapter correspondence in *Beta Theta Pi* for April.

"Acacia" is the name of the new Masonic college organization, which has three chapters, Aleph at Michigan, Beth at Stanford, and Gimel at Kansas, Hebrew letters are used to designate the chapters. Only Masonic students and faculty members are eligible to membership, and the aim of the new organization differs from the usual Greek letter fraternity in that the social side is not predominant. Loyalty to Masonic principles and higher education are the cardinal points. This fraternity will probably lead to complications such as have arisen over  $\Theta N E$ — $\Delta Y$  *Quarterly*.

At its last convention  $\Delta Y$  provided for the revision of its ritual, as it was thought that "the changes of a few years ago simplified it at the cost of dignity." The convention also provided for the incorporation of the executive council of the fraternity.

The fraternities at Kenyon are  $\Delta K E$ ,  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Psi Y$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$  and  $\Delta T \Delta$ . There is also a local society,  $Z A$ , which is petitioning for a charter to re-establish a chapter of  $\Theta \Delta X$  which formerly existed there. The Kenyon correspondent of the  $\Delta T \Delta$  *Rainbow* says: " $Z A$  makes the sixth active fraternity at Kenyon. For the size of the school, five are sufficient, and the addition of the last named will make the work harder for all others. It is generally expected that one will have to drop out of the race."

Georgetown University at Washington, D. C., has only one fraternity— $\Delta X$ , a legal fraternity established in the law department of that institution. The  $K \Sigma$  *Caduceus* says it is a very fine chapter. Georgetown is a Catholic institution, and both it and the Catholic University are situated at Washington, D. C., but we believe they are not connected. Their locations are several miles apart. Georgetown was founded in 1789, draws an excellent class of students and is one of the most prominent Catholic institutions in the United States. The Catholic University was founded in 1889. The  $K \Sigma$  *Caduceus* says: "It is announced that the Catholic University of America, following the example of Johns Hopkins and Clark University, will throw open its doors next year to undergraduate students. It has maintained a high standard and has some of America's most eminent scholars as members of its academic senate."

Life at Pennsylvania may be said to center about the fraternities. The fact that a man belongs to a Greek-letter society no longer stamps him with any particular mark of recognition. There are so many fraternities here that almost all available material is taken into the fold, and the competition for the best material is exceedingly keen. Several of the better fraternities resort to the practice of pledging men in the secondary schools, and this makes necessary a series of smokers to preparatory school men. Consequently the rushing committee has an exceedingly busy season, and it is only after consistent effort that the most satisfactory men are pledged.  $\Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Delta \Psi$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Psi Y$  and  $\Phi K \Psi$  have built their

own homes. In point of numbers all the fraternities are in a prosperous condition, but the personnel of many render impossible anything of an inter-fraternity nature. There is, however, a unity of forces in university affairs which stamps the Pennsylvania spirit on all activities. Last fall almost 1000 undergraduates went to Cambridge to cheer what was thought to be a losing football team on to victory. Pennsylvania spirit did much to win that game.—Annual circular letter of Pennsylvania Zeta,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , March 1, 1905.

Among the local societies at various universities, as shown by the 1905 edition of "Baird's Manual," are the following: McGill,  $E \Phi$ ; Toronto,  $Z \Sigma N$  and  $X \Delta \Psi$ ; Maine,  $\Omega \Lambda Y$ ; Dartmouth,  $X T K$ ; Vermont,  $\Delta \Sigma$ ; Williams,  $A Z A$ ; Boston Tech.;  $\Phi B E$ ; Worcester Tech.,  $\Theta X$ ; C. C. N. Y.,  $\Phi K T$ ; Syracuse,  $Z P$ ; Rochester,  $\Phi E$ ; Colgate,  $\Phi \Theta X$ ; Brooklyn Tech.,  $\Psi \Sigma$ ; Bucknell,  $\Delta \Theta Y$ ; Georgia Tech.,  $K \Delta$ ; Miami,  $\Delta P$ ; Buchtel,  $\Pi K E$  and  $Z A E$ ; O. S. U.,  $B \Gamma \Phi$ ; Case,  $\Omega \Psi$  and  $\Phi A \Phi$ ; Denison,  $B A \Delta$ ; Kenyon,  $Z A$ ; Illinois Wesleyan,  $T K E$ ; Lake Forest,  $\Omega \Psi$  and  $\Phi \Pi E$ ; Lawrence,  $\Theta \Phi$ ; Washington U.,  $T \Pi$ ; Nebraska,  $A \Theta \Xi$ ; South Dakota, Tridentia; Wyoming,  $T K \Delta$ ; Idaho,  $K \Phi A$  and  $\Sigma \Delta A$ ; Montana,  $H \Phi M$  and  $T \Theta H$ ; Utah,  $\Delta \Sigma$ ; Nevada,  $\Sigma A$  and  $T H P O$ ; Oregon,  $B E$ ; California,  $\Phi \Sigma \Delta$ ; Southern California,  $\Theta \Psi$ ; Arizona,  $\Delta \Phi$  and  $\Delta \Sigma$ . Probably all of these societies are applying or intend to apply to national fraternities for charters.

The trustees of the George Peabody educational fund recently voted to give \$1,000,000 from the fund to Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tenn., on condition that \$500,000 should be given by the state, county and city. This condition has been met, and a multimillionaire, supposed to be J. Pierpont Morgan, has offered to give \$250,000 more provided \$250,000 should be raised from other sources, to complete an endowment of \$2,000,000. This college has a fine campus, good buildings, excellent equipment and an attendance of over 600 students. It is the literary department of the University of Nashville, and offers special inducements to students preparing to be teachers. The University of Nashville was a home formerly for the following fraternities:  $\Delta K E$ , 1847-61;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 1848-50;  $\Sigma A E$ , 1857-76;  $X \Phi$ , 1860-61;  $\Phi K \Psi$ , 1870-75;  $A T \Omega$ , 1871-74. In addition to George Peabody College, the university comprises medical and pharmaceutical departments, in which several professional fraternities are now established.

The frontispiece of the April *Shield* is a portrait of Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran, who gave to the West Virginia chapter of  $\Phi K \Psi$  a house called the James Cochran house, in memory of her son, who died in 1901. He was a member of the U. of Pa. chapter, and she also contributed a substantial sum toward the fund for building the new house of that chapter, besides \$2,600 toward finishing and furnishing a memorial room in that house. Pictures of both houses appear in the *Shield*. The U. of Pa. house is a splendid structure, perhaps the largest chapter house at the university, having room for twenty men. One of its admirable features is a loggia extending across the width of the house on the first floor. The loggia has five arches, fitted with frames and sash, as a protection from the weather in winter. The *Shield* says: "The sun throws its beams into the loggia as cheerfully as into a sun-bath parlor of a modern sanitarium. The frames in the arches may be entirely removed and the loggia thrown open as a piazza in mild weather."

The fraternities at Mississippi have been having troubles recently. From lengthy reports in the Memphis papers we obtain the following statement of the matter. Last June the trustees adopted a rule that no fraternity should solicit for membership any student who was in his first year at the university. This did not apply to students in the law department. Obeying this rule no initiations of first year men have been made during the present college year. Early in May of this year  $K \Lambda$  and  $\Sigma \Lambda E$  were charged with violating the rule. The charges were presented by the other six fraternities— $\Delta \Psi$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Phi K \Psi$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$  and  $\Sigma X$ . The faculty, after investigation, decided that  $K \Lambda$  and  $\Sigma \Lambda E$  had violated the rule, and ordered that they should no longer exist at the university. This action provoked  $K \Lambda$  and  $\Sigma \Lambda E$  to file counter charges against four of the other fraternities, viz.,  $\Delta \Psi$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and  $\Phi K \Psi$ . The faculty found none of these fraternities guilty, but one member of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was publicly reprimanded, and one member of  $\Delta \Psi$  was suspended. The cases against  $K \Lambda$  and  $\Sigma \Lambda E$  were reopened, and the faculty reconsidered its edict of prohibiting their existence, but two members of  $K \Lambda$  and three of  $\Sigma \Lambda E$  were suspended from college.

Southern  $K \Lambda$  will hold its convention at Ashville, N. C., June 27. Mr. Verner M. Jones, one of the associate editors of the *Journal*, makes a number of suggestions in that maga-

zine regarding convention legislation. He proposes the adoption of the province system of government, saying that K A is almost the only fraternity of its standing that has not adopted the system, which would be "a training school for the development of the most eligible material for our highest officers." He urges the need of regulation of the manufacture and sale of the fraternity's emblems, saying: "Ladies' brooches, head trinkets, match-boxes, spoons, etc., may not be appropriate, but whiskey flasks, garter buckles and other things are impossible and ought to be specially outlawed." He also says that a burial service should be adopted. He favors the incorporation of a subscription to the *Journal* in the annual dues of members of the alumni chapters. Instead of biennial conventions, he proposes "a convention every year and a half, alternating between Christmas and the good old summer time." Mr. H. T. Burnley, editor-in-chief, proposes several requirements for the benefit of the *Journal*, among them: "Require each initiate to pledge himself to subscribe to the *Journal* for five years after leaving college; require each active chapter to be responsible for the subscriptions of alumni during the first year after they leave college; require each alumni chapter to be responsible for subscriptions of all its members."

Southern K A has many more southern chapters than any other fraternity. It has 40 in the south, 1 in Delaware (Delaware College), 1 in the District of Columbia (George Washington), 4 in Missouri State University, State School of Mines, Westminster and William Jewell, and 2 in California (State University and Stanford). The editor of the *Journal* says:

The following institutions in our territory have chapters of other fraternities, though none of K A: University of Maryland (Baltimore), K Σ, Φ Σ K; Roanoke College (Va.), Φ Γ Δ, Π K A, Σ A E; Presbyterian College (S. C.), Π K A; North Georgia Agricultural College, Π K A; Σ N; Howard College (Ala.), Σ N; Southwestern Baptist University (Tenn.), A T Ω, K Σ, Σ A E; Cumberland University (Tenn.), K Σ Π, K A, Σ A E, Bethel College (Ky.), Φ Γ Δ, Σ A E; Washington University (St. Louis), Β Θ Π, K Σ, Φ Δ Θ, Σ A E, Σ X, Σ N; University of Southern California, Σ X.

In an editorial regarding the College of the City of New York, the New York *Sun* of May 7 said that the institution will move from its present location at Lexington avenue and 23d street to its future site at 138th street, where an extensive structure is being erected. The move will be made as soon as this building is completed, "probably before this

year closes." The fraternities which have chapters at C. C. N. Y. are:  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ , 1855;  $\Delta K E$ , 1856;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 1865;  $\Theta \Delta X$ , 1881;  $\Phi \Sigma K$ , 1896;  $\Phi K T$ , 1898;  $\Omega \Pi A$ , 1901;  $\Delta \Sigma \Phi$ , 1901.  $\Phi K T$  is a local society but it has initiated students of other colleges with a view to establishing chapters.  $\Omega \Pi A$  and  $\Delta \Sigma \Phi$  were founded at C. C. N. Y., with the idea of admitting students to membership without regard to their race or creed. The fraternities which formerly had chapters at C. C. N. Y. are:  $X \Psi$ , 1857-73;  $\Delta Y$ , 1874-79;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 1884-91. The chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  there being very weak, having only three members, its charter was withdrawn by the national convention of 1891. Regarding C. C. N. Y., the *Sun* says:

Since its present president, Dr. John Huston Finley, entered upon his duties in 1903 the institution has advanced scholastically to a much higher place than any to which it attained heretofore. In its new and spacious home the advancement is likely to be even more rapid. A college bearing the name of the city of New York and deserving of the support of its municipal treasury ought to rank with the highest American institutions of learning. It is notable, as indicative of the increasing Jewish population of New York and of the zeal of that race in taking advantage of educational opportunities, that of the 3,245 students now enrolled in this free college, about 62 per cent. are Jews, though of the whole number of inhabitants of the town that race forms less than a fifth and in Manhattan borough specifically, about a quarter.

Columbian University at Washington, D. C., has a new local habitation and a name. It is to have also extensive new buildings. In 1904 its name was changed to George Washington University, though its undergraduate department will be called Columbian College. The *Caduceus* of  $K \Sigma$  says: "It has been intimated that when the corporation of Columbian University changed its name to George Washington University, the officers forgot their country and remembered its father." When the name was changed the George Washington Memorial Association gave the institution half a million dollars to erect a memorial hall, and it acquired Van Ness Park, on which new buildings will be erected. The park is a square, bounded by 17th, 18th, B and C streets, N. W., almost midway between the White House and the Washington monument. Architects are at work on plans for a group of thirteen buildings, to cost \$1,135,000—memorial hall, \$500,000; an alumni hall, \$150,000; a hall for law, politics and diplomacy, \$150,000; a hall for class rooms and professors' offices, \$125,000; a hall for the school of architecture, \$60,000, and eight dormitories, \$150,000. Besides the undergraduate department, the university comprises a division of graduate studies, a division of architecture, departments

of medicine, dentistry and law, and a school of politics and diplomacy. The *Record* of  $\Sigma A E$  says: "Every effort is being made to make this a national university, one which will be representative of the entire country, such as George Washington himself planned." The *Shield* of  $\Phi K \Psi$  says:

The growth of the university in the last few years has been rapid. The faculty numbers more than 200 persons, and there are now in attendance about 1,600 students—a greater number than Princeton enrolls. In the undergraduate Columbian College of Arts and Sciences there are nearly 500 men. With the dawn of the new era of prosperity for the university, the fraternities that survived the period of depression are reaping the reward for their perseverance. Strong chapters of  $\Sigma X$ ,  $K \Sigma$ ,  $K A$  (Southern),  $\Theta X \Delta$ ,  $\Phi \Sigma K$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$  and  $\Sigma A E$  are represented. One stray local fraternity,  $A B \Phi$ , is also a factor in university life. In the professional schools  $\Phi \Delta \Phi$  (law),  $\Phi X$  (medicine), and  $\Psi \Omega$  (dentistry) are active; while in the Columbian College  $X \Omega$ ,  $\Pi B \Phi$  and  $\Omega A$  (local) constitute the quota of our "fair friends of Grecian mould." Many of these fraternities maintain handsome chapter houses, while the rest have commodious halls. None of the chapters are weak in numbers—fifteen to thirty being the range in membership.

The constitution of  $B \Theta \Pi$  requires that Betas who go from one college to another shall be affiliated by the chapter of the latter institution. At a district reunion held at Syracuse, March 2, a member from Cornell "brought out the fact that Cornell had, during the last five years, nineteen transfers out of thirty men admitted to the chapter, and came out very strongly against further expansion of any description." Discussing this matter, the editor of the *Beta Theta Pi*, Mr. Wm. R. Baird, says:

It may very well happen that Betas going to Cornell, for example, from Maine, Dickinson, Colgate, Wooster, Virginia, Illinois and Denver all at one time will not assimilate and unite with the existing chapter there to form a homogeneous body. Their surroundings, prior education and social standing will have been different. The Cornell chapter, with the best wish in the world to be as friendly and sympathetic as possible and to do for each of them what the fraternity expects of it, cannot, under the very nature of the circumstances, mould these men into a harmonious chapter unit. We can readily understand that under such circumstances the natural thought of the Cornell men and others similarly situated is that if the fraternity did not have chapters at Maine, Dickinson, Colgate, Wooster, Virginia, Illinois and Denver, then it would not have transfers from these places, but could live its normal chapter life undisturbed by outside influences. Of course this isn't so unless the fraternity is reduced to two or three chapters only.

Mr. Baird says that the transfer question is probably "the most pressing problem now before the fraternity," and he suggests the following solution:

Let every chapter be free to accept in its active undergraduate membership any transfer that it pleases, provided the transfer be willing also, but let each chapter have the privilege of refusing to receive within its active membership any transfer whomsoever until it shall have initiated each year a minimum number of candidates of its own selection.

Mr. Baird says that the chapters in the larger universities usually "receive transfers from only a few chapters, and from the majority of chapters they seldom receive any;" that "if we had only five chapters instead of sixty-seven the transfer problem would be just the same as it is now;" that "the further extension of the fraternity would not in general increase the number of transfers at any particular institution;" and that "the proper progress of the fraternity and its extension into its natural field of operations should not be hampered by considerations of another problem wholly irrelevant to its solution, and yet which seems tied to it at the present time so firmly in the minds of many Betas that the two cannot be separated."

#### THE ORIGIN OF KAPPA SIGMA.

The *Caduceus* for April is perhaps the most important number of that magazine ever issued. It contains an historical account of the founding of K  $\Sigma$ , biographical sketches of the founders and of other early members, reminiscences of one of the first members of the parent chapter, and an account of student life at the University of Virginia past and present. K  $\Sigma$  was founded by William Grigsby McCormick and four other students at the University of Virginia. The exact date is not mentioned for the reason, it appears, that the early records are missing, but the year of founding was 1869, not 1867, as has been stated heretofore. McCormick is called "the founder of K  $\Sigma$  in America" in the *Caduceus* which says:

The association of McCormick with Frank Courtney Nicodemus and Edmund Law Rogers had begun in Baltimore, the home of all three and the birthplace of the latter two. When the circle of friendship which enclosed these three was found, almost without their knowledge and wholly without their premeditation, to have included two others, George Miles Arnold and John Covert Boyd, within itself, the fraternity had its new birth. The adoption of its historical and traditional name and ritualistic basis was a matter only of detail; its oath was merely the putting in words of vows already realized in the lives of the founders; its future extension was yet upon the knees of the gods. Adopting to some extent a form suggested by the customs of the student life in which they had a part, the five friends and brothers organized the K  $\Sigma$  fraternity.

During his first year at the university, William Grigsby McCormick had occupied a room (the front lower room of cottage C) in Dawson's row, a group of dormitories just outside the main plan of the university buildings. In 1869 he occupied the room at 46 East Lawn, the situation of which, its present exterior and interior, is shown in the accompanying illustrations. The taller structure at the immediate right of 46 East Lawn in the view given is now, by the way, the residence of Bro. William Minor Lile, the dean of the law school of the university. It was in this room, in the presence of the original five, that the first constitution and ritual of K  $\Sigma$ , a docu-

ment which still exists and now lies before the writer, was committed to writing. The outline was furnished by William Grigsby McCormick, from sources known to himself in a manner of which the fraternity is sufficiently informed; and the fullest knowledge concerning this matter is in the possession of the officers of the order. The full esoteric history is within reach of all true Kappa Sigmas, and numerous points once obscure have been made clear by information recently intrusted to the officers of the fraternity for their future disposal.

This is very different from the account of the origin of K  $\Sigma$  as given in the 1898 edition of "American College Fraternities" which says:

In 1865 George Wyatt Hollingsworth and George Miles Arnold, two Americans, while pursuing medical studies in Paris, learned of the Kirjath Sepher, an ancient European secret order, many years extinct, which was founded at the University of Bologna between 1395 and 1400, and spreading later to the universities of Florence, Montpellier, Orleans and Paris, where it flourished many years, finally becoming extinct. Having traced up its origin and history, and being much impressed thereby, they conceived the idea of establishing a secret college fraternity in their native land, based upon its traditions. This they accordingly did at the University of Virginia, in 1867, under the name of K  $\Sigma$ , having associated with themselves in the enterprise, Edmund Law Rogers, Frank Courtney Nicodemus, Edward Stanley Toadvin, William Grigsby McCormick, John Edward Semmes, John Covert Boyd, and others. The ritual of K  $\Sigma$  embraces many forms and ceremonies formerly connected with this ancient order, and many of its symbolic emblems are used by the American fraternity.

Still another version of the origin of K  $\Sigma$  is given in the 1905 edition of "American College Fraternities," so we do not know what to believe about the matter. This version says:

The K  $\Sigma$  fraternity was founded at the University of Virginia, in 1867, by William Grigsby McCormick, George Miles Arnold, Edmund Law Rogers, Jr., Frank Courtney Nicodemus and John Covert Boyd. These men had come into possession of knowledge, both traditional and historical, concerning an ancient European secret order, for many years almost extinct, which was founded at the University of Bologna between 1395 and 1400, and spreading later to the Universities of Florence, Montpellier, Paris and Orleans, where it flourished many years, practically becoming extinct. This order was said to have been founded by a Greek scholar at the University of Bologna, primarily for the protection of the students against the exactions of an infamous governor in the city. The ritual of K  $\Sigma$  while reminiscent of both the lower and the higher degrees of Masonry, contains also elements drawn from the traditions concerning the ancient European order. The fraternity professes to be, in a spiritual sense, the successor of the ancient order.

In the biographical sketches of the five founders published in the *Caduceus*, no mention is made of any of the founders traveling abroad except McCormick, who, "Leaving the University of Virginia in May, 1870, spent six months in foreign travel." This was the year after the fraternity was founded, so that how K  $\Sigma$  was imported from Bologna or Paris remains a mystery to all except those to whom its "esoteric his-

tory" has been revealed. If K  $\Sigma$  intends hereafter to claim any connection with an order founded in Europe 500 years ago it ought to produce the proofs which it professes to have, according to the article in the *Caduceus*, and not conceal the evidence as, according to the same article, it is doing. Until the proofs are adduced no other fraternity can be expected to admit K  $\Sigma$ 's right to claim to have been originated five centuries ago or to be an American branch of an order



FIRST FRATERNITY HOUSE IN THE SOUTH.

Occupied by the K  $\Sigma$  Chapter at the University of Virginia, 1870-71.

Half-tone from a photograph taken 1905. This half-tone and a full page half-tone, from a photograph taken about 1870, and owned by the K  $\Sigma$  chapter at the University of Virginia, appeared in the *Caduceus* of K  $\Sigma$ , April, 1905. THE SCROLL is indebted to the kindness of the editor of the *Caduceus* for the loan of this plate.

founded in Italy during the middle ages. At the University of Virginia K  $\Sigma$  made its first public appearance early in 1870, as appears by the *Caduceus*, which says:

The question of a badge was very early taken up by the newly formed fraternity, and after much discussion, the design due to Edmund Law Rogers was adopted. It is in every detail the same as the present badge, save that the original examples were not so markedly convex as those now made, and had a field of white enamel in the center of the star instead of the present black. The original constitution includes the full description of the badge

and the signification of its various parts and of the emblems borne upon it. At the Christmas holidays of 1869, an order for badges was placed with the Baltimore firm of Sadtler & Sons, who had the work executed, in New York. After the holidays, the star and crescent of K  $\Sigma$  was seen at Virginia for the first time. Badges of this early make still exist. . . . They were one inch in diameter, and were originally furnished with a guard-chain and a chapter-pin of the letter Zeta. The chapter-pin has of late years been generally abandoned, and the extreme size now allowable for the badge is three-quarters of an inch.

The "oldest existing K  $\Sigma$  minutes" are dated November 7, 1870. The minutes of seven meetings during 1870-71 are quoted in the *Caduceus*. During this collegiate year K  $\Sigma$  at the University of Virginia rented a house. Undoubtedly it was the first house occupied by any fraternity in the south. The *Caduceus* says:

It was in this year that members of the fraternity rented and occupied a cottage, the property of the famous Latin professor, Gildersleeve, which thereby became the first fraternity house of K  $\Sigma$ , and apparently the first fraternity house in the South. George Leiper Thomas and Edmund Law Rogers lived in it. With them was Robert S. McCormick (the present ambassador to France, and a brother of William Grigsby McCormick), who had been very intimate with the founders of the year before but who himself became a member of  $\Sigma$  X.

Of the five founders of K  $\Sigma$ , three—McCormick, Nicodemus and Boyd—are still living, and on January 24 of this year the first gave a dinner to the other two and to several other early members, at the Maryland club, Baltimore. From the very interesting article on "Student Life at Virginia," the following paragraphs are quoted:

$\Phi$  K  $\Sigma$ , established here in 1850, the year of its founding, is the oldest chapter of the list of sixteen, including some of the strongest national fraternities. N  $\Sigma$  N and  $\Phi$  P  $\Sigma$  are in the medical department: while  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Phi$  is monarch of all it surveys among the laws, though rumor has it that  $\Delta$  X is soon to enter. The social element is strong at Virginia and from this have arisen the "ribbon societies," drawing their membership from the fraternities. These are T I L K A and Eli Banana, each with a membership, usually, of about twenty-five. From the membership of these are chosen the eligibles for the Thirteen Club and Zeta, the latter perhaps the most secret organization in college.

Other organizations, each with its peculiar characteristics, are the O. F. C.; the P. K., a select german club; the O. W. L. and the Raven society, each organized upon a literary basis; the "Hot Feet," renowned for their unique "coronation" celebration, and various other athletic and social clubs of a less exclusive nature.

Among the characteristic celebrations in the university is "anatomy night," when all the college unites in helping the meds. rejoice after their final in anatomy. The public goating of  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Phi$  is also an event, while intense interest always centers in the election of the president of the general

athletic association and the jubilations of the successful candidate's friends.

The coronation of the "King of the Hot Feet" is unique. All college is present. Ambassadors, quaintly attired, are sent from all the dormitories, the lawns and the ranges. Grottesque costumes are to be seen on all sides, and the ceremony of the coronation itself unites the humorous and the spectacular in a remarkable manner.

The life of a student at the University of Virginia is marked by a peculiar freedom from constraint. The honor system runs throughout everything in college. There is no compulsory chapel, and little class organization. The men live chiefly in the long line of one-story rooms, opening out upon the colonnades or in the several dormitories. The sentiment has long been against fraternity houses as tending to make men too clannish, but it has now turned the other way.

Three of the fraternities at University of Virginia occupy houses.  $\Delta \Psi$  owns a handsome property, valued at \$17,000 which is occupied by seven out of the twenty members of the chapter.  $\Delta T \Delta$  rents a \$15,000 house, which six of her nineteen members live in.  $\Delta K E$  owns a house worth about \$3,000, consisting of two living-rooms and a lodge hall, in which three of her members live.  $\Sigma X$  expects to enter a house next year. The contemplated  $K \Sigma$  house is to cost \$15,000 or more, and the plans show that it will be the handsomest fraternity house at Virginia.

#### AMERICAN COLLEGE FRATERNITIES—SIXTH EDITION.

About the middle of last winter a new edition of "American College Fraternities" was announced to appear in the spring. The announcement was hailed with delight by the Hellenic hosts. All who were interested in fraternities regarded it as not only good but important news. Baird's manual is indispensable to the fraternity worker, and a new edition was sorely needed. The promise of early publication has been kept, and a new edition—a splendid and greatly enlarged edition—is now before us.

The first edition of "American College Fraternities," by William Raimond Baird, appeared in 1879, twenty-six years ago. It marked an epoch in the history of Greek-letter societies, and every subsequent edition has been an event in fraternity annals. The last edition previous to the present edition was issued in 1898 and contained 452 pages. The new edition, which is the sixth edition, is a volume of 590 pages. In each edition that succeeded the first there was, of course, an improvement in the descriptive and historical matter, greater fullness as well as greater accuracy.

The sixth edition is not only adequate but complete; it treats of every phase of fraternity development, and its treatment is entirely satisfactory. Mr. Baird is known to possess a more comprehensive knowledge of college student organizations than any other man, and he long ago acquired a reputation for impartiality in writing of the various Greek

orders. On the score of fairness no criticism can be made of the new edition; it displays the catholicity of the author even more than did any of the previous editions. The preface, dated May 1, 1905, says:

This edition, which is issued in May, 1905, is the result of an endeavor swiftly to gather the desired information and print it so that it would be accurate when issued. The cordial cooperation of the fraternity men and women has rendered this possible.

So far as the articles concerning the fraternities are concerned, they have all been rewritten. Some of them needed much change, some little. The greatest difficulty encountered was the selection of names of prominent alumni. The older fraternities have too many names, the young ones apparently too few. This accounts for the exclusion and inclusion of many names which properly would be included or excluded if they were members of some other fraternity. An endeavor was made to select the names of all who ought to be included, considering the fraternity in any particular case and its geographical position. Errors of judgment in such selection are inevitable.

In general the plan of the sixth edition follows that of the fifth edition, but there are several valuable new features. The general introduction relates to the "origin, progress, manners, customs and peculiar features" of the Greek letter fraternities; and it contains thirty-four pages of very interesting matter. In regard to the classification of fraternities the author says:

Thirty years ago the fraternities were classified quite generally according to the place of their origin, as eastern, western and southern. Such classification no longer holds good, however. The only classification based on the geographical distribution of the several chapters of the fraternities which can now properly be made, is to divide the fraternities into national fraternities and sectional fraternities.

The national fraternities include those generally represented in all sections of the country. Of these  $\beta \theta \Pi$ ,  $\phi \Delta \theta$ ,  $\Sigma \Lambda E$ ,  $\Sigma X$ ,  $K \Sigma$ ,  $\phi K \Psi$  and  $\phi \Gamma \Delta$  are prominent types. The sectional fraternities are eastern and southern. The eastern group consists of  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Delta \Phi$ ,  $\theta \Delta X$ ,  $\Sigma \Phi$ ,  $\Psi T$ ,  $K A$ , (northern) and  $\Delta \Psi$ . The southern group includes  $K A$  (southern order) and  $\Pi K A$ .  $\Delta K E$  and  $X \Psi$ , originating in the eastern states, have what might be termed a limited national development.  $\Lambda T \Omega$ ,  $K \Sigma$ ,  $\Sigma N$  and  $\Sigma \Lambda E$ , originally distinctively southern, have completely lost that character.  $Z \Psi$ ,  $X \Phi$  are difficult to classify.

Since the last previous edition was issued more new chapters have been established by the various fraternities than during any other period of seven years. Regarding extension the author says:

The colleges generally recognized as preëminent are crowded with chapters, and thus a great rivalry springs up between them, and extraordinary efforts are put forth to obtain members. Many of the chapters are now between forty and sixty years old, and it is frequently the case that a student entering college has already decided to join some fraternity to which a father, brother, cousin or other relative belonged during his college life. The resulting restriction of choice, however, is not always to the best advantage of the chapter. Chapters will sometimes draw members from some particular town

or school; friends from either place will be a great inducement to a freshman. In the face of such difficulties it will be seen to be quite an undertaking to organize a new chapter.

The older fraternities move very slowly in the granting of charters, and petitioners find that they have to wait, and patiently and persistently push their claims until success crowns their efforts, or they are convinced that they will be forever denied admission to the fraternity of their choice. Much of this inertia is due to a false conservatism. It has contributed largely to the rapid and it must be said excellent growth of some of the younger fraternities whose members have wisely seized golden opportunities spurned by their slower rivals.

Thoughtful fraternity men have realized fully the evils of the frenzied scramble for new men in the annual rushing campaign. On this point Mr. Baird says:

The constant rivalry between chapters and the multiplication of fraternities has led in many cases to an indiscriminate scramble for members at the beginning of each year, and has in it the germ of the downfall of the entire system, unless the fraternities perceive the danger and make a united effort to avert it. This has been done at some colleges by an agreement between the chapters, or a regulation of the college authorities, that no student shall be approached upon the subject of fraternity membership until a certain time after his matriculation. Regulations of this kind either by mutual consent or imposed by college authority are becoming common.

Several pages are devoted to the publications of the various fraternities. The author says:

Almost every fraternity (except a group of smaller societies of eastern origin) issues a journal of some kind, and these are mentioned under the articles relating to each fraternity. It is somewhat singular that the journals of Z  $\Psi$ ,  $\Psi$  T, A  $\Delta$   $\Phi$ , X  $\Phi$  and X  $\Psi$  have not succeeded where younger and in some respects weaker fraternities have succeeded well in this direction.

After mentioning the elaborate biographical catalogues published by  $\Psi$  Y, B  $\Theta$  II,  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$ , A  $\Delta$   $\Phi$ ,  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$ ,  $\Delta$  Y,  $\Sigma$   $\Psi$  and X  $\Psi$ , the author says:

In 1890  $\Delta$  K E, after long preparation, published a bulky volume of some 1,700 pages, leaving nothing to be desired in the way of completeness, and which probably marked the point of extreme advance in this direction. Since then there has been a decided tendency to revert to the simplicity of former times, and to replace these bulky memorabilia volumes with handy name-lists of the members, and to leave to the chapters the work of publishing lists of their own members with full biographical detail.

Fraternity life has been more affected by the occupancy of chapter houses than by any other influence. Many of these houses are owned by the chapters, others are rented. Alumni and undergraduate members have united in building homes for their chapters, the alumni contributing, in nearly all cases, the larger share of the building funds. Mr. Baird says:

It is a fact common in human experience, that people are more deeply interested in things upon which they have spent time, effort or money, than in things which they have acquired without either, and the interest of

alumni has never been so fully aroused and maintained by any feature of fraternity life as by the efforts which have been made to build chapter-lodges and houses. The creation of building funds, the frequent consultation as to plans; and the consideration of ways and means, have intensified the interest of alumni in a way that nothing else has done. All of this has resulted in direct benefit to the colleges, and the wiser among college officials are encouraging the development of this feature of fraternity life in every possible way.

During the last seven years there has been a wonderful increase in the number of houses owned and rented by fraternities. In 1898 the 781 active chapters of the general fraternities for men owned 134 houses and rented 214, total 348. In 1904 the 970 active chapters of these fraternities owned 290 houses and rented 368, total 658. Mr. Baird says:

The development of this form of chapter enterprise has been relatively rapid during the past ten years. The number of houses built and owned by the chapters of the fraternities has been considerable, and the number rented has been very large. It has been impossible, without performing an amount of labor quite disproportionate to the importance of the result sought to be obtained, to ascertain the value of the property owned by the fraternities in the form of chapter houses. A conservative estimate would, however, fall within three millions of dollars.

Within the next ten years it is more than probable that seventy or eighty per cent of the existing chapters will occupy houses to which they or associations of their alumni have acquired the legal title. The amount of money locked up in furniture and fittings of all the chapter houses and halls must be very great.

Chapter house life is having a great influence upon fraternity character. It has its advantages and its disadvantages. It inculcates habits of business, it develops social discipline, it promotes fraternal sentiment and it affords opportunity for many instances of mutual helpfulness. It develops pride of organization, it arouses the ambition and in some sense promotes college allegiance. On the other hand it greatly increases the expense of college life, it increases the average size of chapters and makes in many cases a large chapter a necessity where a smaller one would be better. It engenders and fosters social exclusiveness, not to say snobbishness. It makes many students narrow and conceited, because they arrogate to themselves as personal attributes the chapter reputation. Probably the advantages outweigh the disadvantages. At any rate, the chapter house has come to stay. Its development is sure, but it needs watching by the older heads among the alumni.

The sketches of the various fraternities appear to have been rewritten with much care and close attention to details. All of them are brought down to date. The scope of the sketches is indicated by the following preliminary note.

With regard to each fraternity an endeavor has been made to state first the date and place of its foundation, with the names of its founders, and, where it is considered of importance, some of the circumstances.

The list of chapters is then given. This comprises the date at which the chapter was established, its name, the institution at which it was or is located and the number of members admitted by it to the fraternity. If the chapter is inactive the date at which it became so follows the name of the college in

( ). Then follows a summary of the active and inactive chapters and the total membership.

Brief notes concerning certain of the chapters are then given. It may safely be assumed that when a chapter is not mentioned in these notes it has enjoyed a fairly prosperous and uneventful career.

A list of the chapters owning houses is then given, and a statement of the number of chapters renting them.

Then follows a list of the alumni organizations, a statement of the scheme of government and a list of the conventions which have been held.

The publications of the fraternity are then mentioned, sometimes in full detail, sometimes in general terms.

A description of the badge and other insignia follows.

The statement concerning each fraternity concludes with a list of its prominent alumni. By this is meant alumni prominent in the public eye and not those prominent within the fraternity. In these lists no attempt has been made to distinguish between the dead and the living.

In 1898 there were 29 general fraternities for men; in 1905 there are 31. Two,  $\text{M } \Pi \Lambda$  and  $\Phi \Phi \Phi$ , became extinct in 1904, while three have been founded and one has developed from a local society in the last few years. These four are as follows:

$\Theta \text{X}$ , founded at Norwich University, 1856; established at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1903.

$\Omega \Pi \Lambda$ , founded at the College of the City of New York, 1901. Chapters established at Columbia, 1902; Pennsylvania, 1903; Lehigh, 1904; Rutgers, 1905; Cornell, 1905.

$\Delta \Sigma \Phi$ , founded at the College of the City of New York, 1901. Chapters established at Columbia, 1903, Cornell, 1904; New York University, 1904; Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1905.

$\Sigma \Phi \text{E}$ , founded at Richmond College, 1901. Chapters established at the University College of Medicine, 1902 (suspended 1904); W. & J., 1902; Bethany, 1903; Roanoke, 1903; West Virginia, 1903; Jefferson Medical College, 1903; Western University of Pennsylvania, 1903; Illinois, 1903; Colorado, 1904; U. of Pa., 1904; William and Mary, 1905; Northern Ohio University, 1905; North Carolina A. & M. College, 1905.

$\Omega \Pi \Lambda$  "was founded with the idea of admitting students to membership without distinction of race or creed." Likewise  $\Delta \Sigma \Phi$  was founded "upon a non-sectarian basis, that is providing for the admission of Christians and Jews."

The number of fraternities for women has greatly increased. In 1898 there were 7, in 1905 there are 17. There has been a remarkable increase also in the number of professional fraternities. In 1898 there were 23; in 1905 there are 50. If the multiplication of Greek letter societies continues the possible combinations of three letters will be exhausted, and new

societies will have to use four letters each. One has four already, A M Π Ω, a medical fraternity.

The professional fraternities are designed for students in law, medicine (both regular and homeopathic), dentistry, theology, biology and architecture. One is called an engineering-scientific fraternity, another an agricultural-scientific fraternity and a third an agricultural-technical fraternity. For women there are fraternities for students in medicine (both regular and homeopathic), music and library economy.

Φ Α Γ, a fraternity for homeopathic students, has a badge evidently intended to attract attention. It is made of "the middle phalanx of the little finger of a human hand, mounted in gold, with the letters 'Φ Α Γ' in gold upon a field of black enamel"—certainly a repulsive emblem.

No mention is made of academic societies, that is societies which are established in high schools, preparatory schools, etc. The author explains that, "They are numerous, but have, except in a few rare instances, little elements of stability, and in fact are imitations of the mere externals of the college fraternity system, without really grasping or living up to its principles of brotherhood and mutual helpfulness."

Like previous editions, this edition contains a directory of colleges and chapters, which shows the location of each institution that a fraternity has entered, the year it was opened, the denominational control if any, and mentions the various fraternities which have entered each institution, with the year of establishment of each chapter, and if suspended the year of suspension.

The articles which appeared in previous editions entitled "The Fraternities—Have They a Right to Live?" and "The Legal Status of Fraternities," are retained in this edition, and there are added two judicial opinions in the K K Γ litigation. This case involved the right of the grand council of that sorority to withdraw the charter of its chapter at St. Lawrence University. The supreme court of New York enjoined the sorority from taking such action and, on appeal, the appellate division sustained the injunction.

An entirely new feature of the sixth edition is a bibliography of fraternities, covering fifteen pages. Under "Books Relating to Fraternities in General" there are 68 titles; under "Magazine Articles Relating to Fraternities" there are 22 titles; under "Histories of Fraternities" there are 10 titles.

At the end of the sixth edition are tables which show the growth of fraternities since 1883. They give the number of

members, the number of chapters active and suspended, and the number of chapter houses owned and rented by each fraternity in the years 1883, 1890, 1898 and 1905, the years when the last four editions of the manual were published. The following statistics are taken from the last edition, showing conditions in 1905.

The ten fraternities having the largest membership are  $\Delta K E$ , 15,000;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 14,046;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 13,161;  $\Psi Y$ , 10,428;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 9,979;  $\Phi K \Psi$ , 9,806;  $A \Delta \Phi$ , 9,406;  $\Sigma A E$ , 9,383;  $\Delta Y$ , 9,169;  $\Sigma X$ , 8,358.

The ten fraternities having the largest number of active chapters are:  $K \Sigma$ , 70;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 69;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 67;  $\Sigma A E$ , 66;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 57;  $\Sigma N$ , 54;  $\Sigma X$ , 53;  $A T \Omega$ , 51, Southern  $K A$ , 49;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 47.

The ten fraternities owning the largest number of chapter houses are:  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 23;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 23;  $\Delta K E$ , 22;  $A \Delta \Phi$ , 18;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 18;  $\Psi Y$ , 18;  $\Sigma X$ , 16;  $\Phi K \Psi$ , 15;  $\Delta Y$ , 14;  $K \Sigma$ , 13.

The ten fraternities renting the largest number of chapter houses are:  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 31;  $\Sigma A E$ , 31;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 28;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 26;  $\Sigma X$ , 26;  $\Sigma N$ , 26;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 25;  $K \Sigma$ , 23;  $A T \Omega$ , 21;  $\Phi K \Psi$ , 20.

The book bears the imprint of The Alcolm Company, New York. It is bound in cloth and sold at \$2 per copy, postage prepaid. Orders may be sent to the editor of THE SCROLL, J. H. DeWitt, 51 Cole Building, Nashville, Tenn. Every person who is interested in college fraternities should have this valuable book. Every active member of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  should get a copy, and those who are leaders in rushing should own it by all means. It should be in every chapter library. This should remember that it will be used by their rivals in the rushing campaign next fall and thereafter, and, therefore, it is highly important that they should possess the information which this book contains.

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#### SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON MANUAL.

This is the title of a very creditable work published by the  $\Sigma A E$  fraternity. It is a small volume, containing ix+186 pages,  $4\frac{3}{8} \times 6\frac{1}{8}$ , but it presents in compact form a great deal of information which is of permanent value. The author is George H. Kress, M. D., a member of the Cincinnati chapter, class of '96. The preface, dated Los Angeles, Cal., October 31, 1904, shows that the manual was authorized by the convention of 1898. Like similar works undertaken by

other fraternities, the book was long delayed from various causes. Dr. Kress was not placed in charge of the manual until December, 1903, and that he should have succeeded in his laborious task within less than a year is evidence of his energy and proof of his devotion to his fraternity. There had been a "long-felt need" for such a volume, says the preface, which modestly styles the book "a brief historical account of  $\Sigma A E$ ." The editor (author) says:

The work has been done by the editor in hours stolen from his professional duties, and while the little book is far from his ideal, it was all he could do with the money and archives at his disposal. If this little volume will serve a temporary need, and prepare the way for a more accurate and comprehensive history of  $\Sigma A E$ , he will feel that the time its preparation entailed will not have been spent in vain.

For the early history of  $\Sigma A E$  there is a pathetic paucity of materials, due largely to the records of the fraternity having been scattered and lost during the civil war. Probably  $\Sigma A E$  suffered in this respect more than did any other fraternity, for, excepting  $\Delta T \Delta$ , it was the last college fraternity established before the war, and its ante-bellum chapters were located in the south, which was swept by contending armies. But fortunately the original minute book of the parent chapter of  $\Sigma A E$  still exists. This book gives the minutes for nearly two years—from 1856, when the fraternity was founded, to 1858, when the parent chapter was forced by anti-fraternity legislation to suspend. \* Most interesting quotations from the original minutes are given in the manual.

$\Sigma A E$  was founded at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Ala., on March 8, 1856. There were then three other fraternities there.  $\Delta K E$  had established its seventh chapter at Alabama in 1847. It was the second chapter which that fraternity had placed below Mason and Dixon's line, the first southern chapter, located at the University of Nashville, having been organized earlier in 1847. In 1851  $A \Delta \Phi$  organized at Alabama its first southern chapter, the seventeenth chapter on its roll. In 1855  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  organized at Alabama its fifth southern chapter, the eighth chapter on its roll. The manual says:

\* The original minutes of Mother Mu chapter have been issued in book form in order that these interesting and historically valuable records may become, in handy and permanent shape, a part of the library of each chapter. The book is a neat little cloth volume, with a half-tone picture of the old book as frontispiece. The edition is limited to 125, 66 of which were reserved for chapter subscriptions. The remainder, as long as they last, are offered to alumni at 75 cents per copy. Frank G. Adams, 2017 Maple avenue, Evanston, Ill., is the distributing agent. Henry S. Bunting's interesting article, "How the First Records Were Saved," originally published in *Phi Alpha*, is also included in the volume.— $\Sigma A E$  Record for May.

During the fall and winter of 1855, the founders of  $\Sigma$  A E, who were closely associated with one another in literary society and other work, had frequent discussions as to the advisability of forming a new Greek-letter organization, and these conferences finally resulted in the founding of  $\Sigma$  A E on Saturday night, March 8, 1856. The care with which the scope and character of the new organization had been planned may be best gathered, perhaps, by quoting some excerpts from the original minutes of the mother chapter. Were the space at our command, we would print them in full, as they virtually tell the story of  $\Sigma$  A E's growth in the southland before the war. The first meeting was held at Johnson's school house on Saturday night, March 8, 1856. Johnson's school house was the home of an Episcopal minister named Johnson, who had established a private school, after giving up his parish work. The house was also known as the Mansion House, and is still standing at the corner of Twenty-sixth avenue and Sixth street in Tuscaloosa, being distant from the university campus about two miles. It is now the property and the rectory of the Protestant Episcopal church of Tuscaloosa, and at the present time is the home of the rector, the Rev. Samuel B. McGlohon, University of the South, '81, who, in 1884, at the time when Tennessee Omega was grand chapter of our order, was the eminent grand treasurer of the fraternity. The place of the second meeting was Professor George Little's school house, but this building is no longer in existence. After the fourth meeting, the chapter met at the  $\Sigma$  A E hall.

Undoubtedly Johnson's school house will be the chief shrine of the fraternity as long as the building stands. \* Following are the minutes in full of the first meeting:

SECRETARY'S BOOK.  
JOHNSON'S, TUSCALOOSA,

March 8, 1856.

On Saturday night, the 8th of March, the portion of the students of the University of Alabama assembled for the purpose of organizing a fraternity, to be called  $\Sigma$  A E.

Mr. N. L. DeVotie was called to the chair. Having called the assembly to order, he stated the object of the meeting. A motion was made that no one be considered a member of the  $\Sigma$  A E fraternity except those present, which was seconded and unanimously adopted. Those present who constituted the new band of brethren, were as follows:

N. E. Cockrell, S. M. Dennis, N. L. DeVotie, W. H. Foster, J. W. Kerr, A. E. Patton, J. B. Rudolph. (For the explanation of the status of Mr. T. C. Cook as one of the founders, see minutes of May 31, 1856. Ed. Manual.)

Moved, seconded and carried that the officers of this fraternity be called by the English names respectively, and not by the Greek name; designating them.

The design of the  $\Sigma$  A E badge having been mentioned, a motion was made, that the badge as thus delineated be received. It was unanimously adopted. Moved that a committee of three be appointed to write the constitution. This was adopted and the committee appointed consisting of (Names not given.—Ed. Manual.) Moved that the president and secretary be appointed or elected, whose terms of office should continue until the

\* As mentioned in THE SCROLL for April, the convention of  $\Sigma$  A E last December appropriated \$3,000 to aid the Alabama chapter to erect there the "DeVotie Memorial Hall," which is to be completed by 1906, when the semi-centennial convention is to be held at Birmingham, whence there will be a pilgrimage to Tuscaloosa, 56 miles distant.

adoption of the constitution. E. A. Patton was chosen president, and John W. Kerr, secretary.

Moved that pro tem, we meet every Saturday night, at seven o'clock. Moved that a committee be appointed to select a room for the  $\Sigma$   $\Lambda$   $\Xi$  fraternity. The motion was carried, and S. M. Dennis, W. H. Foster and John W. Kerr constituted said committee.

Moved that the number of members of this fraternity exceed not the ratio of 13 to every 100 connected with the college. This motion was adopted unanimously, and, no further business being before the assembly, it adjourned.

W. H. FOSTER, secretary.

At the next meeting, held on March, 15, 1856, the constitution was adopted. It appears that under this constitution each member had to choose a degree, that is a department of literature relating to which he should write essays and read them before the society—as poetry, fiction, biography, history, philosophy, etc. Later, on recommendation of De-Votie, the society decided “that the word *topas* be inserted in the constitution instead of *degree*.” In describing the catalogue of 1870, the second published by  $\Sigma$   $\Lambda$   $\Xi$ , the manual says:

There was an alphabetical index of members and an enrollment by chapters and classes. In the latter arrangement, each man's “*degree*” or “*topas*” was also given. When the fraternity was founded, much stress was laid on the literary features of the meetings, and, as the excerpts from the mother chapter show, essays were read at all meetings, except those especially designated as social meetings. Each initiate was made to adopt a “*degree*” or “*topas*,” which was placed after his name on the scroll, and which was to indicate the direction of the literary work he intended to follow.

Singularly enough the same system prevailed in  $\Lambda$   $\Delta$   $\Phi$ , which has always claimed to devote special attention to literary training, and the members of which were formerly, and probably still are, assigned to or required to choose a department of literature upon which to base essays to be read in the chapter hall. The Greek letters following the names of members in the catalogues of  $\Lambda$   $\Delta$   $\Phi$  are supposed to refer to the departments of literature to which they gave special attention while performing literary work in their respective chapters.

The minutes of the parent chapter of  $\Sigma$   $\Lambda$   $\Xi$  are terse, as the minutes of most chapters usually are, and one wishes that the first secretaries had given more details, but these records of the early days of the fraternity are sufficient to present a charming picture of a group of congenial, high-spirited, ambitious young men. They met every Saturday night, were warmed in winter with wood fires, read essays by candle light, made speeches on various topics, and every now and then regaled themselves with a roast turkey and hot coffee.

Members were fined for absence from meeting, or for leaving a meeting and not returning within fifteen minutes, without a reasonable excuse. They were fined also for not preparing the essays which they were appointed to read, unless a reasonable excuse were presented. The proceedings of the chapter seem to have been conducted with much dignity. The minutes for May 31, 1856, say: "The Σ A E fraternity met in a quiet and orderly manner." But at this meeting something must have been the matter with the boys, for apparently they were very disorderly and several defied the efforts of the chair to preserve proper decorum. Even DeVotie was fined twice. The minutes say:

Bullock was fined for addressing the president without rising from his seat. DeVotie fined for disorder. Wynne fined for disorder. Clements fined twice for having his feet on chair. Bullock fined for disorder. Wynne fined for disorder. DeVotie fined for having his foot on the chair. Wells fined for disorder. Bullock for having his foot on the chair.

Following are interesting extracts from the minutes of various dates:

March 15, 1856: A motion was made that a ballot box and marbles be purchased by the treasurer. May 3, 1856: In order to meet the present exigencies, a dozen chairs were purchased by one of the brethren without the knowledge of the fraternity. A motion was consequently made that the chairs be received as the property of the society. May 31, 1856: It was moved and carried that the treasurer purchase four candle-sticks. June 28, 1856: It being a violation of the constitution to initiate members of the freshman class, it was moved and carried that the constitution be suspended. It was moved that the freshmen be not allowed to wear the badge of the fraternity until their promotion to the sophomore class, which motion also was adopted. October 12, 1856: It was moved that Brother Kerr see some negro about furnishing us with fire and water. The motion was carried. November 1, 1856: A motion was made and carried that we move to another room, as there was a family near us. Brothers Kerr, Patton and Bullock were appointed on committee to select a room. January 24, 1857: Eight volumes of Shakespeare's works were presented to the society by Bro. Riley. The thanks of the society were presented to Bro. Riley for his valuable gift. February 12, 1857: It was moved and carried that we omit, in printing of the constitution, the motto with its signification and also the meaning of Φ A. It was moved and carried that we have twenty-five copies of the constitution under the supervision of Bro. Rudolph.

In July, 1856, four months after Σ A E was founded, the trustees of the University of Alabama enacted anti-fraternity laws, but the parent chapter continued until January, 1858.

May 9, 1857: It was then moved and seconded that two members be appointed to confer with the other societies of this university upon the subject of petitioning the trustees to repeal their act of last July, forbidding the students to join a secret society. Patton and Clements were for this trust. May 15, 1857: The committee appointed to confer with the other secret societies about petitioning the trustees to repeal the law passed last July,

borbidding new students from joining the secret societies made their report: The other societies had not arrived at any conclusion in regard to the matter. October 5, 1857: It was resolved not to elect any more members, considering that the pledge required by the trustees of the University of Alabama is binding. January 9, 1858: A motion was made that this be the last meeting of this chapter during this collegiate year, and that we sell the furniture and pay the rent for this room. And that we keep our constitution and transact business privately at college through the corresponding secretary. Bro. De Votie made a motion that we burn all essays and useless papers in the hall. We adjourned to meet no more.

It seems that the member who moved to burn the papers was J. DeVotie, not N. L. DeVotie, the founder. The minutes for May 31, 1856, say:

A motion was made and carried that Mr. T. C. Cook be considered a member of the fraternity, by virtue of his co-operation with the founders, he having left the university before the organization of the society. DeVotie was appointed to inform him of the fact. (Cook had gone to Princeton to continue his studies.—Ed. Manual.)

The manual says: "The leader of the group of founders may be said to have been Noble Leslie DeVotie." Having attended Howard College, Marion, Ala., N. L. DeVotie entered the junior class at the University of Alabama in the fall of 1854.

Five of the founders attended other institutions after leaving the University of Alabama. DeVotie, having been graduated at Alabama in 1856, attended Princeton Theological Seminary, 1857-59. Dennis finished his college course at Princeton, graduating there with A. B. in 1857 and A. M. in 1859. Kerr attended the law school at Cumberland University in 1857, and in 1858 was graduated by Harvard with LL. B. Patton was graduated by the Cumberland law school with LL. B. in 1859. Cook was graduated by the University of Pennsylvania with M. D. in 1859. Of the careers of the founders during the civil war, the manual makes the following mention:

Cockrell died before the onset of that struggle, on July 17, 1859. Of the seven others, all but one entered the C. S. A. Foster, Patton and Dennis became privates in the C. S. A. Patton was killed in battle near Richmond, Va., in 1862, and Dennis died in a Federal prison at St. Louis, Mo., in 1864. Cook became surgeon of the first heavy artillery, and Rudolph, our only living founder, became colonel of the 10th Alabama Cavalry, C. S. A. Noble Leslie DeVotie became chaplain of Fort Morgan, and was one of the first men to give up his life for the confederacy, for he was drowned in the bay of Mobile, on the night of February 12, 1861. His remains were recovered and buried at Columbus Ga., the home of his parents, with military honors. \*

\* Alabama seceded from the union January 11, 1861. N. L. DeVotie, who had been a Baptist minister at Selma, Ala., and who was chaplain of a company from there, was drowned in Mobile Bay, February 12, 1861, while boarding a steamer which lay at a wharf.

This quotation from page 28 says that Rudolph was the "only living founder," but the author says, page 9, that of the founders "all are deceased except Col. J. B. Rudolph, of Pleasant Hill, Ala., and Dr. T. C. Cook of Weimar, Texas." Kerr was the only one of the eight founders who was living during the war who did not become a soldier—the only one, in fact, of the twenty-one men initiated by the parent chapter before it suspended.

The first initiate of the fraternity, Clements, became a colonel. The roster of Mu's members in the war reads thus: Colonels Rudolph, Clements, Hall, Golsan (died in the service); Major Adams; Captains McLaughlin (killed in battle), Wells (died in the service), Judkins, Vaughn; Lieutenant Owen (died in the service); Chaplain DeVotie (died in the service); Surgeon Cook; Privates Foster, Tarrent, J. DeVotie, Dennis, Patton, Bullock and Riley (the last four killed in service). So that of the mother chapter's 21 members, 20 entered the Confederate service, 13 became officers and 7 privates; and of the entire 20, 9 were killed or died in service. If we had naught else than the war records of the ante-bellum members of Alabama Mu, we would have excellent assurance that the men who made up our mother chapter were of an unusually high class.

The founders of Σ A E had no intention of it remaining local. Their purpose was to establish it in the various colleges and universities in the south. At the third meeting, March 22, 1856, the following motion was adopted:

That those members of the Σ A E fraternity who may have trustworthy friends in other colleges south have written communications with them, if they choose, for the purpose of organizing chapters of the fraternity in their respective institutions.

Before the parent chapter succumbed to the inhibition of secret societies, chapters had been established at four other institutions—the University of Nashville, the University of North Carolina, Union University (Murfreesboro, Tenn.; later merged into Southwestern Baptist University, Jackson, Tenn.), and the College of William and Mary. These four chapters were established in 1857. Before the war began nine other institutions were entered. In 1858, the University of Virginia, Bethel College (Ky.), Georgia Military Institute, Baylor University (Texas), Kentucky Military Institute and Columbian College (now George Washington University).

The Σ A E *Record* for May, 1905, quotes a letter from Capt. J. R. Crowe, of Sheffield, Ala., to the *Montgomery Advertiser* (republished in the *Confederate Veteran*, Nashville, Tenn., November, 1904), which letter says that DeVotie was "the first person to lose his life in the war between the states." The *Record* also publishes an article by W. C. Levere, eminent supreme archon of Σ A E, describing relics which have been committed to the care of the fraternity by Mrs. DeVotie, the stepmother of N. L. DeVotie. These relics are: a writing desk which belonged to DeVotie, a heel plate worn by him at Princeton, a pair of gloves and a tall hat worn by him at Selma, a military sash worn by him when he was drowned, and a telegram dated Mobile, February 16, 1861, announcing the recovery of his body. The *Record* publishes a reduced facsimile of the telegram and half tone illustrations of the other articles.

In 1859, Oglethorpe University (Ga.) In 1860, Cumberland University and Hampden Sidney College. The method of establishing chapters was simple, as shown by the following quotation from the minutes of July 4, 1857:

It was moved and carried that a charter of the  $\Sigma$  A E fraternity be granted to the students of Union University petitioning for one. The corresponding secretary was instructed to forward the pledge of the fraternity to those students, in order that their names may be signed to it. Their signatures being obtained, the secretary was ordered to send the constitution to them.

The exact dates of the establishment of some of the ante bellum chapters are unknown. The manual says:

The exact order of establishment of the ante-bellum chapters is not positively known, for when the mother chapter, owing to the ante-fraternity laws passed by the board of trustees of the University of Alabama, held its last meeting on January 9, 1858, all papers, other than the original minute book, were burned, and the business was thereafter transacted through the corresponding secretary. When the war commenced, the other chapters became inactive one by one, and their ante-bellum records were also lost. After the war, the much crippled colleges and universities of the south had most irregular careers, so that at this time also, there was an excellent opportunity for chapter records to become scattered or lost. All of which tends to explain why  $\Sigma$  A E is not in possession of as much detailed knowledge concerning her history at this time, as would be the case had her career been cast in a less harsh environment and period.

The present chapter was the grand chapter until it suspended, and it exercised posthumous powers for several months. The manual says:

The original constitution provided that the mother chapter should be the grand chapter, that mode of government being in general vogue at that time. The grand chapter exercised a general supervision over other chapters, and had the right to grant charters and perform other general business of the fraternity, this work being conducted by the grand chapter officers, who were not always necessarily the same as officers of the chapter itself. As stated is the sketch of the mother chapter, the last ante-bellum meeting of the Alabama Mu as a chapter was held on January 9, 1858, because of the decree of the board of trustees making all new students take a pledge not to join a secret society. The members of Alabama Mu continued, however, to perform the duties of a grand chapter until the first convention, held with the Union University chapter at Murfreesboro, Tenn., just after the commencement in the summer of 1858. At that convention, the Chapel Hill or Xi chapter, University of North Carolina, was made grand chapter. It continued as grand chapter until 1860.

Previous to the war four conventions were held—at Murfreesboro, Tenn., 1858; Columbia, S. C., 1859; Columbus, Ga., 1860; Nashville, Tenn., 1861. It seems that but little is known about any of these conventions, even the exact dates when they were held being unknown. The convention of 1860 made the William and Mary chapter the grand chapter. The manual says: "The fourth convention was held at Nashville

in 1861, but our knowledge thereof is very meagre. The war put an effective stop to the conventions."

When the war began the members of the fraternity were of just the right age to enlist as soldiers. When the Confederacy called her sons to arms the sons of  $\Sigma A E$  very gallantly responded, and during the four years struggle they gave valiant service to the southern cause. Only one member—a member of the chapter at Columbian College, Washington, D. C.—enlisted in the northern army. The manual says:

$\Sigma A E$  had on the roll of its ante-bellum chapters the names of about 300 men. Their war records have never been carefully investigated, but our present knowledge shows that at least 175 of these were in the confederate, while only a single member is credited to the federal armies. Of these 176 members, 41, or about twenty-five per-cent., were killed or lost their lives in the service; and of this entire number, 96, or more than fifty per cent., became commissioned officers, (2 brigadier generals, 13 colonels, 9 majors, 16 adjutants, 29 captains, 21 lieutenants, 1 chaplain and 5 surgeons); and of the remaining 80, the rank of 52 is not known, but 9 became sergeants and 19 became privates. Considering the youth of our members at the time they entered the service, these rankings certainly speak well for the character of our ante-bellum initiates, for members of the class of '56 were about 28 years old at the onset of the war, those of '57 about 27, those of '58 about 26, those of '59 about 25, those of '60 about 24, those of '61 about 23, and so on.

The most unique of our ante-bellum chapters was the Pi, of the Georgia Military Institute, Marietta, Ga., which sent every one of its 40 members into the confederate service. The cadets of the institute, when General Sherman was approaching Marietta on his march to the sea, were mustered into active service as the battalion of Georgia cadets, C. S. A., and saw active service at Resaca and elsewhere, and in this battalion, 7 members of Pi chapter remained to keep alive that chapter in the field until the battalion was mustered out of service on May 20, 1865.

Historical accounts of  $\Sigma X$  say that members of that fraternity who were in the confederate service maintained what they called the "Constantine chapter." It has been claimed heretofore that these southern soldiers constituted a unique organization, having no parallel in the records of other fraternities. Now  $\Sigma A E$  furnishes a parallel. Moreover, it appears that, while the soldier members of  $\Sigma X$  were never chartered, the soldier members of  $\Sigma A E$  carried their charter with them when they went to war.

Undoubtedly  $\Sigma A E$  suffered more from the civil war than did any other college fraternity. At the beginning of the conflict it had established fourteen chapters, and all of them were active except the parent chapter, but when peace had been restored, four years later, there was only one chapter—the one at the national capital, Columbian College. The manual says:

At the outbreak of the war, there were thirteen active chapters on the roll; at its close there was but one. The other chapters had become inactive because the members had gone to the front in defense of a cause which to them seemed right. Every one of these chapters, with the possible exception of Columbian College of Washington, D. C., was in distinctively southern territory, and of these twelve distinctively southern chapters, not one sent a member to the northern army. Rho of Columbian, on the border line between the north and south, sent all but one member into the confederate service.

Our data concerning these days is somewhat sparse, for men studying at college, when their hearts were in the field and when their hands were aching to carry gun or sabre, were naturally not much given to writing elaborate accounts of chapter meetings. Friendships were dearer then than ever, but the times were too stirring for the observance of ceremony and rules. As the strife continued, one man followed another to the front, and soon the straitened resources of the south prevented the colleges of that section from receiving their accustomed number of students and material support. On that account many institutions closed their doors, some never to re-open them, for when they were in the track of the great armies, their halls were often used as hospitals, or where the students had been especially loyal in their espousal of the cause of the confederacy, the buildings were burned to the ground. In other instances all available funds were invested in confederate securities. At the close of the war, such institutions found themselves bankrupt, and a like condition confronting former patrons, the institutions became defunct. It has only been during the material prosperity of the last two decades, that many of the prominent ante-bellum colleges and universities of the south have been able to regain their former fame and vigor.

The order in which the ante-bellum chapters became inactive is not known, nor is it essential for this brief sketch. District of Columbia Rho, of Columbian College, was the only active chapter at the end of the year, 1865, the Georgia Pi, of the Georgia Military Institute, having become inactive when the battalion of Georgia cadets, C. S. A., was mustered out on May 20, 1865. The other colleges had become inactive one by one up to that time.

After the war  $\Sigma A E$  rapidly recuperated. Of the young southern soldiers whose education had been interrupted and who then returned to halls of learning—of these young men there was a number of members of  $\Sigma A E$ , who had carried a love of the fraternity in their hearts through the storm of battle during four long years, and, as the manual says:

At the close of the war the soldiers of the confederacy returned to their homes to commence again if possible, where they had left off in 1861. Among them was a goodly proportion of young men whose college careers had been interrupted, and this group included a number of members of  $\Sigma A E$ . It was through the loyalty of these soldier  $\Sigma A E$ s that the fraternity was spontaneously re-established in old and new homes, again to take up the work in the southland.

Omicron, of Virginia, and Lambda, of Cumberland, were revived, and Beta, of Georgia, and Gamma, of Mississippi, were instituted as new chapters by such soldier-students. Virginia Omicron, was revived by Atkinson, of William and Mary; Bagby, of Nashville, and Wynn, of Georgia Military Institute; Cumberland by her own members; Mississippi by Manlove, of Nashville; and Georgia by Goetchius, McCleskey and Spencer, all of the Georgia Military Institute. There were then five active chapters in the fra-

ternity in 1866, for a time not knowing of the existence of one another. The Georgia chapter had called itself Alpha, but, hearing of the revival of Omicron, of Virginia, it corresponded with the chapter there and changed its name to Beta, neither chapter being aware that Rho, of Columbian had continued active. The Georgia Military men; scattered through the various chapters, are supposed to have been the means by which the various chapters became acquainted with one another's existence.

The parent chapter at Alabama, which suspended 1858, was not reorganized until 1886; it suspended again in 1890 and was revived in 1891. The founders of Σ A E preferred that the fraternity should be confined to the south. The manual says:

When, in 1856, Σ A E was brought into being at the University of Alabama, the founders, who were all born in the south, intended to limit the workings of the fraternity to the southern states, as is evidenced by the minutes of the last ante-bellum meeting of the mother chapter, held on January 9, 1858.

The minutes referred to, dated January 9, 1858, say:

The corresponding secretary was instructed to write to the Nashville chapter, giving them our reasons for retaining our society in the southern states, and informing them that a convention will be held next summer, and if at that convention, the majority of the delegates shall determine to extend the society to the northern states, we will abide by that decision.

For sixteen years after the war closed Σ A E remained committed against northern extension; for eighteen years it did not establish a chapter in the north. The convention of 1870 resolved: "No chapter shall be established north of Mason and Dixon's line, or north of California or Kansas." Owing to a number of offers for amalgamation received from various fraternities, the convention of 1879

*Resolved*, That it is contrary to the sense of this convention, and to the spirit of our fraternity, to absorb or in any manner unite with any other college fraternity, north or south.

By 1881 the sentiment against northern extension had weakened, and the convention in that year—

*Resolved* That all chapters in this fraternity be urgently requested to abolish the old custom of confining this fraternity exclusively to the southern states, and that they be urged to press on the work, knowing no south, no north, no east, no west.

The first northern chapter of Σ A E was organized at Pennsylvania College, in 1883, but it became inactive in 1885, being revived in 1893. The northern extension of the fraternity really began with the establishment of the Ohio Sigma chapter at Mount Union College, Alliance, Ohio, in 1885.

\* A T Ω was already established there. The manual says:

\* Δ T Δ, in 1884, withdrew the charters of its chapters at Mount Union College and Adrian, (Mich.) College, and members of these chapters subsequently became chapters of

This institution brought into  $\Sigma$  A E's fold a number of enthusiasts, who, in a few years, gave the fraternity strong chapters in Pennsylvania, Michigan and Ohio; these new chapters in time aiding in the work of planting  $\Sigma$  A E firmly and permanently on northern soil. The Ohio Sigma chapter may be said to be responsible, directly or indirectly, for all extension north of Mason and Dixon's line and east of the Mississippi river, a record of twenty-five chapters, with the single exception, perhaps, of the Northwestern University chapter.

In the history of  $\Sigma$  A E, 1885 is notable, not only for the real beginning of northern extension but for the fact that in that year the grand chapter form of government was abolished and in its stead the supreme council was inaugurated. The manual says that the fraternity, after ten years of northern extension, and possessing—

An excellent system of government, journals, and a strong *esprit de corps*,  $\Sigma$  A E felt that it had just as good a right to the claim of being a national college fraternity as any similar organization aspiring to the same distinction.

During the decade from 1885 to 1894 inclusive thirty-six new chapters were established and twelve new states entered by  $\Sigma$  A E. Only one chapter, of the twenty-nine established north of Mason and Dixon's line and east of the Mississippi river since 1883, has become inactive. The remaining twenty-eight are firmly entrenched in their respective homes; and  $\Sigma$  A E, founded in a southern state by southern men before the war, is as firmly planted in the north as in the southland.

Today the fraternity possesses sixty-three active chapters, located in twenty-six different states, with an average undergraduate membership ranging from 1,200 to 1,500, and a living alumni membership of more than 8,000.

The manual says: " $\Sigma$  A E has granted 92 charters to petitioners, and of these charters 63 are in possession of active chapters."\* The book is accompanied with an outline map of the United States, showing the locations of active and inactive chapters, and also with another sheet, too large to be bound with the book, giving statistics regarding 231 colleges and universities, and showing the years when each of the 27 general fraternities for men was established at the various institutions. The manual says:

The large supplement table to the manual gives detailed information concerning not only the ninety-two chapters on the roll of  $\Sigma$  A E, but of the entire two hundred and thirty or more institutions which have at different periods sheltered one or more of the general men's fraternities. A study of

$\Sigma$  A E—Mount Union in 1885, Adrian in 1887. Regarding the Mount Union chapter, Mr. H. T. Bruck, secretary of  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$ , said in the  $\Delta$  T  $\Delta$  *Rainbow* for January, 1905:

"The fact is that a few members of the Sigma chapter smarting under a sense of defeat by reason of the failure of the 1884 convention to reverse the action of the council and chapters in withdrawing the charter of the Mount Union chapter, deliberately violated their obligation to the fraternity, without making any attempt to obtain a release, for they knew well no such release was possible. A few alumni followed them in their treachery, but the number has been greatly exaggerated."

\*Since the manual went to press  $\Sigma$  A E has entered Case School of Applied Science and the University of Iowa, and has revived its chapter at George Washington University, so that now it has 65 chapters.

that list will reveal that virtually all fraternities committed, at some occasion or other according to the time and environment, what would, in the light of the present day, be considered errors of judgment in the granting of chapters.

It must be remembered, however, in judging, that the tendency of the time at which the extension was made must always be considered. Hind-sight is always better than fore-sight, and it is questionable whether those who in this latter day would sit in judgment could have done better than those in whose hands the guidance of the order had been placed in days when there was an environment characterized by faculties opposed to fraternities, by colleges today in the hey-day of prosperity and tomorrow in the slough of despond, and by systems of government not as well adapted to the needs of fraternities as those which time and experience have gradually developed. Σ A E need make no apologies for its chapter roll. In the light of its surroundings at each period of its development, it is easily understood.

An important principle and truth are enunciated in the two following paragraphs:

The fraternity makes no distinction between the large and small colleges. Both classes of institutions contain as students young Americans. Σ A E desires to know that the curriculum of the institution is of full collegiate grade, that the endowment is sufficient to insure permanency to the institution, that the student body is large enough to maintain a creditable chapter, and that the applicants for a charter are congenial men of good character, culture and ability.

Where the student in the large institution gains on the one hand, he loses in another. Undergraduate work, after all, comes back to the individual; and given a student, who is willing to work, and a teaching staff able and willing to instruct, the degree of knowledge and culture to be acquired by a student will depend largely upon himself. If there be but one classical course in the small college, and thirty modifications of that course in the larger university, the student at the latter institution can take only one of these thirty. And, granted that two students, of like ability and temperament, start one at the small and one at the large institution, when the day of graduation comes around, both will have gotten much the same amount of profit from their studies. This thought is sometimes a difficult one for undergraduates to assimilate, but a few years' experience with alumni of all classes of institutions in the larger world, soon brings about a recognition of its truth.

Six editions of the catalogue of Σ A E have been published—in 1859, 1870, 1877, 1887, 1892 and 1904. The fraternity magazine, the *Record*, first appeared in 1880; the private journal, the *Hustler*, in 1892, the name of the latter being changed to the *Phi Alpha* in 1895. Only pamphlet editions of Σ A E songs have been printed, but a song book is said to be now in press.

The manual says that "a badge, numbered and recorded, is presented to every member at the time of his initiation, and is obtainable only from the eminent supreme treasurer of the fraternity." The fraternity color was royal purple until 1883, when the convention added old gold. The convention of 1891 adopted the violet as the flower of the fraternity;

the convention of 1892 adopted a fraternity flag; the convention of 1896 adopted a coat-of-arms.

The manual of  $\Sigma \Lambda \text{E}$  impresses the reviewer as a very thorough-going piece of work. It is well written, and gives in concise form a great deal of information of much value to members of  $\Sigma \Lambda \text{E}$  and much interest to members of other fraternities. Undoubtedly great time and labor were expended in collecting material for the handbook, and  $\Sigma \Lambda \text{E}$  is to be congratulated upon having a historian so faithful and conscientious, one who is both capable and willing to produce a work of such importance to the fraternity.

The only criticism which the reviewer has to offer regarding the manual is as to the inclusion of honorary members in the list of prominent alumni—such men as William McKinley, John G. Carlisle, L. Q. C. Lamar, Gen. Kirby Smith and many college presidents, as Lipscomb and Mell of Georgia, Brown of Alabama Polytechnic, etc. This list of prominent alumni was not compiled by the author of the manual but was done by another member. The manual says:

Honorary members were allowed until the year 1891, at which time the Atlanta convention abolished the practice. Most all fraternities, at one time or another allowed the initiation of a certain number of honorary members, but as time wore on, they one by one have abolished the practice.  $\Sigma \Lambda \text{E}$  with 64 chapters, had initiated a total of 64 honorary members, or one to a chapter. Many of these members were initiated in the days when anti-fraternity feeling ran high in the southern colleges, to demonstrate to members of the faculty the untruth of the assertions made against Greek-letter organizations. The last person to be made an honorary member was a trustee of Mount Union College, Ohio, Governor William McKinley, of Ohio, who was initiated by Ohio Sigma chapter. It may be said of him, as of others initiated under like circumstances, that he was a faithful and loyal member of the fraternity.

Certainly  $\Sigma \Lambda \text{E}$  has enough distinguished members to be satisfied without dragging in men who were elected to membership long after they had left college and after they had attained distinction. Among the names of Tennesseans, we note that J. M. Dickinson is mentioned as a chief justice of Tennessee, and W. H. Washington as an attorney general of Tennessee. Mr. Dickinson has never been chief justice, nor even a member of the supreme court, except perhaps as a special judge on some occasion. Mr. Washington, instead of being attorney general of the state, was for several years attorney general (prosecuting attorney) of only two counties.

Of the 195 pages in the manual, 26 are devoted to the various Greek-letter orders. A paragraph is given about each fraternity, two lines about each sorority. Illustrations

of the badges of the fraternities and sororities are reproduced from "American College Fraternities," whose author, Mr. Wm. R. Baird, loaned the cuts. These cuts, a cut of the coat-of-arms on the title page, and a portrait of Noble Leslie DeVotie, which serves as a frontispiece, are the only illustrations in the book. The following is quoted from the paragraphs introductory to the remarks about the Greek-letter societies:

Up to a very recent date it was quite the custom to classify a college fraternity as belonging to an eastern, western or southern group, but today such a classification holds only if we refer thereby to the place of birth of the organization. The last two decades have seen such vigorous external development by so many fraternities that the one time classification is no longer applicable.

Discussing the relative advantages of the national fraternities and the minor societies, the author offers the following discriminating and sensible comments:

It would seem that the national organizations possess all the advantages that societies limited to a small tier of states can call their own, plus many in addition. The small organization corresponds virtually to a district or province of one of the national organizations. Because the environment is the same for all chapters in a province or a localized organization, the members of these chapters are apt to be of much the same type. This is desirable and is conducive to province spirit and pride. A localized group of chapters would lose much, however, by not coming into contact with similar groups of chapters, representing other sections of the country. In the national organization this is accomplished by publications, which the smaller organizations are unable to sustain, by the national conventions, by chapter correspondence, and by initiates of one chapter affiliating with other chapters. The province conventions correspond to the general conventions of a localized organization, and the lack of publications in these smaller societies means to a certain extent lack of intercourse between them, and consequently, a lesser degree of sympathy and harmony.

The individual chapters of the smaller organizations live too much unto themselves, and the members lose the broadening influence of contact and sympathy with students from other sections of the country. When men in New England colleges, for instance, attempt to snub the work and students of the colleges of the middle or extreme west or south, their action only emphasizes the charge of a narrow collegiate and fraternity life. Young Americans who cannot meet other young Americans pursuing similar courses of study in institutions of collegiate rank, from other sections of the country than their own, without assuming ridiculous pretensions of superiority, can hardly be said to be the best type of the American college students. Just as in our national life, there is no north, no south, no east, no west, just so, in our educational life there is no necessity for distinctions other than those which are founded on real merit and culture.

The manual bears the imprint of the Baumgardt Publishing Company, Los Angeles, Cal. The price of the book, bound in cloth, is \$1; in leather, \$1.50. Orders may be sent to the author, Dr. G. H. Kress, 602 Johnson Building, Los Angeles.

The first fraternity of southern origin to establish a chapter in the north was A T  $\Omega$  in 1881. It was followed by  $\Sigma$  A E in 1883,  $\Sigma$  N in 1884 and K  $\Sigma$  in 1885. The other two southern fraternities, K A and  $\Pi$  K A, have not yet entered the north, except that K A is established in Delaware and in California. The recent growth of the six southern fraternities is marvelous—perhaps the most wonderful thing in the annals of Greek-letter fraternities. This development may be graphically shown by means of the following tables, the figures in which are taken from the last four editions of "Baird's Manual of American College Fraternities," by Wm. Raimond Baird:

NUMBER OF ACTIVE CHAPTERS AND TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF FRATERNITIES OF SOUTHERN ORIGIN IN THE YEARS 1883, 1890, 1898 AND 1905.

FRATERNITIES	$\Sigma$ A E		A T $\Omega$		K A		$\Pi$ K A		$\Sigma$ N		K $\Sigma$	
	FOUNDED		1886	1885	1865	1869	1868	1869				
STATISTICS FROM BAIRD'S MANUAL	Chapters	Mem- ber- ship	Chapters	Mem- ber- ship	Chapters	Mem- ber- ship	Chapters	Mem- ber- ship	Chapters	Mem- ber- ship	Chapters	Mem- ber- ship
	1883.....	16	1,218	26	1,060	18	1,087	2	307	6	238	14
1890.....	31	2,342	35	2,061	26	2,057	4	310	20	971	22	2,048
1898.....	54	5,668	42	4,261	37	3,855	13	1,061	39	2,864	47	3,466
1905.....	65	9,383	51	6,486	48	6,146	29	2,427	52	5,357	72	6,357

SOUTHERN, NORTHERN AND TOTAL CHAPTERS OF FRATERNITIES OF SOUTHERN ORIGIN IN THE YEAR 1905.

$\Sigma$ A E			A T $\Omega$			K A			$\Pi$ K A			$\Sigma$ N			K $\Sigma$		
Chapters,			Chapters,			Chapters,			Chapters,			Chapters,			Chapters,		
S	N	T	S	N	T	S	N	T	S	N	T	S	N	T	S	N	T
29	36	65	19	32	51	45	3	48	29	0	29	22	28	52	36	36	72

In the last table chapters north of Mason and Dixon's line, north of the Ohio river and north and west of Missouri are considered in the north. It appears that these six fraternities of southern origin have a total of 180 southern chapters and 135 northern chapters. Omitting K A and  $\Pi$  K A, we find that the other four fraternities have more northern chapters than southern chapters—132 in the north and 107 in the south.

Before the civil war  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $\Theta \Delta X$ ,  $\Sigma \Phi$ ,  $\Psi Y$ ,  $Z \Psi$ ,  $\Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Delta \Psi$  and  $\Delta Y$  established chapters in the west;  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $\Theta \Delta X$ ,  $\Phi K \Sigma$ ,  $Z \Psi$ ,  $\Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Delta \Psi$ ,  $X \Psi$  and northern  $K \Lambda$  established chapters in the south. Collectively, they established 15 chapters in the west and 38 in the south before the war began. After the war the eastern fraternities, becoming very conservative, were slow to grant charters for chapters elsewhere than the east. Then the fraternities of western origin,  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Sigma X$ ,  $\Phi K \Psi$  and  $\Delta T \Delta$  (the two latter classed as western fraternities, though not of western origin), established chapters throughout the west and south, and finally went east, placed chapters in the leading institutions there, and became national fraternities. Their period of rapid development was in the '70's and '80's. In those decades they laid the foundations of their present strength.

But in the last fifteen years all extension records have been broken by the six southern fraternities, each of which, except  $\Sigma \Lambda E$ , was founded after the civil war.  $K \Lambda$  is very strong in the south, as everybody knows who is acquainted with fraternity conditions there; while  $\Pi K \Lambda$ , judging by its recent active extension, intends to occupy the south as thoroughly as  $K \Lambda$  now does.

Of the six fraternities of southern origin, four have entered the north, east and west, and firmly entrenched themselves in those sections.  $\Sigma \Lambda E$ ,  $\Lambda T \Omega$ ,  $K \Sigma$  and  $\Sigma N$  are now national fraternities, and each has reason to be proud of its record and its present standing. When these fraternities began to enter the north they were considered by other fraternities to have more temerity than discretion. They were regarded as insignificant organizations, and really they were comparatively insignificant at that time. They were so weak that but little attention was paid to them. The early failure of their northern chapters was freely predicted. Never for a moment did either the eastern or the western fraternities feel any apprehension that they would ever become their rivals. But the unexpected happened. The northern chapters of these southern fraternities grew and multiplied. These fraternities, like the western fraternities had done, became national; not only that, but they became at many northern institutions worthy competitors of long established orders. And some of the older chapters, dozing in fancied security, have awakened to the fact that they must divide honors with these new-comers.

The southern fraternities that have planted themselves on northern soil are there to stay; they are no longer insignificant but powerful organizations; they are strong—not strong everywhere, but strong in many places—and they are yearly growing stronger. They occupy chapter houses, and are rapidly acquiring homes of their own. Because they are national organizations, many college students prefer to join them, instead of the small, sectional fraternities. More and more are college men learning to appreciate the advantages of belonging to a large, influential and strongly organized national fraternity. These advantages are felt in college but more especially in after life.

Each of the southern fraternities now has thousands of alumni and most of these alumni are still young, loyal and eager to promote their fraternity's interest. The southern fraternities have not yet lost their virility. In the last decade and a half they have made more advancement than any other fraternities. They have made mistakes too, but mistakes of small consequence compared with their splendid progress. In some respects they are today exhibiting more enterprise than any other fraternities. Hereafter the southern fraternities must be reckoned with. Their rank among fraternities in general is far higher than it was twenty years ago. Who can doubt that it will be higher yet twenty years hence, unless meanwhile they become palsied by conservatism?

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## COLLEGIATE.

Tufts College celebrates its fiftieth anniversary this month.

Northwestern has been given an athletic field of 35 acres, the largest in the west.

The California legislature has appropriated \$25,000 for the establishment of a school of forestry at the state university.

John D. Archbald, president of the board of trustees of Syracuse, has given money to provide the university with a stadium and a new athletic field.

The University of Virginia has a Y. M. C. A. building, Madison Hall, recently completed at a cost of \$60,000, given by Mrs. Wm. E. Dodge, of New York, and considered the best equipped building of its kind at any American institution.



VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY AFTER THE FIRE.

*Courtesy of Collier's Weekly.*

On the morning of April 20 the main building of Vanderbilt University was destroyed by fire. This splendid edifice contained the chapel, library, chemical and physical laboratories and many lecture halls. It was erected in 1874 with a part of the munificence of Cornelius Vanderbilt. It cost \$136,000 and was insured for \$75,000. Only about one-third of the library was saved. The disaster has aroused the alumni and friends of the university into a movement to replace the main building with several handsome structures. The alumni and other citizens in Nashville have already subscribed \$78,000 toward the erection of one building. It is thought that out of the misfortune will grow a greater Vanderbilt.

Cornell's co-operative store, which started with a capital of only \$800, is now worth \$1,400, after paying back to its members their \$2 membership fee and a dividend besides.

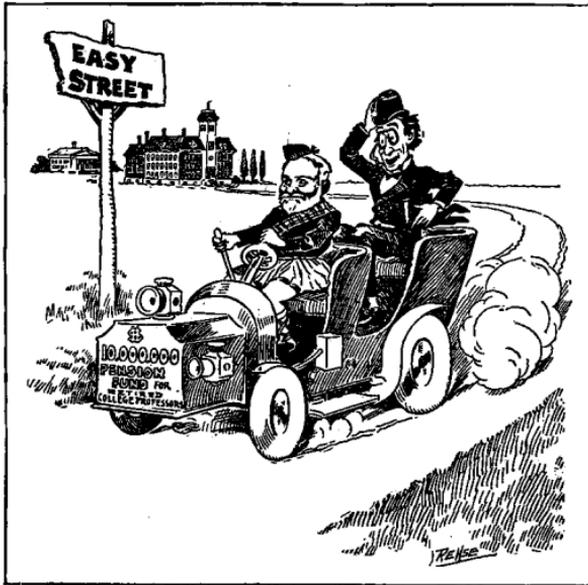
Sir William McDonald has made a final gift of \$50,000 towards the building and equipping of the McGill students union. This brings the amount of his donation to the union up to a total of \$185,000, not including his grant of a free site, which would make the total about \$230,000.

Harvard has invited Prof. Wilhelm Ostwald of the University of Leipzig to serve as lecturer in the first half of the coming academic year, under the arrangement for an exchange of professors, which has recently been agreed upon by Harvard and the German government. Professor Ostwald is regarded as one of the founders of the modern science of physical chemistry.

The trustees of Williams College have decided to build a new dormitory, to cost about \$150,000. This is made possible, in a large measure, by gifts of Berkshire county men, and hence it will be called Berkshire Hall. Much of the money has been pledged, and assurances have been received that the remainder will be subscribed. The building will accommodate about eighty men, and be occupied by scholarship students.

In tabulating the enrollment of the 4,136 students at the University of Michigan it is found that every state and territory of the United States, with the single exception of Delaware, is represented there. Porto Rico, the Philippine Islands and Hawaii have students there, and almost all the countries of the world are in the list. Michigan leads, with 2,414, and then follow Ohio and Illinois.

Since the gifts to colleges announced in the April SCROLL were made by Andrew Carnegie the following have been made by him: To Tufts College (Mass.), \$100,000 for a library building; Lebanon Valley College (Pa.), \$50,000 for a main building; Guilford College (N. C.), \$45,000; Alabama Polytechnic Institute, \$30,000 for a library building. Dr. D. K. Pearsons, of Chicago, who has given over \$2,500,000 to small colleges, has recently given \$135,000 to five small southern colleges: To Morgantown Seminary (W. Va.), \$10,000; Guilford College (N. C.), \$25,000; U. S. Grant University (Tenn.), \$50,000; Washington College (Tenn.), \$25,000; Piedmont College (Ga.), \$25,000.



ANDY CARNEGIE MAKING HARD ROADS EASY FOR COLLEGE PROFESSORS. Rehe in the St. Paul Pioneer Press. This reduced facsimile appeared in the Literary Digest, the editor of which kindly loaned the plate to THE SCROLL.

In *Harper's Weekly* President Charles F. Thwing, of Western Reserve University, presents the following table, showing the pay which college professors receive in some of our leading universities:

	Full professor	Associate professor	Assistant professor	Instructor
Brown University .....	\$3,000-3,150	\$1,500	\$1,000-1,200	.....
University of Chicago .....	3,000-7,000	2,500	2,000	\$1,000-1,500
Cornell University .....	3,000-4,000	1,500-2,000	1,000	750
Dartmouth College .....	2,500	1,500-1,700	1,200-1,400	.....
Hamilton College .....	1,800-2,000	1,500	800-900	.....
Harvard University .....	2,000-6,500	.....	2,000-3,000	500-2,000
University of Illinois .....	2,000-3,250	1,600-1,800	1,200-1,500	700-1,000
University of Minnesota .....	2,250-2,400	2,000-2,200	1,500	700-1,200
Indiana University .....	2,000-2,500	1,500-1,600	1,000-1,500	600-1,200
University of Pennsylvania .....	1,800-3,000	1,000-1,500	.....	.....
Williams College .....	2,500	2,000	1,000-1,500	.....
Western Reserve University .....	2,000-3,000	1,800	1,500-2,000	750-1,200

These figures, as the New York *World* points out, amply sustain the contention that college professors are poorly paid. Their incomes are "very small," when compared with those of successful lawyers and doctors, and "there is little opportunity for saving against old age and cessation of salary."

The trustees of Dartmouth College have voted to build the new Dartmouth Hall of red brick, instead of using white enameled brick as originally intended. The white brick has never been submitted to a New England climatic test, and the trustees did not care to undertake the experiment. The trustees also voted that the maximum number of students allowed to room in any single building outside of college jurisdiction shall be ten.

It is announced that the philosophical faculty of the University of Berlin has decided that candidates for a doctor's degree at that institution may do two thirds of the necessary work at any of the fifteen institutions included in the Association of American Universities—Columbia, California, Chicago, Clark, Cornell, Harvard, Johns Hopkins, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Princeton, Leland Stanford, Virginia, Wisconsin, Yale and the Catholic University of America.

Columbia has dormitories at last. Two such buildings, Hartley and Livingston halls will be ready for occupancy by September. The rent will average \$3.29 per week or \$129 per year for each furnished room. From some anonymous donor the university has received \$500,000 for erecting and equipping another dormitory to be called Hamilton Hall, in honor of Alexander Hamilton, of the class of 1777. The trustees have announced their intention to make the eastern part of South Field a resident college quadrangle, of which Hamilton Hall will be the central building, flanked by Hartley and Livingston halls on the one hand, and by other buildings to be erected as occasion may require on the other.

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#### GOVERNMENT EDUCATIONAL REPORT.

The annual report of the United States commissioner of education for the year 1903 was issued in April, 1905—rather early for a government report. It includes an article of twenty-five pages on "American Universities," by Charles F. Thwing, LL. D., president of Western Reserve University. This article contains the following mention of college fraternities, probably the first mention of such organizations ever made in an official report issued by the United States government:

In American colleges and universities of conspicuous power and place are some thirty different fraternities. They enroll among their graduates and undergraduates more than 100,000 members. The largest of them has a



LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.  
Apse of the Memorial Church.

From the *Crescent* of I'  $\Phi$  B, by courtesy of the Editor.

*The Scroll* for October, 1903, contains a description of the church, with a picture of the exterior, showing the picture of the ascension of Christ executed in mosaic in the facade.

membership of 15,000. Each society represents a common fellowship in each college. Each society of its name in one college represents co-operation with other branches of the same name in other colleges. The fraternity system is a vital and lasting force in academic life and personal character. Through the fraternity the graduate members keep in touch with the undergraduates and with the university. The fraternity represents a mighty force in college order and organization.

Dr. Thwing observes that: "There are at least three kinds of work which the state university is specially fitted to do: (1) Technical, (2) advanced scientific or graduate, (3) professional, excluding the training of clergymen, and including the training of teachers." The commissioner of education, William T. Harris, Ph. D., LL. D., in the introduction to his report reviews Dr. Thwing's article, and, in regard to colleges founded in America before the revolution says:

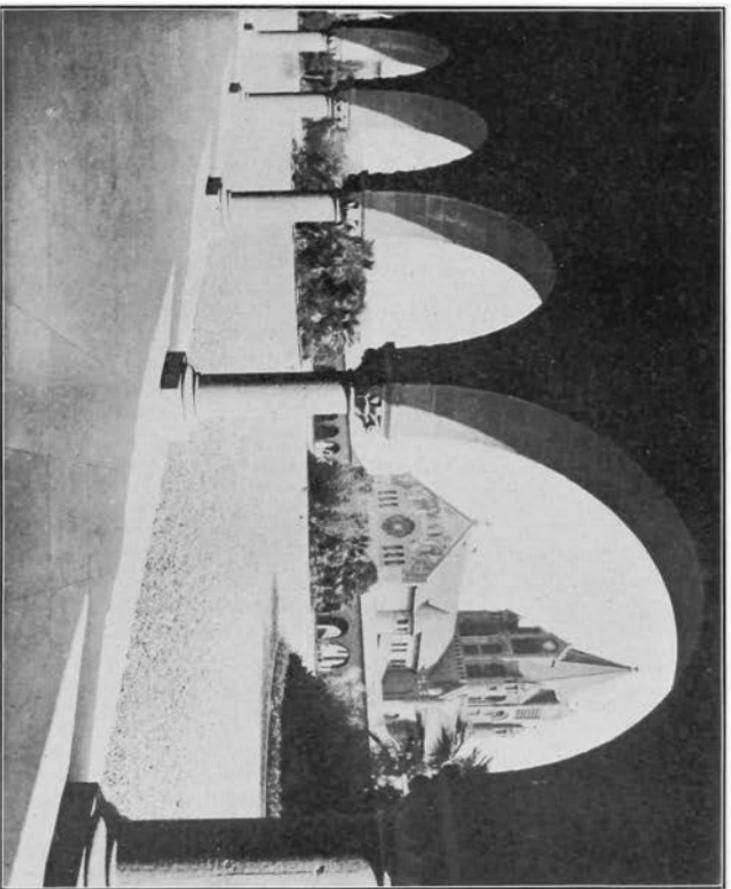
In the nine colleges planted during the colonial period English conditions prevailed. The motives for founding them, as in the case of the English universities, were largely ecclesiastical, the principal one in the colonies being to graduate young men for the ministry. Of the 76 graduates of Harvard between 1642 and 1656, at least 59 became ministers. The course of study also followed the English precedent. Besides the Bible and the three ancient languages (Latin, Greek and Hebrew), philosophical and rhetorical studies were chiefly pursued, with very little variation. Indeed, there was probably less change in the curriculum of the colonial colleges from their first establishment down to the close of the revolution than there is now made in the same colleges in a single decade. The first classes of Harvard were admitted without a knowledge of mathematics, and the subject was not taken up until the senior year.

Regarding the development of the higher institutions of learning during recent years, Dr. Harris says:

The changes in the character of the governing boards, the enrichment of the curriculum, the introduction of graduate courses, the addition of or affiliation with professional and technical schools, and changes in the methods of instruction, have marked the period of transition from the college to the university type in a great number of instances. The course of study has been broadened so as to include the physical and sociological sciences, modern languages—all branches of learning, in fact, whether pursued for the acquisition of knowledge alone, for their disciplinary effect, or as a professional preparation. The elective system of study has steadily won its way, often in the face of strong opposition; indeed, it may now be seen that this system was the inevitable result of the expansion of the curriculum to correspond with the enlarged bounds of the field of knowledge and the necessity of training students for a multiplicity of diverse ends.

The report also contains an article, by Anna Tolman Smith, on coeducation in the schools and colleges of the United States. Reviewing this article, Dr. Harris says:

The west early assimilated the ideals of liberal education which dominated the east; in like manner the west has imparted to the east liberalizing influences that have modified traditional practices. This is particularly noticeable in respect to the higher education of women. To the demand



STANFORD UNIVERSITY—Memorial Church, from the Arcade. Courtesy of *T. Φ. B. Oregon*.

that women should have full provision for intellectual culture and discipline, the west responded by opening to them the colleges and universities previously limited to men; the east, by the endowment of special colleges for women. Up to 1870 the indications were that co-education would be the policy of the west and separate education that of the east. The opening of Boston University in 1869 with coeducation as a distinctive feature, and the admission of women to Cornell in 1872, changed the outlook in the section east of the Alleghanias, and the progress of the policy since that date has been almost as marked in this division as in the west, where it was inaugurated.

The report contains figures and diagrams showing the number of college students, and what percentage of the total population was enrolled as college students each year from 1872 to 1903 inclusive. The figures are as follows:

COLLEGE STUDENTS AND THEIR PERCENTAGE OF THE POPULATION.

YEAR	COLLEGE STUDENTS	PER CENT	YEAR	COLLEGE STUDENTS	PER CENT
1872	22,392	0.059	1888-89	45,949	0.075
1873	30,900	.074	1889-90	54,920	.088
1874	32,175	.076	1890-91	59,699	.093
1875	32,540	.074	1891-92	66,146	.102
1876	32,107	.072	1892-93	71,611	.108
1877	32,728	.071	1893-94	77,487	.114
1878	37,442	.079	1894-95	81,952	.119
1879	38,227	.078	1895-96	86,864	.123
1880	39,048	.078	1896-97	87,113	.122
1881	39,155	.076	1897-98	91,390	.126
1882-83	39,769	.074	1898-99	93,303	.126
1883-84	41,464	.075	1899-1900	99,906	.132
1884-85	42,573	.076	1900-01	104,250	.135
1885-86	40,421	.070	1901-02	108,184	.138
1886-87	41,737	.071	1902-03	114,130	.123
1887-88	42,535	.071	.....	.....	....

#### CARNEGIE'S PENSION FOR PROFESSORS.

It was announced, April 27, that Andrew Carnegie had given \$10,000,000 of 5 per cent. first mortgage bonds of the U. S. Steel Corporation (the market value of which is \$11,500,000) to provide retiring pensions for the teachers of universities, colleges and technical schools in our country, Canada and Newfoundland; "but such as are under control of a sect or require trustees (or a majority thereof,) officers, faculty or students to belong to any specified sect, or which impose any theological test, are to be excluded." In the opinion of the *New York Times*, "Mr. Carnegie's latest discovery of an unoccupied field for his insatiable benevolence does equal credit to the ingenuity of his mind and the kind-

ness of his heart." The Philadelphia *Public Ledger* also praises Mr. Carnegie's "fine discrimination" in philanthropic work. "The new foundation," it says, "admirably supplements Mr. Carnegie's recently expressed intention to remember small, weak, and struggling colleges. He is evidently searching for objects of beneficence that have been forgotten hitherto in the distribution of great gifts." The Springfield *Republican* comments:

The profession of college teaching has undoubtedly declined somewhat in prestige in the past two decades. The ablest and most scholarly minds have found it less attractive than formerly, in its middle and lower levels at least; and lately the need of funds specially designed to provide larger salaries has been pressed upon the attention of college and university administrators. Mr. Carnegie might have met this need in the cases of a few institutions by special endowments, but even he could hardly have given enough money to all the institutions suffering from these adverse conditions to have raised the average level of salaries all around. He has chosen, therefore, to approach the problem at the other end. . . . In the past it has often happened that a professor has been retained in harness long after his usefulness had been seriously impaired, because to have retired him without a pension would have been equivalent to turning a penniless man adrift upon the world. The Carnegie fund of \$10,000,000 will provide for some 300 superannuated professors, and its aid in maintaining educational efficiency is, therefore, manifest at a glance.

#### HARVARD IN THE FORTIES.

Some years ago, says *The Saturday Evening Post*, the late Senator George F. Hoar wrote to President Charles F. Thwing, of Western Reserve University, regarding his life at Harvard. His class numbered 66, and among the members were Charles Eliot Norton, Francis J. Child, and George M. Lane, all of whom were for many years eminent teachers at Harvard. Senator Hoar said in his letter:

"I wasted very largely my four years at Harvard. The education there from 1842 to 1846 was far inferior to what can be obtained now in very humble institutions. But somehow the young men who were not good scholars and who were not industrious seemed to derive a great deal of advantage, both in the way of refinement and actual learning and moral and mental discipline, from their contact with the university.

The things which I think were of most benefit to me were the recitations to Doctor Walker in Ethics and Mental Philosophy. We studied Dugald Stewart and Jouffroy in Mr. Channing's translation and Cousin. The pupil was expected to master the argument in the textbook and recite it sufficiently at length to have required of him a clear statement of

the author's thoughts in his own language. That was an excellent discipline. I also found great advantage in reading the Georgias of Plato, to which I have been inclined to attribute whatever skill I had in cross-examining witnesses when I came to the bar. We had no instruction of any sort of value in elocution.

Professor Channing, who examined our themes and heard us recite in Whately's Rhetoric and in Bishop Lowth's Grammar, was of no service, except to a few of his pupils. His habit was to receive the pupil's theme, take it home with him, bring it back in a week, call the pupil to a seat by his table, and sneer at the performance in the presence of the class. The result was that unless the youth was especially self-confident and plucky it took all the starch out of him. I never sat down to write a theme without fancying that grinning and mocking countenance looking over my shoulder.

The fault of Harvard in those days was an over-fastidiousness and a use of ridicule and criticism instead of encouragement and sympathy. I am surprised in looking back upon those days that I and my classmates got off as well as we did.

#### FEWER STUDENTS ENTERING THE MINISTRY.

Following are extracts from an article by Dr. William R. Harper, president of the University of Chicago, published in *The World To-day*:

In thirty of the more prominent Protestant theological schools of the north there were enrolled in 1894, 2,522 students. In 1903-04 the same schools registered 2,133, a decrease of 389, or over fifteen per cent.

Of the nearly 2,100 men graduating in 1904 from Yale, Harvard, Columbia and Princeton, less than 30 stated that they were planning to enter the ministry. The eleven Baptist colleges north of the Ohio and east of the Mississippi graduated in 1904 only 28 men who intended to enter the ministry.

No one will question the general proposition that the number of students preparing for the ministry in the theological seminaries of the various denominations is decreasing; that, in fact, it has decreased very considerably within the last decade.

It must be confessed that the drift of college life is not one that encourages a young man to go forward with his plans for ministerial work even when he has reached a decision before

entering college. The average college life, like the average life of modern times, is too indifferent to religion and to religious influence. Even in colleges pronouncedly organized to train men for the ministry the curriculum studiously avoids those subjects which would keep alive in the heart of a young man the fire that has already been kindled there, and substitutes other subjects which inevitably draw him in a different direction. Too frequently no effort is made to cultivate in him the desire which has already had birth, and every college professor knows that a majority of those who enter college with the ministry in mind leave college to take up law or medicine or to enter business.

In former days the colleges were made up almost wholly of men who were preparing for the ministry, and the atmosphere of the college was one which strengthened with every year the desire already manifested. But in modern days it is quite the opposite, partly because the scientific spirit has come to prevail, partly because there is as yet no adequate presentation of the religious position from a modern point of view, partly because so large a proportion of those who enter the ministry do so without a college training, or, in fact, no adequate training. For, these and other reasons the college atmosphere is in some cases indifferent, in others even hostile to the development of the ministerial idea. It is evident that this is wrong. What shall be done to change the situation? Let college faculties address themselves to the discovery of the answer.

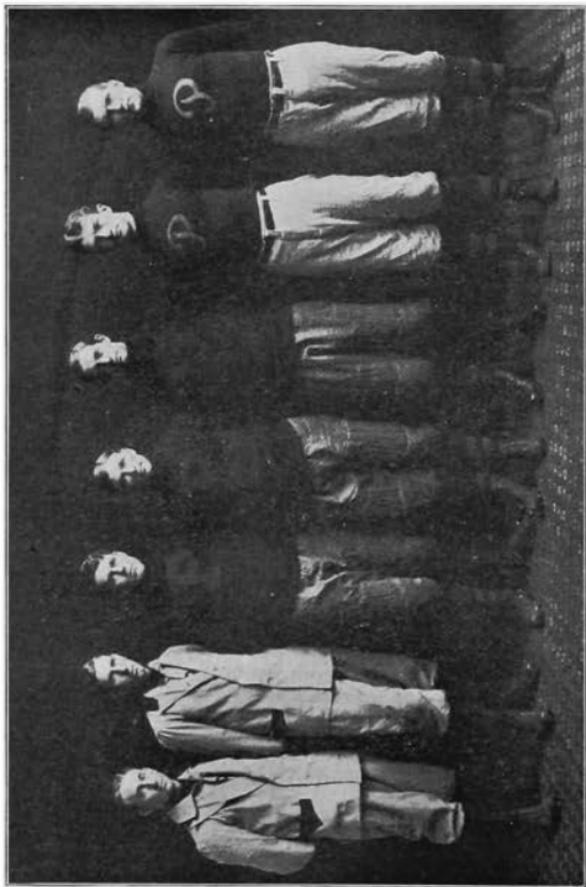
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## THE PYX.

Chapter reporters are urgently requested to send to the editor the names and addresses of the reporters for 1905-06; to send early in September the chapter letters for the October SCROLL; and to notify us of the number of copies of the October SCROLL that will be needed to supply all active members.

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A pleasant surprise has come in the invitations issued by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clayton Minter to attend the marriage of their daughter, Miss Annie Billingsly, to Mr. Charles Fackler Lamkin, on June 7, at their residence in Keytesville, Mo. On behalf of all Phis especially those who have known him at the last four conventions, the editors heartily congratulate Bro. Lamkin upon the happy event.



**INDIANA THETA'S HONOR MEN IN ATHLETICS.**  
All of them have won the university letter for their prowess.

Bro. R. Y. Stuart, *Dickinson*, '03, who is in attendance at the Yale forestry school, desires to obtain a list of all  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s in attendance at that university. Anyone knowing of Phis in attendance there should inform Bro. Stuart or Bro. J. F. Harris, care of Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, New Haven.

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The editors acknowledge receipt of an invitation from the Tulane chapter to attend the annual debate with the University of Texas and the annual play, "Les Vivacite's du Capitaine Tic," given by the *Cercle Francais de Tulane*; also of invitations to the commencement ball to be given on June 6 by Kentucky Alpha-Delta and the annual reception of Texas Gamma on May 31.

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Bro. Royall H. Switzler writes that at the St. Louis dinner on Alumni Day forty-four Phis were present instead of twenty-three; also that it was the largest and best dinner of Phis ever given in the good town of St. Louis.

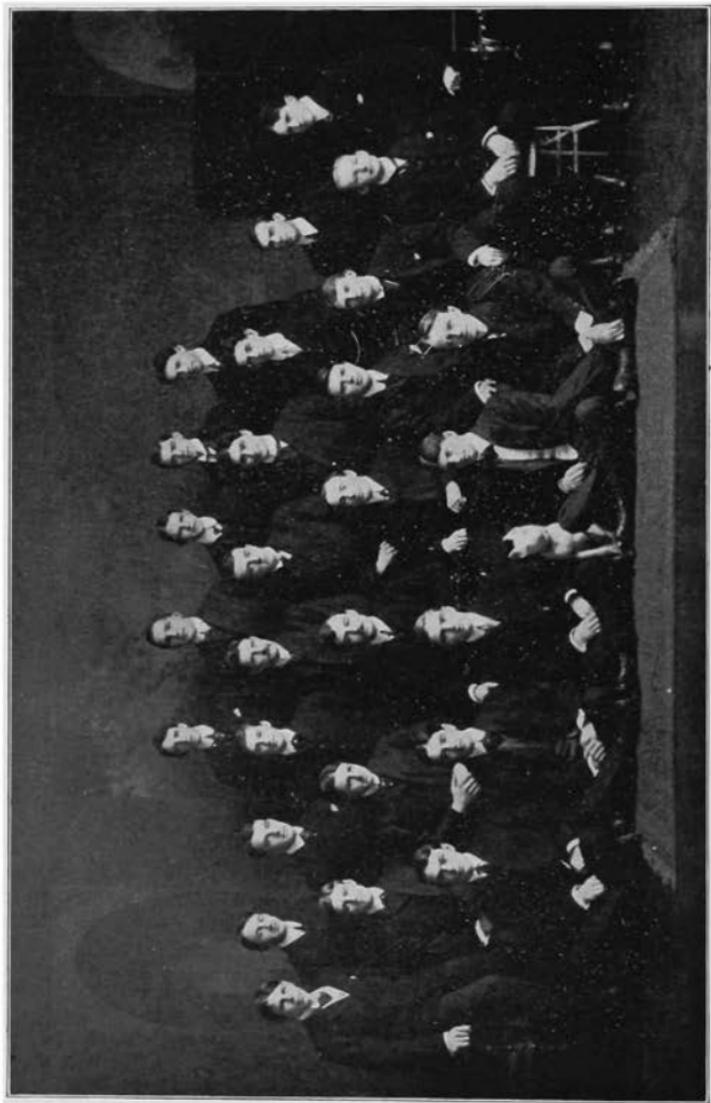
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Some time ago the editors appealed to the chapters to send to them previous numbers of THE SCROLL for the years 1903 and 1904 in order that bound volumes might be prepared and sent to all the chapters. The reponses to this appeal are yet too inadequate for the bound volumes to be prepared. If the chapters expect them they must co-operate by sending in all the back numbers that can be spared.

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On May 23 four members of the general council, Bros. Mitchell, Ballou, Ruick and DeWitt, spent a pleasant and busy day together at Indianapolis in discussing the affairs of the fraternity. The meeting was informal, and it is expected that the general council will hold an official meeting in the autumn.

Bros. Mitchell, Ballou and DeWitt visited the Franklin and Hanover chapters and spent an enjoyable hour with Bro. Hugh Th. Miller, Mrs. Miller and their beautiful little three months old daughter at their home in Columbus, Indiana. Mrs. Mitchell was also an appreciated member of the party. Bro. Mitchell then visited the chapters in Kentucky, North Carolina and Virginia.



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Three more Cecil Rhodes scholarships have been awarded to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ s as follows: Texas, Harry Peyton Steger, *Texas*, '01; Missouri, Samuel Ely Eliot, *Washington*, '05, Kentucky, William Henry Branham, *Kentucky State*, '01. Biographical sketches of these distinguished brothers will appear in the October SCROLL.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will next session number five of her sons as Rhodes scholars at Oxford.

Another noteworthy honor was recently won by Bro. John M. P. Thatcher, Kentucky Alpha-Delta in gaining first place in the Kentucky state oratorical contest.

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A  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , college graduate, twenty-seven years of age, conversant with French and possessing some knowledge of Spanish and electrical engineering, desires a situation in one of the western states or Mexico. Reference and further information will be furnished by writing to P. O. box 273, New Orleans, La.

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The following press dispatch, recently issued, indicates distress for New York Epsilon and its fine mascot, "Phi," who attended the Indianapolis convention:

Syracuse, N. Y., May 18.—Chancellor James R. Day of Syracuse University has ordered the fraternities to get rid of all bulldogs at their houses within twenty-four hours, and threatened to expel any student seen on the street with a bulldog. The killing of another canine by a bulldog was the cause of the order. The chancellor directed that the offending animals be killed. He declared that the bulldog was not typical of the ideals of students.

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Bro. William Steen, president of Theta province, has recovered from the injuries to his arm sustained while handling machinery about six months ago. He was compelled to spend a large part of that time in Touro Infirmary, New Orleans. Bro. Steen declares that the kind and brotherly treatment accorded him by the Phis of New Orleans proves plainly and conclusively what a grand organization is our beloved fraternity. He says that no one could have been more assiduously kind to him than these brothers, both of the active chapter and alumni. It is evident that there has been a substantial revival of fraternity spirit among all of them, for the chapter is active and prominent in the university, and the alumni club has held recently two very successful meetings.

## A HIGH ORATORICAL ACHIEVEMENT.



JOSEPH M. DEVERS,  
De Pauw, '05.

Bro. J. M. Devers, *De Pauw*, '05, has recently achieved a brilliant honor in winning first place in the western inter-state oratorical contest. It was a high honor to represent the state of Indiana in the contest, and the victory is as great an honor as can be won in oratory by any American college student. His subject, "The Solving Principle of Industry," was handled in a splendid and effective manner.

Bro. Devers was born at Yankton, S. D., in 1875, and after being reared on a farm and trained in rural schools, he entered DePauw University in 1901. He is an active and enthusiastic member of Indiana Zeta. He has won much honor and glory for his fraternity and university, and has distinguished himself as a man of high ideals and worthy purposes.

CHARLES W. JEWETT.

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