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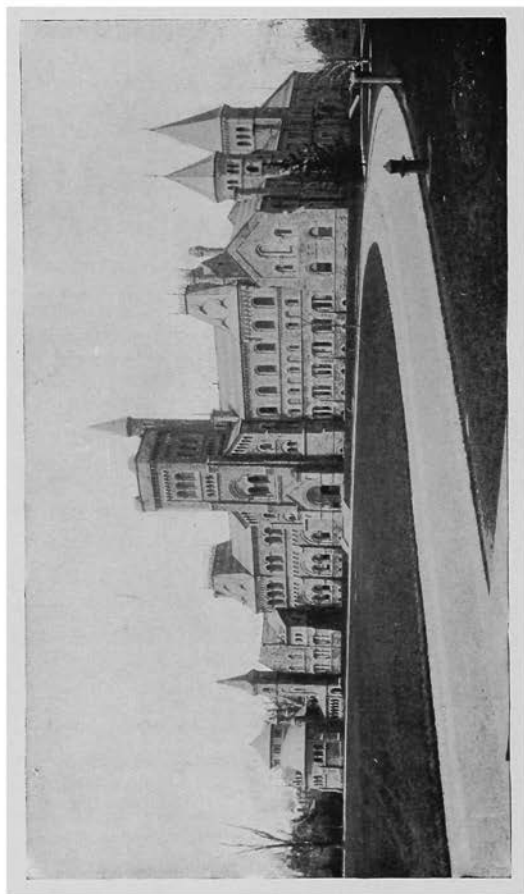
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## THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.

### HISTORICAL SKETCH.

To John Graves Simcoe, governor of Upper Canada from 1792 to 1796, must be ascribed the honor of first conceiving the idea of a provincial university. The province of Upper Canada, as Ontario was then called, was entirely without any higher educational facilities. Governor Simcoe repeatedly pressed upon the government of George III the advisability of making some provision to remedy this evil. As a result of his efforts a grant was made in 1798 for the support of a college with the functions of a university. The removal of Governor Simcoe left the matter in less energetic hands and things dragged on until in 1827 a royal charter was granted to a college under Anglican control with the name of King's College. It might be here stated that the founders had as the model for the new Canadian university the system of federated colleges in vogue in Oxford and Cambridge.

The bitter religious and political strife that convulsed the provinces and culminated in the rebellion of 1837 had a very important influence on the character of the university. In 1837 King's College was removed from Anglican control, and made non-sectarian. The name "University of Toronto" was given to it and in 1843 it was formally opened. Six years later the faculty of divinity was abolished.

The control of the university is vested in the Ontario government, and to an act passed by it in 1853 we find the origin of our present system. That act defined the relations which should exist between the university proper, and the Faculty of Arts, or University College, and made provisions for the admission of any other colleges which might desire to avail themselves of its terms. The wisdom of the act was recognized by all, and certain denominational theological schools, such as Knox and Wycliffe colleges, affiliated and were later raised to the status of affiliated colleges. A further act passed

in 1887 enabled existing denominational universities to secure affiliation. Of these Victoria representing the Methodist body affiliated soon after the passing of the act, and in 1904, after negotiations extending over two years, the University of Trinity College, representing the Church of England in Canada, in Ontario, also came in.

Under the provisions of an act in 1887, the faculty of medicine, which was abolished in 1853, was restored and remodelled, and medical students admitted to lectures in the faculty of arts. In October, 1903, Trinity Medical College amalgamated with the faculty of medicine of the University of Toronto, and its students were received into their respective years in that faculty. Owing to the affiliation of the Ontario College of Agriculture, the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario, the Toronto Conservatory of Music, the Ontario College of Pharmacy, and the Ontario School of Practical Science, curricula were prepared in these studies. Graduates are admitted to degrees in arts, law, medicine, agriculture, dentistry, pharmacy, music, applied science and certain degrees in engineering. More recently the university has granted the degrees of bachelor and doctor of pedagogy, and in certain arts courses that of doctor of philosophy.

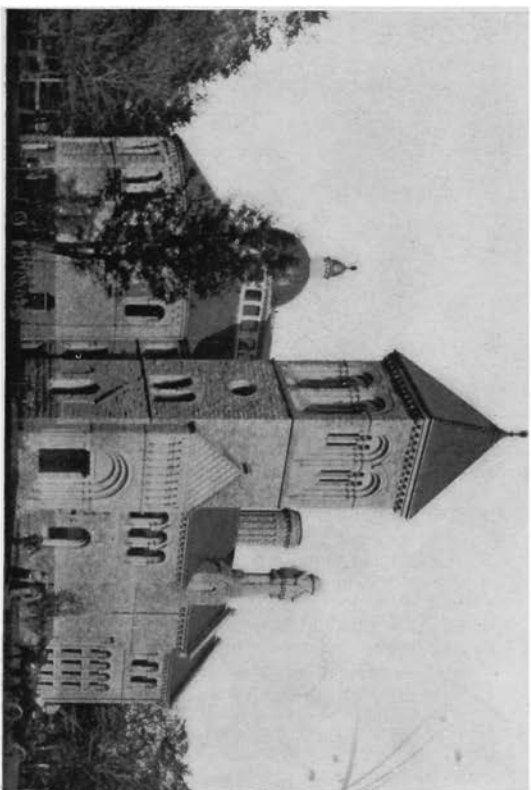
At the present time the university has three faculties of arts, and one each of medicine, applied science and engineering, and examines for degrees in law, dentistry, pharmacy, agriculture, music and pedagogy.

Under the provisions of an act passed in the spring of 1906 by the Ontario legislature, the government of the university is vested in a senate composed of members appointed by the government, the president and chancellor of the university, the heads of representatives from the different faculties and representatives from the graduate body. This senate has supreme control over university affairs, and over the acts of the different faculties in their respective spheres.

Complex as the system may seem at the first glance, in practice it has been found to be very successful, and it is hoped that under the provisions of the recent act, and with the generous aid of the government, much more may be done toward making our great university a success in every department.

#### THE PRESENT UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

The university buildings and grounds are situated in the heart of the residential district of Toronto, immediately adjoining Queen's Park and the provincial legislature buildings.



UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO—LIBRARY.

The grounds extend from College street to Bloor street, a distance of about three-quarters of a mile, with an average width of over three hundred yards. In addition to this much adjoining property has been leased for building purposes, and as many of the leases are expiring about this time, the senate has decided not to renew them, but to hold the land so that it may be immediately available for the erection of the new buildings which are needed.

The pride of the university is the main building, University College. Built of grey stone in the Norman-Romanesque style, it presents the most perfect example of that style of architecture to be found on the continent. The whole contour of the building is most graceful and presents a very deceptive appearance of its size. The triumph of the whole building is the main doorway, a most artistic piece of workmanship, and its beauties never fail to make one pause and admire.

The library, which contains over 100,000 volumes, is another architectural gem in much the same style as the main building.

The faculty of medicine occupies two buildings, the biological and new medical, both of which are very suitable. The latter, but recently erected, is designed on the unit classroom system.

The faculty of applied science also occupies two buildings, the old school of science and the new mineralogy buildings. Ample room is provided by these two for the pursuit of all the branches of study which are involved in that department.

The chemistry building was designed expressly for the convenience of students of that subject, and is eminently fitted for its purpose.

The new Convocation Hall was formally opened this spring, and fills a long-felt want among the student body, for some place in which to hold university functions.

A new physics building costing \$400,000 is now in the course of erection and is expected to be completed by the fall of 1907.

Wycliffe College is the only one of the affiliated colleges which is situated on the university grounds, the others being scattered around the city.

The gymnasium was erected by the student body, but owing to the increased interest taken in athletics is not found large enough, and plans are under consideration for the purchase of the old Toronto Athletic Club building, which im-



THE TORONTO CHAPTER HOUSE

mediately adjoins the grounds to give more accommodation for sports.

Ample room is provided on the campus and lawn for the practice of all games and there is also an athletic field, which contains the best running track in Canada for the purposes of matches.

A radical departure is about to be made either this year or next, which is of great interest to fraternities. Dormitories are going to be erected on the university property, to accommodate a large percentage of the students. Not since the '80's has there been a dormitory at Toronto, and the completion of the plan is awaited with much interest.

#### ZETA SIGMA NU

In the fall of 1902 the idea of starting a local society with an object of petitioning  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  for a charter was conceived by Bro. D. H. Philp. Closely associated with him was E. W. Oliver. By February, 1903, the society was well under way and an application was sent to the general council signed by D. H. Philp, E. W. Oliver, I. H. Nevitt, H. C. Parsons, H. P. Cooke, R. B. MacKinnon, R. L. Harrison, R. L. Clark and R. E. Hore. Conditions here were not deemed suitable for granting a charter and we proceeded to strengthen ourselves in every way possible.

In the fall of 1904 a second application was sent to the general convention at Indianapolis and while much encouragement was received the matter was left in the hands of Alpha province to decide.

The fall of 1905 saw Z  $\Sigma$  N in a good house which was furnished by the fraternity and stronger than ever. Good men were added until our representation from the freshmen class numbers seven. Representatives were sent to the Alpha province convention at Burlington, and the vote taken resulted in a unanimous endorsement of our application. The vote of the whole fraternity was also favorable and on May 28 Bros. Ballou, T. G. C., McCrillis, H. G. C., and Drummond, president of Alpha province, assisted by several Phis from McGill, and Bro. Watson from Vermont, installed Ontario Alpha. Fifteen men were initiated and fifteen more are to be initiated in the fall.

The new home of Ontario Alpha is at 143 Bloor street, West, and is in every way a suitable fraternity house. It is in close proximity to the college grounds and provides good accommodation for sixteen men, possibly eighteen.





ONTARIO ALPHA CHAPTER—UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.

The chapter will assemble in the fall, fifteen strong, exclusive of two pledges to Z Σ N, and everything points to a very successful season this coming year.

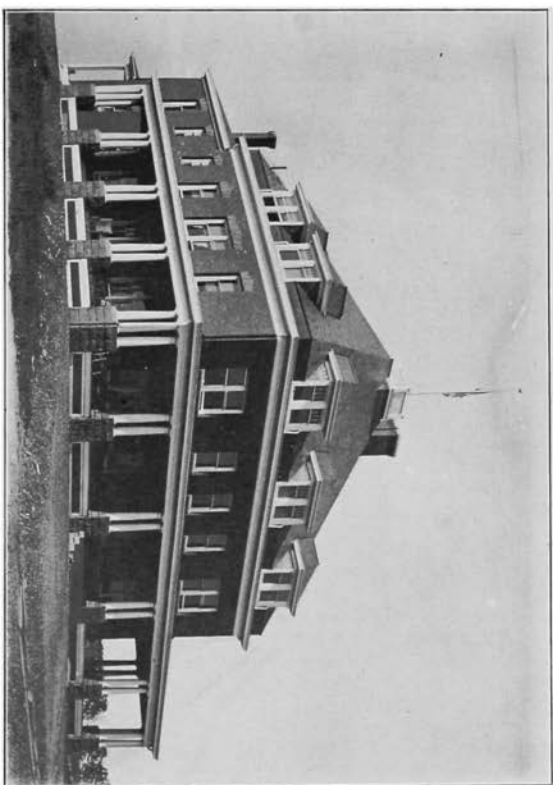
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#### PENNSYLVANIA THETA'S NEW HOME.

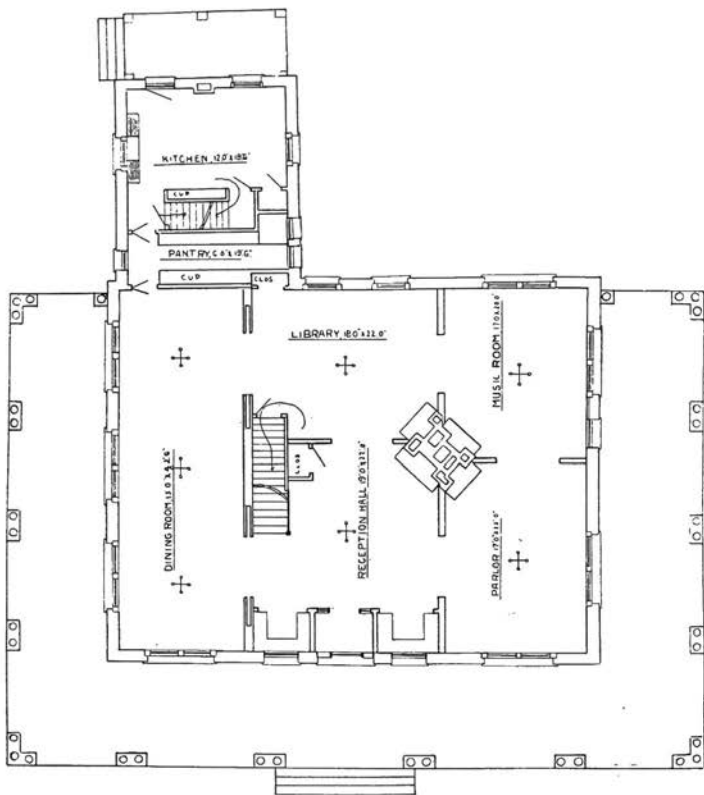
Pennsylvania Theta is lodged in her new chapter house. Since the time of its installation the chapter never grew weary or discouraged in its efforts to solve the chapter house problem. Like all successful undertakings our chapter house had its origin in a dream, and by steady and unrelenting effort the dream has been developed into a reality, for our chapter house has at last appeared in brick and mortar on one of the most desirable spots on the campus. Naturally some chapters may be curious to know how the problem was solved, considering that Pennsylvania Theta, with one exception, is the youngest chapter in the fraternity and has but a very small number of alumni. To satisfy such curiosity the chapter would say that its efforts have been no more assiduous, and that its plans for financing the scheme have been no more ingenious, than those of many other chapters; but that good fortune has been on its side. With all due respect and appreciation of the enthusiasm and interest of the members of Pennsylvania Theta, I wish to say that our success has been due, not so much to the efforts of the chapter as a whole, as to the loyal support of three enthusiastic Phis, viz.: Bro. C. T. Aikens, I. L. Foster and John Dallas. I have taken the liberty to mention these names, although I have consulted none of them, feeling that failure to do so would be mean ingratitude. We are greatly indebted to these brothers.

The house occupies a beautiful spot on the campus, on a street laid out by the college for the exclusive use of fraternities. The lot, 150x160 ft., has been leased from the college, the latter reserving the right to buy the house for two-thirds its value at any time the welfare of the college may require it. This, however, gives us no alarm, for the lot is situated on a portion of the campus which will never be needed for college buildings. Furthermore, should the chapter be unable, at some future time, to continue its responsibility, the college agrees to purchase the house for two-thirds its value within five years, and thereafter at a price to be determined by appraisers.

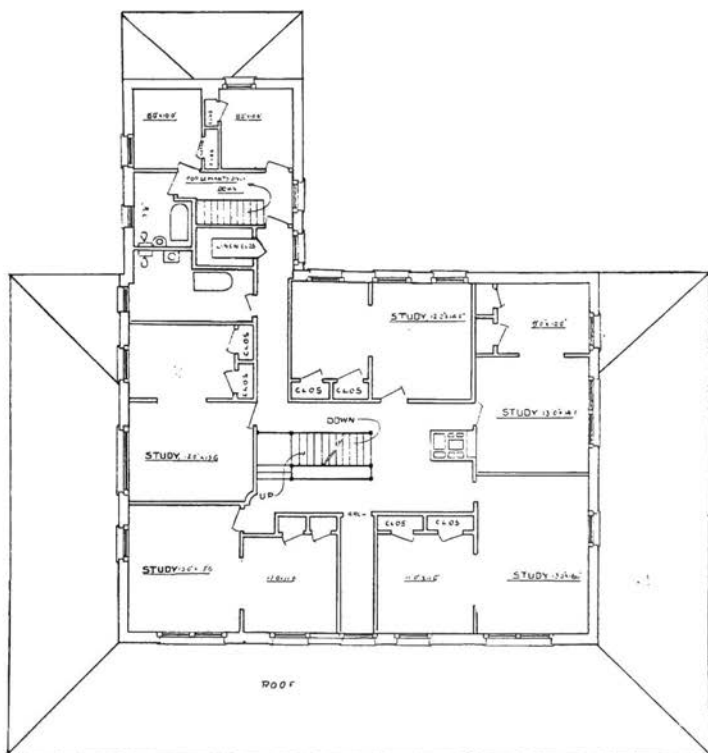
At present the house is completed and everything in readiness for its occupancy at the opening of college in September. The accompanying plates will show front elevation, and first



PENNSYLVANIA THETA'S NEW HOME.



PENNSYLVANIA THETA CHAPTER HOUSE—FIRST FLOOR PLAN.



PENNSYLVANIA THETA CHAPTER HOUSE—SECOND FLOOR PLAN.

and second floor plans. The second and third floor plans are practically the same and for that reason the latter have been omitted. The house is three stories high, built of red pressed brick with brown sandstone trimmings.

A veranda, 12 feet wide, supported by heavy brown sandstone piers, surrounds three sides of the house. The house has a frontage of 58 feet and depth of 45 feet, exclusive of veranda and servants' quarters. The latter are to be separate from the main portion of the house, as shown by floor plans. The house will be heated by steam and lighted by electricity. The first floor has been planned with a view to dancing, and made as open as possible. The second and third floor rooms are arranged in suites, ten suites in all, and will easily accommodate twenty men. Each floor has a bath room fitted with basins, tubs and closets of the best make and latest design. The cellar is taken up by a large chapter room, the heating plant and two storage rooms.

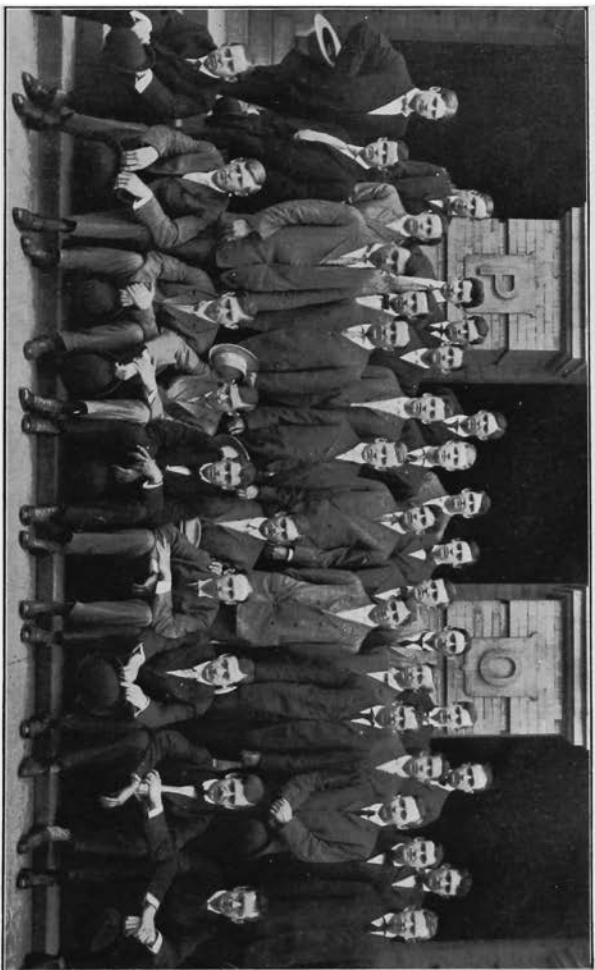
The house will cost about \$12,000 and, when completed, will compare favorably with any other fraternity house at this college. Admirably located, attractive, commodious, and home-like, Pennsylvania Theta's new home is one of which she may well be proud, and one to which her loyal sons may return in the future and enjoy all the blessings of a real  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  home.

W. R. FLEMING.

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#### ZETA PROVINCE CONVENTION.

Zeta province held its biennial convention at Des Moines, Iowa, May 25-26, 1906. The great distance between the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  colleges in the province made it a question whether every chapter would be represented. Reflect an instant on the great distance between Chicago and Colorado, which are forty-eight hours apart. The other chapters are, as a rule, twenty-four hours distant from each other by rail. As a half way point it was decided to accept the invitation of the Des Moines Phis to hold the sessions of the convention in that city. Convention arrangements were largely in the hands of Bro. Paul Houghton, Iowa Alpha, Iowa Beta, and of Bro. Peyton of Iowa Beta. The headquarters were in the Chamberlain, the leading Des Moines hotel. The pennants of the fifteen  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  colleges were suspended in the lobby above the clerk's desk. These with an illuminated sign informed the guests and visitors of the convention and several Phis from various chapters, members of the Presbyterian General



ZETA PROVINCE CONVENTION, MAY, 1906

Assembly then in session in Des Moines, attended part of the session.

The convention was a working body. There sessions were held Friday and one on Saturday morning. Saturday afternoon was devoted to the Iowa state collegiate track meet and Saturday night to the banquet.

The attendance was remarkably good. Fourteen of the fifteen chapters were represented, the official delegates being as follows: Northwestern, L. F. Wilson; Chicago, M. W. Lombard; Knox, S. T. Snohr; Lombard, C. H. Housh; Illinois, F. H. Reynolds; Wisconsin, M. Allen; Minnesota, M. C. Shields; Iowa Wesleyan, C. Van Brussel; Iowa, L. L. Williams; Missouri, H. L. Moore; Westminster, D. Powell; Washington, R. A. Campbell; Nebraska, J. F. Fisher; Kansas, C. H. Newman. Colorado was the only chapter not sending a delegate. The general fraternity was represented by F. J. R. Mitchell, P. G. C., C. F. Lamkin, Richard Henry Little, president and vice-president of Zeta province. In addition to the officers and chapter delegates the following alumni clubs were represented; St. Louis, Rev. F. L. Chapin; Sioux City, A. O. Wakefield; Kansas City, Prof. Fred R. Cowles; Mt. Pleasant, L. C. Willett. The total attendance was about sixty.

While matters of general fraternity policy were discussed the main attention of the delegates was focussed on the internal condition of the chapters in the province with particular reference to the chapter house situation. The committee on chapter houses made a careful and exhaustive report. It showed four chapters, out of fourteen reporting, as owning their own houses, viz: Illinois, Wisconsin, Missouri and Nebraska—the four houses being valued at \$55,000. All the other chapters are in rented houses and all using the note system to secure funds for houses. The committee found that the ten chapters reporting (which were in rented houses) had pledges, cash and property on hand amounting to over \$35,000. Three chapters, Northwestern, Westminster and Washington, expect to build within the year.

There were no cases of discipline before the convention and every chapter showed a most satisfactory condition. Action looking to certain recommendations to the national convention along the line of fraternity jewelry and alumni clubs was taken.

Owing to the amount of business transacted the social side of the convention was left to Saturday afternoon and night.



The state field meet was a most interesting one and the results, close enough to make it exciting throughout. The banquet at night was most successful, Bro. Richard H. Little, as usual being the life of the party.

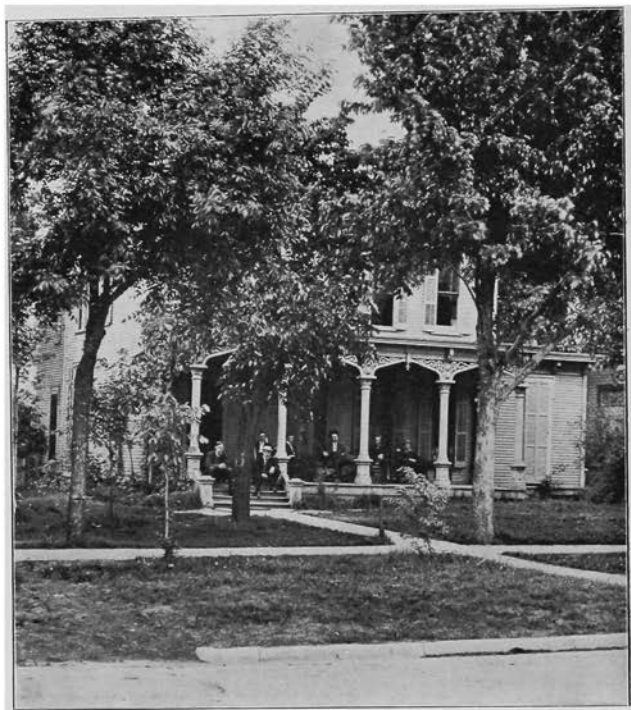
CHARLES F. LAMKIN.

### NEBRASKA ALPHA'S HOME

Nebraska Alpha's home is conveniently situated about two blocks directly east of the university. It is in the most desirable residence district in the northern part of the city of Lincoln. The electric cars are within hailing distance, and the new interurban electric railway will be but a block distant. A more convenient and desirable location could not have been procured. In this district the property is becoming scarce and is increasing rapidly in value. Each year our home will grow in attractiveness and increase in value.

The house is not a new one but is well adapted to our purposes. It was built a few years ago by Dr. Bessy, dean of the industrial college, and occupied by him until it came into our possession. Around one side runs an old style colonial porch. In the rear of the building is an extra lot used as a tennis court. While the house is, perhaps, not as attractive externally as a more modern building from an exterior point of view, neither care nor money has been spared in making the interior a suitable home for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . The inside has been remodelled and is now well arranged for a fraternity house. The rooms are finished in black walnut, heated by furnace, and lighted by gas and electric lights. The first floor is finished throughout in white maple. The rooms may be thrown into one for the purposes of dancing or banqueting. The living apartments are furnished throughout with colonial furniture, and through the kindness of an alumnus the floors are covered with turkish rugs. Back of the living rooms is the dining room. Between these rooms are heavy sliding doors. Extending around the dining room is a stein rack. Up to the rack the walls are finished in burlaps. The tables and chairs are also colonial furniture, matching the surroundings. The house will accommodate fourteen men.

Our house is a home in every sense of the word. It is a place which Phis of today leave with reluctance, and in the future will associate it with the most pleasant remembrances of their college life. It is a reward obtained through persistent efforts and the kindness of our alumni, and we are



NEBRASKA ALPHA'S HOME.

well satisfied with it.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is the only fraternity at the university of Nebraska owning a chapter house. No doubt other fraternities will, in time, attempt to secure their own homes. They have watched the result of our plans with a great deal of interest. Failure was predicted by them, but we are now beyond the danger point.

Nebraska Alpha's home is always open to visiting Phis.

GEORGE D. LANTZ.

#### \* PHI DELTA THETAS AT WEST POINT

It seems to be a commonplace these days to say that wherever you find college men, you find Phis. And as a corollary one might say that the number of Phis in any gathering of university men is in direct proportion to the importance of the gathering. With the Rhodes scholars at Oxford our men are prominent. In college associations and clubs in the larger cities  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is strongly in evidence. We have been well represented at the Annapolis Naval Academy and our presence at West Point has been felt for years.

Several years ago I had occasion to write of the West Point Phis and their achievements, and a present view of our men at the academy shows the continuance of the prominence of the fraternity at the government school. Our graduates have attained distinction in army circles in recent years as well as in times of national conflict and the men have lost no chance for preferment in the military services both at home and in foreign lands.

In 1903 William Alexander McCain, *Mississippi*, '99, Frederick William Hinricks, Jr., *Columbia*, '99, and James Franklin Bell, *Washington and Jefferson*, '98, graduated from the academy and received lieutenants' posts in the army in various parts of the country. Bro. Hinricks, after serving with distinction at Fort Hamilton, N. J., Fort Hancock, N. J., and the proving grounds at Sandy Hook, N. J., has been stationed indefinitely near Springfield, Mass.

Two years ago another Phi completed his four year course. He was Vaughn Washington Cooper, *Vanderbilt*, 02, who recently was serving in the field near Catoosa, Ga. Bro. Cooper hails from Nashville, Tenn. He made an unusual record in cadet affairs before leaving West Point. Both at Vanderbilt and West Point he was interested in baseball, playing third base on the premier teams of both institutions. At

\*This article was written last spring, before the graduation of the class of 1906.

the academy he played football as well and by his dashing work at half-back contributed largely to the victory over the University of Chicago, and other institutions several years ago.

In the graduating class at West Point last year were Adelno Gibson, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '01; Allen Wyant Gullion, *Centre*, '01, and Patrick Henry Winston, *Texas*, '02, *North Carolina*, '02. The records of these men at the academy justify their brief mention. Bro. Gibson comes from Oskaloosa, Ia. With Bro. Winston he won the championship in doubles in the tennis tournament in 1903 following up the work which gave him the championship at Iowa Wesleyan before his admission to West Point.

Bro. Gullion, who is now second lieutenant of the Second United States Infantry, stationed at Fort Logan, Colorado, obtained a high scholarship rank and won the position of "Buck" at the academy.

Bro. Winston came to the University of Texas from Raleigh, N. C., and won the undergraduate scholarship medal. He joined @ N E at Texas, and went to Chapel Hill, N. C., to continue his college work at the University of North Carolina where he affiliated with the Phi chapter. He won the tennis championship title in singles at West Point and playing with Bro. Gibson captured the championship in doubles. He also played at center field on the Army baseball nine in 1903 and a year later was made captain of the 'varsity. At West Point he was also first lieutenant in a battalion of cadets.

The undergraduate Phis at West Point are now nine in number. Only one new man entered to fill the vacant places left by the graduation of three Phis in 1905. He is Carleton George Chapman, *Mercer*, '06. In addition Bro. Frederick Almyron Prince, *Knox*, '06, withdrew from the institution about a year ago. Bro. Prince made an enviable football record at West Point before leaving. He was a member of the teams which defeated Yale and Annapolis in 1904 and the Navy in 1903. His position was at half back and he was called upon to do most of the punting for his team as well. A number of football critics, attracted by his force and skill on the gridiron, placed him on all-American teams for 1904.

The regulations of the academy do not permit fraternity meetings or organization and the drill and routine of the military life of the cadets give them little opportunity for society functions of whatsoever sort. The Phis make a practice every year of looking up their brothers who enter West Point and

they make things as pleasant for the "Plebe" Phis as is possible under the rules and the academy traditions. As to the upper classmen one of the West Point brothers writes: "Among the Phis the feeling of attachment exists as it does among Phis who are thrown together anywhere out of college." As an indication that the Phis are in touch it need but be stated that several months ago a circular letter was sent to every Phi at West Point asking for the name of every other  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at the academy, and in nearly every case each brother sent back a list with the name of every other brother on it. Some of them gave detailed information about the Phis who had graduated from this government institution for years back.

Appended are brief statements of the records of the men who now represent the fraternity on the Hudson; showing, as they do, prowess on the athletic field, prominence in military and social ways and first rate scholarship:

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George LeRoy Converse, Jr., joined  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at Ohio State University, where he was matriculated in the class of 1904. His home is in Columbus, Ohio, and his work at West Point has been successful.

William Addleman Ganoe, *Dickinson*, '02, took his bachelor's degree before entering West Point. His home is Jersey Shore, Pa. He achieved distinction at the Academy by winning a place on the "Hundredth Night" committee. At Dickinson Bro. Ganoe was president of the musical and glee clubs, leader of the glee club, a member of the Raven's Claw, the senior honorary society, quarter-back on the 'varsity football team and a prominent member of the college dramatic club.

George Milburne Morrow, Jr., was a member of the class of 1904 at the University of Virginia where he was initiated into  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . He is also a southerner, his home being in Birmingham, Ala. Bro. Morrow stood twelfth last year in a class of ninety at West Point and is a second cadet captain of the United States Cadet Corps, the second cadet office in the battalion. He was the manager of the army team in 1905 and holds other important positions in the cadet community.

Still another southern Phi in the graduating class is John George Queckmeyer, whose home is in Yazoo City, Miss. Bro. Queckmeyer joined  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at the University of Mississippi, where he was enrolled in the class of 1905. He is a cadet captain at West Point and enjoys wide popularity among his fellows.

## CLASS OF 1907

Φ Δ Θ is represented in the third year class by four men, the fifth Bro. Prince, having withdrawn from the army service.

Ewers Purdy Aldredge comes from Bridgeport, Ohio. He was a member of the class of 1905 at LaFayette.

Thomas Lee Coles lives in Cushing, Ala. He came to West Point from the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa where his class was 1904. During the last two years Bro. Coles has made the unusual record of standing tenth in a class of one hundred and twenty, which is remarkable as well as unusual. He has also been made cadet sergeant in the battalion of cadets. At the national convention held in New York in 1902, Bro. Coles was the delegate from Alabama Alpha and his brother, W. C. Coles, now an engineer, accompanied him as a delegate from Alabama Beta.

Richard Huntington Kimball took his bachelor's degree at the University of Texas in 1903 before entering the service of the army. He was advanced to the rank of corporal in 1904 and was chosen hop manager at the academy, an important undergraduate office. Bro. Kimball is a member of the Texas Beta chapter house corporation.

Edwin Martin Watson has also done creditable work at West Point. Like Bros. Kimball, Queckmeyer, Coles and Morrow Bro. Watson is a southerner. He comes from Martinsville, Va., and entered West Point from Washington and Lee University where he was registered with the class of 1902.

## CLASS OF 1908

The fraternity's sole representative in the class of 1908 is another southerner, Carleton George Chapman, who was a member of the class of 1906 at Mercer University, Macon, Ga.

It is interesting to note that of the nine Phis now at the academy no less than six come from the south, the others coming from the east and middle west. Of the eight graduates during the last four years, four were southern men, two from the east and two from the middle west.

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

## THE WASHINGTON CONVENTION.

The capital city of our country is rapidly becoming known as one of the best locations for conventions in the land. Time was when tourists selected only one or two months out of each year for a trip to Washington, say spring and fall, to

be more truthful, and avoid it during summer and winter. Now they come on every train. Dear old couples and loving young ones can be seen almost any day in the parks and government buildings and it is doubtful whether even Niagara Falls is more popular for honeymoon trips.

As a convention city, the well known attractions of the place bring out the largest crowds. The G. A. R. has met here twice, the D. A. R. meet here annually for decorous considerations of problems of the most pressing importance to the country's welfare; bankers, scientists, doctors, clergymen,



THE NEW WILLARD HOTEL—CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS.

lawyers, clear down to the butcher, baker and candlestick maker find the beauties of Washington and her excellent hotel accommodations the best of inducements for holding national conventions in the nation's capital.

College fraternities have not indulged so freely in the habit of holding conventions in Washington, but there is a pronounced tendency in this direction which may be seen in the conventions of  $\Delta K E$  a few years ago, that of  $\Phi K \Psi$  last spring and the 1906 convention of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  to be held Thanksgiving week.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  visits Washington this fall for the first time. There is no local chapter there, but as wideawake and loyal an alumni club as can be found in any city. The club has been chartered since 1884, some of the charter members

still being in the city. Monthly smokers are held during the winter, and, of course, the Alumni Day banquet is an occasion of great festivity. It is the boast of many Washington Phis that they have derived as much pleasure and benefit from the fraternity here as they did in college, which, when you think about it, means a good deal. The officers of the club for the present year are: president, William N. Compton, *Alabama*, '88; vice-president, Charles B. Sornborger, *Vermont*, '90; secretary, Carl D. Sheppard, *Ohio*, '02; and treasurer, Oscar A. Mechlin, *Dartmouth*, '03. Among the Washington brothers whom the fraternity has honored in times past are I. R. Hitt, Jr., *Northwestern*, '88, who was once a member of the general council, serving as treasurer, and Milo C. Summers, *Lombard*, '81, who was at one time a province president. Both brothers have served as president of the local alumni club. Among alumni of national reputation in statesmanship, literature and science now in the club are U. S. Senator J. C. S. Blackburn, *Centre*, '57; ex-Secretary of State John W. Foster, *Indiana*, '55; Representative Wm. G. Brantley, *Georgia*, '82; Representative Joseph V. Graff, *Wabash*, '76; Representative Francis M. Griffith, *Franklin*, '74; Representative Charles H. Grosvenor, *Ohio*; Representative Thomas W. Hardwick, *Mercer*, '92; Representative William M. Howard, *Georgia*, '77; Representative M. R. Patterson, *Vanderbilt*, '82; Representative George M. Prince, *Knox*, '78; Representative James M. Griggs, *Vanderbilt* '81, who is running the democratic congressional campaign this year; Gen. John C. Black, president of the Civil Service Commission and past commander of the G. A. R.; James C. McReynolds, *Vanderbilt*, '82, assistant attorney general of the United States.

The location of the 1906 convention was settled just before Alumni Day of this year and the Washington club began work on that day to make plans for it. Bro. George M. Rommel, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '97, was elected chairman with power to appoint the necessary sub-committee; Bro. Compton, as president, being made a member of the committee, ex-officio. The following brothers have been appointed sub-committee chairmen, each being ex-officio a member of the convention committee: auditing, Frederick H. Austin, *Missouri*, '80; banquet, Ralph P. Barnard, *Lehigh*, '89; decorations, P. L. Hodges, *DePauw*, '99; finance, John Joy Edson, Jr., *Lehigh*, '93; information, I. R. Hitt, Jr., *Northwestern*, '88; press, Carl D. Sheppard, *Ohio*, '02; printing, Oscar A. Mechlin, *Dartmouth*, '03; reception, Claude N. Bennett, *Emory*, '88;



smoker, E. F. Phillips, *Allegheny*, '99; theatre, William N. Compton, *Alabama*, '88.

The members of this committee will put in most of its time during Thanksgiving week showing the visiting Phis a good time. Of course, they don't want to entertain the brothers so well that the business of the convention will suffer, but we want you to remember your visit to Washington with pleasure.

CARL D. SHEPPARD.

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#### FATHER LINDLEY'S MESSAGE TO PHIS.

On August 20, 1906, Father John W. Lindley, the only surviving founder of Phi Delta Theta, reached his eightieth birthday. Messages of love and congratulation were sent him by all the general officers, the chapters and many individual members of the fraternity, and these will be bound in permanent form. To these messages Father Lindley has sent the following answer for publication in THE SCROLL:

Mrs. Lindley and I take this opportunity of acknowledging through THE SCROLL the receipt of the numerous personal and chapter letters of congratulation and good wishes upon my eightieth anniversary.

Words can but poorly express our appreciation of these kindly greetings of the representatives of the 15,000 members of the fraternity with which I am so closely connected. It seldom falls to the lot of mortals to reach the age of fourscore years, whose old age is cheered by the reflection that so many of these years have been spent in the founding and working for a fraternity that has furnished so many noble men to bless the land in which they live. The regard of such men is a source of lasting gratification, and if I have been instrumental in accomplishing half the good they claim for me, I have not lived in vain.

JOHN WOLFE LINDLEY.

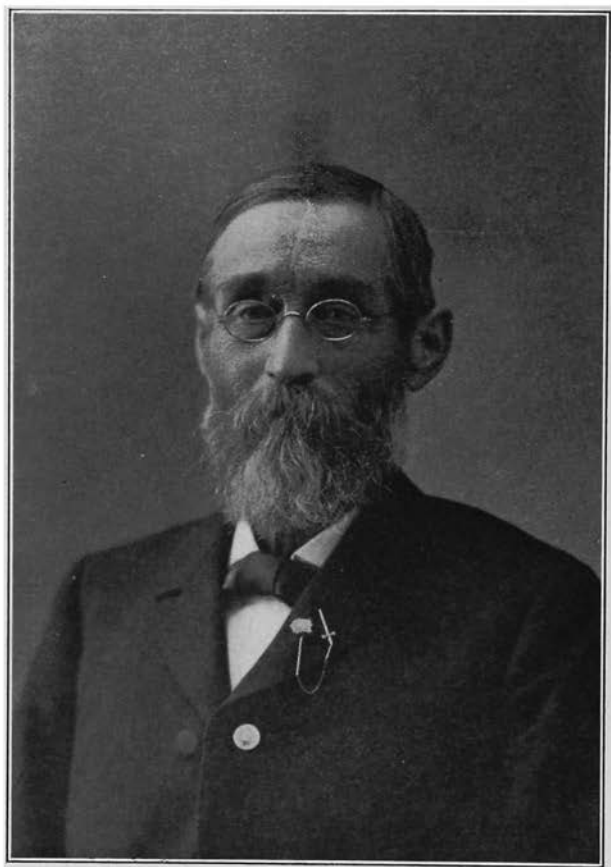
Fredericktown, Ohio, October 6, 1906.

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#### A REMINISCENCE OF THE PHILIPPINE WAR.

I am asked to give an account of the organization of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  alumni chapter at Manila in the year 1899, and I will endeavor to give that information as best I can from memory, aided by my diary, the notes in which are exceedingly brief.

Bro. D. D. Thornton, *Wisconsin*, '94, assistant surgeon of



JOHN WOLFE LINDLEY, MIAMI, '50.  
Surviving Founder of Phi Delta Theta.

the 1st Colorado regiment, issued a call for a business meeting and dinner, to be held at the Restaurant de Paris on the Escolta, the principal business street of Manila. I regret that I did not preserve the typewritten form that was used by him on that occasion, but I thought no more of its historical value than I do now of the card that announces the lunches of our Pittsburg alumni chapter. I have no doubt that Bro. Thornton's Manila "call" would be an interesting relic to preserve in the archives of the best college fraternity in the world.

In accordance with this call, about a dozen Phi Delts met in a private dining room on the second floor of the Paris Restaurant on Thursday evening of January 26, 1899. Among those present I can recall the following:

Captain F. B. Hawkins, *W. & J.*, '96, 10th Pennsylvania Vol. Inf.  
 Captain W. H. Dury, *Nebraska*, '97, 1st Nebraska Vol. Inf.  
 Lieutenant J. B. Kemper, *Cincinnati*, '99, 14th Inf. U. S. Army.  
 Private Charles Pleasants, *Buchtel*, '82, 10th Pennsylvania Vol. Inf.  
 Private Alexander Eicher, Jr., *W. & J.*, '99, 10th Pennsylvania Vol. Inf.  
 Private W. E. Ralston, *W. & J.*, '01, 10th Pennsylvania Vol. Inf.

If I remember rightly, a Columbia Phi also was present. You could get a complete list of those who attended that memorable meeting by addressing Capt. J. B. Kemper, now at Fort Russell, Wyo., as he was elected reporter at the meeting.

It was a strange sight to see those men who had forgathered from so widely different sections of our common country, men of different ranks in that organization which so strictly defines the privileges of rank—the army. Yet, for the time being, shoulder-straps were forgotten, and we met as brothers, pledged under the grand old Bond of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

After a very enjoyable course dinner served in the best Spanish style, we had several informal toasts. Bro. Kemper having received the convention number of THE SCROLL, told us of the Columbus convention. He also spoke of his initiation into the fraternity, upon which interesting occasion, his own father, Dr. A. C. Kemper, *Miami*, '53, helped instruct him in the mysteries: When commenting on that event he said in effect: "What better recommendation can a fraternity have than that a father should desire his son to join the same one of which he had been a member while in college."

\* An account of the meeting of Phi at Manila on January 26, 1899 written by Bro. J. B. Kemper, appeared in THE SCROLL for April, 1899, and is quoted on page 674 of "The History of Phi Delta Theta," but this communication gives additional particulars.—EDITOR.

It was moved and seconded that we should make an application for a charter as the Philippine alumni club. A motion was also made and carried that we should meet on the second Saturday night of each month and have a dinner and business meeting. But "the best laid plans of mice and men gang aft alee;" for in the meantime, on the night of February the fourth, the Philippino rebellion against the authority of the United States began, and when the time set for our next meeting rolled around we were literally scattered to the four winds. Some were in the southern islands, while the majority of us were on widely different parts of our long battle line on the outskirts of Manila facing the Tagal foe.

I remember Capt. Hawkins cheerfully calling to me on the day our next meeting was to have been, "How about the Phi Delt dinner tonight?" The call of the bugle interrupted my reply, and, as it was mess call, it in itself was the most eloquent reply that could have been made.

Coffy, coffy, coffy without any cream  
Soupy, soupy, soupy without any bean.

Such was the first and last meeting of our Philippine alumni club. But still the fact that such a club existed and met in Manila, P. I., for one night is a fact I believe worthy of remembrance by every loyal Phi.

WILLIAM E. RALSTON.

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The New York *Evening Post*, in deploring the manner in which wealth is destroying the spirit of American democracy, says that nowadays not even college life offers a sphere where each man must stand on his merits, irrespective of his home connections. The editorial in question remarks that "men are graded in the college world about as follows: (1) Wealth; (2) athletics; (3) scholarship." This may be true with respect to some colleges, but it is not so with all of them. It is not too much to believe that in some of the smaller colleges young men are still judged for their powers of brain and their qualities of character rather than by the size of their father's bank accounts. Worcester can furnish some notable examples of such institutions and so can other Massachusetts cities and towns. — *Worcester Post*.

## EDITORIAL.

THE most suggestive and inspiring discussion of the educational influence of the college fraternity that has yet appeared in any general periodical is the article by Mr. Clarence F. Birdseye in the *Outlook* for July 28. It is to be hoped that every fraternity man who has not done so will read this article and the singularly just editorial in the same number. Mr. Birdseye has described sympathetically the three periods of the existence of fraternities, namely, the sub rosa period, the period of partial toleration and of insubstantial existence without chapter houses, and the period of influential position in college life caused by the prevalence of chapter houses. His tribute to the college fraternity of to-day is unqualified and manifold. First, in many colleges the fraternities have built up a fine dormitory system, relieving the colleges of great expense and of all direct faculty control. A notable instance of this is Amherst, of whose 455 students (in 1905) 109 lodged in dormitories and 205 in the chapter houses. Second, the remarkable growth of fraternities has been largely in consequence of the decline of the small educational unit in our colleges and preparatory schools and the individualism connected therewith. The loss of the personal element in our colleges, the lack of a bowing acquaintance between professors and students, and the too frequent false viewpoint of the college—these are the real causes of the dominance of fraternities. After depicting the evils of insufficient study, of too much teaching in proportion to study, of superficial preparation for examinations, of committing important work to inexperienced assistants, of giving undue weight to examinations, etc., the author says:

Undergraduates are the victims, not the authors, of these conditions. The fault lies, not with them, but with the faculties and alumni who, afflicted with megalomania, have been intent on increasing the wealth and size of the colleges, and, neglecting to safeguard the individual, have forgotten that improved opportunities do not necessarily imply improved individ-

ual training. \* \* \* If our huge faculties cannot, like their smaller prototypes, closely touch the lives of their individual pupils, may not this be done through thoughtful alumni acting on the undergraduate members of their own fraternity, thereby greatly increasing the number of those who will pursue their college course earnestly and for its own sake? \* \* \* These fraternities are today great educational influences which furnish our most available means to raise the moral and mental tone of our colleges and universities—and as well of our preparatory schools—and to aid our sons and grandsons in a struggle against greater odds and temptations; and moral, social, and athletic distractions, than the older generations ever dreamed of.

Mr. Birdseye further shows that the evils of fraternity life can best be corrected, and the opportunities for usefulness can best be improved, by the loyal fraternity alumni; that it is the duty of the alumnus to help to mold the lives and motives of his younger brothers; that the wide distribution of the chapters makes the fraternity an ideal instrument for wisely investigating and righting undergraduate conditions in widely scattered institutions; that the ultimate responsibility for the atmosphere of the chapter house is on the alumni; and that it is the duty of the governing bodies of all fraternities to bring about right conditions in their chapters and see that the control is finally lodged in the alumni. He then advocates a fourth period for fraternities, in which they shall devote their great wealth and influence—

First, to a careful study of present undergraduate conditions, and to improving these conditions in all their own chapters.

Second, to inciting their own active members to do their best possible work and get the best possible training during their college course.

Third, to realize that in many ways they are their undergraduates' only hope for true individualism.

Fourth, to co-operate in a large way with one another in the study and elimination of the too prevalent waste of lives during the college course.

Fifth, to reach backward into the preparatory schools and clean up moral conditions there.

Let the fraternities, and as well the colleges, be judged, not by wealth or age or numbers, but by the results which they work out in the lives of their individual members; by the real value of their output and not by the size of their capital or plant.

With these tests of merit and of usefulness we are in pro-

found accord. These glowing ideals so suggestively set forth must command the devotion of our fraternity for all time. They are but practical amplifications of the purposes expressed enduringly in the Bond of Phi Delta Theta. The development of the highest character is the end for which we exist and it should never be obscured by the tumult or the tinsel of ordinary chapter life. We have reproduced only a part of this fine article and we should add that the editor of the *Outlook* advocates very properly the placing in chapter houses of young and promising graduate students or alumni who would exercise a strengthening and uplifting influence, stimulating the intellectual life of the members and in an informal way co-operating with the colleges in their highest work. We dare say that this plan is in vogue in many places, and it is an excellent one. Finally, on this subject, we welcome any effort to impress the alumni with a sense of their great opportunities and any closer inquiry by our central organization into the details of the life of all of our chapters.

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FROM the enthusiastic preparations for the convention being made by our Washington brothers it is evident that the decision to go to the national capital was very fortunate. We ought to have a great attendance, a joyous fellowship and, above all, a record-breaking accomplishment of good. It is in the air that we are going to Washington to do the very best we can for the good of Phi Delta Theta; that every delegate and every officer will be ready to give his whole time, if necessary, to whatever important may fall to him; that as many questions of fraternity policy as possible will be determined; and that we will come out of it with new visions of our opportunities and a better grasp upon our ideals. Phi Delta Theta expects and will receive the very highest service from her representatives.

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THE *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon for September contains an editorial and another article about a plan for publish-

ing every year chapter circular letters and membership lists and also a bound volume of the same. The plan was adopted by the supreme council of that fraternity in December, 1905. Chapters forwarded their letters and lists to the eminent supreme archon, Mr. W. C. Levere, who edited them, and prepared a statement about the general condition of the fraternity, which was included in each circular letter. Before commencement he forwarded to each chapter a supply of its circular-letter, in paper covers, bearing the coat-of-arms of the fraternity, to distribute among its active and alumni members. Cloth-bound volumes of all the letters and lists were issued in July, 1906, and were supplied to the various chapters, to the general officers and to alumni desiring to purchase them. "It is a book of 450 pages, 196 of which are used for the chapter letters, the balance being devoted to membership rolls and alumni directories. Both chapter lists and directories are arranged alphabetically." The letters of six chapters, which loaned cuts, were illustrated. The cost of publication was "apportioned to each chapter according to the number of pages used," and is said to be "much less than under the old system whereby each chapter published its own letter." The "new departure" is highly commended. "The possibilities are almost boundless." The only drawback "appears to be the immense amount of work required of the editor and publisher of these letters," but it is suggested that it may be necessary to "create a new national officer in the fraternity council and settle many of the existing difficulties of publishing the general catalogue." The foregoing quotations are from the article in the *Record*, which says editorially:

The book, in addition to being a compendium of chapter work and life for the year, is virtually a new and connected catalogue. As it is intended to issue these chapter books every year, the fraternity has thus provided for what is to all intents and purposes an annual catalogue, supplementing the regular decennial one, which was heretofore our sole reliance

We have no hesitation in placing this publication among the most important and valuable work done by the fraternity in many years. An annual history and an annual address-book in one handy volume is something of an accomplishment.

The book furnishes a cumulative and continu-



ously revised membership list, which will enormously simplify the preparation of the regular official catalogue. This volume of bound chapter records represents a long step in advance of what any other fraternity has yet attempted in this field of work, and is a publication of which we may well feel thoroughly proud.

All of this is very interesting to Phi Delta Theta, especially as the plan was the invention of Brother Frank J. R. Mitchell, president of our fraternity, and it has been in successful operation for two years. We have said little about it in *THE SCROLL* but have commented on it and highly praised it in *The Palladium*, and it is explained on pages 828 and 829 of "The History of Phi Delta Theta" issued last spring. Our first bound volume of chapter letters and lists was issued in May, 1905. It contains 702 pages, of which 332 are used for the introductory matter and the chapter letters, the balance being devoted to the alumni rolls. It has 28 illustrations. It was edited by Bro. Mitchell and the printing was done by the Evanston Index Company, which, under his direction, has also issued this year's circulars and bound volume. If we are not mistaken, the president of Sigma Alpha Epsilon is connected with this company. We note, by the way, the following paragraph in the *Record*:

William C. Levere, national president of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Frank J. R. Mitchell, national president of Phi Delta Theta, and W. A. Hamilton, national president of Beta Theta Pi, all live within a few blocks of each other at Evanston, Ill.

We heartily agree with the *Record* that the plan which it describes is a most excellent one. The only difference between the method of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and that in Phi Delta Theta is that chapters of the former distribute the paper bound circulars to their alumni, while in Phi Delta Theta the distribution is differently and, we think, better managed.

## CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE

## ALPHA PROVINCE

## QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

McGill University reopened last week with great prospects for a successful year. The freshman class is the largest which has ever entered the university.

The new Union, one of our many gifts from Sir William Macdonald, will be opened to the students on October 1. It will fill a long-felt want in the college life at McGill. Sir William Macdonald has also turned over to the governors of the university the new agricultural college which he is building at Ste. Anne de Bellevue, about twenty miles west of Montreal. This will not be opened until next year, and definite plans have not been drawn up for its organization; but it is probable that it will constitute an other department of the university. Sir William has placed an endowment on the Agricultural College of two million dollars in addition to the grounds and buildings, and it promises to be one of the finest institutions of its kind. A new commercial course has been established in the Faculty of Arts. This will be a two year course leading to a diploma of commerce. The new transportation course in the Faculty of Applied Science will be in full swing this year.

Mr. Jaquays, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, has retired this year and is succeeded by Mr. Hayward. Drs. Adami and Ruttan have returned from Germany where they have been doing research work for the past year. Dr. Wesley Mills is in Germany this year. Dr. Bovey, dean of the Faculty of Applied Science was this summer made an honorary fellow of Queen's College, Cambridge, and Dean Walton, of the Faculty of Law, has been granted the degree of L. L. D. from Aberdeen University.

As for Quebec Alpha, we are now established in our new quarters and are much more comfortable than before. Last year we lost six men by graduation—Bros. Hibbard and Newton in science, Payne and Housser in arts, Brown in medicine and Shepherd in law. Bro. Crocker, who graduated in arts, is in third year science this year. We have returned with twenty-one men, as Bros. Dickenson, Sharp and Benedict, who were out of college last year, have returned to take their senior year. Rushing this season is very keen. So far we have pledged three good men in 1910: A. W. Reid of Ottawa, Keith Munro of Port Arthur, and A. C. Reed of Winnipeg. A Δ Φ is now occupying the new house purchased last spring. This is one of the finest fraternity houses in America.

Bro. Houghton played on the McGill cricket team which again won the league championship. Bro. Shanks has been elected vice-president of Arts, '08. He is also secretary of the business board of the *Annual*. Bro. Ross was the captain of the McGill rifle team at the D. R. A. meet in Ottawa. Bro. Raymond is the 1909 representative on the science reading room committee.

Bro. McDonald, Med. '05, leaves next week for Macao, South China, where he will be a medical missionary. Bro. Shepherd, law '06, has received a Macdonald traveling scholarship, and will study in France for the next year.

We have recently received visits from Bros. DeWitt, R. G. C., Connors, Purdue, '05, Jennings, Cornell, '04, and McPherson, Lafayette, '07. We hope that all this who come to Montreal will call on us.

Montreal, September 25, 1906.

GEORGE E. BELL.

**ONTARIO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.**

Ontario Alpha opens the coming session under very favorable circumstances, all of last year's chapter, with the exception of two, returning.

College opens on October 1 and the installation of the remainder of the chapter will take place the same week. Prospects in rushing are bright, the chapter has six men in view at present whom we trust will prove worthy brothers in the Bond.

Football season opens on October 18, when Toronto plays McGill. The chapter expects to have two representatives on the team. Bro. Acten has been appointed secretary of the track club and pledge Daniels (uninitiated) is secretary of the football club.

The new Convocation Hall is about completed and the new physics building is under construction at a cost of \$250,000.

The chapter wishes to report the visits of Bros. Hugh Th. Miller, DeWitt, Connors, (Purdue) Marriott (Syracuse), and Merriam, of Cleveland, who attended the meeting of the British Medical Association here.

Toronto, September 30, 1906.

D. A. L. GRAHAM.

**MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.**

Once more  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is back at Colby, occupying the house which we rented last year.

The coming college year promises to be a prosperous one for Colby. We have one new professor and one new course added. The incoming class, while not so large as last year, promises to make up in quality what it lacks in numbers.

In athletics Colby won the Maine baseball championship, losing only three out of twenty-one games played.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was represented on the team throughout the season by Bro. Dwyer, catcher, Bro. Tilton, second base, and Bro. Shaw, center field. At the close of the season Bro. Dwyer was elected captain of the team for 1907.

In the spring a college band was organized and led by Bro. Becker, '08. Other Phis who won places in the band were Bro. Peterson, '07, Bro. Keyes, '08, Bro. Matthews, '08, Bro. Thompson, '08, and Bro. Masterman.

The outlook for football is much better than at any time last season. With a veteran team to build on and plenty of good material in the incoming class Colby should have a team that will be fully capable of upholding the honor of the college.

Maine Alpha looks forward to a prosperous year. Our numbers will be weakened by the loss of Bros. Grant, '07, and Masterman, '08, who will not return to college this year, but we expect to welcome a good delegation from the class of 1910.

The house which we rent from the college has been repaired inside extensively and will serve our purpose well, while we are working for a home of our own which we hope to have in the near future.

Waterville, September 20, 1906.

A. L. COTTON.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.**

College opened on September 20 with a much larger enrollment than in previous years. There are now over eleven hundred students and in order to accommodate this number a new dormitory was necessary. A large frame building which will accommodate about fifty men was begun on August 1 and is now ready for occupancy. Webster Hall, which will contain the administration offices and a large auditorium will be ready for use by next

September. Rollins Chapel will be enlarged and plans for a new gymnasium have been drawn.

The football squad has been out for practice since September 15 and yesterday played their first game. Dartmouth defeated Norwich University 5-0, but as yet the men have not become accustomed to the new rules and the new style of game. Games have been secured with Amherst, Williams, Harvard, Princeton and Brown besides the union games which will be played in Hanover. Bros. Smith, '07, and Bradley, '09, are on the squad. The baseball squad is out for practice. The fall series between the sophomores and freshmen is being played and the freshmen have won the first game 5-4.

Bro. Wallace, '07, is manager of the baseball team. Bro. Paul, '06, is an instructor of oratory at Cornell University. Bros. Loder, '05, and Chase, '06, are in the medical school. Bro. Oakford, '08, has left college for a year and will spend the winter studying at German universities. He expects to return, however, and graduate with his class.

Thirty-two members of last year's chapter are back this year, and of this number fourteen are in the house.

Φ Δ Θ together with Δ K E, Δ Δ Φ, Ψ T and Θ Δ X, agreed last spring to postpone "chumming seasons" from October until April. Since the beginning of the college year, however, the rest of the fraternities have entered the agreement and no rushing will be done until March 24.

Hanover, September 30, 1906.

HOWARD M. JUDSON.

#### VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The 106th academic year of the University of Vermont opened September 26 with a registration of 128 in the entering class. The opening exercises were conducted by Professor Goodrich, dean of the department of arts, owing to the absence of President Buckham, who is in Scotland attending anniversary exercises at the University of Edinburgh. In the faculty several changes are noted: Mr. Charles H. Pierce, '04, succeeds Prof. Geo. Brett who has a year's leave of absence and is studying for a doctor's degree at Columbia; Mr. F. B. Wright, '05, is instructor in the electrical engineering department, succeeding Mr. Henry Clement, '04; Bro. H. A. Edson is assistant professor of bacteriology and botany, succeeding Prof. Morse, who has accepted a position at Bates. Morrill Hall, the new agricultural building is well under way and it is planned to have it completed at the opening of the second semester.

Bro. Waterman, manager of the football team, had the squad back on September 15 for preliminary practice and the outlook for a strong team is very promising. The first game will be played with Dartmouth at Hanover, October 3. The schedule includes games with St. Lawrence, Middlebury, Amherst, Wesleyan, Worcester Tech and Brown. Vermont Alpha is represented on the team by F. H. Smith, '09, and H. F. White, of Waltham, Mass., one of our pledged men.

Among the honors which the class of 1906 brought to the chapter were: Bro. Perry, president of the class and commencement speaker; Bro. Peck, captain of the varsity baseball; Bros. Edson, Watson and Owen made Φ B K. Bros. Edson and Watson were awarded general high standing and were also commencement speakers.

Bros. C. H. Hayden, '83, T. C. Cheney, '91, and S. H. Jackson, '98, were elected members of the Vermont legislature at the biennial election in September. Bro. H. E. Cunningham, '04, and Miss Ethel Lord, of Burlington, were married on August 18. Bro. A. D. Welsh, '02, and Miss

Katherine Gebhardt, of Shelbourne, were married at the home of the bride on October 3. Bros. J. N. Harvey, '02, of Montpelier, and Rev. F. B. Leach, '92, of Richford, have been visiting at the house this fall.

A cordial invitation is extended to all Phis who may be in Burlington to visit us at our chapter house.

CHAS. A. SMITH.

Burlington, September 29, 1906.

#### MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Williams opened on September 20 with the largest freshman registration in the history of the college, 178 new men being enrolled. Although handicapped by the fact that our house has been moved 400 feet back from the street to make way for our new building, we pledged six men: Harry L. Alexander, New York City; Edwin B. Gore, Chicago; Charles E. Hazelton, Montague City, Mass.; Morris B. Lambie, Northampton, Mass.; John P. Ryan, Troy, N. Y., and Lesley G. Sheaffer, Pottsville, Pa.

We are watching with minute interest the work on our new chapter house, which, when completed, will be one of the finest of its kind in college. The contract calls for completion by May 1, and the walls are already nearly to the second floor. Situated on Main street, the house will form a conspicuous member of Fraternity Row, which will include an unbroken line of six handsome chapter houses.

The imposing new dormitory, Berkshire Hall, accommodating about 65 men was opened on September 17. The swimming tank was completed during the summer. The extension to South College was opened with six new suites, the finest dormitory rooms in college. The advisability of erecting a college commons has been discussed by the trustees, but no definite action taken as yet.

Mountain Day, the annual fall holiday, was celebrated October 3, by the usual freshman burlesque parade, which bore the weighty name of "Kappa-docian Karnival." Two of our freshmen, Alexander and Hazelton, took special parts in it. The freshman-sophomore baseball game in which another of our freshmen, Lambie, participated, resulted in a ten-inning tie.

Harvard was our first opponent on the gridiron this fall, and Williams was defeated September 29, at Cambridge by the close score 7-0. Massachusetts Agricultural College was defeated here on October 3, 5-0, the touchdown resulting from a forward pass.

Several college honors fell to the lot of the fraternity a short time before college closed for the summer. Bro. McClellan, '08, was elected assistant baseball manager. Bro. Gibson, '08, was chosen editor-in-chief of the *Gulielmsonian*, the college annual, to the board of editors of which book he and Bro. Scott had previously been elected. Bros. McClellan and Scott, '08, were elected associate editors of the *Williams Record*. Bro. Horrax, '09, was awarded a track "W."

This fall Bro. Weeks, '07, was appointed hockey manager; Bro. Horrax, '09, was given the captaincy of his class track team, and was also elected vice-president of the sophomore class.

Considerable activity has been manifested in fraternity matters. A chapter of  $\Phi \Sigma K$  has been organized with 24 members, the charter having been granted to the former Phi society.  $\Theta \Delta X$  has purchased a house on Park street and is having it remodeled in colonial style.  $Z \Psi$  is erecting a new house, colonial in style, and a prominent addition to the row.

Williams has entered a new basketball league, with Dartmouth, Wesleyan and Brown, the purpose of which is to definitely determine the New Eng-

land championship. The intercollegiate golf association has voted Williams a member of the organization.

The Haystack Centennial, the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of foreign missions, was held at Williams, the birthplace of the movement, on October 10. A very large number of delegates were in town, including representatives from about 35 colleges. Board and entertainment for over 150 delegates was furnished by the fraternity houses and dormitories.

The following alumni have recently visited the chapter: Bros. Wilson, '92, Waterman, '98, Squires and Stoddard, '00, Marvin '01, McMillan, '03, A. P. Newell, '05, Case and Hulst '06, Knowles, ex-'07.

Bro. Meeker, '08, left college this fall and entered Hobart. He expects to re-enter Williams next year. Bro. Jones, '09, did not return to college this fall.

One of our freshmen, Alexander, was elected football manager of his class team. He was also appointed a football director of the college.

Williamstown, October 9, 1906.

DAVID B. SCOTT.

#### MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

Amherst opens this year with an enrollment of about 475, the largest in the history of the college. The entering class of 160 promises to develop some good athletes in all branches. On account of the change in football rules only a short schedule of seven games has been arranged, these being with Tufts, University of Vermont, M. A. C., and Williams, at Amherst, and at the home grounds of Yale, Dartmouth, and Swarthmore. The team will be rather light this season but under the coaching of Guy Hutchinson, quarterback on the Yale, 1905, the team is expected to develop into a fast aggregation.

The faculty is strengthened this year by the addition of William J. Newlin, '99, associate professor of mathematics and philosophy; Robert P. Utter, Harvard, instructor in English, and Otto M. Zorn, Western Reserve, instructor in German. President Harris is to spend the fall and winter in Europe taking a much needed rest. Bro. Harry W. Gladwin, '05, is with us again this year for his second term as general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Through his efforts this organization was brought to a much higher standing in the college during the past year.

The equipment of the college has been greatly added to by the opening of the swimming pool, and all students are required to learn to swim. At commencement last June it was announced that \$75,000 had been raised by the friends of the college to be added to Andrew Carnegie's gift of the same amount. This is for the building of a biological and geological laboratory, which will be begun early next spring, and will be the first of the buildings put up in accordance with the plans of the architects appointed to beautify Amherst.

Massachusetts Beta is pressing steadily forward. During the summer the parlor and a number of the rooms in the house were entirely renovated, so that the alumni on their return hardly recognize it as the same place. Great interest was shown in inter-fraternity baseball last spring, by reason of a valuable cup offered to the winner. In a round-robin tournament we won all four of our games, and so hold the cup for one year.

Massachusetts Beta even so early has started to win honors. In the trials for the musical clubs, Bro. Shute, '08, and Bro. Tracy, '08, made the mandolin club and Bro. Kalligan, '09, the glee club. Bro. Wiggins, '09, is on the football squad. At the meeting of the athletic association last com-

mencement, Bro. Tracy, '08, was elected assistant baseball manager, the first to be chosen under the competitive system.

By graduation and retirement last June Massachusetts Beta lost eight active men; but nineteen have returned this fall and we have pledged a strong delegation of ten men, as follows: William Andrew Bancroft, Clinton, Mass.; Robert Edward Best, Jeanette, Pa.; Lawrence Ledwith McClure, Wayne, W. Va.; Adolphus Merigold Milloy, Erie, Pa.; Edward Allen Robinson, Gloucester, Mass.; Bertram Charles Schellenberg, Brooklyn, N. Y.; William Lawrence Schultz, Syracuse, N. Y.; Clinton Lewis Taylor, Wyalusing, Pa.; Kenneth Todd Tucker, New York, N. Y.; John Conover VanCleaf, Jr., Brooklyn, N. Y.

ROBERT H. KENNEDY.

Amherst, September 29, 1906.

#### RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

On September 19, old Brown formally entered upon her 143rd year of existence and with her  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  began her seventeenth year of joint life. At the close of the impressive opening chapel exercises, both faculty and students marched to the front campus where a fine bronze statue of Caesar Augustus, the gift of Moses I. B. Goddard, was unveiled.

With the opening of college comes the announcement that work is to begin at once on the new Field House, which is to be erected through the generosity of Edgar S. Marston of New York. The building, which will cost \$13,000, is to be completed by February 1, 1907.

Under the new athletic rules adopted last spring, it is feared that Brown will not be able to develop as strong a football team as usual. However, many promising baseball and track men have registered and the outlook for these departments of college sports seems unusually bright. Bros. Dickenson, '07, and Funk, '07, are likely candidates for end and center respectively on the football team.

But four men were lost by graduation last June and the full force of twenty-one men are all back as a nucleus upon which to build for another year. Rhode Island Alpha still holds a high place among fraternities here. Bro. Bright, '07, was elected baseball manager last June for the coming year. Bros. Tift, '07, and Dickinson, '07, were awarded their "B's" at the close of the baseball season last spring. Bros. Bright and Tift were elected to the Cammarian club, of which Bro. Tift has been made president. Bro. Tift is also chairman of the celebration committee and president of the Brown Union. Bro. Kelly '07, is president of the Sack and Buskin and also vice president of the Y. M. C. A. Bros. Baily, '07, and Nason, '08, are in the chapel choir. Bro. Alger, '09, has been elected captain of the sophomore football team and a new recruit, Cleveland, '10, is captain of the 1910 football team. He has also been appointed a member of the celebration committee. Bro. Kelly, '07, has been appointed assistant in public speaking, and Bro. Whitmarsh, '09, has been made an assistant in the gymnasium.

The members of the fraternity are again quartered in Brunonia Hall, occupying seven suites. Considerable time has been devoted to the rushing and as a result, eight men have been pledged. They are: R. M. Waterhouse, Somerville, Mass.; H. M. Tukesbury, Dorchester, Mass.; A. E. Regnier, Dorchester, Mass.; Paul Simpson, Newburyport, Mass.; F. Le-Forrest Mansur, Bradford, Mass.; J. A. Cleveland, Mount Jewitt, Pa.; Marshall Morgan, Providence, R. I.; E. P. Frohock, Concord, N. H.

With all the old men back and with this excellent array of new blood and

new spirit, we hope to realize more fully than ever before the real meaning and worth of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

BENSON R. FROST.

Providence, October 5, 1906.

#### NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The university opened last week with a somewhat larger attendance than last year. The Freshman class numbering about eleven hundred, a majority of whom are taking the engineering course.

Our campus has been very materially improved during the summer by the addition of Goldwin Smith Hall, our new arts and science building, and by the physics building. Both of these are splendid structures and fill in the last available space in the quadrangle.

The prospects for a very successful athletic season are exceedingly bright. We have lost but two points from last year's victorious track team. The football team is still an unknown quantity and we must wait to see how the new rules will effect us. The team will not, however, lack experienced men, as eight of last year's varsity have returned and a squad of about sixty others are reporting daily.

Fraternity material is abundant in the freshman class and this is one of the keenest rushing seasons on record. We have been fortunate in pledging seven very good men so far and have bright prospects of securing four or five more.

New York Alpha has again received its share of college honors. Bro. Dugan has been elected manager of the baseball team. Bro. Rogers and Jackson helped Cornell win the intercollegiate championship again, by taking two firsts, Bro. Rogers winning the quarter mile and Bro. Jackson the pole vault, breaking the intercollegiate record. Bro. Rogers has also been elected captain of the 1907 track team.

We extend to all Phis, who may come to Ithaca, a cordial invitation to visit the chapter.

AUGUST C. BOHLEN.

Ithaca, September 29, 1906.

#### NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

The school year opened at Union September 17, and, although the tuition in the engineering course has been raised, the registration for the Freshman class is about the same as last year. New York Beta lost five men by graduation. They were Bros. Dunn, who is situated at Duluth, Minn.; Bro. Moon, who is still in town, being connected with the General Electric Co., Schenectady; Bro. Hall, who is engineering the construction of a small city in New Jersey, and Bros. Haight and Sylvester, who are on the state engineering corps.

Bro. Hapley, '08, is unable to be with us this year.

Thus far we have pledged five men of the class of 1910.

Union is not to be represented this year by a football team, because of the fatal ending of the last football season and consequently it was a hard proposition for our new athletic director, Dr. McCumber, to substitute some branch of athletics for this fall. There has been a schedule arranged for inter-class and inter-fraternity baseball and track events. Although this plan is being heartily supported, something in the college life of the fall months is felt to be lacking.

Our new building for the electrical laboratory is completed and most of the new apparatus has been installed.

CARL H. VOGHT.

Schenectady, September 29, 1906.



## NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

President Butler delivered his annual address of welcome to all students on September 26, and thus formally opened the one hundred and fifty-second year of Columbia University. The total registration was somewhat below that of last year.

A number of the brothers attended summer school during vacation. During the summer months a large number of alumni lived in the chapter house with the students.

Nineteen Phis came back to college to start the year. During the first week three freshmen were pledged and the chapter still has a line on about ten good men.

On account of the abolition of football, crew work will take up most of the time this fall.

As the university has been opened for but one week, we wish to apologize for lack of news in this the first SCROLL letter of the year. We wish the best of fortune to all our sister chapters in the rushing season.

New York, October 3, 1906.

R. MAPELSDEN, Jr.

## NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Syracuse University was never in a more prosperous condition. The L. C. Smith Mechanical Laboratory and the Carnegie Library are nearing completion and are fine works of architecture. The Hall of Natural History and the men's dormitory are fairly well along. The Hall of Chemistry has been started. It is expected that our stadium will be completed in May or June of 1907 and will be second to none in the land.

The university is making for itself an enviable name in aquatics. Our junior crew carried off first honors on the Schuylkill last May, winning from Pennsylvania and Harvard. In the Hudson regatta our freshman crew won their race, and it is said by many that this crew was the best lot of freshman oarsmen ever gotten together. New York Epsilon was very ably represented in the boat by Bros. Weaver and Nelson.

There is a great abundance of football material out "in togs" and a good team is a certainty. A hard schedule has been arranged against such elevens as Yale, West Point, Lafayette, Carlisle and Colgate. Bro. Reynolds, last year's end, and Waugh, a sophomore pledgling, last season's guard, are playing in their old positions. Hutton, a 1910 pledge, will bid strong for a place.

There is a good abundance of excellent fraternity material in the entering class. Vincent Low, Lime Ridge, Pa.; Herbert Faus, Lumber City, Pa.; Wm. Hutton, Jr., New York City, and Lester Kaley, Binghamton, N. Y., are already wearing the little blue buttons.

Since last June the chapter has moved from 706 Irving to 707 Irving and while our new quarters are smaller than the old, we are located better and have a much nicer house. We hope soon to have that house of our own.

Nineteen men return for work and display an intense anxiety to get into line. The chapter lost by graduation Bros. Jones, Whitney, Potter, Russell and Ralph. Bro. Rubin, Ph. B., '04, received his L. L. B. from the law school.

Bros. Weaver, Murray, Merry and Peck will not return to college this fall but expect to be with us again next year.

Bro. Griffiths was elected to  $\Phi K A$ , the senior society. Bros. Allen and Loucks were taken into Corpse and Coffin, and Bro. Sears into Monx Head, both junior societies. Bro. Brewster is a member of the *Weekly* board.

Among recent visitors were Bros. Low, '03, Anthony, '01 and Perry, '00.

That proverbial latch string is always out and we urge all This passing this way to pull it.

FRANK M. SIMPSON.

Syracuse, September 21, 1906.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

From the present outlook it seems that Lafayette College is just entering on the most prosperous year of its existence. The Freshman class is the largest in the history of the college, one hundred and sixty-two men being enrolled.

The faculty has undergone several changes. Mr. R. E. Hunt has been elected to succeed Instructor H. H. Reichard; Prof. Hopkins to succeed Instructor Gorse; Prof. James Tupher, Ph. D. Harvard, elected assistant professor in English; J. W. Colliton, '06, to succeed Instructor G. Fetter; Bro. Wm. Smith, '03, to succeed Instructor Little, who has been transferred from classical department in mathematics to technical.

Bro. Joseph McIntire, Howard McIntire, Alexander and Smith were lost by graduation. Bro. Smith, '06, was valedictorian of his class.

By way of innovation, we held our commencement banquet in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  hall and so successful was the outcome that we shall continue to hold it there. Bro. J. Townsend Baker, '82, acted as toastmaster. Plans were discussed for a fraternity house.

During the last year Bro. Drummond, president of Alpha province, has visited us on several occasions.

From the wealth of material in the entering class, we were not long in making our selections and now take pleasure in introducing as brothers: Paul B. Hart, '10, Pennington; N. J.; Frank W. Royer, '10, Greensburg, Pa.; Donald W. Voughts '10; Englewood, N. J.; W. Levan Lawfer, '10, Allentown, Pa.; William D. Kirkpatrick, '10, Chatham, N. J.

The outlook for a season of football victories is very encouraging, as we have a few of the old men back, and the entering class has brought in many preparatory school stars, who promise to make the old men work for their positions. Bro. McAvoy, who has filled the position of full-back for the last two years, will most likely be seen again in his old position. We are well represented on the squad having five men: Bros. Welsh, '07; Kenningmay, '07; McMeen, '09; Wm. Kirkpatrick, '10, and Hart, '10.

The baseball team was fairly successful in that we won two-thirds of the games played. Bro. McAvoy played left field, and Bro. Long played third base in some of the games. The southern trip turned out to be a dismal failure as only three games were played out of a possible ten, rain preventing the others.

The success attained by the track and relay teams will give an impetus to the sport this year. We won first place in our race at the university of Pennsylvania relay races and also won the majority of our dual meets.

Bro. Wilson, '07, has been reelected general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for the ensuing year.

Bros. McAvoy and Hirst, both '08, have been elected to the Knights of the Round Table, an honorary upper classman's society, and Bro. Brooke, '09, and Snyder, '09, to the Calumet club, an honorary Sophomore society.

Bro. Boldt, '09, took advantage of the summer vacation to enter the state of matrimonial bliss.

Bro. Heustis, '08, has left college to engage in business.

Bro. Brooke, '09, has decided to withdraw from college for a year, but expects to be with us again next Fall.

Bro. Welsh, '07, has been elected manager of the baseball team for the ensuing year.

To all Phis who may come to Easton, we extend a cordial invitation to visit the chapter.

H. T. LONG.

Easton, September 28, 1906.

#### PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

The chapter is glad to introduce to the fraternity at large as new brothers in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ : F. L. Chase, Oakland, Ind.; G. E. Hartman, Gettysburg, Pa.; C. B. Kistler, Elliottsburg, Pa.; and G. E. Jacobs, Johnstown, Pa. We have also pledged three more men all of whom we expect to initiate before the next SCROLL is out: M. L. Markell, Meyersdall, Pa.; Levering Tyson, Reading, Pa.; and E. W. Bell, Hamstead, Md.

In regard to the college in general, important additions have been made to the teaching staff in the acquiring of Prof. Chas. F. Sanders as the head of the philosophical department and Prof. Karl Josef Grimm, Ph. D., the chair of German languages and literature.

Prof. Grimm is a German by birth and received his early education in Germany and Canada. Later he took a degree at Heidelberg University. He is a member of several honorary societies among which are the American Oriental Society and the Modern Language Association. Since 1901 he has been professor at Ursinus College.

Prof. Sanders has been studying in Europe for a number of years. He now has the degrees of B. D. and Ph. D. He graduated from the seminary here in '95.

The prospects of the football team seem to be very bright this fall. Gettysburg has played but two games but judging from the results of those games, the season will turn out even better than has been anticipated. The first game of the season was with the University of Western Maryland. The score was 44-0 in our favor. Then we played the University of Pennsylvania to a standstill and tied the game 6-6. Gettysburg scored twice, once in the first half holding the team for downs and forcing the ball back for a safety. The half ended with the score 2-0 in Gettysburg's favor. The university scored a touchdown early in the second half and later Gettysburg kicked a field goal. The students went almost wild over the news and a two-day celebration was held over the victory. While Pennsylvania Beta cannot boast of having any men on the varsity, yet she has several men on the scrub of more than usual ability.

The incoming class is a pretty large one for this place. Eighty-two new men entered, practically all of them in the freshman class. The general run of men in the class is good, many—in fact almost thirty-five per cent.—being fraternity men.

The college authorities have now in process of preparation another edition of the *Pennsylvania College Book*. It is expected to be issued during this year, the seventy-fifth anniversary of the college. It will contain a great deal of information of value to the alumni and is expected to become very popular.

New honors have come to Pennsylvania Beta in the election of one of her men to the teaching staff of the college.

Bro. H. S. Dornberger, '06, is now teaching German and the sciences in the preparatory department.

Bros. Irwin, B. and S. Philson are playing with the Phil-harmonic orchestra which is a town organization.

Irwin and S. Philson have both made the combined musical clubs—Irwin

as the accompanist and S. Philson the mandolin club. Bro. Muhlenberg has been elected assistant treasurer of his class. Pennsylvania Beta now has four men playing in the college orchestra. There are seven of her men on the football squad and two are already out for basketball. Altogether the prospect for athletic men, something in which the chapter has been rather weak for the last few years, seem rather promising.

The chapter regrets to say that Bros. D. and H. Huber have withdrawn from college, as have two of our pledges Mr. Davis and Mr. Hutchins. However, Bro. Paul Singmaster, ex-'07, and Bro. E. M. Faber, ex-'08, have re-entered.

After our pledges have all been initiated Pennsylvania Beta will have sixteen men in the chapter—an extraordinarily large number for here. But they are rather unevenly divided owing partly to the withdrawal of men in certain classes and the entering of other men into other classes than the freshman.

We have been rather fortunate this summer in having a good many This visit us. Bros. Gehring, Kurtz and Reed from Pennsylvania Epsilon were among those who were here more recently.

Pennsylvania Beta is always glad to hear from the alumni and assures them of a cordial welcome any time they may choose to visit us.

Gettysburg, October 3, 1906.

FREDERICK A. MUHLENBERG.

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

College opened on September 12, with the largest attendance and the best prospects in many years. The football team, under the able instruction of Coach Pickarski, has been rounded into fairly good shape for the opening battle October 3, with California Y. M. C. A. Of last year's team only four men including Capt. James are back. But there is plenty of new material and Capt. James and Coach Pickarski, whose services we have been lucky enough to secure for another season, have high hopes of being able to place another winning team on the field. Bro. Newman, formerly of Miami, '07, and Bro. Warren, O. S. U., '07, both of whom entered to affiliate with us, are each day rendering their positions on the team more assured by fine practice. We also expect to be represented by Bro. McClelland at half-back.

Pennsylvania Gamma takes great pleasure in presenting to the fraternity her latest initiates—John Hughey Murdoch, '09, Washington, Pa.; Hugh Nixon O'Neil, '10, Pittsburg, Pa.; William Faucett McCrady, '10, Edgewood Park, Pa., and William Heber Dithrich, '10, Corapolis, Pa. We have also pledged James Bigert, '10, Crafton, Pa., and Z. Hugus, '10, Jeanette, Pa. We have begun the year with an unusually bright outlook having returned 14 of last year's men. We anticipate a very successful year and wish all the other chapters a most profitable rushing season and a prosperous year.

Washington, October 1, 1906.

H. A. DEAN.

#### PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

During the summer "State" suffered an almost irreparable loss by the death of its president, Dr. G. W. Atherton. After twenty-four years of service as chief executive of our college, he died at his home on the campus on Tuesday afternoon, July 24. A bronchial affection which had troubled him for a long time was the immediate cause of his death. He spent months in California in the hope of securing relief, but returned last spring very much worse, and his death became simply a matter of days. For several weeks immediately preceeding commencement he was at the point of death, but

rallied in time to allow the proceedings to be carried out, but his age and the ravages of disease were too much for him, and he sank slowly until his death.

In spite of the constant and untiring efforts of the trustees, no one has been secured to succeed Dr. Atherton. In order that the college may have an executive to guide its affairs General James A. Beaver, president of the board of trustees, has accepted the presidency temporarily. In spite of the many inconveniences and difficulties occasioned by the change in the administration, the present college year bids fair to be a prosperous one under the capable leadership of General Beaver and Dr. Welsh, who has left Bloomsburg Normal to accept the vice-presidency of the college.

A considerable number of changes have been made in the faculty during the past summer. Prof. J. H. Leete, who held the position of registrar, resigned to accept a similar position in the Carnegie Technical Schools. Dr. J. P. Welsh of Bloomsburg State Normal has been elected vice-president and registrar. Dr. F. E. Tuttle, professor of qualitative analysis, has left to assume charge of the chemistry department of Kentucky State College. This vacancy has been filled by Dr. R. I. Smith of Rutgers College, and University of Pennsylvania. Professors Surface of the biology department, and Foss, of the civil engineering department, have been granted a year's leave of absence.

The chapter lost three men by graduation last spring—C. E. Culf, W. R. Fleming and W. Y. Heaton. Seventeen men returned this fall and occupied our new house on the campus. After a very successful rushing season we pledged and initiated six freshmen and one junior, and present to the fraternity the following brothers: Joseph Conlen, Philadelphia, Pa.; R. L. Patterson, Clearfield, Pa.; W. H. Sholenberg, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa.; Frank King, Reynoldsville, Pa.; H. C. Lorenz, Roaring Springs, Pa.; and W. D. Rowe, Philadelphia, of the freshmen class; and E. F. Bainbridge, Philadelphia, of the junior class, who entered this fall from Haverford College.

Bro. L. W. Cooper, '05, was here for commencement last spring and Bros. H. R. Geib, '05, H. K. Dinelow, ex-'07, and F. V. McConkey, ex-'08, spent some time with us this fall.

RAYMOND SWENK.

State College, September 24, 1906.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The University of Pennsylvania commenced its one hundred and sixty-seventh year on September 28 with a total enrollment of 4,000 students, a large increase over last year's figures. The engineering building which has just been completed at a cost of \$800,000, will be dedicated on October 19. Another dormitory, known as the Coxe House, has been built, making the total dormitory accommodations seven hundred and fifty. The new building of the department of veterinary medicine is being constructed at a cost of \$300,000 and will be the finest structure of its kind in the world.

Pennsylvania Zeta returned twenty-five men this fall including Bro. York who, after spending last winter working on the Panama Canal, has returned to continue his course in electrical engineering. At present we have only four men pledged, but the rushing season has only commenced and we will add several names to our list in the next few weeks.

We are pleased to announce that Bro. Alfred T. Kreimer, Ohio Theta, and Bro. William Henry Hobbs, Pennsylvania Gamma, have entered the university this fall.

Bros. Takaki, '08, C., and Rogers, '09, C., are out for the varsity football team and it is likely that one or both of them will make good, but Bro. Takaki who had his leg broken in practice last year has a weak heart and

may have to give up football again this season. Bro. Sawyer is secretary of the senior class. Bro. Gardiner is on the senior class freshman reception committee. Bro. Hendrie is rowing on the junior crew. Bro. Rogers is one of three nominees for president of the sophomore class.

Ten names are missing from our chapter roll this fall including those of Bros. W. G. Gardiner, Jr., '06, M., H. L. Appleton, '06, C., J. W. Hardt, '06, C., and R. M. Hobbs, '06, C., who graduated last June. Bro. Gardiner is resident physician in the Western Pennsylvania Hospital at Pittsburg. Bro. Appleton has gone into the hardware business with his father. Bro. Hardt, who was very ill during this summer, has recovered and is now assisting his father as bank examiner. Bro. Hobbs is with the architectural firm of Frost & Granger in Chicago. Bro. A. R. Ludlow, '06, C., is in business with his father. Bros. J. G. Hendrie, '06, C., and A. S. Conway, '06, C., are still enjoying their vacation. Bro. Z. T. Hall, Jr., '08, C., is working for his father. Bro. J. Y. Huber, Jr., '09, C., is with the Keebler-Weyl Baking Company. Bro. A. B. Mills, '09, C., expects to go into business this month.

The chapter has enjoyed visits from Bros. Conway MacMillan, Nebraska Alpha, '85, and Knox, Massachusetts Alpha, '06, and it is a pleasure to know that they are going to reside in Philadelphia. Bro. MacMillan who was president of Zeta Province and has contributed two songs to the song book, has gone into the advertising business with N. W. Ayer & Son, while Bro. Knox is with H. K. Mulford Company, pharmaceutical chemists.

All the rooms in the house are taken and having just had the floors done up it makes a very good appearance for the rushing season. During the summer our cement pavement fund started by Baron Takaki was almost doubled by some of our generous alumni brothers and the long wished for pavement is now being laid.

The chapter is looking forward with pleasure to the national convention and hopes to go to Washington in a body, and there many friendships renew and new ones form with brother Phis. To all chapters we extend our best wishes for a most prosperous year, and hope that any brothers visiting Philadelphia will call on us at our chapter house, 3400 Walnut Street.

Philadelphia, October 6, 1906.

MALCOLM I. DAVIS.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

The re-opening of college this fall found the majority of the brothers of last year with us again, in good spirits and with the intention of spending another year of hard work at Lehigh. We greatly miss Bros. Dougherty, Singer, and Wallace, who graduated last year. Bro. Stein has entered Purdue University and Bro. Stiles is attending college at the University of Pennsylvania. Bro. Cosgrove has entered Pennsylvania State College and Bro. Pierce is employed as a civil engineer in Wilkinsburg, Pa.

The freshman class this fall is unusually large and contains some very good fraternity material. On October 6, we initiated five men and we take great pleasure in introducing Bros. H. M. Simpson, '10, C. R. Dunn, '10, R. K. Stritzinger, '10, G. A. McWilliams, '10, and W. A. Maeder, '09. Bro. Flippen, '10, has affiliated with us from Virginia Gamma.

Lehigh's football prospects are somewhat better than last year's, notwithstanding the fact that she is represented almost entirely by a new team. We defeated Albright and George Washington and lost to Pennsylvania. A hard schedule is ahead of the team and Coach Dickson is putting them through hard practice every day.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the gridiron by Bro. Simpson.

Owing to the approaching Founders Day sports between the freshman and

sophomore classes, the class teams have been practicing daily. Bro. Dunn is captain of the freshman track team, Bro. Flippen is out for baseball and Bro. Simpson for football.

Bro. Lafferrander has been elected president of the chemical society and Bro. Coyle treasurer of the same. Bro. Smith, president of the junior class, has been appointed by the senior president on the Founders Day hop and hustling committee, while Bro. Haust has been appointed cheer leader.

Since the opening of college we have had the pleasure of entertaining Bros. DeWitt and Long of Pennsylvania Alpha, Bro. Prugh of Ohio Alpha, and Bros. Singer, '06, Wallace, '06, McCleary, Blazer and Smith, ex-'07, Bros. Cosgrove, ex-'09 and Orth, '04.

J. M. FAIR.

South Bethlehem, October 8, 1906.

## BETA PROVINCE.

### VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

President Alderman's statement at the opening convocation of the 82nd academic year on September 29 showed an enrollment of 741 students in all the departments of the university with many new matriculates coming in each day. Certainly this opening is the most propitious in the history of the institution.

Recent additions to the faculty include, among others: professor of economics, Dr. Thomas Walker Page, of the University of California; professor of pathology, Dr. Charles H. Bunting, of John Hopkins University; professor of logic and psychology, Dr. Bruce R. Payne, of William and Mary College; associate professor of biblical history and literature, Dr. W. M. Forrest, of the University of Chicago, and adjunct professors, Dr. Charles M. Byrnes of the University of North Carolina; Llewellyn G. Hoxton of John Hopkins University, and Edwin B. Setzler, recently of Newberry College, S. C. Two other full professors are to be added to the medical department during the year.

Virginia Beta returned thirteen of last year's chapter and affiliates bring the total active chapter to sixteen. The affiliates are W. S. Mudd, Alabama Alpha, '06; F. N. Harrison, Virginia Zeta, '09, and H. E. Tincher, Indiana Delta, '03. So far we have succeeded in pledging three new men and shall probably have other initiates.

Quite a stride in the direction of a chapter house was taken recently when after great difficulty, an option was secured on the last desirable lot in the vicinity of the university. The lot 75x172 overlooks the tennis courts and the road leading to the athletic field. The location is ideal but in order to secure the property it will be necessary to raise \$8,000 before October 20. Letters have been written to all the alumni of the chapter soliciting funds and a most energetic effort is being made to secure a home for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at Virginia.

The chapter recently had a most pleasant visit from Bro. H. S. Watson, province president, and also from Bros. Haskell and Williams, who were with us last year.

T. DWIGHT SLOAN.

Charlottesville, October 2, 1906.

### VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

Randolph-Macon opened this year with an unusually large attendance. There is a new professor of biology this year. Dr. H. S. Conard, the man elected for the place did not come, and in his stead Dr. J. F. McLendon,

from the University of Pennsylvania and of the University of Texas, was chosen. The new dormitory given to the college by Mr. Jno. P. Branch of Richmond was finished in June just at commencement. It is a magnificent building and has been a drawing card for the new students this year. Every room in it is occupied. It has all the modern conveniences, including both gas and electric lights.

There is a very good prospect for the football team this year. Several of the old men are back, and there is plenty of good new material, which we expect to turn into a fine team under the efficient coaching of Mr. F. H. Eastman a former Dartmouth star. The LaCrosse team is also out for practice again and we have several representatives on the team.

Virginia Gamma returned seven men this year, having lost but two from last year, Bros. H. M. Brent and J. P. Flippen. Bro. Brent is teaching at his home in Heathsville, Va., and Bro. Flippen has gone to Lehigh to take a course in electrical engineering.

Virginia Gamma has her full share of honors this year. Bro. Chenery is president of the general athletic association, member of the monthly board, instructor in astronomy and physics. Bro. T. M. Harris is treasurer of the general athletic association, member of the monthly board, president of the senior class, instructor in Latin, president of Franklin literary society.

We have taken in two men and have two more pledged. We take great pleasure in presenting to the general fraternity Bros. A. C. Bowlus and F. D'Este Jamesson, both of the class of 1910. We had a visit from Bro. Jno. W. Carter, Jr., Virginia Gamma, '04, at the time of the initiation. He reports that an effort is being made to found an alumni chapter in Danville, Va. We expect to have the best chapter that has ever been here in the history of the college this year. Any and all Phis will receive a hearty welcome from Virginia Gamma.

W. P. REED.

Ashland, September 26, 1906.

#### VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

The 157th session of the university began September 13 with what promises to be the most successful year in the history of the institution.

At the present date the total number of matriculates is 405 and from all indications the enrollment will exceed the high-water mark of 411 reached in the last year of Gen. Lee's administration.

A new department, the school of commerce, has been established with Dr. Henry Parker Willis at its head.

Some time ago President Denny obtained from Mr. Andrew Carnegie a donation of \$50,000 for the construction of a library building upon the condition that the university would secure an endowment of a like amount for its maintenance. Practically all of this has been secured and it is expected that active work of construction will be begun this autumn.

Along with this advancement there is a manifest increase of interest in athletics. The football team is one of the strongest and fastest that Washington and Lee has ever put upon the stadium. The management of the team has secured the services of R. R. Brown, of Dartmouth, as coach. Games have been arranged with the following institutions. Georgetown, Randolph-Macon, George Washington, St. Johns, A. and M. of N. Carolina, and the University of Maryland. Our chapter as usual will be well represented.

Under the management of Dr. Bitzer the track team has steadily improved in strength and is now able to compete with most of the southern colleges. Randolph-Macon was defeated by Washington and Lee in the track meet at



Lynchburg, Va., last spring. The winter practice has already begun and the prospects are very flattering.

In view of the fact that only four of last year's chapter returned at the beginning of the present session, Virginia Zeta succeeded in pledging five "goats," who, we are sure, will do credit to the chapter. We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. Joe Steele Campbell, Lexington, Va.; William Currell Vance, Newark, N. J.; Joseph L. Lykes, Tampa, Fla.; Abram Douglas Somerville, Greenville, Miss.; Leon Vernon Larsen, Nashville, Tenn.

Last year Washington and Lee experienced an impetus in the direction of the introduction of new fraternities, three organizing chapters here. They are A T  $\Omega$ ,  $\Sigma \Phi \Theta$  and  $\Delta \Sigma \Phi$ . The first named was established here in 1865, but became extinct in 1899.

LEON VERNON LARSEN.

Lexington, Oct. 3, 1906.

### GAMMA PROVINCE.

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

College opened on September the twelfth with a good attendance. The increase in the number of students over last year possibly did not come up to the expectations of some. This, however, must be taken as a sign of progression rather than of regression. The scholastic requirements have been raised in every way, making it much harder to get in, and very much harder to get out of college. However, we have the satisfaction and consolation of knowing that our courses of studies are in every respect on a par with those of the best eastern colleges, and that our graduates, from a standpoint of training, are equal to those of any similar institution in the country, and that they are recognized as such.

The increase in the work and the development and extension of our various departments make necessary greater facilities. As a consequence, we are to have some new buildings. These buildings have been promised so long that we are inclined to look upon them as myths rather than as real, live possibilities, but it is now a certainty that they will soon be erected. Provisions, plans and specifications have been completed for a new hall of science: work will commence on it in a few months and it will be ready for occupancy by next September. A new dormitory and library will soon follow.

The faculty is practically the same as last year. Prof. Evans, teacher of public speaking, has resigned; no one as yet has been named for his place. A few assistants have been chosen for the various departments. We were very fortunate in these selections. Bro. Starling is assisting Dr. Blaney in the modern language course, and Bro. English is assisting Prof. Fulton in the department of English.

The percentage of fraternity material was a little lower than usual this year. We were exceedingly successful, however, in rushing, and had the pleasure of initiating six men into the mysteries of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . We are glad to introduce to the fraternity Bros. Rose, Hudson, Lynn, Woodford, St. Clair and Schoenuncy. These are quite an addition to the eleven men that we returned and we now have a characteristically strong and congenial chapter. We are pleased to note in passing that the rushing season in general was characterized by more conservatism than ever before. It will be remembered that last year a persistent effort was made to organize a pan-hellenic council in which there would be a mutual agreement among the fraternities here that no man would be rushed, spiked or pledged for a certain length

of time. On account of one or two timid fraternities the effort failed, but its advocates made such an impression on fraternity circles that nearly every fraternity has been more cautious and particular in rushing men than heretofore. The good results are already splendidly apparent. We are for conservatism locally and nationally.

The outlook in football is very encouraging. Eight of last year's veterans have come back and we have quite a number of new men that give promise of making good. Coach Johnson who did such good work for us last year has the team in charge again this year and is rapidly rounding the men into shape. The season opens today when we play Kentucky Military Institute. We are confident of an easy victory.

Our fraternity will be well represented in all college organizations this year. Bro. Boyd is president of the junior class, and of the Deinologian literary society, and assistant manager of the college publication the *Cento*. Bro. Bennett is president and Bro. Triplett vice-president of the senior law class. Bro. Andery is on the reportorial staff of the *Cento*. Bro. Andrews is secretary and treasurer of the junior class.

Bro. English is president of the Y. M. C. A., manager of the *Cento*, and historian of the senior class.

We unite in cordial greetings to our brothers in the Bond of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Dauville, September 29, 1906.

LOGAN B. ENGLISH.

#### KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

College opened September 13 with an increase in attendance of about twenty per cent. over that of last year, which is very encouraging to the college officials, who expect to make this a banner year.

There have been several important changes in the faculty since last June. Prof. Tuttle has been installed as dean of the chemistry department to succeed Prof. Palmer, who resigned to accept a government position. Prof. Tuttle comes to Kentucky State from Pennsylvania State College where he has been engaged in this line of work for the past fifteen years. He is very highly recommended and we feel very much flattered in getting such a man. He has as his assistant Prof. Maxton who also is very highly recommended. Under the guidance of these two able men their departments should become one of the foremost in the college.

Prof. W. E. Rowe has succeeded Prof. J. P. Brooks, B  $\Theta$  II, as dean of the civil engineering department. Prof. Brooks goes to the University of Illinois to accept a similar position. It was with regret that we gave him up. Prof. Rowe comes from the University of Oklahoma, where he has been teaching for the past year.

Prof. John Faig resigned as professor of machine designing, to accept the chair of mechanical engineering at the University of Cincinnati. He was succeeded by Prof. Leoin Frankel, II K A.

Prof. Werniche resigned from the chair of modern languages to accept the chair of higher mathematics at Washington University. He was succeeded by Prof. Zembrod, II K A, who held a similar chair at Kentucky University.

Last June Andrew Carnegie gave to the college \$20,000 for a library. Work for this building will begin this fall and we expect it to be finished by commencement.

Mechanical hall has been enlarged and this will greatly benefit that department.

The chapter returned nine men this fall, namely: Bros. Wilson, Spears, McFurim, Shanklin, Waller, Stout, Barber, McDowell and Watson. This

will give us a good start with the several men we have pledged. No one has been taken in as yet but we have not lost a single man that we have spiked.

We have given up our chapter house this year on account of not being able to find a suitable location. There is not a single chapter house at Kentucky State this year. We have rented three rooms in the Security Trust Co. building where we will hold forth for the coming year. We expect to go into a house next year if one can be found.

Kentucky Epsilon extends a cordial invitation to all Phis who may be in Lexington at any time to come around to our rooms, No. 607 Security Trust Co. Building, where they will be cordially received.

Lexington, September 25, 1906.

JAMES S. WATSON.

#### **TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.**

The year upon which Vanderbilt has just entered promises to be one of the best in the history of the university. College Hall is rapidly nearing completion and classes have already begun to assemble in it. The chapel is larger and much more beautiful than it was formerly. Furman Hall will be ready for occupancy about the middle of January. It will be the finest laboratory building in the south.

The football outlook is much better than was at first supposed. While five men of last year's varsity did not return to college this fall, still, other good men have come to take their places. We are confident that the team of this year will be almost, if not fully, the equal of the great team of last year.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  generally has her share of men on the team, but this will be a banner year. Bro. Thompson, assistant manager last year, is manager this year. Bros. Manier, Prichard and Ed Noel are sure of places. Bro. Oscar Noel, who did such excellent work in the Sewanee and Michigan games last year, is back in college and it is more than likely that he will begin playing with the team some time in October. Bro. Hall was on the squad last year and is now having a "try out" for quarter.

The spiking season has come to an end and we have initiated the following men: Morton B. Adams, William P. Cooper, Malone Baskerville, Lee Douglas, Edwin T. Noel, Ben E. Tate, Varnell Tate, John H. Noel, John C. Carter, all of Nashville, Tenn.; Joseph G. Prichard, Baird, Miss.; Cecil D. Gaston, Birmingham, Ala.; Ira D. Smith, Hopkinsville, Ky.

Bro. Cullum is editor-in-chief of the *Observer* for this year and Bro. Howell is president of the glee club.

There is unusual activity among all the fraternities at Vanderbilt. The  $\Delta \kappa \epsilon$ 's are building a new house which is to cost about \$9,000. The  $\beta \theta \Pi$ 's have also begun work on a new house. We have plans on foot by which we hope to erect a house early next fall. Realizing that it is of the highest importance that we build a house that is not only consistent with the high standard of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at Vanderbilt, but also one that will eclipse any other fraternity house that may be built here for years to come, we have been very careful to have our plans well formulated, and all arrangements completed before beginning actual work. The entire chapter is in the work heart and soul, and the alumni are doing everything to assist us.

Nashville, September 30, 1906.

MALCOLM POAGE.

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

On September 20 the university entered upon its third term of the year, not, however, after a three months vacation, as is the custom of other institutions, but a three months course within which we coped with professors.



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and summer girls; the latter, seemingly, proving the better tutors, as they registered few class skips against those who took the special courses.

During the summer term Tennessee Beta entertained several times with informal dances at the chapter house and Miss Hodgson, one of our loyal supporters, entertained the chapter recently with a banquet at her home.

Sewanee's prospects for a football team are rather encouraging; as yet, we have only played one game, that being with the strong eleven from Mooney, whom we defeated 24 to 0. Tennessee Beta is represented by Bro. Geo. Watkins, (captain), Stone and Kirby Smith. Bro. Watkins is also proctor of the university, president of the law club and member of the executive committee. Bro. Stone, besides being on the football team, is president of the athletic association and a member of the executive committee. Bro. Mitchell is our third member of the executive committee, and is on the *Purple* staff. Bro. Spearing is business manager of the *Purple*, president of  $\Pi T$  literary society and on the staff of the magazine. Bro. Gass is editor-in-chief of the magazine and Bro. Brown is editor-in-chief of the *Cap and Gown*, our annual, and bids fair to make a success of it. It will make its appearance in 1907. Bros. Mitchell, Spearing, Gass and Shelton are members of Chelidon and Bros. Clark, Brown, Meade and Lockhart are members of Phradian, both of which are senior speaking societies. Six of the medals given this year were won by Phis. Bro. Beckwith captured three, Bro. H. Gass two, and Bro. J. Gass one.

The university is contemplating the erection of several new buildings and is now engaged remodeling and beautifying the campus. Although it seems as if the university is in very prosperous condition, yet they mourn the loss of one of the charter members of the board of trustees, the last link on the old chain of founders, and an esteemed admirer of Sewanee, Maj. George H. Fairbanks, who died in his home here at Sewanee, August 2.

On October 31 we expect to break ground for our new \$12,000 chapter house. The stone is being hauled and the contract has been let to a New York firm. In the next SCROLL we hope to have a cut of same, which is to be of gray sandstone, with a central tower rising above three wings. The building to follow the Oxford style of architecture. We hope to occupy same about March 20 of next year.

Tennessee Beta at this writing has twenty-four men and our future is assured. We are well represented in society, athletics and in a literary way and in every activity and department of the university. Tennessee Beta takes pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bro. Beckwith, of Alabama, Bro. Camp, of Missouri and Bro. John Gass, of Tennessee. We also have with us affiliates from Alabama Bros. Monroe Lanier and Lester Snow.

Sewanee, September 30, 1906.

GEORGE L. WATKINS.

## DELTA PROVINCE.

### OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The university opened September 18 with a larger attendance than ever before, and everything points to a year of prosperity.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will keep pace with the tide of success. Although we lost nine men—six by graduation—twenty men have returned and the prospects for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  were never brighter. Five of the best men in the freshman class have been pledged—Herbert Geist, Cleveland, Ohio; H. C. Kirkbride, Findlay, O.; Floyd Charles Lucas, E. F. Pennywitt, Manchester, O.; R. W. Craig, Upland, Indiana.

The Big Six rules barring freshmen will seriously affect the strength of college football teams and Wesleyan receives her share of weakening. Nev-

ertheless a large squad has been hard at work under Physical Director Page and Bro. Rardin, ex-captain '04. Branch Rickey, the well known coach, takes charge of the team October 1, and a team is expected to be turned out that will make a respectable showing in the Big Six.

Φ Δ Θ will be represented by Bro. Dean, full back, Bro. Stroup, half back, and Bro. Cameron, quarterback.

Bro. Dean is president of the athletic association and assistant in geology. Bro. Prout, '06, has been elected instructor of history in the university.

Delaware, October 1, 1906.

C. E. WEBB.

#### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

At the opening of the fall term, Ohio Gamma finds itself with thirteen men of her last year's chapter answering to the roll call.

We have rented a new house for this year and it is a great improvement over the one of last year, having a much better location, and also being a new house.

Of course football is now engrossing the attention of all the students and from present indications we will have at the least five Phis playing regular positions on the team. We have a new coach this year and he and Bro. Wood (captain) are whipping the team into fine shape.

We won from West Virginia university by a score of 9 to 6. They beat us last year 28 to 0, and these respective scores show the improvement and strength of the team.

The proposed wings of the new normal building are now being built and these will greatly improve the looks of the now handsome building.

The grounds for the erection of the \$70,000, dormitory for ladies have been surveyed and the work will begin at once.

We recently initiated and now introduce to the fraternity William Wyatt Connell and Samuel Lyons Warren of Athens, Ohio; Vernon LeRoy of Chagrin Falls; David Howell Lindley of Hamilton, George Bondurant and Tracy Sharp of Lucasville.

The addition of these fine brothers brings the number of active Phis up to eighteen.

On September 22, Ohio Gamma gave a reception at her new house. Many of the alumni were present and about twenty-five ladies. The guests were entertained by cards and light refreshments were served.

Everybody was delighted with the appearance of the house and expressed a hearty good will for the success of the chapter.

Bro. Guy Dolphus Miller who graduated last year has accepted a fine position as professor of mathematics in the Piqua high school and from the latest reports was enjoying unbounded success.

As the principal leaders of the anti-fraternity element did not come back this year, there will not be so much opposition and the fraternities will not be pestered as they were last year.

GEO. G. THOMAS.

Athens, October 1, 1906.

#### OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

The first joint commencement exercises of all the departments of the university was held at Music Hall last June. President Dabney delivered the opening address. Governor J. Frank Hanley of Indiana was the principal speaker. His subject was: "Be a commoner! Be a man!" His main thoughts: "You must possess every attribute of manhood, physical, mental and moral. Help to preserve the right of every individual to an equal

chance to a 'square deal.' Wage war against the abuse of wealth and the corrupt practices of incorporated capital." Then the degrees were conferred on 145 candidates from the several departments, among them Bro. Alfred Kreimer.

At the alumni banquet Bro. Edw. W. Pflueger delivered a very creditable address, urging that debating be placed upon an equal footing with athletics in the category of university affairs. Bro. Will Fillmore was elected member of the Settlement Board.

President Dabney is very hopeful as to the outlook for the university. Until now the annual expenses of the university exceeded the appropriations \$10,000 which had to be raised by private subscriptions. The last legislature authorized an increased tax levee, which gives the university \$47,000 more. This will permit an enlarged faculty, improved buildings, several new departments and even the long talked of dormitories.

The cooperative book store closed its second year very profitably. It has done a splendid business, so that it could declare a one hundred per cent dividend. It will increase its capital stock from \$300 to \$600 as the stock of books, stationery, etc., should be enlarged.

In the last semester a debating association was organized. Bros. E. W. Pflueger and C. A. Schroetter represented the chapter in same.

Bros. Scott Bonham, president of our alumni club, and Guido Gores were in attendance at the jubilee convention of the National Republican League at Philadelphia. The former was Ohio's candidate for the national presidency.

The prospects for athletics for this year are very bright. Mr. John A. Davis of Columbia University has been appointed athletic director. Advanced gymnastic training will be given the year around. Foley, the able captain of last year, has been employed as coach for the football team. Bros. Ackerson, Adams, Crosley, and C. A. Schroetter are trying for the team.

Bro. Jefferson D. Dickerson left us for Ohio State. Bro. Alfred Kreimer, '06, took up studies at the University of Pennsylvania.

The chapter has been very successful in securing honor for the new scholastic year. Bro. Leon Peaslee was elected treasurer and Bro. C. A. Schroetter chairman of the executive committee for the senior class. Bro. D. Hayward Ackerson was elected president of the sophomore class.

Bro. Edwin M. Adams, the star of last year, was chosen captain of the football team of this year, and Bro. Norman B. Conway as captain of the basketball team. Our prospects for the year are encouraging.

Cincinnati, October 5, 1906.

C. ALBERT SCHROETTER.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

For the sixty-ninth time Michigan has received a freshmen class and this one is considered to be the largest so far, swelling the total number of students to nearly 5,000.

Michigan Alpha graduated fourteen members last June and we certainly feel the loss of so many wise and jolly old seniors, but eighteen men have returned and after an unusually strenuous rushing season we are congratulating ourselves on being able to present the following pledges: William S. French, Three Rivers, Mich.; William O. Cochrane, of New York City; Lee Smith, Amsterdam, N. Y.; Thomas J. Daniels, E. St. Louis, Ill.; Karl McCormick Scott, Connellsville, Pa.; Albert J. Wohlgenuth, Cincinnati, Ohio; Robert Anderson, Dayton, Ohio; George Smith, Evansville, Ind.; Robert Dulin, Denver, Colo.

We take this opportunity to thank brother Phis for their invaluable assis-

tance in writing us regarding their friends who just entered the university, as without it we would have had a hard row to hoe.

So far football excitement has not been nearly as great as in former years owing to the lateness of starting training and the few scheduled games, but if the team is not as strong as in former years we know that it will be do or die when it plays Pennsylvania at Philadelphia.

Michigan had the greatest track team in its history as was shown by its magnificent work in the great Philadelphia invitation meet and the western conference, which it won by an unusually large margin. Bros. French and Curtis were sharers in the honors.

In place of the usual hair cutting stunts between the sophs and the freshies a series of new contests were gotten up to show who was who and for once the green ones proved the better. Great enthusiasm was displayed during the tug of war across the Huron River, the push ball contest, the obstacle relay race and the placing of the freshman rock on the campus.

Once more we are settled down to work and ready to welcome Phis with open arms.

GEORGE H. BRISTOL.

Ann Arbor, September 30, 1906.

### EPSILON PROVINCE.

#### INDIANA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA.

The opening of the college year finds our chapter in excellent condition. Fifteen men have returned including one pledge and Bro. Paul Christian affiliating from Indiana Gamma.

Bros. C. L. Hornaday and C. O. Gamble, after an absence of two years, also Bro. Albert Free being out one year, have returned to resume work in the university.

Indiana Alpha was unfortunate in losing seven men last year, three by graduation, and Bros. Lowrie, Aronson, Halderman and Cassidy, who did not return.

We have rented a house near the college and can now devote more attention to the building of a chapter house. Present indications assure us a house for next year, as the present funds are sufficient for its erection.

Indiana has bright prospects for a successful football season, there being nine old players back—Bro. Tighe plays right half and Bro. J. B. Williamson is making a strong showing for end.

We take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bros. Wade La Rue, '09, Rensselaer, Ind.; R. C. Beeler, Charlestown, Ind.; W. E. Sexton, Shelbyville, Ind.; A. G. W. Curdes, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; E. G. Donaldson, Warsaw, Ind.

We extend a cordial invitation for all visiting Phis to stay with us while in the city.

WALTER KEMP.

Bloomington, October 4, 1906.

#### INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

The rushing season at Wabash this fall was the most strenuous in years. Plenty of good material came in with the new class. The results of the rushing shows hard work on the part of the frats during the summer. B Θ Π and Δ T Δ have both rented houses. Φ Δ Θ and Φ Γ Δ own their houses. K Σ is the only frat. here not housed. We have done some improving on the interior of our house.

Indiana Beta returned sixteen men. We graduated six and two failed to



return. Bro. Smith, '06 received a scholarship in Illinois University in economics; Bro. Zimmerman, '06, was made assistant in chemistry at Minnesota University; Bro. Ruth, '06, was given a fellowship in chemistry in Ohio State University; Bro. Boulton, '06, is with the Oliver Chilled Plow Company, of South Bend; Bro. Edwards, '06, is teaching history in the Madison, Ind., high school, and Bro. Ashby, '06, is in the real estate business in Indianapolis. Bros. Smith and Zimmerman were elected members of  $\Phi$  B K. Bro. Beaty, '07, is with the Home Telephone Co. in Indianapolis; and Bro. Gwyn, '04, is in Oklahoma. We have five seniors, two juniors, eight sophomores and one freshman active, and one sophomore and five freshmen pledged. They are C. F. Merrell, of Crawfordsville; F. F. Hardman, of Rensselaer, Ind.; Philip West of Chicago Heights, Ill.; H. McCulloch, of New Albany, Ind.; F. L. Allison of Indianapolis, and T. H. Blair, of Hammond, Ind.

Dr. Kane, our president, has been very ill during the summer but we are glad to say that he has so improved in health that he is able to take charge of the college again.

Mr. Dörner, of Purdue, succeeds Mr. Record as assistant in botany and Prof. Whitham has charge of the physics department.  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  is represented on the faculty by Bro. J. B. Gainer, chemistry, Bro. F. M. Cayon, director of athletics and Bro. S. E. Fleming, prep. history.

The football prospects are good; a large squad has responded to the call. Bro. Miller, quarterback, and Bro. Gipe, right tackle, are two of last year's mainstays. Bros. Sohl, Stiers and Burkett and Mr. Blair are showing up well.

On September 18 we gave a stag to introduce our new men to the alumni of the city and on the 21st we had a dance in honor of the pledges at the Masonic Temple.

Our doors are always open to Phis and we will be glad to see any who may visit in or pass through Crawfordsville.

M. S. LEAMING.

Crawfordsville, September 24, 1906.

#### INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER COLLEGE.

The prospects of Butler were never brighter. When college opened, September 25, an exceedingly large and enthusiastic class of freshmen was enrolled. Ex-president Butler has resumed control of college affairs, succeeding President Garrison, who, because of serious illness, was forced to resign. Prof. Kenyon, of Harvard, has succeeded Prof. W. D. Howe, who was called to Indiana University to take charge of the department of English literature. Prof. Paine of Brown University succeeds Prof. Demarcus Brown in the chair of Greek. The chair of oratory and debate has been filled by Prof. Holdman of Michigan.

Indiana Gamma returned seven men at the opening of college. Bros. Frank B. Davenport, James L. Murray, Lawrence Freeman, Paul W. Weer, Frederick T. Davenport, Layman D. Kingsbury and W. Edward Fitzgerald. The last three men, whom the chapter initiated just before the close of the session we have pleasure in presenting to the  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  brotherhood for the first time. The Butler fraternities are in the midst of the rushing season, and although the number of men worthy of  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  is limited, Indiana Gamma expects to materially strengthen her chapter. The chapter has sustained a loss in Bros. Robert H. Egbert and John K. Kingsbury, who graduated at last commencement. They are now attending the school of medicine of Purdue University in this city.

Bros. John Kingsbury and Paul Weer won honors for Butler, at the state

tennis tournament held on the Butler campus June 1 and 2. They won the state "doubles" championship; and Bro. Kingsbury lost in the final singles to Bro. Oldfather of Hanover. Bro. Frank Davenport is the manager of the *Butler Collegian* this year and he is also assistant in the biology department.

Butler will participate in no intercollegiate athletics this year, except tennis; therefore much interest is being aroused in fraternity games. Four football teams are being organized, two of which will play the English "locker" game, under the direction of Prof. Moore, who has played it in the English schools.

$\Sigma \Delta \Theta$ , a local sorority, has just been granted a charter by the grand council of K A  $\Theta$ .  $\Sigma \Delta \Theta$  organized two years ago with a membership of ten, and since that time has taken in several new members. Fourteen girls returned this fall and have taken up the work of the new chapter.

The number of members of the various fraternities and sororities who returned this fall is as follows:  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 7;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 5;  $\Sigma X$ , 2; K A  $\Theta$ , 14; K K  $\Gamma$ , 12;  $\Pi B \Phi$ , 10.

Payments on subscriptions to our chapter house fund are now coming in, and we will give full particulars regarding the location of our lot, building plans, etc., in our next letter to THE SCROLL.

P. W. WEER.

Irvington, October 3, 1906.

#### INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

The most promising outlook for Franklin College this year surpassed anything known to the college before and as a result prospects were brighter than ever for Indiana Delta.

Pursuing our usual rushing policy we came to the end successful and victorious over our competitors and as a result take great pleasure in introducing to our alumni the following brothers: Julian Bryan, Clifton Walling, Donald Hannahman, Gerald Marshall, Ralph Webb, Warren Hall and Harry Lockry, of Franklin, and Ray Douaker, of Columbus, Ind. In these we find excellent material for brightening the prospects of the fraternity, each having splendid environments and ambitions.

In athletics, especially, we have a number of men who will make the team. Among those who are contesting are Bros. Bryan, Douglas, Marshall, Hall, Overstreet and Douaker. The outlook is splendid and the students are looking forward to a good, winning football team this fall.

We as brothers look forward to the coming convention to be held at Washington soon and quite a few will accompany our representative, Bro. Earl W. Crecraft to the convention.

Several of the brothers will take part in the literary society and debating team which we hope will do excellent work this fall.

We hope in our next letter to report better conditions and better prospects for future as well as present successes at Indiana Delta and extend a hearty welcome to all Brother Phis when in or near the city and college.

Franklin, September 26, 1906.

MERLE J. ABBETT.

#### INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

Hanover opened September 19 with her usual number of new students and two new professors, Prof. Boyd, mathematics, and Prof. Campbell, Greek. Indiana Epsilon lost four men last spring—Bros. Hartman, McLeland, Oldfather, and DuShane, all of the class of '06. Blue and white was the predominating color at commencement last spring. Bro. Hartman was vale-

dictorian and winner of the Shelby science medal. Bros. Oldfather, McLelland and DuShane were also speakers. Bro. Hunter, '02, was toastmaster at the alumni banquet. Bros. Swing, '76, and Harris were given the degree of L.L. D.

In the inter-fraternity tennis tournament Bros. McLelland and Oldfather won the cup. They also represented the college up state, winning both singles and doubles in the minor league, and Bro. Oldfather came out state champion in the major league.

Great interest is being shown in football this fall and Hanover promises a fast, though light team. Bros. Gore (captain), Newlin, Carturel, D. Reynolds, with E. Reynolds, McDill and Sellich (pledges), represent  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on the field. Spiking season is now on and Indiana Epsilon expects to report her share next letter.

M. B. GORE.

Hanover, September 29, 1906.

#### INDIANA ZETA, DEPAUW UNIVERSITY.

The opening of the college year 1906-7 finds DePauw in an unusually prosperous condition. There is a material increase over last year's enrollment and contrary to previous years the boys of the freshman class outnumber the girls. This latter fact is a very significant one, since it means a better showing for the university in the phases which tend to make it more popular.

Very few changes have been made in the faculty. Many improvements have been made on the buildings and grounds which add much to their beauty and convenience. But most encouraging of all a \$100,000 Carnegie library is to be erected on the southeast corner of the east campus. The plans and specifications have all been drawn and it is a matter of only a short time until the building will be under the process of construction. A plan has also been launched by which we are assured of a Y. M. C. A. building, fitted with all the modern equipments.

The football outlook is flattering indeed. We have with us again our trusted coach, O. H. Luck, of Leland Stanford, who is an enthusiastic and diligent worker. The changes in the rules which are favorable to the light teams, coupled with the efforts of this energetic coach make the outlook unusually bright. We are represented on the team by Bros. Chas. Jewett (Capt), Chester Lawrence, Neal Grider and Denis Grady.

Indiana Zeta began this college year with nineteen old men back and entered the "spike" with vim and as a result we feel that she has carried off the laurels. As a result of which we are glad to introduce to the fraternity the following men, each of whom was honored by a hard spike by the leading fraternities: Denis H. Grady, Lafayette, Ind.; Roy Milliken, Monrovia, Ind.; Chester Lawrence, Moorsville, Ind.; George Cannon, Greencastle, Ind.; William Webster Raub, Danville, Ill., and Lawrence Birch, Robinson, Ill.

With the chapter in its present prosperous condition we have as our chief object this year the building of a new chapter house. Though we are very comfortably housed yet we see that the chapter which does not own its own house will be somewhat handicapped in the spike next year. At present  $\Phi K \Psi$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$ , and  $\Delta T$  own their own houses and  $\Sigma X$  will probably build this year. Our chapter house fund is steadily growing, quite a large sum of it being subscribed by the active chapter and with some further consideration from the alumni of the chapter we hope to be able in the near future to meet our rivals in our own home.

Greencastle, October 5, 1906.

VERE BATZNER.

## INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

The first semester of Purdue for the year 1906-07 opened September 12, but many days before this the students came pouring in from all over the country, making a record-breaking enrollment. The actual number of freshmen who have matriculated is 515, and the total enrollment this year in Purdue University will approximate 2,200, practically all of whom are males.

Work began immediately in the new civil engineering building which was completed during the summer. The addition to the electrical engineering building is almost ready for occupancy, and in it will be installed a fully equipped interurban car, mounted on the same principle as "Schnectady No. 2," Purdue's famous locomotive. This with the course in telephony, installed several years ago, and now greatly perfected, makes Purdue's course in electrical engineering second to none in the country, and on a par with the mechanical and civil course. The chemistry building is about half way completed and will be so far progressed in the next month, that the interior work can be finished during the winter. The new student building, costing \$125,000, will be completed by next year. The plans have been accepted, and work will be commenced this year as the contract will be let at once. This memorial gymnasium will be an appropriate tribute to the gallant sons of Purdue who gave up their lives in the ill-fated football special.

Stuart Field is in excellent condition for the football men. The rich coating of loam which was placed on it last year has offered unexcelled inducements for a sea of blue grass, and instead of the hard clayey ground which has heretofore flown up to meet the football aspirant, a downy couch of "nature's own make" yields to him. Coach Witham of Dartmouth, has charge of the squad and is rounding them into excellent shape. D. M. Allen, "Tark," is assistant coach and is developing a strong second team. Of the "P" men back, Convill, Longabar and Frushour are ineligible, but with Holdson, "Duke" Wellinghoff, Robertson and Flemming as a nucleus, a strong team is expected. Bros. D. Long, F. A. DeBoos and B. J. Deming, are showing up strongly for full back, end and quarter respectively.

The famous "tank scrap" of Purdue, which has no equal in all college fights, was fought to a finish before 5,000 spectators last night. People came from all over the state to witness the event and stood till 2:00 o'clock in the morning in a steady down pour of rain to view the battle. The sophomores, profiting by the sophomores experience of last year, at once charged the freshmen, who were at the foot of the hill, and by a skillful employment of military tactics, were enabled to sieze the visitors own camp, and in 45 minutes had wired 255 freshmen to their own chain. The tank was then painted and the freshmen marched over town in the morning to perform their various "stunts." The battle was hard fought and decisive, and from a visitor's standpoint, ideal.

Indiana Theta returned every old man this year—16 in all—and two more of the old men who had stayed out a year. Two freshmen whom we spiked during the spring rush also appeared in the early September arrivals, giving us a chapter of 20 good strong men with which to start things. With 20 men back, as against 22 in the chapter last year, the chapter felt that they could not afford to take but the very best and that they would thoroughly investigate every man for a considerable time. However, there was a wealth of material—the richest we have seen for years—and although we can only accommodate 26 men in the houses, we could not afford to let some of the men go by and have spiked seven men and affiliated one, Bro. Stein, of Lehigh University. Bro. Maynard Allen, of Wisconsin Alpha, has been engaged as instructor in railway engineering, and is living with the "bunch," making a total number of men this year 27. Although the rushing season

is three weeks gone, we are still investigating some good men and in all probability will pledge two or more of the best of them. We take pleasure in introducing the following pledges to Phi Delta Theta: Martin Newcomer, Bethlehem, Pa.; William F. Chapin, Rochester, N. Y.; James Shelly, Mat Dabney and Harold Rice, of Louisville, Ky.; Shaffner Phelps, Lafayette, Indiana; and Howard P. Stewart of DeLand, Fla.

The Coterie Club has erected a new house and it is expected will soon blossom out as the  $\Delta T \Delta$  fraternity. The  $\Phi K \Psi$ 's have also built. These two, with the  $\Sigma N$ 's, are the only fraternities having their own homes. At present, Indiana Theta rents two houses, the "Lodge" and the "Annex" and has a hall over in Lafayette. Last spring we bought the most available site in the university for a consideration of \$6,000, and we will hold an alumni meeting in October to lay plans for the erection of a \$20,000 chapter house for the coming year.

The chapter wishes to thank the brother Phis who have recommended men to us during the "rush" in which we came out so gloriously, and to repeat again the old adage, about the latch string—"It always hangs out."

West La Fayette, September 29, 1906.

J. W. VAILE.

## ZETA PROVINCE.

### ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Illinois Alpha returned nine men and up to date eight men have been pledged, who are as follows:

Harris V. Hartman, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Harold Spilman, Ottumwa, Ia.; Ernest Swanson, Paxton, Ill.; Chester Erickson, Evanston, Ill.; William Burke, Cairo, Ill.; Merlin Wilson, Wabash, Ind.; Randolph Griffith, Muncie, Ind.; Augustus Turner, Evanston, Ill.

Northwestern will not have intercollegiate football this year, though there will be games between the different classes and societies. Dr. Gillis is calling for candidates for the La Crosse team.

Last spring  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  won the baseball championship for the third year, which gave to us the pennant presented by the sororities.

During the conference meet last June we entertained about twenty-five brothers at the house. Bro. Fred Hartman, Purdue, '96, visited at the house for a few days this fall.

Dr. Winegartenz Harris, our new president, has arrived and pleased us all very much with his opening address in the chapel.

Bro. James R. Van Ryper, ex-'06 and Bro. Flint Bondurant, who will enter the medical school this fall, have been with the chapter since the opening of the session.

On October 6 Illinois Alpha will give a party for her freshmen. Illinois Alpha hopes to be able to entertain many Phis this year and extends a hearty welcome to all visiting brothers.

Evanston, October 3, 1906.

ALLEN F. RADER.

### ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Knox College opened this year with an increased attendance over last year and the prospects for a successful school year are very bright. The college suffered a great loss in the death of Prof. Albert Hurd who taught in this institution for fifty-five consecutive years. Three other vacancies in the faculty were caused by the resignations of Prof. Read and Prof. Lampe and by the granting of a year's leave of absence to Prof. Sprage. These

vacancies were filled by Prof. Drew who has the chair of Latin, Prof. Merritt in the economics department, Mr. Chase, who conducts the department of history, and Bro. Edward Stephenson, Illinois Delta, '03, who is the instructor of mathematics in the Knox Academy.

Football has been abolished for this year and the association game adopted in its stead. Knox took the initiative in the middle west and from present appearances her example will be followed by other institutions in this portion of the country.

Illinois Delta began the college year with fourteen old men back. We lost from our last year's chapter Bros. Howell, Snohr and Lass by graduation, Bro. Auracher, who is attending Princeton University, and Bro. Roberts, who did not return to college. We have four men pledged: Harry Aldrich, of Galesburg, Ill.; Dean McIntosh, of Biggsville, Ill.; Ernest Morse, of Abilene, Kan., and Ray Murchison, of Kewanee, Ill.

On last year's baseball team we were represented by Bro. Hiiding who was captain and Bros. Orcutt, Ellis, Richardson and Essick. Bros. Snohr, Spinner, McClelland and Roberts were awarded K's for track work. Bro. Gale Lowrie is editor of the *Knox Student*, the college weekly, and Bro. McClelland is high school editor. Bros. John Lowrie and Grant are members of the board which edits the college annual.

The chapter house has been repainted this fall and has been greatly improved by the addition of a new front porch and by a cement walk.

Galesburg, September 29, 1906.

GEORGE W. PRINCE, Jr.

#### ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD COLLEGE.

Lombard has entered upon another year of activity and with it our chapter. The student body is somewhat larger than it has been heretofore, the freshman class having the increase. Since last year a new chair of oratory and elocution has been instituted with Miss Miller at its head. The library and biological laboratory has been enlarged and are now prepared to offer the best of facilities and give the best attention to students.

Illinois Zeta had a very successful rushing season, having pledged three men from the freshman class, all of whom were spiked by our opposing fraternity, Σ N. We take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Orol Hatch, '10, Avon, Ill.; Erwin Tompkins, '10, Avon, Ill.; and G. R. Claycomb, '10, Broadhead, Wisconsin. The chapter is in flourishing condition, returning seven old men and one pledge. The pledge has recently been initiated so we present the name of Bro. Theo. C. Grier, of Racine, Wis. We lost but two men: Bro. Ray W. Justus did not return as he is farming near Stockton, Ill.; and Bro. W. J. Hughes, Yates City, Ill., has entered the University of Illinois.

The literary societies are starting out in good condition. Bro. Weigel is president of Erosophian. The glee club has very bright prospects for the coming year. It is under the direction of Prof. Grant Hadley, the new director of the conservatory. Bros. Weigel and Crellin represent Φ Δ Θ.

The fall athletics have all turned to light basketball and tennis. A tennis tournament in singles has been started. Bros. Ross, Grier, Golliday, Chester Housh, and Carter Housh, represent Φ Δ Θ. Football was suspended for this year. At a recent election, Bro. Chester Housh, was elected business manager of the basketball team.

On the whole, Φ Δ Θ at Lombard maintains its position and stands as ever at the top. Visiting Phis are assured a hearty welcome at 731 Locust St.

Galesburg, Sept. 29, 1906.

ROBERT R. CRELLIN.

## ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The University of Illinois opened on September 19. The freshman class was a large one it being conservatively estimated that there is at least an increase of two hundred over last years freshman class.

President James is devoting a great deal of his time to the raising of the entrance requirements. Several prospective students have been barred by this movement. He is also advocating a monthly convocation which will draw the student body into a closer bond. The first one was held on September 25 in the armory.

The university continues to erect new buildings. During the summer one was added to the agricultural group upon the south farm and considerable progress was made toward completing the new auditorium.

Illinois Eta opened the year with the following men: Bros. Reynolds, C. E., '07; Ward, L. and A., '07; Trees, C. E., '07; Yant, C. E., '07; Greenleaf, Ag., '07; F. H. McKelvey, Ag., '07.; Nebeker, Law, '08. C. S. Pope, E. E. '08; Busey, F. and A., '08; Furrow, L. and A., '08; A. W. McKelvey, L. and A., '08; Toundro, L. and A., '09; Orear, Ag., '09; Claycomb, L. and A., '09; May, F. and A., '09; Beardsley, Law, '09; Sparko, L. and A., '09; Burch, C. E., '09.

The rushing campaign has been a very active one and carried on successfully by our chapter. At present we have eight pledges which we are pleased to introduce as future Phis.

Bro. Hughes of Illinois Delta has been affiliated with us.

Bro. W. H. Stelle, law, '06, is attending Georgetown University, Washington, D. C.

Revised football is an untried experiment at Illinois, but Bro. Lindgren, head coach, is very optimistic concerning our chances. Bro. Greenleaf was elected manager, by an overwhelming majority to the vacancy caused by Bro. Green's failure to return.

Bro. Furrow is our representative on the varsity squad and pledges Mohr and Kimball have places on the freshman team.

Bro. Ward is manager of the university band. Last week we had a very pleasant visit from Bro. George Banta and son George of Menasha, Wisconsin. Campaign, Oct. 8, 1906.

E. O. FURROW.

## MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

The fall term of the university opened September 18 with an increased attendance in all departments over that of last year. The entire registration has not as yet been announced but without doubt it will exceed that of last year by more than a mere marginal figure.

With the opening of college all eyes are naturally turned toward Northrop field to watch the development of the football squad. Marshall, Ittuer, Veta, Smith, Capt. Curren, Bandelin, Kjelland, Larkin and Schucknecht are among the "Ms" returned this fall. Case, who played a star tackle two years ago, has returned and is bigger and faster than ever. Thus far the practice has been light work but actual scrimmage, which comes in a few days, will give an impression of the true condition of the team. Sig Harris, the former speedy Minnesota quarterback, has been chosen assistant to Dr. Williams to succeed Gilmore Dobie. Mose Strathern, former center, has been elected coach of the freshman squad. Considering the number of "M" men returning and the available material, Minnesota's prospects have given the rooters courage in spite of the new rules.

The annual soph-freshman cane rush was won by the sophmores by a decisive score. During the progress of the rush a nervy "freshie" climbed

the flagpole from which floated the '09 banner. No one noticed him until he had pulled the banner down and proceeded to tear it to shreds. Curious freshman fought for shreds of it and waved them exultantly while the sophomores rescued the nervy "fresh" from his perilous "roost" and proceeded to trounce him. But the freshman had done the damage and hoisted a 1910 banner in the '09 place. A fierce battle was waged beneath the flag pole in attempts to get at the rope. Every available ladder was broken to bits and "1910" floated until drill time, when two cadet officers, sophomores, appeared with the U. S. flag and trampled '10 in the dust.

Dr. Richard Burton, head of the English department has advocated phonetic spelling and wants a sweeping change at once. The faculty is somewhat divided upon the question. President Northrup says, "I am not adverse to reform in spelling nor am I widely radical in wishing to bring it in all at once. If any student wishes to use it, all right, but I would not force the matter." Several classes have already started the use of this system and the outcome will be watched with interest.

A university Republican club has been formed with J. P. DeVaney as president. It is the aim of the club as a unit to support the straight republican ticket at the coming fall election. Class politics is beginning to take form and many candidacies are being announced daily.

Minnesota Alpha returned six men this year out of two possibilities, Bros. Boyce, O'Brien, Sowle and Godart having decided not to enter this fall. Bro. O'Brien is attending Notre Dame. Those returning are Bros. Vance, Thompson, Lewis, Weitbrecht, Ellis and Sheild. Bro. Edward McCanna, of Colorado Alpha, has affiliated. He enters the law department. Our initiates thus far are Bros. Andrews of St. Paul, Tryon, McCanna, and Mather of Minneapolis. Our pledglings are Geo. London of Minneapolis, Frank Ray of Dickinson, N. D., and Arthur Barke of Fergus Falls, Minn. Bro. E. F. Blu, Illinois Alpha, '05, has entered the law school and is living at the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  lodge. We are occupying the same home we had last year.

The fraternity material is unusually good this year. Thus far the rushing has been all for city men, scarcely one out of town having been pledged. Minnesota Alpha having secured an early start feels much elated over her prospects.

MARCELLUS C. SHEILD.

Minneapolis, Oct. 2, 1906.

#### IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Iowa Wesleyan university opened its sixty-fourth year with an increase in the enrollment of thirteen per cent over that of last year. Bro. J. F. Riggs, '85, state superintendent of Iowa, delivered the matriculation address. His address was very interesting and highly beneficial to the new students as well as the old ones. With this increase of enrollment and with the splendid financial results obtained by President Hancher the prospects for Iowa Wesleyan have wonderfully increased. He has just succeeded in completing an emergency fund of \$36,000, which is the equivalent of the interest on \$100,000 additional endowment for six years. This additional endowment fund is growing rapidly and will set the school on a firm financial basis. Nearly \$40,000 of this additional endowment has already been secured, Andrew Carnegie contributing \$25,000. The patrons and friends of the university who have thrown themselves into this movement so energetically are greatly pleased with the present conditions of the university.

The increase of enrollment and better financial condition of the school has given to Iowa Alpha a new impetus. Never have we had a brighter outlook for the future. Having moved from our old home on College Avenue



we are comfortably located in our new quarters on Broadway, one of the principal streets of the city. The house will be formally opened by our fall reception given October 8.

Bro. Paul White Wilson, '06, was not able to take advantage of the scholarship secured by him at the Iowa State University at the opening of the present school year, being kept out of college by a serious injury to his knee, requiring an operation later at the Ottumwa Hospital. At the present time we are glad to note that he is on his way to recovery and expects to take up his studies as soon as his health will permit.

Since our last chapter letter we have initiated Bro. Ray I. Tennant, '09, of Burlington, Iowa. As usual we are to the fore in the matter of pledges, pledging four new men: Stanley Shrader and Ira Shrader both of Thornburg, Iowa, Joseph Milton Fee, of Centerville, Iowa, and William Needham, brother of Bro. Sherman Needham, '03, of Sigourney, Iowa.

We have recently received visits from Bros. Sherman Needham, '03, Fred Beck, '03, Prof. J. F. Riggs, '85, and Homer Roth, '03. We are always pleased to welcome all visiting this to our new home, 302 Broadway.

Mt. Pleasant, October 1, 1906.

RAY I. TENNANT.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

The college year of 1906-07 opened with the largest freshman class in the history of the institution. The total enrollment bids fair to be its largest. President Jesse has resumed active control of the university after a year's sojourn in Europe.

Missouri Alpha introduces the following initiates: Ralph Newcomer and Vernon Heddins, St. Joseph, Mo.; Charles Byers, Kansas City Mo.; William Boling, Columbia, Mo.; and William Jewett, Shelby, Mo. With the fourteen old men and one pledge who have returned to the university the active membership numbers twenty. Frank Ridge, an active member for four years, has entered the medical department of Columbia University and Bro. Richard Jesse has gone to Harvard to take post graduate work in chemistry.

In last spring's track athletics, Bro. Branham broke both university records in the sprints, doing the 100 yards in 10 seconds and the 220 yards in 21 4-5 seconds. Bro. Jesse completed his fourth year on the football team; Bro. Ridge was chairman of the junior prom committee; Bro. Richard Stephens was vice-president of the freshman agricultural class, and Bro. Logan was first lieutenant and adjutant of cadets. He has this year received the appointment of senior captain. It is too early to predict what honors will be held by the members of this year's chapter but in all probability, it will have men on the football and track teams, glee club and band.

The chapter is expecting visits within the next two weeks, from Bros. Frank J. R. Mitchell, president of the general council and Chas. F. Lamkin, president of Zeta province.

CARYL A. POTTER.

#### MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Westminster opened its fiftieth session on September 12 with more students in attendance than ever before in the history of the college. While exact figures are not at hand the college authorities estimate that the number of students present at the opening was greater than the total enrollment last year, which was the largest in the history of the college.

Several changes have been made in the faculty this past summer. Prof. Willis Holmes Kerr has been made full professor of English. Prof. David

McLeod Davidson given the chair of chemistry, Darling K. Gregor made assistant professor in geology and C. C. Knight instructor in the academy and coach. The college has been given eighteen acres of land adjoining the campus on the west for an athletic field. In honor of the donor, Judge Sam H. Priest of St. Louis, it will be called "Priest Field." The erection of a gymnasium on this field is now rumored. The contract has been let for the erection of a new president's house on the campus, which will cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000. Over \$60,000 has been added to the endowment during the past three months.

Indications for a prosperous football season are good. A large number of desirable men are among the freshmen and at least eight of last year's first team are back. The schedule will be the heaviest ever played by our eleven.

Our chapter, weakened by graduation, has seven active members and eight pledged men. It is probable that three more of last year's chapter will return the second term. We have an abundance of material to choose from, however. We take pleasure in introducing to the Phi world, Bros. Samuel Kerre Black, Fulton, Mo., and Howard Bradshaw of Keytesville, Mo. In addition to these we have pledged four more who will shortly be initiated.

ROBERT SPROULE MCKEE.

Fulton, September 24, 1906.

#### MISSOURI GAMMA. WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Washington University opened September 27. The enrollment in the freshman class is the largest in many years, and the indications are that the attendance in all departments will be larger than in any previous year.

Work was started during the summer on MacMillan Hall, the new dormitory for women, and the building is well under way. It will be built of Missouri granite, to conform with the rest of the buildings, and will cost \$300,000.

The faculty has been increased by the addition of four new instructors. Dr. MacMasters has taken the place of Bro. Sherman Leavitt as instructor in chemistry. Bro. Leavitt, last June, accepted a position under the government at Washington, D. C.

We were fortunate in having eleven out of seventeen members of Missouri Gamma return to college this fall. We lost Bros. Campbell and Gamble by graduation, and Bros. Benecke, Dixon, Dodd and Glasgow retired. We have two men pledged and expect to have several more shortly. The pledges are: Blasdel Shapleigh, '10, and Ralph Campbell, '10.

The chapter still occupies a suite of rooms in one of the dormitories as do all the other undergraduate fraternities.

Last spring articles of incorporation of the chapter and alumni were drawn up for the purpose of building a chapter house. Plans will be pushed as rapidly as possible and we hope to begin building soon.

Kappa Alpha has entered Washington thus bringing the total of fraternities, general and professional, up to twelve.

The prospects for a first class football team this fall are exceedingly good. Twenty-five men reported for practice on the first day. As yet no coach has been secured and the men are working under the direction of Capt. Lehrman. Last year, owing to severe faculty rulings, athletics were not in a very vigorous condition, but this year things promise to be much more satisfactory.

Sain and Low September 28, 1906.

FRANK M. ELIOT.

## NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Fifteen This represent the active chapter of Nebraska Alpha at the opening of college. On account of a pan-hellenic meeting held last spring, where laws were passed not to pledge a freshman until after the examination at Thanksgiving and he shall have passed with at least twelve hours credit, it will be impossible for us to introduce any new brothers or pledges.

Since the purchase of our home two years ago it has been the prime object of our rivals to own a home also.  $\Sigma X$  was fortunate enough to purchase a home during the summer.  $\Phi K \Psi$  purchased a lot and published in the paper that they were going to build, but as yet nothing has been done.

The main offices have been moved to their quarters in the administration building which was completed during the summer. The museum is all under cover and promises to be completed in the spring.

Amos P. Foster, one of Vost's men from Michigan, has charge of our football squad this year. A great deal of spirit has been taken on since the new rules were accepted here and the squad out for daily practice numbers over seventy-five.

Bro. Amos Thomas, '03, has returned and is taking up the three year law course. Bro. Paul Case expects to return next year and take up the three year law course.

Bro. Dan Sherman, who was recently married in Salt Lake City, returned to Lincoln with his parents, who live here, and is expected to leave soon for his new home in Wisconsin.

During the summer our home received a coat of paint on the inside and the rooms were repapered, which give it a very nice appearance. All visiting Phis are welcome.

CHARLES STUART.

Lincoln, September 29, 1906.

## ETA PROVINCE.

## GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

It is with very bright prospects indeed, that Georgia Alpha begins the session of 1906-07. We returned seventeen old men, and got busy during the spiking season, with the result that we initiated seven new men, whom we introduce to the fraternity with much pleasure. They are: Thomas W. Brown, '10, of Marshallville; Allen G. Thurmond, '09, Barnesville; D. Stewart Griggs, '10, Dawson; Richard A. Graves, '10 Sparta; Linton E. Allen, '09, Chipley; Fred C. Allen, '09, Chipley; Young B. Smith, '09, Atlanta. In addition to our initiates, we have one affiliate, Bro. J. P. Tilley, Emory '08. This gives us a total of twenty-five, which is an ideal chapter. With but one exception, we initiated every man we rushed this year, thereby gaining a complete victory over all fraternities, as three or four of our new men were rushed by every other leading fraternity.

The university opened this year with a marked increase in attendance, and bids fair to have a banner year in every respect. Dean David C. Barrow was elected to the chancellorship, made vacant by the death of Hon. Walter B. Hill. Everyone is delighted over this selection, as Chancellor Barrow is one of the most capable and popular men in the state.

Football prospects are much brighter than they were last year. Several old players have returned, and we have secured the services of coach Whiting, who last year put out a winning team at North Carolina A. and M.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is well represented on the football field by brothers Cuyler Smith, one of the mainstays of last year's team; Thurmond, who will probably

make an end; Fenville McWhorter and Sidney Smith, who are fast becoming too good for the scrub. Bro. Richard Graves, a bright star in last year's preparatory league, could easily have made varsity, but was advised by physicians to quit the game. Bro. Marshburn, the manager, has made out a splendid schedule, having secured games with all the leading southern colleges. Every student is eagerly looking forward to the initial game to be played on the campus October 16, with the fast Davidson team.

Bro. Middlebrooks, manager of tennis, has arranged for the fall tournament and play will begin as soon as the weather permits. We will be represented in this department by Brothers Middlebrooks and Carter, who made quite a record last year.

Georgia Alpha has installed the following officers for the coming season: President, Bro. E. B. Askew; warden, Bro. R. K. Smith; treasurer, Bro. S. O. Smith; chaplain, Bro. J. E. Demson, Jr.; reporter, Bro. H. R. Slack, Jr. Bro. Marshburn was chosen as delegate to the Washington convention, with Bro. S. O. Smith as alternate. In the different class elections  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  secured her share. Bro. M. R. McWhorter was elected president of the sophomore class and Bro. C. G. Mills, vice president of the junior class.

Athens, October 1, 1906.

HARRY R. SLACK, Jr.

#### GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

Emory college opened with the fullest attendance in years. The new J. P. Williams athletic hall was completed during the summer and is being used this year. There have been two changes in our faculty. Bro. A. G. Murray, who held the chair of chemistry has left and Mr. G. P. Shingler, Jr., Mercer, post-graduate University of Georgia and M. I. T., '06, is filling his place. Dr. F. N. Duncan, Indiana, Ph. D. Clark University, has the chair of biology which Dr. S. R. Roberts held.

The respective class football squads have begun practice. We return several men who made places on their teams last year and we have reason to believe that several of our new men will also make places. In the elections that have already been held Bro. Arnold, '08 is class historian and Bro. Reagan, '09, is class football manager.

Georgia Beta returned thirteen men and took seven new men in the spiking season. We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity, Bros. J. H. Pitts, '09, Barnesville, Ga.; G. P. Hammond, '10, Monroe, Ga.; Paul and Thos. B. Christian, '10, Quitman, Ga.; J. S. Branham, '10, Jackson, Ga.; A. S. Price, '10, Bronwood, Ga.; H. C. Wood, '10, Washington, Ga.

On September 1 we took possession of our seven room lodge which we purchased last year. The faculty allow only two boys to room there and besides their rooms, are reception rooms, a den, club room, paraphernalia room and a room for visiting Phis, whom we shall always be glad to entertain.

Oxford, October 1, 1906.

W. A. DOZIER.

#### GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Mercer University opened on September 21, under most favorable conditions. The enrollment is larger than ever before and everything points to a successful session. Dr. S. Y. Jameson, D. D., the newly elected president, is very popular with the boys and we believe during his administration many things will be accomplished for Mercer. Prof. E. H. Taylor now occupies the chair of mathematics, recently made vacant by the resignation of Prof. Kilpatrick. Dr. J. G. Harrison has been elected to the chair of philosophy. The new \$50,000 dormitory is to be completed by spring. It will be a modern structure affording accommodations for two hundred students.

Georgia Gamma was very fortunate in the contests of spiking season. We initiated nine and take great pleasure in introducing them to the fraternity: Bros. C. A. Cunningham, Richmond, Va.; W. O. Cox, Birmingham, Ala.; E. R. Anthony, Jr., Griffin, Ga.; J. Cummock, Anderson, S. C.; W. L. Etheridge, Jackson, Ga.; Willingham Tift, Tifton, Ga.; E. J. Willingham, Jr., Macon, Ga.; Mell Burdette, Washington, Ga.; Walter Williams, Haddock, Ga. This gives us a chapter of nineteen which will maintain  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's high standard here.

Coach Tarr, who has met with flattering success in coaching other teams, has charge of the football squad. This is Mercer's first year in football but under his instruction she will in all probability have a strong team. Bros. Sutton, Conner and Williams are on the squad. Bro. Sutton is assistant editor of *The Mercerian*.

Bros. Martin and Nichols will attend the national convention.

Macon, October 8, 1906.

J. T. MARTIN.

#### GEORGIA DELTA, GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

College opened October 1 with the largest attendance in the history of the institution. The enrollment already has exceeded that of any other year. Georgia Tech is fast gaining a wide reputation and each year brings students from new states.

Not only has the attendance been better this year, but the quality of the new students higher and as a result there has been an abundance of fraternity material. Georgia Delta has been unusually successful.

Twelve old men were returned, while ten new men have been added to the rolls of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

We take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity the following: Bros. C. Betts and C. Buchanan, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Bros. J. L. Mobley and H. L. Michael, Monroe, Ga.; Bros. C. M. Stubbs and J. F. Rogers, Jr., Macon, Ga.; Bro. T. V. Magruder, Hollendale, Miss.; Bro. J. L. Underwood, Birmingham, Ala.; Bro. W. Murphey, Barnesville, Ga., and Bro. L. R. Monroe, Quincy, Fla.

The prospects for a good football team are very bright, and Georgia Tech will certainly make a strong bid for the championship of the south.

We are represented on the team by Bro. Chapman, manager, Bro. Davies, ex-captain and half back, Bro. Brown, last year's all southern tackle, Bro. Monroe at center and Bro. Bell substitute.

Georgia Tech continues its rapid strides of improvement. A magnificent laboratory has just been finished while the Carnegie library is under way of construction and will be completed within the year. The state legislature has recently made an appropriation of \$17,500 for the campus extension and plans are already on foot for carrying out this idea. We wish to thank all brothers for information concerning new men, and extend a welcome to all visiting Phis.

G. M. STOUT.

Atlanta, October 9, 1906.

#### ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Alabama Alpha returned eight of last year's brothers. J. P. McQueen, L. J. Snow, W. H. Merrill, M. Moody, C. C. Heidt, Jr., W. S. Forman, S. C. Thenell, and W. Moody. Bro. A. K. Merrill, '05, of Eufaula, Ala., has rejoined us. He is studying law. We have gained by affiliation Bro. H. G. Smith of Kentucky Alpha-Delta. We were never more successful in our rushing, getting every man for whom we tried. It is with great pleas-

ure that we present to the fraternity the following new brothers: G. T. Welch, '09, Selma, Ala.; T. A. White, '09, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; H. Lampley, '09, Eufaula, Ala.; W. Lampley, '09, Eufaula, Ala., and R. G. Mushat, '09; S. S. Lanier, '09; M. M. Nolan, '09; B. B. Corner, '09, and R. H. Bradley, '09, all from Birmingham, Ala.

We will have our usual number of honors this year, Bro. W. Moody is captain of the football team, Bro. J. P. McQueen is president of '09, while Bros. S. S. Lanier, M. Moody, and H. Lampley are out trying for the football team.

Alabama's football prospects are good. We have most of our last year's stars back and the new men are showing up well. Coach Pollard is an able, energetic man, and he will bring out whatever is in the men. We are going to enter a new field this year, basketball. As a great many of the boys have had experience in it we will no doubt make a good showing.

Several of our alumni were here at the opening, among them being Bro. Carl A. Brown, and Bros. W. S. Mudd, Sears Lee, E. L. Clarkson, R. E. Steiner, J. G. Breuder and M. B. Lanier.

We and all of our alumni are working hard for our chapter house and we hope to begin work on the house itself this year. Right now we are looking for a suitable lot and are considering plans for the house.

Bro. L. J. Snow has been elected as our representative to the convention. We feel sure that he will ably represent us. CHARLES C. HEIDT, JR.  
University, October 6, 1906.

#### ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

From the present outlook it seems that Auburn is entering the most prosperous year of her existence. The enrollment is the largest ever recorded at the institute this early in the session, being 570 and will reach the 600 mark by the end of the year.

Several changes have been made in the faculty. Dr. Miller has been elected to take the chair of pharmacy, which was made vacant by the resignation of Dr. Blome. Mr. Gilpner, a graduate of Cornell, will be assistant professor in bacteriology and physiology.

The new chair of entomology has been added to the faculty Prof. Clarke, of California, will be in charge of that department.

The new mechanical building is rapidly going up and will be ready for occupancy January 1.

The athletic field is nearing completion and in future will be the scenes of many hard fought battles.

Football prospects seem especially bright this year. There is a larger number of men out for practice this year than has been any year previous. Five of '05's varsity have returned and many men of the '05 scrub team are back, also a number of prep school candidates who are showing up well under the coaching of "Mike Donahue."

Alabama Beta is in a prosperous condition. Besides returning sixteen (16) men of last year's chapter, we had the good fortune to secure more than our share of the large number of good men entering college this year, having initiated nine, and will affiliate one. We now take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity: Bros. Newton McC. Haralsen, '08, Selma, Ala.; Chas. Carter, '09, Macon, Ga.; Robt. T. Jones, '10, Selma, Ala.; Milton Lathrop, 'fo, Marshall, Tex.; Walten N. G. Legare, '09, Farkland, Ala.; N. B. Buchanan, '08, Huntsville, Ala.; Jas. Marshall Mayes, '09, Birmingham, Ala.; Evans Lide David, '08, Epes, Ala., and George Edwin Clawer, '09, Opelika, Ala.; Joe G. Brawder, of Alabama Alpha will be affiliated

as soon as he receives his paper. There are six other frats represented here and all seem to be in a flourishing condition.

Honors not previously mentioned which have come to the Phis of Alabama Beta: Bro. Lipscomb elected vice president of senior class, Bro. Ripley elected advertising manager of the Orange and Blue, Bro. Brasfield, elected treasurer of the glee club.

Bros. Buchanan and Haralsen are members of the glee club.

Bro. Clinton Smith, '91, Opelika, Ala, was elected to the state legislature in the Democratic primary of August 26.

Bro. Wm. Coles, '02, who has been with the General Electric Co. for several years, made us a visit last week. Bro. Coles is aiding us considerably in our chapter plans, and the chapter house is now a certainty. A cordial invitation is extended to all Phis who may at any time be in this vicinity.

THOS. V. WATSON.

Auburn. September 28, 1906.

### THETA PROVINCE.

#### MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

Commencement of '06 was exceptionally pleasant for Phis—Bros. McClurg, '79; L. N. Dantzler, Jr., '82; W. A. McDonald, '84; McCorkle, '90; Mitchell, '89; Jennings, '93; Witty, '93; Richmond, '98; Bray, '00; Sivley, '93; Jacobson, '03; Claud Fair, W. G. Yerger; Swanson Niles of Sewanee, and Boyd of Alabama Beta, with the members of the chapter, enjoyed a sumptuous banquet over which Bro. McClurg presided and gave the chapter advice from his experience as delegate to the Wabash convention. Bros. Sivley, McDonald and Jacobson responded to toasts and each of those present made fun for the crowd till early morning. Telegrams from Bros. Rich, '80; Ray, '99; Hill, '82 and others were read. While more were expected we felt fully repaid for our efforts and made fun for the absent so that all were fully impressed with need of having an annual banquet and it is the intention of the chapter to give a banquet every commencement.

The chapter house matter was put in the hands of Bro. Sivley, Ray, Price, T. W. Yates, Witty, Jennings and Jacobson. This summer a canvass of the alumni residing in this and the bordering towns of adjoining states resulted successfully and all concerned are greatly encouraged. Full returns have been published in the *Palladium* and all later proceedings will be published through the same medium.

The trustees at their June meeting "turned out" Chancellor Fulton, who has been connected with the university all of his life, and for the past eighteen years has been the executive head of the institution. Immediately the students signed petitions and the alumni throughout the state took similar steps but all has been of no avail. Chancellor Fulton is now at the head of the Miller school which is in Albermarle County, Virginia. Dr. Alfred Hume is temporarily managing the affairs of the university. Dr. Somerville has succeeded ex-Gov. Shands as dean of the law department, the latter having resigned to accept the lectureship of common law at Tulane. Prof. Eugene Campbell died during vacation and Dr. Johnson has been put in charge of the department of electricity. The number of students and the general condition of the university are far better than had been expected. After passing through the backsets of this summer's political condition, "Ole Miss" is running in good condition, with prospects of making this year's record surpass that of former sessions.

For many years our chapter has wished for a brother on the faculty and this year we have the pleasure of having one of our own alumni to fill

a chair. Bro. Clarence Lee Sivley, '93, has given up his lucrative practice and for the future will devote his time to study and give his talent to advancing the interests of his alma mater. Bro. Brown, Emory, '06, Y. M. C. A. secretary, is devoting his energy to that work and is starting various beneficial and entertaining movements among the students which give a different tone to the college affairs and render college life on the campus far more jolly than in former years. He has been instrumental in organizing a glee club.

Under Coach Hammond, who is fresh from "Hurricane" Vost, the men made a most creditable showing having defeated Maryville, 16-6, who last week played Georgia Tech 6-6. This excellent start makes us feel confident that the red and blue will be in good trim this season.

Last May Bro. Clay, '00, died of tuberculosis at Columbus. On August 18 Bro. Sawyer, '03, died at Kosciusko. He had attained a position of influence as a citizen and member of the bar, and had he lived he would have been a strong candidate for district attorney.

After the final examinations we had the pleasure of initiating Bro. Norfleet R. Sledge, Jr., of Como, Miss., who took the spring term in law. We have enjoyed visits from Bro. S. G. Clifford, Purdue, '02, who is located at Water Valley with the I. C. R. R. Last week Bro. Kimbrough was up for a few days and Bro. "Red" Yates is with us now. This summer Bro. Joe Aldridge was operated on for appendicitis, he is up but has not yet been able to return to college, however, we hope that he will be back with us at an early date. Bro. Drane is taking law at Cumberland. Bro. Witty is editor-in-chief of the university magazine. Bros. Coleman and Bray are associate editors. Bro. Somerville is vice-president of the glee club. He has been elected as our delegate to the Washington convention.

The late opening of last session postpones "setting" till November, hence fraternity affairs in general are a bit dull. However, we have twelve active men here, this being the largest bunch on the campus, and when setting time comes we feel confident that we will materially increase our number and greatly increase the strength of our present prosperous condition.

The members of Mississippi Alpha were glad to hear of the initiation of Bros. Somerville by Virginia Zeta and Magruder by Georgia Delta.

University, October 5, 1906.

ROBERT SOMERVILLE, JR.

#### LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Louisiana Alpha is about to enter the most prosperous year in her history. When the university opens her doors on October 1, there will be six old members and six pledged on hand to start the session, and we have excellent prospects of landing about five others.

Several changes have been made in the curriculum and the faculty of the university. The entrance requirements at the academic department have been raised one year; the New Orleans Polyclinic has been consolidated with the medical department, so that the graduates of that department may now take post graduate work in medicine; a new faculty has been secured and several hours have been added to the course at the law department, so that this department is now on an equal footing with the other great law schools of the south.

Brother F. W. Parham, Virginia Gamma, '75, has been elected to the board of administrators of the university to fill the vacancy caused by the death of E. B. Krutchnitt, and Brother Horace E. Crump, Louisiana Alpha '04, has been elected acting professor of engineering, thus giving  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  two additional members among the officials of the university.



Mrs. Caroline Tilton, who has already given Tulane a very handsome library, has added \$27,000 to her gift for the erection of an annex to the library.

When Tulane opens we will have occupied our new quarters at 407 Carondelet St., and we cordially invite our alumni and visitors to call on us there. These rooms are almost in the heart of the business section of the city, being only four squares from Canal street. Right here we want to thank our brothers who have aided us in securing these rooms and whose energy and devotion will enable us to occupy a house of our own within the next two years at the latest.

The members of our chapter have gone back to *The Olive and Blue*, one of the weekly papers of the university. Last session we were supporters of *The Tulane Weekly* but circumstances have arisen that have caused us to return to the old paper. The following positions on the staff of *The Olive and Blue* are held by members of Louisiana Alpha: Bro. Russell, '08, associate editor; Bro. Fortier, '09, managing editor; Bro. Chappuis, law, business manager from law department; Bro. E. C. Ansley, '06 alumni editor, and a pledged man, Donald Renshaw, '10, associate editor.

Of last year's chapter, all will return except the graduates and perhaps Bro. Meyer, '08. Bro. Chambers, '06, is doing engineering work at Fort St. Philip, below the city; Bro. Robinson, '06, is attending Princeton; Bro. E. C. Ansley, '06, is practicing law in the city. The chapter sincerely regrets the loss of these loyal brothers, but we feel that our loss is mitigated to some extent, for Bro. Ansley will still be in the city, and will be able to give us aid and advice in many ways. To all who are acquainted with Bro. Ansley, it is useless for us to say that a more devoted and loyal member of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  does not exist. We repeat that the chapter is exceedingly loath to lose him.

Since our last letter we have enjoyed visits from several traveling Phis: Bro. Z. B. Hartley, California Alpha, '07, spent several days with us on his way to Nicaragua; Bro. Dan C. Moore, Ohio Theta, '08, spent a week in New Orleans during the summer. Bro. John Dugan, Indiana Delta, '08, was with us for several days, and Brothers Steen and Somerville of Mississippi Alpha have been with us several times. We wish our sister chapters a successful rushing season and hope ourselves to introduce several new brothers in our next letter.

JAMES J. FORTIER.

New Orleans, September 22, 1906.

#### TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

This fall Texas Beta returns twenty-three men to the active chapter, having lost by graduation Bros. Adone, Alvey, Mathis and R. Watkin; and by transfer Bros. Hall, Jones, Judge and Remberts. Bros. Leachman, Logan, McEvoy and S. Watkin did not return. We have the pleasure of welcoming from Southwestern University at Georgetown, Bros. Hearne, McNeil and Muse.

The pan-hellenic last spring decided upon an open pledge season for 1906-07. Texas Beta is getting busy with the freshmen.

During the summer vacation our corporation had the house completely overhauled and repainted.

The university opened September 26, and registration will continue until about October 5. There are already more matriculates than there were at any time during the past year. We feel safe in prophesying that, during the coming session, Texas (all departments included) will have eighteen hundred students. A new law building is under way, the cost of which will be something like \$125,000.

Football prospects are most gratifying. With Coach Shénker of Yale, assistant coach Metzenthin of Columbia, and sixty enthusiastic players on the field including most of the stars—Parrish, the Ramsdels, Fink, Bro. Duncun—Texas should have the champion team of the south. Games with Sewance, Haskell, Vanderbilt and other important southern colleges have been scheduled.

Two new sororities have entered the university since our last letter:  $\Delta \Delta \Phi$  and  $Z T A$ .

Texas Beta has had the pleasure of a visit from Bro. W. B. Palmer during the last few days.

R. W. STAYTON, JR.

Austin, September 30, 1906.

### TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The university opened September 12. The attendance this year is an increase over that of last, there being about five hundred in college. The college faculty is the same this year as last with the exception of two additions. Prof. E. P. Cooper is physical director and Prof. W. S. Nelms is instructor in physics. In the fine arts department there are several changes. Miss Clara Oldfield has Miss Larmer's place as the directress of the piano-forte department, and Miss Mary Auld has been added to the staff. Miss Bernice Long takes Miss Seabury's place as teacher of violin and Miss Antoinette Huncke, Miss Newey's as teacher of voice.

Work on the large stone dormitory had been progressing steadily, until recently, when it was suspended for a while on account of the scarcity of labor. Over one story is completed and it is easy to see that it will be a very beautiful, massive, and well arranged building.

One of the large rooms of the university building is being fitted as a gymnasium and supplied with shower baths. It is hoped that there will soon be built a capacious gymnasium building.

Texas Gamma returned eight men this year and we have initiated the following good men, whom we are glad to present to the fraternity: Bros. John Rufus Thurmond, Bonham, Texas; Walter LeNoir Burgher, Dallas, Texas; Wilbur F. Wright, Waco, Texas; and Lyndsay D. Hawkins, Austin, Texas. We also have two very promising pledges. They are: J. N. Lott, San Antonio, Texas, and J. B. Bolton, Brownwood, Texas. The rushing season is not over yet, by any means, and we expect to get several more good men.

We are very glad to be able to say that work has begun on our house. It is to be a very handsome two story structure, colonial style, and will be situated at the head of a street just three blocks from University Avenue, about two from the university building, and a little over one from the new dormitory. The contract calls for its completion by February 1, 1907.

Texas Gamma has hoped long for a house and has made many efforts to build one, and it is with great enthusiasm that we see our hopes being realized.

$\Phi \Theta \Theta$  is well represented on the glee club this year by Bros. Moore, Harrison and Lott. On the *Southwestern* staff are Bros. Moore and Wheeler, as assistant business manager, and assistant editor respectively.

Bro. Wheeler is on the lecture committee and is manager of the baseball team.

Last commencement  $Z T A$  entered Southwestern, absorbing the local sorority,  $B \Psi$ .

A short time ago Bro. and Mrs. Chas A. Wilcox entertained us in a very charming manner and the occasion was a very delightful one.

Last week we had the pleasure of being visited by Bro. Walter B. Pal-

mer. He was entertained by Bro. C. C. Cody, Emory, '75, while in Georgetown.

The general outlook this year is very bright and everything indicates that Texas Gamma will have a most successful year.

Georgetown, October 5, 1906.

JOHN DEBERRY WHEELER.

## IOTA PROVINCE.

### CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Contrary to the first reports, the buildings of the University of California were not injured in the least, but by the destruction of property in San Francisco a yearly income of \$150,000 was lost. Our chapter house escaped with only the loss of two chimneys.

On the evening after the earthquake the university cadets were called out to do guard duty in 'Frisco, where they remained for three days in active service. Nearly all the fellows went over and the chapter was represented among the officers by Major Louis Hickey, '06, Captain Charles Stuart, '06, and Lieutenant John Hickey, '06.

College opened on August 18 with sixteen of the brothers back. This year's rushing season has been unusually short. At the initiation on August 31, we took in seven freshmen who, we are sure, will prove themselves to be worthy Phis. They are: John Hartigan, Carroll Stilson, Richard Pennoyer, Lorenze Barnev, Walter Schroeder, George Guyles and Gordon Ingles. We have also affiliated Phillip B. Cross, '09, of Kentucky Epsilon.

Last spring the regular American football was abolished by the faculty, so we have been forced to adopt the game of Rugby. Over a hundred students have turned out to try for the team but so far their progress has been very slow. As only a few of the elementary principles of the game have been mastered, the interest of the college has not yet been aroused. It will be necessary to move the new bleachers in order to widen California Field for Rugby. After this has been done we will have the finest baseball diamond on the coast. Bro. H. W. Bingham, '06, who was appointed yell leader, has been holding bleacher rallies to encourage those who are out for the new game.

Fall training has commenced for baseball. A very large number have signed up and the interest seems much keener than last year. Four members of the chapter will go out and all stand good chances of making the team.

Boating is steadily pushing itself to the front and bids fair to rival all other branches of athletics. There is some talk of sending a crew to England in the near future. In the boat club the chapter is well represented, Bro. Salisbury being president and Bro. Tyssowski, '08, treasurer. The club is going to give, under the management of Bro. Tyssowski, an entertainment in the Greek Theater on September 29, the receipts from which will be used to more completely equip the club house.

The freshman class of this year, in spite of the earthquake, is larger than last year. At their organization meeting Bro. Variel, '08, talked to them on tennis and Bro. Tyssowski, '08, on boating. The freshman rally held soon after college commenced was a great success, due greatly to Bro. Campbell, '05, who made the speech of the evening.

Berkely, September 11, 1906.

PHILIP S. THACHER.

## CALIFORNIA BETA, STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

Stanford University began its fifteenth year on August 28 with a registration almost equal to that of last year. Although several of the buildings are still undergoing repairs, the equipment amply supplies the needs of the different departments. The policy of securing an excellent faculty is being carried out in spite of the added expense of rebuilding caused by the disaster of last April. Among the new faculty are Prof. Geo. Hempf, from the University of Michigan, senior professor of Germanic literature; Professor A. A. Young, from University of Wisconsin, professor of economics and social science; and Professor T. Veblen, from University of Chicago, associate professor of economics and social science.

Of the buildings that were seriously damaged last spring, two will be rebuilt on different plans, the gymnasium and library. The memorial arch is to be reconstructed by the alumni, and the memorial church will also be rebuilt on the original plans.

Of the fraternity houses, all with the exception of the X Ψ lodge have been repaired and are, in most instances, in better condition than before. The X Ψ's have rented a house and the Φ Γ Δ's have moved from Palo Alto into a rented house on the campus. Our own house is far better than ever, owing to the untiring efforts of Bros. J. L. Gamble, '06, and King, '07, who remained on the campus during the entire summer to make the necessary repairs.

Rushing season began as usual about two weeks before college opened and Φ Δ Θ succeeded in obtaining the following men whom we take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity: Lex H. Cochran, '09, San Bernardino, Calif.; Lawrence O. Macomber, Pasadena, Calif.; J. Walter Roberts, '07, Redlands, Calif.; Nelson Taylor, '09, Los Angeles, Calif., and Stuart E. Weaver, '09, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

In athletics there has been a great change, Rugby taking the place of the old intercollegiate football. The change was not looked upon very favorably by the student body at first, but when it became known that the change was permanent the attitude of the students changed and they are now giving the new game the same support as they did the old form of football. Our prospects for two excellent teams are exceedingly bright. The freshmen meet California on October 13 on Stanford Field. The varsity fifteen is rounding into excellent form and will put up a good fight on the day of the big game, which will be played on November 10 on California Field of Berkeley. Bros. Chalmers, '07, Spaulding, '08, and Weaver, '10, are on the squad.

Fall training on the track has begun. Our new track is nearing completion and will be in excellent condition for our spring meet. The following Phis are on the track squad: Bros. Bradford, '09, Behlow, '07, Kelley, '07, King, '07, and Roberts '10. Φ Δ T is represented in the glee club by Bros. Chalmers, '07, and Bradford '09. Bro. King has been elected to membership in "Skull and Snakes," the upper classman society.

Of our old members, several have gone to other universities, and others have entered business. Bro. J. L. Gamble, '06, is studying medicine at Harvard. Bros. E. E. Beyer, ex-'07, and F. B. Beyer have entered Yale. Bros. Swinerton, '06, Barnett, '06, and Hodge, '06, have entered the business world.

In closing California Beta desires to impress upon all Phis that the chapter is open to them at any and all times.

W. W. BEHLOW.

Stanford University, October 1, 1906.

## ALUMNI CLUBS.

## DETROIT.

Weekly luncheons are held on Fridays in the Penobscot Inn, where a private room is reserved for us. About once a month we have a dinner at the Hotel Ste. Claire, where we meet for business and pleasure. Many of the boys come to the dinner who are unable to attend the luncheons. Visiting brothers are very cordially welcomed to attend our Friday lunches.

ARTHUR EVERHAN.

## ● INDIANAPOLIS.

Many of the Phis have been out of the city during the summer months, but they are returning to take up their winter's work. The new directory of the association is just being issued. It contains the names of two hundred and twenty-three Phis in the city of Indianapolis and immediate vicinity.

On September 7 the association gave a party at White City. About seventy-five couples were present and they were accorded the privileges of the grounds. The dancing pavilion was reserved exclusively for us and the evening was delightfully spent. After leaving the grounds an enjoyable supper was served at the Dennison grill room in the city.

We are glad to advise that Bro. Frank C. Olive was recently nominated by a Republican convention as a candidate for representative to the next session of the legislature.

R. T. BYERS.

September 29, 1906.

## PERSONAL.

*Vanderbilt*—E. D. Steger, '80, is an attorney at Bonham, Texas.

*Southwestern and Texas*—A. Yarbrough, '91, is at Hourth, Texas.

*Syracuse*—George Stark, '07, was married on June 9 to Miss Amy Bates, K A @.

*Syracuse*—Edward Miller, '07, was married on June 14 to Miss Agnes Avery, F Φ B.

*Kentucky State*—C. W. Haynes, '05, is with the Kentucky Flour Spar Co., Marion, Ky.

*Michigan*—Richard Hardy, '91, is with the Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance Co., Detroit, Mich.

*Minnesota*—H. F. Horton, '02, is with the Ideal Heating Co., 6312 Wentworth Ave., Chicago.

*Brown*—F. J. Cox, '03, is with Boynton Bros., real estate and insurance agents, Perth Amboy, N. J.

*Case*—O. F. French, '98, is general manager of the Cuyahoga Telephone Co., East Cleveland, Ohio.

*Washington*—Ruby Beneke, '06, is associated with his father in the practice of law at Brunswick, Mo.

*Tulane*—Horace E. Crump, '04, has recently been elected to the chair of engineering at Tulane University.

*Randolph-Macon*—F. W. Parham, '05, has been elected to the board of administrators of Tulane University.

*Tulane*—Edward C. Ansley, '06, is practicing law in New Orleans with his brother, H. M. Ansley, *Tulane*, '94.

*Wisconsin*—Horatio Winslow, '04, recently contributed to *Puck* a humorous poem, "Ballad of the Special Sale."

*DePauw*—Dr. P. L. Hodges, '99, was married, June 27, to Miss Ella Cox, at Saint Stephen's church, Washington, D. C.

*Stanford*—John E. McDowell, '00, president of Iota province, was married on July 2 to Miss Alice Nagel, of Davenport, Iowa.

*Emory*—Rev. H. S. Bradley, D. D. '89, of St. Louis, preached the convocation sermon at the University of Chicago, August 26.

*Franklin*—Harry E. Tincher, of Charlottesville, Va., was married on September 4 to Miss Marian Kathleen McHaffee, of Stilesville, Ind.

*DePauw*—Cyrus D. Mead is principal of the Indiana School for Feeble-minded Youth, at Fort Wayne—an institution having over a thousand pupils.

*Purdue*—J. M. Davidson, '02, is in the manufacturing business at Evansville, Ind. He was married, June 27, to Miss Mattie R. Stranbinger of Lafayette, Ind.

*Butler*—William R. Longley, '02, was recently married to Miss Clara Estelle Hunter, of Irvington, Ind. Bro. Longley is an instructor of mathematics at Yale.

*Pennsylvania State*—R. W. Bowers, '04, was married on August 11 to Miss Virginia Walker, of Phillipsburg, Pa. Bro. Bowers is an erecting engineer with the York Manufacturing Co.

*Tulane*—H. A. Ludlow, '99, was married during the summer to Miss Nan McIntyre. They left at once for Oklahoma City, where they will reside in the future.

*Vanderbilt*—W. T. Sanders, '89, of Athens, Ala., a member of the Alabama railroad commission, was recently elected to the board of trustees of Vanderbilt University.

*Butler*—Paul Murray, '05, was married on September 12 to Miss Gertrude Bowman, of Little Rock, Ark. Bro. Murray is professor in the University of Arizona at Tucson.

*Tulane*—Edward J. Fortier, '04, was married on September 11, to Miss Marie Tricou. They left at once for New Haven, Conn., where Bro. Fortier will accept a position of instructor of Romance languages at Yale.

*McGill*—John A. McDonald, Med. '05, leaves in October for Macao, South China, to take up work as a medical missionary in connection with the Presbyterian church of Canada. He expects to be there seven years.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—George M. Rommel, '97, was married on September 19 to Mrs. Sallie Russell Reeves. Bro. Rommel is one of the enthusiastic Phis of Washington who are most active in preparing for the coming convention.

*C. C. N. Y.*—Rev. John S. Penman, '84, has taken charge of the Congressional church in Poughkeepsie. His recent efforts at Bangor, Me., culminated in the organization of a civic league that succeeded in throwing the Republican bosses of that place out of office.

*Lombard*—Lee Fairchild, '86, author and orator, is domiciled at Greenfield, Mass., and is doing lyceum work. His subjects are "Western Wanderings" and "Original Readings." A writer in the *Lewiston Journal* recently said: "Lee Fairchild is Artemus Ward all over again with the irresistible waggishness of that quaint philosopher."

*Cornell*—Samuel J. Flickinger, '76, was on June 29 appointed private secretary to Governor Harris of Ohio. The appointment is a very popular one. Bro. Flickinger was managing editor of the *Dayton Journal* and is one of the best known newspaper men in Ohio. For many years he has been a well known figure in the politics of his state. He is a strong man, a fine personality, and an ideal man for the place.

*Lombard and Columbia*—Walter A. Johnson, '01, and others have purchased the *Four Track News* and will publish it under the name of the *Travel Magazine*. Bro. Johnson has taken an active part in the promotion of Doubleday, Page & Co's magazines during the last five years.

*California*—Judge Henry A. Melvin, '89, of Oakland, Cal., was on July 17 elected grand exalted ruler of the B. P. O. Elks—the highest office in the gift of that popular order. Bro. Melvin is a judge of the California superior court. He is very popular among the Elks and is a very loyal Phi.

*Northwestern*—Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., formerly treasurer of the general council, is chief of division of the internal revenue department at Washington. He has recently visited Berlin to take part in the inquiry into the German alcohol fuel and lighting industry, and he also investigated the German tariff system with considerable thoroughness.

*California*—George D. Kierulff, delegate to the Philadelphia convention of 1896, was married on June 2 to Miss Gertrude Holmes, of San Francisco, in St. Stephen's Episcopal church at Belvedere, Cal. The wedding reception was held at "Hursley on the Hill," the home of the bride's brother, C. Edward Holmes, *California*, '89.

*Wabash*—Will H. Hays, '00, president of Epsilon province, has been selected by the republican state committee as chairman of the speaker's bureau during the coming campaign. His headquarters are at the committee rooms, Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis. Bro. Hays is recognized as one of the leading and most influential young politicians in the state, and a brilliant future is predicted for him.

*Westminster*—Dr. Wylie H. Forsythe, '94, a medical missionary at Chunju, Korea, is on leave at his home in Lexington, Ky. Over a year ago, while attending a sick man about thirty miles from his station he was assaulted and nearly killed by robbers, who mistook him for a Russian soldier. His life was despaired of, but, he is now recuperating and will return to Korea this fall. Dr. Forsythe was captain and assistant surgeon in the third Kentucky regiment in the Spanish-American war, and later was given a commission in the first infantry, which position he resigned to go to the foreign field.



The *American Magazine* is the new name of *Leslie's Monthly*, under the proprietorship and management of John S. Phillips, *Knox*, '82, in association with William Allen White, *Kansas*, '90, Ray Stannard Baker, *Michigan*, '89, Ida M. Tarbell, Lincoln Steffens and F. P. Dunne. The October number contains an admirable editorial announcement, presumably by Bro. Phillips, with large portraits of his associates. His last paragraph is a fine expression of an ideal in magazines. The first article is a fine philosophic essay by Bro. White on "The Partnership of Society." It is easy to predict a great success for this venture of this group of literary stars.

*DePauw*—Samuel H. Elrod, '82, governor of South Dakota, will return to his home at Clark, S. D., at the expiration of his term of office. We take pleasure in clipping the following from the *Sioux City Journal*:

Gov. Elrod, who was defeated for a renomination by the surprising strength of the insurgents, can be proud of the personal record he has made during the period he has been governor of this young and progressive state. He has won a reputation for honesty and uprightness which no defeat can tarnish.

\* It is a notable fact that his administration has been of so clean a character that during the hot campaign between the insurgents and the governor's stalwart friends not one of the present state officials, elective or appointive, has been charged with even the slightest violation of the oath of his office. The record made by them has been an unusually clean one, of which all of them have reason to be proud.

At the 152nd annual commencement of Columbia University, held on Morningside Heights, New York City, ten academic degrees were conferred on members of Φ Δ Θ as follows:

Master of Arts, Richard Joel Roberts, Ph. B., *De Pauw*, '95; Mechanical Engineer, David Montgomery Updike, *Columbia*, '03; Civil Engineer, Francis William McKinney, A. B., *Cornell*, '02, *Columbia*, '04, and Eugene Pitou, Jr., A. B., *Columbia*, '04; Engineer of Mines, Morris Gardner Talcott, (Yale), *Columbia*, '06; Doctor of Medicine, Charles Christian Lieb, A. B., *Columbia*, '03, and Dudley Steele Conley, B. L., *Missouri*, '98; Bachelor of Laws, Edwin Hoyt Updike, A. B., A. M., *Columbia*, '04, and Richard Joel Roberts, Ph. B., *De Pauw*, '95; Bachelor of Arts, John Luneau Tonnele, Jr., *Columbia*, '06.

At the recent competitive examination for positions in New York hospitals in which several hundred students participated, Bro. Dudley Steele Conley, B. L., *Missouri*, '98, won an appointment to Bellevue, and Bro. Charles Christian Lieb, A. B., *Columbia*, '03, won a place at St. Luke's.

## HELLENIC.

Σ X has followed Σ N into Montana.

© N E has entered Trînity, N. C., and Arkansas.

At least two fraternities, Σ X and Φ K Ψ, have planted trees at Washington's grave at Mount Vernon; also one sorority, X Ω.

The executive council of Φ K Ψ have decided to republish, at a cost of \$350, the first two volumes of the *Shield*, which have become about as scarce as a proverbial hen's teeth.

Φ Γ Δ calls its general convention an ekklesia, Δ T Δ a karnea, K Σ a grand conclave, Σ Φ E a grand council, Δ T Ω and X Φ a congress, Σ X and Z Ψ a grand chapter, Φ K Ψ a grand arch council.

The following is a necessarily incomplete list of the colleges where fraternity men are not allowed to live in chapter houses or where restriction in regard to numbers is imposed: Bucknell, Davidson, Emory, Kenyon, Mercer, Dartmouth, Dickinson, Lafayette, Swarthmore, Wooster, Hampden-Sidney and the University of the South.—Δ T Δ *Rainbow*.

The 1904 convention of Σ A E decided to hold the semi-centennial convention at Birmingham in 1906 and to make a pilgrimage to the fraternity's birthplace, the University of Alabama, but for some reason the place has been changed to Atlanta, which is a Σ A E stronghold. The convention will be held on December 26-29. The parent chapter, assisted by the fraternity treasury, has purchased a lot and will soon begin building a memorial hall at Tuscaloosa.

The Washington (St. Louis) and Illinois chapters of B Θ II issue monthly bulletins, which are distributed to their alumni and neighboring chapters. The University of Pennsylvania chapter publishes semi-occasionally a paper called *The Dorg*, which is intended to keep alumni informed of what the chapter is doing and planning. The Michigan, Wisconsin, Arkansas, Lafayette and Emory chapters of Σ N distribute annually to alumni illustrated booklets, ranging from six to thirty-six pages.

A chapter of Acacia was installed at the University of Pennsylvania May 3. It will draw members from all depart-

ments of the university. An article in the Philadelphia *Bulletin* says:

The Acacia fraternity, though joining a large number at the university, is to be very exclusive. Only Master Masons are to be allowed to be members and only certain ones at that. Though not quite two years old, there are chapters now at the Universities of Michigan, Kansas, Leland Stanford, California, Nebraska, Ohio, Illinois, Dartmouth and Harvard. Wisconsin is a candidate for admission. A representative of the fraternity is to be sent to the universities in England and Germany to organize chapters.

Volume XX of the *Caduceus* of K Σ, ending in June, contains exactly 900 pages, not counting directory and advertising pages. It is unquestionably the largest volume of a fraternity magazine ever issued. Prof. F. K. Farr, of Cumberland University, was the editor from February, 1905, to July, 1906, when the grand conclave (convention) held at Look-out Mountain, Tenn., elected him worthy grand master of the fraternity. Under his management the *Caduceus* was one of the most interesting and ably conducted of fraternity journals. His successor as editor is Mr. Guy T. Viskniskki, of New York, from the Swarthmore chapter.

Press reports of the convention of B Θ II at Denver in July show that by a unanimous vote it granted a charter for a chapter at Toronto; by a vote of 26 to 27 an application from Oklahoma was rejected, and by a vote of 49 to 17 an application from the Colorado School of Mines was rejected. The *Rocky Mountain News* says that the convention enacted two rules, "one prohibiting members of the fraternity from joining an inter-fraternity-secret society known as Θ N Ε, which has fallen into disrepute in many colleges on account of the hilarious conduct of its members; and the other prohibiting any member of the fraternity from giving his badge or pin to any member of the opposite sex except his sister, mother, fiancée or wife."

In an interesting letter to the editor, President Hadley, of Yale, says about the fraternity situation in his institution: "In the societies here at Yale the distinctive fraternity element counts for very little. A large part of the fraternities are not even known by their Greek-letter names. The Cloister, or Book and Snake, or St. Anthony, are essentially clubs, and stand on the same footing with the other clubs which have no fraternal affiliations. When I want to know what is the Greek-letter name of any organization, I have to look it up in the Yale *Banner*. Even those societies like Δ K Ε or Ψ Υ,

which have retained their Greek-letter names in common parlance, are never known as fraternities, but as societies; and when they go to conventions the delegates have to cram up on purpose to find out what is the grip, or what the Greek-letters stand for, or any other supposed secrets of the fraternity." When such conditions exist in an institution the artificial status of the societies there must be vanishing.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

After considering "Sig," "Sig Alph" and "Sigma Alph," the supreme council of  $\Sigma A E$  have decided that members of that fraternity shall be called "S. A. E's." The editor of the *Record* does not like the choice but says: "Selah. So mote it be." A contributor to the *Phi Gamma Delta* writes:

Formerly we called ourselves Deltas, an honorable and dignified name that commanded respect. In all my intercourse with the earlier members of the fraternity no other appellation was ever used. Our members everywhere were called that, and so far as I know there was no confusion with other bodies that should have led to change, particularly to such an uncouth and repulsive one as "Feejees." I protest against "Feejees," and "Phi Gam" is not much better. In spite of Shakespeare, there is much in a name, and I take it that the young student just embarking on his course will derive a very different and unjust idea of the fraternity from having its members styled "Feejees" than we did who only knew Deltas. It smacks too much of such titles as "Big Injuns," "Jolly Rollers," "High Mucky-mucks," etc., to impress the average layman with the proper sense of its worth and prestige, and is therefore calculated to prejudice them against the order. When this is accompanied by the pulling and hauling and brass band methods called spiking, the wonder to me is that so many good men are obtained. Is it not possible that a certain sense of dislike, not shame, perhaps, but a feeling of repulsion, always exists in the memories of many when they consider the means that were used to bring them into the fold?

By a vote of 10 to 5, on May 9, the board of education of Chicago decided to enforce the "anti frat. rule" and stamp out fraternities and sororities in the high schools of that city. If members do not withdraw from such organizations, immediately they will not be permitted to represent their schools in athletic contests or on debating teams or to receive any other school honors. In an editorial regarding high school fraternities, the Indianapolis *News* refers to a bulletin issued by F. A. Cotton,  $\Phi A \Theta$ , superintendent of public instruction of Indiana and says:

In his recent bulletin, Superintendent Cotton urges that the secret society should not be tolerated in the high school. Though of comparatively recent origin, the growth of high school fraternities has been surprising, and educators are much concerned as to what the results may be. The movement began suddenly and with apparent spontaneity about 1898, when no less than a dozen societies appeared as national high school fraternities.

$\Gamma \Delta \Sigma$  which was founded in 1879, and  $M \Delta \Sigma$  which dates from 1885, were practically the only high school fraternities before that time, and these were found only in a few eastern cities. But in the last eight years the expansion has been greater proportionately than that of college fraternities in the last half century.  $\Phi \Sigma$ , 1898, has twelve chapters;  $B \Phi \Sigma$ , 1898, has twelve;  $B \Phi$ , 1900, has fourteen or fifteen, and  $K \Delta \Phi$ , 1898, confined chiefly to Indiana, has fourteen chapters.

### THE FRATERNITY DEAD LIST.

The following table, compiled by Mr. T. W. Allen from Baird's Manual and published in the  $\Sigma \Delta \epsilon$  Record, shows, by decades, the number of chapters lost by each of the general fraternities for men:

	1850	50-60	60-70	70-80	80-90	90-00	00-05	Total
Alpha Delta Phi.....	2	2	1	2	0	0	0	7
Alpha Chi Rho.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Alpha Tau Omega.....	0	0	0	4	10	14	2	30
Beta Theta Pi.....	3	3	5	3	5	3	2	24
Chi Phi.....	0	0	8	6	7	5	0	26
Chi Psi.....	0	1	2	3	2	2	0	10
Delta Kappa Epsilon.....	0	1	9	2	0	1	0	13
Delta Phi.....	0	0	1	3	0	0	1	5
Delta Psi.....	0	5	4	0	1	1	0	11
Delta Tau Delta.....	0	0	4	7	5	12	0	28
Delta Upsilon.....	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	5
Kappa Alpha (N).....	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Kappa Alpha (S).....	0	0	0	3	2	5	1	11
Kappa Sigma.....	0	0	0	0	8	7	3	18
Phi Delta Theta.....	0	5	1	5	4	10	1	26
Phi Gamma Delta.....	0	3	3	8	4	4	1	23
Phi Kappa Psi.....	0	0	3	5	6	5	2	21
Phi Kappa Sigma.....	0	0	8	3	2	4	0	17
Phi Sigma Kappa.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pi Kappa Alpha.....	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	4
Psi Upsilon.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Sigma Alpha Epsilon.....	0	0	5	5	10	8	0	28
Sigma Chi.....	0	0	4	5	7	2	4	22
Sigma Nu.....	0	0	0	2	1	8	4	17
Sigma Phi.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Theta Delta Chi.....	1	1	5	4	1	3	1	16
Zeta Psi.....	0	2	0	4	2	2	0	10
Total.....	7	26	64	80	78	98	23	376

Bro. George Chew Atkins, Columbia, '02, of New York City, writes to us as follows:

Did you ever hear of the  $\Sigma \Phi \tau$  fraternity? The other day I found a pin, bearing those letters and the name Simmons, a black enameled five-pointed star with crossed daggers and skull.

Bro. Walter C. Stickney, Colorado, '04, of Denver, writes to us as follows:

In a conversation recently with Bro. E. J. Churchill, Nebraska, '85, he spoke of an old fraternity pin which he had run across recently, and in connection with it a very interesting story of its having been among the effects of an old pirate who died a number of years ago in California. The pin is in the form of a watch key similar to that of  $\Phi B K$ , but it is diamond shaped, about two and a half inches long. It bears on one side  $\Delta\epsilon\delta\mu\omicron\varsigma$   $\Phi\iota\lambda\iota\alpha\varsigma$  and on the other side  $M \Sigma \Phi$ . It is made of yellow gold, which, from the fact that gold was discovered in California in 1848, would lead me to think that perhaps the pin antedated that period. Do you know of such a fraternity?

We know nothing of either  $\Sigma \Phi Y$  or  $M \Sigma \Phi$ . They are not mentioned in "American College Fraternities." If any of our readers know anything about them we shall be glad to receive such information.

#### RECENT GROWTH OF FRATERNITIES.

Following is a list of the chapters which have been established by the various fraternities since the 1905 edition of Baird's "American College Fraternities" was issued:

$\Sigma \Phi E$ —University of North Carolina, North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical College, Wittenberg, Purdue, Chicago, Syracuse, Washington and Lee. (Died at Roanoke and Washington and Jefferson.)

$K \Sigma$ —New York University, Dartmouth, Harvard, Idaho, Syracuse, Oklahoma.

$A T Q$ —University of Washington, University of Missouri, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (revived), Simpson (revived), Nodington and Lee (revived.)

$K A$  (southern)—Oklahoma, Washington University. (Died at Southwestern Presbyterian University.)

$B \Theta H$ —Iowa State, Toronto.

$A X P$ —Yale, Syracuse.

$\Phi K \Sigma$ —Purdue, Chicago.

$\Delta \Sigma \Phi$ —Pennsylvania State, Washington and Lee.

$\Sigma X$ —Arkansas, Montana.

$\Delta T \Delta$ —Missouri, Lafayette (revived.)

$\Sigma N$ —Virginia (revived), Syracuse.

$\Pi K A$ —Southern (revived), Missouri School of Mines.

$\Phi \Sigma K$ —Brown.

$\Delta Y$ —Illinois.

$\Sigma A E$ —University of Washington.

$\Phi K \Psi$ —Case.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$ —Toronto.

Sororities: A  $\Xi$   $\Delta$ —West Virginia, Michigan, Illinois, Nebraska. Z T A—Bethany, Judson, Texas.  $\Pi$  B  $\Phi$ —Iowa State, Minnesota (revived).  $\Delta$   $\Delta$   $\Delta$ —Randolph-Macon Woman's College. K A  $\Theta$ —Toronto (revived).  $\Sigma$   $\Sigma$   $\Sigma$ —Southwestern. K K  $\Gamma$ —Adelphi. X  $\Omega$ —Colorado.  $\Delta$  T—California.

Professional:  $\Delta$  X (legal)—Stanford, Virginia. A K K (medical)—George Washington.  $\Delta$   $\Sigma$   $\Delta$  (dental)—Colorado School of Dental Surgery, University of Southern California.  $\Psi$   $\Omega$  (dental)—Michigan.

The accompanying table gives the number of active chapters of the various general fraternities for men in 1883, 1890, 1898 and 1905, as shown by the editions of "American College Fraternities" in those years, and also the number at the present time.

ACTIVE CHAPTERS OF FRATERNITIES IN VARIOUS YEARS.

	1883	1890	1898	1905	1906
Kappa Sigma.....	14	22	47	70	76
Phi Delta Theta.....	44	66	63	69	70
Beta Theta Pi.....	44	60	62	67	69
Sigma Alpha Epsilon.....	16	31	54	66	67
Phi Gamma Delta.....	27	40	44	57	57
Sigma Nu.....	6	20	39	54	56
Alpha Tau Omega.....	26	35	42	51	56
Sigma Chi.....	34	38	50	53	55
Kappa Alpha (S).....	18	26	37	49	50
Delta Tau Delta.....	32	39	38	47	49
Phi Kappa Psi.....	34	35	38	42	43
Delta Kappa Epsilon.....	29	34	35	41	41
Delta Upsilon.....	17	26	31	36	37
Pi Kappa Alpha.....	2	4	13	29	31
Phi Kappa Sigma.....	9	11	12	24	26
Alpha Delta Phi.....	17	19	23	24	24
Theta Delta Chi.....	13	18	21	24	24
Psi Upsilon.....	17	17	21	22	22
Zeta Psi.....	19	20	20	22	22
Chi Phi.....	21	21	19	20	20
Phi Sigma Kappa.....	..	..	8	19	20
Sigma Phi Epsilon.....	..	..	..	13	19
Chi Psi.....	16	16	19	18	18
Delta Phi.....	7	11	12	11	11
Sigma Phi.....	6	7	8	8	8
Delta Psi.....	9	9	8	8	8
Alpha Chi Rho.....	..	..	3	6	8
Kappa Alpha (N).....	4	4	6	7	7
Delta Sigma Pi.....	..	..	..	5	7
Omega Phi Alpha.....	..	..	..	6	6
Theta Chi.....	..	..	..	2	2

## THE PROVINCE SYSTEM

The system of dividing the fraternity into districts or provinces and electing or appointing an executive for each originated with B Θ Π in 1874. Φ Δ Θ was the second fraternity to adopt it in 1880. Mr. Francis H. Sisson, general secretary of B Θ Π, discusses in the *Beta Theta Pi* the question whether or not it would be better for the fraternity to have smaller districts than it now has, saying:

To those who have studied methods of fraternity organization and administration, it has been evident for some time that B Θ Π has outgrown its present plan of district division. The districts as now arranged are, for the most part, too large geographically, and contain too many chapters for efficient supervision or visitation by the district chiefs. The result of this has been that few chiefs have been found who could afford to give the time and energy required to keep in anything like active touch with their chapters.

The division into geographical districts was conceived, in fact, solely as an aid in the work of the general secretary, through the close supervision of the chapters planned for the chief assistant secretaries. The growth of the districts has made such supervision difficult, if not impossible; therefore the real purpose of the district division is largely lost.

More than this, under this arrangement of the chapters of the fraternity into a few grand subdivisions around large centers, there has sprung up a certain district unity, a pride of locality that is essentially provincial and does not foster the broadest fraternity spirit. This has appeared increasingly at recent conventions and elsewhere until, for the purpose of efficient administration and true fraternalism, it seems clearly best that there should be a general redistricting of the chapter.

Summing up the apparent advantages of smaller districts, there might be mentioned the closer, more helpful contact between the general officers and the chapters, the engaging in active fraternity work of more ambitious young alumni, the sinking of local feeling in the general fraternity spirit, the operation of a more convenient administrative system, and the added emphasis given the essential fact that there are but two real or proper factors in our organization,—the fraternity and the chapter.

There are objections which will be made to this suggestion for the most part sentimental, but they can outweigh the gain in fraternity efficiency and fraternity spirit which seems assured as the result of such a change?

Ten fraternities and four sororities have divided their chapters into provinces, districts, divisions or sections.

B Θ Π has 69 chapters, divided into 10 districts, called "District I," "District II," etc., each comprising from 3 to 13 chapters, its executive being called a "Chief."

Φ Δ Θ has 70 chapters, divided into 9 provinces, called "Alpha Province," "Beta Province," etc., each comprising from 1 to 20 chapters, its executive being called a "President."

Φ Γ Δ has 57 chapters, divided into 14 sections, called "Section I," "Section II," etc., each comprising from 3 to 7 chapters, its executive being called a "Phularchos."



Φ K Ψ has 43 chapters, divided into 5 districts, called "District I," "District II," etc., each comprising from 7 to 11 chapters, its executive head being called an "Archon."

Α T Ω has 56 chapters, divided into 8 provinces, called "Province I," "Province II," etc., each comprising from 4 to 14 chapters, its executive being called a "Chief."

Δ T Δ has 49 chapters, divided into 4 divisions, called "Southern Division," "Western Division," "Northern Division" and "Eastern Division," each comprising from 9 to 14 chapters, its executive being called a "President."

Σ A E has 66 chapters, divided into 9 provinces, called "Province Alpha," "Province Beta," etc., each comprising from 4 to 14 chapters, having a President, a Vice-President and a Secretary-Treasurer.

· K Σ has 76 chapters, divided into 14 districts, called "District I," "District II," etc., each comprising from 2 to 9 chapters, its executive being called a "D. G. M."

Σ N has 56 chapters, divided into 12 divisions, called "First Division," "Second Division," etc., each comprising from 2 to 8 chapters, its executive being called an "Inspector."

Σ X has 55 chapters, divided into 9 provinces, called "First Province," "Second Province," etc., the executive being called a "Grand Praetor." The directory in the *Sigma Chi* does not show how the chapters are divided.

Π B Φ has 36 chapters, divided into 4 provinces, called "Alpha Province," "Beta Province," etc., each comprising from 4 to 12 chapters, its executive head being called a "President."

K Λ Θ has 25 chapters, divided into 4 districts, called "Alpha District," "Beta District," etc., each comprising from 2 to 8 chapters, its executive head being called a "President."

K K Γ has 32 chapters, divided into 4 provinces, called "Alpha Province," "Beta Province," etc., each comprising from 6 to 11 chapters. The directory in the *Key* does not mention any province executive.

Δ Δ Δ has 23 chapters, divided into 3 provinces, called "Alpha Province," "Beta Province," etc., each comprising from 6 to 10 chapters. The directory in the *Trident* does not mention any province executive.

## COLLEGIATE.

Ohio has a new \$50,000 library building.

Ohio Wesleyan has a new \$90,000 gymnasium.

A \$50,000 dormitory is being erected at Mercer.

Wisconsin has a new \$100,000 Y. M. C. A. building.

Miami had 433 students last year, the largest number in its history.

Andrew Carnegie has given \$100,000 for the erection of a dormitory at Lehigh.

Denny Hall which was burned at Dickinson has been rebuilt at a cost of \$65,000.

By a recent decision of the trustees, professors at Cornell are to be retired at the age of 65.

Minnesota has a \$450,000 main building and a \$65,000 woman's building under construction.

A \$75,000 law building is in course of construction at the University of Texas.—*S A E Record*.

Dartmouth has two new buildings, and two more, one of them a gymnasium, under construction.

Ohio State has a new building for mining, metallurgy and ceramics and a new chemistry building.

Randolph-Macon has a new dormitory erected at a cost of \$35,000; given by J. P. Branch, of Richmond, Va.

Georgia Tech has a new chemical building and Andrew Carnegie has given it \$20,000 for a library building.

Work will be begun this fall on a \$300,000 dormitory for women at Washington University, St. Louis.—*S A E Record*.

New laboratories for the electrical department, an \$80,000 chemistry building and a \$125,000 gymnasium are being built at Purdue.

At the University of Kansas a new law building has recently been completed and a new gymnasium is going up rapidly.—*S A E Record*.

The will of the late Theodore Kearney, of Fresno, bequeaths to the University of California his entire estate valued at \$900,000, to be used in the establishment of a Kearney agricultural experiment station as an adjunct of the university.

The last Colorado legislature appropriated \$250,000 for a library building for the university and doubled the state tax for the institution.

Tulane University has received an offer of \$75,000 from the Carnegie foundation fund, provided the University raises \$225,000.—*Σ A E Record*.

Union has a new electrical engineering building. Andrew Carnegie has offered the university \$100,000 provided a like amount is raised by the alumni.

Dartmouth had 1,019 students last year, 16 fraternities and 579 fraternity men. Lehigh had 656 students, 19 fraternities and 271 fraternity men.

Lombard is promised \$25,000 by Andrew Carnegie on condition that \$75,000 additional be raised for an endowment, and half of the latter amount has been pledged.

North Carolina has a new gymnasium and a new \$50,000 chemical laboratory, and is to have a \$100,000 library building, half that amount being given by Andrew Carnegie.

Work has commenced on the new law school building at Columbia University, the school having previously held its sessions in an upper floor of the University library.—*Σ A E Record*.

Thomas Jefferson Coolidge, of Boston, a great-grandson of Thomas Jefferson, has given the University of Virginia \$50,000 for the Thomas Jefferson endowment fund.—*K Σ Caduceus*.

The Carnegie pension fund for aged college professors has been increased \$5,000,000, making it \$15,000,000, and the trustees announce that widows of deceased pensioners will receive half the annual amounts paid to their husbands.

Ground has recently been broken for the new men's dormitory at Syracuse University. It will be the first dormitory which the University has erected. Heretofore the men have all resided in fraternity or private houses.—*Σ A E Record*.

J. I. Irwin, of Columbus, Ind., has offered Butler College of the University of Indianapolis \$100,000 on condition that \$150,000 more be subscribed to make a \$250,000 additional endowment. Andrew Carnegie has pledged the last \$25,000.

The average expenses of the men in the graduating class of Yale are said to have been \$4146 for the four years, according to the class book editor. The greatest sum expended by one student in a single year was \$7550 and the lowest \$100.

Last year was a very prosperous one for Westminster. Its attendance was larger than ever before. Its endowment was increased by over \$50,000. A \$10,000 house for the president is being erected. An athletic field of eighteen acres has been donated to the college.

The printers of THE SCROLL, the George Banta Publishing Co., Menasha, Wis., printed four college annuals last year—the *Michiganensian* of the University of Michigan, the *Badger* of the University of Wisconsin, the *Forester* of Lake Forest University, and the *Ariel* of Lawrence University.

The trustees of Vanderbilt University have rescinded a by-law which made all bishops of the M. E. church, south, *ex-officio* members of the board of trust, and have dropped eight bishops from the board, keeping five. The main building of the university, burned last year, is being restored, and a \$100,000 chemistry and pharmacy building erected.

Illinois had 4,078 students last year, 443 less than Michigan, and 104 more than Minnesota, and it proposes to outstrip both soon. A \$100,000 auditorium and a \$25,000 farm mechanical building are being erected. A school of ceramics and a school of railway engineering opened this fall. It is said that the latter is the first of its kind in the world.

Norbert Wiener, eleven years old, the son of Assistant Professor Wiener, of Harvard, has entered the freshman class at Tufts, and is undoubtedly the youngest collegian in the United States. He was prepared to enter Harvard but was barred on account of his youth. Accounts of this prodigy say that he knew his alphabet when eighteen months old, began to read at three years, was reading Darwin and Huxley at eight, was graduated from Ayer High school last June, and that he intends to make the study of philosophy his specialty.

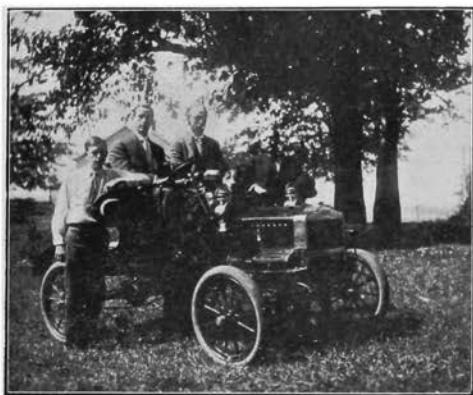
Syracuse had 2776 students last year. Four or five new buildings and a stadium are about completed. The stadium will have a seating capacity of 15,000 and accommodate 20,000 (about two-thirds of the capacity of the Harvard sta-

dium). It cost \$250,000, which was given by J. D. Archibold, president of the board of trustees of the university, one of three original trustees of the Standard Oil Co., and one of the vice presidents of that company. Chancellor J. A. Day's recent arraignment of President Roosevelt, calling the latter's anti-trust methods "anarchy in the White House," has brought out a new song which is sung by Syracuse students. The chorus, quoted from the New York *Sun*, runs:

We have a Standard Oil pipe running up to John Crouse Hall,  
And the gusher in the stadium will be flowing full next fall.  
We need the money, Mr. Archibold,  
We need it right away;  
It's the biggest ad. we've had  
Since the bulldog went away.

The reference to the bulldog brings up the famous edict of Chancellor Day to the effect that any student owning a bulldog would be expelled from the university.

## THE PYX



This is an outing of the Chariton County, Missouri,  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ s. Their headquarters are at Keytesville. Reading from left to right, they are: J. C. Miller, *Westminster*; R. W. Benecke, *Washington*; Charles F. Lamkin, *Westminster*, president of

Zeta province, and H. P. Mitchell, *Westminster*. The dog, "Hannibal" is said to be worthy of being P. G. C. among dogs belonging to Phis.

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The editor, in August, spent one day with some of our new brothers of Ontario Alpha and visited their handsome house. Although it was in vacation, he enjoyed seeing the University of Toronto and spending some time with Bros. Graham, Cooke and Shepherd. During the following two days he was the guest of Quebec Alpha at their commodious new house near the university. Bro. L. C. Lauchland, who was delegate to the New York convention, was near by at the Royal Victoria Hospital, and Bro. John A. McDonald, who has just gone to China, happened to be in the city. With these and several of the active chapter he had a most enjoyable time, and he has since cherished an even greater impression of the strength and loyalty of our Canadian brothers. He is grateful for their fine courtesy and hospitality.

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The editor would be pleased to receive samples of post-cards which show  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  chapter houses. How many of such cards can be obtained in college towns? We have many chapter houses that are worthy of being thus shown, and it would be a good thing to have the cards prepared and sent to alumni and sister chapters.

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Bro. Carl D. Sheppard, who is a Washington journalist, has sent the following "barkers:"

For information about anything "touchin' on" and appertaining to the Washington convention, before you go to Washington or after you arrive, call on Bro. J. R. Hitt, Jr., chairman of the information committee. If he can't help you out apply to Major Richard Sylvester, superintendent of police, or his first representative.

Bro. Claude N. Bennett is chairman of the reception committee. His duties are to meet all trains and steer incoming delegates to a safe haven. No permission will be necessary to leave quarters. Delegates should be careful to avoid being mistaken for senators and representatives, who will be returning during Thanksgiving week for the opening of Congress. Important matters will be up, and no one wants to be brought under suspicion the first thing.

Bro. George M. Rommel, "Animal husbandman," has charge of all arrangements for the convention on behalf of the Washington alumni club. To be consistent with his title, he has just become a married man. He is a scientist of high standing in the department of agriculture and a jim dandy fellow.

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The August *Phi Delta Theta News*, of Philadelphia, announced a gift of \$300 by the father of Bro. Takaki, and an appeal for \$300 more, to construct a cement pavement about the home of Pennsylvania Zeta. It announced that the additional \$300 would be raised by the middle of August, and that Andrew Carnegie had consented that if this sum were raised he would walk upon the new pavement when he should next visit Philadelphia.

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An interesting feature of THE SCROLL would be some good short stories of college or fraternity life. Φ Δ Θ has plenty of talent in this line and we are sure that if some of our brothers would turn their attention to this kind of short story writing, the result would be very fine. We have no \$5,000 to offer as a prize, but we can confidently appeal to our ambitious literary brothers to send in such contributions.

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On July 31, 1906, the firm of Roehm & Son, jewelers, of Detroit, was dissolved, and the entire fraternity jewelry and stationery department was purchased by Mr. Edward R. Roehm and moved to No. 16 John R. St. Mr. Roehm has started with a large stock of badges on hand and in his new factory he has improved facilities for conducting the business. He will no doubt succeed to the large popularity which the old firm enjoyed among members of Φ Δ Θ.

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The editor has received one of the beautiful souvenirs of the commencement banquet of Pennsylvania Delta at its chapter house on June 20. It is bound in ooze leather and is finely illustrated. The title page contains a picture of the chapter house and then follow the menu, toast list, lists of active members of the chapter and charter members and two pages for autographs. The banquet must have been a great success. Announcement was made that an offer had been made by an anonymous friend to contribute \$500 toward the

cost of installing a new heating system. To this sum Bro. R. R. Ross at once added \$100. An appeal was made to the alumni and the remainder of the necessary \$1,372 was raised. Thus the chapter house is now equipped with a fine new hot water heating system. The coziness, the appearance and the value of the house have been very much enhanced through the generous devotion of the alumni and friends of the chapter.

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The report of the committee to formulate amendments to the constitution and code, which appeared in the September *Palladium*, should be carefully studied by every Phi. The changes in our organic law and our statutes have been due to the sound development of the fraternity and the improvements in administration. In the report there may be some suggestions that it may not be wise to adopt, although they all seem to us to be desirable. At any rate, every chapter and alumni club should go over them very thoroughly and every delegate to the coming convention should be prepared to discuss this report and vote intelligently upon every item of it.

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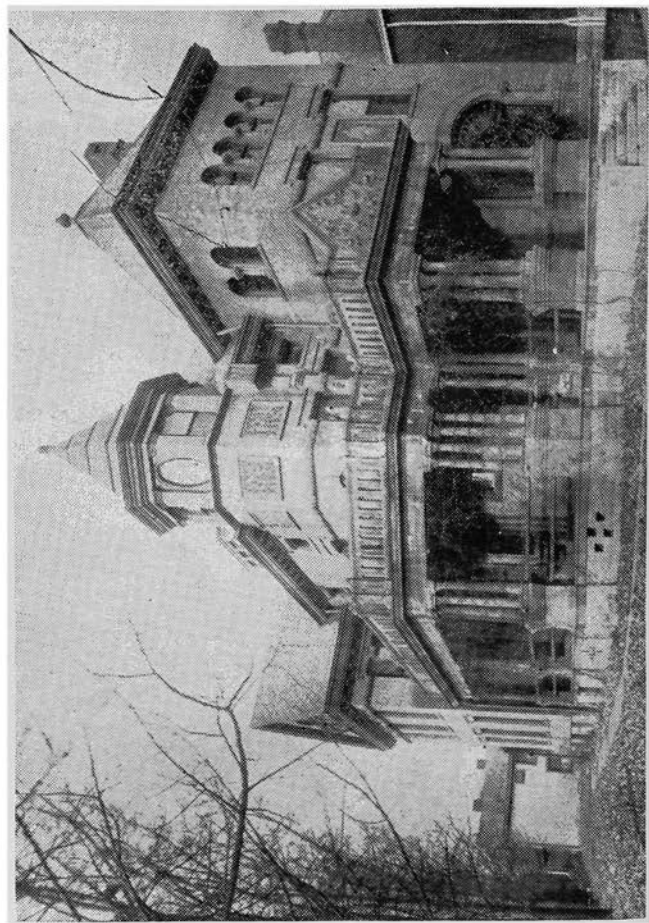
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## OHIO ZETA AND HER NEW HOME.

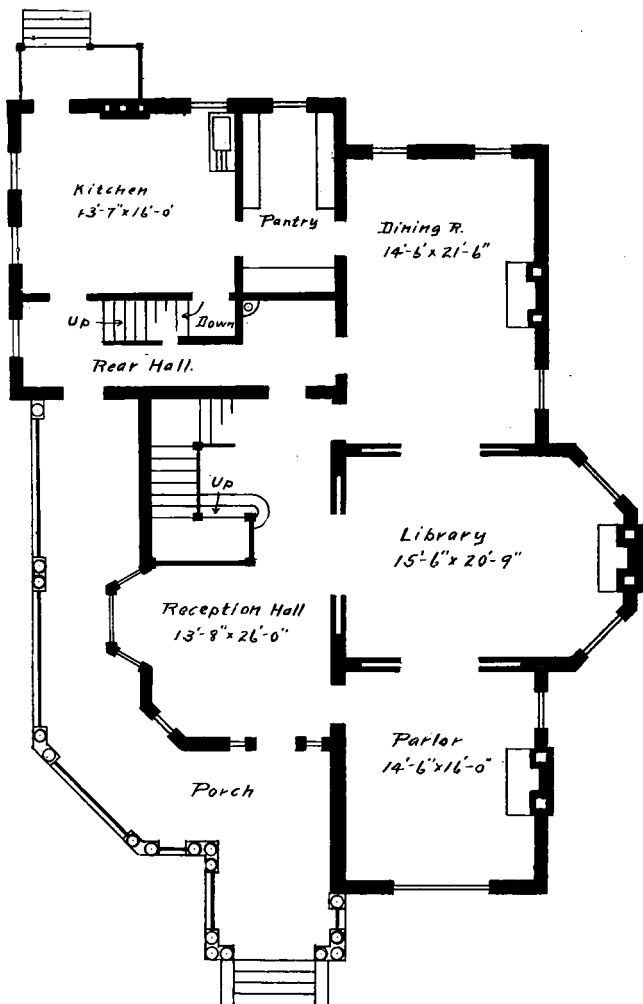
On November first of this year, Ohio Zeta chapter at the State University at Columbus, moved into its new home, the first fraternity at Ohio State to have its own chapter house.

This came as the result of a movement begun in 1903, when an organization of alumni and undergraduates was formed for the purpose of buying or building a suitable chapter home. To build seemed then better than to buy, having the obvious advantage of providing a house especially adapted to fraternity needs; but the difficulty of finding a suitable and available lot greatly retarded progress in this direction.

The work of securing subscriptions to the chapter house fund was at the same time more or less vigorously prosecuted, and by May of this year about \$6,000 in notes had been signed, and a moderate sum of money was on hand, representing, for the most part, payments on notes that had already matured.

At this time, while a committee was still casting around for a good site for a fraternity house, it was suggested that consideration be given to the house at No. 90, West Tenth Avenue, at the corner of Hunter street, one block from the campus, and but five minutes' walk from University Hall.

This residence, though not designed for fraternity needs, was of such general plan and construction as seemed to make it a desirable property in many ways. A thorough investigation showed it to be in good repair and apparently well adapted to the chapter's requirements, and this opinion was later confirmed by several members of the fraternity who have had special experience in chapter house matters, including the president and treasurer of the general council, the president of Delta province, and two former presidents of the fraternity. Additional impetus was given by the enthusiastic wish of the active chapter to secure the house, and it was therefore decided to take steps toward securing such an op-



*First Floor Plan.*

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tion as would give time for making the necessary financial arrangements.

The option was given without much delay, and on what seemed to be fair terms; a prospectus descriptive of the proposition for acquiring the house was issued to all members of the chapter, and subscriptions requested of notes and especially of cash, which with the balance on hand would be sufficient to supplement the first and second mortgages, which it was believed could be provided for.

From the latter part of May on through the summer and into autumn the work of raising money and perfecting arrangements was carried on, and though naturally difficulties were from time to time encountered, increasing success attended the movement, until on October 23 the papers were signed which gave the house over to the fraternity. Actual ownership is vested in the Phi Delta Theta Company, an Ohio corporation with capital stock of \$10,000—1000 shares at \$10 par value each, which it is intended to issue as payments are made to the chapter house funds.

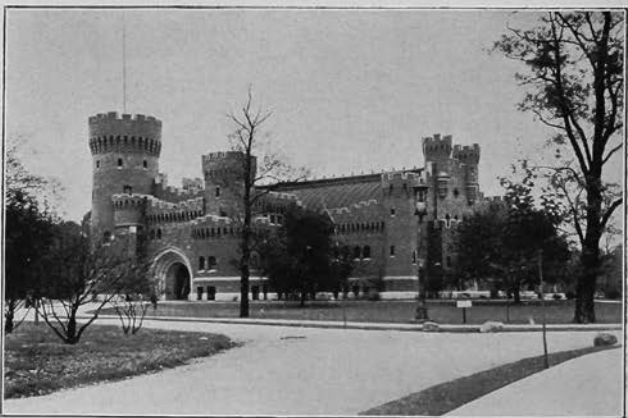
To provide money to meet payments on the first and second mortgages as these fall due, the note plan will probably be adhered to—concerning which plan it may be well to say here that it has seemed to form the backbone of the present undertaking, for it is extremely doubtful whether funds to carry through the purchase of this house could have been raised within the necessary time had it not been possible to appeal to those who had already given notes to take up some or all of these in advance, a suggestion which for the most part met with a gratifying response. It has been found in this instance that if a man's interest can be aroused to the extent that he will give notes for future payments, he will usually meet his obligations promptly and gladly as they mature, and indeed often anticipate the stipulated payments. Beginning with 1903 practically every member of the active chapter signed a series of notes amounting to \$100, and the amount of notes now overdue represents less than ten per cent. of the



CHARLES F. DOWD,  
*Ohio State, 1900.*



UNIVERSITY HALL—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.



ARMORY AND GYMNASIUM—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

cash payments made to date. These notes have been additionally valuable as being available for collateral security for the second mortgage on the property, practically assuring the entire safety of this loan.

The house will be leased to the active chapter at a rental sufficient to care for all fixed charges—interest, insurance, taxes, etc., and leave a working margin. The present size of the chapter, which can certainly be well maintained in future years, should make it easily possible to provide the necessary funds to meet the rental charges promptly and certainly.



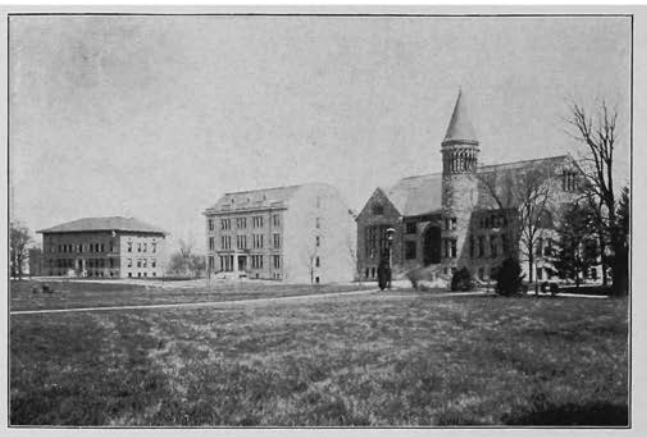
LOWRY F. SATE,  
*Ohio State, '05.*

The cut of the exterior and the first floor plan shown herewith will give an idea of the general proportions and arrangement of the house, which is of good size and appearance, well-built and commodious—of pressed-brick and terra-cotta constructions, slate roof, cement walks, porch and cellar, hardwood finish, and with parquetry floors downstairs. Twelve men can be accommodated at present, and with a moderate expenditure space can be provided for considerably more than this number. The rooms are large and well disposed; the heating is by coal furnace

and natural gas grates; the lighting is by natural gas.

The building is on a lot 70 x 170 feet, part of the rear being occupied by a stable, of which it may be possible and advisable to make some satisfactory disposition.

Aside from its material worth, Ohio Zeta's new home should be a valuable acquisition from the part it will doubtless play in the development and growth of the chapter, which has for many years looked forward to the time when it might be no longer subjected to the uncertainties and discomforts of living in a rented house. It is especially fortunate that the chapter should have acquired a permanent home in a year in which it seems well fitted to give financial and moral support to its new occupancy. Losing only two men by graduation last June, and gaining more than this number in affiliates this fall, it has further strengthened its position by initiating enough to bring its total to over twenty-five, which is one of the largest rolls in its history, if not the very largest. This increase is not at the expense of the individual worth or capa-



CAMPUS VIEW—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.



LIBRARY—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.



city of its members, but is only in keeping with the growth of the university, which has shown marked advance in the last few years, and which this year is receiving such adequate support from the state as will allow the providing of suitable accommodations for an increasingly large number of students.

The fraternities at Ohio State have been singularly behind-hand in their efforts to secure their own houses—especially when one considers the number of smaller institutions which have shown much progress in this direction. It seems now, however, that it will not be long before Ohio State will rank more importantly in the fraternity-house question. Phi Delta Theta happily has been first; the Betas are now building and may be in their house by the winter term, and it is reported that Phi Gamma Delta has acquired a lot and will soon build.

Columbus is the centre of Ohio—geographically, at least—some say in other ways, too. It is true that some roads in Ohio do not touch Columbus, but most of them do—and probably most Phis at some time or other reach the capital. If the latch-string is not out at Ohio Zeta's home, it will be because it is intended that the door shall always stand wide open, ready to welcome Phis. CHARLES F. DOWD.

#### PITTSBURGH AND HER PHI DELTA THETAS.

In view of the invitation extended by the Pittsburgh alumni club to the fraternity to select Pittsburgh as its meeting place for the convention of 1908, some facts about this "greatest hive of human industry on the face of the earth," to quote one of its congressional representatives, as well as a brief history of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in the Smoky City, may be cited with propriety at this time.

Pittsburgh is the center of greatest population in the United States, outside of New York and Philadelphia. Within a radius of sixty miles around Pittsburg reside 1,808,964 people, a greater population than Chicago in a similar radius. The capital, surplus and deposits of its banks exceed the combined banking capital, surplus and deposits of nine states.

Pittsburgh produces forty-seven per cent of all the steel made in the United States; fifty-six per cent of all steel rails made in the United States; seventy-five per cent of all plate glass; twenty-seven per cent of all pig iron; forty per cent of all window glass; fifty per cent of all table glass ware; fifty per cent of all harness leather; twenty-five per cent of all

bituminous coal mined in the United States; thirty-three per cent of all paper sacks; seventy-five per cent of all wrought iron and steel pipes; twenty per cent of all clothing made in the United States; and twenty-five per cent of all nails and spikes. It has 2,883 mills and manufacturing establishments with a capital of over \$300,000,000; value of annual products, \$344,525,875; paying out in wages over \$300,000,000 annually. It has sixty-two blast furnaces and rolling mills, employing 122,000 workers. Also there are three hundred and fifty miles of electric street railway with a combined capital of \$84,000,000.

Pittsburgh stands sixth among the cities of the United States in comparative volume of bank exchanges. Its coke district produces sixty-five per cent of the entire output of coke in the United States; its oil district produces sixty per cent of the entire output of oil in the United States; it has a greater railroad and river tonnage than any other city in the world, its railway tonnage being three times that of New York or Chicago, twice that of London and four times that of Paris. Two hundred and eighty passenger trains enter and depart daily; 6,000 loaded railroad cars enter and depart daily from Pittsburgh, including the Connellsville coke region, over 2,000,000 railroad cars are loaded annually. The trade of a single firm in iron ore, limestone, fuel and finished product amounts to a greater tonnage than the combined cotton product of the southern states, the combined rail and river tonnage being one-half as large as the combined commerce of the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

At Pittsburgh are located the world's largest Bessemer steel plant, largest crucible steel plant, largest plate glass plant, largest chimney glass plant, largest table glass plant, largest air brake plant, largest steel rail plant, largest pickle works, largest cork works, largest tube and pipe works, largest steel car works, and the largest coffee roasting establishment in the world.

Pittsburgh has the finest court house in the United States, splendid business blocks, miles of costly residences and magnificent public parks. Its educational and art institutions take high rank, the most recent addition to the former being the Carnegie Technical Schools, now in their first year of existence. Pittsburgh has probably given more and greater men to scientific research than any other city of its size in the country. Its astronomical observatory is famous the world over. Its wealth has bloomed out into libraries and art gal-



WILLIAM H. PRATT, *Allegheny*, '96.



W. T. FREDWAY, *Washington and Jefferson*, '86.



JOS. A. LANGHITT, *Washington and Jefferson*, '79.



M. HOKE GOTTSHALL, *Dickinson*, '00.

leries and music. Its art exhibits draw the best critics of New York and attract some of the finest drawings of the easels of Europe.

Such is the attainment and rank of Pittsburgh today, and its present development is only the bud of its future greatness. The twentieth century will see her one of the greatest cities of the world. Paul was proud of the fact that he was a citizen of no mean city, and we of Pittsburgh may be pardoned if we occasionally overcome our modesty and show a touch of the same pride.

Small wonder it is, then, that Pittsburgh's alumni club should be composed of over three hundred Phis, who are found high in rank in all professions and in all business enterprises. By actual count, forty-four chapters are represented. The club was organized January 17th, 1887, and the leading spirits at that time were William T. Tredway, Esq., R. B. Scandrett, Esq., and Joseph A. Langfitt, all of Pennsylvania Gamma. In the twenty years of the club's existence its members have always evinced an unswerving loyalty to the fraternity, and the attendance at the Alumni Day banquets has been uniformly large and enthusiastic. In recent years the club, enlarged in membership, and with young and enthusiastic Phis at its head, has displayed remarkable activity and has succeeded in getting interested in the welfare of the fraternity in general, more alumni than at any other period of its history. Chief among the means employed have been the luncheons held on Friday of each week at the Hotel Henry; frequent smokers under the auspices of the club, and complimentary dinners given in honor of distinguished and visiting members of the fraternity. Many individual members take pleasure from time to time in entertaining the entire membership of the local club at dinner, so far as they are able to attend. Besides, dances and other social functions given under fraternity auspices, tend to further enliven the local organization. The officers at the present time are: M. Hoke Gottschall, *Dickinson*, '00, president; P. B. Straub, *Lehigh*, '98, treasurer; and Robert W. Lindsay, *Washington and Jefferson*, '02, reporter.

By way of demonstrating the standing of the members of the Pittsburgh alumni club, attention may be directed to the position which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  occupies in having three candidates for important public offices at the November election this year, a record which we believe is unparalleled with any other fraternity here or with any alumni club of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Brother W. H. Seward Thomson, a charter member of Pennsylvania Gamma, 1878, appears as a candidate for district attorney of Allegheny county on the Democratic, Lincoln and Citizen party tickets. Brother Thomson has long enjoyed a large and lucrative law practice and has also found time to devote to literary pursuits. His strong personal character, his recognized ability and his admittedly high standards of life and conduct have drawn to his support men without regard to party lines and at this stage of his canvass it would seem as if his election was assured.

Brother Joseph A. Langfitt, another charter member of Pennsylvania Gamma, 1880, was nominated without opposition as the Republican candidate for state senator in the forty-fourth senatorial district. Probably no other member of the local club has so many wide and diverse interests as Brother Langfitt. A successful lawyer, he is connected with many important business enterprises, is a member of the leading clubs of Pittsburgh and a director in many local banks and trust companies. He is a ready debater, an eloquent campaign orator, and much sought after as an after-dinner speaker. Brother Langfitt has held high offices in fraternal and beneficial organizations, among them being supreme regent of the Royal Arcanum and president of the National Fraternal Congress.

Among the younger members of our club is Brother William H. Pratt, *Allegheny*, '96, who has been honored by the Republicans of the eighth legislative district with the nomination for the general assembly. While admitted to the bar of Allegheny county only in March, 1901, Brother Pratt has already built up a practice equal to that enjoyed by many attorneys who have spent a lifetime in their profession. An indefatigable worker, brilliant in intellect and with a character beyond reproach, Brother Pratt bids fair to be a power in the future of Pittsburgh. If the loyalty of the alumni club to the candidacy of these brothers will avail, their election is already determined.

No account, howsoever brief, of the doings of the Pittsburgh alumni club, would be complete without reference to the one man above all others, to whom we owe existence—Brother William T. Tredway, *Washington and Jefferson*, '86. The same loyalty to the fraternity which he displayed in helping organize the local club in 1887, has characterized his relations to the fraternity ever since, and it is noteworthy that no event of consequence to the local organization has oc-

curred with which Brother Tredway was not intimately connected. Present at every annual banquet and social gathering, he is a liberal contributor to the local club, and has always shown the same devotion to the interests of the fraternity at large. Brother Tredway, while enjoying an extensive practice in his profession at law, has devoted himself largely to the organization of corporations, and is a stockholder, director and attorney for numerous banks and trust companies in and about Pittsburgh. He is also the author of "The Law of Bank and Trust Companies in Pennsylvania," the first work of the kind published, and which has attained wide circulation. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., R. A., W. O. W., Knights of the Maccabees and most of the bodies of the Masonic fraternity, being a shiner of Syria Temple. He is also active in both county and state politics, and his name is frequently brought forward as a Republican candidate for judge in the Allegheny county courts. In 1902, Brother Tredway was a delegate from the local club to the New York convention of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and this year he is our representative at the Washington convention.

ROBERT W. LINDSAY, *W. & J.*, '02.

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#### CHAPTER HOUSE FINANCING.

The ownership of a chapter house has ceased to be a luxury and has now become an absolute necessity. The chapter that is without a house of its own is at a distinct disadvantage in competition with chapters of other fraternities which have houses.

The ownership of a house adds such an element of stability to both the chapter itself and the fraternity as a whole that the houseless chapters must be brought to a realization of the fact that they are neglecting their duty to both themselves and their fraternity. The time may come when the vital importance of this fact will force the fraternity to consider the advisability of withdrawing the charters of chapters that have shown such a lack of enterprise as to fail to provide themselves with a proper "home."

The writer has never heard a good excuse for not owning a house, except in the few instances where the faculties prohibit it. Chapters, the members of which assured him eight or ten years ago that it would be impracticable to put through a plan for acquiring a house, are now the proud owners of

beautiful houses. The growth and prosperity of the chapters that now own their houses are the best arguments in favor of chapter house ownership.

The plans for financing the acquisition of houses vary, depending on local conditions. This article is written for the purpose of outlining the several methods, which have been most frequently used, and which may be classified as follows:

I—Gifts (either of cash or notes).

II—Stock.

III—Stock and bonds.

IV—Stock, bonds and mortgage.

V—Bonds and mortgage.

VI—Mortgage.

VII—Building association.

#### I—GIFTS.

This plan for raising the amount necessary to build a house is the most difficult, and is apt to be the most tedious. It is, however, the most satisfactory in that the chapter is relieved of all future obligations, except to keep the house in repair.

There are cases where the money must be raised in this way, as, for instance, when the chapter does not own the land on which it builds, but gets permission from the faculty to build on the college campus. It is advisable, wherever possible, to avoid doing this, owing to the restrictions which college authorities are apt to impose, and because of the uncertainties which non-ownership of the land involves.

There are occasional instances where the faculty makes it easy for a chapter to acquire a house. At Lafayette College the trustees have agreed when a chapter has raised, in cash and approved subscriptions, one half the cost of the proposed house, to assign it a lot on the campus, at a nominal rental, and loan at interest the other half of the cost.

If the plan of raising the money by gifts is adopted, the best method is to get subscriptions of cash from alumni and active members so far as possible, and get a series of notes, payable over a term of years, from those who are not in position to contribute cash. These notes should be made out on the regular blanks for promissory notes (which may be procured at any stationers) and a separate note made for each payment. For instance, one note payable one year from date, another two years from date, etc.

Every chapter that is without a house should begin now and get each active member to sign such a series of notes.



Future initiates should be required to sign a series of notes either at the time of initiation or prior to graduation. It is always easier to get obligations of this kind from members while they are active in chapter work than after they have graduated.

It is well for chapters to have a fund collected in this way even if a different plan for financing a home should afterward be adopted.

## II—Stock.

The formation of a joint stock company differs from the gift plan principally in the fact that subscribers are given certificates of stock to the amount of their subscriptions. This has the effect of giving them a partnership interest in the property, and consequently control of it, through the election of officers and directors.

This giving of something of value in return for subscriptions makes it possible to raise more than through outright gifts. Many a man will subscribe to a thousand dollars worth of stocks or bonds when he would not give over one hundred dollars outright. This applies also to all the plans which provide for the issuance of bonds as herein outlined.

The incorporation of a stock company should be placed in the hands of a lawyer, so that all the steps taken shall be in conformity with the laws of the state in which the company is chartered.

The stock may be all of one class, or of two classes, common and preferred. In the latter case the preferred stock may be so issued that it will be rendered more valuable, for instance, by being entitled to a regular stated dividend, say six per cent, and by being given preference over the common in the distribution of assets in case of liquidation.

The privilege of voting and holding office need not necessarily be given to holders of preferred stock. It can thus be made available as security for subscriptions from non members.

## III—STOCK AND BONDS.

Where it is desirable to have two classes of subscribers, one getting greater security than the other, a corporation having both stock and bonds may be formed.

The stockholders will then be in the position of owners of the property subject to the claims of the bondholders. The bond holders are entitled to their interest before any divi-

dends can be paid on the stock, and in case of dissolution of the corporation, or inability to meet the interest payments, the bondholders would have to be paid in full out of the proceeds of the sale of the property, before the stockholders would be entitled to anything.

This plan is desirable in cases where friends of the chapter (who are not members of the fraternity) or older alumni are willing to loan money to the chapter by purchasing bonds, but are unwilling to subscribe to stock.

#### IV—STOCK, BONDS AND MORTGAGE.

This plan is similar to the last two ones, except that it includes a third class of obligation, a mortgage.

It is often possible and desirable to borrow a portion of the cost of the property from an outsider who loans entirely on the value of the property. An individual, bank or trust company may make such a loan, and, in most localities, is usually willing to loan about sixty per cent. of a fair valuation of the property. As security he will require a first mortgage running for a stated term of years, and bearing a fixed rate of interest, say five or six per cent.

A suitable property may frequently be bought ready built, and subject to such a mortgage. Where the chapter desires to secure a lot and build a house it may also use this plan to advantage.

If, for instance, the lot will cost \$2,000 and the house \$8,000, an institution or individual investor can probably be found who will agree to loan \$6,000 on the property, advancing the money in installments as the building of the house progresses. The balance of \$4,000 may be raised by issuing bonds, secured by a second mortgage, and stock.

The bonds and stocks may be sold to the members and alumni, the bonds bearing a fixed rate of interest, but without voting power, and the stock representing the equity in the property and voting control.

Sufficient stock and bonds would have to be sold to pay for the lot before an investor would agree to take the mortgage, and the entire amount necessary should be pledged, and, if possible, paid in before the contract for building is entered into.

#### V—BONDS AND MORTGAGE.

This plan is the same as the fourth, except that the organization is formed without any stock.

In many instances it is better to form a "club" as distinguished from a "stock company" or "corporation." State laws are often more strict regarding stock companies than clubs or fraternal organizations, in some cases imposing burdensome requirements, including taxes, on them. Almost always it will be found best to organize a club rather than a joint stock company.

The club should be regularly chartered under the laws of the state. It may then take title to real estate and execute the mortgage and issue bonds exactly as in the above plan.

#### VI—MORTGAGE.

Where the chapter has sufficient cash to pay the difference between the cost of the property and the amount that can be borrowed on mortgage, it need issue only the one obligation.

In cases of this kind it will be found advisable to have the mortgage drawn so that it may be reduced in amount, at the chapter's option, at the end of any interest period. A fund should then be set aside out of the income of the chapter (from dues, room rent, etc.), so that the mortgage may be gradually paid off; for, of all desirable conditions, the ownership of a house free of debt is the ideal one.

#### VII—BUILDING ASSOCIATION.

By joining a building association a chapter can usually borrow a greater percentage of the cost of a house than can be obtained from other investors. The disadvantages of this plan are that the payments must be made monthly covering both interest and a portion of the principal, and that the failure of the building association may seriously embarrass the chapter.

The monthly payments on account of the principal reduce the mortgage until, at the maturity of the building association stock, which usually takes ten or twelve years, the mortgage is cancelled. Nevertheless this plan should not be adopted when any other method can be successfully financed.

#### GENERAL PRECAUTIONS.

Under the laws of the fraternity, chapters are not permitted to incorporate under the exact chapter title. They may, however, adopt such a title as, "The Miami Chapter House Association."

Alumni club titles may be used and, where possible, they

are preferable, for instance, "The Phi Delta Theta Club of Philadelphia."

All legal matters appertaining to incorporation, execution of mortgages, building contracts, etc., should be put in charge of a competent lawyer.

Where possible the chapter house organization, whether club or stock company, should be under the control of alumni who have had business experience; the active chapter assuming the general management of the house, and paying rent to the association.

Do not depend on an architect's estimate of the probable cost of a house. Get the estimate of a reliable builder. Make sure that the contract with the builder includes all so called extras such as gas fixtures, grading, sodding, paving, paper hanging, etc., or provide a sufficient fund to pay for them.

Do not let the contract and commence work until positively assured that the necessary amount is subscribed and reasonably sure to be paid up as called for. Overzealous members are apt to force a chapter into embarrassing situations by rushing ahead regardless of consequences.

Be sure that the house planned is not beyond the resources of the chapter. Better have a \$5,000 house that can be properly maintained after it is built, than a \$10,000 house that will prove a constant drag on the resources of the chapter, and necessitate taking in undesirable members in order to swell the income or precipitate failure through raising the dues beyond the financial ability of the average student in your college.

Submit your plans to the chapter house commission for suggestions and approval before finally adopting them.

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#### JUDGE HENRY A. MELVIN.

The unanimous election of Judge Henry A. Melvin, *California*, '89, as grand exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, on July 17, at Denver, brings strikingly before the country a staunch and loyal  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , as well as a distinguished citizen of California. Judge Melvin was a charter member of California Alpha at its reorganization in 1886, and was a delegate to the national convention in 1889 at Bloomington, Illinois, where he made a great reputation as a good story teller. He has always shown an active and

devoted interest in the welfare of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and is counted as one of the most distinguished alumni on the Pacific Coast.

It is said that Judge Melvin, perhaps more than any other of the younger men in California public life, unites in himself the general reputation of Californians for many-sided ability and unfailing good nature. In consequence, there are few in the Golden State who can be found with a larger popularity than he enjoys. He is a native of Springfield, Illinois, where he was born on September 28, 1865, being the son of Dr. Samuel Houston Melvin, a physician of wide reputation throughout central Illinois. His mother was Amanda Slemmons. Early in the seventies the family moved to California and finally located at Oakland. The son was graduated from the Franklin Grammar School in 1881 and from the Oakland High School in 1885. The impulse to be independent, always strong with him, led him to engage in business for a year before entering the University of California. In that great institution he early attracted the attention of his college mates and the professors of the universities by his ability and aptitude as a scholar. A member of a very notable class that produced Prof. Charles M. Bakewell, soon to become distinguished in metaphysics; Lincoln Hutchison, early to win honors in the science of political economy; Prof. W. L. Jepsen, who quickly showed eminence as a botanist; Dr. Herbert C. Moffit, who readily became a leading physician of San Francisco; Prof. Charles A. Noble, who won laurels in mathematics; Lincoln Steffens, the student of political and social conditions and relentless critic of corruption; and Thomas B. Sullivan, the gifted journalist—Judge Melvin at once won recognition as a leader of them all. He was in every sense an active member of California Alpha and contributed much to the high-tone and prosperity of the chapter. He was editor of the college annual and easily took full college honors in his class. During his student days he cultivated thoroughly the wonderful voice with which he has often captivated those who heard him and was frequently heard at entertainments in behalf of charity.

After graduation from the university, Judge Melvin entered the Hastings College of Law, of San Francisco, and was graduated in 1892. He accepted an appointment as clerk of the senate committee on county and township governments of the California legislature and served during the session of 1891. In March of that year he was appointed justice of the peace of Brooklyn township of Alameda county, which position he



JUDGE HENRY A. MELVIN, *California*, '89,  
of Oakland, California.

resigned in March, 1893, to accept the position of assistant district attorney of the county. In quick succession he was appointed prosecuting attorney, chief deputy district attorney of Alameda county, and finally in 1900 deputy attorney general of the state of California. All his briefs on appeal to the supreme court of the state, while in the office of attorney general, are marked by clearness, accuracy and profound learning in the law.

In 1901 the legislature added a fifth judge to the superior court of the county. The governor, with the unanimous approval of the bench and bar, as well as the laity of the county, appointed Judge Melvin to this position on the bench. At the next general election, November, 1902, he was elected to succeed himself, receiving the largest vote ever given a candidate for superior judge of Alameda county. His career on the bench has been characterized by a broad grasp of the principles of law and equity and a fine power of clear statement in his opinions, as well as firmness and dignity in his conduct. His high reputation as a jurist is not confined to his own county, but extends throughout the state and higher judicial honors for him are confidently foretold. In addition he is the professor of medical jurisprudence in the Oakland medical college, is a member of many clubs and was recently elected to the Golden Bear, a senior society at the University of California, into which one or two alumni are invited each year. In 1893 Judge Melvin married Miss Morse, a niece of Governor Pennoyer of Oregon. Their son Bradford, now twelve years old, is a young man of the brightest promise.

Through many years Judge Melvin added to the labors of the student and the lawyer the work of the journalist. Many tales are told of his brilliant "scoops" and cleverness in what newspaper men call a "story." His work as a journalist was always marked by clearness and purity as a writer of good strong English. At times he has turned his pen to writing songs, and one of the successes of the university song book is of his composition.

Judge Melvin is a brother of Charles Stuart Melvin, *Lafayette*, '82, who assisted in the ceremony of his initiation in 1886, and he is a cousin of Mark Mason, *Knox*, of Chicago. Φ Δ Θ takes a sincere pride in the many achievements of her distinguished son and especially in his unanimous elevation to the headship of one of the most popular fraternal orders in the world.

## OLD FRATERNITY RECORDS.

COLLECTED AND EDITED BY WALTER B. PALMER.

*Continued from THE SCROLL, December, 1904.*

Brother Wakefield, of the new Illinois Epsilon, writes me that they will have ten or twelve men to begin with in September; he will be in law. Bro. J. E. Coffin enters the University of Kansas this fall and will organize the Kansas Alpha. He is from the Earlham branch of the Indiana Delta. George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 24, 1878.

We have initiated four or five this session, and they are the pick of the crowd. The other fraternities are weak. X Φ has six, K Σ six, A T Ω five, while Φ Δ Θ has eleven. G. M. Bulla, Trinity College, N. C., to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 27, 1878.

After vacation I returned and found that Bro. Lake (who had remained in camp) together with Bro. Chalkley, of Virginia Delta, had gotten two excellent men. We have since gotten five more. We have done better than any other fraternity here and have not stopped working yet. I think we will have the most powerful fraternity in the institute next year. K Σ K and Σ X are pretty cool towards us, on account of our having beaten them on several men. The Betas are very friendly. The K As have gotten one very good man. This A T Ω chapter here is their national grand. In 1869 the Σ Ns established themselves under the name of "Whitefeet," in opposition to the A T Ωs or "Blackfeet." At first they were only a number of fellows who bound themselves to oppose the "Blackfeet;" then they cut badges out of tin merely for fun, and afterwards established themselves as a fraternity. I saw Brothers Cone and Scott last summer and received from them a great deal of information about fraternity work. Brother Keitt is now a sub professor here. Whenever we wish a private talk among ourselves, uninterrupted by intruders, we go to his room, and fastening the door, none are admitted unless they give the Phi raps. We are trying to establish a chapter at Washington and Lee University. J. B. Beverley, Lexington, Va., to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 7, 1878.

I am afraid that our man at Tuscaloosa cannot do much better than he has. The required pledge is so skillfully and shrewdly written that he could not organize a chapter with-



out flagrant breach of honor and truth, which, of course, is not to be thought of. I studied it for a day or two in order to find some way of getting around it, but could not. I want you to correspond with my pet chapter; I call it so because no one else had a hand in it but myself, and I had no encouragement whatever. Address Cadet Alva Fitzpatrick, Auburn, Ala. I consider him as smart a boy as I ever met, and want you to write to him and judge of his calibre. T. M. Hobbs, Helena, Ala., to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 10, 1878.

Your communication of 28th inst. at hand. As you may suppose, I know but little concerning the designs and workings of secret fraternities. There is a popular opinion that they tend to excite party spirit in the literary societies. Unless I am assured that such is not the case with  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , I could not be a member of it. But if you can give me sufficient reasons to believe that the organization of the chapter you contemplate will be beneficial to myself and those whom I may succeed in influencing to co-operate with me, I will gladly accede to your proposal. Please write me all concerning your fraternity which your restrictions of secrecy will permit. As you intimated, the majority of the best material has already been taken, but not all. If we should come to a conclusion, I think probably I could succeed in organizing a small chapter. What is the minimum of membership necessary? Until I hear from you again, I will keep silent on the subject. T. I. Rogers, Wofford College, to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 30, 1878.

Your letter is at hand, also copy of THE SCROLL. Your answers to my questions are satisfactory. I have spoken on the subject to only two other students, and both favor the plan, provided further intelligence be as satisfactory as what you have given. I think we can without difficulty open with half a dozen stalwart fellows. There are three fraternities here now, X  $\Psi$ , X  $\Phi$  and K A. T. I. Rogers, Wofford College, to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 7, 1878.

All that I can say is that we are flourishing, after having thrown off the yoke of faculty oppression. We have elected both anniversarians this year, and will have a lion's share of the honors. Our most bitter opponents are the  $\Sigma \Lambda \Theta$ 's, but we have triumphed over them and all others combined. I am glad to learn that there is a hope for us to establish a chapter at Wofford College. I shall call a meeting of our chapter

for tomorrow night, and you can rest assured that we will take the necessary steps. You know well that we have just started a new life and have been to great expense recently, but nevertheless we will do all in our power. T. C. DuPont, University of Georgia, to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 13, 1878.

We will send a man from here to Wofford, so you need not give yourself any uneasiness about the matter. T. C. DuPont, University of Georgia, to W. B. Palmer, Dec. 28, 1878.

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We are only three strong. I am confident, however, that we can get several others soon after we are organized. T. I. Rogers, Wofford College, to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 4, 1879.

We are doing finely since the new year began. We moved into our new hall last Saturday and are furnishing it. We initiated B. M. Bodie a few nights ago, and W. S. Tyson tonight. One of the new students here who formerly went to Wofford, says he is very well acquainted with T. I. Rogers and says he is a good fellow and very smart. G. M. Bulla, Trinity College, N. C., to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 7, 1879.

Our chapter is progressing finely. We have twelve men this session and one or two more under discussion. C. D. Butler, University of Mississippi, to Walter B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 15, 1879.

Mr. DuPont came up on last Friday, but arrived late at night; consequently we deferred the initiation until Saturday morning. On Saturday morning, however, he initiated three of us—W. D. Simpson, Robt. C. Rembert and myself—into the fraternal bond of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . The ceremony, of course as you said it would be, was very informal, but he made us understand it pretty well, and gave us an impetus by which I hope, the fates being propitious, soon to have a thriving chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at Wofford. We have not procured a hall yet, and as DuPont advised us, we will not rent one until we get more members. We will, however, manage to get some place to meet on each alternate Saturday night. With few exceptions and alterations, I think we will adopt the by-laws you propose. Give me all the instructions you can. I feel full of something or other now that makes me wish to write you a letter of a dozen pages, but there is no use unless I could

make it interesting. T. I. Rogers, Wofford College, to W. B. Palmer, Nashville Tenn., Jan. 19, 1879.

We are not growing in numbers as fast as I expect you would like to hear; we have not taken in any new men, and are yet only three, but we will take in two tomorrow night—F. S. Mouzon and F. R. Pegues—two excellent students, one in the freshman class, the other in the introductory. We have not tried to get but one other, and he says he does not wish to join any fraternity this year. There are two or three others we propose trying soon, and we think we may number eight or ten by June. There are a good many who could be gotten by any fraternity, but we would rather remain weak for a while than take them. T. I. Rogers, Wofford College, to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., March 14, 1879.

Alabama Beta is in a very healthy condition, having fifteen members. Should it ever be allowed to throw off its *sub rosa* character, it will be a bright jewel in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's crown. T. M. Hobbs, Athens, Ala., March 6, 1879.

We initiated last night M. H. Major, of the introductory class, to enter college next October. He is among the very best in his class and we look for an enthusiastic Phi in him. My hope of final success in establishing a flourishing chapter is unabated. T. I. Rogers, Wofford College, to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., April 27, 1879.

The idea of reviving California Alpha cannot now be entertained. There could not be a more unpropitious time for starting or re-establishing a fraternity at the University of California than the present. Wm. Carey Jones, Berkeley, Cal., to W. B. Palmer, May 29, 1879.

About six or eight weeks ago Indiana Delta initiated Prof. Gilbert E. Bailey, of Franklin College, a graduate of Chicago and Michigan Universities. He is as enthusiastic a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  as there is in Indiana. He was in college when our Chicago chapter went down, and he says there is no truth in the statement that  $\Delta K E$  and  $\Psi Y$  united to break us down. He says the true reason was that the best men graduated, and when fall came the men who were left did not know how to work the thing up. I visited Indiana Gamma three days of last week and found a good chapter. They authorized Brother Charles Marshall to reorganize in their name the chapter at O. W. U. He attended O. W. U. the first part of this year, and knows whom to get to start again. George Banta, Brookville, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., June 16, 1879.

If you have had no SCROLLS since March, it will be news to you to hear that Pennsylvania Epsilon has been founded at Allegheny College, Meadville, with ten charter members—thanks altogether to an Ohio man. J. A. Guthrie of Ohio Eta is at Purdue and has initiated G. L. Spencer and applied for a charter and been refused by—Clarence J. Reddig, president of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Michigan Alpha is not in good fix. Ed. Palmer and his room mate both got down sick, so that he fell behind, and when he got up he had to put in all of his time on his books to make his graduation. He got through in March, and I have no word from the chapter since that time. The following extract from a letter from E. E. Stevenson, attendant member of Indiana Delta, spending his vacation in Illinois is good news: "Yesterday (19th) I attended the commencement at Monmouth College, and as I was about ready to leave I was suddenly and rather secretly accosted by a Phi brother, who informed me that they are running a chapter *sub rosa* there, and have four good active members, besides their local alumni." He met all the boys and says they had quite a Phi jubilee. The Kentucky Alpha is now temporarily dead. Bro. Dudley, who has just been graduated, has made arrangements by which the alumni, who are very numerous in Danville, will straighten the chapter up in the fall. George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to A. G. Foster, June 28, 1879.

Virginia Alpha has few good men to pick from, yet it is the best chapter at Roanoke. Virginia Gamma made class standing almost the only requisite, and consequently lost enthusiasm. It has a chance yet. Virginia Beta, Delta and Epsilon are doing nobly. G. W. Cone, Riverton, Va., to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., July 14, 1879.

Mr. Banta, Mr. Cone and Mr. Reddig have all volunteered to read the proof of my  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  manuscript for "American College Fraternities," but I doubt whether I could send it; it has to be returned so quickly, you know, and printers are notoriously impatient. W. R. Baird, New York, N. Y., to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., July 16, 1879.

A real practical mistake in our fraternity is our exclusiveness, or a desire for having a small membership. You may have noticed how often chapters report five, seven or ten members, how they talk of "men not numbers," "quality not quantity," etc., which doctrine in itself is of the greatest importance, but which, nevertheless, exerts a bad influence. If

they believe that doctrine, they get careless and think: We have five, seven or ten good, fine men, and are getting along nicely together; there are no other men in college worthy of us, and we don't want any more. So they never watch for good men, and because a man is not perfection, they do not want the care of training him. Some chapters thus run through the year with five or even less men, maybe all in the senior class. A man or two comes back next year, and he does not find a set he likes particularly; he makes no additions, and soon the chapter is gone. This is the history of many of our chapters. The remedy is this: Encourage larger chapters, say from fifteen to twenty-five members; of course they must be worthy. Then should half a dozen drop out at the end of the year, the others will come back and the chapter's future is assured. Our largest chapters are our best ones. With the exceptions of Cornell and California, I do not know of a large chapter proving a failure and their failure may be ascribed to other causes. Besides a large chapter has greater influence in college affairs and gives the members greater *eclat*. The time for small chapters is past. Even though our members are so superior, they cannot afford to be behind in numbers. Power commands respect. Other fraternities are very hostile and envious of us, especially here in Indiana. At Indiana University I worked for years on the old plan, and had a sorry time of it, as I used to write to you. Fortunately, my last years in college were more successful; we numbered more than ten, and of course commanded more respect than when, as before, we numbered only five, six or seven. I have long believed the old doctrine fallacious. Look over our whole list of chapters and see if you don't think that the principle of "men not numbers" has worked us injury. If each of the members in a chapter would excuse a little greenness or a bit of excentricity in an otherwise excellent man, and work to get him in the fraternity and then work off his peculiarities which need correction, we would be much stronger than we are today. Do not suppose for an instant that I argue for the lowering of our standard; I would rather have it higher, which can be accomplished by faithful work. Now, for instance, had Centre College had a full chapter, do you suppose Kentucky Alpha would at present be *non est*? That was the trouble at Georgetown, Ohio Wesleyan, Indiana Asbury, University of Nebraska, etc., and what may happen at Roanoke, Randolph-Macon, Hanover, Iowa Wesleyan, etc. While we are building up new

additions it is well to keep the old apartments in repair. All the boys need stirring up. The larger a chapter is the more enthusiastic are its members. Think about this and see if my logic is not true; if we discover our mistakes we can correct them—a discussion of the matter will do much good. I expect I shall run down to Nashville in a week or two. I have determined to go to Mexico this fall. A. G. Foster, Evansville, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., July 30, 1879.

I have directed a copy of the  $\Psi Y$  catalogue to go from New York to you by mail. Please to use it in any way you desire, show it to anyone who cares to examine it, and regard it with no more secrecy than you regard any other volume. I sought to make a contribution to the college literature of the world, and hope every college fraternity in the United States may be better for the stimulus it may afford. It is high time to revolutionize fraternity catalogues. I only wish I could *give* a copy to every chapter of every fraternity, but having given two years' time, I could not do more, especially as the 1,000 copies cost \$3,000 for publishing alone. But every copy is sold and every bill is paid; and, unsolicited by me, I have been appointed on the United States Fish Commission as a result of the work done on this book. The work has involved long, tiresome and often discouraging labors; I had to fight all manner of troubles, but the results have paid me richly, and the end is not yet. If the exhortation may find an appropriate place with you, let me say, "Go thou and do likewise" for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . If I can be of any service to you by explaining the methods employed in the compilation of the book I shall be glad. I am desirous of doing anything I can to help our colleges and college institutions. C. W. Smiley, Provincetown, Mass., to W. B. Palmer, Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 4, 1879.

#### AN ODE TO PHI DELTA THETA.\*

Sweet muse of music, come, awake,  
And in your hand the lyre take,  
Then give to rapture all the strings,  
Produce sweet melody that brings  
A thrill of joy to every heart,  
As through our souls the echoes dart.

A special song we beg of thee,  
No grander lay than this can be,

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\* Read at the annual banquet of Tennessee Beta, May 11, 1906

'Twill be a song remembered, dear,  
To every one assembled here,  
Raise aloft Phi Delta Theta,  
The pride of our dear alma mater.

Sing no song of low degree,  
To honor our fraternity,  
But raise your voice in accents clear,  
So all the "frats" both far and near,  
May hear of old Phi Delta's fame  
And envy her her glorious name.

Tell us muse, so good and true,  
If e'er another name you knew,  
If anywhere there can be found  
A name whose honor will resound  
And echo through eternity,  
Like that of our fraternity.

I hear response without delay,  
The cheerful muse doth loudly say,  
"Hear ye, rejoice, I thought 'twas known,  
No name is honored like your own,  
From north to south, from east to west,  
Phi Delta's fame leads all the rest."

"Bring forth a crown for every Phi,  
Place a prize before his eye,  
Extol his name in every land,  
On every shore and every strand,  
Lift high his banner in the air,  
Above the rest and plant it there."

"Merit gains for it this place,  
It has no rivals in the race,  
The badge you wear of white and blue,  
Everywhere brings fame to you,  
The shield you bear, the scroll, the sword,  
Respected are, and ne'er ignored."

Thus sang the muse and then refrained,  
Although herself she scarce restrained.  
Her soul was full and bubbling o'er,  
To tell our honors more and more,  
But fearing lest too much she'd say,  
With this command she tripped away:

"Go bid your brothers on this day,  
Whate'er they do or write or say,  
Be vigilant and cautious too,  
And never do an act they'll rue,  
Keep free from spots the blue and white,  
Honor the Phis and stand for right."

## THE SCROLL.

## TRUE TO THY WHITE AND BLUE.

AIR—"Maryland, My Maryland."

Come, brothers all, and sing with me  
 In praise of our fraternity!  
 Our voices and our hearts must blend  
 With tributes to thee without end!  
 Where'er thy banners proudly wave,  
 As long as honor rules the brave,  
 Phi Delta Theta, we'll be true  
 Forever to thy white and blue.

Thy star, dear parent of us all,  
 We humbly pray may never fall,  
 But that thy rays of purity  
 Reflected light from us may be.  
 Should e'er be wronged thy mem'ry dear,  
 We'll take our stand, thou need'st not fear.  
 Phi Delta Theta, we'll be true  
 Forever to thy white and blue!

When college days for us are through,  
 Our pledges then we shall renew;  
 The influence sent forth by thee  
 Enshrined within our hearts will be;  
 Long live thy name, thy sun be bright,  
 For aye, defender of the right!  
 Phi Delta Theta, we'll be true,  
 Forever to thy white and blue!

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 HOWELL LLEWELLYN BEGLE, *Michigan*, '00.

We need not think that the action of the Leland Stanford (we may drop the "Jr.") University in withdrawing the authority of President Jordan to remove a teacher was meant as any affront to him; doubtless it had his approval. It seems to mean simply that the personal rule of Mrs. Stanford is over with her death; that the orderly course of control has begun, and that there will be no more Ross troubles.—*The Independent*.

"The Tower," a new novel by Mary Tappan Wright, published by Charles Scribner's Sons, is the story of a college community, introducing an autocratic business president, who is also a bishop, professors and their wives and daughters. The New York *Sun* says: "Two things stand out with cruel vividness—the merciless trafficking in men of the business president, and the hopeless struggle for sustenance of the professor with an inadequate salary."



## EDITORIAL.

AN excellent article on financing a chapter house appeared in the *Beta Theta Pi* for last April, and our first impulse was to reproduce it in THE SCROLL. Then we decided to send it to a member of Phi Delta Theta and request him to write an article on the same lines. The article which he wrote is presented in this issue, and it deserves the close attention of chapter house building committees. It explains all the practicable plans for raising money for building chapter houses and discusses the relative advantages of each. We have no hesitancy in saying that it is the most important and valuable article on the subject which has ever been printed in THE SCROLL. The author, with too much modesty we think, requests that his name be withheld, but we venture to say that he is a past president of the general council and a former chapter house commissioner, and that he has had long and extensive experience in real estate transactions and financial operations. He also had much to do with building one of our finest chapter houses. Only one who has had such experience and given the subject careful consideration could possibly have written such a strong, clear, forceful and suggestive article. The financing of a chapter house project is a simpler proposition than is generally supposed. We are sure that this lucid explanation of the various financial methods which may be successfully employed will do much to stimulate chapters which have no houses to undertake to acquire homes of their own. We consider ourselves very fortunate in being able to present this admirable article to our readers.

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OHIO ZETA and her alumni have done magnificently in purchasing the fine property described and illustrated in the leading article in this number. In the October SCROLL was an illustrated description of the beautiful and commodious house just erected by Pennsylvania Theta, a chapter only two and a

half years old—a monument to its heroic zeal and a demonstration that any chapter can acquire a house if it will fully determine to do it. Watch the chapter letters in these issues. The chapters at Williams, Sewanee, and Southwestern are now building homes that will rank among the very best. The chapters at Westminster and the Universities of Alabama, Mississippi and Indiana are almost ready to begin. The coming year will also probably mark the acquisition of homes by the chapters at Butler, DePauw and Purdue. At least half a dozen others are maturing plans for new and larger things in this line. In our leading editorial in the October SCROLL it was shown that the chapter home is necessary for the fulfillment of the highest mission of the chapter. Phi Delta Theta can well rejoice in her rapid attainment of the ideal in fraternity life.

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HOUSES are now owned by twenty-nine  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  chapters or chapter house associations: Dartmouth, Vermont, Williams, Amherst, Cornell, Columbia, Gettysburg, Allegheny, Dickinson, Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State, Miami, O. W. U., O. S. U., Case, Michigan, Wabash, Illinois, Wisconsin, Missouri, Nebraska, California, Stanford, Washington State, Vanderbilt, Sewanee, Emory, Texas Southwestern. In two years more we hope and expect that at least half of our seventy chapters will be living in homes of their own. A number of chapters own building sites, and they and others have building plans nearly perfected. In buying a lot for a chapter house we would urge that an effort be made to secure the best location that can be obtained in the neighborhood of the college. It is better to postpone building for several years than to build on a lot which is inconveniently or undesirably located, or which is too small for a suitable structure. Investments of this kind should be made with future needs in view, and a lot should be selected which will always be considered satisfactory, and equal to any lot that any other fraternity could possibly obtain. It is preferable of course to have a corner

lot. It is better to have a small house on a fine large lot than to have a big house on a crowded lot, for the lot can never be increased in size unless by chance the adjoining owner is disposed to sell.

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ANYONE who looks over the pictures of the chapter houses in the history of the fraternity will be struck with their handsome appearance. Some of those which were bought are not very attractive, but none are positively ugly. Almost without exception, every house built by a chapter is a success from an architectural standpoint and gives evidence of the talent of the architect and the good taste of the chapter. We confess a partiality for the beautiful colonial house of New Hampshire Alpha. The house of New York Delta is designed on colonial lines, as nearly as is possible in a building on a narrow city lot. Where the institution has a distinctive style of architecture for the university buildings, as at Pennsylvania, Chicago, Stanford and Sewanee, it is well for the chapter to conform to that style. But ordinarily we think that the best style for chapter houses is the colonial. It has historic associations, and, being an adaptation of the classical it is very beautiful. We believe it is the most lasting style that can be adopted, that it will look well longer than any other style. In fact we doubt if it ever will lose its popularity. We are not sure, but we believe it is one of the most economical of styles. The simplicity of the colonial lines should not be spoiled by features that are not a part of the colonial style. For one thing, a pure colonial house is evenly balanced, the same on the right as on the left. If it has a porch or a chimney or any other detail on one side, it must have the same feature on the other, or the colonial effect will be spoiled. A competent architect should be secured, one who has taste, and preferably one who has made a specialty of designing colonial houses.

## CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

## QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

The attendance at McGill this year shows a substantial increase. The figures are as follows: arts 373, science 445, medicine 363, law 26—giving a total of 1207 students, as against 1175 last year. This does not include the conservatorium of music which has an enrollment of about 500.

On October 6, McGill sustained a great loss in the death of Dr. James Stewart, professor of medicine and head physician at the Royal Victoria Hospital.

Bro. C. W. D. Duval, Pennsylvania Zeta, '03, is pathologist at the Montreal General Hospital, and lecturer in pathology and bacteriology at the university. Bro. Lauchland, '04, is gynecologist at the Royal Victoria Hospital this year.

Bro. W. L. Russell, Purdue '03, was on October 17 married to Miss Margery Duncan of Montreal. Bro. and Mrs. Russell will reside in New Glasgow, N. S.

We have initiated three good men this year, and take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity the following brothers: Arthur William Reid, arts, 1910, Archibald Cumberland Reid and Keith Munro, science, '10. In addition to these we have five men pledged.

In athletics this year McGill is showing up very strong. On October 26 we won the intercollegiate track meet by a good margin. The score was, McGill 56, Toronto 36, Queens 16. Bros. Powell and Blanchard and pledge Black represented Quebec Alpha on the track team. In the college sports Bro. Powell made a new record for the broad jump. At present McGill has very good prospects of landing the intercollegiate football championship. The senior team has won its first two games by the following scores: McGill 27, Ottawa 1; McGill 23, Queens 20. The intermediate team has entered the second round of its series. It won from Bishop's College by 66-2 and 65-5, but lost to Royal Military College by 18-8. Bros. Benedict, Kennedy, A. W. Reid and Pledge Johnston are on the first fourteen and Bros. Powell and Sharp on the second team.

This year the chapter has secured its share of college offices. Bro. Dickenson is president and Bro. Brennan secretary-treasurer of the McGill Mining Societies. Bro. Bell is vice-president of the undergraduate societies of applied science. Bro. Powell is vice-president and reporter of the track club. Bro. Robertson is president, and Bro. Smith football captain of the sophomore year. Bros. Powell, Shanks and Brennan are on the junior dance committee. Bro. Bell won the British Association Exhibition of \$50 for students entering fourth year science.

Bro. Bell has been elected as the chapter delegate to the Washington Convention.

Bro. Housser, '06, has affiliated with New York Alpha and Bro. Taylor, ex-'07, with Ontario Alpha. Bro. Housser is taking a post graduate course in Arts and a course in Law at Cornell.

Since our last letter we have been visited by Bro. Drummond, president of Alpha province, Bro. Connors, of Purdue, Newton, '06, and the following Dartmouth brothers: Oakford, Stearns, Field, Schwartz, Peck and Farrington.

GEO. E. BELL.

Montreal, November 1, 1906.

## ONTARIO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.

The university opened this fall with a large increase in attendance. There are 265 freshmen enrolled in science faculty, about 200 enrolled in arts and 150 enrolled in medicine.

The chapter returned fourteen men this fall with one more expected shortly. We have been unfortunate enough to lose for a time Bro. Hookway who is confined in the hospital with typhoid fever.

Bro. Johnston was awarded a fellowship in surveying in the science faculty, but has resigned to take his B. A. Sc. degree. Bro. Cringan, '09, arts, has been elected president of his year. Bro. Kennedy, '09, arts, was elected third vice-president of the university college literary society. Bro. Marshall, '09, is manager of the junior school Mulock cup team.

The following additional charter members were initiated this fall: Charles Johnston, '07, Mildmay, Ont.; Walter Nelson Daniels, '07, Morristown, Pa.; Clarence Webster Hookway, '07, London, Ont.; Harry John Marshall, '09, London, Ont.; Gordon Nasmith Kennedy, '09, Toronto, Ont.; Duncan Garfield Munro, '08, Iona, Ont.; Ernest Warren Oliver, '03, Toronto, Ont. We also take pleasure in introducing the following other initiates to the fraternity: George Hartley Vincent Burroughs, '10, Ottawa, Ont.; Edward Wingfield Browne, '10, London, Ont.; Edward Clarence Sims Acton, '10, Toronto, Ont.; William Balfour Mudie, '08, Kingston, Ont.; and Bro. Christopher Evenst Webb, '09, Toronto, Ont. We have affiliated Bro. Alexander Harold Taylor, formerly of Quebec Alpha.

During the past month the chapter has received visits from Bros. Kennedy, Powell, Blanchard, Boss and Reid of McGill. Bro. Connors, '05, of Purdue, and Bro. Morden, '05, of Toronto, also spent a Sunday with the chapter.

The intercollegiate track meet was held here October 26, McGill, Queens and Toronto teams taking part. The meet proved to be unique in record breaking, as new standards were set in the half-mile, broad-jump, pole-vault, sixteen pound hammer, sixteen pound shot and high jump. McGill won the championship with 54 points to her credit. Toronto was second with 36 points and Queens third with 16 points. Bro. Burroughs represented  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on the Toronto team and Bro. Acton is secretary-treasurer of the track club.

The football season opened this fall with two fatalities within the first week. The university authorities have been somewhat lax with regard to players undergoing a physical examination, with the result that two men who would not have been allowed to play football died from over-exertion. The team has started the season by winning the first two games. The first game of the intercollegiate series was played at Queens October 18, Toronto winning by 12-0. The second game was played here October 27 with Ottawa College, Toronto winning in easy fashion by a score of 27-0.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the team by Bros. Johnston and Munro and Bro. Daniels is secretary-treasurer of the Rugby club. It looks as though Toronto would again win the championship if no unforeseen accidents happen to mar our charms.

During the summer months  $\beta \Theta \Pi$  installed a chapter here by affiliating a local fraternity,  $\Theta Z$ . There are now seven general fraternities located at Toronto:  $Z \Psi$ ,  $A \Delta \Phi$ ,  $K A$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $\Delta T$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and  $\beta \Theta \Pi$ .

Our delegate is going to the convention prepared to exchange pennants with the other chapters and we will be greatly indebted if they can reciprocate in this matter.

H. S. SPRAGUE.

Toronto, October 26, 1906.

## MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

All interest at college for the next two weeks will center on the championship football games with University of Maine and Bowdoin. Colby has an unusually good team this year.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the varsity eleven by Bro. Denyer, right end, Bro. Keyes, right guard, Bro. Carey, right halfback, Bro. Peterson, fullback, and Bro. Cotton, left end. Bro. Kimball is substitute left end, and Bro. Shaw would have undoubtedly made the team but for an injury received early in the season, and as he will be Colby's first strong pitcher next spring it was deemed unwise for him to continue in the game. Bro. Bankart, Dartmouth, '06, is coaching the team, and it is largely due to his untiring work that Colby has made such a good showing thus far.

The college glee club has started its work of rehearsing and will make its first trip Thanksgiving week.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has five men in the glee club and three men in the mandolin club, while of the six men who make up the orchestra which accompanies the glee club four are from the ranks of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . The college band which was organized last year has reelected Bro. Becker, '09, as leader.

This week we celebrate Colby Day. It is a day set on which the old graduates, as many as possible, return to visit their college. In the evening there is a smoker in the gymnasium, and mid songs, class yells and cheers the old-timers relate incidents of their college days.

Maine Alpha wishes to introduce to the fraternity its freshman delegation, small in numbers, it is true, but this year  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  picked and we believe got the best men who came on to the campus in the fall. The initiates are: Bros. Carey, Whitten, Howe, Peare and Farrar. The annual banquet was held at the Gerald and besides the active chapter the alumni club in this city was well represented.

Maine Alpha also wishes to report that on October 12 she was highly honored by a visit from Bro. L. E. A. Drummond, president of Alpha province.

Bro. Thorne, '07, is out of college for two weeks teaching at Brewster Academy, Wolfboro, N. H.

Maine Alpha will be represented at the Washington convention by at least three men and possibly more, as many of the brothers are very anxious to make the trip.

A. L. COTTON.

Waterville, November 5, 1906.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The new dormitory, which was begun August 1, in order to provide rooms for the extraordinarily large freshman class, has been completed and accommodates fifty.

All of the fraternities represented at Dartmouth have entered into an agreement by which "chinning" season is postponed from October to March. No rushing whatever is to be done, and the freshmen will be asked on March 19.

Last Monday night fire destroyed the Budymon block on Main Street. The whole town was threatened by the fire and but for the absence of wind a much greater loss would have been sustained. The total damage done by the fire amounts to \$85,500 and this is only partly covered by insurance. The rooms occupied by  $\Delta K E$  were in this building and the fraternity suffered a loss of about \$1,000.

The football team started the season well enough but it has taken an unprecedented slump in the last two weeks. A week ago we tied Williams, a team that we have defeated for years, and yesterday Princeton defeated

Dartmouth 42-0. This is the most overwhelming defeat Dartmouth has suffered in a great many years. Amherst, Harvard and Brown are yet to be played and we hope to recover in time to make a good showing at the end of the season.

The night after the Williams game the team reached Hanover at 1:30 a. m. In spite of the fact that a blinding rain was falling and the road was extremely muddy, 1,000 students headed by the college band marched in the dead of the night, a mile to the railway station, to welcome the team. I doubt if this show of college spirit has ever been equaled in the history of any college.

HOWARD M. JUDSON.

Hanover, November 3, 1906.

#### VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

President Buckham returned October 15 from his trip abroad where he attended the 400th anniversary of the founding of the University of Aberdeen. He was met at the station and given an ovation by the student body. The John Allen house which formerly stood on the corner of University Place and the Williston Road, on the site to be occupied by Morrill Hall, has been moved back on the Williston Road and is being fitted up as a dormitory for the agricultural students. The biennial report of the trustees of the University of Vermont, which has been issued recently, shows progress along all lines. The million-dollar fund is making hopeful progress. Counting in the State's \$60,000 for Morrill Hall, the amounts pledged foot up \$350,000, and the trustees hope that by the date of their next report the \$500,000 mark will be reached.

The football season has been very successful thus far. We lost to Dartmouth 6-0, to Amherst 6-0, to Wesleyan 22-8. We won from St. Lawrence 29-2, from Middlebury 11-0 and 12-0, from Norwich 5-0. By winning from Norwich, Vermont won the championship of the state. Games are yet to be played with New Hampshire State and Brown. Since our last letter Bro. Guptil, ex-'07, has returned to college and is on the football squad. Bro. Welch, '10, is on the team. Basketball practice will open next week and Bro. Appleton, the manager, has arranged games with Tufts, Wesleyan, Trinity, McGill, Massachusetts State, Andover and New Hampshire State.

The chapter had the pleasure of entertaining Bro. Drummond, president of Alpha province on October 6.

The chapter initiated eight freshmen on the evening of November 3, and takes great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity, Bros. W. F. Welch, Shaaron, Vt.; H. F. White, Waltham, Mass.; F. B. Hunt, Fairfax, Vt.; R. S. Brown and H. B. Comings, Richford, Vt.; A. K. Peck, G. E. Scott and F. L. Howe, Burlington. The active chapter now has twenty-eight members.

CHARLES A. SMITH.

Burlington, November 3, 1906.

#### MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Massachusetts Alpha, with a membership of 18 men, is making an excellent start in the college year, and is well represented in college interests. The fall lull between the football and basketball seasons is nearly upon us, and little of outside interest then transpires in college.

In football Williams has thus far been fairly successful. The team suffered defeat at the hands of the West Point eleven on October 20 by the score, 17-0; but on October 27 nearly the entire college saw Williams tie Dartmouth at Springfield by the score, 0-0. One week later, on November

4, the heavy Colgate team received their worst defeat of the season by Williams, with a score of 23-9. Wesleyan and Amherst are yet to be played, the season ending with the Amherst game on November 17. Much of the success of the team is doubtless due to the work of Bro. S. B. Newton, '93, who is graduate advisory coach.

In the annual freshman-sophomore track meet on October 17,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was well represented. Bro. Horrax, '09, was easily the star of the meet, winning 30 of the 48 points made by his team by taking six firsts in the contest. Bro. Alexander, '10, won two points for his class, and Bro. Lambie, '10, also competed.

Since the publication of the October letter we have pledged and initiated two new freshmen: Horace H. Holley, of Torrington, Conn., and George V. LaMont, of Plainfield, N. J.

In the October number of the Williams *Literary Monthly*, Bro. Gibson, '08, was represented as usual, and Bro. Holley, '10, was the first of his class to have a contribution published in the *Monthly*. Bro. Holley has also been chosen a member of the chapel choir.

We are able to form a fair estimate of the appearance of our new chapter house since work has progressed rapidly and the walls are up to the roof. Bro. Squires, '00, the architect of the new house, has been in town frequently to watch its progress.

The chapter enjoyed a visit from Bro. Drummond, president of Alpha province, on October 19-20.

The following alumni have visited the chapter recently: Bros. Waterman, '98, Ansley, '99, Squires, '00, Hulst, '06, and Harris, ex-'06.

Williamstown, November 6, 1906.

DAVID B. SCOTT.

#### MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE,

At the present time interest is centered in the football team, which so far has defeated Tufts, 12-5, and University of Vermont, 6-0, and lost to Yale, 0-12. The team seems to be just finding itself, as men who have been debarred on account of scholarship once more take their regular places. And it is expected it will show greater strength in the remaining games with M. A. C., Swarthmore, and our two great rivals Williams and Dartmouth. Bro. Wiggins, '09, has been playing a fine game in his first season at right half back.

A great gloom spread over the college on October 17 by reason of the death of Prof. Henry B. Richardson, for nearly twenty-five years head of the German department here. He was loved and revered by the whole student body and everywhere considered a very able man, not only in his own field but in all his broader life. His place will be an exceedingly difficult one to fill, and the name of "Richie" will ever be remembered in the history of Amherst college.

In the annual fall track meet the freshman class were victors by a margin of eleven points. Bro. McClure, '10, distinguished himself by winning thirteen points, and Bro. Schultz, '10, and Van Cleaf, '10, also scored for their class. In the sophomore-freshman baseball contest Bro. McClure, '10, pitched a strong game for his team, which nevertheless was defeated 6 to 1. Bro. Hague, '09, played on the sophomore team.

Our initiation banquet is to be held on November 2 at the Hotel Draper, Northampton, and a large number are expected to be present to greet the ten men who became our brothers in the early part of this week. We see in them the making of strong Phis.

Bro. Lamb, '07, is chairman of the committee on committees, one of the most



important offices in the senior class. Bro. Swett, '07, is secretary of  $\Phi$  B K and treasurer of the Y. M. C. A. Bro. White, '08, was recently unanimously selected president of his class, and has also been chosen a college cheer leader. Bro. Tracy '08, is a member of the junior prom committee.

On October 18 Massachusetts Beta was favored with a visit from Bro. Drummond, president of Alpha province. It was a great pleasure to have one of the officers with us with his words of help and encouragement. Bro. White, '08, is to represent us at the Washington convention, and one or two others will very likely attend.

ROBERT H. KENNEDY.

Amherst, November 1, 1906.

#### RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

This date finds us as a body of students, in the midst of mid-term examinations and, as a crowd of interested spectators and performers, in the flush of a promising football season. Early last fall our team was severely handicapped by the loss of Smith, '08, who had the misfortune to break his leg in one of the scrimmages on Andrew's Field. Smith promised to develop into one of the best centers Brown has had for years. Notwithstanding this and other disappointments, we have been beaten but twice this year—on October 20, by University of Pennsylvania, 14-0; and on November 3, by Harvard, 9-5.

Bro. Funk, '07, has been playing sub-center on the 'varsity and regular center on the second team all season. On November 7, the sophomore team with Bro. Alger, '09, as captain, and the freshman team under the captaincy of Bro. Cleveland, '10, will meet upon Andrew's Field for the annual class football game. Bro. Mitchell, '09, is playing end upon his class team.

In the recent prize examinations, known as "The President's Premiums," for excellence in preparatory studies, Bro. Mansur, '10, won first prize in Latin and Bro. Simpson, '10, won third prize in mathematics.

On November 2 Bros. Shearer, '07, James, '09, and Bright, '07, attended the initiation banquet at Amherst and reported a royal reception on the part of Massachusetts Beta.

During the initiation period, we were highly pleased with a visit from Bro. Drummond, our province president. The then neophytes were made to pay all homage to their future province president, while Bro. Drummond aided in some initiation "stunts" which he had seen practiced elsewhere. He gave us many useful and helpful suggestions and above all a renewed inspiration for the attainment of those high ideals for which  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  stands.

Our new men are getting finely into the working spirit of the fraternity and are fast realizing its worth. The initiation banquet comes on Friday evening, November 9, at which time we expect many Boston and Providence alumni as our guests.

We strongly urge all Phis passing through Providence, either coming here with visiting teams or simply passing through the city, to call upon us. Members of the fraternity can always be found in some one of the suites on either the first or second floor of Brunonia Hall. We especially urge the reporters of other chapters to write us when brother Phis come here on visiting teams. To these and to all Phis our doors stand ajar.

Providence, November 5, 1906.

BENSON R. FROST.

#### NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter New York Alpha has increased the chapter roll by twelve, having affiliated Bros. Hall and Jones of Texas Beta and Bro. George

Housser of Quebec Alpha, and initiated nine new men. It is with a feeling of pride and pleasure that we introduce Bros. L. G. Shields, New Rochelle, N. Y.; S. W. Cook, Holyoke, Mass.; R. B. Hollbrook, Newton Centre, Mass.; H. H. Conway, Lausdorme, Pa.; J. L. Redmond, Corpus Christi, Texas; W. R. Wheeler, Oak Park, Ill.; H. E. Horton, Montclair, N. J.; and H. H. Forbes, Westboro, Mass. The fraternity is represented by another member of the faculty this year, as Bro. Paul of New Hampshire Alpha has been appointed instructor of oratory.

The annual under class supremacy was decided on Hallowe'en when the sophomores won the flag rush, as the second year men had already won the baseball series and track meet. The rush proved to be very interesting and was bitterly contested it taking the third rush to decide the affair.

We have been particularly fortunate in having a number of alumni back for short visits. Bros. Coe and Kittle were back for the initiation. Bro. Mason returned for several days to assist in preparing the football team for the Princeton game. Bros. Jennings and Bosler also spent a few short days with the chapter during the past month.

Our football team again found Princeton just a little too good and as a result we were defeated by a score of 14-5. Even though we have lost this important game the team is playing better than they have for several seasons and we expect that they will give a very good account of themselves in the four remaining games.

From present indications New York Alpha will be well represented at the annual convention in Washington, Thanksgiving, and we are all looking forward to a very enjoyable time.

AUGUST C. BOHLEN.

Ithaca, November 2, 1905.

#### NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

Union University at the present date finds itself in the midst of college activities. The new electrical laboratory is in fine working order and the electrical engineers claim that it is a pleasure to work in the new building.

Athletics are not booming at present. On account of the cold weather inter-class and inter-fraternity baseball and track has been discontinued and the race for the inter-class and inter-fraternity pennants has not been decided. Class football teams have been organized and are practicing daily. The first game comes off on November 10 when the juniors play the freshmen. Union is to be represented this season, for the first time in several years by a basketball team and games have been arranged with Colgate, Hamilton, Williams and other colleges.

On October 29 the chapter held a banquet in honor of our newly received members and every one pronounced it a grand success. Many of our alumni were present and what with a good spread, good speeches and good fellowship a very enjoyable evening was spent.

New York Beta begs to introduce the following new brothers: Henry E. Whiteside, South Cambridge, N. Y.; Harold E. Seamans, Cortland, N. Y.; Harry E. Van Deusen, Cooperstown, N. Y.; Harold A. Lent, Highland, N. Y.; Charles F. Landsheft, Buffalo, N. Y.

Bro. Bishop is manager of the track team. Bro. Shutler is captain of the basketball team.

Bro. Bishop will be our representative at the national convention at Washington. Bro. Pettit and others are also going. We extend a hearty welcome to all Phis who may be in town.

CARL H. VOGT.

Schenectady, November 3, 1906.

**NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.**

New York Delta takes great pleasure in introducing Brothers Barrett, Gref, Ramsdell, Weber and Broe of the class of 1910. The class contained very little fraternity material and we congratulate ourselves on getting its five most representative men.

St. Paul's Chapel was dedicated on October 17 and regular morning exercises will soon be held at which attendance will be optional. Contrary to expectation, Hamilton Hall, the new college building, was not completed at the beginning of the year, but in all probability it will be ready for occupancy by February of next year.

It is the intention of the chapter to hold an informal dance at the house on Friday evening, November 16. As all the members of the active chapter have subscribed, an enjoyable evening is anticipated.

The junior prom committee is endeavoring to have the festivities of the occasion cover a period of some four or five days instead of just one night as in the past. Elaborate plans for inter-fraternity receptions and a theatre party have been discussed, but the idea is still in infancy as the sanction of the faculty must first be obtained.

Many Phis were entered in the annual freshman-sophomore track meet which proved a victory for 1909. On October 29, Bro. Hetherington won the university cross country run. Bro. Davidson has captured the leading part in the sophomore show cast. All Phis in the class of 1909 have been elected members of King's Crown, the large undergraduate society. Bro. Weber has made the swimming team. Bros. E. R. Alexander and W. A. Alexander are playing on the varsity soccer team. We are also represented on this team by Bro. Graybill, an affiliate from Virginia Zeta. Bro. Snook has been elected leader of the mandolin club. Bro. Ramsdell, president of the freshman class, is also a member of the mandolin club.

We were very much pleased to see some of our brothers from New York Alpha during their short stay in New York at the Cornell-Princeton game. We trust that more will follow their example and come to the house when in New York.

Bro. Norris has been chosen delegate and Bro. Snook alternate to the Washington convention. We expect to have a large delegation from the chapter join them.

R. MAPELSDEN, JR.

New York, November 3, 1906.

**PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.**

So far this year we have an unbroken string of victories. Our most creditable victory was over Colgate, whom we beat 18-6; earlier in the year Colgate held the strong Cornell team to a 0-0 score. On October 20 we played the strong University of North Carolina team at Norfolk, Va., and beat them easily by the score of 28-6; in the game with the U. of N. C., Pennsylvania scored but eleven points but were not scored upon.

We are now looking forward to the Pennsylvania game on November 10, and although the team will be considerably weakened by the loss of Chalmers, who is unable to play on account of the one year residence rule, we expect to make a creditable showing if we do not carry off the palm of victory.

Bro. McAvoy is playing a star game at full back, and Bro. Hart has upheld his reputation in the games in which he has participated. At present he is suffering from muscle bruises. Bros. Carmony, Welsh, McMeen and Hemingway are acting as substitutes.

In the freshman-sophomore contests on Founders Day, the freshmen won

the football game by the score of 17-0, but lost to the sophs in track 52-51.

Bro. DeWitt represented us on the sophomore football team and Bro. Vought on the freshman track team.

Bro. Welsh, '07, manager of the varsity baseball team, is now busy arranging games with most of the leading colleges and universities.

Our football team this year is the best that has represented us since the championship team of 1906, and compares very favorably with team.

We have yet to play W. and J., Pennsylvania, Syracuse, Lehigh and Dickinson—all teams of first class calibre.

We have initiated and take pleasure in presenting as brothers the following men: Jacob S. Carmony, '10, Fredrich D. Weeks, '10, and Howard J. Bell, '09.

Bros. Laub, '03, Smith, '03, Trout, '03, Alexander, '06, Smith, '06, Heustis, ex-'08, and Boulton, ex-'09, have visited the chapter recently.

Easton, November 2, 1906.

H. T. LONG.

#### PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Beta is glad to be able to introduce to the fraternity two new brothers in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ : M. L. Markel, Somerset, Pa., and Levering Tyson, Reading, Pa. We have pledged one freshman E. W. Belt, Hainstead, Md., who has not yet been taken in. We are after several more men, the majority being in the preparatory department. Bro. Dornberger, '06, who is now teaching there gives us a rather strong hold and we expect to secure several men before our next letter.

Gettysburg College last Saturday suffered what will be in all probability the only defeat of the season in football, losing to the extremely strong Swarthmore team by the score of 4-19. Gettysburg scored in the first minute of play on a field goal by Captain Sieber. The team has made a very creditable showing when the facts are taken into account that neither the University of Pennsylvania team nor that of Pennsylvania State beat her on their home grounds. The scores so far stand Gettysburg, 148—opponents 25.

The alumni will learn with regret that one of the most historical characters in the college has resigned from his position. The aged janitor known as "Governor." He was connected with the institution for nearly twenty years and won many fast friends among the alumni.

An extensive athletic field has been planned by the college authorities. The plot of ground has already been surveyed and work has been begun. It will be nearly twice as large as the former field and will contain a running track and a baseball diamond and football field. A large grand-stand will be built.

The chapter has two announcements which it is very glad to make: that of the engagement of Bro. E. H. Singmaster, '05, to Miss Daisy Diehl of Gettysburg; also that of the marriage of Bro. J. W. Ott, '97, to Miss Gettier of Littlestown, Pa.

Bro. S. Philson, '09, has made both the glee and mandolin clubs. Bro. D. Huber, ex-'08, will accompany the mandolin club on its trips. Bro. B. Philson, '09, is trying for the mandolin club.

There has been organized recently an orchestra of four men, selected from the college orchestra. Three out of the four are Phils. Bros. Irwin S. and B. Philson are playing on it.

Bro. Chase, '10, was elected temporary captain of his class football team. Mr. Belt, '10, pledged, was elected captain at the recent ballot. Bro. Reynier, '09, is manager of his class team and Bro. Philson will in all probability play quarter.

Bro. P. Singmaster, '08, is captain of the second team. There are seven other Phis trying for positions on the team.

Bro. Muhlenberg, '08, has been elected assistant basketball manager for the ensuing season. Bro. Singmaster is serving on the pan-hellenic dance committee which held a very successful dance recently.

The chapter held a hallowe'en dance recently in the house. The decorations were kindly furnished by Bro. Forney, '96.

We were given the pleasure of entertaining recently the following Phis: J. Walter Singmaster, ex-'04, Lemon Smith, Pennsylvania Epsilon, C. C. Howard, Ohio Beta, E. Singmaster, '05, and Rev. Hill, '88. Bro. Ott, '97, paid us a flying visit recently.

We were very glad to see them and hope to see many more of the alumni in the near future.

FREDERICK A. MUHLENBERG.

Gettysburg, November 5, 1906.

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

Washington and Jefferson College has opened in earnest and study has by this time become more than a mere word. The examinations, which are held after the first six weeks of each college year as a kind of entrance examination for freshmen, are over and everyone is settling down to the real year's work.

The three annual fights between the sophomores and freshmen are, for this year, a thing of the past. The freshmen, in the final "scrap" which is the most important one of the year, came out victorious although the sophomores made a very creditable showing against overwhelming odds.

Bro. Newman, formerly of Miami, and Warren, of O. S. U., are playing exceedingly good games on the varsity at tackle and end respectively. Bro. McClelland, who was making a very promising appearance for half-back has been kept out of the game for this year by having his shoulder broken in practice. On November 3 Lafayette defeated us, in a stubbornly contested game, to the tune of 14-6. The game was fast and clean and was won on its merits although we were seriously handicapped by the crippled condition of our team. Bro. McCrady has been elected treasurer of the freshman class.

Pennsylvania Gamma expects to have a large number of men at the coming convention and heartily invites any brothers who may come to Washington, Pa., to come and see us.

H. A. DEAN.

Washington, November 4, 1906.

#### PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Delta returned this year with fifteen active members,—four seniors, six juniors and five sophomores. We are stronger than ever. Our men are already capturing honors in every department of college activity.

Bro. Jones is president of the Y. M. C. A. and Bro. Main president of the athletic association. Bro. Stidger was recently elected president of the freshman class. Bro. Lick has been elected leader of the glee club for another year. Bro. Giesey is captain of the basket ball team. Bro. Mackey is editor-in-chief of the *Allegheny Literary Monthly*.

Four Phis accompanied the football team on its recent trip to Pennsylvania State College.

We take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bros. Wm. L. Stidger, Harry Fischel, Herbert K. Dennis, Cole, and Samuel Maxwell.

Meadville, October 16, 1906.

WILLIAM T. MACKEY.

**PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.**

The chapter begs to introduce to the fraternity as brothers: Edgar J. Washabaugh, '10, Hagerstown, Md.; J. Donald Hockman, '10, Hagerstown, Md.; Henry V. Darlington, '10, Harrisburg, Pa.; Edgar Stotler, '10, Myersdale, Pa.; Howard S. Boyd, '10, Coatesville, Pa.; and Henry Funk, '09, (law).

Bro. Funk has been elected to the presidency of the junior class of the law school.

Bro. Harry Smith, '05, who had been instructor in mathematics in the Dickinson preparatory school, has resigned to accept a position as principal of the Orwigsburg high school.

Our football team has been quite successful thus far. Lebanon Valley College was defeated 27-0; the United States Naval Academy was tied, 0-0; Ursinus was defeated 4-0, and we went down to Washington and Jefferson by a score of 2-0.

All interest now seems to be centering around the two big Dickinson games—State, at Williamsport, November 17 and Lafayette at Easton, Thanksgiving day.

Pennsylvania Epsilon is arranging to give its annual reception and smoker to its new members, but as yet no definite date has been set.

Carlisle, October 30, 1906.

WM. F. HOUSMAN.

**PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.**

On October 20 the new engineering building was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies and the honorary degree of doctor of science was conferred by the university on thirteen eminent engineers.

We have initiated five freshmen this fall and it gives us pleasure to present to the fraternity the following brothers: James McFillin Lucas, Philadelphia, Pa.; Richard Shields Pomeroy Jr., Ridley Park, Pa.; Frederick Howard Treat Jr., Wayne, Pa.; John Thomas Bailey, 3rd., Overbrook, Pa.; and Rufus Ford Montgall, Kansas City, Mo.

Bro. Sawyer, '07, has been elected a member of the board of government of the Mask and Wig club, while Bros. Brown, '09, Lucas, '10, and Bailey, '10, have been picked for the preliminary play entitled "Going Back to College". Bro. Hawley, '07, is manager of the gymnastic team and captain of the senior class football team.

Bro. Hendrie, '08, rowed on the junior college crew which won the college and university championships. Bros. Takaki and DeHamel are members of the junior ball committee and Bro. Davis a member of the junior week committee.

Bros. Dieterle and Davis have been appointed members of the tennis courts committee, and Bros. Takaki, Davis and W. F. Bilyeu are entered in the fall tournament.

Bro. Rogers is president of the sophomore class and Bro. W. F. Bilyeu is on the executive committee. Bro. Wolstenholme is historian of the sophomore class and a member of the sophomore bowl fight committee.

Bro. Lucas is vice-president of the freshman class and Bro. Bailey, '10, is trying for the glee club.

We regret that it has been necessary for Bro. Tobias and Kitson to withdraw from the chapter. Bro. Tobias who graduated from the law school last spring expected until recently to take a post graduate course.

Bro. C. C. Albertson, Illinois Alpha, '89, pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church, Rochester, N. Y., took dinner with us last Sunday week. We were fortunate in having Dr. Albertson conduct the services in the Houston

Club on two Sundays. Among the many other brothers who have paid us visits since our last letter are Bros. Austin Y. Hoy, Illinois Beta, '02, John H. Outland, Pennsylvania Zeta, '00, H. R. Auracher, Illinois Delta, '07, and Arthur M. McCrillis, historian of the general council.

Philadelphia, November 7, 1906.

MALCOLM I. DAVIS.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Lehigh is now in the midst of the football season, and all the college interests are centered on the gridiron. We have won three games so far and have lost four, and have still to play Dickinson, Ursinus, New York University and Lafayette. Lehigh put up a strong game against the Navy, holding them down to 12 to 0. Cheering practice on the field every evening has aroused the enthusiasm of the students and the team has been given good support in that line.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented in the football field by Bros. Smith and Simpson.

Through the untiring efforts of President Drinker, the dormitory system at Lehigh is developing into a reality, and a handsome structure is being erected on the campus. It is expected that at the opening of college next September, a good percentage of the students may live in dormitories. At the same time Drown Memorial Hall is being erected in honor of the late Dr. Drown. It will contain the Y. M. C. A. headquarters, reading room, smoking and card room, pool and billiard rooms, bowling alleys, and a large auditorium. This will add greatly to the pleasures of the students. A mess hall is another addition which is now in process of construction. The idea is to finally have all the students living on the campus; the non-fraternity men will be the first to move into the dormitories, for the fraternities will be loath to leave their houses.

Many of the brothers are making an effort to go to the national convention at Washington this Thanksgiving, and we expect to be represented by several men.

Founder's Day this year came on October 11 and, as is the custom, the sophomore and freshman classes contested in the field sports. The sophomores were victorious, winning the baseball game and the relay race, while the freshmen took the football game. The Founder's Day address in the morning was delivered by Dr. John A. Brashear, of Pittsburg, Pa., his subject being "The University and the World's Great Workshop." The Founder's Day hop was held the evening of Founder's Day in the gymnasium.

We had the pleasure of having with us on Founder's Day, Bro. Newby, '89, of Harrisburg, Pa.

J. M. FAIR.

South Bethlehem, October 31, 1906.

#### PENNSYLVANIA THETA, PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Theta is in a flourishing condition. We have twenty-five members and are living in one of the best equipped fraternity houses at this college. The rushing season is practically over and we are working up the minor details of our house in preparation for the Thanksgiving dances. We are all looking forward to a very pleasant time, as it will be the first house party and dance to be held in our new home and we expect many old men to be with us whom we have not seen since their graduation.

The football season is now well under way and thus far State has made a very good record. We have defeated such teams as Lebanon Valley College and Allegheny College. We also defeated the Carlisle Indians in a

very interesting game by the score 4-0, but in a very loosely played game, we were held to a tie, 0-0, by the strong Gettysburg team. We held Yale to one touchdown and a goal from the field. We still have four hard games which will no doubt prove interesting contests. They are with Annapolis, Dickinson, West Virginia and W. U. of Pa. Bro. Hand is our only representative on the football squad.

Bro. Forkum, '05, who came up to see the State-Indian game, made us a very pleasant visit. The Phis on the Allegheny team were also visitors.

State College, October 29, 1905.

RAYMOND SWENK.

### BETA PROVINCE.

#### VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The university is evidencing her growing prosperity by adding three new buildings to the present equipment. Work is progressing as rapidly as weather conditions permit on the \$50,000 wing to the hospital, and ground has been broken for the construction of a handsome home for the president on Carr's Hill. The third building to be erected this session is a splendidly equipped commons hall, which will serve for club rooms and a first-class eating house for university men.

Andrew Carnegie has recently donated a \$7,000 pipe organ to Virginia, and this is being installed at Cabell Hall, where the larger meetings of the student body are held.

Virginia Beta is keenly alive to her best interests just now, and has recently purchased a valuable lot on Madison Lane. It is the purpose of the chapter to erect on this lot an elegant chapter house, as soon as the necessary funds can be raised. The lot occupies the highest ground on Madison Lane and overlooks the tennis courts and the street leading to Lambeth field. All alumni of the chapter will be urged to do their utmost with contributions, toward making the home of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  the handsomest at the university.

It is a pleasure to introduce to the fraternity Bros. Bodley Booker and Robinson S. Brown of Louisville, Ky., and William B. Taylor of Mobile, Ala., as the first initiates of the year.

In football Virginia is holding up her good past record having lost but one game to date. Last week the tennis team from the university won from North Carolina in both doubles and singles. Considerable interest is manifested in fall practice for baseball and a winning team is predicted.

Charlottesville, November 7, 1906.

T. DWIGHT SLOAN.

#### VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

College has gotten into running order, and things are moving very evenly. Virginia Gamma expects this year to have the best chapter ever turned out here. We have nine active members now, with three pledges who will soon ride the goat. Bro. W. L. Chenery has been elected to represent Randolph-Macon College in the intercollegiate debate with William and Mary College, to occur sometime before Christmas. The football team is developing into the fastest in the eastern division of the state. We defeated Richmond College, our ancient rival, by a score of 6-0, and likewise Hampden-Sidney in the first of the champion series by a score of 6-0. Bro. W. R. Harris represents us on the team. A movement is on foot for the organization of a basketball team during the winter. Several of Virginia Gamma's men are represented here. Winter practice for the track team will begin in a few days. The prospects are very bright for this, since most of the old men



are back and the freshmen promise to furnish good material. Bro. W. L. Chenery has been elected to represent us at the Washington convention, with Bro. W. R. Harris as alternate. The whole chapter will likely attend. There are rumors that a new fraternity will enter here shortly; no one seems to know the name but it is regarded as an assured fact.

Bro. M. P. Rucker, '00, will be married on November 3, 1906. He is a prominent physician of Manchester, Va.

W. P. REED.

Ashland, November 1, 1906.

#### VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

We are looking forward with great anticipation to the Washington convention and as we are in close proximity to the national capitol, Virginia Zeta expects to be well represented there during Thanksgiving week. Several of our chapter have already expressed their intention of going.

As the rushing season is over we have settled down to our college duties and the enjoyment of the society of our brothers.

On the evening following Hallowe'en Bro. T. O. Bagley gave an informal dance in the gymnasium complimentary to his many friends.

In football Washington and Lee has been rather successful so far this season. We have lost only one game, that with Georgetown University, and were only defeated by one point, the score being 6 to 5. We tied the score with the strong team of North Carolina A. and M. We have won several minor games. A new feature in the management of athletics was put before the student body and carried. It was voted that the university assess a fee of \$5.00 from every matriculate at the beginning of each session and that this, together with all remaining money from the contingent fee at the close of each session, be apportioned to the several branches of athletics according to their relative importance. This movement has the hearty support of the student body and will put the athletic association upon a firmer basis than it has ever before enjoyed and it will ensure all the teams the support of every student, for under this plan there will be free admssion of the students to all the games.

At a meeting of the class of '10 for the election of officers Bro. Somerville was elected class representative before the student body.

Two weeks ago the annual push ball contest between the sophomore and freshman classes took place. The sophomores were victorious by a score of 5 to 0.

On October 27, Dr. James I. Vance of Newark, N. J., addressed the university assembly, giving us wholesome advice and exhorting us to noble lives.

In closing we wish to assure all visiting Phis that a hearty welcome always awaits them at Washington and Lee. And here's to the success of the Washington convention!

LEON VERNON LARSEN.

Lexington, November 2, 1906.

#### GAMMA PROVINCE.

##### KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

Since our last letter the following men have been initiated into the mysteries of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and we are glad to introduce them to the fraternity: Horace Lackey Walker, '10, Lancaster, Ky.; Thomas Petrie Goldthwaite, '10, Hopkinsville, Ky.; John Alonzo Sugg, '10, Morganfield, Ky.; John Davis, '10, Paris, Ky.

We have several more pledges, two of them will be taken in after Christmas. Kentucky Epsilon was very fortunate in rushing this year, pledging eight men out of eight spikes. The rushing was very tame, though every man pledged to us was asked by some of the other fraternities.

Contracts have been let for our new normal school building. This will cost about \$30,000. The new astronomical observatory has been completed as well as the additions to Mechanical Hall. Work on the new Carnegie library will not commence until spring.

The college mourns the loss of Prof. Warren who died very suddenly from injuries received from being kicked by a horse.

The college football team is fast rounding into shape and will contest with Central University on Thanksgiving day for the championship of Kentucky. Both teams are evenly matched and a battle royal may be expected. We are represented on the team by Bro. Wilson at left half in varsity and Bro. Goldthwaite on "scrubs."

Lexington, November 5, 1906.

JAMES S. WATSON.

### DELTA PROVINCE,

#### OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

The college year opened with a larger attendance than any before in the history of Miami.

Nine of last year's men returned, but Bro. Leist was forced to withdraw on account of illness.

This year Ohio Alpha has secured nine most promising men. The initiates are: Stanley Baley, Middletown, O.; Cambell Johnson, Cincinnati, O.; Frederick Stiles, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Harold Hitchcock, Chicago; Garfield Kilgoar, Cincinnati, O.; Earl Smith, Dayton, O.; H. Boremus Piercy, Columbus, O.; Harvey Magill, Eaton, O.; and pledge, Clifford Riner.

Bro. Wm. Smith and Bro. Walter Stevenson are playing on the football team. Bro. Kilgoar and Bro. Carter, who is an affiliate from DePauw University, are playing in the university orchestra.

Our initiation was held on October 17, and was favored with the presence of Bro. Guy Potter Benton, president of Miami, and Judge James B. Swing and Bro. Guido Gores, of the alumni commission.

Withal, Ohio Alpha expects to enjoy a very prosperous and profitable year.

E. W. BOERSTLER.

Oxford, November 5, 1906.

#### OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

If any topic is most talked of now it is football or mid-term quizzes. This is the most important part of the football season. The enthusiasm and interest that football has excited this fall has not been surpassed for several years. The student body is back of the team with increasing loyalty as the season advances. Coach Rickey has developed a good team that had tied the score with Oberlin and held Wooster to a doubtful 2-0 victory. The annual Case game at Delaware, November 10, is the crucial game of the season and the brown and white will face a difficult proposition in our confident eleven. Bro. Stroup at half and Bro. Dean at full, have been playing a good game. Bros. Cameron and Sapp are also out with the squad.

An unusually large class football schedule has been arranged, with the varsity coaches in charge, and some good future material has been discovered, especially in the freshman and preparatory classes. This seems to be

the best working plan under the present freshman rules and affords a bright outlook for next year. Our chapter is represented by two captains and nine other men on the class teams.

On Hallowe'en we entertained the S. A. E's and Sigma Chis. Each room of the house was the scene of some amusement to which our guests were introduced before they proceeded to the chapter room where proper refreshments were served. At a late hour we marched in a body to Monnett Hall and the president's residence for a serenade.

The senior lecture course has always been popular at Ohio Wesleyan, but its excellence this year is certainly a credit to the institution. The opening number given by Sousa's band was a record breaker for attendance. The demand for accommodation has been greater than ever before. On November 10 the New York Concert Co. will be here, and all the remaining lecturers and entertainers are especially good.

Wesleyan's prowess in debate is undisputed—a fact which is made possible by the thorough training and practice given her debaters. The first preliminary debate was held November 1. From thirty-seven contestants twenty were chosen to enter a second preliminary in the near future. Bro. Carey and Phikeia Craig won places in this preliminary.

This issue finds the chapter in splendid condition. Our men are going out into all branches of college activities. Since the last publication Frank DeWees of the sophomore class has been pledged. We have a warm heart for all other Phis, and a cordial invitation is extended to all who are in or near Delaware.

C. E. WEBB.

Delaware, November 8, 1905.

#### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

Thus far this term everything has been running along very smoothly. The attendance at the university is greater than it was at the same time last year and everything seems favorable for a record breaking year. The fact is, Ohio University, perhaps rather obscure in the past, is rapidly forging to the front not only along intellectual lines, but also in regard to her athletics, and is fast becoming one of the foremost in the state. This rapid advancement is due to the good management of President Ellis, who is a brother in the Bond. The sound, practical judgement of this one man alone has raised Ohio University to the position she now holds among the universities of the state.

The football team is the best we have had for many years and is considered one of the best in the state. We have played five games up to date and have won them all, playing such teams as Morgantown, Muskingum and the University of Cincinnati. Our back field is exceptionally strong and fast and while we are not in the "Big Six," we play a better class of ball than some who claim that honor. There are five Phis who are playing regular positions on the team. Bros. Jones, quarter; Wood (capt.) and Lener, halves; Heyman tackle and Elliott guard. All these men have been doing exceedingly fine, consistent work and have materially added to the strength of the team.

The fall track meet was "pulled off" very successfully and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  took away her share of the honors. There were twelve events in all with a medal for each event and six were taken by Phis, including the mission clock which was the prize for the best relay team made up of some fraternity or society at the university. The Betas were the only ones that contested against us and they were beaten badly. The clock now adorns the mantel and is the cynosure of all eyes.

GEORGE G. THOMAS.

Athens, November 6, 1906.

## OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The university opened September 19 with a freshman class at least four hundred larger than at any former year, thus bringing the total attendance up to about 2,200. The prospects for a good year were never better, as two new buildings were ready for occupancy at the beginning of the year—a large chemistry building with all modern equipment, and a mining and ceramics building, which is certainly a credit to the university.

Ohio Zeta returned thirteen men of last year's chapter, and after a very strenuous rushing season, although greatly handicapped by the fact that we had no house, we were able to secure nine of the best men in the school.

We take great pleasure in presenting to the fraternity the following initiates: Geo. W. Bloom, Xenia, O.; Jas. F. Clawson, Hamilton, O.; John R. Funk, Hamilton, O.; Ernest P. Manning, Toledo, O.; Jas. W. Cullen, Hamilton, O.; Arthur E. Martin, Hamilton, O.; Arthur M. Schlesinger, Xenia, O.; Alfred J. Welliver, Hamilton, O. We have also pledged Fred Bonnet, Columbus, O. Bro. Herbert W. Mitchell, Colorado Alpha, has affiliated. Bros. Jefferson Dickerson, Ohio Theta, and Morrow, Ohio Beta, will affiliate at the next meeting, thus bringing the chapter roll up to twenty-four men.

Ohio Zeta feels very proud over the acquisition of her own house, which she has just occupied. We are greatly indebted to the alumni for their generous support and especially to Bro. Charles F. Dowd, whose untiring efforts were finally rewarded with success, and Bro. James Prendergast, from whose father we bought the house. The house is built of pressed brick, with a large porch nearly half way around it, and is situated on a large lot at the corner of Tenth Avenue and Hunter St. five minutes walk from University Hall. There are five large rooms, all finished in oak, on the first floor, which can easily be thrown together for any function. There are five large bedrooms and a bath room on the second floor, all finished in hardwood, and one finished room on the third floor. We thus have accommodations for about fourteen at present. Later on we expect to finish up three rooms and a large chapter room on the third floor, then we will have accommodations for twenty or more men. The house is heated by a furnace and there are grates in every room. It has all the modern improvements, thus making it an ideal house. The chapter is very enthusiastic, and we do not see how they could get a house much better suited as a chapter house. Ohio Zeta also has the further distinction of being the first fraternity at the university to own its own house. And as there are fourteen national fraternities at the university, we think this is something to be very proud of. We hope soon to get everything straightened up, and urge all Phis, who come to Columbus to be sure and visit us at our new home.

Φ Δ Θ has secured her share of college honors this year. Bro. Clyde Sherick is the sergeant-at-arms of the junior class and also a member of the social committee. Bro. Edgar W. Seeds is chairman of the sophomore social committee and also a member of the university quartet. Bro. Wm. Morris, is treasurer of the sophomore class. Bro. Jas. R. Johnson is a member of the glee club. Bro. Geo. Gascoigne is manager of the sophomore basketball team. Bro. Jas. W. Cullen is chairman of the freshman social committee. Bro. Ernest Manning is captain of the freshman football team.

The Big Six rules barring freshmen from positions on all varsity teams, has seriously affected the strength of the the football team this season, as shown by the greatly reduced squad from which to pick. Nevertheless coach Hernstein has built up a strong team which has been unusually successful this year. Thus far their goal-line has not been crossed by any team, and two of the teams have been Michigan and Oberlin. No doubt the team would be greatly strengthened if Bro. Brindle, last year's star tackle, who

was unanimously chosen as the all-Ohio tackle, by all the coaches, was able to play, but owing to the great amount of work, which he is carrying this year, he is unable to play.

Bro. Warren of last year's team is said to be playing a star game with Washington and Jefferson College. The sophomores won the annual cane rush from the freshmen and also the annual football game by a score of 6 to 0.

Again we extend a hearty invitation to all this to visit us at our new home, 90 W. Tenth Avenue when in the city.

Columbus, November 3, 1906.

FRANK K. CAROTHERS.

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

With the opening of Case School, October 1, Ohio Eta began what promises to be one of the most flourishing years of her existence. While the loss of nine men by graduation, and two from a determination to leave school, has left its impression, the outlook on the whole is good.

In addition to thirteen of last year's men, Bros. L. W. Emerson and J. H. Booth have entered school and once more have taken up their abode at the chapter house. We have five men pledged, and two who are expected to put on the button in the near future. Our pledges are the most promising members of the freshman class, prominent in the flag rush, and popular with their classmates. Bro. Barnett of Miami University has also entered Case and will affiliate with us.

We have just started extensive changes in our chapter house which will allow us to accommodate five members of the alumni in the third floor. Under the supervision of Bro. George Case five new rooms are being fitted up and we will soon be able to take care of seventeen men within the chapter house. All of the present space in the house is filled, twelve members being house men.

Football prospects at Case are nearly as good as in former years, and we hope to be able to put another championship team on the field with the aid of Coach Wentworth. Ohio Eta is represented by Bros. Bacon, Allen and Fritz and pledge Hinaman on the squad.

Bro. Maurice Converse was honored by election to the presidency of the athletic association, the highest honor in the gift of his classmates. Bro. E. K. Bacon has recently been honored by nomination to  $\Phi$  B K.

With the completion of the new mining and physics buildings this year, Case School is much better fitted to take care of students and that it is appreciated is proven by the freshman class this year. A larger and more promising class has not entered Case in five years.

RALPH M. RUSH.

Cleveland, October, 17, 1906.

#### OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

The college of liberal arts, engineering and teachers, and the graduate school, opened for actual work on September 24, 1906. The college of law opened on September 25, and the college of medicine on September 29.

The changes of importance in the engineering faculty are as follows: Prof. John T. Faig, of Kentucky State College, has been appointed permanently to the chair of mechanical engineering. He came to us highly recommended and is well liked by the students. Prof. Schneider of the department of civil engineering, has been appointed dean of the college of engineering. Mr. W. A. Warrin, a graduate of Sheffield Scientific School, and Mr. F. E. Ayer, a graduate of LaFayette College, have been appointed instructors in the civil engineering department. An additional instructor, Mr. Barrier, has been secured for the department of chemical engineering. The department of

electrical engineering is in charge of assistant professor Lanier. The course of cooperative education, which was projected by Prof. Schneider, has been put into operation. About thirty-four students are enrolled. This unique departure from the ordinary methods of education has a very bright and promising future.

Prof. Whitcomb (history) has been appointed dean of the college of liberal arts, former Dean Harry (Greek) being appointed dean of the graduate school. Dr. L. E. Slocum, former instructor, has been appointed assistant professor in the department of mathematics. Associate Prof. Liberma is now studying in southern Europe, being on leave of absence for one year. Mr. Davis, of Columbia University, is the new physical instructor.

At this point, it might be mentioned, that all sophomores and freshmen are required to take two hours of gymnasium work each week.

Work on the new engineering building will probably be started this winter. The need for this building, has been felt for some time, as the present quarters are now very crowded.

Student activity has begun quite early. On October 1, the annual soph-freshman flag rush was held. After withstanding about sixty attacks by the sophomores, which were made during the course of the day, the freshmen were awarded the victory.

The football team has met with rather indifferent success. The cause is directly due to the faculty ruling, which prohibits players from participating, when their scholastic standing is below a certain per cent. Varsity has been able to score only once this season. This was in the Ohio-Cincinnati game, when Bro. Ackerson, the quarterback, picked up the ball on a fumble, on his own two yard line and amid the cheers of the spectators, ran the entire length of the field for a touchdown.

The chapter returned sixteen men. We had one pledge man at the opening of college and to date, we have secured an additional seven. We take great pleasure in introducing the following pledges: W. Peaslee, C. Roth, A. Long, A. Herman, R. Jones, H. Huffman, J. DeEllis and H. Froelich. Two of our summer pledged men, Kilgour and Johnstone, have been initiated into Ohio Alpha.

We lost by graduation Bro. A. T. Kreimer, A. B., who is now taking a post-graduate course in chemistry, at the University of Pennsylvania. Bro. W. W. Morris, '07, has retired from college and Bro. J. D. Dickerson, '09, has entered Ohio State.

On October 1 we gave up our old quarters and moved to a more spacious suite of rooms. We are still in the same building and our address now is, Suite T, Bradford Block, Sixth and Vine Sts., Cincinnati, Ohio.

I will conclude with partial list of some of the offices occupied by Phis. We have the 1907 and the 1909 class presidency, 1907 class treasurership, president of speakers club, president of the cooperative class, vice-president of the engineers club, student manager of football team, manager of basketball team, captain of the varsity eleven, captain of basketball team, chairman 1907 class executive committee, member senior class play committee, manager of 1909 and 1910 football teams, captain freshmen track team, two representatives in the athletic senate and representatives on the *News*.

Besides the above we are represented on the various teams and on minor committees.

G. A. DOELLER.

Cincinnati, November 4, 1906.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The second month of college finds us once more settled down to work and busily engaged in all branches of college activity. Since the writing of

our last letter we have increased our chapter roll by eleven—by affiliation of Russell Begg, of Illinois Alpha, and initiation of ten new men. We are pleased to introduce Bros. Harry S. Coe, Seattle, Wash; William O. Cochran, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Robert C. Anderson, Dayton, Ohio; Willard L. French, Three Rivers, Mich.; Leeland W. Smith, Amsterdam, N. Y.; Thomas J. Daniels, Jr., East St. Louis, Mo.; Karl M. Scott, Connelville, Pa.; George D. Smith, Evansville, Ind.; Albert J. Wohlgemuth, Stockton, Ohio, and Robert M. Dulin, Denver, Col.

On the night of November 3 we held our annual banquet in honor of the new men. This affair was made more enjoyable by the presence of Bros. W. R. Manier, Owsley Manier, E. T. Noel, O. F. Noel, Glenn A. Hall and J. Prichard, of Tennessee Alpha, who were with the Vanderbilt team.

On the faculty this year we are well represented by Bros. Sanders, Jones, Burns, Edmunds, Newcomer and Caskell. There are also with us several Phis from other chapters.

For a week preceding the annual rush between the underclassmen the sophomores were kept busy with attempts of the industrious freshmen bill posters. On black Friday, Oct. 5, came the climax of all the good natured rivalry. The freshmen gathered around their flag hoisted on a post. Under perfect organization and attack the sophs succeeded in capturing the coveted flag of 1910, and the rush was over.

True Michigan college spirit has been displayed on several occasions this fall. On the nights previous to our big football games, between 4,000 and 5,000 people would assemble in University Hall to take part in the singing and yell meetings. The new conference rules regulating the price of admission have worked one good that can be recommended. A large section of the bleachers is reserved for the students only and the rooting from this section has been the best heard at Ann Arbor in years.

The football situation *early* this season looked rather gloomy as a result of the new conference rules, but at present we have a clean record. We have played four of our five games and have been victorious in all of them. The games with Illinois and Vanderbilt were exceptionally good. Until within a few minutes of the end of the second half in the Vanderbilt game the score stood 4 to 4. By a beautiful run of about 70 yards by our full-back, Michigan was able to claim a victory in one of the best games seen in Ann Arbor in years. Everything now is in preparation for the big game with Pennsylvania, November 17. A big delegation of Michigan students will probably accompany the team to root for victory. We are well represented on the team by Captain Curtis and Walter D. Graham.

According to statistics recently compiled Michigan is given rank as the third American college in attendance. We are excelled only by Columbia and Harvard. Our attendance this year is about 4,600 or an increase of about 500 over the attendance of last year.

We have had pleasant visits this fall from many of our alumni and Phis from other chapters.

HOWARD D. DAVIS.

Ann Arbor, November 8, 1906.

## EPSILON PROVINCE

### INDIANA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA.

Indiana University is enjoying the most prosperous term in its long history, the present enrollment being 1200 students. Work on the new \$100,000 library is being pushed rapidly and it is expected to be under roof by January 1. Memorial services were held in the student building on November 11

for Judge Geo. L. Reinhard who died during the summer vacation. Senator James Hemenway was the principal speaker.

Under the efficient coaching of Bro. Jas. M. Sheldon, Indiana's football team has made a good record. It has been defeated by Chicago, thus losing out in the race for the western championship. However, by winning from Notre Dame, 12-0, in a hard fought contest Indiana has a clear title to the state championship. Wabash was defeated early in the season and as both Notre Dame and Wabash have beaten Purdue, Indiana's claim is undisputed. Bro. Chas. Tighe has played a sensational game at right half. He has also made a record at goal kicking, missing but one trial during the season.

Bro. LeRoy Horniday, the crack distance runner, has been chosen captain of the track team. Training is already in progress for the winter meets.

Bro. M. M. Hobbs of Salem, Ind., the only living charter member of Indiana Alpha was the guest of the chapter on November 11-12. Bro. Hobbs is a well preserved old gentleman and entertained us with many interesting stories of the early life of the chapter.

Bro. Chas. Kemp, '06, spent a few days with us after the Chicago game. Bro. Kemp is engaged in the practice of law at Tipton, Ind.

Bloomington, November, 10, 1906.

WALTER J. KEMP.

#### INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE

Our football team has lately made the most wonderful record in the history of the college's athletics. The Indiana University team defeated us by the narrow margin of 12 to 5. This team is undoubtedly the strongest in the state. Wabash then played a no point game with Illinois University at Champaign. On October 27 the "Little Giants," as our athletes are known in the west, defeated Purdue, score 11 to 0. This is the first time Wabash has been able to run up the larger score against the old gold and black. We have only Earlham and DePauw to meet, our season closing on November 17. Bro. Miller, '07, is playing quarterback for his fourth year. He is one of the best in the state. Bro. Gipe, '09, is playing his second year at right tackle and Bro. Sohl, '09, is at right half. His punting has been a feature of the games. The Phis of Indiana Beta, who accompanied the team to Champaign and LaFayette were royally entertained by the chapters at these places. About sixty visiting Phis called on us on October 7, the day of the Indiana game.

We had the pleasure of entertaining Bro. Geo. Banta, Indiana, '76, and his son, on October 7 and 8. Bro. Will H. Hays also visited us on October 7.

Indiana Beta takes pleasure in introducing Bros. F. F. Hardman, P. B. West, H. McColloch and C. W. Allison. We have pledged Russell Lowe, '10, of Crawfordsville, and Will G. Masters, '09, of Seymour.

Crawfordsville, November 1, 1906.

M. S. LEAMING.

#### INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER COLLEGE

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL Indiana Gamma has moved into a new home. We have rented a beautiful new house, 136 Dillon Ave., and have established a chapter house of which we are justly proud. Our house committee, Bros. Davenport, Murray and Freeman, have arranged, for next week, a grand house warming, when we will throw open our home to the university students and professors, the Indianapolis alumni and our friends. This is only a stepping stone toward a permanent home of our own which we hope to possess in the near future. Together with the alumni association



a building committee has been formed, upon which committee are Bro. Moffett, chairman, and Bros. H. U. Brown and Frank Davidson. The committee together with the men in the chapter is working earnestly toward the acquisition of a permanent chapter house.

Indiana Gamma has pledged John C. Witt, and Waldo B. Stein.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has occasion to congratulate herself upon getting the cream of Butler fraternity initiates.

The college faculty has removed the ban prohibiting intercollegiate basketball, therefore Butler will be represented by a strong five which will make a good showing for state honors. Bro. Frank Davenport is varsity captain, and Bros. Freeman, Murray, Kingsbury and Fred Davenport will make splendid bids for positions. Therefore the school will, in all probability, be represented by an all  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  team, such as Butler had two years ago when we won the city league cup with a percentage of 1000.

Bro. Weer has been elected manager for the Indiana intercollegiate tennis association tournament, to be held on the Butler campus next June. He is also captain of the varsity tennis team.

Indiana Gamma extends an earnest invitation to all Phis to visit us in our new home.

PAUL W. WEER.

Irvington, October 30, 1906.

#### INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Franklin this fall opened her doors to the largest number of students in the history of the institution. The enrollment is 250, forty per cent of which are freshmen.

Our chapter of twenty, including Phikeias, we consider of ideal size and the honors bestowed upon her by faculty and student body speak for the quality. Bro. Van Riper, '07, is assistant professor of history. Bros. Marshall and Abbett are members of the *Franklin* publication board. Bro. Crecraft is business manager of the senior class and Phikeia Gerald Marshall is president of the freshman class. Bro. Abbett is secretary of the state oratorical association.

The Franklin football team has had to date six games, and was victorious thrice. The team is made up principally of freshman and hence lacks experience.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is well represented by Bros. Van Riper, Douglas, Bryan, Donaker, Hall and Phikeia Overstreet.

Our halls have just been recarpeted and we feel that we are justly proud of their appearance.

Bros. Banta, Newlin, Gore and Phikeia Sellich of Hanover were recently guests of Franklin brothers.

Bro. Wright, '06, is professor of history in the Anderson, Ind., high school, and Bro. Stott, '04, has returned to Franklin and is engaged in literary work.

FARIS B. SMITH.

Franklin, November 12, 1906.

#### ZETA PROVINCE.

##### IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

As stated in our previous letter, our house was formally opened by our annual fall reception on October 8, about sixty people being present. The house was appropriately decorated and presented a very pleasing appearance.

Although there is to be no football at Iowa Wesleyan this year, yet our new Seeley Y. M. C. A. building has opened a new field in the athletic line.

Great enthusiasm has been shown over a track team for the year, and basketball, a new departure for the college, has received extraordinary support.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will be well represented in both events.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has again received her share of honors. Bro. John Q. McKinnon, '07, has been elected president of Hamlin literary society, the strongest in college. Bro. Clayton Brady, '09, was elected president of his class, while Ralph Westfall, one of our pledges, and the brother of Bro. Ed. Westfall, ex-'03, is president of the senior academy class.

In addition to the pledges reported in our last letter, we desire to report also the name of Clyde Bates Hightshoe, '09, of Ottumwa, Iowa.

We were greatly pleased in receiving visits from Bro. Chas. P. Frantz, '96, a member of the university board of trustees, and also from Bro. Fred Beck, '03.

RAY I. TENNANT.

Mount Pleasant, October, 30, 1906.

#### IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Coming back with fourteen men, Iowa Beta succeeded in pledging five freshmen, three of whom have been initiated. The three initiates are: Wendall Patterson, Iowa Falls, Ia.; William E. Purcell, Clinton, Ia.; Carroll Denio, Alta, Ia. Following are the pledges: Walter Stewart, Des Moines, Ia.; and George Stephenson, Burlington, Ia.

Interest in college activities has been more marked in the chapter this year than ever before. Bro. R. E. Smith was appointed to the sophomore cotillion committee and was elected pan-hellenic editor of next year's *Hawkeye*; Bro. L. L. Williams was elected vice-president of Die Germania, an honorary German society; Bro. J. L. Oakes was elected president of Ivy Lane, an honorary undergraduate society, selected by this year's sophomore class to act business manager of the *Hawkeye* next year, and in addition is the manager of the dramatic club; Bro. C. L. Ely was elected class representative of the junior law class; Bro. H. M. Harwood was elected class representative of the junior class in the college of liberal arts; and Bro. B. V. Murphy is the athletic editor of the *Hawkeye* this year. Bro. H. C. Pelton, '04, D. D. S., was elected demonstrator in the senior dental clinic by the board of regents last summer and having accepted the position this fall again resides in the chapter house.

Bro. McKenna of Illinois Delta, Bro. Dunshee of Colorado Alpha, and Bro. Kendrick of Iowa Alpha are in the university this fall.

Eleven members of Iowa Beta went on the excursion to Madison to attend the Iowa-Wisconsin game and while in Madison were royally entertained by Wisconsin Alpha. Their elegant new house proved an inspiration to the members of this chapter.

This fall saw great activity in interfraternity circles and a permanent pan-hellenic league was organized, composed of the eight fraternities in the University of Iowa. A constitution and by-laws were adopted and committees were appointed to arrange for a whist league and to confer with the university authorities as to the advisability of giving a large pan-hellenic party next April, the first in the history of the university. The whist league will be started next month. The popularity of the pan-hellenic movement is largely the result of the successful baseball league last spring in which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  won the beautiful championship cup.

Last year the University of Iowa had the largest percentage of increase in students of any university in the United States according to recently published statistics. This year although the exact figures have not been given out by the registrar, it has been learned from unofficial sources that the

attendance will be even greater than last year and without doubt the 2000 mark will be passed.

The faculty has been strengthened this year and with the substantial new building of natural science near completion, the university is enjoying one of the most prosperous years in its history. The steam laboratory constructed by the students the past summer will soon be in use and it is expected to prove of immense advantage to the engineering students.

In football the Iowa squad has suffered from the recent rules of the conference which made about half of the candidates ineligible, but despite the severe handicaps, Iowa is represented by a good team. Bro. M. S. Catlin, Illinois Beta, is manager and assistant coach of the football team this fall. He succeeded John G. Chalmers as head of the department of athletics.

Iowa City, November 7, 1906.

H. M. HARWOOD.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

Since the last issue of THE SCROLL several important events connected with the university have occurred. The most important of these, perhaps, was the freshman-sophomore rush, which ended in a victory for the sophomores. It was the best conducted and cleanest of any in Missouri's history and reflected great credit on the upper classmen for the way in which it was handled. The football team has played only four games, so it is too early to predict whether Missouri is to have a winning team or not. The glee club promises to be one of the best, if not the best in the history of the institution. The trip will be much more extensive than last year's and will probably last ten days or two weeks. The great number of students enrolled in the military department has necessitated the formation of a regiment, which is a part of the national guard. At the time of the formation of the regiment Bro. Logan was raised in rank from the senior captain to major.

Missouri Alpha is represented this year by Bro. Jewett on the football team, Bro. Potter on the glee club, Bro. Forgrave and Knighton on the band and Bro. Byers on the staff of *The Independent*.

During the last month the chapter received a visit from Bro. Chas. Lambkin, president of Zeta province. He attended one of the fraternity meetings and the few words he addressed to the chapter were very interesting. Such visits from older men in the fraternity who are personally acquainted with its history do much toward arousing the enthusiasm of the younger men and inspiring their confidence in the stability and greatness of the national organization.

Columbia, November 7, 1906.

CARYL A. POTTER.

#### MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Rushing season here is now practically over, and we have added seven new men to our roll, two of them having been mentioned in our last letter to THE SCROLL. The five men initiated since then are Henry Priest Allee, Olean, Mo.; Cleves Sylvester Fisher and John Stevens Penney, St. Louis, Mo.; Osie Liegh McIntire, Fulton, Mo.; and John Thomas Ready, Sedalia, Mo. In addition to these, we have pledged John Agnew Biggerstaff and James Washburn Halderman, La Belle, Mo. Two other men are pledged, but are not as yet wearing buttons.

The chapter house movement is now well under way. The new chapter house committee elected for this year is composed of Bros. McKee, Miller and Hoss. They went to work at once and hope, with the able assistance of Bros. C. F. Lamkin and E. C. Henderson, to whom the chapter is deeply

indebted, to be able to begin work on the house this fall. We are now renting the same house we were in last year.

The football team this year is making a fine showing, notwithstanding their defeat by Central College last week. This was occasioned by the crippled condition of the team. To coach Knight due credit should be given for turning out this team.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the squad by Bros. Parker, McIntire, Penney, and Miller, while Bro. Miller is manager of the team.

At the close of the baseball season last spring, Bro. Lasley was elected captain of the 1907 team. Bro. Lasley has not yet returned, but will be back in college the second term.

The first edition of this year's *Westminster Monthly*, appeared recently. Bros. Rice and McKee are on the staff, Bro. Rice as alumni editor, and Bro. McKee as local editor.

During the past few weeks we have enjoyed visits from several out of town Phis: Bro. C. F. Lamkin, president of Zeta province, spent the first week of college with us. Bro. W. E. E. Koepler, of last year's chapter, who is traveling for D. L. Auld, has been with us on two occasions, on the last accompanied by Bro. R. H. Stevens, Jr., also of last year's chapter. During the past week, Bro. Harry Henderson, Missouri Beta, was with us; also Bros. Powell and Hamacher, of last year's chapter. In addition to these, we have frequent visits from Bros. L. W. White, Westminster and Colorado, and J. L. Edwards, Westminster; Bro. W. H. Forsythe, a medical missionary to Korea, is now in our midst.

Missouri Beta wishes expressly to thank all brothers for information as to new men, and also to extend a hearty welcome to all visiting Phis.

Fulton, November 6, 1906.

ROBT. S. MCKEE.

#### KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Kansas Alpha wishes to introduce to the fraternity nine new brothers. They are Will Perry, Howard Mervine, Clifford Leonard, Arthur Seddon and Maurice Breidenthal of Kansas City; John Power of Lawrence; Frank Lostutter and Charles Vernon of Emporia; and John Coyle of Guthrie, Okla. These together with the fifteen old men returned give us a chapter very worth of representing  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  here.

For the last few years the University of Kansas has shown a decided increase in the number of its students and the enrollment this year is nearly 1800, an increase over last year of about 200. During the summer work was begun on the \$100,000 gymnasium, but it will be some time before it can be used.

Kansas has been fairly successful in football this season, its only defeat being administered by St. Louis University, which is said to have the strongest team in the west. There is a great deal of interest taken in the Nebraska-Kansas game to be played November 17. This is the first game played by these schools, in three years and of course there is a great amount of rivalry between them.

Among honors that have fallen to the chapter here, Bro. Eaton, '08, has been elected Phi Delta Phi and Bros. Ellis, '09, and Leonard, '10, represent us in the dramatic club. Bros. Barteldes, '08, and Peet, '09, represent us in the mandolin club and Bros. Rowland, '09, and Power, '10, are members of the glee club. Bro. Power also is a member of the freshman football team.

Kansas Alpha wishes to acknowledge the visit of many Phis and the help which was given us in rushing season from our alumni. The Kansas City alumni and especially Bro. Cowles were very active in helping us. We would

be very glad to receive visits from all Phis who happen to be in town and urge that they look us up.

THOMAS M. VANCLEAVE.

Lawrence, November 6, 1906.

#### COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Colorado opened on September 10. The chapter has exceedingly bright prospects for the coming year. Sixteen old members returned. Some of these had been out of school a year or more. Bro. Whitaker, who attended the Colorado school of mines last year, is with us again. Bro. Lightburn only remained away the last semester of last year. Bros. McCoy and Daniels after working for the last year or two have also entered school. Bro. Brown is doing work *in absentia* and will in all probability return for next semester. Bro. H. H. Logan, Texas Beta, is an affiliate. Colorado Alpha takes great pleasure in introducing the following men as future Phis: Harry M. Zimmers, Alma; Leon Stanford Fairley, Colorado Springs; Ralph Carlyle Smith, Denver; Joseph Wilmar Pufahl, Colorado Springs.

The new chemistry building is nearly completed. It will be one of the finest in the west.

We have two men out for the football team. Prospects for a winning team are good. On October 6 we defeated Denver University, 6-0.

Φ Δ Θ is receiving its share of college honors. In recent elections, Bro. Whitaker was elected leader of the glee club and Bro. Castellucci leader of the mandolin club.

Χ Ω has installed a chapter here and Σ Α Ε has moved into a home of its own. There is a pan-hellenic organization among the sororities, a two weeks' pledge rule is in effect. No such organization or rule exists among the fraternities.

Our annual initiation and banquet will occur on October 27. We expect a large number of alumni, of this and other chapters, residing in the state, to be present.

Owing to the sad death of Bro. Twichell the chapter had no social function for some time after the opening of college. Bro. Twichell died in Los Angeles from pneumonia, which resulted from a narrow escape from drowning.

All Phis, who may be near us at any time during the year, are cordially invited to make us a visit.

Boulder, October 14, 1906.

L. P. FERRIS.

#### ETA PROVINCE.

##### GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

It is with a sense of just pride that I write to the December SCROLL about the splendid condition of the university and our dear old Georgia Alpha. The university is making very decided forward steps in every line. The registration shows a good increase in attendance over last year. The faculty is being enlarged by the addition of several new members; Prof. Kilpatrick, formerly of Mercer, has been selected to assist in mathematics; Prof. Akerman is in charge of the new department of forestry, and it is generally understood that another assistant will soon be working in the English department. Everything is being done to forward the great "Campus Extension Movement," which if carried out will place Georgia ahead of anything in the south. Work has commenced on a new infirmary that will be thoroughly adequate to meet the present need.

Georgia is progressing very rapidly in the athletic world. We have a strong, fast football team that is making more than a creditable showing.

Although we have lost two out of three games played there is no element of disgrace present. Every loyal student and supporter of the university is looking forward with the keenest interest possible to the contest with Georgia Tech on Saturday. Much depends on this game and it promises to be a very hard fought battle.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is most honorably represented on varsity by Bros. Smith, K., right half, Graves, right end, Thurman, left end, McWhorter F., sub tackle. They are all gritty players, deserving every bit of the praise and commendation received.

Bros. Middlebrooks and Carter won out by superior team work, in the tennis doubles. Bro. Carter was also the runner-up and gave Dean a hot race for the championship.

The officers of the *Pandora*, our college annual, have been chosen, and as usual  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's representative has a prominent place. Two editors-in-chief were elected, one of whom is Bro. Phil Davis.

During the last two months several visiting Phis have called on us, among whom were Bros. Sibley of Vanderbilt, now coaching G. M. A.; Cunningham of Emory; McWhorter, V., Georgia, '04. Georgia Alpha appreciates these calls and extends a most hearty welcome to all visiting Phis.

All the students are pleased to hear that Maj. J. M. Kimborough will soon be commanding our cadet corps again. Maj. Kimborough, who, by the way, is a Phi, was ordered to go with his regiment to Cuba, when the recent trouble broke out.

Some needed improvements have recently been made upon the home of Georgia Alpha and this makes it the nicest, most desirable chapter house in the city.

HARRY R. SLACK, JR.

Athens, November 8, 1906.

#### GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

The excitement and work of spiking season is over and Emory College has settled into her regular routine. The first athletic event was the cross country relay race, on October 22, which resulted in a victory for the sophomores. The football season opened October 29, with a double-header between the seniors and juniors and the sophomores and freshmen. Victory came to the seniors and sophomores. In football, Georgia Beta is represented by Bros. McGregor, '07; Smith, '08; Solomon, '08; Hill, '09; Hinton, '09; Reagan, '09; Pitts, '09; Clay, '10; Hammond, '10 and Wood, '10.

In the fall elections, Georgia Beta received three times as many offices as any other fraternity chapter here. Bro. Arnold, '08, is class historian; Bro. McGregor, '07, is captain of field sports; Bro. Reagan, '09, is sophomore football manager and Bros. Smith, '08, Hill, '09, and Clay, '10, are captains of their respective class football teams.

Our chapter is in a fine condition both internally and externally. It has men taking a prominent stand in every phase of college life and it is now enjoying one of the most prosperous years in its history.

Oxford, November 1, 1906.

W. A. DOZIER.

#### GEORGIA DELTA, GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

The first month of the session is over and everybody has settled down to hard work. We regret very much to report the loss of Bro. T. V. Magruder, who left Tech. to take a law course in some other institution.

Georgia Delta has now an ideal chapter of twenty-one men who will guard carefully the interests of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at Georgia Tech.

Our first college game of football was played October 20, with Sewanee. Although we were beaten by a score of 16 to 0, we are not in the least

discouraged and feel certain that we will have a very successful season. The game was doubly interesting to the Phis present from the fact that the captains of both teams are Phis. Bro. Watkins, who plays center for Sewanee and Bro. Davies who plays halfback for Tech.

Our second game was won from Davidson, by Bro. Brown, who kicked goal from the forty yard line.

We were delighted to have with us recently Bros. Pitts, Solomon, Wood and Smith of Emory College. Bros. C. S. Blakeney from Randolph-Macon has been with us for the last two weeks and will enter college next month.

Bro. G. A. Heton of Washington and Jefferson was with us for a while, but was compelled to return home on account of the serious illness of his brother.

G. M. STOUT

Atlanta, October 28, 1906.

#### ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Alabama is doing well this year in everything. The university is in a flourishing condition and many improvements are contemplated. Only last week there was a meeting of university men in Birmingham in the interest of the greater university. Bros. Robert Jemison and Louis V. Clarke are leaders in the movement. Similar meetings are being held all over the state.

The Phis who did not return this year are somewhat scattered. Tom Cat-chings, '05, has a position in New York; Frank Clark, '05, is in the real estate business in Birmingham; Joseph H. Miller, '05, is with the L. and N. R. R. in Birmingham; Edgar Clarkson, '06, is practicing law in Mobile; William S. Mudd, '06, is studying law at the University of Virginia; Robert Steiner, '06, is studying law at Harvard; James Browder, ex-'07, has a position in Birmingham; Monroe Lanier, ex-'07, is studying medicine at the Birmingham Medical College; Walter Dudley Seed, ex-'08, is in the Naval Academy at Annapolis; Joseph Browder, ex-'09, is at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute at Auburn; while Arthur Drane, ex-'09, is in New York.

We are represented on the glee club, which has just been selected, by Bro. Anglin White. Four Phis played in our last football game: Wash Moody, Harmon Lampley, Sterling Lanier, and Max Moody. We have a good team this year, so far having won all but the Vanderbilt game.

We are still working hard on our chapter house and hope, by the next issue of THE SCROLL, to be able to report that work has been begun on the house itself.

CHARLES C. HEIDT, JR.

University, October 26, 1906.

#### ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Mid-term examinations are past and every Auburn man finds himself necessarily settling down to hard work. Next comes the Thanksgiving recess, and then term examinations, which begin on or about December 12.

Although the application to work may be persistent, it is not all absorbing, for football receives its generous share of interest. The team has done fairly well, though it is not what it has been in the past. We have a good bunch of men out, but they lack a certain cohesive unity—a power to stick together in critical stages. Until that is reached, we can expect no better than close defeat such as Georgia Tech inflicted on November 3, 11-0, and Sewanee the week before, 10-5. There still remain three games, those with University of Alabama, Clemson and University of Georgia. Little can be said of other branches of athletics; so far basketball looks promising. Φ Δ Θ is represented in the glee club by Bros. Burgess, Brasfield, Buchanan, Mayes

and Haralson, Bro. Brasfield being secretary. At a recent meeting of the athletic association Bro. Burgess was elected assistant manager of the football team for this season. He will be manager for the season of 1907.

Miss Clyde Merrill of Anniston, Ala., was chosen sponsor for Auburn during the Auburn-Sewanee game in Birmingham October 26. Bro. Burgess is to be congratulated in securing one so fair for that occasion.

Since our last letter we have initiated and take pleasure in presenting as a brother William Barnes, '09, Entaw, Ala.

Bro. Wm. Winship, Georgia Delta, has recently entered college, and will be affiliated some time in the near future.

Bro. Lipscomb will represent Alabama Beta at the province convention in Macon, Ga., Thanksgiving week.

We received a visit from Bro. Tinker, Pennsylvania Zeta, recently.

Auburn, November 5, 1906.

THOS. V. WATSON.

### THETA PROVINCE.

#### MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The board of trustees met here on November 1, and elected President Kincannon, of the State Industrial Institute and College, as chancellor of the university. As yet he has not accepted the position. Great interest has been manifested in the election and now that a man has been selected, all friends of the university hope that he will accept and take charge of the affairs of his office. At the same meeting the powers and authority of the chancellor were greatly increased and the office of business manager abolished, his duties being put in the hands of the chancellor.

Work on the science hall is progressing rapidly. The building is located between the power house and the east dormitory. The contracts for several professors' residences have been let along with those for some other small buildings; parts of the campus are strewn with timber, brick and building materials and work will soon be begun.

Under Hammond our team is making a good record, having won from Tulane, L. S. U., and others, losing to Vanderbilt alone. Prospects for a brilliant finish are good and we expect a great victory over A. and M. Thanksgiving in Jackson. We hope that many of the brothers will be at the game and that we will be able to have a dinner.

"Setting" season is not over. We have initiated into the fraternity Rundle Smith, Vicksburg; John Aldridge, Estill; L. P. Jones, Sallisaw, Ok., formerly of Oxford; Cornelius Henry, Yazoo City; C. P. Hall, Charleston; and Burt H. Storm, Brookhaven. All, except the last two, have brothers or relatives who are alumni of our chapter.

Recently we had a most pleasant visit from Bro. McClurg, '79.

The chapter is in excellent condition and we hope that all Phis who chance to be in Oxford will come out to see us.

Robert Somerville, Jr.

University, November 5, 1906.

#### LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Louisiana Alpha takes great pride and pleasure in introducing to the fraternity ten new brothers, viz: Edward Henry Chambers, Lee Richards McMillan, Donald Renshaw, Edwin Thomas Russell, Micah Flint Seip, Will Hailes Tippin, Hubert Henry Tippin, George Sebastian West, Malnor Atkinson Shumard, and James Frank Bean. The first nine mentioned are freshmen from the academic; the last named is also a freshman but comes from the medical. Bro. Miles Abernathy Watkins, Tennessee Beta, is again with



us and is a valuable addition to our chapter. All counted the chapter consists of eighteen men.

It might prove interesting in order to show the standard of Louisiana Alpha, to show that of other fraternities at Tulane. A T Ω has 17 men; Δ K E, 7; Δ T Δ, 6; Σ A E, 10; Σ X, 10; K Σ, 17; K A, 14; Π K A, 11; Φ K Σ, 11; Σ N, 11.

A new medical fraternity has entered Tulane, X Z X, there is room for it as the attendance this year reaches the 500 mark.

At the academic a ribbon society has recently been organized, it is called Pop and Bolt. Bro. Russell, '08, is a member. Θ N E has reentered the university and several of our brothers are members of it. At Newcomb Φ M has made its appearance; the sorority is not very large and is expanding rapidly.

Newcomb will rebuild shortly on a much larger scale and there is no doubt that it will be the largest woman's college in the south.

In athletics Tulane has experienced a serious drawback on account of the one year rule of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association, which bars a player who has played in another college within one year. In spite of this, however, we have a good team and a good coach. Coach Russ hails from Brown University. We have played against Howard College of Birmingham, the score resulting in a tie. The game played with Mississippi was fatal, for Mississippi won by a score of 17 to 0.

Φ Δ Θ is represented on the team by Bros. Gully and Bean. Bro. Bean is right guard, while Bro. Gully is left halfback and is the star of the team. Games have been scheduled with Sewanee, Vanderbilt, Mississippi A. and M. and others, and we intend to eat them up.

There is only one thing that we regret and that is that we cannot all attend the national convention; however though absent in body, Louisiana Alpha will be present in spirit.

JAMES J. FORTIER.

New Orleans, November 7, 1906.

#### TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Up to date the registration in the University of Texas, department of medicine excepted, has reached 1,340 students. This is an encouraging increase over last year's attendance. About 150 freshmen came in, among their number a good deal of fraternity material. Texas Beta bade three men and pledged all of them. Initiation was held on Oct. 13. Our new brothers are: John McMeans, Palestine; Clair Gannon, Dallas; and Robert Penn, Austin. We take pleasure in introducing them to the fraternity.

The men's pan-hellenic at Texas has a membership of twelve chapters; the woman's six—making eighteen Greek letter societies in all, with a membership of 340 or about thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the student body. Fifteen out of the eighteen fraternities represented have chapter houses.

Athletics are flourishing. The football team has made a good record, having scored 71 points against its opponents' nothing. By the time this letter is published, the team will be on its trip. The games scheduled are with Arkansas, Oklahoma and Vanderbilt. Bro. Duncan continues to hold his star record as left end. He made his "T" in his freshman year and is now one of the strongest men on the team.

Bro. Sutton has been elected president of the University German club.

Bros. Burgher, Baker, Norrell and Slayton sing in the glee club.

Since our last letter we have had visits from Bro. I. V. Duncan, a former student at the university; Bro. Mann, M. D., of Texas Gamma; and Bro. Caldwell of Kentucky Alpha-Delta.

Austin, October, 21, 1906.

R. W. STAYTON, JR.

#### TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Since the last letter we have initiated three men, whom we are very glad to be able to present to the fraternity as brothers. They are: Wellborn B. Boon, Tyler, Texas; Charles A. Walker, Craft, Texas; and Robert Y. Williams, Whitewright, Texas.

Since the opening everything connected with the college has been moving along very smoothly and without special incident. There is a marked increase of interest in track athletics this year. We are to have a meet on November 17 with some of the Texas colleges and a team has been developed which will no doubt hold its own.

Work on our house is progressing steadily, though not very rapidly on account of the scarcity of labor.

A few of Texas Gamma's honors were omitted through oversight from the last letter. Bro. Moore is president of the council of honor and is secretary of the debating council. Pledge Tott is on the preparatory school Intermediate debate. Bro. Wheeler is on the executive committee of the athletic association.

We are looking forward with much interest to the convention and we hope several members of Texas Gamma beside the delegate will attend. Recently we had the pleasure of a visit from Bro. T. C. Turk, '06.

We have no chapter house at present but we hope that visiting Phis will make our boarding places their homes while in Georgetown.

Georgetown, November 8, 1906.

JOHN D. WHEELER.

#### IOTA PROVINCE.

##### CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Since the publication of the last SCROLL, Rugby has been given its first real test as a college sport and a substitute for the old inter-collegiate football. Before a large and intensely interested crowd of spectators, the freshman fifteen of the University of California defeated the first year men of Stanford by the score of 3-0—and on their home grounds. During the first half, the honors were equally divided but in the second, the wearers of the blue and gold braced up and kept the ball near the cardinal goal line. The score was made on a penalty kick from the thirty yard line.

There seems to be little doubt as to the true worth of Rugby. It is here on the coast to stay. The student body of California has backed up the players with admirable spirit and has come to like the new game better than the old. At the games against a picked team from British Columbia, larger crowds were present than ever attended the old game. The two matches our team played with the fifteen from Vancouver plainly showed the unquestionable superiority of our athletes over those of Canada. In spite of the short time that we have had to learn the game, our men outplayed veteran players who have been at Rugby from their childhood days.

As an aid to another branch of athletics, the fraternities have joined together and formed an inter-fraternity baseball league, of which Bro. Tyssowski, '08, is treasurer and secretary. Two games are played a week and as a hundred dollar loving cup goes to the winning nine, great interest is being shown. In our first match we defeated the  $\Theta \Delta X$ 's by 12 to 11.

The first production of a classic play by the dramatic club was a great success. By an excellent caste of student actors, Shakespeare's rollicking comedy, "The Merry Wives of Windsor," was presented in the Greek theatre on the last Saturday of October. Garnet Holme, formerly stage manager for Forbes Robertson and Ben Greet, coached the players. The moonlight added much to the beauty of the stage and helped to attract a large audience. Bro. Carroll Stilson, '10, as Fenton, won merited applause.

The boating outlook for this season is brighter than ever before. Money is being raised to purchase two eights from the east. The boat club show brought in sufficient money to purchase several new boats as well as free the club from debt for the first time in its existence.

At the last annual "running" of the Skull and Key honor society, Bro. Alfred Salisbury, '07, was among the neophytes.

The Pajamerino rally which is usually given in the Greek theater was held in Harmon Gymnasium on account of the rain. The gym was crowded with an enthusiastic bunch of students. Among the speakers were Bro. Torry, '95, and Bro. Judge Melvin, '89. Bro. Bingham, '06, this year's yell leader, clothed in the appropriate *robe de nuit*, lead the serpentine around the gym.

PHILIP S. THACHER.

Berkeley, November 6, 1906.

#### CALIFORNIA BETA. STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

Rugby holds the attention of the student body at Stanford these days. Although defeated by California in the annual freshman contest on October 13 by a 3-0 score, the varsity candidates were not in the least discouraged. On the contrary this defeat instilled in them a spirit of determination to do better in the varsity game. Under the careful guidance of coaches Lanagan and Bansbach, the Stanford fifteen expects to give a good account of itself on November 10, in California Field at Berkeley. The success of Rugby will probably depend largely upon the outcome of this game. The two teams have defeated the strong Vancouver aggregation and show from the result of these games that they have become thoroughly acquainted with the style of play called for in Rugby. It is needless to say that a good contest is expected. Φ Δ Θ is represented on the varsity by Bro. Chalmers, '07, who plays "center three-quarters."

Work on the university buildings is progressing very rapidly and it will not be long before the quadrangles are the same as before the earthquake. The arch has been taken down and the last operations are being done in razing the gymnasium and library buildings.

The construction of the new athletic field is still being carried on. The present outlook points to the completion of the new track within a few weeks. Work on the new baseball diamond has been started and it is hoped to have this finished for next spring's training in that line of athletics.

Among the much needed improvements on the campus, are the construction of an electric line connecting the university community with San Jose and Palo Alto, and the new automobile road, to be used exclusively by the "benzine buggies." These two means of transportation will satisfy a long felt want and will be of great convenience to students and visitors.

Of the university in general, little may be said. The first semester ends December 19 and the second will begin on January 9. The chapter house will remain open during the holidays and California Beta trusts that any Phi who may be in the vicinity will not hesitate to visit the chapter at any time.

Stanford University, November 10, 1906.

W. W. BEHLOW.

## PERSONAL.

*Tulane*—Robert G. Robinson, '06, is attending Princeton University.

*Lombard*—Athol R. Brown, '03, is editor of the Galesburg, *Evening Mail*.

*Kansas*—Melvin H. Taylor, '01, was married on October 14 to Miss Alice Spalding.

*Butler*—Demarchus C. Brown, '79, was recently elected state librarian of Indiana.

*Vanderbilt*—C. R. Baskerville, '97, is instructor of English at the University of Texas.

*Vanderbilt*—Theodore B. Bethea, '93, is in the real estate business at Montgomery, Ala.

*Franklin*—Dr. Parley Monroe has removed to Mexico City where he has a large medical practice.

*Brown*—Lewis F. Hall, '03, was married on October 10 to Miss Eleanor Beers at Bridgeport, Conn.

*Mercer*—H. B. Nichols, '05, was married on October 17, 1906, to Miss Louise Greene, of Fort Valley, Ga.

*Kansas*—Louis J. Flint, '04, was married on October 31 to Miss Edith LeVan. They will reside in Chicago.

*Tulane*—Frank T. Copp, Jr., '96, is with the Ft. Wayne Electric Co., at 1009 Hennen Building, New Orleans.

*Tulane*—Hammond H. Hinton, '04, was married on November 7 to Miss Velma Venable of Lumberton, Miss.

*Iowa*—Frank B. Reid, '01, is in the service of the General Electric Co., at 512 Kittredge Building, Denver, Colorado.

*Wabash*—Marshall Van Meter Robb, '00, was married on June 6, 1906, to Miss Virginia Hutchinson, of Danville, Ill.

*DePauw*—J. E. Crews, '82, is state manager for Texas for the Wells, Fargo Express Co., with headquarters at Houston.

*Wisconsin*—A. G. Paul, '96, is assistant secretary and treasurer of the East Coast Lumber Co., at Watertown, Fla.

*Union*—Dr. Walter Ennis Hays, '02, is practicing his profession at the Polyclinic Hospital, 1818 Lombard St., Philadelphia.

*Tulane*—Colgate Scudder, '01, is with Hopkins and Eicks, attorneys at law, room 400, Tobin Building, St. Louis, Mo.

*Lafayette*—Joseph O. Skinner, '02, has opened an office for the general practice of law at 164 Market St., Newark, N. J.

*Missouri*—Percy Napton, '01, has removed to Butte, Montana, where he is associated with his brother in the practice of law.

*Vanderbilt*—Dr. Harry S. Vaughn, '94, has removed from Kansas City to Nashville, where he will continue the practice of dentistry.

*Cornell*—John S. Kittle, '06, was married on October 10, 1906, to Miss Alma Burke at the First Presbyterian church of Indianapolis.

*Dartmouth*—In the July number of the *Annals of the American Academy* was an article by H. J. Hapgood, '96, of Hapgood's, New York.

*Brown*—George G. Bass, '00, was married on June 11 to Miss Florence Elizabeth Greene, of Brookline, Mass. Their home is in Hyde Park, Mass.

*Texas*—E. P. R. Duval, '01, is an instructor in mathematics at the University of Wisconsin. He received the degree of M. A. from Harvard in 1904.

*Michigan*—Fred Lowrie, '01, was married to Miss Charlotte Banford on September 29. He is a hustling agent for Lowrie and Robinson, a lumber firm of Detroit.

*W. & J.*—Harry G. Sloan, '02, was recently graduated with honors from Johns Hopkins University medical school. He is at the Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio.

*Dickinson*—Charles O. Appleman, '03, head of the chair of biology at Lombard College, received the degree of doctor of biology this fall from the University of Chicago.

*Pennsylvania*—Harold B. Beitler, '03, was married on October 16 to Miss Ethel Eisenbrey. They will be at home after December 1 at 1933 Master St., Philadelphia.

*Richmond*—William W. Trice, '93, is assistant cashier of the Citizen's Bank and Trust Co., of Tampa, Florida. Bro. Trice is one of the most progressive young men of Tampa.

*Buchtel*—Charles O. Rundell, '98, for the past five years vice-principal of the Tabor Academy, Marion, Mass., has been called to the principalship of Buchtel Academy, Ohio.

*Lombard*—Frank C. Ayars, '04, was married on September 18 to Miss Nell Needham, of Racine, Wisconsin. Bro. Ayars will have direct charge of his fruit farm near Los Angeles, Cal.

*Columbia*—Oscar W. Ehrhorn, '98, an opponent of the machine, is contesting the republican leadership of the seventh assembly district of New York. He is an attorney at 149 Broadway.

*Miami*—Thornwell E. Walker, '99, son of Rev. Faye Walker, *Miami*, '68, was married on June 18 to Miss Henrietta Tisch of Philadelphia. Their home is at 818 North 26th St., Philadelphia.

*Vermont*—Thomas C. Cheney, '91, was elected in September to the Vermont house of representatives and it is said that he is sure to be elected speaker. He has had a long and efficient career as clerk of that body.

*Butler*—John Th. Lister, '97, has removed from Morgan Park, Ill., where he was teaching, and is representing the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., with headquarters at 1111 Citizens' Building, Cleveland, Ohio.

*Virginia*—C. R. Williams, '05, will coach the Clemson, S. C., football team this fall. He has lately become associated in the practice of law at Roanoke, Va., with Mr. Lucian H. Cocke, counsel in Virginia for the Norfolk & Western R. R.

*Hanover*—The October *Railway Journal*, of Chicago, contains an interesting article by W. B. Barr, '75, on "The West a Training for Railway Presidents." It abounds with portraits and character sketches of some of the most noted of the presidents of railway companies.

*Centre*—Adlai E. Stevenson, '60, former vice-president, is said to be writing a book dealing with incidents in his experiences for the last fifty years, especially of the days of Lincoln, Douglas, Swett and other notables. He has been collecting data for it for many years. His observations concerning public men and life in Washington will have a place in the volume.

*Vanderbilt and Pennsylvania*—Dr. Robert P. McReynolds, '92 and '95, will be married in December to Miss Francis Coulter, of Los Angeles, Cal. Dr. McReynolds is practicing medicine in Philadelphia. He is a brother of Hon. J. C. McReynolds, *Vanderbilt* '82, assistant attorney general of the United States.

*Purdue*—Oliver M. Babcock, '06, the star shortstop of the Purdue nine, has by his untiring efforts and exceptional ability, won the Wilbur scholarship, the most coveted honor that can be bestowed upon a student of the university. This is the second time this honor has fallen to a "P" man and a Phi, the other being Bro. John F. G. Miller, of Detroit, who was captain of the 1902 Purdue football team.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—John F. Riggs, '81, is superintendent of public instruction for the state of Iowa. On September 12 he delivered the matriculation address at Iowa Wesleyan. Bro. Riggs has filled his high office with great ability, even with satisfaction, it is said, to his political opponents. It will be recalled in this connection that Bro. Fassett A. Cotton, *Butler*, '02, is superintendent of public instruction for the state of Indiana.

*Westminster*—Dr. Colin A. McPheeters, '90, has been elected president of Synadical College, Fulton, Mo. Bro. McPheeters makes the fourth college president Missouri Beta has produced, the others being Dr. George Frederick Ayres, '87, president of Lindenwood College, St. Charles Mo.; Dr. Matthew Howell Reaser, '87, president of Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pa.; and Dr. Frederic W. Hinit, '90, president of Central University, Danville, Ky.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—The *Western Christian Advocate* of October 3 contains a strong sermon by Rev. R. D. Hollington, '92, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist church, Toledo, O., with portrait of Bro. Hollington. The same paper shows that Rev. E. E. McCammon, '88, is pastor of the Methodist church at Sidney, Ohio, and that Rev. C. R. Havinghorst, *Iowa Wesleyan* '82, is presiding elder of the Bellefontaine district with headquarters at Bellefontaine.

*Vanderbilt*—William Harrison Jackson, '85, was this fall the democratic nominee for congressman from the thirteenth district of New York. Although the district was hopelessly republican, Bro. Jackson ran a very creditable race. He is a son of the late Justice Howell E. Jackson of the U. S.

Supreme court, and is a native of Tennessee. For many years he was a member of the bar of Cincinnati and served a term there as a judge of the superior court. He has a law office at No. 11 William St., New York. He is a brother of Howell E. Jackson, Jr., *Vanderbilt*, '90, and a nephew of Robert F. Jackson, *Vanderbilt*, '81.

*Case*—Charles DeForest Chandler, '03, is a captain in the signal corps of the U. S. army. He has become expert in balloon work and took part in the balloon race of the Aero Club of America on October 20 at Pittsfield, Mass. Bro. Chandler, it is predicted, will achieve fame in the investigation of this, one of the most difficult of signal corps problems. He is well known in military circles, young as he is, for his work in the field of military telegraphs and cables. He helped to push the military lines in the Philippines through jungles and revolution, when bolo men cut down both his wires and his soldiers. He had charge of a cable ship later, that connected out of the way islands in the archipelago with Manila, and he sailed direct from these lagoons, where Malay pirates had their headquarters to Polar waters, where he superintended the work of laying the Alaskan cables.

*Mississippi*—Clarence Lee Sivley, '93, of Oxford, Miss., has been elected professor of law in the University of Mississippi to succeed ex-governor Shands. A correspondent of the *Memphis Commercial Appeal* recently wrote of him:

He is one of the foremost young attorneys of the state, the son of the late W. R. Sivley of Hinds county. He graduated in law at the University of Mississippi in the class of 1893, under Chief Justice A. H. Whitfield, taking a diploma of highest distinction. Immediately after his graduation he formed a partnership with Justice Whitfield which continued until Mr. Whitfield was appointed to the supreme bench. His next partnership was formed with Hon. James Stone of this place and has continued until the present time. The firm of Stone & Sivley is one of the best known in the state and is retained by the Illinois Central Railway, the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Cumberland Telephone Company. Mr. Sivley has always been one of the most popular citizens of this county, and while he has never sought political preferment his friends have for years urged him to become a candidate for congress from this district. Both Mr. Sivley and the board have received many congratulations on his election, and the young men of the state see in his election a recognition of the younger and most progressive element of the state.

*Ohio State*—Frank William Rane, '91, was on September 7 elected state forester of Massachusetts by the executive council upon the nomination of Gov. Guild. His office is room 7, State House, Boston. This honor is richly deserved



for Bro. Rane's career in his profession is one of distinction. He is a native of Michigan and was educated at Ohio State and Cornell universities. From 1892 to 1895 he was professor of agriculture and horticulture in West Virginia University. From 1895 to this year he was connected with the New Hampshire College of Agriculture, first as professor of agriculture and then as professor of forestry and horticulture. He was the organizer and secretary of the West Virginia State Horticultural Society, and has been also a member of the following societies: Society for the Promotion of Agricultural Science, Society of Economic Entomologists of America, American Pomological Society, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He has also been lecturer for a number of agricultural boards and is the author of many agricultural experiment station bulletins and other articles on agriculture, forestry and horticulture.

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## HELLENIC.

Φ Σ K, having entered Williams, now has 21 chapters.

Δ T Δ, having revived at Lafayette, now has 50 chapters.

A T Ω has revived its chapter at Washington and Lee, not "Nodington and Lee," as misprinted in the last SCROLL.

Δ Γ (not "Δ T," as misprinted in the last SCROLL) has entered California and Illinois. K A Θ has entered Butler. Z T A has entered Southwestern.

Southern K A, which had 19 alumni chapters in 1900, now boasts of 56, including one just organized with nine charter members on the Canal Zone.

New York Alpha has voted to impose a fine of \$10 on every old member not back in Ithaca by September 15th, the beginning of the rushing season. Cornell opens about the 25th. —Σ A E Record.

The K A *Journal* defends the action of Southern K A in electing and initiating college professors as honorary members, and says that Φ Γ Δ and Φ K Σ also enjoy "the high and advantageous privilege of initiating faculty men." This practice may be very well for these three fraternities but it is condemned by twenty-five or more fraternities.

The *Garnet and White* says that, on request of six of the eight chapters of A X P, the president of that fraternity has handed down the following decision: "That the use of intoxicating liquors in course at banquets of the national fraternity or the chapters of A X P is contrary to the traditions and customs of the fraternity, and would be an opening to danger within and criticism without."

The number of members of each fraternity who were cadets at West Point last year was as follows:  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and  $\Sigma \Lambda E$ , 9 each;  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $\Delta K E$  and  $\Sigma X$ , 5 each;  $A T \Omega$ , 4;  $\Sigma N$  and  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 3 each;  $K A$  (So.),  $\Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Delta \Psi$ ,  $\Phi K \Psi$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$ ,  $\Delta Y$ ,  $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Phi \Sigma K$ ,  $\Theta M E$  and  $T \Omega \Sigma$ , 2 each;  $\Phi K \Sigma$ ,  $X \Phi$ ,  $X \Psi$ ,  $K \Sigma$ ,  $\Psi Y$ ,  $\Pi K A$ ,  $Z \Psi$ ,  $\Phi B E$ ,  $T B \Delta$ ,  $\Delta T B$ , 1 each.  $\Phi B K$ , honorary, was represented by two members.

George Washington University at Washington, D. C., founded 1821, has the following fraternities:  $\Sigma X$ , 1864;  $K \Sigma$ , 1892;  $K A$  (S.), 1894;  $\Theta \Delta X$ , 1896;  $\Phi \Sigma K$ , 1899;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 1903;  $\Sigma \Lambda E$ , 1905. The local sororities are:  $A B \Phi$  (applying to  $\Phi K \Psi$ ), 1904;  $\Delta \Phi$  (applying to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ), 1905;  $K \Sigma \Pi$  (applying to  $\Sigma N$ ), 1906. The professional fraternities are:  $\Phi \Delta \Phi$  (law), 1884;  $\Psi \Omega$  (dental), 1903;  $\Phi X$  (medical), 1897;  $A K K$  (medical), 1905. The sororities are:  $\Pi B \Phi$ , 1889;  $X \Omega$ , 1903;  $\Sigma K$ , 1906. There were five members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in the university last year.

A few years ago Trinity, the Methodist college in North Carolina, repealed its anti-fraternity rules, and several fraternities have established chapters in that very flourishing institution. Now the trustees of Wofford, the Methodist college of South Carolina, have decided to abolish fraternities there by prohibiting further initiations. This action will cause the extinction of chapters of  $X \Psi$ ,  $X \Phi$ ,  $\Sigma \Lambda E$ ,  $\Pi K A$ ,  $K \Sigma$  and Southern  $K A$ . One of the six owned a house and two others occupied rented houses. Wofford formerly supported chapters of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and  $A T \Omega$ .

A notice of the  $B \Theta \Pi$  convention at Denver last July appeared in the October SCROLL. Mr. W. R. Baird writes: The legislation concerning  $\Theta N E$  and similar interfraternity class organizations was re-enacted and the penalty of expulsion imposed for disobedience of the enactment. The rule of  $B \Theta \Pi$  on this subject is that membership in this class of societies is forbidden, except by permission of the board of trustees, for a strictly limited period. The relation of  $B \Theta \Pi$  and

other fraternities to the high school societies was discussed, but no definite conclusions nor legislation concerning the same were arrived at.

Wesleyan Female College, Macon, Ga., claims to be the oldest college for women chartered by any state in the world. Two societies have long existed there, the Adelphean and the Philomathean. Both have a very high standard and it is considered a great honor for a girl to be asked to join either. The Adelphean has a diamond shaped badge, the Philomathean a shield shaped badge. We are informed that the Adelphean, founded in 1851, changed from a local to a "national" sorority in 1905, and at the same time changed its name to  $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ . Its Delta chapter (its fourth chapter we believe) was organized at the University of Texas last June. It is a pity that  $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ , the general fraternity for men, has no organ (its *Star and Crescent* having suspended years ago), from which we might learn what it thinks of this appropriation of its name.

As a home of Greek-letter societies the University of Washington is destined to be prominent, since the faculty and regents are fully in sympathy with secret societies. Most of the fraternities have large memberships, averaging close to twenty-five, and the majority of the members live in the fraternity houses. There are at present eight national fraternities at the college, the oldest of which was chartered in 1896. They are in the order of establishment:  $\Sigma N$ , 1896;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , 1900;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , 1900;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 1901;  $\Sigma X$ , 1903;  $K \Sigma$ , 1903;  $A T \Omega$ , 1906, and  $\Sigma A E$ , 1906. All the fraternities are comfortably housed, some of them owning their own homes. There are three sororities,  $\Delta \Gamma$ ,  $\Gamma \Phi B$  and  $K K \Gamma$ . Two locals are petitioning  $\Phi B \Pi$  and  $K A \Theta$ . Several groups of fraternity men in Seattle are anxiously awaiting the opportunity to establish chapters in the university.— $\Sigma A E$  *Record*.

#### HERALDRY OF FRATERNITIES.

So far as we have been able to learn, the only Greek-letter fraternities which have adopted coats-of-arms are  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$ ,  $\Sigma A E$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $A X P$ ,  $\Psi Y$ ,  $\Sigma X$ ,  $Z \Psi$ ,  $\Sigma N$ , Southern  $K A$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Phi$  (legal),  $\Delta X$  (legal) and  $K A \Theta$  (sorority). We are not sure that all of those mentioned have officially adopted armorial bearings, but we have seen heraldic designs for these fraternities in college annuals and other publications.  $\Delta K E$  has a modification of its arms for each of its chapters and so has  $\Psi Y$ . We are informed that

Φ K Ψ is endeavoring to decide upon an emblematic sign of a heraldic character. An article on fraternity heraldry in the *Garnet and White* of A X P, by Mr. M. M. D shows that he is well acquainted with the technicalities of subject. We clip the following paragraphs:

All good heraldry is symbolic, but while the symbolism of ordinary zony is obvious to all, that of fraternity heraldry is mystic, and only understood by the initiated. This suggests what should be the devices used fraternity shield; they should be those symbols that are used by the fraternity to express its ideals. But care should be exercised in selecting a shield which are to be so used. Preference should be given to those emblems which are distinctive of the fraternity, and to them the others should be subordinated. The most distinctive emblem should be the principal charge. If an emblem next in importance can be combined with it upon the shield it is to do so; if not, it should be used as the crest, subject always to the limitation as regards crests, which should be objects such as could actually be worn on the top of a helmet, not suns surrounded by rays on which Greek letters are faintly indicated, or words enclosed in wreaths or surrounded by clouds.

There is a very good custom, in use by some fraternities, of placing on the shield of the order itself a smaller shield, called a *shield of pretense*, charged with a device forming the arms of the local chapter. This is an excellent custom, but in such cases all charges belonging to the chapter should be placed upon the secondary shield; none of them on the larger escutcheon which should contain only the bearing of the national order. A still better way of distinguishing chapter shields would be by the method called "distinguishing" by heraldic writers; that is by placing a small charge, varying for each chapter, not upon a shield of pretense, but upon some one or more of the charges of the shield of the fraternity, and by varying the crest.

Furthermore, fraternity coats-of-arms should be characterized by restraint and dignity. Rather than multiply quarterings and subordinate charges, better not to difference for local chapters (in the case of a society carrying in necessity an elaborate arms); or even to omit some of the minor emblems of the order as well, lest in the desire to display symbols a shield is made too crowded, and difficult to read and recognize. An admirable example of restraint as well as of perfectly correct heraldry of the best period is the coat-of-arms borne by B Θ Π. Many college fraternities, such as B Ε Φ Δ Θ and Σ Α Ε, carry shields which conform absolutely, or nearly so, to the above principles. Let us hope that the day will come when all Greek letter societies will be known by absolutely correct and appropriate achievements at arms.

#### INITIATION "STUNTS" CONDEMNED.

Following are extracts from an article by Mr. William Trimpe, clipped from the *Sigma Chi Quarterly* for September.

The preliminary process through which most candidates are compelled to go is pretty well known. It is not necessary to describe the nocturnal expeditions over hill and dale; the parades with candidates rigged up in ridiculous makeup, to be made sport of by the delighted barbs; nor need a description be given of the long list of other "stunts" which they are obliged to perform. The question is: Are any

these things conducive to the proper appreciation of the real lessons to be taught in the initiation? It cannot easily be proved that they are. Most of these feats are ridiculous, many of them humiliating, and some of them positively brutal. The tendency, especially among the outside work, to do things which, upon sober second thought, would be recognized as dangerous to life and limb is very strong, and the temptation to do some "stunt" which at the time seems to be just the proper thing, but which has in it the possibilities of serious accident, is very difficult to overcome. Knowing this to be true, and realizing the further fact—as we must, if we accept the idea of an initiation as here defined—that none of these things have any bearing whatever upon the lessons to be taught or the principles instilled, why not eliminate altogether these practices which tend to defeat the purposes of the initiation, and to pervert and distort its true function?

Most of the initiation "stunts" tend to produce contempt in the mind of the candidate for the entire proceeding; it strikes him as being a farce to which he is an enforced party. These things are disgusting in the extreme, and the whole affair impresses him as being a huge joke, utterly lacking in dignity, and having no bearing whatever on any proposition that appeals to his manhood. And then it is so perfectly incongruous to indulge in horse-play as an immediate preliminary to the ritual. . . .

We have tried hard to find some justification for these initiation "stunts," as carried on by some chapters, which might serve as some compensation for their manifest evils; but we have been absolutely unable to do so. It is true that the members of the chapter may get a considerable amount of amusement out of the proceedings; but, weighing this advantage—if it can be so called—against the fact that all this is at the expense of those first impressions which are so lasting and important, and which should be beautiful and impressive, it seems that the latter consideration outweighs the former, and that we might well sacrifice the former for the purpose of securing the latter.

One reason, perhaps, for the existence of the present state of affairs is that, the ritual being so short, there is a tendency to believe that there ought to be more to the initiation; that the ritual as it now is is too compact, and that therefore something additional ought to be introduced in order to make the affair seem more of an initiation. This criticism is pertinent, and perhaps a good way to eliminate horse-play would be to

provide, in addition to the ritual as it now exists, a more elaborate exemplification of the lessons to be taught in the initiation. This would in all probability also have the effect of bringing the men to a closer study of the ritual than now prevails, because if the ceremony were more elaborate, some study would be necessary to the successful conduct of the initiation.

Initiations, as now conducted, are deleterious to the best interests of higher education. The doings, especially if an accident occurs, afford the yellow journals an opportunity to indulge in their usual exaggeration and misrepresentation and the impression is spread abroad that college men are brutes, coarse and vulgar, addicted to all manner of barbarities. Such stories cannot fail to create a false impression in the minds of thousands, of the college man and of higher education in general—an impression which is exceedingly pernicious. The fraternity cannot afford to do anything which in any way endangers the best interests of the institution where it exists.

The matter of reform in initiations is one of vital importance to the fraternity. It deserves the honest and careful consideration of every chapter. We believe that it will receive such consideration, and that it will not be difficult to see how horse-play is inconsistent with the cardinal principles of the fraternity, and that it is incompatible with the purpose of the initiation and the ends to be attained therein. We believe that when the chapters of  $\Sigma X$  come to see the truth of the above, they will courageously take the initiative among the fraternities of the country in abolishing this great evil.

The above remarks were made in support of the following resolutions, which were adopted by the convention, with the exception of the first clause, relating to outside work:

*Resolved*, By the members of the third province convention of  $\Sigma X$ , assembled in Columbus, Ohio, May 4 and 5, 1906:

1. That we are opposed to any and all form of initiation conducted outside the fraternity rooms or halls.
2. We are opposed to all acts of brutality applied to candidates for membership in  $\Sigma X$ .
3. We find no warrant in the rules and regulations of the organization for subjecting any candidate to any indignity or humiliation, and, therefore, we urge the adoption of such legislation as will put an end to the growing custom among some chapters of beating, paddling, striking and otherwise maltreating candidates for membership to this order.
4. We recommend to the proper authorities in the fraternity that they take immediate steps toward the elaboration and amplification of the ritual, such as addition to serve as a substitution for that which the chapters now seem to deem necessary for a successful initiation.

## FRATERNITY HOUSES AT CORNELL.

The growth of the fraternity system at Cornell University has been very remarkable. There are twenty-six fraternities which live in houses; of these only four have rented houses. The value of the fraternity property here far exceeds that at any other institution. The following list of valuations is based on the tax assessments of the city of Ithaca:

Chi Psi, 1869 .....	\$80,000	Sigma Phi, 1890 .....	*18,000
Zeta Psi, 1868 .....	55,000	Delta Phi, 1891 .....	18,000
Alpha Delta Phi, 1869 .....	50,000	Phi Kappa Psi, 1869 .....	18,000
Chi Phi, 1868 .....	40,000	Delta Kappa Epsilon, 1870 .....	*18,000
Delta Tau Delta, 1890 .....	30,000	Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 1891 .....	*18,000
Theta Delta Chi, 1870 .....	25,000	Delta Chi (law), 1890 .....	18,000
Phi Gamma Delta, 1888 .....	25,000	Kappa Sigma, 1892 .....	17,000
Sigma Chi, 1890 .....	25,000	Alpha Tau Omega, 1887 .....	16,000
Psi Upsilon, 1880 .....	*20,000	Phi Sigma Kappa, 1889 .....	16,000
Kappa Alpha (N), 1868 .....	20,000	Delta Upsilon, 1869 .....	*15,000
Beta Theta Pi, 1872 .....	20,000		
Phi Delta Theta, 1872 .....	20,000	Total .....	\$562,000

The asterisk denotes that the chapter house is on the campus and the land is rented from the university.

The following fraternities are living in rented houses, most of which have, however, purchased land and expect to build in the near future: A Z (agriculture), 1901; Σ N, 1901; Θ Ξ (scientific), 1903; Θ Λ Φ (law), 1903.

The following fraternities are also represented but are still in the chapter hall stage: Φ Δ Φ (law), 1888; N Σ N (medical), 1900; Ω Y Φ (medical), 1901; Θ N E (sophomore), 1880.

This large growth of the fraternity system at Cornell is due to the remarkable growth of the university. There are 3,500 students here and the university has no dormitories. Ithaca being a small town, accommodations are poor and limited, thus forcing the student body to organize. The number of fraternity men is, however, only about seven hundred, or 20 per cent.—A T Δ *Rainbow*.

## COLLEGIATE.

Lafayette is preparing to celebrate its seventy-fifth anniversary next June.

Westminster now has a twenty-acre athletic field, called Priest Field, in honor of the donor, Judge H. S. Priest, of St. Louis, an alumnus of the college.

The Cosmopolitan Club, organized at Cornell four years ago, to bring students of different nationalities together social-ly, is now about to build a clubhouse.

Sir William Macdonald, whose generosity to McGill University exceeds \$3,000,000, has decided to found and endow a chair of education in the university.

The enrollment of students at Brown is as follows: Graduates, 102; seniors, 120; juniors, 136; sophomores, 140; freshmen, 167; specials, 51; total, 623. In 1905, the total was 621.

The University of Texas will probably enroll 1600 students an increase of 100 per cent. in three years. This remarkable showing can not be equalled, probably, by any other educational institution in the country. —Texas correspondence K *Caduceus*.

A large restaurant and lunch counter has been opened at Syracuse University in the basement of the new men's dormitory. The honor system has been established; students go to the counter, take what food they desire, place the money in the drawer and depart.

At the University of Wooster the addition to the library which will double its capacity, is nearing completion. The finished building will represent an expenditure of \$71,000, a part of which has been provided by Mr. Henry C. Frick. At the cost of \$80,000, a dormitory is being built which will accommodate ninety young women.

The San Francisco fire destroyed two of the finest college annuals of the year: the Stanford *Quad* and the California *Blue and Gold*. Of the former, a few proof sheets which were in the editor's hands remain. The *Blue and Gold* was in the bindery, and a single copy had been completed and delivered to the editor at Berkeley. Naturally it is now priceless. —K *Σ Caduceus*.

Everybody interested in the University of Washington is happy over the selection of the campus as the site of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition to be held in 1909. Plans will be drawn for improving and beautifying our entire campus; and many of the buildings will be of a permanent character and, after the exposition, will be turned over to the university. This movement has already deeply affected university life. The eighty acre tract adjoining the campus has been secured by an investment company and is to be opened up as a residence district. Four of the fraternities have secured land and will give up their houses to build new ones. —Washington State correspondence K *Σ Caduceus*.



We heartily congratulate Rev. G. P. Benton, D. D., on the prosperous condition of the alma mater of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , Miami University, of which he is president. He will represent the Oxford alumni club at the Washington convention. He writes to us as follows: Miami University is prospering as it never has before. The state of Ohio has provided for us so liberally that we are now the second institution in the matter of college support in the state. We have quadrupled our student body in four years, and the prospects for the future are very bright. Two new buildings have recently been completed on the campus and two more are under way.

The University of Pennsylvania has announced a new method of acquiring the college degrees of bachelor of arts, or of science. Beginning with the next term in February any person, man or woman, who cannot attend the regular day sessions of the university will be permitted to take courses during the late afternoon or evening hours, and the credit for this work done will be counted in the student's credit toward a bachelor's degree. The faculty had hoped to open the new courses with the beginning of the fall term, but the great increase in the registration made this impossible. The total registration of the university to date is 3,906, an increase of 305, or nearly 10 per cent. over last year. The registration figures for the freshman classes are as follows: college, 403; medical, 195; law, 124; dental, 135; veterinary, 50; evening school, 114; total, 1,021.

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#### O. S. U., MIAMI AND OHIO.

The Ohio legislature, at its last session, fixed the tax levy for the support of Ohio State University at .16 mill, which will give an income to the university during the next two years of over \$1,500,000. At the same session the relation between the several colleges receiving state aid and the university was definitely fixed. This brings to an end a controversy which has lasted for a number of years. By the provisions, the university at Columbus will alone engage in technical and graduate work, the remaining colleges confining their energies to collegiate and normal work.

The enrollment at O. S. U. for the fall term is 2,150. The summer session, including both the work given at Columbus and at the Biological Station on Lake Erie, closed with an enrollment of 425.

Three new buildings have been added during the last year to the thirteen already standing on the O. S. U. campus. These are the Physics Hall, Chemistry Hall, and Mechanical Engineering building. Unfortunately the Chemistry building suffered a loss by fire soon after being occupied, of \$13,000. This loss the legislature will cover at once. The Women's building is in preparation and will be occupied within a year.

Plans for an addition to the college of engineering, two buildings of which, having already been erected, have been laid, and erection will probably begin at once. The board of trade of the city of Columbus is preparing to erect a Students' building similar in function to the Harvard Union.—O. S. U. correspondence New York *Evening Post*.

#### SEGREGATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The announcement by Dean McClintock that the University of Chicago is carrying out plans for the complete separation of the male and female students in all their work excites no surprise. In 1902, when the partial segregation of the classes of the junior college, that is of the first two years, was proposed, it was generally understood that this meant the abandonment of the principle of coeducation, although the advocates of segregation loudly asserted that it did not and that it was "merely a question of administrative detail."

The University of Chicago on its establishment attracted the most enterprising and progressive students of the west and south. It appealed to them because it broke away from scholastic traditionalism and promised to bring higher education in touch with the times. The four equivalent terms, the abolition of the college classes, the flexibility of the courses, the extension of university instruction by lecture and correspondence schools, the establishment of a university press, the emphasis laid on research, the higher salaries for professors, and all its novel and ingenious schematization aroused the interest and enthusiasm of the young people of both sexes.

But a change came over the spirit of the dream.

The University of Chicago has aged rapidly. The first ten years did for her what a century did for eastern colleges. It has been an artificial aging process like that nowadays used for whisky. Each successive year the alumni returning to their alma mater found that her hair had been bleached whiter, and that new wrinkles had been painted on her benevolent face. Traditions were invented, customs imported, and a fictitious scholastic pedigree contrived. Her most loyal

alumni were forced to admit that their alma mater was afflicted with chronic atavism.

The University of Oxford was taken as a model. They might have done worse, of course. We ought to be thankful that they did not take the University of Cairo. Club life for young men was deliberately cultivated. An elaborate ritual was devised with processions and recessions, gowns and hoods and Latin speeches. A monastic seclusion was held forth as the ideal for the scholar, although in its earlier days one of the advantages claimed for the university was that it was situated in the heart of a great city, instead of nestling under the elms of a country town. . . .

Segregation of the sexes is a consistent part of the un-American, anti-democratic and reactionary policy now dominant in the University of Chicago. It is announced that young men and women students will meet only on social occasions. If this rule were reversed there would be some sense in it. . . . The young woman who knows young men only in dress suits will get a very false opinion of them. . . . But the University of Chicago opens its halls when young men and women want to waltz together, and it closes them when they want to study together. The monastery and the convent are to be on separate blocks, with no connection except for the wireless telegraph that laughs at locksmiths. . . .

We read in the Chicago papers that the sophomores have ordered the freshmen to wear green caps. Once there were no freshman and sophomore classes and no hazing at Chicago. . . . The university should not remain longer acephalous. An energetic, progressive and broadminded president is much needed now to make the university what its friends once hoped it would be.—*The Independent*.

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## THE PYX.

Since the preparation of Bro. Lindsay's article on "Pittsburgh and Her Phi Delta Thetas," in this number, the November elections have occurred, and it appears that Bro. Joseph A. Langfitt was elected to the state senate and Bro. W. H. Pratt to the house of representatives. Bro. Robert T. McElroy, *Hanover*, '92, has been appointed first assistant district attorney of Allegheny county. A distinguished honor came to the fraternity on November 6 in the election of congressman Malcolm R. Patterson, *Vanderbilt*, '82, as governor of Tennessee by a majority of more than 20,000. He made a

brilliant canvass amid many difficulties and against one of the strongest men in the south. THE SCROLL will later contain a portrait and sketch of Bro. Patterson.

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The tank shown above is the scene of Purdue's annual class fight and has given the name of "Tank Scrap" to the most unique encounter in college history. The tank is perched on a high hill, on the other side of which the battle wages. Freshmen and sophomores to the number of fully eight hundred fight for the class supremacy and the accompanying right of keeping their numerals on the tank. The fight usually begins at about midnight and lasts from forty-five minutes to several hours. The sophs and freshmen tie their captives hand and foot, and then chain them to a log chain. The victorious class then marches the "chain gang" over to Lafayette, a mile away, and compel them to perform for the benefit of spectators, ending their triumph by making the captives give the class yell of the victors. Thousands of spectators go out to the tank to view the fight, and the streets are thronged with people on the next day who are anxious to see the unique parade, which

generally consists of two squares of freshmen fastened to a long logchain, bedecked in every conceivable way with paint, corn stalks, placards, etc., and guarded by the proud sophomores.

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The Indianapolis alumni club has lately issued a neat directory, containing the names, chapters, classes, occupations and addresses of the two hundred and twenty-four members of the club. The preface shows that it is the third directory issued by the club. This club was chartered on September 17, 1879, with seven distinguished Phis, headed by Benjamin Harris and Judge Byron K. Elliott, as charter members. It has enjoyed a live, continuous existence and is the only alumni club in Phi Delta Theta that has had official representation at each national convention since it was founded. It is today the means of an ideal association of men bound by college ties and ties in the Bond.

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*The Purdue Phi* is the title of an interesting paper of eight pages which made its appearance on Founder's Day at Purdue. Indiana Theta deserves enduring credit for getting out a publication so abounding in facts of interest to its members. It holds the mirror up to the life of the chapter and the activities of its members, and shows how thoroughly worthy and substantial they are. It is an ideal paper to issue about once every quarter and send to each alumnus. Long life and usefulness to *The Purdue Phi*!

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The following song, written by Bro. W. G. Morton, M. D., Iowa, '05, is set to the music of "Bonnie Be My Bonnie Brier Bush," from "The Land of Nod." Its author is assistant surgeon at the Old Soldiers' Home, Marshalltown, Iowa.

#### I.

You've heard of each and every band,  
Of Greeks so strong and bold,  
Whose rule extends throughout the land,  
Their fame has oft been told;  
From north to south, from east to west,  
Their praises ever ring,  
But if you'd know which is the best,  
Just listen while we sing.

#### CHORUS.

Phi Delta Theta's one that ne'er will perish,  
Her banners float throughout the sunny sky;

## THE SCROLL.

For her there is a love that's ever cherished,  
 Within the heart of every loyal Phi.  
 'Neath the azure and the ardent we have gathered,  
 At her altars, which are sacred, we have kneeled,  
 We love her, yes we do, for she's been to us so true,  
 We're the wearers of the dear old sword and shield.

## II.

Her principles are firm and strong,  
 Her teachings are sublime;  
 They're built upon foundations long  
 Enduring storms of time;  
 Whate'er we do, where'er we roam,  
 In foreign lands afar,  
 Tho' distant duty be from home,  
 Still she's our guiding star.

## III

Within the Bond we Phis abide,  
 We love the shining shield,  
 The sword we ever on the side  
 Of truth and justice wield;  
 All-seeing eye, that guides our hand,  
 And rules o'er land and sea,  
 Make us a firm, united band,  
 In peace and unity.

## THE CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS.

At the congressional election, on November 6, the following members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , who were members of the 59th congress were re-elected to the house of representatives:

Georgia, second district, J. M. Griggs, *Vanderbilt*, '81, democrat.  
 Georgia, seventh district, J. G. Lee, *Emory*, '80, democrat.  
 Georgia, eighth district, W. M. Howard, *Georgia*, '77, democrat.  
 Georgia, tenth district, T. W. Hardwick, *Mercer*, '93, democrat.  
 Georgia, eleventh district, W. G. Brantley, *Georgia*, '82, democrat.  
 Illinois, fifteenth district, G. W. Prince, *Knox*, '78, republican.  
 Illinois, sixteenth district, J. V. Graff, *Wabash*, '76, republican.  
 Mississippi, fourth district, W. S. Hill, *Mississippi*, '84, democrat.  
 Texas, third district, J. G. Russell, *Georgia*, '78, democrat.

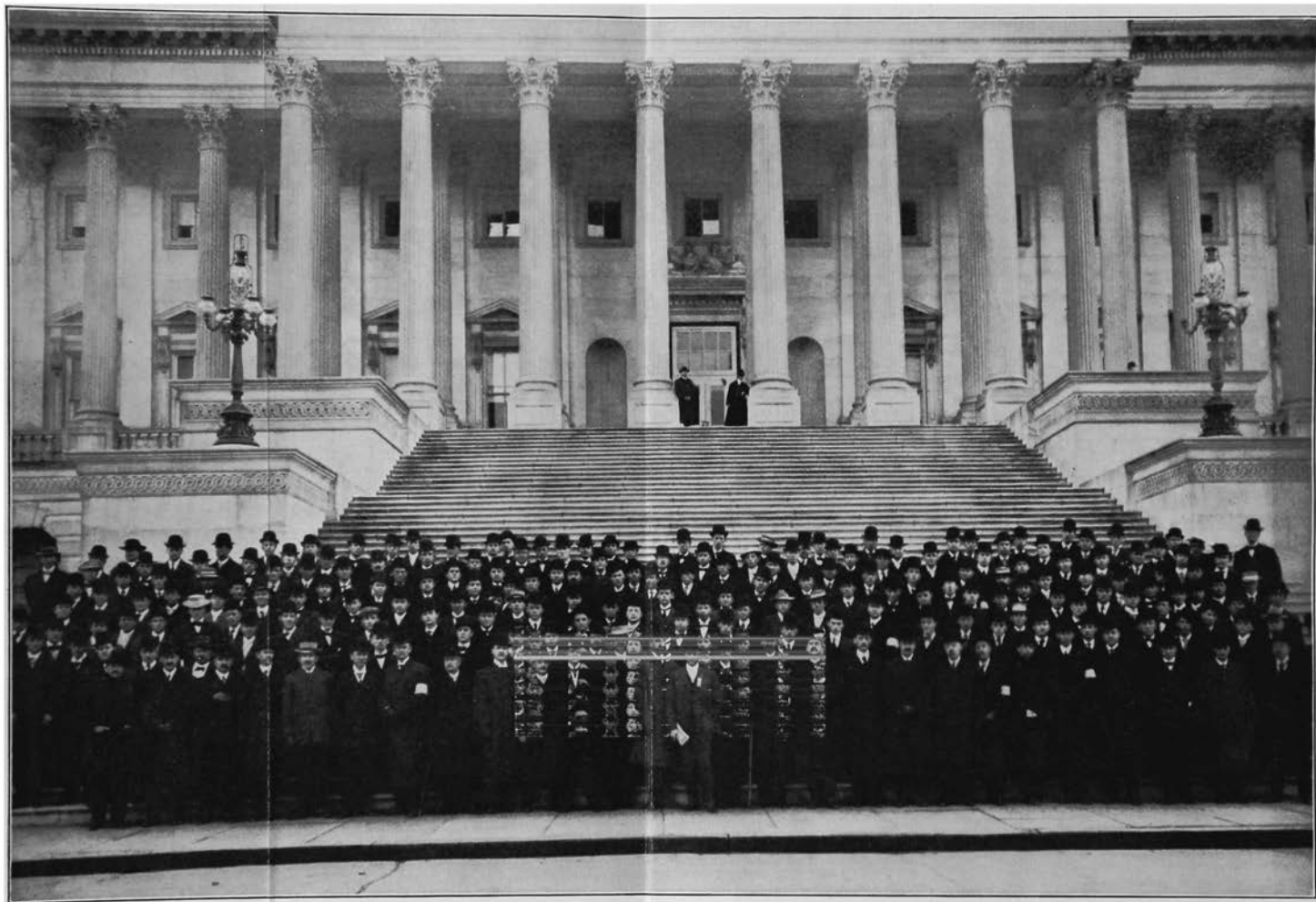
In addition J. W. Overstreet, *Mercer*, '88, was elected in the first district of Georgia to fill an unexpired term in the 59th congress. Therefore, on the reassembling of congress this month, six members of the Georgia delegation of eleven in the lower house will be members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . This is a remarkable record; no other fraternity has ever had anything near as large a proportion of congressmen from one state. It may be mentioned that there was a deadlock for a month in the democratic convention in the first district of Georgia, W. W. Sheppard, *Georgia*, '93, and another candidate having

an equal number of votes, but the nomination finally went to a third party. M. R. Patterson, *Vanderbilt*, '82, representative from the tenth district of Tennessee in the present congress, was elected by the democrats to be governor of Tennessee. W. H. Jackson, *Vanderbilt*, '85, democratic nominee for congress in the thirteenth district of New York (New York City) was defeated.

#### DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO THE WASHINGTON CONVENTION.

The following is a list of the delegates and alternates, respectively, who will represent the chapters of Phi Delta Theta at the Washington convention. It is expected that at least twenty or thirty alumni clubs will be officially represented, but at this time their names are not available.

*McGill*, George E. Bell, W. R. L. Shanks; *Toronto*, Clarence W. Hookway, Charles Johnson; *Colby*, John T. Mathews, Nelson I. Mixer; *Dartmouth*, R. C. Cochrane, W. G. Kennedy; *Vermont*, Earle L. Waterman; *Williams*, Robert J. Weeks, David B. Scott; *Amherst*, Heath E. White, Clarence A. Lamb; *Brown*, Raymond F. Tift, William E. Bright; *Cornell*, William J. Dugan, Tomas M. Jackson; *Union*, Howard E. Bishop, Charles R. Waters; *Columbia*, George Norris, Curtis P. Snook; *Syracuse*, Henry M. Dexter, Fred G. Perry; *Lafayette*, Frederic S. Welsh, Harry M. Hirst; *Gettysburg*, Paul Singmaster, Samuel Philson; *W. & J.*, C. F. Covey, W. F. Ramsey; *Allegheny*, Frank E. Stewart; *Dickinson*, George P. Beck, William A. Zerby; *Pennsylvania*, Charles E. Goodin, Malcolm I. Davis; *Lehigh*, E. R. Treverton, J. Faber Hanst; *Pennsylvania State*, Frank O. Leitzell, Raymond Swenk; *Virginia*, Clement C. Heth, John M. Blackford; *Randolph-Macon*, W. L. Chenery, M. K. Harris; *Washington and Lee*, Geo. McP. Minetree, C. B. Bagley; *North Carolina*, F. B. Stem; *Central*, George V. Triplett, Trice Bennett; *Kentucky State*, James S. Watson; *Vanderbilt*, Morton B. Howell, W. R. Manier, Jr.; *Sewanee*, R. Bland Mitchell; *Miami*, Roi W. Risinger, W. G. Smith; *Ohio Wesleyan*, H. W. Whitney, F. D. Steger; *Ohio*, Don C. Coultrap, Harry Z. Foster; *O. S. U.*, Chas. W. Bretland, Edgar Seeds; *Case*, E. K. Bacon, Arthur B. Roberts; *Cincinnati*, C. A. Schroetter, G. A. Doeller; *Michigan*, John S. Curtis, R. P. Hoover; *Indiana*, Carl F. Zinneister, Walter Kemp; *Wabash*, S. Edgar Fleming, Marion S. Leaming; *Butler*, Frank B. Davenport, James L. Murray; *Franklin*, Earl W. Crecraft, Bernard Douglas;



THE NATIONAL CONVENTION AT WASHINGTON, D. C., 1906.

Taken Wednesday afternoon, November 28, in front of the east steps of the Senate end of the Capitol.



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## THE WASHINGTON CONVENTION.

Full of perfect fellowship among men lately mutual strangers; marked with rare social features and pleasing episodes, that kept the spirits at a high buoyancy; resonant at once with the cheers of enthusiasm and the sober expression of the best ideals; rich with the formulation of new policies and the more thorough application of those which have made our fraternity great—the week of the biennial national convention of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at Washington was a climax of good, and will be truly memorable in our annals.

Never has our fraternity known a convention of such many-sided excellence. It was ideal for the representatives of all the chapters and twenty-six alumni clubs, besides a large number of general officers and visiting brothers, to meet during such splendid weather in the national capital. The attendance of the largest number of ladies—the wives, sisters, friends and, perhaps, sweethearts of Phis—that is on record added untold pleasure and grace to the occasion. The purely social features were of that rare sort mainly possible in Washington—the visit to the Library of Congress; the smoker, a round of captivating and innocent amusements; the theatre party, where a memorable and pathetic old love story was enjoyed; the convention banquet; the pilgrimage to Mount Vernon, where the Miami tree became a symbol of the identity of the principles of the Bond and the teachings of the father of his country; the drill at Fort Myer and the walk through Arlington, a soul-stirring combination of lively fascination and tender homage; the dance; and, most of all noteworthy, the reception by that most interesting personality, the President—a tribute to young men, to college ideals, and to the principle of brotherhood as shown in a college fraternity.

Besides all these there were many episodes of rare interest and distinctiveness. No one can estimate the keen joy in-

volved in the cementing of old friendships, the renewal of associations begun at former conventions and interrupted too soon, and the beginnings of that fellowship of ardent Phis just met, who came from all directions to receive good and render service in the spirit of the Bond.

In serious effort the convention surpassed all held in many years. It signified the new era of constructiveness in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . It marked the transition from the formative period to the period of expanding fulfilment, in which the policies wisely adopted beforehand and the system of government patiently formulated are being put into complete operation. It worked the adoption into law of many of the most beneficial methods that had been originated through the careful administration by the general officers. It prescribed more clearly and adequately the duties of officers and the responsibilities of chapters and alumni clubs. It caught new visions of the mission of a fraternity, and provided new ways for the sure development of character as set forth in the Bond. It dealt minutely with the details of internal administration and improvement and set an even higher standard of service for all those who are chosen to administer its affairs. It showed a sure desire for a conservative expansion whenever the local conditions seem richly to demand it and the long and patient devotion and the intrinsic merit of the applicants shall cause them to deserve it.

Quick to find the defects and delinquencies that must exist, the convention endeavored most thoroughly to provide or apply the remedies. These as well as the newer undertakings will receive the close attention of the present administration. And yet there was much to inspire all present with honest pride and with a better realization of our opportunities. We rejoiced in the record of a rapid acquisition of new chapter homes; in the possession of that great landmark, Palmer's "History of Phi Delta Theta," at last completed and distributed; in the institution of the year-books and the publication of the catalogue, the magnificent works of Mitchell; and in the knowledge that in no previous biennium had there been more diligent attention to duty by nearly all of those who held office, however small, in the fraternity.

Harmony of feeling, catholicity of view, resolution in service—these are the resultants of all those gentle but virile forces that then prevailed; and may they control the progress of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  for the next two years and even for all time!

JOHN H. DEWITT, *Vanderbilt*, '94.

## A BUSY MEETING AND A DELIGHTFUL REUNION.

The Washington convention goes down into  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  history as another series of delightful memories and brilliant pictures, unique in many respects and in every way unforgettable.

Again, as at Atlanta and Louisville, there was no active chapter in the immediate vicinity. The alumni of the capital, gathered from every quarter of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  field, as universal to their origin as those of New York or Chicago, were so compactly and effectively organized, and so fortunate in their choice of leaders, that the absence of undergraduate enthusiasm in the management was not noticed. Bro. George M. Rommel, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '97, chairman of the entire organization, set a new mark for systematic and successful convention arrangements.

Nor does less credit accrue to those who had especial charge of the various special events: the visit to the library, the smoker, the theatre party, the banquet, the pilgrimage to Mount Vernon, the cavalry drill, the White House reception. Each deserves extended description, and the genius responsible for success merits particular praise, but this will be awarded by the corps of special writers drafted by Bro. Palmer to cover the field. The feature that must be remembered in a general way, however, is the bureau of information and registration, which was kept open day and night, in charge of a most competent man.

One of the pleasing innovations of the social program was the exhibition cavalry and artillery drill at Fort Myer, at which the whole convention, delegates and visitors and friends, was present. Another rare privilege was that of meeting the President of the United States and of hearing a word from him. The visit to Mount Vernon was a third opportunity not to be had elsewhere. Then, too, the visits to the Library of Congress, the capitol, the various government department buildings, museums and art galleries were unusual privileges for convention goers. Many were compelled to stay over until the week following to complete the work of sight-seeing and to witness the opening of congress.

In spite of all the outside attractions, however, it was a convention of business. Certain members of the committee on chapters and charters did not leave the New Willard for seventy-two hours at a stretch. An immense amount of work was done even at the Saturday afternoon session.

The subduing influence of the capital was evident; in the privacy of the convention hall or the banquet room the old-

time yells and calls were much in evidence, but the outbursts in the lobby, the dining room and other public places were missed. This did not indicate a lack of enjoyment of the occasion; it was merely a tribute to the dignity of the capital.

As heretofore, the attendance of wives, sisters and sweet-hearts was large; the number of convention goers among the men was again advanced. The bar badges of attendance, which are sure to be numerous at Pittsburgh, will reveal some remarkable records.

It was a great privilege again to have Father Lindley with us, eight-and-fifty years after the birth of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and to have a word from him on each important occasion, and the gracious presence of Mother Lindley was an added benediction.

It was a season for congratulation: To the alumni of Washington on their whole-souled welcome and their masterly attention to every detail of preparation; to the delegates and visitors on their opportunity to see Washington while enjoying one of our most busy and delightful conventions; to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on the serious, earnest discharge of convention duties, and the resulting good to the best fraternity on earth.

HUGH TH. MILLER, *Butler*, '88.

#### WESTERN PHIS JOURNEY TO THE CAPITAL.

No Phi trains ever start from St. Louis. All of them are organized in Chicago. Not because there are not enough Phis who pass through St. Louis to make a respectable start—far from it. But the better explanation is that there are too many roads from St. Louis to Indianapolis for all the Phis to go over the same line. There is probably but one route from Chicago to Indianapolis, for long observation shows that all Phis travel from the windy city over a single line to the capital of Hoosierdom.

Of course, besides the lack of railroad facilities, there is another reason for the grand pilgrimage starting from the windy city. Chicago supplied the delegation with the urbane president of the general council, and it's an honor to go with him. Then two able assistants always are with Mitchell. The courtly Turner, from the city made famous by hops, acts as his right bower; genial George Banta, whom all Phis know and love, is his big casino; and the inimitable and irrepressible Little, who is an indispensable part of any convention.

But when all is said, in spite of lurid proclamations as to other cities, Indianapolis is really the starting point of all

Phi specials. Until Bill Hays, especially deputized for the purpose, has officially informed the delegates that their train would go to the convention, many, traveling for their first time, feel a certain uneasiness. This time Hays had more trouble than all the rest of the party put together. By some mischance, he had allowed the Indiana Beta delegate to be a ringer for Joseph W. Folk, and the Missourians, fearful of the lid, were for throwing the unfortunate gentleman from Wabash from the train. The arrival of General Gill, of Kentucky, just from the Green River country, made the situation critical.

Then the peacemakers appeared. From their sheltered retirement in the buffet stalked Little and Turner. Supporting them were Nowels and Albritton, Shields, Lindquest and Ellis. Thrusting the irate Missouri and Kentucky delegations aside, they called the ancient and honorable ΣΠΑ to order. The active membership, being sadly depleted, was immediately recruited by enforced initiation. Fifty-two having taken the lip-searing oath, and fifty-two plunks having been extracted from the pockets of none too enthusiastic intrants, the ΣΠAs formally declared all Milwaukee and Green River products to be contraband of war. Volunteers eagerly responded to the call for men to absorb all such productions, and by the time the train had passed from Kentucky soil, there was no need for a lid.

Old convention-goers from the west were greatly mystified on arriving in Indianapolis by the appearance of two distinguished vandyke beards, instead of the old familiar one which has so long been worn by the urbane lieutenant-governor of Indiana. The possession of the unrivalled string of badges, always displayed by Miller, quickly disclosed which set of whiskers it was we knew, but it took half a dozen affidavits and a box of Havanas to convince even the initiated that the man behind the other collection was Francis Joseph Ross Mitchell, editor of the catalogue and president of the fraternity. Ambition makes even a good Phi do wonderful things, and a longing for a political prominence in the sucker state, joined with the belief that Miller owes his prominence to his beard, is stated to be responsible for Mitchell's retirement into a forest of hair. Miller, after his identity was fully established, assisted in the initiations of ΣΠΑ, and gave a short exhibition on how to remember your name. But his artistic demonstration had small effect on the traveling Phis, who were so hypnotized by Mitchell's whiskers, Little's stor-

ies and Gill's mountain tonic, that by midnight Miller and Banta, both of whom were asleep, were the only ones on the car who cared particularly whether they had any names or not.

The diners on Phi specials are always about three sizes too small. The one on this train rather lowered the average, and was about five times less than the crowd warranted. Of course an additional delay was caused in feeding the extra coach full of recruits for the United States navy, which had been attached somewhere back in the mountains, and the hungry marines made breakfast so late that the hungry Phis were willing to eat sole leather. The entrance of the convention-goers into the "Old Dominion" will, therefore, be long remembered on account of the free for all fight for breakfast; and the early rising of the pilgrims, in hopes of seeing the green fields of Virginia, was rather disappointingly rewarded only by glimpses of old field cedars, said glimpses being occasionally caught in the intervals between the many tunnels.

It was a part of the programme, as formally announced, that the excursion train would pass through the historic and picturesque portion of Virginia. Infuriated delegates, hungry and choked with coal smoke, bombarded the bewhiskered Mitchell with sarcastic questions, and, in the recesses of the interminable tunnels, he was asked repeatedly to designate in what portion of this subterranean world it was that the army of Northern Virginia made its gallant fight. But having finally stormed the diner, being comforted with food, and with all the tunnels passed, the delegates apologized to their venerated leader. The beautiful valley of the Shenandoah, stretching out like a wonderful panorama, the James river, the historic University of Virginia, the world famous Montecello, Fredericksburg, Manassas, all drew the attention of the western Phis, to many of whom Virginia is sacred ground, for from it their fathers came. The Phis who were on that journey would not again question Frank Mitchell's veracity. All that he promised was fulfilled and more.

But there was one important feature of the trip which was not mentioned in any prospectus of the convention. By an unpardonable oversight the fried chicken that they sell at Gordonsville was overlooked. Elmer Henderson had been there before and he passed the word. The old negro mammies, the fried chicken, the Virginia pastry, the whole lunch was there, and when the train stopped every Phi was where the chicken was. The dining car ran at a loss after the train

reached Gordonsville. If such a law could be enacted, the United States should establish an oasis like that village, fully equipped with mummies, chicken and all, six hours apart on every railroad in the union.

After we reached Washington we were told that enthusiastic Phis expected our train to come in covered with bunting and flags, that anxious eyes looked for banners, telling who we were, on every incoming train. But all unconscious of our lack of foresight we left the special. Our journey passed into history and the western delegation was at last in the great throng of Phis from all over the nation. At the station we were met by Claude N. Bennett, heading the reception committee, by Ward, Palmer, and other Phis of historical renown. By them we were conducted to the convention hostelry, where there were great doings during the ensuing week—but that is not my part of the story.

CHARLES F. LAMKIN, *Westminster*, '99.

#### ADDRESSES AT THE OPENING EXERCISES

The biennial national convention of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was called to order by Frank J. R. Mitchell, P. G. C., in the convention hall of the New Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C., at 11 A. M. on Monday, November 26, 1906. Lady friends of the Phis had been invited and a number of them occupied seats near the platform, on which sat the general officers, members of the local committee and others. President Mitchell appropriately introduced Father Lindley and those who made addresses of welcome and responses.

#### PRAYER BY FATHER LINDLEY

John Wolfe Lindley, *Miami*, '50, the sole surviving founder of the fraternity read Psalm xxiv, and offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, our Heavenly father, the Author of our lives and all our blessings: It is fitting that we should come into thy presence, on this Thanksgiving week, and render thankful acknowledgements of all the blessings we have received from thy bountiful hands. Thou has mercifully spared our lives and permitted us to meet again as a fraternity under favorable auspices. We pray that thy favor may rest upon us in all that we may do and say, that our welfare may be promoted and our usefulness may be yet greater in the future than in the past. May we ever exemplify the spirit and teachings of our Bond. And let thy blessings ever attend us. For thy name's sake, Amen.

#### ADDRESS BY WILLIAM N. COMPTON

William N. Compton, *Alabama*, '88, president of the Washington alumni club, delivered the following address of welcome:

SISTER PHIS, BROTHER PHIS: The Washington Alumni Club welcomes you to Washington, and we are glad to see you. We have looked forward a long time to your coming, because we have wanted to see you and we have wanted you to see us. We are proud of the loyal band of Phis who constitute our alumni club, representing as they do a large majority of the chapters. It will give us pleasure to conduct you to the capitol building, the seat of government of the United States; we want you to see our beautiful Library of Congress, conceived as it is in the highest ideals of architecture; we want you to see our many magnificent public buildings, and we want you to climb to the top of the Washington Monument—in the elevator—and take a bird's-eye view of the most beautiful city in the world. You must go with us to the tomb of Washington, and to the national cemetery at Arlington, where sleep the heroes of the late war; to see the regiment of artillery and cavalry at Fort Myer, and to meet personally the President of the United States.

For a long time we have believed that there ought to be an active chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in the city of Washington, and we believe that the time has now come when that chapter can be instituted at George Washington University, where there is a loyal band of young men who have maintained an organization for the past year or more for the express purpose of petitioning for a charter. The alumni club of Washington indorses the establishment of such a chapter, but this matter will be brought more directly to your attention later on.

Again I say we are glad to see you, and we hope that the entertainments which we have provided for you, and which will be described to you in detail by the chairman of our convention committee, to whom we are greatly indebted for the success of this convention, will afford you so much pleasure as to make your stay in the capital an epoch in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  history.

And now, Sister and Brother Phis, I have the honor of introducing to you the president of the board of commissioners for the District of Columbia, the Hon. Henry B. F. Macfarland.

#### ADDRESS BY HON. HENRY B. F. MACFARLAND

Hon. Henry B. F. Macfarland, president of the board of commissioners of the District of Columbia, delivered the following address of welcome:

##### MR. PRESIDENT:

I wish I could say Sister Phis and Brother Phis, especially Sister Phis, but I presume I shall have to take the privilege of my office (we are sometimes called the fathers of the city), and address you as Daughter Phis and Son Phis. You see I want to identify myself with you in some way if I can.

Some of our people, seeing so many splendid men and beautiful women coming into town yesterday and today, thought that the congress of the United States was meeting a week in advance of the constitutional time, and they will have to adjust themselves to the fact that it is the meeting of those who are, many of them, going to be in the congress of the United States later on. You have simply come a few years in advance to look the field over, to examine the seats in the senate and the house of representatives and to pick out those which you will prefer to occupy.

We who live here all the time are always heartily glad to have the representatives of the many national societies meet in this city, because we want the people of the states to see their national capital. In this case, as I understand that McGill University and the University of Toronto are repre-



sented, I wish to offer an especial word of welcome to the Canadian representatives. I myself have just been the recipient of Canadian hospitality at Ottawa, the capital of the dominion, where I went, by invitation, to say something about our capital, and I feel even more indebted to Canada than I did before, so that there is a real welcome extended to these Canadians, and I should like to meet them personally.

You, who have had the opportunity that many of your fellow citizens have not had, of special training, and are familiar with the history of your country and its achievements, must have a peculiar interest and a great pride in the national capital. We who live here want to see that interest and pride increase. We want you to know the capital thoroughly. We want you to take an interest in all of the plans for its development and to exert your greatest influence in support of your senators and representatives for its up-building and embellishment. It is yours. It is not ours, who live here, any more than it is yours, and we want you to take a personal and special interest in all that is being done and is to be done to make this the greatest capital in the world.

Let me say, young men, that it is a very great pleasure for us to have you here. It is a big pleasure, too, to have Father Lindley here with us. He seems to be the youngest of you all. It must be easy to keep young when one is constantly in communication with all these young spirits.

Although your fraternity, like every other secret society, may have its critics, because you seem to be a privileged class and because it seems to make you different from the rest of the community, we understand perfectly, we know, that it is privileged only in the sense, a high sense, that it is privileged to perform duties and to render services by means of its superior opportunities which other men are not privileged to render. You have a directorship which the rest of us may well expect to see you discharge faithfully. You have, not in any priggish way but in a perfectly natural way, by what you do and say, the opportunity to be examples to the rest of us. You will naturally feel the responsibility of your privilege as men of exceptional training. *Noblesse oblige* means much to you. You are expected to teach by example what the educated American should be—to meet President Eliot's definition of a gentleman—a strong, generous, modest man, not given to bluster or to bustle, not given to self-conceit or self-advertisement, quiet and gentle in demeanor, with reverence for ideals and with respect for the law and its representatives; and we can consistently look to you, you college men, who have exceptional advantages, to use them for the benefit of the whole, and if you do there will be no carping criticism because you are in a way separated from the rest of the citizenship by your peculiar obligations one to another, but if you contribute such living as this to the great life of the country you will deserve and receive the gratitude of all.

#### RESPONSE BY JOHN H. DEWITT

The following response to the addresses of welcome was delivered, on behalf of the general council, by John H. DeWitt, *Vanderbilt*, '94, reporter of the general council and editor of THE SCROLL.

BROTHER PRESIDENT, SISTER PHIS, BROTHER PHIS:

This is a field day of the heart. Every sense is put upon its gracious excellence, and generous emotions are rampart within the souls of strong and brave young men, who have met in the spirit of the Bond. Here are gathered older brothers whose devotion has increased with the years, and

here are the representatives of the seventy units of our brotherhood, which extends throughout the United States and across the Canadian line. We greet for the first time the delegate from our baby chapter at Toronto, and we are convened in the presence of our beloved and revered Father John Wolfe Lindley, under auspices of which we may well be proud.

To this our national capital we have been welcomed, generously and eloquently, by the Hon. Henry B. F. Macfarland, president of the board of commissioners of the District of Columbia. His words of wisdom, so splendidly setting forth the ideals of manhood which college men uphold, should sink deeply into our hearts. We are intensely glad to meet in Washington, which is not only the political capital of our country but is also a center of art and scholarship, and a true embodiment of the national spirit. Near us are the home and tomb of Washington and the home of Lee, and down in the valley of Virginia is the tomb of Lee. They furnish untold inspiration to us who strive for the elevation of manhood and the promotion of brotherhood. It is the boast of the French that the sun always shines on the tomb of Napoleon. It may be our boast that the sun shall ever shine from the graves of Washington and Lee.

In response to the gracious welcome extended by Bro. Compton and Mr. Macfarland, whom we would like to adopt into  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and speaking in behalf of the officers who give their service unselfishly to the fraternity, I rejoice with you in the belief that this occasion is a climax in our glorious history. Our fraternity is strong, united, full of hope and optimism, and sensible of its opportunities in the development of the highest character and the promotion of happiness among men. We gladly dedicate this week to her further upbuilding, and will make this a fine clearing house of mind and the heart.

The best characteristics and views of life of all sections are represented here; and the essential fairness of mind and honesty of purpose, taught us in the Bond and exemplified in our intercourse, will enable us to adjust all differences of opinion on any question. We recognize that every man has the right to think as he thinks he ought to think, the right to follow the dictates of his conscience in every matter, the right to follow the ideals that exist in his mind and heart. We may well, therefore, forecast a week of usefulness to each other and of enduring good to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

To those brothers who have come for the first time to our national convention I wish to address a brief exhortation. The great object of this gathering, aside from the regular transaction of business, is the cultivation of that warm, brotherly friendship that is so easily possible in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . I urge all of you to get acquainted as thoroughly as you can. Do not spend your time mostly with those of your own section of the country, with whom you have opportunities to commune elsewhere from time to time. Let the men of the east look up the men of the west; let those from the north and Canada learn to know well the Phis of the south. In such closer communion and interchange of personalities you will find the highest phases of our brotherhood, and then you will go away composite Phis. Seek to find the basis upon which a brother from another section holds a different opinion from yours. Let us resolve that during the whole of this delightful week we will learn as much as we can, not only about the history and the affairs of our fraternity, but also about that personal element which, after all, is the most important thing, the charm and substance of which cannot be transmitted upon any printed page or shown in any photograph. The prevailing spirit here and the consequent purpose hereafter then shall be:

Since we deserved the name of friends,  
And thine effect so lives in me,  
A part of mine may live in thee,  
And move thee on to noble ends.

## RESPONSE BY HON. HUGH TH. MILLER.

The following response to the addresses of welcome was delivered, on behalf of the alumni of the fraternity, by Hon. Hugh Th. Miller, *Butler*, '88, past-president of the general council, and lieutenant-governor of Indiana:

I have been impressed, and deeply impressed, ladies and gentlemen, with the graceful and eloquent praises which have been uttered by the gentlemen who have preceded me. Praises which are not for effect, but praises which come from the heart; so much so, that I feel that what I shall have to say in behalf of the alumni of the fraternity will be inadequate by way of response or comparison with the things which you have heard.

It has been my pleasure to be welcomed once before here in the same room in graceful words by the distinguished president of the board of commissioners of the District of Columbia at another gathering; and although he said on that occasion what was eminently appropriate, what we all appreciated, I feel that his remarks on the present occasion excel by far anything that I have heard him say before, notwithstanding that the words uttered ten or twelve months ago I considered a model of an address of welcome.

It has been my personal pleasure, on a number of occasions, to participate in these addresses of welcome and response. I have had the opportunity, in my own state, of welcoming the national convention of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  twice within my convention life. There are many here who were at the convention in Georgia fifteen years ago. I see a large number who met in the hall of the house of representatives of that great state which has in later years almost wrested from Virginia the title of "mother of presidents." There are many here who met with us in the state house at Indianapolis, and a large number who assembled with us in that great city of brotherly love ten years ago.

With all these memories in mind, it is a pleasure indeed to repeat these words, which are true on all occasions; and so I shall say to you, like the remarks you have already heard, words that come from the heart, but they will be the words of one who is less in the habit, in spite of what the honored president of the fraternity has said, of appearing on public occasions. But it is my duty and pleasure to respond to the distinguished gentlemen who have welcomed us here in the name of the city and of the alumni club, in the name and on the behalf of the nine-tenths of our great fraternity who, living and dead, make up the roll of our great alumni.

Seventy college chapters are our pride today, but in seventy-five alumni clubs, covering the same territory, that are made up of men of the same mould and type, lies the strength and future of the fraternity as well. College life seems an age in itself. The close of the senior year seems the end of a phase of existence, but to a member  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  it is but the beginning of the true appreciation of this great brotherhood. It has been my pleasure to meet members of the fraternity, under-graduates and graduates, in city and country, for years past, and on each successive occasion whether in Northern Canada or Southern United States, whether east or west, the experience is the same. The pleasure has an added charm in the pride that comes from meeting friends among strangers in distant cities; and I say, in behalf of these men who are scattered east and west, north and south, and even beyond the sea in the service of their country, in their behalf I say that this welcome here is one which touches us deeply and one of which we shall try to keep ourselves worthy.

We are indeed glad to make this visit to the home of our government, the national capital. We are all bound by common ties of sympathy, and so we are glad, under this auspicious November sky, to hear these words of greeting. It means much to us to see these monuments and buildings. I thank you, ladies and gentlemen for your appreciation of these words of welcome. I thank the distinguished gentlemen who uttered these graceful words. I thank you one and all.

#### RESPONSE OF ALEXANDER POPE.

The following response to the addresses of welcome was delivered, on behalf of the active chapters, by Alexander Pope, '07, delegate from Texas Beta:

BROTHER PRESIDENT, MR. COMMISSIONER, SISTER PHIS AND BROTHER PHIS:

It is rather an ambitious effort for a humble under graduate to attempt to hold the attention of this body, directly after you have listened to the eloquence of the gentlemen who have preceded him. To the generous and cordial welcome which has been extended to us, Bro. DeWitt has responded in behalf of the general council—the brains that move and direct our national organization. Bro. Miller has responded on behalf of the alumni—those men who, "leaving the life of the school and entering the school of life," have there upheld the principles of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and exemplified her teachings in their daily associations with their fellowmen. After all that has been said, it seems there is but little left for me to do. I would be exceedingly diffident and hesitating in arising to address you were it not that I am reminded I am to say something in behalf of the men who compose the active chapters of our fraternity—the men who fight her battles, the men who are the backbone of the organization, and upon whom, in so large a measure, depends the success of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

As I listened to the speeches of Bro. DeWitt and Bro. Miller, and caught something of the inspiration of this gathering, I was filled with mingled feelings of regret and pleasure. I regret that on this occasion, so indicative of the glorious success of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , in God's providence we are unable to find gathered with us all those noble men who were her founders in 1848. But I am also gratified—and I know that I voice the sentiment of this entire assembly—gratified that there remains one of those noble forefathers who can see the success of his work, and whom we can delight to honor. The names of these men shall be written, not only upon  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's roll of honor and the scroll of her fame, but also upon the hearts of grateful men and in the Book of Life. It is rather a far cry from 1848 to 1906, but today the representatives of the active chapters of our fraternity and the honored alumni who are gathered with us, bear witness to the fact that in 1848 one act was done which in its result has caused much benefit to the world. And today we see, crowned with a full and rich success, that which was born in 1848.

In the past few years, I think, the members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  have been more inclined than ever before to pause and contemplate the wonderful development and growth of our fraternity. Beginning at Miami, in 1848,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has developed with the development of the college idea throughout this great country. She has gone east and established herself firmly and honorably in that most wonderful industrial and commercial centre. She has gone west, far beyond the shadow of Wall street, even to the Golden Gate, and accomplished the same result. She has gone north even into Canada, where today

she is without a superior. And "Way Down South in Dixie," where her honor is our religion, and her principles our law,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is the queen of southern fraternities. But this mere material and geographical development is the least that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has done. Through the medium of her principles and her ideals she has established between the college man of the north and the college man of the south, between the college man of the east and the college man of the west, a bond of friendship which shall remain forever indissoluble.

All these under graduates, Mr. Commissioner, in whose behalf I have the honor of responding to your most cordial welcome, all these men, representing the thought and sentiment of every section of our country, are bound together, heart to heart, and hand to hand, in the bond of fraternal love. They have been anticipating the coming of this convention for many days. They are here, in one sense, to enjoy your hospitality, but, beyond and above that, they are here for a purpose. And that purpose is to know each other better—to strengthen the ties of their friendship by means of a personal acquaintance, to work together for the good of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , to the end that each may be a better man.

This, in a measure, is the ideal of our fraternity—a fraternity that was born amidst the environment of an enlightened civilization. Woven of the stoutest fibres of American colleges, she has been nurtured by a commingling of the best blood and sentiment of our land. If we may judge her future progress by her progress in the past, it does not require a prophet to predict that in a few years all other college fraternities will be forced to admit a fact that now indisputably exists—and that is that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is the foremost college fraternity, and she dominates the fraternity policy of the world. Even now she stands forth, clothed in the robes of principle and power, in which the men who made her intended she should stand. Today she may be seen, moving down the highways of history, teaching by means of lofty principles and noble ideals, moving easily at the head of the college fraternities of the world, marching in the van of enlightened and broadminded civilization, her duty and her destiny to make men worthy, and to inculcate as an indestructible part of the American college that great principle of the "brotherhood of man," which, since the beginning of time, has been, and will forever be, the only means of a world's salvation.

This is the fraternity we are proud to own. It is now nearly sixty years since the first chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was founded. In the time that has intervened many wonderful things have happened and many changes have come about. But if the trial has been by fire,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has come forth stronger and more united. There is no Mason and Dixon line now. "The sons of sires who danced to music made by slaves and called it freedom," the descendants of men who burned women, and "led Hester Prynne to her shame and called it religion," have arisen to that broader Americanism, which demands a square deal for all men, liberty and justice in the fullest sense, whose watchword is tolerance, and whose religion is freedom. And in the vanguard of this enlightened movement, in the search that the American college has made for reason and for truth,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has played her part, by inculcating in man a love for truth for truth's own sake, and a reverence for these lofty principles and ideals which go to make the man, which count more for the glory of a nation than all the learning of her wise professors in a hundred years.

Today we are met in the city where resides the government of the greatest nation in the world. A delegate from far-off Texas, voicing the pride that the members of the active chapters feel in their beloved fraternity, is doubly glad that he can also voice the pride that these men feel to be Amer-

icans. I am called upon to say, in their behalf, that they are deeply grateful for the generous welcome which has been extended to them. I hardly know how to thank Mr. Macfarland for the cordial manner in which he has greeted us. I feel I may safely assure him that we will use the freedom of this beautiful city in a safe, sane, and conservative manner. At any rate, we will be as careful as the senators and congressmen, our representatives, and I am sure he would ask no more.

In return, Mr. Commissioner, it gives me great pleasure to present to you these men who represent the membership in the active chapters of our fraternity today. These men come from every part of our land. They represent the enlightened sentiment and thought of every section of our country. Their ambitions and aspirations, in large measure, pulse the hope and progress of this great country. I have said that, aside from being members of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  fraternity, it is a source of pride to remember that these men are Americans. In conclusion, I am prouder still to say that when these men leave the "life of the school and enter the school of life," the ideals and principles of their fraternity will go with them, and stand guard to see that their hearts never cherish a single thought that does not comprehend the glory and the welfare of this great republic.

#### GREETINGS FROM DR. LARKIN W. GLAZEBROOK

Larkin W. Glazebrook, M. D., worthy keeper of annals, and formerly worthy grand chief of  $A T \Omega$ , and son of Rev. Otis A. Glazebrook, D. D., principal founder of that fraternity, addressed the convention, by invitation, as follows:

This is rather a surprise on my part as I came by simply to shake hands with some Phi Deltas who are known to me chiefly through the mails, as your honorable president and some of your officers have, no doubt, during the last ten years seen my name at the end of communications in connection with matters of fraternity business. In a month from today I shall have the pleasure of assembling together with the members of my fraternity in the city of Birmingham, and I feel almost as if I might address you as I will them. It is a pleasure to welcome you here, and, on behalf of the local chapter of my fraternity, I bid you welcome and wish for you a successful meeting.

#### REMARKS OF DR. GUY POTTER BENTON

Dr. Guy Potter Benton, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '88, president of Miami University, where  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was founded, being called upon to say a few words, responded as follows:

This is a very unexpected pleasure and one which I appreciate. There has been so much said and well said this morning, and inasmuch as I am to speak more formally a little later in the week, it seems to me that I should not break in with any word at all. As a member of the greatest college fraternity in the universe, I have the honor to know Bro. Lindley, Father Lindley, and as president of his *alma mater* I am proud also to claim him as a son. Blessings on him. May he live forever. Sister Phis and Brother Phis, I am authorized to say to you, with all sincerity, on behalf of Miami University: *Apostolio benedictum*.

#### THE VISIT TO THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.

On Monday evening of convention week the delegates and visitors were shown through the Library of Congress. When

we had passed through the great bronze doors that guard the entrance into the main hall of the building, our attention was held, riveted by the heavily panelled ceiling, finished in white and gold. The impressive architecture, the rich paintings, the beautiful mosaics, the wealth of allusion, all overwhelmed us. There we felt that we might well pass a week studying ceiling, floor, walls and columns. To attempt to do the entire library in two hours gave us only a glimpse into the marvels of the place and made us dissatisfied with ourselves that we could not see more or stay longer.

But brief as was the trip, it was well worth while. We were invited into the office of the librarian, where an assistant extended to us the courtesies of the building and volunteered to act as our escort. Under his guidance we passed along a small domed corridor to the north and entered the room of maps and charts. There, among other things, is displayed a model of the new city of Washington—certainly a city beautiful—as it will appear when the Burnham commission plans are realized. Next we were taken to the north stack room where one is fairly stifled by books great and small, old and new.

Perhaps the most impressive moment in our excursion was on passing out of the prison-like stacks into the rotunda or main reading room. We were greeted by light and warmth and richness and ample spaces. The room is 100 feet from side to side, and 160 feet from the floor to the topmost point of the domed ceiling. We stopped to gaze and to admire the wonderful conception of the architect. Some of us took time to look into the great card catalogue and saw "The History of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity," by Walter B. Palmer, safely recorded there.

By walking through the south stack room, we came out into the department of current periodicals, where one may have a paper from St. Petersburg or Tokio, London or Hong Kong, as suits his taste. Next we visited the magnificent rooms specially provided for members of the senate and the house of representatives. Then our guide led us to the second story, and into the exhibit of prints. Many of us got no further. After a brief half hour spent in poring over copies of the great masters, we returned to the New Willard, to prepare for another day of convention duties, with the mental reservation, however, that sometime we would take a month to inspect the Library of Congress.

ARTHUR R. PRIEST, *DePauw*, '91.

## PHIS OF ALL AGES AT THE SMOKER.

A national convention of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  would not be complete without a smoker as one of its features of entertainment. The smoker given by the Washington alumni club, complimentary to the officers, delegates and visiting Phis, was held at Rausher's, corner of L street and Connecticut avenue, the Sherry's of Washington, beginning at 8:30 p. m. on Tuesday of convention week.

The festivities took place in the large banquet hall, and were attended by a large and enthusiastic gathering of Phis, packing the hall to its capacity. There were Phis there who were young, Phis who were middle-aged, and Phis who were old, but the old Phis were only middle-aged, being old in years only. There were Phi fathers, Phi sons, Phi uncles, cousins and nephews—all there to enjoy themselves and have a good time. It was an evening overflowing with good cheer and good fellowship.

After checking our hats and coats downstairs, we were met on the landing of the staircase by a delegation of Washington Phis, headed by the genial Bro. Everett F. Phillips, local committee man in charge of the smoker. This delegation dispensed cigars from Havana and cigarettes from the Orient, with a lavish hand. As souvenirs of the occasion, handsome briarwood pipes were given out, each having on the bowl a small silver plate, bearing the following inscription:

SMOKER.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$

WASHINGTON, 1906.

Two hundred of these briar pipes were distributed and one hundred corn cob pipes.

On going up stairs, we entered a small hall, and from that into the large hall adjoining, where the smoker was held. Bro. Percy L. Hodges, chairman of the committee on decorations, had lavishly decorated this room with the fraternity's flag and college pennant collection.

At one end of the hall, in a balcony, was stationed a part of the famous Marine Band of the United States Navy, which furnished delightful and inspiring music during the evening.

Just beneath the balcony, on long tables, was spread an elaborate buffet luncheon, accompanied by the "trimmings."

The Phis congregated by chapters and provinces, and vied with each other in giving their various college and province yells and cheers. All sorts of yells penetrated the smoky at-



mosphere, those from Toronto to Texas, and from Colby to California. Nor were the provinces forgotten. Epsilon with her famous "Hi, yi, yi, yi!" Alpha and Zeta, the big ones, gave mighty slogans, and so on down the line.

After a large amount of lung capacity had been exhibited, and everybody and everything had been cheered, and while the enthusiasm was at its height, our elongated and only "Dick" Little appeared in the balcony, towering even above the heads of the representatives of Uncle Sam's Navy, and announced that the delegates and Washington alumni would "throw" a dance at Rausher's on Friday evening. In his inimitable style, he informed us that his agents would then pass



FATHER LINDLEY.

Drawn at the smoker by C. K. Berryman, of the *Washington Post*.

among us, and all those desiring to attend the dance would be requested to "jar loose two and one-half plunks." It is needless to say that Richard Henry was vociferously applauded as usual.

Then we had the pleasure of listening to a few remarks from "General" Lee Fairchild, at the conclusion of which our esteemed and popular P. G. C., Bro. Frank J. R. Mitchell was carried on the shoulders of the boys to the platform, but he did not have enough breath left to make a speech. After much persuasion, our genial and jolly Bro. John Joy Edson, Jr., gave us his famous recitation of the man with a wooden arm, which made a great hit with the crowd.

After some excellent selections by a quartet, and by several other professional entertainers provided by the local committee, we were delightfully entertained by the famous cartoonist, Mr. C. K. Berryman, of the *Washington Post*, who drew charcoal cartoons of Cannon, Fairbanks, Taft, Waterson, Hearst, Bryan and other public celebrities, with lightning rapidity, all being instantly recognized by the audience, which heartily applauded each effort. Mr. Berryman, then, with great cleverness, converted the first and last letters of



WALTER B. PALMER.

Drawn at the smoker by C. K. Berryman, of the *Washington Post*.

Φ Δ Θ into President Roosevelt's famous eyeglasses, with the Δ representing the nose, and added beneath the equally famous teeth of our chief executive. Responding to a general request, Mr. Berryman made charcoal sketches of Father Lindley and Bro. Walter B. Palmer, etchings of which have been made, and the originals deposited in the fraternity library. Mr. Berryman, by the way, is the originator of the Teddy bears fad.

The chief surprise of the smoker was the presentation by Bro. Claude N. Bennett, on behalf of Mrs. Lillian Palmer Blackburn, sister of Bro. Walter B. Palmer, of the old coat

Bro. Palmer had worn as a working coat, during his preparation of "The History of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity," and which he had thrown away when the book was completed.

The coat was boxed as carefully as cut glass, wrapped with an abundance of tissue paper, and tied up with a profusion of white and blue ribbons. Nothing whatever was known as to what was coming when Bro. Bennett ascended the platform to deliver to the fraternity "a very important message just received." He asked:

Is the fraternity librarian and the keeper of the fraternity museum here? Are the members of the general council here? Is that veteran of many Phi wars and joys, Bro. Walter B. Palmer, here?



EASY PUZZLE PICTURE.

FIND THE PRESIDENT.

Cartoon drawn at the smoker by C. K. Berryman, of the *Washington Post*.

I bring to these and to all of you a message. It is not a message from Mars. It is from a higher source—a Phi girl. It concerns the thoughtful and sentimental side of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . It is more than a rainbow of promise—it is a consummation fulfilled.

What the north star is to the wandering mariner, what the maltese cross is to the knights of Malta, what the white plume of Henry of Navarre meant to the brave men who followed him, what the sacred fountain of St. Martins is to the worshippers at Canterbury; even as Cleopatra revered the white cat, from which she descended, as older than the pyramids and more sacred than the sphinx—closer, if not dearer, than all these has the contents of this beautifully beribboned box been to Brother Walter B. Palmer who, it is plain to see from his interrogative smile, thinks he knows absolutely nothing about it.

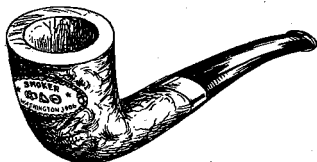
This ornamented box contains the old coat that Bro. Palmer wore for twenty years while he was writing the history of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ —the most elaborate and complete history of any college fraternity that has ever been written.

Age has not withered nor custom staled the infinite variety of this old coat. It is worthy of hymns and poems and sacred tribute. If the United States government preserves in the Smithsonian Institution George Washington's kitchen relics, Franklin's old printing press, Henry Clay's old hat, Grant's sword, Lincoln's cane, and what not that was worn or used by the great men of the nation—why should not  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  give a place in her museum to Walter Palmer's historical coat?

This relic, whose sentimental value will grow with the coming years, I have the honor to present to the fraternity, with the compliments and best wishes of a loyal hearted Phi girl, the sister of Bro. Palmer, Mrs. Lillian Palmer Blackburn, who, at his dictation, wrote much of the history. I propose three  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  cheers for Sister Lillian Palmer Blackburn and ask Bro. McCrillis to lead them.

The cheering raised the roof. Bro. Palmer was brought to the platform, made to take off his Tuxedo coat, put on the old discarded garment and deliver a speech, which he did in good humor and in a pleasingly reminiscent mood.

The box had been sent by a messenger to the hall, and Bro. Bennett had been told of its contents over the telephone.



THE SOUVENIR PIPES

Presented at the Smoker by the Washington Alumni Club.

The following note, which came tucked in with the coat, was not discovered until after the presentation:

DEAR MR. BENNETT:

The accompanying box contains a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  relic, the old coat which Walter wore as a working coat while writing the history of the fraternity. I wish to ask that you do me the favor of presenting it to the fraternity at the smoker this evening.

When Walter was at Nashville this fall, he threw this old coat to me, to be gotten rid of absolutely and entirely, he agreeing to my laughing remark that, the history being at last completed, he had no further use for so delapidated a garment.

I determined then to send it or bring it to the convention, and offer it to be placed in the fraternity museum, as a joke on Walter. As all patriotic Americans regard with interest the garments of George Washington preserved in the national museum, so perhaps good and loyal Phis may hereafter regard this historic relic of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and the author of its history.

Please treat the matter as a joke. I only thought it might add one more laugh to what will, I know, be a most delightful occasion.

Thanking you very much for your aid in getting this coat before the Phi public, I am, with sincere wishes,

Sincerely your friend,

LILLIAN PALMER BLACKBURN.

Washington, D. C., November 27, 1900.

After much cheering and many hearty outbursts of enthusiasm, the crowd dispersed at an early hour (A. M.), it being the unanimous opinion that the Washington Phis were a royal lot of good fellows, and had shown us the time of our lives. The smoker of the Washington convention has passed into fraternity history, but it will always linger in the memories of the Phis present as one of the most pleasant and delightful of the many courtesies and entertainments provided by our kind hosts during the week.

SAMUEL K. RUICK, *DePauw*, '97.

#### ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT BENJAMIN IDE WHEELER.

Dr. Benjamin Ide Wheeler, president of the University of California, an A Δ Φ, addressed the convention Wednesday afternoon. He created great enthusiasm among the members of the fraternity present. Among other things he said:

You called me and I came. I am glad to be the transient guest of so respectable a college body. The Greek-letter fraternities are made up of people who stand for something noble and for good things generally. I am not a member of Φ Δ Θ but I feel at one with you. And this reminds me that a year or two ago I was a guest of a college fraternity convention in New York City, and when I had finished speaking to the members, two-thirds of them, thinking I was a member of that particular fraternity, gave me the grip, which I have since forgotten.

Students in the American universities are the same whether the institutions are in the north, east, south or west; they have the same ideals, the same great purposes, and they are closer together than they realize that they are.

It is natural for American students to have sound ideas of manliness. They are strong and healthy; they like manly and sometimes even rough sports; their one great characteristic is virility.

Roosevelt is the standard of American students. He and I have differed a little recently on spelling; and when I saw him today he stepped up to me and said: "Mr. Wheeler, we differ in regard to spelling, I spell cat 'kat.'"

I wish to say to you members of the Φ Δ Θ, do not spend much time considering whether your fraternity is better than another, but spend the most of your time trying to make your fraternity better than it is. Do not make your chapter a club apart from the university or college, but make it a part of the institution in which it exists. The old style of professor has gone—the one who wore black pantaloons and a white tie to let the students know he was learned; and the new professor has taken his place, who is himself a sort of student.

President Wheeler then said that he found that college fraternities too frequently based their choice of men for recruits

on the clothes that they wore, and even upon the color of their neckties.

In conclusion he said: "Young Americans are naturally idealists; and without an ideal, student life and life in general, amounts to very little." When he closed he was given a rousing  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  cheer.

LEE FAIRCHILD, *Lombard*, '86.

#### A PHI DELTA THETA NIGHT AT THE THEATER.

On theater night, the convention delegates with one accord agreed with Hamlet that "the play's the thing." The National Theater was the place, Wednesday evening the time, Mary Mannering the star, "Glorious Betsey" the play.

The air was permeated with Phi sentiment. Phi enthusiasm, animated and impersonated, took possession of the occasion and filled it through and through with brightness, sprightliness and joyousness, such as this dignified capital of these United States has seldom seen. The ordinary folks in the audience—such as cabinet officers, supreme court judges, senators and everyday congressmen—sat quietly back, looked, listened and wondered. Even the gallery gods, hitherto irrepressible, never chirped.

All the boxes were occupied by Phis and ladies, and the orchestra chairs, filling the full front portion of the theater, were occupied by Phis. The famous banner made by Miss Ethel Wilder hung above the box occupied by the party of which she was a member. All the boxes were decorated with Phi colors and banners. Between the acts, incessant visiting was kept up between the occupants of the boxes and the chairs.

The play is based upon the familiar story of the marriage of Elizabeth Patterson of Baltimore to Jerome Bonaparte, the youngest brother of the great Napoleon. Among the noted characters are John C. Calhoun, Robert E. Lee and Henry Clay, boldly transplanted, and all made lovers of "Glorious Betsey" who won all the hearts that came her way. She had time, however, for a French tutor who turned out to be Jerome Bonaparte in disguise. He taught her the feeling rather than the conjugation of the verb "to love" and of course he fell in love with her.

The play was exquisitely acted; the character and enthusiasm of the audience inspiring the players to their very best. Miss Mannering first appeared in white and blue costume, with blue and white ribbons, fastened with a wing-shaped gold pin bearing the letters  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  (presented by the Washington

alumni club), hanging from her shoulder. The Washington alumni club also presented her with a colossal bunch of violets, tied with white and blue ribbons. Her supporting lady also wore white and blue. One of her chief admirers in the play was a Phi Delta Theta—Edgar Baume, of Kentucky Alpha, '90, who admirably acted the part of John C. Calhoun. He wore the fraternity colors bearing the words Phi Delta Theta and a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  badge loaned by Bro. Rommel. Miss Mannering was most gracious and thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated the enthusiastic reception given her by the Phis. A letter was afterwards received from her husband, James K. Hackett, as follows:

THE HACKETT THEATER, NEW YORK, December 1, 1906.

MR. GEORGE M. ROMMEL, WASHINGTON, D. C.

MY DEAR MR. ROMMEL:

I want to thank the Phi Delta Thetas, through the committee, for the charming compliment they paid Mary Mannering—Mrs. Hackett. Though an Alpha Delt myself, many of my best friends in college were among the Phi Delta Thetas.

Again thanking you all, I am

Most sincerely,

JAMES K. HACKETT.

The occupants of the boxes were as follows:

Box A: Mesdames Lindley, Miller and Rommel; Miss Katherine McMurry; Messrs. John Wolfe Lindley, Frank J. R. Mitchell, Hugh Th. Miller and George M. Rommel.

Box B: Mesdames Palmer, Wilder and Compton; Miss Ethel V. Wilder; Messrs. Walter B. Palmer, Victor H. Henderson and William M. Compton.

Box C: Mesdames Ballou, McCrillis and Hitt; Messrs. John B. Ballou, John H. DeWitt, Arthur M. McCrillis and Isaac R. Hitt, Jr.

Box D: Mesdames Ruick and Hodges; Messrs. J. E. Brown, Guy Potter Benton, Sam. K. Ruick and P. L. Hodges.

Box E: Misses Hastings, Vaughan, and Margery Ross; Messrs. Elmer C. Henderson, Emory M. Underwood, John E. Meisenhelder and Claude N. Bennett.

Box F: Misses Ruth and Leila Hitt, Mechlin, Patterson, Reynolds and Peters; Messrs. Richard H. Little, Oscar A. Mechlin and Carl D. Sheppard.

Box G: Mesdames Witt, Davis and Phillips; Messrs. Edgar E. Witt, Horace W. Davis, Everett F. Phillips and Arthur R. Priest.

Box H: Mesdames Hays, Lamkin and Barnard; Messrs. Will H. Hays, Charles F. Lamkin, Ralph P. Barnard, Guido Gores and Harry L. Watson.

There appeared to be about a thousand Phis present; but the number of Phi tickets checked up as disposed of was 277, twenty-eight of which were for Phi ladies. Bro. Merrill C. Haldeman, *Dickinson*, '03, led the cheering, and nearly everybody in the house joined in.

CLAUDE N. BENNETT, *Emory*, '88.

*THE SCROLL.***THE TREE PLANTING AT MOUNT VERNON.**

Long live Miami!  
Long live this tree!  
Longer live the fraternity!

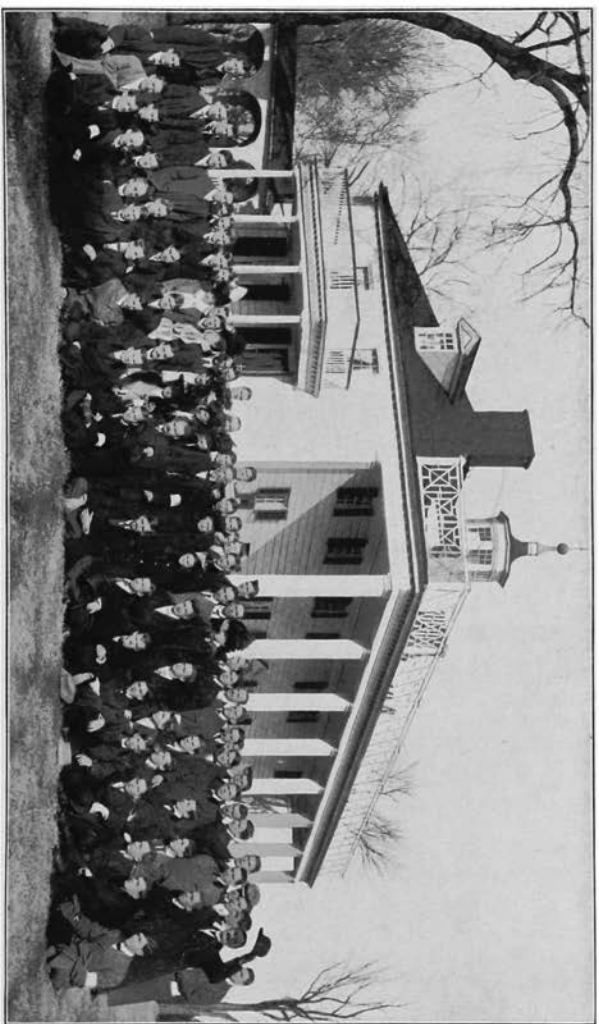
With these memorable words a founder of the greatest Greek-letter fraternity bent down to plant a tree by the tomb of the father of the greatest republic that history tells about. To hear their revered founder, and to watch the ceremonies, were gathered in this scene at Mount Vernon on the Potomac, 300 Phis with their ladies, eager to pay homage through their fraternity to their country. In this way the members of Φ Δ Θ in Washington, to attend the national convention, spent the morning of Thanksgiving.

Mount Vernon is sixteen miles south of Washington, the way the conductors on the electric line collect, and much farther if you don't have 25 cents after you arrive to get within the grounds. The Phis went by the electric route and all got in.

No one could have asked for a more delightful morning. Most of the brothers were up in time to eat breakfast at the New Willard, or the usual egg sandwich at the hole-in-the-wall across the street, where the prices were more congenial. A large class, however, among whom Bro. Guido Gores, of Cincinnati, was the leading sufferer, were in the condition of Mother Hubbard's dog. The tree planting ceremonies were delayed until the famished ones consumed the entire supply of milk, said to have been produced by the same cows Washington once milked before he went off to war, and which was sold in large dippers in the Washington kitchen, near the mansion. On account of these fellows not waking up in time to remember they were going to Mount Vernon, the departure of the two special trains from Washington was postponed until after 10 o'clock. Except for a brief stop below Alexandria, Va., which was made ostensibly to allow Bro. Souders, of Milwaukee, to cut down a Christmas tree, there was no further delay.

Φ Δ Θ was happy in Dixie land. A few innocent raffles, under the management of representatives of fraternity jewelers, were pulled off, that sort of thing being frowned upon by the Washington authorities. The solemnity of the procedure was greatly relieved by Bro. Dick Little, of Chicago, marching up and down the train, raffling off something that looked suspiciously like a hundred dollar bill. Bro. Souders carried his Christmas tree at the head of the procession.





THE PHIS AT MOUNT VERNON.  
Taken Thanksgiving Day.

After an inspection of the mansion with all its relics, President Mitchell led the way down the hill to the tomb. Much to be regretted, neither Bro. Walter B. Palmer, nor Bro. Guy Potter Benton, were present. They had done most in planning for the occasion. It was Bro. Palmer, who first suggested the tree planting, and Dr. Benton, who brought the tree from Miami. Both were unavoidably detained in Washington.

It is a day long to be remembered when an American visits Mount Vernon, but to mingle there with the founder of the fraternity, hundreds of brothers and the fairest ladies in the land, is a day one can never forget. And after all is said and done, none seemed to appreciate the visit to Mount Vernon more than the Canadian brothers.

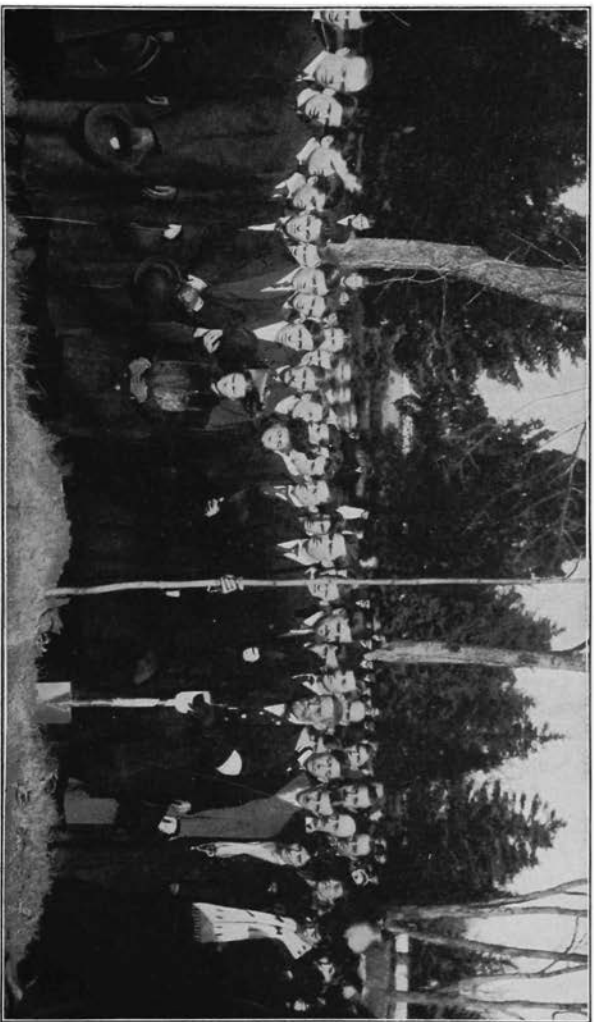
With uncovered heads, the brothers and the ladies gathered about President Mitchell as he spoke of the fitness of planting the tree. He dwelt on the fact that every believer in free government was gratified by a visit to Mount Vernon. It was quite proper, he said, that Phi, on a visit to Washington, should mark the patriotism of the membership of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  by establishing by the tomb of Washington a memorial of the occasion.

Father Lindley was called upon to say a few words. Mother Lindley stood by his side. He emphasized the pleasure of being at Mount Vernon with the members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and spoke of the great satisfaction which the growth of the fraternity had afforded him. Then, with his hand on the graceful maple, he uttered as the sentiment of the occasion his prayer: "Long live Miami! Long live the tree! Longer live the fraternity!"

Bro. Karl H. Zuick gave an account of the tree, a hard maple. At President Benton's request, Bro. James Ramsey Patterson, Ohio Alpha, '58, a trustee of Miami University, and one of the oldest living members of Ohio Alpha, selected the tree. It was taken from the campus at Miami, just south of the south dormitory.

After all the remarks, Father Lindley took a spade and threw in the first dirt about the tree. President Mitchell did likewise, and every one present took part by throwing in dirt with the spade or hands. The spade has been gilded and will be preserved in the fraternity museum.

The tree was planted in the ellipse made by a roadway and a walk, and just to the east of Washington's tomb. It is near the roadway and will take the place of a tree soon to be removed. Permission to plant the tree was granted by the regents of the Ladies Mount Vernon association, through the kind solicitations of the superintendent of the grounds.



PLANTING THE FRATERNITY TREE AT WASHINGTON'S TOMB.

Father Lindley holding the spade. Taken Thanksgiving Day. This picture appeared in the Washington Post of December 16, filling half of a page in the Sunday illustrated magazine section.

Φ Δ Θ's tree is No. 9 among memorials planted at Mount Vernon. The others are:

No. 1, elm, planted in 1876, by Don Pedro, Emperor of Brazil.

No. 2, maple, planted October 31, 1881, by the Temperance Ladies of America.

No. 3, British oak, planted by request of H. R. H. Prince of Wales (now King Edward), to replace the memorial tree planted by him during his visit to Mount Vernon in 1860, which had died.

No. 4, ivy, planted November 29, 1890, by the Σ X fraternity.

No. 5 Concord elm, planted April, 1897, by the Children of the American Revolution.

No. 6, white oak, planted May 13, 1899, by the American Society of Civil Engineers.

No. 7, German linden, planted February 27, 1902 by H. R. H. Prince Henry of Prussia.

No. 8, elm, planted March 19, 1902, by the Φ K Ψ fraternity.

After the ceremonies, the party assembled for a group photograph in front of the historic mansion. Kodak experts got busy also. One of the most pathetic snaps was that of Bro. Little shaving the new grown whiskers from the face of President Mitchell.

After two hours at Mount Vernon, the special trains started on the return at 1 o'clock. A large section of the party, led by Bro. DeWitt, left the trains to see Alexandria. They disturbed that quaint old town from its midday slumber by a rousing Phi yell.

Washington This particularly will watch with anxiety the growth of the Φ Δ Θ tree, not only because it stands for the fraternity, but because it commemorates the happy occasion when they were permitted to play the part of hosts at a national convention.

CARL D. SHEPPARD, *Ohio*, '02.

#### SONGS, MIRTH AND GOOD CHEER AT THE BANQUET

Doubtless there have been larger fraternity dinners in point of numbers. Our own fraternity has had a larger dinner. There have been dinners more momentous for one reason or another. But seldom has there been a pleasanter or more diversified gathering of fraternity men than that of the two hundred and forty-six men who sat at the boards to enjoy the convention banquet of 1906 at Washington on Thursday evening, November 29.

The capital city and the New Willard Hotel furnished the opportunity; the local convention committee placed the opportunity within reach, and the legions of Φ Δ Θ did the rest. What we noticed by its absence was a happy lack of monotony so characteristic of formal dinners of other kinds. We played in due season, and in due season, too, we listened to



#### A GROUP AT MOUNT VERNON.

Top row left to right—1. Will H. Hays; 2. Mrs. W. H. Hays; 3. Chas. A. Woods; 4. Elmer C. Henderson; 5. Mrs. Percy L. Hodges; 6. Percy L. Hodges; 7. ———; 8. Miss Stewart; 9. Mrs. S. K. Ruick; 10. Albert F. Krauss; 11. Mrs. A. M. McCrillis; 12. T. S. Crummett. Bottom row left to right—1. Geo. Banta; 2. F. J. R. Mitchell; 3. ———; 4. S. K. Ruick; 5. H. H. Ward; 6. W. F. Tredway.



#### THE GENERAL COUNCIL AT MOUNT VERNON.

From left to right—John H. DeWitt, R. G. C.; Sam K. Ruick, S. G. C.; Frank J. R. Mitchell, P. G. C.; Arthur M. McCrillis, H. G. C.; John B. Ballou, T. G. C. Both of these half-tones are from Kodaks taken by Tom A. Davis, Alumni Commissioner.

what we seriously wanted to hear, and having listened, heard. There was advice from the men rich in years and in experience. There was enthusiasm and fervor from those younger in preferment. We were stirred by appeals born of loyalty and pride in our organization, and we laughed again and again at things irresistibly funny.

The attendance was noteworthy for several reasons. The banquet was one of the most "national" and representative in the fraternity's history. No less than seventy-five active and inactive chapters were represented by alumni and undergraduates, and during the course of the evening the government statistician at Washington reckoned that each college in the seventy had five or six separate and official college yells. Then fifty-seven different institutions were represented by two or more men; thirty-nine colleges had three or more in attendance; four or more men came from thirty different seats of learning; five or more Phiis each hailed from seventeen chapters; thirteen institutions sent six men each; the college cheers of six colleges were given by seven or more men in each case; five chapters sent eight or more scions from each; two sent more than nine apiece, and the University of Pennsylvania took the banner for representation with its delegation of fifteen.

The chapters sending five or more men to the convention banquet were as follows: Pennsylvania, 15; Washington and Jefferson, 9; Dickinson, Cornell and Miami, 8 each; Lehigh, 7; Columbia, Illinois, Indiana, Colby, Lafayette, Brown and Virginia, 6 each; Dartmouth, Westminster, Gettysburg and Vanderbilt, 5 each.

The distribution by states was as follows: Pennsylvania, 55; Ohio, 25; Indiana, 24; New York, 20; Illinois, 18; Virginia, 15; Missouri, 9; Massachusetts, 8; California, Maine, Rhode Island, Tennessee and Texas, 6 each; New Hampshire, Wisconsin and Canada, 5 each; Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana and Vermont, 4 each; Iowa and Washington, 3 each; Colorado, Minnesota and Nebraska, 2 each, and Kansas, Michigan and North Carolina, one each—twenty-nine different states and Canada.

Grouped by provinces the attendance was as follows: Alpha, 109; Zeta, 42; Delta, 26; Epsilon, 24; Beta, 16; Theta, 11; Gamma, 10; Eta, 8; Iota, 6 and Kappa, 3.

The dinner was served in the large ball room of the New Willard, which was connected with a reception room on the south. The long rows of tables placed at right angles to the dais were elaborately decorated with holly, carnations,



THE CONVENTION BANQUET.

Taken on Thursday evening, November 29, in the ballroom of the New Willard Hotel.





ferns and variegated chrysanthemums. Behind the rostrum the famous silk flag made by Miss Ethel Wilder, of Louisville, hung to lend its charm to the evening and to recall to memory the dozen other notable occasions at which it has graced  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  meetings. On the other walls hung six American flags, all skillfully concealed during the early part of the evening, and dropped simultaneously when the flashlight photograph was taken.

Boutonnières were presented to each of us along with printed song slips containing sixteen old favorites and the following new song, written especially for the banquet by Bro. Carl D. Sheppard, *Ohio*, '02, of the Washington alumni club:

## WELCOME TO WASHINGTON.

AIR—"My Irish Molly, Oh."

Fraters, dear, and did yez hear  
The news that's goin' roun'  
Phikeia is the biggest thing  
That iver came to town.  
Why, the President's a comin back  
From way down 'neath the sun  
To shake your hands and welcome yez  
Down here at Washington.

## CHORUS:

Fraters, from alma maters—  
Places we hold so dear,  
We're fairly off our trolley  
Since yez, begolly,  
Since yez came here.  
Phi time, shure, manes a high time,  
Come, lads, don't be so slow,  
Change your game, don't be so tame,  
Begorra, and we'll do the same,  
Phi Delta Theta, ho!

The town is yours to have and hold  
For fawty days and nights,  
If you'll only lav the pieces  
Of the most attractive sights.  
And this includes the girls as well—  
They're the sweetest iver won—  
Our girls that wear the white and blue,  
Down here at Washington.—CHO.

And whin yez tired of gay Noo York,  
Find Pittsburgh's married off,  
Conclude Chicago needs a rest,  
At Nashville merely scoff,  
Why don't forget the Phis yez met  
That live in Washington  
A welcome's woven in the mat  
Down here at Washington.—CHO.

The songs of the evening were rather more successful than those generally heard in a large meeting of the kind, and were sung with a zest and energy which befitted the time, place and occasion. The singing was formally led during the course of the evening alternately by Bros. Gilbert S. Woolworth, *Union*, '02, of the law department of the Library of Congress, and W. J. Douglas, *Lehigh*, '04, engineer of bridges of the District of Columbia. Standing on a table in the corner of the large hall and substituting a napkin for a baton, they swayed the college youth and their seniors to bursts upon bursts of melody and tunefulness. They were assisted by seven pieces from the Marine Band, which furnished the music during the rest of the evening.

A separate word should be said for the really beautiful and elaborate menu cards provided by the Washington alumni. They were made by The Dreka Co., of Philadelphia, and consisted of six sheets bound with dark blue silk from which depended a loop and tassel at either end. The cover bore handsome engravings of the fraternity coat-of-arms in blue and gray, and a delicately tinted and exquisitely engraved picture of the capitol building in a frame surrounded by Grecian scroll work of leaves. In the upper left and right hand corners respectively were the numerals "1848" and "1906," representing the years of the fraternity's career.

The menu proper appeared on the fifth page as follows:

## MENU.

	ANCHOVY LEAVES.	
	OYSTER COCKTAILS.	
CELERY.	OLIVES.	RADISHES.
	CONSOMME PRINCESS.	SALTED NUTS.
	POTOMAC RIVER BASS, MEUNIERE,	
	CUCUMBERS.	
	SWEETBREAD PATTIES.	
	FILET OF BEEF, MELBA.	
	FRENCH PEAS.	
	ROMAN PUNCH.	
ROAST TURKEY,	CRANBERRY SAUCE.	
	MOUNT VERNON SALAD.	
	NESSERLODE PUDDING.	
	ASSORTED CAKES.	
	CAMEMBERT CHEESE.	
	COFFEE.	
	CIGARS.	
	CIGARETTES.	

On the following page was the following list of the toasts of the evening:



*Annual Convention*  
*Phi Delta Theta*  
*Washington D. C.*  
*November 29<sup>th</sup>*  
*1906*

THE MENU AND TOAST CARD.

## TOASTS.

TOASTMASTER:.....	William N. Compton, <i>Alabama</i> , '88
"THE SPIRIT OF PHI DELTA THETA,".....	
.....	Dr. Guy Potter Benton, <i>Ohio Wesleyan</i> , '88
"FRATERNITY LIFE,".....	Lee Fairchild, <i>Lombard</i> , '86
"AMBITION,".....	Gen. John C. Black, <i>Wabash</i> , '62
"PHI DELTA THETA IN TEXAS,".....	Alexander Pope, <i>Texas</i> , '07
"BILLY GOAT,".....	Richard H. Little, <i>Illinois Wesleyan</i> , '95
"PHI DELTA THETA IN WASHINGTON,".....	Frederick H. Austin, <i>Missouri</i> , '80
LEADER OF SINGING:.....	Gilbert S. Woolworth, <i>Union</i> , '88

Immediately following were two blank pages for autographs and on the inside of the back cover page was printed the names of the convention committee of the Washington alumni club and the banquet committee, which was composed of Bro. Ralph P. Barnard, *Lehigh*, '89, chairman; Walter J. Douglas, *Lehigh*, '94, and Tracy L. Jeffords, *Vermont*, '86.

Another innovation was the lady's gallery facing the dais. Heretofore our Phi sisters, wives and sweethearts were hidden in the upholstery of peep galleries above the banquet hall or were excluded entirely from this part of the convention gayety. This the chivalry of the south would not tolerate and the ladies graced the 1906 banquet in being, as well as in remembrance and thought. Their attendance added in many ways to the delight of the evening, both because of the allusions of the speakers and the antics which their presence inspired in the perennial fun makers who abound in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . More will be said of the ladies later. Suffice it to say now that "among those present" were Mother Lindley, of Fredericktown, Ohio, always an honored guest; Mrs. Wilder, of Louisville, Ky.; Miss Ethel V. Wilder, whose devotion to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is such that she must have been initiated *sub rosa*; Mrs. Hubert H. Ward, of Cleveland, Ohio, who has been with us before; Mrs. Arthur M. McCrillis, of Providence, R. I., who attended her third consecutive convention; Mrs. Hugh Th. Miller, of Columbus, Ind., who was at New York; Mrs. Will H. Hays, of Sullivan, Ind., who was at New York; Mrs. Sam K. Ruick, of Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. John B. Ballou, of Coshocton, Ohio; Mrs. Charles F. Lamkin, of Keytesville, Mo.; Mrs. Edgar E. Witt, of Waco, Tex.; Mrs. William E. Godso, of Chicago; Miss Katherine Lindley McMurry, of New York, Father and Mother Lindley's granddaughter; Miss Hardt, of Philadelphia; and the following Washington ladies: Mrs. William N. Compton, Mrs. George M. Rommel, Mrs. Percy L. Hodges, Mrs. Walter B. Palmer, Mrs. Lillian Palmer Blackburn, Mrs. E. S. Newman, Mrs. W. L. Smith, Miss Ro-

berta Christine Claus, Miss Sarah K. Hall, Miss Ruby Hodges, and Misses Bronson, Cromwell, Williams and Maxey.

Without the fair gallery what would have been the purpose of this cry coming periodically from a concert of voices: "We *thought* Lamkin was quiet at this convention. Now we know why!" and "Oh! what a liar everybody is." And then, too, how healthy were the three resounding cheers for Mother Lindley and for Miss Wilder. Which of us was not happy when the southern men formed their little parade and marched deliberately in front of Mother Lindley, each one of them leaving her candy and wishes for long continued good health. We were amused when Bro. Turner, of *Columbia* and *Wisconsin*, boldly approached the reserved seats, and, with courtly bow and well-chosen words, gallantly presented flowers to the ladies, and, fearing complications (because we knew Turner), we could not help crying out simultaneously after Turner had left his seat remain empty for many minutes and missed two courses: "Say, ladies, don't you know Turner's married?"

Many voted the Ballou-Lamkin episode as the side-show par-excellence of the convention. During the course of his regular attendance at many conventions, and due largely to his successful campaigns in managing the fraternity's finances, John B. Ballou, of Coshocton, has lost some of his hair. It was reported that in recent years he has been constantly singing a song, one verse of which, already well known, is as follows:

I'd rather have eyes than a nose,  
I'd rather have fingers than toes,  
And as for my hair,  
I'm glad there's some there,  
How sorry I'll be when it goes.

Lamkin saw his chance. Strengthened by a lusty and husky band of Greeks, whose incantation was: "Hoorah, hoorah, hoorah, Missouri!" (sung slowly, solemnly and in "show me" fashion), he descended upon the unsuspecting treasurer, like an Arab at night, and, in the presence of the multitude, plastered upon Ballou's unsuspecting head a wealth of flowing tresses, dishevelled but real, the curls hanging gracefully over his shoulders, and rivalling the coiffures of the ladies across the way, before whom the treasurer, sitting on the rostrum, was palpably embarrassed. The job was not well done, and Bro. Ballou was persuaded to cross the room and allow Mrs. Ballou "to fix" his new found hair in correct fashion, consistent with its color, length and texture. Resuming his seat on the platform, the largest parade of the evening spontane-

ously formed, and the diners, each plucking a posie from the table decorations, filed past the speakers table, each man depositing his flower in front of Ballou until he was literally buried in the blossoms of the autumn.

Having satisfied Ballou's dearest longing, the diners were attracted to President Mitchell (it is shorter to write "President" than to give Bro. Mitchell's initials), whose chief concern was a surplusage of hair—not on his head but on his chin. Suddenly, and as if from a magic box, there appeared a barber's pole, a barber's apron, and a razor. A second descent was made upon Bro. Mitchell. He was lifted bodily and carried around the hall, so that all might observe at close quarters what he had done to his face during the past few months. He was seated again to the left of Bro. Compton, the toastmaster, liberally rubbed with lather, and the simulated tonsorial and shaving process provoked great and whole-souled merriment.

But to return to the banquet proper. As the guests entered the room each was presented with cigars, daintily tied with light blue ribbons, and with a box of souvenir cigarettes bearing the fraternity emblem in gold. At half past seven o'clock as the men were seated a flash-light photograph was taken by George R. Lawrence of 1368 Broadway, New York City. In just ninety minutes thereafter, or at nine o'clock, the proof was exhibited at the tables. The pictures are twenty by thirty inches and are remarkably good for flash-light photographs.

At the speaker's table was Father Lindley, hale and hearty, the single surviving founder of the fraternity. Father Lindley had spent the week at the convention festivities, and it was universally thought that nature's laws were being reversed in his case and that he grew younger at each succeeding convention. He was greeted at Washington with sincere and prolonged cheering. This having died away, Father Lindley offered prayer. Others who were seated on the dais in the order named were John H. DeWitt, formerly editor of *THE SCROLL*, now P. G. C.; Dr. J. E. Brown, past P. G. C.; General Lee Fairchild, Hubert H. Ward, past P. G. C.; Richard H. Little; Samuel K. Ruick, S. G. C.; President Guy Potter Benton, of Miami University; William N. Compton, toastmaster; Frank J. R. Mitchell, P. G. C.; General John C. Black, U. S. civil service commissioner; Hugh Th. Miller, lieutenant-governor of Indiana; Frederick H. Austin, of the Washington alumni; Walter B. Palmer, historian of the fraternity, etc., etc.; Arthur M. McCrillis, H. G. C., and Alexander Pope, of Texas.

The proceedings were started by the singing of "God Save the King," in honor of our Canadian brothers from McGill and Toronto, followed by "The Star Spangled Banner." Letters of regret at non-attendance and complimentary letters and telegrams were read by the secretary.

The cheering for Ontario Alpha, then the latest acquisition to the brotherhood of chapters, was loud and prolonged: The infant chapter sent four lusty representatives to the banquet all the way from Toronto, Canada, and they, with the delegate from McGill, entered into the spirit of the occasion in true American fashion. Nor was the new chapter at the University of South Dakota forgotten in the enthusiasm of the evening. These later years it has become so difficult for petitioners to receive a charter from  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  that the success of an application, and particularly at a national convention, is heralded as a distinct achievement. So the success of the delegation from South Dakota was suitably recognized. It is pleasant to record that the cheers of welcome for the new chapter were led by Bros. Nowels and Godso, of the University of Chicago, a chapter which, on the floor of the convention, had not been conspicuous in espousing the cause of the petitioners. These cheers gave rise to a napkin parade which lent color and action to the early hours of the feast. The men from the middle west made neckties out of their napkins, and, with knives for swords, formed in line and marched around the large halls several times, giving vent to their college and province yells, and paying their respects to the distinguished speakers and guests on the platform.

And then the Marine Band played "Dixie." Need any more be said to describe the scene that followed? We Phils have imagination and we know the stirring appeal of this distinctive song of the south. It was, therefore, not necessary to be at Washington to see the men from below the Mason and Dixon line throw up their arms and the celery, jump upon their chairs, waving their napkins enthusiastically in the airs, and aluting the melody with ear-piercing shouts. Then there arose the familiar convention cries for the "Solid South," prefixed with a suitable number of "rahs," and repeated at intervals throughout the evening. New cheers were:

Blue grass! blue grass! rye!  
Ken-tuck-ee! Ken-tuck-ii!  
Green River!

and

Convention! When? Convention! When?  
In the South! Nineteen-ten!

Then there were the stories of the arrival of that train load of "Green River" from the blue grass country, and those who most appreciated the references took their solace in the thought, and quenched their thirst in the sparkling water before them—the Heaven-made wine which alone graces the tables at our convention banquets. (Apologies to Lee Fairchild who would call water "the sparkling and dewy nectar of the purple clouds.")

Then someone else got an idea. The south was again in evidence. And it was another parade. This time the uniform was dinner coats turned inside out, exhibiting all styles and colors of linings, and a flower decoration worn principally in the hair of the battalion then in manœuvre. The officers of the hastily formed detachment were wholly devoid of coats and were easily distinguishable by the fraternity pins which glistened in the electric light. Again the college cheers rang out. They came from everywhere and increased in strength inversely as the square of the distance from Washington from which the cheers came. Sometimes one man would give the yell of his college so that it should be represented with the rest, and others banded together, learned the official slogans of a half dozen institutions and cheered for all, so that many thought that forty men who had been brought out and nurtured on "U-rah, rah! Wis-con-sin!" (three times with a tiger) were in the room. And this applied, of course, to other places, too.

Side remarks, generally studied and in concert were frequent, often very apropos, and usually very funny. Missouri wanted to know where Georgia was. Georgia recovered just in time to announce that: "Georgia's here," but Georgia was not so much in evidence as she was at Louisville. Hence Missouri's anxious inquiry. Then we heard a lot about Pabst and Schlitz and Anheuser, punctuated with the perennial Green River, which was heartily and generally recommended "for medicinal purposes only," like the posters of other brands in prohibition states. There were Vassar yells (*sic*) in their falsetto voices and chocolate bon bon incantations.

But hark! A new cry. A new parade. There was a long line of crouching figures, winding snakelike in and out between the tables. Each was bent double and the noise was:



Reebo, ribo, reebo, ribo, rum!  
 Drink rum, drink rum, drink rum!  
 And stay with me!  
 For I care a snap for any old man  
 Who don't care a snap for me!  
 For we are, we are, we are the street police!  
 And we do, we do, we do as we please!

All this time Pittsburgh had held her peace. Pittsburgh was present in numbers and Pittsburgh had something up her sleeve. A deep-voiced youth, affecting the air and non-chalance of the stereotyped Coney Island puller-in, arose deliberately and, with brazen-lunged tones, announced: "Get your tickets for the small show. Only ten cents—half a dime—a schoolboy's price!" The next show, he assured the guests, was scheduled for Pittsburgh in 1908. Then Pittsburgh went wild.

As sure as fate as sure as fate!  
 Pittsburgh! Pittsburgh! Nineteen-eight!

and again:

Phi Delta! Phi Delta! Phi Delta Thete!  
 Pittsburgh! Pittsburgh! Nineteen-eight!

To which the south again chimed in:

You all wait! You all wait!  
 We'll be in Pittsburgh in nineteen-eight!

And then we learned of all the other cities which wanted the national convention. There was Seattle and Denver and Kansas City. The north and east having entertained the fraternity gatherings twice in recent years used other slogans. Time and again was heard:

Osky, wow, wow! Whiskey, wow, wow!  
 Skinney-wow, wow! Wow for Alpha Province!"

Hardly were the words uttered when something like this rang out:

Hi, yi, yi, yi!  
 Hi, yi, yi, yi!  
 Hi, yi, yi, yi! Ep-si-lon!

There were others too, but they can't be written without the music and the atmosphere and some of them not even then.

Bailey of Wisconsin was stretched out at full length, exhibited to the ladies and carried about the room to the tune of "Won't you come home, Bill Bailey." And the assemblage having been presented with Walter Palmer's old coat, which wrote the history, bawled and cried for Walter Palmer's old pants as well.

The chorus for Pittsburgh stogies must not be forgotten, nor the presentation of the little hat to big Little, nor the speaker's choruses at the dais, nor a dozen other things, but one must not write indefinitely, and many of us saw it all in person or heard about it by word of mouth from others. Suffice it to say that it was ten minutes after ten o'clock before the speaker's gavel rapped for order, and three hours of merriment and food had passed as in a trice. Even then the guests, and particularly Father and mother Lindley were kept busy signing menu cards for autograph seekers and "the committee" were collecting funds and good will for the impromptu dance of the following night at Rauscher's, announcement of which had been made earlier in the evening. When order was called for it provoked two minutes more of great disorder, as everybody rose to yell:

Eis' aner! Eis! aner!  
Oudeis! oudeis! oudeis aner!  
Eu-re-ka!  
Phi-kei-a!  
Phi Delta Theta!  
Rah! Rah! Rah!

Then the college divisions seated at the different tables arose to drink the silent toast in water to the departed and absent brothers. The toastmaster, Bro. Compton, welcomed us all most heartily and fittingly introduced Bro. Guy Potter Benton, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '88, president of Miami University, the birthplace of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Dr. Benton had entertained us before at dinner at the New York convention in 1902, and we were prepared for the oratorical treat and the sound advice contained in his words. Such was the enthusiasm at the conclusion of his address that there was a spontaneous revival of the knife, fork and glass jingle chorus that we first initiated at the Louisville convention in 1900, which continued for many minutes.

Lee Fairchild was the same old "General," but he had new stories and everybody laughed much and long as usual at what he said and the way he said it.

General John C. Black (a real general), in discussing "ambition," gave a learned, mature and literary discourse, which proved tremendously interesting and full of words of the prophet.

Bro. Alexander Pope, of Texas, the gifted young southern orator, was the raconteur. He told us all about Texas and other things.

"Dick" Little followed. No one can write about what Little says. It must be heard. Every word provoked merriment.

Bro. Frederick H. Austin ended the formal toast speeches in telling us about Washington and the Phis at the capital. By way of applause, the men greeted Bro. Austin with "Who was George Washington?" and the rest of it.

During the course of the evening many men came in from the Thanksgiving football games in Philadelphia and other cities, and winners and losers alike, upon learning the results of the contests, cheered their rivals.

Following the dinner, an informal reception was held in the adjoining room, where everybody met everybody else and had a good time generally. Thus was ended the convention banquet of 1906.

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

#### THE MILITARY DRILL AT FORT MYER.

On Friday afternoon, at 2:30 P. M., the convention delegates and visitors assembled in the riding school hall at Fort Myer, Virginia, as the guests of the United States government (through the courtesy of the entertainment committee of the Washington alumni club, which had very kindly provided for our attendance), to witness the famous mounted drills which occur every Friday afternoon. Almost all of the south gallery of the drill hall was given over to the members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and their lady friends. Music was furnished throughout the drill by the 13th Cavalry band. Promptly at 2:30 the second squadron of Troop G, 13th United States Cavalry, thirty-two mounted men, in command of Capt. T. M. Corcoran, entered the building from the great doors at the north end.

The first part of the program consisted of some of the regular maneuvers of cavalry tactics, which were shortly followed by the execution of fancy figures, including a very difficult side-stepping movement, which showed to a fine degree how well the horses were trained. The regular cavalry drill lasted perhaps thirty minutes, and was terminated by a decidedly realistic charge with drawn sabers and horses in line. It was not hard for the guests at the south end of the hall to imagine themselves as receiving a cavalry charge, for the horses came down the entire length of the hall at a terrific pace, and it seemed as though they were going to come straight through the slight barrier which divided the south gallery of the hall from

the drill floor. The control of the horses was again manifest by the way in which they were brought to a sudden halt, with the horses' noses rubbing against the gallery rail.

The second squadron then retired from the hall, the band gave us a few popular airs, and in the course of a few minutes eighteen men reappeared, divested of their military accouterments, hatless and coatless and mounted bare-back. All sorts of Buffalo-Bill Wild West "stunts" were then engaged in by the men, such as jumping off and on, and leaping over the backs of the horses while going at a brisk trot. Later two horses, and finally three horses, were fastened together by their bridles. Men standing erect on the horses executed fancy movements, hurdle-jumping, etc., with the horses. As a climax to this drill six men formed a pyramid on the backs of three horses and took the hurdles in this manner with surprising ease. Throughout all the rough rider drill there were but two or three slight falls, showing wonderful training of both men and mounts.

The rough-riders then retired. We were given more popular music by the 13th Cavalry band and then followed what, to me, was the most interesting part of the whole drill. Three guns of the 4th Battery, under command of Lieutenant McDonald, then filed in, the gun crew, aside from drivers, being mounted on extra horses. Each gun was drawn by six horses, two abreast, and there were perhaps twenty-four additional horses for the gun crews. This battery completely filled the drill hall, and it seemed to the uninitiated as though there would not be room enough for any maneuvers to be executed. Some of the visitors saw for the first time the new Wheeler gun, a three-inch light field piece of new construction, so designed as to take up its own recoil. Owing to the high power of this gun, the mount is much longer than the old style of recoil gun, and the carriage in consequence is harder to handle. The drill consisted of charges and counter-charges, of unlimbering and limbering, and, finally, of the execution of fancy figures to show the drill for obstacles, the obstacles in this case being nine posts set in the center of the drill hall, around which the guns had to maneuver. But one post was knocked down as result of the drill, which showed the splendid training of both men and horses.

The clatter of sabers and rattle of guns, caused a din which might have embarrassed any audience but one who had for a week been listening to all kinds of unearthly noises from the throats of college fraternity boys in convention assembled.

As an expression of our appreciation, Bro. Arthur M. McTrillis was assisted over the rail into the tan bark from the visitors' gallery (as soon as it was safe, following the exit of the horses) and in good Phi style led some cheers for the various officers and for the men. The delegates all felt that as a cheer leader he was fully as well drilled as were the men of the Army, in their line, who had preceded him. The reviewing stand was occupied by Col. C. A. P. Hatfield, for whom a special cheer was given.

Following the drill many of the Phis walked across the parade ground and through the gates to Arlington National Cemetery. A visit was made to the famous old Lee mansion and to the monument to the unknown dead. A few of the older men and their wives visited the newly made grave of the hero of two wars and of two causes, Major-general Joseph Wheeler, C. S. A., U. S. A.

From Arlington most of the visitors returned to Fort Myer, and there took the electric cars back to Washington, all voting the afternoon as one long to be remembered in connection with the convention. HUBERT H. WARD, *Ohio State*, '90.

#### THE IMPROMPTU DANCE AT RAUSCHER'S.

During the Washington convention Bro. Walter B. Palmer told me he wished me to cover some incident of convention week for THE SCROLL. He asked me what work I had done as a newspaper man. I told him that my newspaper career had been confined chiefly to night police reporting and war correspondence work. "Ver well, brothar," said Bro. Palmer, "yo had betah write the story about th' pahty." I don't now why my training as a night police reporter or as a war correspondent especially fitted me to write the report of our title dance, but Bro. Palmer so ordered and I will try to obey. The trouble is that the party was so long ago. I have forgotten even the hall where we had it. I have forgotten the committee. I have forgotten everything except that at the party as the prettiest lot of girls I ever saw in my life. I have ever seen a girl any prettier than the ones that graced our party in Washington, and that was that afternoon—but that's another story.

Out of the Washington convention and all that was done here I wish to claim but one thing: I suggested the party. Only twenty-five or thirty claim that honor, but I know I did it. It was suggested by the presence of Sister Ethel Wilder, of

Louisville. I knew we should do something in honor of Miss Wilder, I knew that everybody wanted to do something in honor of Miss Wilder and all of our charming girls, and so the party idea was born. I started the party with the laudable ambition of escorting Sister Wilder. By the time I reached Miss Wilder to acquaint her with the great honor waiting her, Louisiana Alpha, with devilish ingenuity, had called her up on the telephone and asked her to accompany him. California Alpha had impressed a cab into service, and had also reached Miss Wilder's side before the street car upon which I was speeding madly to the New Willard had reached my destination. In fact before I could acquaint Miss Wilder with the proud intelligence that she was to go with me to the party, some twenty-two invitations had been proffered by various brothers to take her to the ball. But Louisiana Alpha's name led all the rest. A curse on the telephone! So I lost interest in the ball.

But Bro. Carl D. Sheppard, may his tribe increase, hurled himself into the breach and, while I pouted in my tent and thought up reasons for pulling the charter from Louisiana Alpha, took up the work and engaged the hall and sold tickets and hired the band, and made all the arrangements. The Washington alumni committee frowned on the party idea. They said it would be impossible to get girls. Bro. Sheppard and Bro. Claude N. Bennett were undismayed. They said in response to inquiries, "The girls will be there." And they were. On Friday night, busses, tally-hos and automobiles began unloading whole flocks of girls in front of the hall where the party was to be held.

Bro. Sheppard and Bro. Bennett had gone out into the highways and by ways and kidnaped boarding schools, Sunday schools and day nurseries. Girls came with their teachers, their mamas, their governesses and their nurses. The two brothers had been so afraid that we would not have girls enough that they had raided every boarding school and founding's home in Maryland and Virginia for miles around Washington. And they collected the prettiest bunch of girls I ever saw, even the prettiest girls that "Won't You Come Home, Bill Bailey," of Wisconsin, ever saw, and that is going some. Some sixty-five of the brothers attended. There were a hundred girls but we did our best. Bro. Sheppard was floor manager, house committee, door keeper, treasurer, check-room-girl and leader of the grand march. Between times he fed punch to the band and inspired it to greater exertions.

it was a pretty dance. The girls all said they had the time of their lives, and they were all sorry when the automobiles and carriages and the baby buggies came around to take them home. It was a beautiful party, and we established a precedent; no committee will ever dare arrange for a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  convention again without including a party. But there will never be another party quite so delightful or with quite so many pretty girls as the one we had in Washington. The fondest memories of the Washington convention are woven around that party. Except to me. The great event at Washington as far as I was concerned was—but as I said before that is another story. Anyhow I have forgiven even Louisiana Alpha.

RICHARD HENRY LITTLE, *Illinois Wesleyan*, '95.

#### PRESENTS TO FATHER AND MOTHER LINDLEY AND OTHERS.

Particularly fortunate were those who were able to attend the Washington convention in being permitted to meet and greet the sole surviving founder of the fraternity. Apart from the great distinction as such, Father Lindley's career is one which the members of the fraternity can honorably and probably emulate, and his manly vigor, his strength of intellect, his untiring devotion to the fraternity, despite his burdens of years, seem but a fitting reward for the efforts so intelligently begun in 1848 and so vigorously carried out in later years. As a token commemorative of the occasion, in the purchase of which all had been permitted to participate, a beautiful old headed cane had been provided upon which had been engraved the following inscription: "To Father Lindley, from his boys in Phi Delta Theta at the Washington convention, 1906." At the morning session Saturday, this was presented to Father Lindley by Dr. J. E. Brown, Past P. G. C., on behalf of the delegates and visitors. In language deep with feeling, the keen sense of obligation which all Phis feel for his service to the fraternity was beautifully expressed, and it was made to feel that in the time to come, when the inevitable infirmities of advancing years should make the gift a mere physical support, it should also remind him of that which would be of far greater comfort and sustaining power, the consciousness that the love and devotion of thousands of sons were always his, and that they would honor his life and preserve his memory for all time to come. Father Lindley's response was brief but characteristic. In accepting the cane, he warmly thanked all who had partici-

pated in the gift, and assured them that they and this event would never be forgotten by him.

Following this presentation was another, which came as a surprise to nearly all who were present. In a few remarks, replete with wit and grace, Mrs. S. K. Ruick presented to Mother Lindley, on behalf of the Phi sons and daughters, a beautiful jewelled  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  badge. All had known Mrs. Ruick as an altogether charming and thoroughly loyal Phi sister, but few of us realized that we were entertaining so gifted an orator unawares. Modestly remarking that she was "not in the habit of making after breakfast speeches," she alluded to the banquet speech of Bro. Richard H. Little by saying:

Bro. Little, in his talk at the banquet the other night, referred to the ladies as the "garland of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ." This being so, I wish to honor the fairest, loveliest flower in the whole garland, whose petals are not, "They love me, they love me not, they love me, they love not," but in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  lore, correspond to the lucky leaves of the four leaved clover.

One we love,  
Two we love,  
Three we love, we say,  
Four we love with all our hearts,  
We Phi Deltas, night and day.

To honor this one, than whom no one is dearer, I represent  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in presenting this little pin to the dearest, daintiest daisy in the bunch—Mother Lindley.

Mother Lindley acknowledged the gift with a few appropriate words, assuring the donors that she should always remember and cherish the occasion, and that she thanked them with all her heart.

Another event remained, to appreciate which a little explanation will be necessary. Last summer our distinguished P. G. C., Bro. Frank J. R. Mitchell, was a guest at the home of Bro. Sam K. Ruick, S. G. C. He went there filled with a simple and touching confidence in humanity in general and in Bro. Ruick in particular. While deep in that refreshing slumber which proceeds from an untroubled conscience, some unfriendly and uninvited visitor gained an entrance to the apartments of Bro. Mitchell, and abstracted therefrom that valuable portion of his wearing apparel designed by the tailor to adorn his person and to act as a receptacle for his articles of value. In the morning a hasty search disclosed the fact that the apparel referred to, commonly known as trousers, had been left in the front yard, but that Bro. Mitchell's worldly possessions, consisting of a watch highly prized by him as a family heirloom, and some fifteen dollars in money, were missing.



The suggestion to the Phis attending the convention that there was an opportunity of showing their appreciation of Bro. Mitchell's untiring and most effective efforts for the fraternity during his term as P. G. C. met with a hearty response. It, therefore, became the privilege of Bro. Ruick to present to Bro. Mitchell, which he did in a particularly happy manner, Saturday afternoon, a handsome gold watch, together with the good will and good wishes of all who had participated in the gift.

In addition, and to make the restoration complete, a pair of trousers was also presented to him, constructed of the fabric commonly known as blue jeans, which if they were not an exact duplicate of those which had been so rudely purchased, were not altogether lacking in useful qualities, nor were they entirely unbecoming to his style of manly beauty. These Bro. Mitchell was required to don, before he was permitted to express his appreciation of the gift, which he ultimately did in his usual happy manner.

On Friday afternoon Bro. Walter B. Palmer was presented with one of the novel convention badges suggested by Bro. Mitchell, and designed by Bro. Merrill C. Haldeman, of Haldeman & Co., fraternity jewelers, consisting of a chain of silver bars, each containing the name and date of the national convention which he had attended. This is the largest badge of this sort that could be made for any Phi.

Bro. Palmer is the veteran of the largest number of conventions. The presentation was made by Bro. John H. Witt, on behalf of the delegates and visiting Phis.

At the National Theatre, Wednesday evening, on the occasion of the convention theatre party, the star, Miss Mary Manning, wore a wing-shaped gold pin, bearing the letters "Δ Θ," presented by the Washington alumni, and used to hold in place streamers of white and blue ribbons on the white and blue costume which she wore in the first act.

These diversions from the usual routine were among the most pleasing of the convention features, and if it is more pleasant to give than to receive, the large number of donors, and the alacrity with which they responded to the opportunity, give ample testimony of the prevalence of the general good feeling, and to the extent of the consequent pleasure which all experienced in the incidents.

JOHN B. BALLOU, *Wooster*, '97.

**RECEPTION BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AT THE WHITE HOUSE.**

The announcement of the local committee that the general officers and the convention delegates and visitors would be received by President Roosevelt at the White House was a strong drawing card. It was more than a fitting climax to the list of social events of the week—a rendering accessible of the ordinarily inaccessible. To the chairman of the committee on reception, Bro. Claude N. Bennett, his associates and the Washington Phis who made the reception possible, certainly the convention owes a more than formal vote of thanks.

Practically every Phi who attended the convention remained to attend the President's reception Saturday afternoon. At 2:15, P. M., the gates at the 16th street entrance to the White House were opened, and cards of admission, as required at such receptions, were handed to the Phis, each man being required to give the grip to a member of the committee, Sam K. Ruick, S. G. C.; George M. Rommel and Carl D. Shepard, of the Washington alumni club. The cards were taken up by a White House usher. The party, numbering about 350 including some ladies, then passed through the corridor, and upstairs to the East Room where the reception occurred. It is probable that the only individual in the party to show impatience or inappreciation was the three and a half year old son of the writer, who could not understand why he was not allowed freedom on the floor, nor why he couldn't go through the door to see the President, instead of waiting for the President to come in. President Roosevelt appeared promptly at the scheduled hour, half past two. He was greeted by hearty applause, and, when this subsided, said:

I am very glad indeed to meet the Phi Delta Thetas. I am a member of a college Greek-letter fraternity myself. I think that there is a feeling of kinship between all college Greek-letter men, and it is a pleasure to me to see you here, to look in your faces, and to greet you by shaking hands. And I am especially pleased to note that the gentlemen are accompanied by a number of the gentler and fairer sex, and to the ladies I extend a most cordial greeting.

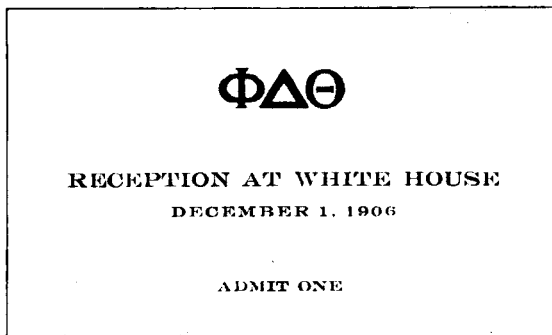
At the head of the line of Phis were Hon. Hugh Th. Miller, lieutenant-governor of Indiana; President Mitchell, of the general council; and Claude N. Bennett, chairman of the local reception committee. They stood with the President during the reception. Bros. Miller and Bennett, who enjoyed a previous acquaintance with him, were recognized and cordially received. The Phis and the ladies were introduced by Bro. Miller, and to each one that passed the President gave not

only a hearty handshake but some special greeting. It is not possible to reproduce all of these.

To Father Lindley the President said: "I am very glad you came to see me. I hope you will live to attend many such conventions." He read the inscription on Father Lindley's cane and was particularly cordial to Father and Mother Lindley.

President Mitchell being introduced as an alumnus of Northwestern, the President claimed alumni relationship, on the ground that he had received an honorary degree from that institution.

To Bro. John H. DeWitt the President said: "By your name I recognize you as one of my Dutch cousins."



CARD OF ADMISSION TO THE RECEPTION BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

Bro. Sam K. Ruick being introduced as a member of the Indiana legislature, the President said: "I know what a hard job that is; I was once a member of the New York legislature myself."

Bro. Walter B. Palmer was introduced as the author of the government report on the Colorado labor troubles. The President, who had personally examined and recommended it, said: "Well, I'm mighty glad to see you, Mr. Palmer."

Bro. Will H. Hays was introduced as an active member of the Republican state organization in Indiana, as well as a district and county leader. The President ejaculated: "A good work; I'm glad to hear of it."

Bro. Charles F. Lamkin was introduced as a Missourian who had tried to take poison when his state went Republican. The President exclaimed: "That's too bad."

To Bro. Arthur R. Priest, introduced as a Seattle man, the President said: "I swear by Seattle."

Bro. Richard H. Little drew forth a strenuous "Dee-light-ed!" on being introduced as a Russo-Japanese war correspondent.

In introducing each delegate, Bro. Miller mentioned his college.

To Bro. George E. Bell, of McGill, the President said: "I have a McGill man in Porto Rico who is a corker."

To Bro. Robert J. Weeks, of Williams, he said: "I am glad to meet a man from President Garfield's college."

To Bro. Earle B. Askew, of Georgia, he said: "My Mother was a Georgian."

In introducing the delegate from Texas Beta, Bro. Miller said: "This is Alexander Pope, of Texas; you have heard of him and read his poetry." The President replied: "Alexander Pope! Why, I thought you were dead. Living now in Texas! Well, that is interesting."

To the ladies of the party the President extended kindly greetings. To Father Lindley's little grand daughter, he said: "Why, I have a house full of children myself." His fondness for children was also shown by his bending down and saying a word to John Edwin Brown, Jr., son of the writer.

The President's quickness, sturdiness, amiability and general air of good comradeship appealed to all present, and captured for him all hearts. His remarks showed that he was wonderfully conversant with the colleges of the country, and in sympathetic touch with college men. Every one felt as highly honored in meeting Roosevelt the man as in meeting Roosevelt the President.

Immediately after the reception the visiting Phi ladies and a number of those from Washington were photographed in a group on the west steps of the Treasury Building.

The undersigned, who was asked to write this account for THE SCROLL, feels that no paragraphs should appear without a word as to the convention as a whole. Twenty six years have passed since he became a Phi, and over seventeen since he attended his first national convention. These conventions have been faithful indices of the wonderful growth of the fraternity in numbers, dignity and hold on the affections of her sons. May all future ones work as faithfully and successfully

the welfare of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  as did the Washington convention, like it, draw together—as does the lodestone its magnetic subject bodies—this of today and yesterday—to reveal the friendships that only  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  can make possible, and look at her fountain of perpetual youth.

JOHN EDWIN BROWN, *O. W. U.*, '84.

#### AN ABSTRACT OF IMPORTANT LEGISLATION.

The important legislation enacted by the national convention at Washington, which may properly be mentioned in THE SCROLL, may be summarized as follows:

Pledged men shall be known hereafter as "phikeias," and all be introduced individually as "Phikeia Williams," etc. Hereafter all initiates must be not less than sixteen years of age.

Hereafter men initiated into the fraternity must supply themselves with badges, not later than thirty days after their initiation, and no badge will be complete without a shield, a cord and a chain. A combination badge will be permissible,

the chain must be worn with all badges, and on the reverse of a member's badge must appear his name and class date of his initiation.

Hereafter no member shall receive a certificate of membership unless he shall commit the Bond to memory as well as pass a creditable fraternity examination.

No undergraduate can be an alumnus member of the fraternity unless he has paid dues to the fraternity for full four years.

All official reports of the general officers to the national convention and the list of convention committees shall be printed and distributed among the general officers, the active chapters and alumni clubs, at least one week prior to the convention.

No alumnus may represent any undergraduate chapter in national convention. This is in conformity with the rule that no undergraduate may represent any alumni club.

Delegates from active chapters to a national convention must not remain in constant attendance at the sessions, or withdraw before the final session, without first obtaining consent of the convention, shall forfeit their railroad fares to the fraternity treasury.

Former presidents of the general council are now past presidents of the general council, and delegates at large, and have a vote at all national conventions.

Proxy voting has been done away with.

The re-division of provinces was carefully gone over by the committee on provinces, but, all circumstances being considered, it was thought advisable to let this matter go over until the next national convention.

The 1906 catalogue came out through the temporary financial assistance of its editor, Bro. Frank J. R. Mitchell—none the less acceptable because it is temporary—and to meet the cost of the catalogue a special assessment was authorized.

The plan of printing and distributing the annual circular letters, in both circular and book form, which has been in vogue for the last two years, under the able management of Bro. Frank J. R. Mitchell, who invented the plan, was approved and is now part of the code.

It was decided to do away, as much as possible, with fining chapters, and to this end collect telegrams have been substituted. If the historian is late with his report, or if the reporter is late with the annual circular letter, the chapter will not be fined for this delay, but collect telegrams will be sent to the chapter until the reports or letters are received. This will lighten the work of the T. G. C. and will bring home more strongly to the chapters the delinquency of their officers.

The application of the Tridentia Society of the University of South Dakota was approved, and our chapter roll now numbers seventy-one.

Twelve instead of seven applicants are now necessary when petitioning for a charter.

The proposal to revise the ritual received a majority vote, but not a sufficient majority to adopt the revision. A committee on revision was authorized for the purpose of making the ritual conform to the code, and a new edition of the ritual was ordered printed.

Among the very important decisions was the committing of the fraternity as a body to build a memorial chapter house at Miami.

The fraternity put itself on record as endorsing the honor system in college examinations, as established at the University of Virginia, and active work was recommended for the spreading of this system wherever  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has a chapter.

LEWIS E. A. DRUMMOND, C. C. N. Y., '88.

## PREPARATIONS BY THE LOCAL COMMITTEE.

The idea of holding the national convention in Washington was first suggested in August, 1905, and in September, the Washington alumni club held a special meeting, at which it was decided to extend to the general council an invitation for the convention to meet at the national capital, and a committee on ways and means was appointed to draw up plans for the work. The committee was composed of Bros. John Joy Edson, Wm. N. Compton, and the writer as chairman. This committee held frequent meetings, and the chairman consulted some of the brothers who had charge of the New York convention, during visits to that city. Advice and suggestions were received also from members of the general council and other members of the fraternity who had had experience in managing conventions. The committee reported its plan of operation to the club at the Alumni Day banquet on March 15, 1906, and it was adopted. At the same time, the club received the news that the general council had decided on Washington as the meeting place for the convention.

The plan of organization was that the club elect a member as chairman of the convention committee who should be responsible only to it, and who should have the power to appoint the chairman of the necessary sub-committees, and to decide what sub-committees were necessary. Each sub-committee chairman was given the power to appoint necessary assistants, subject to the approval of the convention committee. The secretary and treasurer of the alumni club were made secretary and treasurer respectively of the convention committee and the president of the club was made a member of the committee *ex-officio*.

The convention committee was organized as follows: Auditing, F. H. Austin, *Missouri*, '86; Banquet, Ralph P. Barnard, *Lehigh*, '89; Decorations, P. L. Hodges, *DePauw*, '99; Finance, John Joy Edson, Jr., *Lehigh*, '93; Information, Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., *Northwestern*, '88; Press, Carl D. Shepard, *Ohio*, '02; Printing, O. A. Mechlin, *Dartmouth*, '03; Reception, Claude N. Bennett, *Emory*, '88; Smoker, E. F. Phillips, *Allegheny*, '99; Theater, Wm. N. Compton, *Alabama*, '88. In addition to these members, the committee was assisted during the last of the campaign by Bros. Karl C. Corley, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '96, and Horace W. Davis, *Washington and Jefferson*, '03. Owing to pressure of private business, Bro. Compton resigned the chairmanship of the theater committee in October, and this work was assumed by the chair-

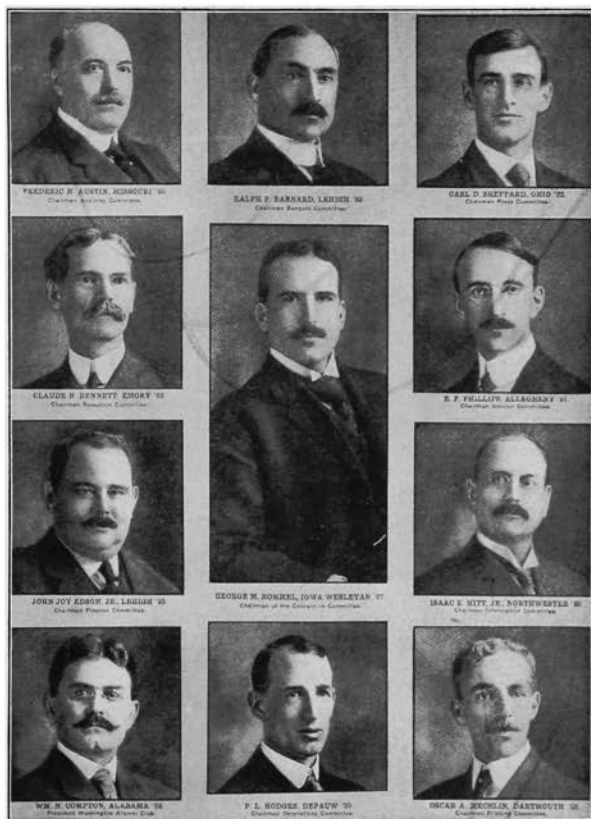
man of the convention committee, Bro. Compton retaining membership on the committee by virtue of his office as president of the alumni club. The added duties of the writer were not onerous, however, as Bro. Compton had the theater plans so well in hand that it was only necessary to look after details.

The effect of this method of organization was to throw responsibility on one man, who had the power to appoint or remove sub-committee chairmen as he saw fit. Each sub-committee chairman was absolutely in charge of his committee, the only restriction being that the selection of assistants was subject to the approval of the chairman of the convention committee. As long as a sub-committee chairman got results, he was not interfered with in any way. The experience of other cities with conventions of this kind and our own experience show that this plan is the only practical one for the management of such an undertaking. It means placing a great deal of power in the hands of one man, but the complete absence of red tape is necessary for success. Loyalty to the fraternity will, in my opinion, always preclude the danger of the abuse of this power.

Plans for the financial canvass were begun immediately after the convention committee was organized in March, but the San Francisco relief canvass followed on the heels of the selection of the committee and the summer season followed that, with the result that nothing was done to solicit subscriptions until fall. However, voluntary subscriptions equal to half the amount finally raised were given at the Alumni Day banquet and the April smoker. The actual work began in September, and headquarters were opened at Bro. Compton's office, 24 Wyatt Building. From this time on, the members of the committee met at headquarters on Friday afternoon of each week, until November, when meetings were held on Friday evenings at the home of the chairman. During the two weeks preceding the convention, meetings were held on Tuesday evenings also, one at the chairman's home, the other at the University Club.

The financial canvass really opened in October, and it was a personal one, each member of the finance committee (twelve in all), being assigned certain men to call upon. It finally proved that it would be impossible to see all the Phis in the city personally, and therefore the chairman sent out three notices within the two weeks before the convention, with good results.





#### THE LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS.

Reduced from a full page of the Sunday illustrated magazine section of the Washington Post of December 2.

One of the interesting results of the canvass was that it brought to our notice Phis in the city whom we had not heard of before, although the Washington club takes particular pains to locate all new arrivals. Brother Compton had quite an unusual experience of this kind. He had known for a year or more a surgeon in the Navy, stationed in Washington, but did not know him as a Phi until the doctor saw the notices of the convention in the local papers and made himself known. Many other men have come in touch with the alumni club on account of the convention, although they had not previously been active.

In closing, I desire to express in THE SCROLL my appreciation of the hearty co-operation of the members of the convention committee. Not only did they work loyally, but when compelled to be absent from a committee meeting, a member nearly always sent a good excuse. Every man on the committee made personal sacrifices to fulfill his duties, but this was done cheerfully and loyally. The work in preparation for the convention brought the men closer together and the convention itself will undoubtedly have an effect of lasting value on the Washington alumni club.

GEORGE M. ROMMEL, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '97.

#### THE LADIES AUXILIARY INTERESTED ONLOOKERS.

The ladies were by no means an unimportant factor in the Washington convention. From first to last they were in evidence, and displayed as much enthusiasm as the newest Phi. A party of them were at the railroad station with the reception committee on Sunday afternoon and were as eager and cordial in their greetings as the old timers who were meeting again after years of separation.

Many Phis brought their wives, some brought their sisters, and a few either brought their sweethearts or found them in Washington. The New Willard lobby always held a few of the fair sex, generally anxiously and not always patiently awaiting some delinquent one who had faithfully promised to eat one meal that day, or even to go sight-seeing. These last promises were never kept, it is said.

Some of the more persistent Phi sisters took to frequenting the tenth floor, watching their partners, if by chance the door to that mysterious hall was opened wide enough to admit of a peep. Some of the ladies almost got inside that door. The jewelry displays in the corridor without the hall drew the la-

dies, and many husbands were induced to purchase charming pins, lockets, hatpins, etc., to atone for apparent neglect.

The wives, sisters and sweethearts of the Washington committee and of other Washington Phis were very often at headquarters and many very warm and happy friendships were formed. There was a special bond between some of the sisters, as we could count not less than six brides, some very new, but all brides in a convention going sense, that is all having been married since the last biennial conclave.

Those who had been privileged to attend previous conventions gave instructions to the new recruits. By the end of the week all the ladies had learned what was meant by the G. C., the P. G. C., and other Phi phraseology, although to some these things had been Greek indeed.

It was a great treat to meet Mother Lindley and she had a welcome for all. Her little granddaughter, Katherine McMurry, was a great pet, and seemed to enjoy every moment of her stay in Washington. Miss Wilder, too, was as great a favorite with the ladies as with her loyal brother Phi. She seems to be a member of the fraternity in spirit. Much regret was expressed by the convention goers of previous years, gentlemen as well as ladies, that Messrs. Mitchell, De Witt, Banta, Radcliffe and Brown did not bring their wives, all of whom had attended previous conventions. The author of the fraternity history, who is perhaps fair authority on such matters, informs me that Mrs. Brown has attended more conventions than any other lady, beginning in 1891 and being a regular attendant ever since until 1906. She, however, sent, by Dr. Brown, a representative in their beautiful little son, John Edwin, Junior. He was the youngest Phi present and attracted much attention, especially at the President's reception.

There were really many features of the convention which the ladies were invited to participate in, and they entered into these with zest, especially the trips to Mount Vernon and Fort Meyer. Even the banquet was open in so far as our being onlookers. It was a matter of regret to some that we could not partake of the bountiful repast, but we were not entirely neglected. "Waiter No. 1" was very popular, taking orders for champagne, claret and other things that sounded very refreshing but, alas, the orders were never filled. It is said that some ladies did test the ices and a few other delicacies which were apparently wasting on the tables. Anyway we shared the enthusiasm, laughed at the funny "stunts," and enjoyed all the speeches.

The only function especially and solely for the ladies was the tea given to the wives of visiting officers and of members of the Washington convention committee, by Mrs. George W. Rommel, wife of the chairman of the local committee on arrangements, at their apartments in the Decatur on Florida avenue. This took place from 4 to 7 in the evening of Thanksgiving day. Mr. and Mrs. Rommel received their guests in the library, which was tastefully decorated with yellow and white chrysanthemums. Mrs. Walter B. Palmer poured chocolate in the dining room, assisted by Mrs. Everett F. Phillips and Mrs. Percy L. Hodges. The decorations here were white carnations and smilax.

Every lady was delighted to find a pennant representing her husband's college displayed on the walls of the library or dining room and many bursts of merriment were heard when one found herself seated by chance under the familiar banner. The tea was a great success, as it had for its object bringing the ladies together socially and informally. All were loath to leave the good cheer and cordial hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Rommel's cosy home.

A few gentlemen came in, no doubt feeling that, as this at their own convention, nothing could be too sacred for them. They were made very welcome, and seemed to enjoy the tea as much as any other function. Those present were: Mrs. E. P. Bennett (Bro. Claude N. Bennett's mother), Mrs. C. H. Crumpton, Mrs. I. R. Hitt, Jr., Mrs. M. W. Thompson, Miss Sarah K. Hall, Mrs. Hubert H. Ward, Mrs. J. B. Ballou, Mrs. A. M. McCrillis, Miss Ethel Wilder, Mrs. Hugh Th. Miller, Mrs. C. F. Lamkin, Mrs. S. K. Ruick, Mrs. E. E. Witt (from "far off Texas"), Mrs. E. S. Newman, Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Phillips, Dr. and Mrs. Karl C. Corley, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph P. Barnard.

MRS. WALTER B. PALMER.

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#### SIDELIGHTS ON CONVENTION INCIDENTS.

It was a famous convention, if for no other reason than because it was blessed with the presence of Father Lindley, one of the immortal six who founded  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  fifty-eight years ago. It is certainly remarkable that his life has been preserved during so many years to lend inspiration to the fraternity, and that now, having passed his eightieth milestone, he is still so hale and hearty. He forms a direct connecting link between  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  of today, with its far-flung chapter line,

and the days of 1848, when the brotherhood was in its infancy. What a retrospect to be covered by one human life! It was indeed a rich privilege to be permitted to have him with us, and every Phi present felt his loyalty intensified when he grasped the hand of the only surviving founder of the fraternity. May his beautiful old age be prolonged, and his useful life continued, through many years yet to come.

Father Lindley was accompanied by his worthy helpmeet, Mother Lindley, who at Washington attended her second national convention of the fraternity. Her lovely expression, benignant smile and delightful manner, redolent of ~~times long ago~~, ~~won the hearts~~ of all who met her. With this deliciously old fashioned and ~~happy~~ couple was their charming little granddaughter, Katharine McMurry, and it was pleasant to see the affection which they displayed towards each other. Father Lindley has been regular in convention attendance beginning with the semi-centennial in 1898. Mother Lindley began at Indianapolis in 1904. We are getting well along into the second half century of the fraternity, but we hope that Father and Mother Lindley will be with us in many future biennial conventions.

From Mother Morrison, who is also held in most affectionate regard by the entire fraternity, was received this message.

JACKSON, MISS., November 27, 1906.

MR. WALTER B. PALMER,

NEW WILLARD HOTEL, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Greeting to Phi Delta Theta convention from

MRS. ROBERT MORRISON.

Any one who attended the convention of 1900 or any of many previous ones will recall Frank D. Swope of blessed memory. He was the most popular man of his day in the fraternity, and the life of every convention which he attended. His place in our hearts can never be filled. Everybody who knew him will certainly be interested in the following note from Mrs. Swope, to Father Lindley:

LOUISVILLE, KY., November 27, 1906.

MY DEAR MR. LINDLEY:

Will you give my greeting and my good wishes to the Phi Delta Theta.

Always sincerely yours,

JEAN SWOPE.

In attendance the Washington convention was not a record breaker, and nobody expected that it would be, for the reason that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has no college chapter in Washington and very few chapters anywhere near it. The largest delegations of active members were from Pennsylvania, 12; Virginia, 7;

Lehigh, 5; Miami, 5; Cornell, 4; Franklin, 4. The total attendance at Washington was 331. This is considerably short of the number present at New York and Indianapolis, which are great  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  centers, the number at New York, in 1902, being 547, and the number at Indianapolis, in 1904, being 503. But excepting these two conventions, the Washington convention was much larger than any other ever held, and, eliminating the local attendance at New York, Indianapolis and Washington, the attendance at Washington was but little short of that at either New York or Indianapolis. It may be mentioned that the number of  $\Phi$  at the smoker was 254, the number at the banquet was 246 (not including four newspaper men), the number at the theatre 277, the number at Fort Myer about 350, the number at the White House reception about 350, some ladies being included in the figures for the theatre party, Fort Myer and White House reception.

The oldest convention goers present were George Banta, of Menasha, Wis., F. H. Austin, of Washington, D. C., and G. W. Cone, of Riverton, Va. All three attended the convention held twenty eight and one half years previously at Wooster, Ohio, May 22-24, 1878. At that convention, Bro. Cone was the delegate of the Richmond chapter, Bro. Austin the delegate of the Missouri chapter, while Bro. Banta represented the Franklin alumni chapter, which he had just established, and which was the first regularly organized alumni chapter. Bro. Banta was so delighted to meet Bros. Cone and Austin at Washington that he had a photograph of the three taken, a half tone of which appears in this issue of THE SCROLL.

The next oldest convention goers were Bros. C. L. Goodwin and W. B. Palmer who were delegates respectively of the Butler and Vanderbilt chapters at the Indianapolis convention of 1880, which Bro. Banta also attended, and which elected him the first president of the general council. Bro. Palmer has attended more conventions than anybody else, twelve in all, all of those held from 1880 to 1906 inclusive except the convention of 1886. Dr. J. E. Brown has attended all conventions from 1889 to the present, and Bro. Hugh Th. Miller, all from 1891 to the present.

Who knows how many meetings there are at a national convention of those who have not seen each other for many years? Often such meetings are entirely unexpected and, therefore, doubly delightful. Two members, who were closely associ-

ated in their chapter in the halcyon college days, have divergent walks in after life, and perhaps do not meet again until the flight of time has furrowed their cheeks and frosted their hair, but when they meet again, their eyes brighten and the cockles of their hearts warm, as they grasp each other's hand, and begin to talk about the old days, when both were young, when they were just "Jim" and "Joe" and the best of friends on earth. Ah! how much good the convention does to bring these men together. A convention is most enjoyed by old convention goers, because they renew acquaintance with so many old friends.



GEORGE WILLIAM CONE  
Virginia Delta, '78.

FREDERICK HAMILTON AUSTIN  
Missouri Alpha, '80

GEORGE BANTA  
Indiana Delta and Alpha, '76.

THE OLDEST CONVENTION GOERS AT WASHINGTON, 1906.

Delegates to the National Convention at Wooster, Ohio, 1878.

A memorable reunion at Washington was that of Richard H. Little, *Illinois Wesleyan*, '95, and Edward L. Keen, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '91. They had not met in over seven years, and then at the end of the earth; not since 1899, when both were war correspondents in the Philippines, and when they were two of the eleven correspondents that signed the famous "round robin," protesting against the press censorship of General Otis at Manilla. Bro. Little holds an important position on the staff of the *Chicago Tribune*, and Bro. Keen is manager of the Scripps-McRae Newspaper Association at Washington.

Aside from Father Lindley, the oldest members present at Washington were Gen. J. C. Black, *Wabash*, '62; A. R. Dyer, *Lawrence*, '59, and Rev. W. E. DeRiemer, *Lawrence*, '62, all of Washington. Bro. Black is chairman of the civil service commission, Bro. Dyer proof reader of foreign languages in the government printing office and Bro. DeRiemer a Congregational minister. Curiously enough two of these were members of an ante-bellum chapter which had but eleven members before it suspended on account of faculty opposition. Both of them attended several business and social sessions.

It may be mentioned that Father Lindley, in spite of his advanced age, attended many of the business meetings and all of the social exercises except possibly the dance. He was present at the smoker, and at the demand of the boys, sat for his portrait to be drawn by the cartoonist of the *Post*. At the banquet he stayed up as late as anybody, and that was pretty late, showing little signs of fatigue.

A notable figure in the convention was Dr. Guy Potter Benton, and no one present took more interest in the proceedings. He has the dignity befitting the president of Miami University, the most historic and the second oldest institution in the west. He also has an engaging personality, which, in large measure, explains why under his administration the university has had such a wonderful development and such an immense increase in student attendance. He brought from Oxford, and exhibited in the convention hall, a large frame containing attractive views of the beautiful Miami campus, and of the picturesque village where it is located, an ideal college town. We hope ere long to reproduce some of these views in THE SCROLL. Bro. Benton is greatly interested in the erection of a chapter house on ground donated by the Miami trustees, and it was through his strong presentation of the matter that the convention decided to lend the financial assistance of the fraternity to the enterprise. The absence of another loyal Phi, Dr. Alston Ellis, was much regretted, but we may confidently expect that both of them will be at the Pittsburg convention two years hence. Bro. Ellis is president of Ohio University, which was founded in 1809, fifteen years before Miami.

Five past presidents of the general council were present: George Banta, 1880-82; Hugh Th. Miller, 1894-96; Walter B. Palmer, 1896-98; Hubert H. Ward, 1900-02; Dr. John Edwin Brown, 1902-04. All his old associates greatly regretted the absence of J. Clark Moore, Jr., P. G. C., 1898-



1900. Two other former members of the general council were present: Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., formerly T. G. C., and Dr. McCluney Radcliffe, formerly H. G. C. Bro. Hitt was the delegate of the Washington alumni club, and Bro. Radcliffe the delegate of the Philadelphia alumni club.

Probably no other fraternity convention, certainly no previous  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  convention, has been addressed by two prominent members of another fraternity. Larkin W. Glazebrook, M. D., called at the hotel on Monday morning to pay the respects of his fraternity,  $\Lambda T \Omega$ . He made the acquaintance of most of the officers and many of the other members, and impressed them as being a very courteous gentleman. At the public opening exercises, he, by invitation, occupied a seat on the platform with the officers, and, when called upon extended the formal greetings of the local organization of  $\Lambda T \Omega$  to the convention. Dr. Glazebrook was formerly worthy grand chief, and now is worthy grand keeper of annals, of his fraternity. He is the son of Rev. Otis A. Glazebrook, D. D., principal founder of  $\Lambda T \Omega$ . On Wednesday afternoon Dr. Benjamin Ide Wheeler,  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ , president of the University of California, responded to a request to address the convention. His speech was full of good advice in regard to the proper standards for fraternity membership, and the cordial manner in which he greeted  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  aroused much enthusiasm. Another pan-hellenic message was received from the George Washington chapter of the  $\Delta K K$  medical fraternity. One of the signers of the following note is Bro. Sanford W. French, Cornell, '04.

WASHINGTON, D. C. November 27, 1906.

Congratulations from Alpha Zeta chapter of Alpha Kappa Kappa to the Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

A. P. TIBBETTS,

S. W. FRENCH,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

The New Willard hotel is the finest appointed hotel, as well as the most expensive, at which  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has ever held a national convention. The hall in which the business sessions were held was more convenient than the meeting place at any previous convention. It was convenient especially on account of the adjoining office, which was the headquarters of the local committee, and in which all members registered and tickets to various social events were distributed without confusion. The hotel management made no charge for either the hall or the office. A spacious corridor outside the hall provided room for members to meet and have heart-to-heart talks, and provided room also for the displays of four fraternity jewelers—D. L.

Auld, of Columbus, Ohio; Edwards, Haldeman & Co., of Detroit, Mich.; Wright, Kay & Co., of Detroit, Mich., and the Hoover & Smith Co., of Philadelphia, Pa.

Never did a local committee on arrangements make more thorough and satisfactory preparations for a national convention. The members of the committee represented every section of the fraternity and they understood their business. Their influence with the weather bureau officials must have been strong, for we had delightful weather and moonlight nights during Thanksgiving week. For several years the Washington  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  alumni club has held monthly smokers at the University club. Cards of admission to the University club were issued to every general officer of the fraternity and every official delegate at the convention. The Y. M. C. A. of Washington also offered the privileges of its room to the Phis. The committee on arrangements had carefully worked out in advance every detail for the entertainment of the convention, and every social event was an unqualified success. The smoker was tendered complimentary to the convention by the Washington alumni, and the souvenir pipes distributed on that occasion were the handsomest souvenirs ever given at any convention smoker.

Three of the events of the week were of such a nature as could not have been provided in any other city in the United States—the trip to Mount Vernon, the wonderful military drill at Fort Myer, and the reception by President Roosevelt. The convention was peculiarly fortunate in securing half of the seats in the drill hall at Fort Myer. The drills are given on Friday afternoons during the winter, and there is an enormous demand for seats. The drill on November 30 was the second one this winter. Applications for seats from 6,000 people were on file when the 400 seats for the convention were obtained. This courtesy extended by the officers in charge through the influence of Bro. John Joy Edson, Jr., who enjoys an extended acquaintance with the military men about Washington. President Roosevelt did the fraternity great honor in receiving the convention, especially as he was very much engaged, having returned from Panama a week before, having congress on his hands the week following, and being entirely too busy that Saturday to attend the army-navy football game at Philadelphia, as he had done in previous years.

A handsome prospectus of the convention was issued by the Washington alumni, and distributed to the chapters some time before the convention met. In addition to convention

announcements it contained a directory of objects of interest for the benefit of sightseers in Washington. But notwithstanding the many and varied attractions of the capital city, the delegates were not drawn away from the business sessions. They visited the Library of Congress on Monday evening; the capitol where they were photographed on Wednesday afternoon, Mount Vernon on Thursday, Fort Myer on Friday afternoon and the White House on Saturday afternoon. But on each of the six days, from Monday to Saturday inclusive, there were two business sessions each day, except on Thursday when none was held. The delegates stuck closely to their job and did good work. The pet measure of the writer, the revised ritual, was defeated because the majority for it was not sufficient, but, nevertheless, he is of the opinion that the convention enacted a number of excellent measures, especially the amendments to the constitution and code.

Two of the best things heard during the convention were said by Bro. Lee Fairchild. When the debate on extension was becoming rather heated, and motions of various kinds were being made, he arose and began his remarks thus: "The great German poet has said, 'There must be law in hell.'" The application was understood immediately, there was a general laugh and the tension of the situation was relieved. Speaking in favor of granting a charter to the South Dakota petitioners, he said: "Have you ever been the first man in a melon patch? If so you got the biggest melon"—an aphorism worthy of Abraham Lincoln. Bro. E. C. Ansley, of New Orleans, made a remark which amused a good many. He told about a man who had attended Tulane, but who had not been bid by any fraternity there, going to a certain large university, where the fraternities fell over themselves in rushing him. Bro. Ansley exclaimed, "Why, at Tulane he couldn't have made even the Y. M. C. A."

The official convention photograph was taken Wednesday afternoon, on the east steps of the senate end of the capitol, by Harris & Ewing 1311 F street, N. W., Washington, D. C. Two photographs were taken at Mount Vernon Thursday by the National Press Association, Washington, D. C. A flashlight photograph of the members seated at the banquet Thursday evening was taken by the George R. Lawrence Co., 1370 Broadway, New York, N. Y. A photograph of the ladies who were visitors at the convention was taken Saturday afternoon, on the west steps of the Treasury Building, by Harris & Ewing. The capitol picture is 11x14 inches,

the price being \$1. The picture of the ladies is 8x10, the price being 75 cents. Either will be sent, if unmounted, postage prepaid; or, if mounted, by express, charges collect. The banquet picture is 20x30 inches, the price being \$3.50; and will be sent, if unmounted, postage prepaid; or, if mounted, by express, charges collect. Each of the Mount Vernon pictures measures 11x14, and the price is \$1 each, by express or mail prepaid, mounted or unmounted. All five of these pic-



THE GENERAL COUNCIL, 1904-06.

From left to right—John B. Ballou, T. G. C.; John H. DeWitt, R. G. C.; Frank J. R. Mitchell, P. G. C.; Arthur M. McCrillis, H. G. C.; Sam K. Ruick, S. G. C. Kodak  
by Hubert H. Ward, Past P. G. C., in front of the Washington statue east of the  
Wednesday afternoon, November 28.

tures appear in reduced half-tones in this number of THE SCROLL. It was expected that this issue would be illustrated from a number of kodaks taken by Bro. Hubert H. Ward, but it developed that two rolls of films which he exposed would not develop, so there is dissatisfaction over the matter of illustrating the convention articles as fully as was desired. Only one of his exposures made a picture good enough for a half-tone, and it is herewith presented, together with half-tones of two kodaks taken by Bro. Tom A. Davis.

Five official fraternity jewelers distributed convention souvenirs. Buttons were given by A. H. Fetting, of Baltimore, Md., and Wright, Kay & Co., of Detroit, Mich. The first consists of a gilt  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  shield, crossed with the inscription, "Washington, D. C." The second is a round bronzed button, bearing the fraternity coat-of-arms. Stick pins were given by D. L. Auld, of Columbus, Ohio, and The Hoover & Smith Co., of Philadelphia, Pa. The first is small but very neat. The second is larger, oval in shape, and bears the dome of the capitol in relief. Edwards, Haldeman & Co., of Detroit, Mich., gave ingenious trick match boxes. Bro. George Banta gave to each officer and official delegate, a morocco wallet made in the bindery of the George Banta Publishing Co., of Menasha, Wis., the printers of THE SCROLL. With the pipes distributed at the smoker, the delegates carried away more souvenirs from the Washington convention than did those at previous conventions.

Bro. Frank J. R. Mitchell suggested a new form of convention souvenir, composed of a head piece inscribed with the name of the owner, with bars suspended therefrom bearing the places and years of conventions he may have attended. The idea was taken up by Bro. Merrill C. Haldeman, and worked out artistically by his jewelry firm, Edwards, Haldeman & Co. These souvenirs, made in silver, are very handsome, and many were sold at the Washington convention. It is expected that each purchaser will buy a new bar to be attached to his souvenir at every convention he may hereafter attend.

The delegate from Wabash, Bro. M. S. Leaming, was thought by many to bear a strong resemblance to Hon. Joseph W. Folk, governor of Missouri. Bro. Charles F. Lamkin seemed to harbor the delusion that the governor himself was present in the guise of the delegate, and to protect the convention from an interloper, he introduced the following preamble and resolution, which led to a discussion that finally convinced him that he was laboring under a case of mistaken identity.

WHEREAS There is a current rumor that the Indiana Beta delegate has met with foul play, and that an imposter is now in this convention, pretending to be the duly elected delegate from that chapter, and

WHEREAS it is reported that the person masquerading as the delegate from Wabash is in reality Joseph W. Folk, governor of Missouri, and

WHEREAS said Folk is not only a member of K A, and, therefore, out of place in our midst, but in addition, is directly responsible for the placing on of the "lid," which has caused many Missouri Phis to die of thirst; therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Warden be instructed to search out the hiding place of the delegate from Indiana Beta and carefully investigate his identity, and if it be found that the said delegate is an imposter, that the said Joseph W. Folk be immediately and ignominiously expelled from this hall.

Invitations for the next convention came from Seattle, Denver, Kansas City and Pittsburgh, the latter place finally being chosen. The Kansas City Phis have several times extended such an invitation. The following telegram was received from Bro. Willis P. King, Jr., *Missouri*, '86:

KANSAS CITY, MO., November 28, 1906.

FRANK J. R. MITCHELL, President Phi Delta Theta.

New Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C.

Kansas City alumni send greetings and earnest invitation to hold next convention at Kansas City.

WILLIS P. KING, JR.,  
President.

In 1896 Bro. Hugh Th. Miller set the fashion for extended national convention reports, a fashion which has been followed ever since. Beginning with the semi-centennial convention in 1898, the addresses of welcome and response and the banquet speeches have been stenographically reported for THE SCROLL. The extended narratives of the conventions were written by Bro. Miller in 1896 and 1898, by the undersigned in 1900, by Bro. Royall H. Switzler in 1902, and by Bro. John H. DeWitt in 1904. This entailed enormous work on one individual, and he has always staggered under the task. During the Washington convention it occurred to the undersigned that it would be a great scheme to divide up the work and assign portions to different willing hands. Such assignments were made and in this issue of THE SCROLL appear accounts of the Washington convention written by various brothers. These accounts are much more varied and interesting than an editor could furnish, doing all the writing himself. The scheme has worked beautifully and the present editors of THE SCROLL return sincere thanks to those who have in this manner so greatly assisted them. Of the sixteen who were asked to assist every one furnished a contribution, and unquestionably this issue of THE SCROLL presents the most brilliant galaxy of contributors that ever gave distinction to a single issue of the magazine. It is deeply regretted that the stenographer engaged to report the banquet speeches failed to transcribe his short hand notes.

WALTER B. PALMER, *Emory*, '77; *Vanderbilt*, '80.

#### NEWSPAPER REPORTS OF THE CONVENTION.

During convention week Φ Δ Θ was handsomely treated by the Washington newspapers, the *Post*, *Herald*, *Star*, and

*Times*. The first two are morning papers, the latter two evening papers with Sunday morning editions. Repeated announcements of the convention had been made in these journals before Thanksgiving week; and from Sunday, November 25, to Sunday, December 2, inclusive, the daily press of the capital city devoted many columns to the fraternity, to the incidents of the convention, and to such of its proceedings as could properly be made public. For the full and entertaining reports, and for the liberal space given by the newspapers, great credit is due Bro. Carl D. Sheppard, chairman of the press committee, and a member of the Washington staff of the Scripps-McRae Press Association, of which Bro. E. L. Keen is the Washington manager.

All four of the papers printed convention pictures. The *Star* and the *Times* of November 25 contained portraits of the members of the local committee on arrangements. The *Times* of November 26 contained portraits of Father Lindley and Brothers Mitchell, DeWitt and Ruick. The *Herald* of November 27 contained cartoons of Brothers Mitchell, Ballou, Benton, Little and Lamkin; and the next day's issue contained cartoons of Brothers Miller, McCrillis, Drummond, Rommel and Wood. These ten cartoons, by Jack Smith, are reproduced in this SCROLL. The *Star* of November 27 contained a portrait of Father Lindley, the *Times* of December 1 a portrait of Bro. Little. The *Post* of December 2 contained the portraits of the local committee on arrangements, occupying a full page of the Sunday illustrated magazine section, and a reduced facsimile of the same appears on page 235 of this number of THE SCROLL. The *Post* of December 16 contained the tree planting picture, occupying half a page of the Sunday illustrated magazine section, which picture appears on page 207.

The local committee recall that  $\Phi K \Psi$  did not fare so well at the hands of the Washington newspapers as did  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . The convention of  $\Phi K \Psi$  there last April was submerged by the D. A. R. convention, and then both  $\Phi K \Psi$  and the D. A. R. were overwhelmed by the San Francisco earthquake.

The following paragraphs are clipped from the Washington papers to which they are credited:

PHI DELTA THETA CAPTURES THE CAPITAL CITY.

RAH! RAH! RAH!

PHI-KEI-A

PHI DELTA THETA!

RAH! RAH! RAH!

It rang out at the railroad stations, it was heard in the bedrooms of the hotel, and now and then one caught a glimpse of a middle-aged man muttering it brokenly to himself, so as to get it straight and show he had remembered it ever since he went to college. For the national convention of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, representing seventy institutions of learning and all sections of the United States and Canada, opened its sessions in the New Willard Hotel today at 10 a. m., with 300 of the band present. It is a convention for business, but this morning, save for the addresses of welcome and responses and the announcement of committees, the time was given over to greetings and reviews of old times.

There was "Hugh Thorax," no less a personage than the Hon. Hugh Th. Miller, lieutenant governor of Indiana. And many pointed with glee at the colossal figure of "Dick" Little, war correspondent for the *Chicago News*, who wears a red necktie and looks nearly seven feet tall. There was John Wolfe Lindley, of Fredricktown, Ohio, the only survivor of the faithful band, who fifty eight years ago founded the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. In fact on every side were figures notable in the history of the fraternity, beloved by their fraternity mates and known as successful men in the world.

Also there were the seventy delegates from the seventy chapters of the fraternity in the United States and Canada. These are all undergraduates, young enough to know that they will make a big success combining pleasure, yells, and business throughout the week that the convention will last. In the lobby of the hotel there was the atmosphere that is found only among Greek-letter fraternity men. Pretty much everybody seemed to know everybody else, and everybody was glad to introduce anybody to anybody else. The grip, the password and the meaning of the motto were reviewed and found to be as good and true as ever.

It was a glad day, with the same atmosphere up on the tenth floor, where the opening session was being held. It was called to order by President Frank J. R. Mitchell. As he rapped for order, a memorable scene was before him. The throng of delegates was accompanied by many ladies, their bright costumes, under the morning sunlight, making the room gay and attractive. One moment the big hall was echoing to Phi talk, the next all was stillness, and the convention was on.—*The Times*, Monday, November 26.

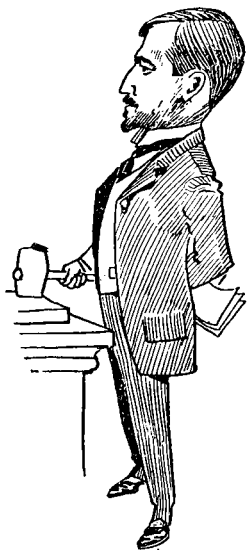
#### THE OPENING EXERCISES ON MONDAY MORNING.

The heads of 300 fraternity men bowed in reverence yesterday when John Wolfe Lindley, the only survivor of the six men who, more than half a century ago, founded the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, delivered the opening prayer at the beginning of the twenty-ninth biennial national convention of the body in the New Willard, and vouchsafed his blessings upon its present and future membership.

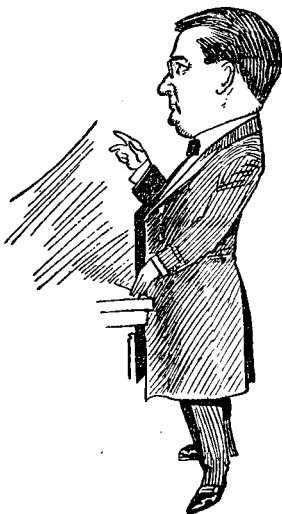
Standing before the large gathering of college men, "Father" Lindley, as he is called, stooped with the weight of years on his shoulders, his hair streaked with white, was given ovation after ovation. He was given the yell, the tiger, and nothing was too good for him. He was accompanied to Washington from their home in Fredericktown, Ohio, by his venerable wife, and during the opening exercise yesterday she, with the ladies accompanying the officers of the fraternity, occupied seats in a prominent part of the hall.—*The Post*, Tuesday, November 27.

Boys, young and old, hundreds of them from all parts of the country, began the national convention of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity yesterday at the New Willard Hotel. Almost 400 members are in attendance. Last

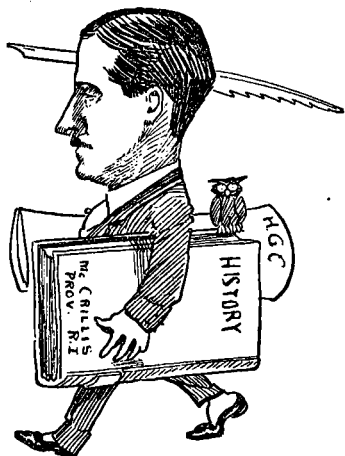




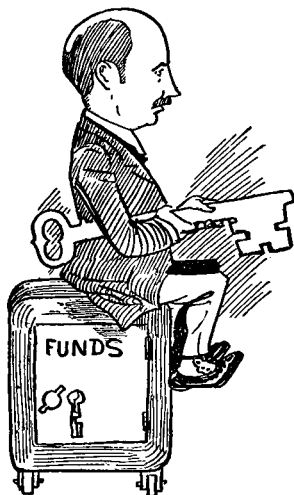
FRANK J. R. MITCHELL,  
resident of the General Council.



DR. GUY POTTER BENTON,  
President of Miami University.



ARTHUR M. MCCRILLIS,  
Historian of the General Council.



JOHN B. BALLOU,  
Treasurer of the General Council

CARTOONS FROM THE WASHINGTON HERALD.

evening the members of the fraternity visited the Library of Congress in a body.

For the last two days so many fraternity men have been at the New Willard that it has been rather hard to tell whether the hotel belongs to the society or whether the members belong to the hostelry. More members and delegates arrived yesterday, more will get here today, and by tomorrow every other man you meet on the street will wear a Phi Delta Theta pin.

Although the order is one organized altogether for social purposes, business sessions will be held each day during the week. Incidentally there will be a smoker, a theatre party, a banquet and several other diversions from routine business affairs, to give the members a chance to rest their weary minds.

The most widely known of all members here is John Wolfe Lindley, of Fredricktown, Ohio, one of the original founders of the fraternity and the oldest living Phi Delta man. Among the boys he is known only as Father Lindley. When the organization was founded fifty-eight years ago at Miami University, in Ohio, there were six men who took part in the proceedings.

Father Lindley is eighty years old, and lives on the farm at Fredricktown, where he was born. He has been connected with the Presbyterian church at Fredricktown for more than half a century. He has been a justice of the peace since 1868. He will take an active interest in the convention, and will remain until its close. He is accompanied by his wife and granddaughter, who are guests at the New Willard.

Perhaps the most widely known man in the order, the idol of the fraternity, is Richard Henry Little, of Chicago, the war correspondent, whose more familiar title is just plain "Dick" Little. Despite his name, Little is a big man, being more than six feet in height. He is the humorist of the association.

Mr. Little in addition to being a war correspondent, lecturer, humorist, globetrotter, cataloguer, raconteur, entertainer, humanitarian, philanthropist, general good fellow, Beau Brummel, and bon vivant, is also a philosopher. When he arrived in Washington on Sunday he had a several days' growth of beard on his face. He shaved yesterday, and his friends congratulated him.

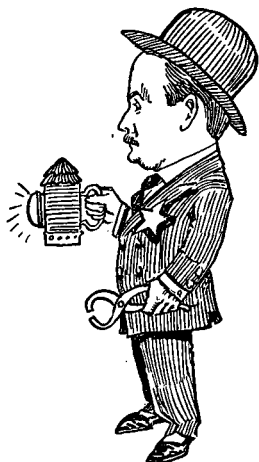
"It's a good idea to let your whiskers grow once in a while," said Mr. Little, "and when you eventually shave, your friends appreciate how good looking you are." However, it may be mentioned that Mr. Little is not looking for honor on account of good looks.

Among the eight newspaper men who signed a round-robin in the Philippines over seven years ago, at the time General Otis was advocating the censorship of all news sent out from the islands, were E. L. Keen, now manager of the Scripps-McRea Press Association in Washington, and Mr. Little. They met yesterday for the first time since 1899.

When Dick Little arrived at the New Willard his friends had evidently prepared for him. After registering the clerk handed him a key to room twenty-three. "Not much," replied Mr. Little, and he walked right in, turned around and walked right out again.—*The Herald*, Tuesday, November 27.

#### FAST AND FURIOUS FUN AT THE PHI SMOKER.

The Phi Delta Theta smoker was held last night. With a record-breaking crowd present, and the boys of the old school mixing with those of the new. Rauscher's Hall was packed to its capacity.



LEWIS E. A. DRUMMOND,  
President of Alpha Province.



CHARLES F. LANKIN,  
President of Zeta Province.



CHARLES A. WOODS,  
Delegate from Indianapolis Alumni Club



GEORGE M. ROMMEL,  
Chairman of Local Committee.

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College yells, songs and stunts too numerous to mention, prevailed throughout the evening, and news from the front at an early hour this morning was to the effect that the smoker was still in full blast.

It was really a smoker. To prove it was nothing else, each guest was handed a package of three cigars as he entered the hall of mirth. Hundreds of delegates who are attending the twenty-ninth biennial convention of the Phi Delta Theta in Washington took in the smoker.

When the entertainment was at its height and good cheer was flowing among the members like water, some one yelled "Speech." Taking advantage of the situation, Richard Henry Little, war correspondent, "etc.," of Chicago, climbed upon the balcony, not as Juliet, but as the fraternity idol, and announced that the delegates and members of the Washington alumni would give a dance Friday evening. "My agents will now pass among you, gentlemen," Mr. Little said, "and all those desiring to subscribe to the dance will be set back two plunks and one-half." There were cries of "More!" but Mr. Little had had his say and appeared before the audience no more.

As the clouds (tobacco smoke) cleared away, "Gen." Lee Fairchild, of New York, was introduced to the throng. His remarks were short and sweet, as he stated that he appreciated the fact that the boys were not there to listen to speeches. President Frank J. R. Mitchell was hoisted to a platform, but declined to talk for the same reason.

In addition to several professional entertainers who had been provided by the committee, there were several stunts by local men. Cartoons of men of national and fraternity fame were portrayed by C. K. Berryman. Father Lindley, one of the founders of the organization, had his likeness sketched from life. The cartoon will be framed and preserved for the fraternity. John Joy Edson, Jr., gave a recitation. . . . .

Hugh Th. Miller, one of the fraternity men, and lieutenant governor of Indiana, attended the affair, as did many of the other distinguished members of the order. . . . .

Miss Ethel Wilder, of Louisville, Ky., who is known as the daughter of the fraternity, arrived yesterday to attend the convention. She has several brothers who are Phi Delta Thetas. During the convention at Louisville she was prominent in a great many ways in assisting and arranging entertainments for the delegates and visitors and there earned the title. Miss Wilder always attends the conventions, no matter where they are held, and is a great favorite among the members young and old. Some time ago she designed a flag for the fraternity that always occupies a prominent place in the convention hall. It is known as the "Wilder Flag." . . . .

Edward Bok, editor of the *Ladies Home Journal*, was registered at the New Willard yesterday. A story was circulated that Mr. Bok was one of the members of the Phi Delta Theta. To get matters straightened out and to find if Mr. Bok was really a Phi Delta, a reporter hunted up Dick Little, the idol, and asked him the question. "Mr. Bok, a Phi?" exclaimed Mr. Little. "Well, hardly. This isn't a woman's convention."

One of the most enthusiastic "boys" who visited the Library of Congress on Monday evening was Father John Wolfe Lindley, of Ohio, the only living survivor of the six original founders of the Phi Delta Theta. While wandering through the immense building, Father Lindley accidentally met a relative whom he had not seen for many years. The two admired the magnificent building, and spent the evening conversing about old times in Ohio. The time passed so rapidly that neither realized the hour, and had a narrow escape from being locked up all night. Father Lindley was telling the other boys the joke yesterday, and appreciated it more than they did.

"It would have been an honor," he says, "to have slept in such a fine structure as the Library of Congress.

Several of the members of the fraternity are accompanied by their wives. Informal receptions are held about the hotel, and there is no lack of effort on the part of the majority of the delegates and visitors to entertain the feminine visitors. . . . .



Cartoon from the *Washington Herald*.  
HON. HUGH TH. MILLER, BUTLER, '88.  
Lieutenant-Governor of Indiana.

California is represented by three delegates, who have traveled across the continent to attend the convention. Victor Henderson and Louis Hickey are from the University of California, at Berkeley. Stanford's delegate is Noel Burge. The California boys are nick-named "the earthquake refugees." . . . .

Several stands where all sorts of fraternity stick pins and other jewelry, and such necessities are displayed, have been established on the tenth floor of the New Willard. Here one may get anything from a hatpin to a pocketbook, and each properly engraved with Greek letters.

"Gen." Lee Fairchild, of New York, is one of the well-known Phis attending the convention. He is called "General," because he was never in the war, and was never even a member of the militia. He is known as the wit of the fraternity, or at least as one of the wits. He also is a politician. He assisted in the opening of both the McKinley campaigns, with Thomas B. Reed, in 1896, and Senator Lodge, in 1900.—*The Herald*, Wednesday, November 28.

They sang rollicking songs of college days, they gave college yells and cheered themselves hoarse, they played pranks on one another, and danced in joyous glee at the smoker of the Phi Delta Theta Greek-letter fraternity at Rauscher's last night. There were 300 present, and they ranged in age from the youth in his teens, barely passed the period when he was "rushed" in college, to "Father" John Wolfe Lindley, who is the only survivor of the little band that founded the body, fifty-eight years ago in old Miami University, at Oxford, Ohio.

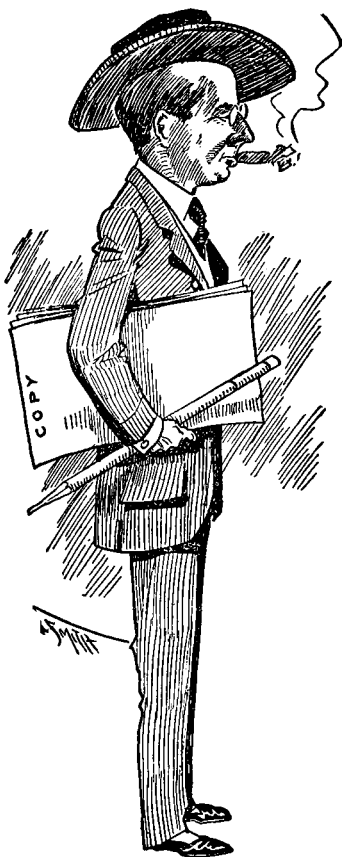
A programme had been arranged for the occasion, but it was forgotten. Everything and everybody ran riot, but it was the fraternal spirit. The "faithful" began to gather at 8 o'clock, and as they entered the hall they were greeted by strains of sweet music from the Marine Band. The walls were hung with the colors and emblems of the fraternity.

Each new arrival, as he entered was given the "rah, rah, rah!" and some who were not there were also honored. President Mitchell attempted to make a speech, but the sound of his voice was drowned, and he gave it up as useless. The Apollo quartet sang, and the chorus was taken up by the crowd. George O'Connor did a coon song stunt and was overwhelmed by the assistance he received. "Gen." Lee Fairchild, of New York, started an address but never finished it—there was too much noise. The cartoons of C. K. Berryman, of the *Post*, made a decided hit with the crowd, and as he drew on the paper the familiar features of President Roosevelt, Speaker Cannon, W. J. Bryan, and other statesmen, cheers were given for each. The picture of "Father" Lindley, drawn from life as he sat before the gathering, will be published in the next issue of THE SCROLL, the fraternity organ. A feature of the drawing was the transforming of the Greek characters Phi Delta Theta into a picture of President Roosevelt.—*The Post*, Wednesday, November 28.

#### ENTHUSIASTIC PHIS AT A FRATERNITY FEAST

Starting off with stunts which are characteristic of fraternal banquets only, President Frank J. R. Mitchell, who has raised a beard since being elected to office two years ago, was carried around the room, "Dick" Little heading the procession armed with a barber's pole. Others followed with razors and lather brushes. John B. Ballou, treasurer of the general council, who is bald, was presented with a wig of long, flowing hair. Wearing the artificial locks, he was carried to the stand occupied by the ladies. "Dick" Little, with the proper ceremonies, was presented with a dinkey little hat. To the tune of "Bill Bailey" Bailey, of Wisconsin, was carried about from place to place on the shoulders of the brothers from his own state.

The hit of the evening was "Dick" Little's speech. In a characteristic way he told story after story, all to the amusement of the banqueters. Continually he referred to the wives of the members, and paid them compli-



Cartoon from the *Washington Herald*.  
RICHARD HENRY LITTLE, ILLINOIS WESLEYAN, '95.

ments, one after the other. He recently asked one of them, he said, if she married her husband because he was a Phi Delt. "Why certainly," she replied. "Why else should I have married him?"

Alexander Pope, of Texas, spoke on "Phi Delta Theta in Texas." Mr. Pope is somewhat of a spellbinder, and talked to such an extent about his great state, its size and its people, that it occurred to some who were present that he might have been sent out by the Texas promotion committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. McCrillis, of Providence, R. I., always receive the congratulations of the boys at the conventions. It was while attending the fraternity convention four years ago that the two met, and they have been attending each of the meetings since. Mr. McCrillis is the historian of the general council.—*The Herald*, Friday, November 30.

After forcing their way through oyster cocktails, Potomac river bass, as far as fillet of beef Melba, the boys were apparently tired of eating, and gave themselves up to the more entertaining task of collecting autographs, for which two blank pages of the menu were provided. The autographs in greatest demand were those of Father and Mother Lindley.

It was not long after the opening of the banquet that the Phis joined in singing praise for the arduous labors of a Phi newspaper man, all in rhyme and full of Irish monosyllables. Naturally, the father of such lines was not allowed to pass unnoticed, and calls of "Shep!" "Sheppard!" "Shep to the front" were repeatedly made. But the modesty of the bard from the newspaper mill prevented him from responding with a speech. He was busy, anyhow, attending to the wants of the ladies and preparing the information for "the press," of which he was the whole committee and chairman of it, too.—*The Star*, Friday, November 30.

#### PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT RECEIVES THE PHIS.

The visit to the White House was a pleasant feature of the convention. The President shook the hand of every Phi, and made a brief speech, in which he said there was always a very friendly feeling on his part when Greek meets Greek. To "Father" Lindley, he offered congratulations, and hoped that he would be spared to attend many other conventions of the fraternity of which he was one of the founders. When the President shook hands with the newly elected president of the fraternity he said he was glad to meet a man by the name of DeWitt for then, he knew he had met a fellow-Dutchman.

During the closing hours of the convention, "Father" Lindley was presented with a gold-headed cane, which bore the inscription: "To Father Lindley, from His Boys in Phi Delta Theta at the Washington Convention, 1906." Mrs. Lindley, who accompanied her husband to Washington, and who has been present at all the social functions, was presented with a badge set with opals. Frank J. R. Mitchell, the retiring president, was given a gold watch by his brother Phis. Walter B. Palmer, who has attended every convention but one since 1880, which is the record for attendance, was given a badge with the date of each convention attended by him engraved on it.

The registration books yesterday showed that 340 delegates and visiting members were present during the convention. Of this number, 99 were delegates from chapters and alumni clubs.—*The Post*, Monday, December 2.

#### DARING EXPLOITS IN WAR OF RICHARD H. LITTLE.

Easily the "hero of heroes" among the dozen war correspondents who actually got to the front and did things in the Russian-Japanese conflict, and



who, by curious coincidence, have found themselves unexpectedly together in Washington, is Richard Henry Little, who is generally recognized as the idol of the Phi Delta Theta convention, that has been in session here during the week. Little, his colleagues all gladly testified, not only won more "glory" out of the work, dangers, and hardships in the Far East, but he actually had more experience and saw more of the fighting than any of his competitors, and was captured by both the Japanese and the Russians, barely escaping being shot by both.

Recently some of the correspondents who were at the front in that war came to Washington to do work at the capital, but during the past few days a number of others drifted in, each unknown to the other, till they met together in an informal reunion, it being the first time most of them had seen any of the others since they returned from the Far East.

Aside from "Dick" Little, there are Martin Eagan, who might be termed the dean of the bunch; Richard Barry, John Bass, W. H. Brill, Oscar King Davis, R. L. Dunn, Hector Fuller, J. F. J. Archibald and Stanley Washburn. In the clubs and hotel lobbies Little had been the central figure, he being the tallest, most picturesque, most daring, and funniest man of the lot, as all readily agree. Little put the state department in a fever of excitement by boldly running his dispatch boat, the *Fawan*, through the Japanese blockade off Neuchwang and into the harbor, barely escaping being shot, while his Japanese servants were executed as spies.

There were things doing, and Little knew it, but the Japanese held him in the rear of their fleet. To get through the line might mean his being blown to atoms almost any minute, they declared. Little made the Mia-tau islands his headquarters, and cruised about in despair for days trying to sneak into Port Arthur, Dalny, or some other point of excitement. Finally he slipped by the Japs and rushed into Neuchwang.

As he entered the harbor a Russian torpedo boat met the *Fawan*, threw a ball over her and dragged her in. Little had not counted upon how his two Japanese servants would be received, and the entire lot, Little, the ship's officers, and servants were arrested as spies.

Little had great difficulty for several days in saving his head, during which time he was unable to get into communication with Consul Miller. Finally he got word to the consul, who cabled to the state department, and during the correspondence the two Japs were shot. Little's turn was coming next, but Consul Miller and Secretary Hay effected his release just in time. He was blindfolded and escorted out of the city, and the torpedo boat saw that he got well to the Japanese fleet.

Little then went to Shanghai, left his boat, went overland to Manchuria and joined the Russian army. He was at the front in all the heavy fighting, and was captured by the Japanese at Mukden. He was sent out to Japan, and that ended his experiences in his second war. John Bass was with Little much of the time on the dispatch boat, they representing the *Chicago News*. Bass saw the Japanese fleet do some of its most telling work.

Little, as also most of the other correspondents now here, saw much of the fighting in the Philippines. He and Ed L. Keen manager of the Scripps McRae Press Association in this city, having been together with General Lawton and Major Logan when they were shot, and were in on the capture of Aguinaldo.—*The Times*, Sunday, December 2.

## THE SCROLL.

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*Illinois Wesleyan*, '95  
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## DELEGATES FROM COLLEGE CHAPTERS.

GEORGE EDWARD BELL, St. Thomas, Ont., *McGill*, '07  
 CHARLES JOHNSTON, Mildmay, Ont., *Toronto*, '07  
 JOHN TRACEY MATHEWS, Tenant's Harbor, Me., *Colby*, '08  
 EARLE LYTTON WATERMAN, Barre, Vt., *Vermont*, '07  
 ROBERT CARLYLE COCHRAN, Somerville, Mass., *Dartmouth*, '07  
 HEATH EDGAR WHITE, Charlottetown, P. E. I., *Amherst*, '08  
 ROBERT JOESBURY WEEKS, Riverhead, N. Y., *Williams*, '07  
 RAYMOND FRANK TIFT, Somerville, Mass., *Brown*, '07  
 WILLIAM JOHN DUGAN, Pueblo, Col., *Cornell*, '07  
 HOWARD ELMER BISHOP, Sayre, Pa., *Union*, '07  
 GEORGE NORRIS, Brooklyn, N. Y., *Columbia*, '07  
 HENRY MERRITT DEXTER, Newport, N. Y., *Syracuse*, '07

HARRY MOORE HIRST, Lansdowne, Pa.,	Lafayette, '08
PAUL SINGMASTER, Gettysburg, Pa.,	Gettysburg, '08
WAYNE STEVENSON RAMSEY, Coraopolis, Pa.,	Washington and Jefferson, '08
FRANK EVERHART STEWART, Williamsburg, Pa.,	Allegheny, '00
GEORGE PAUL BECK, Philadelphia, Pa.,	Dickinson, '08
CHARLES ELLIS GOODIN, Philadelphia, Pa.,	Pennsylvania, '08
EDGAR RAYMOND TREVERTON, Everett, Pa.,	Lehigh, '07
FRANK OCTAVE LEITZELL, Washington, D. C.,	Pennsylvania State, '07
CLEMENT CRAIG HETH, Radford, Va.,	Virginia, '07
WILLIAM LUDLOW CHENERY, Ashland, Va.,	Randolph-Macon, '07
GEORGE MCPHAIL MINETREE, Washington, D. C.,	Washington and Lee, '08
FREDERICK JACKSON COXE, Wadesboro, N. C.,	North Carolina, '98
GEORGE VEST TRIPLETT, JR., Owensboro, Ky.,	Central, '07
JAMES SAFFELL WATSON, Lexington, Ky.,	Kentucky State, '08
MORTON BOYTE HOWELL, Nashville, Tenn.,	Vanderbilt, '07
RICHARD BLAND MITCHELL, Springfield, Mo.,	Swanee, '04
ROI WELSCH RISINGER, Eaton, Ohio,	Miami, '08
HORACE WARREN WHITNEY, Mt. Gilead, Ohio,	Ohio Wesleyan, '07
DON CARLOS COULTRAP, Athens, Ohio,	Ohio, '08
CHARLES WOODIN BRET LAND, Troy, Ohio,	Ohio State, '08
EDWIN KENT BACON, Oberlin, Ohio,	Case, '07
CHARLES ALBERT SCHROETTER, Covington, Ky.,	Cincinnati, '07
RAY PHELPS HOOVER, Chicago, Ill.,	Michigan, '08
CARL FRANK ZENSMEISTER, New Albany, Ind.,	Indiana, '08
MARION SPITLER LEAMING, Goshen, Ind.,	Wabash, '07
FRANK BYMER DAVENPORT, Irvington, Ind.,	Butler, '09
EARLE WILLIS CRECRAFT, Franklin, Ind.,	Franklin, '07
DEWITT CLINTON REYNOLDS, Albany, Texas,	Hanover, '09
WILL PASCOE EVANS, Greencastle, Ind.,	DePauw, '07
CHARLES ADAMS BIRD, Wilmington, Del.,	Purdue, '08
ELMER SANFORD ALBRITTON, Dallas, Texas,	Northwestern, '07
AUBURN RAY NOWELS, Lamar, Col.,	Chicago, '06
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Six previous editions of the catalogue of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  have been issued, in the years 1860, 1870, 1872, 1878, 1883 and 1894. From April, 1894, when the sixth edition was printed, to November, 1906, when the seventh edition was printed, twelve years and seven months elapsed, a longer time than intervened between any other two editions, and a longer time than intervened between December 1848, when the fraternity was founded, and June, 1860, when founder Robert Morrison issued the first edition.

The fraternity has sorely needed a new catalogue. Fraternity work could not be properly carried on without it. From 1894 to 1906  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  doubled its membership. Eleven chapters were established after the 1894 edition went to press (it was in press from January, 1891, to April, 1894)—Purdue, Illinois, Case, Cincinnati, Washington State, Kentucky State, McGill, Colorado, Georgia Tech., Pennsylvania State and Toronto—South Dakota, chartered by the Washington convention, not being counted. These eleven new chapters and over 7,000 new members were, of course, especially anxious to be enrolled in a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  catalogue.

From 1898 to 1906 there were six editors of the catalogue, but, from one cause or another, they failed to get the material ready for a new edition. The case seemed almost desperate when, early in 1906, Bro. Mitchell volunteered to take up the work and to bring out a new edition before the meeting of the convention at Washington in November. His offer was accepted, and the general council authorized him to proceed. Only a few knew of this appointment, but those who did know of it were confident that he would succeed in his undertaking. He has in his fraternity work shown such intelligent and practical ideas, and such indomitable energy, that no one who knew of his self imposed task doubted for a

moment that he would succeed. He has succeeded most wonderfully well, and the fraternity is under everlasting obligations to him for taking up what may truly be called a herculean and thankless task, and tenaciously sticking to it until it was completed. The amount of work which he did during the eight months of preparing the book and seeing it through the press was simply enormous, and really can not be realized by any one who has not had a like experience. To use a trite expression, Bro. Mitchell pulled the catalogue out of a hole, and a deep hole at that. How he found the time and patience for this labor, in addition to his arduous duties as president of the general council, is something very hard to understand. The following is quoted from an introductory note signed by Bro. John H. DeWitt, R. G. C.:

In March, 1906, the General Council appointed Frank J. R. Mitchell, P. G. C., to have charge of printing the book. He decided to perfect the chapter rolls as much as would be possible without delaying the publication later than the national convention appointed to be held in Washington, D. C., in November, 1906. For this purpose, he utilized data which he had secured in perfecting the alumni rolls that had appeared in the annual circular letters of chapters in 1905 and 1906, and he obtained further information from a large number of alumni. Where information could not be obtained directly from individual members, their classmates and chapter mates were besought to furnish data about them. Finally, proof showing data concerning himself was sent to every living member of the fraternity at his last known address, with a request that errors be corrected.

The result has been that the chapter rolls have been materially corrected, and this book is the result of patient, persistent work done in a comparatively short time.

To meet the demand for a condensed and inexpensive catalogue so that editions of the book may be more frequent hereafter than they have been heretofore, this edition is much reduced in scope, as compared with the last two editions. The membership is now so large, and is growing so rapidly, that the fraternity cannot well afford to continue the practice of issuing catalogues with biographical data approaching in fullness the ordinary biographical dictionaries. Hence in this edition all except the most important data have been discarded; the college notes, fraternity notes and the table of consanguinity have been omitted, as also the symbols and the Greek letters indicating secret matters. Only the essential features of a college fraternity catalogue have been retained.

The principal objects in view have been to furnish the full names and the correct addresses and occupations of all members. It is realized that in these respects this edition of the catalogue lacks much of being perfect, but a greater degree of accuracy could not be obtained without delaying the publication. As the fraternity has for years been greatly in need of a new catalogue, it was believed that further delay would not be justified, even to obtain more accuracy in regard to the addresses and occupations of some of the members. Most of the information presented in this edition was collected within the last few months, but many addresses would be changed in the time that would be required to ascertain the addresses of the comparatively few members whose locations are unknown or are uncertain.

In the last edition, the rolls were arranged in the order of the establishment of chapters. To make reference to the book more convenient, the rolls in this edition are arranged alphabetically by the titles of chapters.

It is believed that an edition of the catalogue of the fraternity should appear at least every four years. It is hoped that all members who may notice errors or omissions in this book will furnish corrections, to be used in compiling a new edition. Such corrections may be sent to Frank J. R. Mitchell, 100 Washington street, Chicago, Ill.

The edition of 1883, of which the writer was one of the editors, contains elaborate biographical data, and so does the edition of 1894. It would be very well to have such elaborate data if the membership of the fraternity were not over 10,000 and were stationary. But  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  now has 15,000 members and is increasing at the rate of 600 a year. The writer contributed to THE SCROLL of April, 1898, an article entitled "A Practicable Fraternity Catalogue," advocating, on account of the labor and expense involved, a very condensed form of such a book. Since then he has repeatedly urged in THE SCROLL that the biographical data in the catalogue should be confined to essential facts—full name, chapter, class, degrees, occupation, address—and that no other matters be mentioned unless of great importance. He is glad to see that the new edition is based upon this plan. The preface of the editor is as follows:

In presenting this, the seventh edition of the catalogue of Phi Delta Theta, I desire to make certain explanations regarding the plan of the book.

The chapter rolls are arranged according to their titles alphabetically by states. The members of each chapter are arranged in almost all cases under the years in which they were graduated or would have been graduated had they completed their courses.

In a few cases, Tennessee Beta for example, the members are marshalled under the years of their initiation. Again the members are arranged alphabetically under the different years, with the single exception of Tennessee Beta, whose members are arranged throughout in the order of initiation. The names of members known to be dead are preceded by the asterisk (\*), while the dagger (†) precedes the names of members who were connected with active chapters during the collegiate year 1905-6.

In the chapter rolls names in full are given except in cases where members have requested that their own names be inserted otherwise, and in a few instances in which full names have not been ascertained. Affiliates are enrolled in each chapter to which they have belonged. As the last catalogue enrolled affiliates only in their final chapter, it has been difficult in many cases to find the other chapters to which affiliates have belonged. An effort has been made to include degrees of members, but the list is incomplete. The profession or occupation of each member is given and in large cities, both business address and residence are shown.

Under the residence directory the states and territories of the United States are arranged alphabetically, being followed by foreign countries, also arranged alphabetically. The cities under each state, territory or foreign country are in their turn alphabetically arranged, while in each city, the names of members are arranged in alphabetical order.

In the residence directory members whose business is in one city and residence in another are listed in both cities, consequently the total number of names in the residence index will be found to exceed the number of our living members. The final division of the book is the alphabetical index of all names in the catalogue.

The present catalogue is supposed to contain the name of every member initiated prior to the end of the college year 1905-06. The advisability of including the members initiated in the fall of 1906 was considered, but it was found impossible to do so without too great delay. It will be possible to include the initiates of the present year in the latter part of the present edition by adding an appendix.

The membership of the fraternity, as shown by this edition of the catalogue, is 14,525 of whom 13,201 are living and 1,324 are dead. The number initiated since last commencement time approximates 500. The total membership would, therefore, appear to be in excess of 15,000. However, a number of affiliates are counted more than once, so that the actual number of members is probably about 14,500.

In closing the arduous task of editing and publishing the catalogue of Phi Delta Theta, I wish to thank all those who have so generously and so nobly assisted. Their names are too many to be enumerated here, but I beg to assure all who have contributed to the production of the catalogue that their services have been appreciated. Even the man who wrote a postal card to correct a single letter in the spelling of a name has contributed to the accuracy of this catalogue.

FRANK J. R. MITCHELL, P. G. C.,

Chicago, November, 1906.

*Northwestern*, '96.

Of the 725 pages in the book, 428 are devoted to chapter rolls, 126 pages to the residence directory, and 127 pages to the alphabetical index. The arrangement of the chapter rolls according to the titles of chapters—that is with Alabama Alpha first and Wisconsin Beta last—is a wonderful convenience, and is a great improvement over the arrangement of chapters according to the time of their establishment, as in previous editions. The reference to any individual's record is thus greatly facilitated. The chapter rolls in the book containing the annual circular letters of chapters printed in 1905 and 1906 were arranged in the same manner, and the chapter rolls in the catalogue were printed from the same plates as the chapter rolls in the book containing the circular letters for 1906, the publication of which book was, on this account, delayed until it could be issued simultaneously with the catalogue.

In addition to the preface and introductory note, the forty-four preliminary pages contain the following features copied from "The History of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity:" A list of chapters, with places and dates of establishment; a list of alumni clubs, with places and dates of establishment; a list of conventions and general officers from 1848 to 1906; an index of general officers, and a list of prominent members of the fraternity.

The table contained in the history giving the membership as shown by the first six editions of the catalogue is reproduced, with the figures giving the membership of chapters as shown by the seventh edition. The total number of members enrolled in the 1860 edition was 292; in the 1870 edition, 556; in the 1872 edition, 923; in the 1878 edition, 1,929; in the 1883 edition, 3,460; in the 1894 edition, 7,286; in the 1906 edition, 14,525. The 1906 edition shows that 29 chapters have 200 or more members, as follows:

Indiana.....	399	Wisconsin.....	275	Virginia.....	251
Central.....	380	Alabama.....	271	Lafayette.....	237
Vanderbilt.....	333	Butler.....	265	Pennsylvania.....	230
Georgia.....	327	Miami.....	264	Mississippi.....	230
Emory.....	324	DePauw.....	260	Vermont.....	224
Wabash.....	316	Lombard.....	258	Knox.....	226
Auburn.....	302	Cornell.....	257	Iowa Wesleyan.....	216
Mercer.....	295	Ohio Wesleyan.....	256	Michigan.....	212
Missouri.....	288	Dartmouth.....	255	Iowa.....	208
Franklin.....	280			Syracuse.....	204

The preliminary pages also contain elaborate statistical tables, to compile which undoubtedly involved a great amount of painstaking labor. The tables show the membership of the fraternity by states and foreign countries, and also show the cities in each of which ten or more members of the fraternity reside, which details were summarized from the residence directory. The number of members living in each of the states and territories is given as follows:

Illinois.....	1046	New Jersey.....	175	Oregon.....	49
Indiana.....	1004	Wisconsin.....	174	Oklahoma.....	48
New York.....	1004	Minnesota.....	172	Indian Territory..	42
Pennsylvania.....	942	Colorado.....	171	Montana.....	34
Ohio.....	814	Washington.....	169	Utah.....	33
Georgia.....	773	District of Columbia	166	Arizona.....	29
Missouri.....	551	Nebraska.....	157	North Dakota....	28
Alabama.....	528	Louisiana.....	151	South Dakota....	25
Texas.....	457	Maine.....	122	Delaware.....	21
Kentucky.....	441	Vermont.....	118	Idaho.....	17
California.....	416	North Carolina....	113	Philippine Islands	15
Massachusetts....	376	West Virginia.....	102	Nevada.....	12
Iowa.....	339	Maryland.....	97	New Mexico.....	10
Virginia.....	259	South Carolina....	91	Wyoming.....	7
Michigan.....	249	Florida.....	80	Alaska.....	7
Tennessee.....	242	New Hampshire....	61	Porto Rico.....	4
Kansas.....	208	Connecticut.....	61	Canal Zone.....	3
Mississippi.....	205	Arkansas.....	59	Hawaii.....	3
		Rhode Island.....	50		

In foreign countries 195 members live, 70 in Canada, 26 in Mexico, 19 in China, 17 in Japan, 15 in England, 7 in Germany, 7 in Cuba, 5 in India, 3 in Korea, 3 in Turkey, 3

in Transvaal, 2 in France, 2 in Bulgaria, and one in each of several other countries. The following cities in which 40 or more members reside are taken from the list showing cities in which ten or more members reside:

New York.....511	Birmingham..... 90	Richmond..... 55
Chicago.....426	Columbus..... 90	Dallas..... 53
Indianapolis.....211	Minneapolis..... 86	Detroit..... 51
Philadelphia.....211	Nashville..... 85	Galesburg..... 49
St. Louis.....188	Macon..... 85	Baltimore..... 46
Washington.....166	Los Angeles..... 82	Memphis..... 45
Atlanta.....154	San Francisco..... 81	Milwaukee..... 45
Pittsburg.....135	Seattle..... 80	Mobile..... 43
Cleveland.....116	Boston..... 75	Syracuse..... 43
Kansas City.....106	Franklin..... 74	Omaha..... 42
Louisville.....100	Denver..... 73	Danville..... 41
Cincinnati..... 95	Montgomery..... 67	Lexington..... 41
New Orleans..... 92		Savannah..... 41

In addition to the 135 at Pittsburgh, there are 12 at Allegany, making 147 in the Pennsylvania twin cities. In addition to the 86 at Minneapolis, there are 24 at St. Paul, making 110 in the Minnesota twin cities. The figures for New York City do not include some members living at Flatbush, Flushing and some other towns which are really within the limits of Greater New York. It may be noted that 11 members live in each of three foreign cities: London (and vicinity), Mexico City and Tokio.

The new catalogue can be used most advantageously in many ways—in checking up and verifying the lists of alumni printed in annual chapter letters, in checking up and verifying the lists of alumni in the various cities, and in tracing the addresses of members whose whereabouts are unknown. On examining the residence directory the officers of alumni clubs will doubtless find many members living in their localities whom they did not know of before, and the book should be put to this use immediately, in order that the alumni may be brought in close touch with the fraternity and that the alumni clubs may be strengthened.

As shown by the preface, the new catalogue is brought right up-to-date. It is supposed to contain the names of all members initiated up to the end of the collegiate year 1905-6. The initiates during the fall of 1906 could not be included without delaying the book. Even then it was all the editor, the printer and the binder could do to get the book ready for the convention, which began at Washington, on Monday, November 26. On Thursday and all Thursday night preceding that date, the presses were running on the catalogue,

the press work being done in Evanston. On Friday the sheets were sent to the bindery in Chicago. On Saturday noon the first 100 copies were finished and started for the Big Four railroad station in an express wagon, but Bro. Mitchell, fearing that the horse would be too slow, had the books transferred to a cab, in which he drove at high speed for the station, reaching it barely in time to catch the convention train for Washington. It was close work.

Bro. Mitchell never had any previous experience in catalogue making, but he understood the work and produced results, which was what the fraternity wanted. He made good his promise to issue a catalogue by the time of the meeting of the convention. It is a thoroughly practical catalogue; its sensible, methodical arrangement will commend it to all who examine it. It is handy in size, and could not be improved upon for convenience of reference. It is a credit to its editor, and of immense value to the fraternity. It certainly fills a long felt want. Future editions will doubtless conform to its plan. The price of the book, carriage charges prepaid, is \$2.25. Orders may be addressed to Bro. J. B. Ballou, T. G. C., Coshocton, Ohio.

WALTER B. PALMER.

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#### PAN-HELLENISM IN PANAMA.

The most gigantic undertaking ever inaugurated by man—the construction of the canal across the Isthmus of Panama—is now well under way. It has remained for the United States to attack this stupendous proposition in earnest.

Young men from the States have been attracted here by fair salaries and the spirit of adventure. Among the employees filling responsible positions is a sprinkling of college men and the Greek-letter man indeed has some representation. The idea of organizing was often favorably discussed when two or more Greeks happened to meet, but it was not until Dec. 15th that an actual effort was made to “get together.” On that evening, pursuant to a centralized movement of fraternity men at Culebra, who had issued a call, about 20 Greeks, representing 12 fraternities, met in the parlors of the University Club at Panama and voted a “stag banquet” to take place on the evening of December 29th. At the initial meeting those present seemed enthused with the idea of organizing and a committee was appointed to draft a constitution, by-laws, etc. So, in short, the banquet took place, the table being set for 30 plates, and a number of Greeks partook. A reso-

lution was unanimously adopted by those present sympathizing with the absentees, for that feed was surely sumptuous and filled a vacancy—a vacancy that with most of us, I am obliged to admit, has been just a little shy on good food products for a period dating from the time we departed from those dear old States. After each fellow had succeeded in gratifyingly tucking a Sunday school drink or two under his belt we proceeded to organize. This new institution of the Isthmus was christened "The Pan-Hellenic Society of the Canal Zone." The object, primarily, is the promotion of social intercourse among its members. Membership is restricted to members in good standing of such Greek-letter fraternities as are classified in "Baird's Manual" and of such professional frat. men as the society may decide to admit. Some kind of an insignia will be adopted soon. The following officers to hold for one year were elected: President, C. L. Bryan, K A; vice-president, L. M. Huntington, A T Ω; secretary, Walter Emery, Φ Γ Δ; treasurer, Dr. W. M. James, K A; governing board, Dr. Whitaker, Δ T Δ; Dr. Ridley, N Σ N (died Jan. 6th); R. H. Adams, Δ Φ; A. B. Caruthers, Φ Δ Θ, and E. K. Wilson, Σ X. Other than those elected officers present at the organization of the pan-hellenic were the following: Southern, K A, C. L. Parker, J. B. Huff, J. D. Davis, R. D. Coulter; Σ X, J. A. LePrince, Dr. Brayton; A T Ω, F. E. Porter, A. L. Bell; Δ T Δ, F. P. Machler, J. D. Causey; B Θ Π, H. C. Halleck; Φ Γ Δ, H. G. Butler; Σ A E, David Shannon; Θ Δ X, W. L. G. Perry; Θ Δ X, P. M. Arango; Φ Σ K, Dr. Higgins; T I Σ, W. L. G. Perry; Σ N, Dr. Walter Brem; X Ψ, Robert Coleman; X Φ, Arthur Richards.

The pan-hellenic, we hope, will be a strong and useful society and fraternity men coming to the Isthmus are earnestly invited and requested to get in touch with the society.

ALBERT B. CARUTHERS, *Westminster*, '01.

Administration Building, Culebra, C. Z. January 23, 1907.

#### PHIS AT THE SYRACUSE TEACHER'S CONVENTION.

Wherever college men are assembled you must expect to find Phis.

"Am I r-right"

"You're r-right"

"You're r-right I'm r-right, I'm always r-right."

(Apologies to Dick Little and Brennan of the nineteenth ward).



This was no exception to the rule. At the meeting of the Academic Principals, of New York, at Syracuse, December 26-28, the Phis were much in evidence. On the evening of the 27th, while many of the teachers were attending college reunions, Φ Δ Θ gathered at "The Hub" and passed a social and festive hour.

After all, the undergraduate learns but half of the value of fraternity life. He must wait for the thirty-third degree until he is out in the world and finds the joy of clasping hands with a stranger, who proves to be a brother. The following enjoyed this experience at Syracuse:

D. B. Murray, '88; M. R. Sanford, '88; V. E. Gilpatrick, '91; T. S. Bell, '92; O. W. Wood, '92; E. C. Ryan, '92; G. H. Baskerville, '95; M. C. Smith, '00; H. O. Hutchinson, '01; W. D. Lisdale, '01; C. F. Walter, '02; F. M. Edson, '03; F. W. Whitney, '06, all of New York Epsilon; C. W. Blessing, '86; E. S. Harris, '86; and J. E. Healey, '03, of New York Beta; E. E. Smith, '89, and O'Donnell, '03, of Massachusetts Beta; and R. A. Metcalf, '86, and W. W. Drew, '02, of Maine Alpha.

W. W. DREW, *Colby*, '02.

"A History of Higher Education in America," by Charles F. Thwing, LL.D., has been published by D. Appleton & Co., New York; price \$3.

The Georgia School of Technology is growing every day. The campus has been extended, and a beautiful, new library building is rapidly growing up.—Tech. correspondence *K A Journal*.

Joseph Medill Patterson, the young millionaire socialist, has enrolled as a student in the short course in agriculture at the University of Wisconsin, preliminary to becoming a practical farmer on a tract he has purchased near Chicago. He was graduated at Yale a few years ago. In a recent interview he said. "The control of Yale life by the sons of the wealthy is much the same as the larger corporations dominate in civic affairs. This class discrimination aroused my sentiment toward wealth and modern conditions, and gave me my start toward conversion to socialism." Mr. Patterson is the second young millionaire to register at the Wisconsin College of Agriculture. Last year Fred Pabst was a student in horse breeding. He resigned his management of the great breweries which bear his name and has taken up the raising of horses on a ranch of several thousands of acres in North Dakota.

## EDITORIAL.

HAVING carefully read the proof of the proceedings of the Washington convention, we have been impressed with the fact that much valuable legislation was enacted, only a part of which may be properly mentioned in THE SCROLL. We have also been forcibly struck with the excellence of the committee reports, and we are of the opinion that the committee work was better performed than at any previous convention. We earnestly advise a careful reading of the proceedings of the convention and the reports of the general officers which constitute *The Palladium* for January. We urge that each chapter devote several meetings to the reading and discussion of the proceedings and the recommendations of the officers. If this is done the members will become far more intelligent as to the progress the fraternity is making, and much more familiar with the laws of the fraternity governing the relations of the individual member and the chapter with the fraternity as a whole.

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THE Washington Convention added one more chapter to our roll by granting a charter to the Tridentia Society of the University of South Dakota. During the six years in which the petition has been before the fraternity, the petitioners have demonstrated that they are made of the material which goes to make up a first-class chapter of Phi Delta Theta. It is not often that a petitioning society establishes itself in a house of its own before obtaining national affiliation. Tridentia, having acquired a twelve thousand dollar chapter house, showed that it was fully alive to the requirements of a first-class chapter. South Dakota Alpha begins her career in flourishing condition and we welcome our youngest chapter.

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"IN What Ways Phi Delta Theta is Making Advancement." This is the topic which the general council announces for consideration on Alumni Day, March 15. This subject

should lead to an interesting and patriotic discussion in every chapter and alumni club. We trust that the occasion will be much more widely observed than in any former year. With seventy-one chapters and seventy-five alumni clubs, there should be a great many meetings in all parts of the country, stimulating and inspiring to the fraternity. It should be borne in mind that the object is not to have a big dinner, but a big attendance and a good time. We think that it would be more economical and in other ways equally or perhaps more desirable to have the dinner at some good hotel, instead of a specially prepared course dinner. Our idea is to have the regular *table d' hote* dinner served on the evening of March 15, but in the ordinary or a private dining room, reserved for Phis only. We also suggest that about two printed notices be issued prior to that date to all members in the city and vicinity, and that on March 14 the committee in charge telephone every member, reminding him of the dinner engagement. We realize that the telephone part of this programme is hardly practicable in a city where there are a hundred or more members, but we are confident that it will considerably increase the attendance. We have one further suggestion, which is that no Phi shall call this annual event "Founders' Day." It is Alumni Day and always has been since it was established in 1889. Phi Delta Theta was the first fraternity to establish such a celebration, but other fraternities have imitated it, using the term "Founders' Day." Try to learn the phraseology of your fraternity and always use it.

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FOR the first time since THE SCROLL was established it carries an advertisement of a complete line of Phi Delta Theta publications—the catalogue, history, song book, year book and two fraternity magazines. We are rather proud to present this complete list of publications, all of which are in stock and may be obtained at very low prices. Every member who desires to keep in touch with the fraternity should have these publications in his library. Certainly no chapter

can afford not to possess all of them. The members need to refer to them all during the year, and they will be found to be of invaluable aid during the rushing season. When there is close competition for new men their choice of Phi Delta Theta may be influenced by these publications, which so well show the standing and strength of the fraternity.

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THE last edition of the song book was printed in 1902. Before many years it will be desirable to print a new edition, but meanwhile many new songs should be written and published in THE SCROLL, so that they may be easily accessible when the sixth edition of the song book is demanded. For years THE SCROLL has appealed to its readers to furnish it with songs, but the results have been disappointing. However, it is gratifying to note that the December SCROLL contains a very good song and a poem from which a song may be extracted. We hope that THE SCROLL will be favored with many lyrical productions that will be worth printing, and indeed good enough to be reproduced and preserved in future editions of the song book. We will not suggest what fraternity themes shall be adopted by poetical contributors but leave that to their own invention and sense of propriety. We do suggest, however, that in writing new songs to the measure of familiar airs, other airs than those now utilized in the song book be selected, so as to give a greater variety to our fraternity hymnology. If the songs are accompanied with original music we shall be glad to print that also in THE SCROLL.

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The New York *Tribune* said the other day. "Of all the College dailies, the Cornell *Sun* most resembles a real newspaper." Prof. William Lyon Phelps, of the department of English Literature in Yale seconds this with the assertion that "the Cornell *Sun* is the best college daily in America." The *Sun* is the largest daily college paper, the only eight-page paper, in the country, and, with one exception, it is the only paper that furnishes a brief summary of the world's current events.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

## CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

## QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

A short time ago we were very sorry to learn that McGill will soon lose one of her most prominent men, Prof. Ernest Rutherford who is leaving at the end of the year to take up work in Manchester, Eng. On January 8, occurred the death of Rev. D. Coussirat, professor of Hebrew and Oriental literature at McGill. Considerable progress is being made by the McGill University College of British Columbia. Recently chairs have been endowed in chemistry, mining and civil engineering. This college promises to take an important part in the work of McGill.

The intercollegiate football season ended very favorably for McGill. Our senior team won the championship, winning five games out of six. In the play-off with the Hamilton team for the Dominion championship, however, we were defeated. The intermediate championship was won by R. M. C. Our hockey prospects are not so promising. The senior team was defeated in Toronto 13-5 in the first game, and the second team also lost the first game. Bro. O. W. Reid represents the chapter on the second team. A swimming club has recently been formed in connection with the college.

Before this letter appears in print, we expect to initiate at least four men. We have recently enjoyed visits from Bro. Burkhart, Cornell, Bro. Housser, McGill, '06, Cornell, '07, and Bros. Stovel, '03, McIntosh, '03, Emerson, '06, and Hibbard, '06.

GEO. E. BELL.

Montreal, January 14, 1907.

## ONTARIO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.

The chapter is once more back and gradually settling down for the final term's work. At present all the members are hockey enthusiasts, as we are taking full advantage of the college rink which is situated in the athletic field, directly behind our house.

Bro. D. A. L. Graham, M. D., '05, has just been appointed resident pathologist in the Toronto general hospital.

Bro. C. W. Hookway, who was taken seriously ill last fall, has entirely recovered, but he has retired from the active chapter to take a position as sales agent for Canadian Westinghouse Co., in Montreal.

Bros. Johnson, Cooke, Marshall and C. L. Acton attended the Washington convention and report having spent a most enjoyable and profitable week.

We take great pleasure in presenting to the fraternity the following charter members: Bros. W. G. Swan, B. A. Sc., '06, of Shawbridge, Quebec; R. L. Harrison, '06, of Cap Santé, Quebec; E. A. Henry, ex-'06, of Kincardine, Ont., and F. H. Chesnut, '08, of Toronto, Ont. We are also pleased to introduce the following initiates: Bros. W. A. Wilson, '09, of Ottawa, Ont.; H. L. Conn, '10, of Ottawa, Ont., and W. W. Hume, '10, of Green Bay, Wis. We have now an active chapter of twenty-four with one pledge, and as the rushing season is over we feel with a great deal of pride that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has initiated nine of the best freshmen in the university.

Bro. L. T. Acton has been elected manager of the track team for next year. Bro. Burroughs is on the Arts dinner committee.

We reviewed the first part of the football season in our last letter to THE SCROLL; the latter part of the season was a great disappointment and McGill won the intercollegiate championship.

Hockey is absorbing the interest of the university at present. The first game of the season was played here last Friday night. Toronto won from McGill in whirlwind fashion by a score of 14-5 and we trust that there will not be a repetition of the football season.

The chapter enjoyed a short visit from Bro. C. B. English, M. E., Cornell, '01, during the fall term. The out of town members were pleased to learn of the visit of Bros. Burkhart, Simpson, and Housser, of Cornell, in the holidays, and regret that they were deprived of the pleasure this visit would have afforded.

HARRY S. SPRAGUE.

Toronto, January 14, 1907.

#### MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

With us the winter term has just opened, and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  starts in the new term and a new year with a resolution to make long strides towards a new chapter house before the year ends. The movement which at present interests every Phi in Colby is one which a committee of the trustees and faculty are formulating to offer inducement to fraternities who will build chapter houses on the college campus. The subject is still under discussion and the results will not be published for a few weeks at least.

Two new courses have been added this winter. One in mechanical drawing which has already met with much favor among the students, and the other in debating open to all men of the college.

The musical clubs have begun work in earnest and thus far have been very successful.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is well represented on the college glee club by Bros. Keyes, '08, A. C. Thompson, '08, Shaw, '09, Lovett, '09, Cary, '10, and Matthews, '09.

A new feature of the glee club concerts this year are selections by the college orchestra, and here again  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented by Bros. Allen, '09, leader and 1st violin, Cary, '10, 2nd violin, Becker, '09, trombone, and Peterson, '07, cornet. Within a few weeks the college band starts its regular practice and concerts under the efficient leadership of Bro. Becker, '09.

At present writing the college dramatic club is hard at work on the play "Landy the Halfback" which it is to present this winter. Two of the most important parts are taken by Bros. A. C. Thompson, '08, and Kimball, '09.

Basketball will be the chief athletic activity at Colby this winter and the outlook for a winning team is good. Bro. Tilton, '07, is manager of the team and also plays a strong game at guard on the 'varsity five.

Bros. Matthews, delegate, and Mixer, alternate, to the national convention reported at length on the business of the convention, and loudly praised the hospitality of the Washington Phis.

Maine Alpha wishes all the chapters a prosperous year.

Waterville, January 12, 1907.

A. L. COTTON.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

Our football season was unsuccessful in comparison with last year's series of victories. A week after our defeat at Princeton, we were encouraged by our victory over Amherst by the score of 4 to 0. Almost the entire student body journeyed to Boston one week later and witnessed our game with Harvard, where we again suffered defeat by the score of 22 to 9. The final game of the season was played at Manchester with Brown the next week, the result being favorable to the team from Providence by the score of 23 to 0.

The next week was Convention week at Washington. New Hampshire Alpha sent a delegation down to the national capital, being represented by

Bros. Paul, '06, Cochrane, Kennedy, Lewis and Graff. They reported the proceedings of the convention.

The Christmas vacation, which followed shortly afterwards, extended from December 20 to January 3, inclusive.

The new year marks the introduction of a new field of sport at Dartmouth, as she has become a member of the Intercollegiate Hockey League. Already, she has proved herself a worthy rival by defeating Yale and Columbia.

The basket-ball five although practically a new team having lost four of our veterans by graduation, has had phenomenal success so far, defeating every opposing team, including Wesleyan, Williams, Pennsylvania and Brown.

Pres. Tucker started on his annual western trip on the 15th.

At present we are in the midst of the mid year examinations.

"Chinning season," according to the new agreement, will begin March 17th.

H. M. JUDSON.

Hanover, February 3, 1907.

#### VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The medical department of the university opened December 18, with an enrollment of 48 freshmen and a total of 161 students. College closed December 21, for the Christmas recess and reopened January 4. The cotillion club gave its first dance Friday evening, January 11, and the annual sophomore hop was held January 18. At present there is the usual lull in college activities preceding the midyear examinations which begin January 28.

The basketball season thus far has been very successful. Vermont has won from New Hampshire State, 28-3; Massachusetts Agricultural College, 14-10, and McGill University, 16-14. Vermont Alpha is represented on the team by Welch, '10, and Manager Appleton, '07. Vermont is to compete in a dual, two-mile relay race with the University of Maine at the annual indoor meet of the New England Intercollegiate Track Association which is to be held in Boston on February 16th. Bro. White, '10, is a promising candidate for the team.

The chapter gave a dance December 14 in Masonic Temple. The initiation banquet was held at Dorn's on Tuesday evening, November 11. Bro. Howe, '98, of Essex Junction, was toastmaster. Bro. Lake, '07, represented Quebec Alpha. Bro. Guptil, '08, has left college to accept a position with a large business firm in San Francisco. Bros. Waterman, '07, and Shanley, '07, attended the national convention, the former being delegate.

Burlington, January 20, 1907.

CHAS. A. SMITH.

#### MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Inasmuch as the Williams basketball season did not open until Jan. 5, the college passed through a period of comparative inactivity after the close of the football season. The only intercollegiate interest which occupied our attention was the Amherst-Wesleyan-Williams triangular league debate in which Williams debating the affirmative against Wesleyan at Williamstown and the negative against Amherst at Amherst suffered a double defeat, and the championship went to Amherst.

The evening of December 8 witnessed one of the most successful initiation banquets ever held in our chapter house. Besides the eight Freshmen whose names appeared in the October SCROLL, we included in our number a

new initiate, James A. Bullard, of East Orange, N. J., of the class of 1908. Under the direction of the toastmaster, Bro. Gibson, '08, toasts were responded to by all the initiates, by several of the upper classmen, and by the alumni present, Bros. Stoddard '00 and Hulst '06.

The interclass basketball championship was won by the senior five without the loss of a single game of the eight played.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was represented on class teams by Bro. Horrax on the sophomore team and by Bro. Lambie on the freshman team.

The prospects for a successful hockey season are good, for most of last year's seven is in college, and Bro. Weeks, '07, who is manager of the team has prepared a good schedule. The game scheduled with Columbia on January 2, in Albany, did not take place on account of poor ice.

Williams opened its basketball season on January 5 by defeating the Union five by the score of 60 to 8. As only one of last season's regulars is back the team is practically an untried one. Bro. Shutler, captain of the Union team, visited the chapter.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's new chapter house has been roofed and, with its tall chimneys and steep, gabled roof presents an imposing appearance in the fraternity row.

Williams participates in a triangular league debate with Brown and Dartmouth on March 5 for which the trial debates are soon to be held.

The chapter has lately enjoyed visits from Bros. Hulst '06 and Meeker ex-'08.

DAVID B. SCOTT.

Williamstown January 9, 1907.

#### MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

With the opening of college after the Christmas recess all have returned to their work with renewed vigor and spirit. About twenty-five men are training on the outdoor track for places on the relay team which will compete at the B. A. A. meet in Boston early in February. Bro. White, '08, who has been a member of this team for the past two years, will probably represent us again.

Amherst is to be favored this year with a fine course of lectures in the Henry Ward Beecher lectureship series. The course opens on Jan. 23, with a talk by ex-Gov. Utter of Rhode Island. He will be followed at intervals by Hon. Willis Fletcher Johnson, Commodore Peary, Secretary Taft, and Alexander Graham Bell.

In the first annual debate of the new triangular league, composed of Amherst, Williams, and Wesleyan, on Dec. 7, Amherst men were highly pleased in that we won from both our rivals, and thus the championship.

Barrett gymnasium, the oldest college gym in the country, is not to be destroyed after all. But the work of converting it into a recitation hall for modern languages has been begun. Professor Gening of the English department leaves at the end of this semester to spend his sabbatical year in Palestine. Professor Morse, head of the history department, has sent in his resignation after being connected with the teaching forces of the college for more than twenty-five years. He takes this step in order to complete private study.

The musical clubs have given a number of concerts in nearby towns and cities, but will make no long trip until the Easter vacation. Bros. Tracy, '08, and Shute, '08, represent us in this line.

The freshman banquet was held at the American House, Boston, December 8, happily arranged coincident with the sophomore hop, so that there was no interference by the latter class. Bro. McClure, '10, was a member of the committee in charge. A very enjoyable dance was held in the house parlors on the afternoon and evening of December 15. Bro.



Wiggins, '09, has entered the engineering school at Cornell, and Bro. Kalligan, '09, has registered at Colgate. Bro. Wiggins was awarded his "A" at the close of the football season having played in every game.

Bros. White, '08, as delegate, and Tracy, '08, attended the Washington convention and returned full of loyalty to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and with glowing reports of the "doings" there.

The following alumni have visited us recently: Bros. S. B. King, '02; Burke, '03; Greenaway, '05; Downey, '06; Powell, '06, and Turner, ex-'08.

Amherst, January 12, 1907.

ROBERT H. KENNEDY.

#### RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The new year finds Brown deeply in earnest in the pursuit of her intellectual activities. In those more serious pursuits, while no strictly new features are added, the old methods have been followed out in a very commendable manner.

The usual mid-winter faculty lectures are replaced this year by a series of public lectures which are delivered both by members of the faculty and by other noted lecturers. The customary student vespers have also been started, and on the list of preachers appear such names as Dr. Lyman Abbott, Rev. Charles F. Parkhurst and others.

The debating teams have been picked and are at work upon the subject that has been chosen by the Triangular Debating League, which includes Williams, Dartmouth and Brown. The chess team, in the triangular chess tournament, held in New York City, during the Christmas vacation, tied Pennsylvania for first place, both teams beating Columbia.

Two new societies have been organized at Brown by the engineering students. One is a strictly engineer's fraternity by the name of Tau Delta Sigma; the other a society composed of all the civil engineers.

Bro. Bright, '07, manager of the 'Varsity baseball team has just announced his schedule, which is one of the very best ever offered a Brown team. It includes a series of twenty-five games, twenty of which are to be played on the home grounds.

The basketball season opens with bright prospects, the latest victory being that over Wesleyan, by the score of 23-22. Bro. Dickinson, '07, is playing a star game at guard.

Of the college honors which have fallen to the brothers since the last letter, the following are to be noticed.

Bro. Funk, '07, was awarded his "2nd B" at the close of the 'Varsity football season. Bro. Dickinson, '07, is playing a regular position as guard on the 'Varsity basketball team. Bro. Alger, '09, has been elected vice-president of his class as well as class baseball manager. Bro. Whitmarsh, '09, was recently elected a member of the sophomore ball committee. Bro. Fallensbee, '09, is one of five men elected by his class to try by competition for the position of assistant 'Varsity basketball manager. Bro. Alger, '09, and Bro. Cleveland, '10, were both voted their numerals by their classes at the close of the football season, each having captained his class team. Bro. Tukesbury, '10, is a member of the college band, and college orchestra, and has made both the vaudeville club and the glee club. Bro. Regnier, '10, is playing an excellent game at forward on his class basketball team.

Internally, the chapter is working in fine shape and is moving, we trust, steadily though surely, toward the goal of higher ideals and more worthy brotherhood. All this on visiting teams will be gladly and warmly greeted at Brunonia Hall.

BENSON R. FROST.

Providence, January 15, 1907.

**NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.**

At the present time the energies of the university are being expended upon the mid-year examinations and consequently Cornell is unusually quiet. Directly after these, however, comes junior week and the chapter will soon be busy with its preparations for this social event of the year. We intend as usual to give a house party during the week and everything now points to a very successful one.

The football season closed Thanksgiving with an annual game with Pennsylvania, ending in a tie, o-o. The season as a whole was quite a successful one this year, Cornell losing only the one game with Princeton. The faculty has again allowed us to have a hockey team and quite a large number of men are reporting daily for practice. Nothing definite can be said, as yet, of any other branch of athletics, although the track, baseball and crew squads have started indoor work.

The musical clubs have just returned from their annual trip during the Christmas vacation. They again toured the larger cities of the middle west and made a very excellent showing throughout, both from a financial and social point of view. The trip was virtually ended January 11, when a joint concert with the combined clubs from the University of Pennsylvania was held in Ithaca. During the short stay of the Pennsylvania clubs we had the pleasure of a visit from Bro. Tobias, manager of the clubs.

New York Alpha is again in a very prosperous condition. Every room in the house, which accommodates twenty-one, is filled, besides fourteen men who are compelled to live outside. All the men are fairly well up in their work and we expect to come through mid-years with our chapter intact.

Just before separating for the Christmas recess we observed our annual custom of having a Christmas tree. Each member of the chapter received a present which was meant merely as a reminder of his peculiarities and afforded a source of much amusement.

AUGUST C. BOHLEN.

Ithaca, January 14, 1907.

**NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.**

New York Beta extends to each and every Phi her best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

The beginning of the new year finds us beginning a new term, the winter term, reputed as being the dreariest of the year. This year it is enlivened with a basketball team which is now well started on its schedule. So far it has broken even with Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, winning at home and losing on its opponent's floor, and lost to Williams. The team is now practicing for its game with Hamilton next Saturday.

For the third time Union will hold a junior week. It will occur during the week beginning February 3, 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.

At the national convention in Washington, the chapter was represented by Bro. Howard E. Bishop. Few of those who attended will forget the hospitality of the Washington Phis.

CARL H. VOGT.

Schenectady, January 16, '07.

**NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.**

On Christmas night, the furnace in the chapter house went out of commission, but in spite of a cold house, the first meeting after the holidays was anything but a cheerless gathering.

At present, the attention of all students is called to the annual varsity show. The Columbia University Players present "The Ides of March," a musical comedy in two acts, from March 11 to 16 inclusive, in the grand ball room of the Waldorf-Astoria. Several of the brothers are trying for parts on the cast and chorus and in all probability we will have a good representation. Bro. Buhler is chairman of the graduate committee and Bro. Parsons has entire charge of the chorus. Several of last year's stars will be missed from the cast, including Bro. Kehrlein, '07.

The Junior Ball celebration extends over a period of three days, February 4, 5 and 6. Bro. Banks is treasurer of the committee and a very enjoyable program is anticipated.

The crew has begun winter practice on the machines under the direction of coach Rice. Bro. Norris is in his regular seat and other Phis are with him (not in the same seat.)

The basketball team was defeated twice on its western trip during the holidays. So far the team has played but three college games, Princeton (2) and Cornell.

In the annual cane spree contest, the freshmen defeated the sophomores by a score of 4-3. Bro. Davidson was chairman of the cane spree committee.

Shortly before the holidays, the 1908 *Columbian* made its appearance. They sold rapidly as they made an attractive Christmas present.

Among student activities, Bro. Hinck has been elected assistant manager of the Lacrosse team. Bro. Willis is assistant manager of the *Columbia Monthly*. Bro. Ramsdell is playing on the victorious chess team.

We are informed that Hamilton Hall, the new college building, will be ready for occupancy at the beginning of the spring term. The faculty has provided that the spring term in the future will extend until the third week of June instead of the last week in May as hitherto. Our faculty is really considerate.

The mid-year examinations commence on January 23. Chapter meetings have been suspended until the first week in February.

On December 17, Father Lindley honored us by a visit to the chapter house. An informal luncheon was held after which we adjourned to the drawing room, where he talked to us in regard to the early history of the fraternity. We enjoyed meeting him very much and hope we may soon have the pleasure again.

We wish all our sister chapters a happy and successful new year.

New York, January 15, 1907.

R. MAPELSDEN, JR.

#### NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

New York Epsilon wishes all sister chapters a happy and prosperous New Year.

With the beginning of the college year three fraternities installed chapters at Syracuse University, Σ N, K Σ and Σ Φ E; Σ A E has just entered. This places the number of fraternities here at fifteen, which does not include the sororities and two local societies.

All departments of the university are exceedingly prosperous and thriving. In recent state board examinations, our College of Medicine led, all Syracuse graduates passing, thus giving us a percentage of 100.

The 1910 class entered with 1300 and the day seems not far distant when Syracuse will be the largest university in the state. Growth is seen on all sides—buildings, faculty, curriculum, athletics.

The football season ended in fine style and the 'varsity made for itself an enviable record. We met the Carlisle Indians at Buffalo and were de-

feated 9-4. The following Saturday we trimmed Lafayette 12-4, and the grand climax came when we cleaned up West Point on November 20 by the score 4-0. Bros. Waugh and Reynolds represented  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  very ably.

The basketball season is about to begin and a fine schedule is arranged. The team takes a long western trip to Wisconsin and Minnesota. All of last year's players are in the game, so wonderful things are in store in this department.

The crew call has been issued and prospects are good here, also. Aside from the Intercollegiate Regatta at Poughkeepsie, our crews are to row against Wisconsin on Lake Mendota May 30. Syracuse is first to send crews west.

New York Epsilon is keeping up with the pace. This are prominent in all phases of college activities. Bro. Laucks was recently elected assistant manager of the track team. Bro. Dexter is cheerleader of the student body. Bro. Grandey is a member of the *Onandagan* board. Bro. Faus is president of the '10 class in Applied Science and Bro. Nelson is treasurer of his class in the College of Medicine. Bros. Dexter, Selmser, Kaley and Simpson are Glee club candidates. Bros. Brewster and Baum are on the "*Weekly*" board.

Bro. Dexter was the delegate to the national convention and brought back a very complete and interesting report of the proceedings.

The chapter held an informal party at the Yacht club during Junior week and it was indeed a most enjoyable affair.

The chapter presents the following men to the fraternity: Bros. Dwight J. Baum, K. O. Smith, R. M. Bates, Lester Kaley, Duane Sherwood, John Law, Herbert Faus and William Hutton, Jr. B. F. Selmser, of Waterloo, is a phikeia. A rousing initiation banquet was held, a number of alumni being present.

Recent visitors were A. R. Seamans, '03, H. O. Hutchinson, '01, H. D. Sanford, '05, and Bro. Bruner, Pennsylvania Zeta, '05. Bro. Frank Pixley, the noted author and playwright, called upon us a few weeks ago. He was in the city putting on his latest work, "*The Grand Mogul*." We are always glad to have visits from Phis.

FRANK M. SIMPSON.

Syracuse, January 12, 1907.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

Announcement has been made that of the half million dollars to be raised toward the permanent endowment of the college by the seventy-fifth anniversary, next June, \$350,000 has been pledged.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie has given \$50,000, which is included in the above amount, for the establishment of a chair of mechanical engineering. He has also agreed to give an extra \$50,000, provided the entire \$500,000 is raised by the time of the anniversary in June.

With the defeat of Dickinson on Thanksgiving Day to the tune of 26-6, Lafayette has closed a most successful season, with a record of having defeated such teams as the University of North Carolina, Washington and Jefferson, Lehigh and Colgate, and holding the strong University of Pennsylvania team to a 0-0 score. In the game with Syracuse, we met our only defeat of the year; in this game we were without the services of our star full back, Bro. McAvoy, who was unable to play on account of injuries received in the Penn. game. Bros. McAvoy, '08, and Welsh, '07, have played sterling foot ball all year. Bro. Welsh was the lightest man playing on the line, but made up for his lack of weight by his speed and aggressiveness. In the Syracuse game our four points were scored by Bro. Welsh by a goal from the field.

Bro. McAvoy has been elected captain of the foot ball team, and with a majority of the men back next year, great things are expected.

The Fraternity Bowling Team expects to get down to work in anticipation of our annual match with Pa. Eta and the Inter-Fraternity Bowling Tournament held here.

Bro. Wight is our representative on the 1908 *Melange*.

Bro. W. Kirkpatrick, '10, who played a strong game at center on the foot ball team, was compelled to undergo an operation during Christmas vacation, but is now back at college, having passed through the ordeal safely.

Bro. A. S. Kirkpatrick, '08, has left college to go into business.

Bro. Welsh is manager of the base ball team and has arranged games with Yale, Princeton, Pennsylvania, Columbia, Cornell, Dartmouth, Wesleyan, Navy and West Point, and many other teams of note, besides ten games on the southern trip which is taken during Easter vacation. Bros. McAvoy, '08, Hart, '10, and Long, '08, are candidates for the team. We have pledged Frank Kelley, '10, who played on Mercersburg Academy base ball team last year, and who will make a bid for the team here this year.

Penna. Alpha will be glad if all Phis who happen to get into this locality would stop in and see us.

Easton, January 5, 1906.

HOBSON F. LONG.

#### PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

The winter term began recently with a somewhat depleted chapter roll. Bros. D. A. Thomas, '09, and F. L. Chase, '10, have left college, Bro. Thomas on account of illness and Bro. Chase to manage a plantation belonging to his father. We are very sorry to lose the brothers. Chase may be back next year, we are glad to say.

Dr. Hefelbower, the president of the college, was confined to his house during the vacation by scarlet fever in the family. However, he is out again and is conducting the collegiate affairs once more.

Our football season ended successfully financially. Captain Sieber, our star half-back, was mentioned for the All-American team.

The basket-ball schedule has been announced recently. It contains a greater percentage than usual of home games, owing to the action of the faculty in cutting down the number of cuts allowed. We anticipate a successful season, much good material having come in. Bro. Muhlenberg is acting captain of the second team. The 1908 *Spectrum* is well under way. It will probably be the most elaborate year book ever issued from Gettysburg. The subscriptions are nearly twice the usual number, the alumni having subscribed heavily. This book will be especially interesting to the alumni, as it is being issued in the 75th year of the college. It will contain an unusual number of facts relating to the college.

The Sophomore and Freshman classes held their annual fight recently. The Freshmen made the first move and planted their class pennant in the cupola of the old dormitory. The Sophomores made several attempts to get at it, but were unsuccessful. The flag was finally taken down by order of the president, who feared injury to the building.

The debate between a team selected from the Freshman class and one selected from the Sophomore was won by the latter. It was the first in a series of debates instituted by Dr. Gies of the class of '93. Prizes are given to the winners of each debate. The next debate will be between the Sophomore and Junior classes.

The Glee and Mandolin club trip has been arranged and was announced recently. It is a two weeks' trip through Pennsylvania and Maryland.

Most of the territory covered is in either the eastern or middle section of Pennsylvania.

Another addition has been made to the college curriculum, in the shape of a class in Experimental Psychology, under Professor Saunders. This idea seems to take well among the students and a large class has been formed.

The 1907 edition of the college annual has been gotten out. It contains views of the different fraternity houses, campus, buildings, etc. It has become very popular and is having a large sale.

The chapter is making active preparations for the alumni celebration on March 15th. This year will be the thirty-first year of the life of the chapter, and special efforts will be made to have as many of the alumni present as possible.

Bro. Singmaster, our delegate to the national convention, brought back a very encouraging report. He speaks very highly of the treatment given by the entertaining club. There were nearly a dozen Penna. Beta men present at the convention.

The chapter has had several informal dances in the house recently. Several of the men whom we are now rushing were present at these affairs and seemed to enjoy themselves.

We have not had many visits from our alumni and those of other institutions, but we are always glad to see them and can always find room for them. We hope to see more of them in the future.

Gettysburg, January 13, 1907.

FREDERICK A. MUHLENBERG.

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

Pennsylvania Gamma has returned after the Christmas holidays with a full roll and takes great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. Z. Zimmerman Hugus, and James Biggert. We have to announce since the last letter the withdrawal of Bro. O'Neil on account of illness and of Bro. McClelland to accept a position with the Third National Bank of Pittsburg, Pa. Bro. Anderson '08, the baseball manager for 1907, after having almost completed his schedule has been forced by the illness of his father to resign his managership.

The glee club has returned from its first trip which was very successful; the club having played to large audiences at each entertainment. We are represented by Bro. Dithrich, '10, on the glee club and Bro. Newman, '08, as reader.

The first semester examinations are now at hand and the cramming is in full swing. Pennsylvania Gamma wishes as much success to all the brothers who have approaching examinations as we ourselves expect to have.

Washington, January 12, 1907.

H. A. DEAN.

#### PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Delta is glad to report a successful year. Starting with fifteen active members, we later initiated five men: Bros. Stidger, Fishel, Dennis, Cole and Maxwell. Of these Bros. Stidger and Fishel were previously pledged.

After a year's absence Bro. Lynn Miner is back at college this year. Messrs. Hines and Beatty (pledged) are with us again this year.

We have pledged Mr. Fred Bright of the freshman class.

Bros. O'Connor and Stewart made good at football during the past season, the former at full and the latter at quarter. Bro. O'Connor won his "A."

That Pennsylvania Delta is doing things at Allegheny College is suggested by the following facts:

Bro. Giesey is captain of the basketball team, Bro. Maxwell is putting up a strong fight for forward, and Bro. Perry is outplaying all rivals at guard. All these men played against Mt. Union on January 11, in the first game of the season. Allegheny won by a score of 39 to 6.

Bro. Main is president of the Athletic Association.

Bro. Jones is president of the Y. M. C. A., and athletic editor of *The Campus*.

Bro. Mackey is editor-in-chief of *The Allegheny Literary Monthly*, and Bro. Stanley Bright is associate editor of the same.

Bro. Stidger is president of the freshman class.

Bros. Dennis and Stidger are winning laurels by their contributions to the college publications.

On November 24, Pennsylvania Delta outdid all previous efforts at entertaining. On the evening of that date an elaborately appointed dinner was served in the chapter house. Those present including guests numbered fifty-six. Music was furnished by a local orchestra. Chrysanthemum favors were bestowed upon the ladies present, and after the dinner a select musical programme was rendered by members of the chapter.

During the past year our property has been improved by the installation of a new hot water heating plant, and by the construction of a new cement walk in front of our premises. These extensive improvements have been made possible through the generosity of our loyal alumni, and to them we express our gratitude.

Bro. F. E. Stewart, delegate to the national convention, returned with unbounded enthusiasm for the fraternity and its future success. We were inspired with new interest in the fraternity at large by his glowing account of the events of Thanksgiving week.

WILLIAM T. MACKEY.

Meadville, January 10, 1907.

#### PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

College opened for the winter term January 8, 1907, under favorable circumstances, and all bids fair to make 1907 a banner year for Pennsylvania Epsilon.

The 1906 foot-ball season was quite a success, when we remember that the team was all green men except four. We won four games, tied two, and lost three. We lost to both our big rivals, Penn. State and Lafayette; to the former 6-0, to the latter 26-6. Phi Delta Theta was represented on the team by "Mother" Hoffman the "old reliable" centre, and Housman at right end and later at right half-back. On the scrub we had Bros. Parsons '10 and Boyd '10.

After the last game the team got together and elected Parvis '08, who has been playing left tackle for two seasons, as captain for 1907.

The annual Sophomore-Freshman game resulted in a glorious victory for the Sophs. Score 4-0. Bro. Housman played right end for '09. Bros. Parsons and Boyed played with the freshman.

At present there is gloom in "Old Dickinson" due to the fact that an announcement has been made by Pres. Reed forbidding all basket-ball. This means that there will be no "varsity" team and the annual Sophomore-Freshman game, the event of the winter term, is a thing of the past.

Following our usual custom, we gave a smoker to the new men of the chapter. The event took place Saturday evening, December 16, and a very enjoyable time was had by all present. Fraternity songs were sung and all the new men seemed to imbibe the true spirit that makes  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  what she is.

This term finds  $\Phi K \Sigma$  in its new and neatly furnished home on S. College street.  $B \Theta \Pi$  has its new house on Main street plastered and expects

to occupy it on March 1.  $\Omega \Psi$  (a local sorority) has received a charter from  $X \Omega$  and by the time the February SCROLL makes its appearance the chapter will have been installed.

The chapter regrets to announce that Bro. Keller, '07, has left college to take up a course in Electrical Engineering in the Scranton Correspondence Schools, also that Bro. Bergey, '09, has left to accept a position in a Mifflin bank. The chapter wishes the boys success in business and will ever remember their great services to the fraternity.

During the last few months the chapter has received its share of college honors. Bro. Stotler, '10, was elected secretary of the Athletic association, Kurtz, '07, vice-president of the Belles Lettres Literary society, Bemur, '07, inter-society debater, Schwarz, '09, vice-president of the newly organized Dramatic club, Gehring, '07, president of the Comus club, Housman, '09, Glee club, Gehring, '07, Creasy, '09, and Schwarz, '09, Mandolin and Guitar club.

Pennsylvania Epsilon was well represented at the Washington convention, having fourteen men present—Whiting, '89, Souders, '98, Mallalieu, '99, Smith, '00, Gottshall, '00, Loose, '01, Hoffman, '02, Malick, '03, Halde-man, '03, Cheeseman, '04, Haggerty, '05, Conn, ex '07, Beck, '08, (delegate) and Schwarz, '09. All returned with great reports and full of spirit.

Since our last letter the chapter has enjoyed visits from the following brothers: Shaw, '04, New Hampshire Alpha; Dornberger, '06, Pennsylvania Beta; Treverton, '07, Pennsylvania Eta; and Haggerty, '05, Pennsylvania Epsilon. Pennsylvania Epsilon extends a hearty invitation to all Phis visiting Carlisle or neighborhood to visit the chapter.

Carlisle, January 14, 1907.

WM. F. HOUSMAN

#### PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL the chair of chemistry in the Towne Scientific School, now occupied by Vice-Provost Edgar Fahs Smith, has been the recipient of a gift of \$100,000. Owing to the rapid increase in registration, this gift will materially assist in meeting the demands made upon the chemical department. The old dining room is now being used by the architectural department for studio purposes.

The University house, which has just been erected by the Christian association at a cost of \$60,000, will be dedicated on next Saturday afternoon. The neighborhood in which it is located is occupied almost entirely by working people and the chief object of the house is to raise the moral tone of the boys and girls of this community. The building contains an auditorium, bowling alleys, pool and billiard rooms, a well-equipped gymnasium and a basket-ball cage.

The chapter was pleased to receive visits from several brothers who stopped off in Philadelphia on their way to Washington. Pennsylvania Zeta had the largest delegation at the convention, in spite of the fact that our junior week was being held at the same time. From the theatre party on Monday evening until the special service in Houston club on the following Sunday morning, there was a continuous program of events. These included the junior ball, the combined musical clubs concert and dance, the Cornell and the Army and Navy foot-ball games and the annual foot-ball smoker given by the Mask and Wig club.

Our foot-ball team, although beaten by Swarthmore and the Indians, got together before the season was over and more than retrieved themselves by winning a decisive victory over Michigan and making a magnificent exhibition of defense against Cornell, the score being 0-0.



Owen Wister of this city will be the orator at the university day celebration at the academy of music on Washington's Birthday. The subject of the oration will be "The Seven Ages of Washington."

On Thursday evening, January 3, the Phi Delta Theta club of Philadelphia held a special meeting at the house, principally to hear the reports of the delegates of both the alumni club and the active chapter at the Washington convention, and to develop more fully a policy of paternalism towards the active chapter, whereby the club and the chapter may be brought more closely into touch one with the other. It gave us great pleasure to have Bro. Drummond with us on this occasion and his talk about the convention was most interesting.

Our third annual house party was thoroughly enjoyed by all those who were fortunate enough to participate. The house was given over entirely to the young ladies and chaperons. The principal event was our twenty-first annual dance, which was held on January 4, and which was the most successful affair of its kind ever held at Pennsylvania.

Just before the Christmas holidays we initiated one man and we now take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity, Bro. Horace West Fairlamb, Jr., of Chester, Pa., who is a junior in the chemical engineering course.

Pennsylvania Zeta continues to be well represented in college activities. Bros. Hawley and Sawyer have been appointed members of the Ivy ball committee while Bros. Wright and W. F. Bilyeu are on the sophomore dance committee. Bro. Hawley captained the senior football team of which Bros. Sawyer and York were members. Bro. de Hamel was on the junior team and Bro. Rogers, who was substitute end on the Varsity, played on the sophomore team.

The bowl fight held on Franklin field in December instead of in the spring as heretofore was won by the freshmen. Bro. Hendrie, '08, acted as one of the marshals.

One hundred and sixty-five men responded to the call for track team candidates last week; Bros. Klaer, '09, and Treat, '10, being among the number.

Bros. Brown, '09, and Bailey, '10, were in the Mask and Wig preliminary show, "Going Back to College." Bro. Wright is a candidate for the chorus of "Herr Lohengrin," which is the name of the Mask and Wig production this year. Bro. Pomeroy is a member of the freshman class pin committee.

It is with deepest regret that we announce the withdrawal of Bros. Collins and Iwaya from the active chapter. Bro. Iwaya has left Pennsylvania to enter Wesleyan University, but we hope to have him with us again next fall.

MALCOLM I. DAVIS

Philadelphia, January 14, 1907.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

The opening of college after Christmas vacation found all the brothers back at college with a seeming determination to prepare for the coming mid-year examinations, which begin January 25.

Pennsylvania Eta was represented at the national convention in Washington by Bro. Treverton, '07, as delegate, and Bro. Orth, '04, Spaeth, '07, Johnstone, '08, Smith, ex-'07, Bates, '09, and Fair, '08. It is needless to say that we not only had the time of our lives but had our enthusiasm for the progress of the fraternity and our interest in her future renewed even beyond what it had been, though it had been high before, and came back to awaken the chapter to a new life of service to our fraternity. At the same

time, Bro. Hanst represented the local chapter of T B II at a convention of that fraternity held at the University of Illinois and spent a very pleasant week with the Phis of that place.

Lehigh's football season ended on November 24 when we played Lafayette. Although we lost the game our team played hard from start to finish, and not only the eleven men on the field but the whole Lehigh bleachers showed the true college spirit and never gave up. The season as a whole, was only fairly successful, winning five games, losing five and playing Dickinson a no-score game. The prospects for a good basketball team are very good indeed, although Bro. Pierce, who played center on the team last year will be missed very much. We have played two games so far, defeating Albright and New York University, the former by a score of 127 to 13.

The annual minstrel show, given by the students of the university took place this year on the fifteenth of December. Phi Delta Theta was represented by Bro. Hanst, '07, as interlocutor, and Bro. Johnstone, '08, in the chorus. The performance was declared by all to have been the best which the association has produced for several years. Bro. Treverton, '07, has been elected vice president of the Dramatic association, commonly known as the Mustard and Cheese.

We had the pleasure of having with us on January 11, Bro. Du Bois, '92, who delivered a lecture before the college on "Alaska" and also talked to the engineering societies in the evening. Bro. Pierce, ex-'08, was with us for a short time before Christmas and Bros. John McCleary, '04, Wallace, '06, Daugherty, '06, were here for the Lehigh-Lafayette football game. Among others who have visited us recently are Bros. William McCleary, ex-'07, Evans, '05, Sheesley, '04, Hartzog, '04, Dallas, ex-'04, Smith, ex-'07, and Straub, '97.

J. M. FAIR.

South Bethlehem, January 17, 1907.

#### PENNSYLVANIA THETA, PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

The 5th of January found all the brothers back from Christmas vacation, and about to face the terrors of the mid-year examinations. The new year has marked no changes at "State."

The football season closed on Thanksgiving day with a victory over our rival Western University of Pennsylvania by the score of 6-0. The season was one of the most successful in the history of football at "State." We met but one defeat, and that at the hands of Yale, by a score of 10-0. We defeated such teams as U. of W. Va., Annapolis, Dickinson and Carlisle Indians. The annual sophomore-freshman game was won by the freshmen, 10-0. In basketball, "State" will be represented by an entirely new team, as all of last year's team were lost by graduation. As there is some very good material in the freshman class, we are looking forward to a successful season.

Our chapter gave its annual house party for the fall dances. It was the first house party to be held in our new home and was a perfect success. Bro. Lose, '05, was among our guests.

RAYMOND SWENK.

State College, January 10, 1907.

#### BETA PROVINCE.

##### VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Since the organization of the Virginia Chapter House corporation in Richmond several weeks ago, the prospects for the speedy erection of a

handsome home for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at Virginia have very materially brightened. The corporation exists for the sole purpose of erecting a chapter house at the university, and with Bro. R. A. Patterson, backed up by other enthusiastic alumni in Richmond, to manage it, there can be little doubt of ultimate success.

Very little of general interest is happening here these busy months. The latest sensation is the phenomenal success of the Dramatic club, which is presenting "The Visiting Girl" in all the large cities of the state. Brothers Mudd, Blackford and Booker are coming in for a large share of the praise which is accorded the company everywhere they go.

Recently we have had very pleasant visits from Bros. Walter Scott, M. D., '05, and W. C. Vance, '10, of Washington and Lee.

Charlottesville, February 8, 1907.

T. DWIGHT SLOAN.

#### VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

The mid-winter examinations at Randolph-Macon are just over and I am glad to report that all of Virginia Gamma's men did well. Bro. I. M. Harris has been elected one of the debaters for Frank Hall Public Debate which will take place on April 5th. Randolph-Macon will have a joint debate with Hampden-Sidney some time in April. The debate will take place in Ashland.

In football Randolph-Macon defeated William & Mary and Hampden-Sidney, but lost the championship to our old rival, which we had defeated earlier in the season, Richmond College. We were represented on the team by Bro. M. K. Harris. Bro. L. J. Martin will represent us in the indoor track meet, which will be held in Richmond January 26. In baseball Randolph-Macon bids fair to turn out a winning team. Bros. L. J. Martin and L. L. Gravely are among the applicants for the team.

$\Sigma \Phi E$ , with eight charter members, has recently entered Randolph-Macon.

We are very sorry that Bro. A. C. Bowlus did not return Christmas, for Virginia Gamma has lost in him a good man.

We had a very pleasant visit last week from Bro. Bradford Kilby, '96. He is a prominent lawyer in Suffolk, Va. We are always glad to see our alumni and other Phis and hope they will be with us more in the future than they have been in the past.

W. P. REED.

Ashland, January 25, 1907.

#### VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

At recent chapter meetings we have been devising plans for securing funds with which to build a chapter house. We intend to send circular letters to all our alumni, soliciting their aid in the movement. At an early date we hope to report considerable progress. The baseball season is near at hand and as usual we will have our representatives on the team. Basketball is a comparatively new branch of athletics here and on this account we have not been able to make as favorable a showing against our opponents this season as would have been desired.

Bro. Minetree was called from college last month by the death of his father, Col. J. P. Minetree, of Washington, D. C. Our sympathies are with Bro. Minetree in his bereavement.

The nineteenth of January was the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Gen. Robert E. Lee. The occasion was fittingly celebrated by the student body and visiting alumni. The address was delivered by Hon. Charles Francis Adams, a citizen of Boston, Mass., and a descendant of two

of our former presidents. Mr. Adams' address was one that will live among other great orations as a just tribute to the memory of a noble man. By a special vote of the trustees the university conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws upon Mr. Adams.

LEON VERNON LARSEN.

Lexington, February 1, 1907.

#### NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

It is a source of great gratification to us to be able to say that North Carolina Beta is once more performing the functions of an active chapter. We have recently initiated John Melvin Thompson, '09, Medical, Graham, N. C., Risden Tyler Allen, Graduate Student, Wadesboro, N. C., and Edward Latham Stewart, '08, Washington, N. C. These men will assist us very materially in strengthening the chapter in the future.

We were very fortunate in having Bro. Fred. J. Coxe of Wadesboro, N. C., with us for a few days last month. Bro. Coxe is president of Beta province and a loyal and active Phi. He is very much interested in the chapter at his *alma mater*, and has done much towards instilling new vigor and enthusiasm in the members here. He has given much of his time and energy in getting the chapter on a solid footing once more, and with such a man as this behind us it is only a question of time when we will be in a sound, prosperous condition.

Bro. Henry B. Best, of Raleigh, N. C., was with us at the recent initiation. Bro. Best is also a devoted member, who is ever ready to make sacrifices for the good of Phi Delta Theta. His sound optimistic views relative to the future of North Carolina Beta were very helpful and inspiring.

North Carolina was not very successful in football last fall in point of scores. A great part of this however is attributed to the fact that we played the hardest schedule in the history of the university, and at a time when the team was light and rather inexperienced. Bro. Thompson has played on the football and baseball teams for two seasons, and has been elected captain of the baseball team for this season, and of the football team for next season. This is a record of which we are justly proud. Bro. Stem, captain of last year's baseball team will hold down his old position on first base this year. He has played on the team each season during his college course.

The university has made great progress this year. The new Chemical Laboratory has been completed and fitted up with all the modern improvements. Through the kindness of Mr. Carnegie, who donated the sum of \$50,000, we are to have a new library which will cost \$100,000, and is already under construction. The teaching force has been greatly enlarged, and the enrollment is larger than ever before—approximately 700. On the whole the outlook for the future is very encouraging.

Chapel Hill, February 11, 1907.

J. B. STEM.

#### GAMMA PROVINCE.

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

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL college interest has been running along about as usual. We notice some changes however in the general tone of things. Every phase of college life seems to be a little more strenuous than heretofore. The scholastic work is more arduous, athletics are being supported and encouraged more enthusiastically and the student organizations are showing greater activity. As a result the effects attained are in every respect more pronounced.

One of the most important steps of the college year is the creation of fellowships. Plans are about completed by which these may be given to

suitable graduate students. A holder of one of these fellowships will be an assistant in one of the college departments, and will receive his post graduate tuition and adequate financial remuneration. This course will make possible a larger post graduate class of which the college has been, in the past years in great need.

The time has not yet come for the various declamatory oratorical and debating contests. Debating will be emphasized more than usual this year by the fact that efforts along this line will be encouraged by material inducements. Valuable prizes will be given to the three best debaters. The winners of these will also represent the university in the state inter-collegiate contest.

In athletics we are enjoying a most successful year. We have just cause to be proud of our football record. Out of a number of games, in which we played some of the strongest teams in the south, we were defeated only once. On Thanksgiving in a hard fought contest we defeated the strong team of Kentucky State College, thus winning the state championship. Considerable interest is being taken at present in basketball. Notwithstanding the fact that this is as yet new to us and undeveloped we are making a fairly good record. The prospects are very promising for a winning baseball team. Six of the old men are back and there are a number of new men who will try hard for first honors. Coach Johnson has already commenced giving the track team indoor work. He is well pleased with the material and is confident that we can retain the state championship.

We have recently been so fortunate as to initiate two men into our chapter. We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. Richard Williams and Peyton H. Hoge, Jr.

LOGAN B. ENGLISH.

Danville, February 1, 1907.

#### KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

The first term examinations being over, the majority of the student body feel very much relieved. Work on the new Normal school building is progressing rapidly and it is hoped that it will be ready for occupancy by the middle of March.

Kentucky State lost the football championship of Kentucky on Thanksgiving day, being beaten by Central University. Though our team played all around their opponents, yet there was a looseness in their play, especially about fumbling, which lost the game. The playing of Bro. Wilson, '08, at left half-back was the feature of the game.

The football season being over all eyes are now turned towards basketball. Bro. Wilson, '08, is captain. Kentucky Epsilon is also represented by Bros. Bartree, '09, on Varsity, and Shanklin, '08, as substitute.

Prospects for a championship baseball team were never brighter.

We regret to say that Bros. Waller, Lugg and Davis have retired from college for the rest of the year. We have several men for initiation some time in February.

All the Kentucky delegation at the Washington convention reported a grand time, and all say they never will miss another one.

Alumni day will be celebrated with a banquet March 15th. It is hoped that every Phi in Lexington will be able to attend.

The topic of discussion among fraternity men at Kentucky State is the attitude which President Patterson, B Θ II, has taken against fraternities. He has recommended to the board of trustees that fraternities, dormitories, athletics and all social features connected with the college be abolished. The fraternities have no fear that such a rule will be passed as it would

greatly cripple the college since a majority of the fraternity men would immediately go elsewhere.

Kentucky Epsilon wishes every chapter a very prosperous New Year.

Lexington, January 15, 1907.

JAMES S. WATSON, JR.

#### TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

A visitor to Vanderbilt just now would undoubtedly be impressed by the exceedingly quiet life led by the Vanderbilt students. If he should glance into the rooms of one of the dormitories he would find the explanation for this. Vanderbilt is in the midst of intermediate examinations. By the first of February, however, examinations will be over and the spring term will begin. We shall then have time for other things as well as study.

Vanderbilt's football season this year exceeded the most sanguine expectations. Every team played in the south was defeated by a large score. Michigan defeated us by the score of 10-4 in a game in which, according to authorities both from the west and south, Michigan was outplayed at every stage of the game. We cherish no ill feelings on account of our defeat, for Vanderbilt has never met with more royal treatment nor hearty welcome than that given to us by the men of Michigan. The crowning glory of our football season came when we defeated the great Carlisle Indian team by the score of 4-0. The score was made by a placement kick in the first half. A basketball team has been organized at Vanderbilt this year. For the past three years there has been no team. As the season is so far advanced only a few games will be played. Bro. Hall is  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's representative on the "Five." He is assistant manager as well as a member of the team.

Baseball practice will begin as soon as the weather permits in March. At present the prospect for a good team seems rather bad, but seven 'Varsity men are back and the new material is good. Bro. Manier is manager, and Bro. Hall will play with the team again this year. A coach has not yet been secured.

College Hall has been completed and work on Furman Hall is progressing rapidly. It will be opened not later than next fall, and promises to be a very beautiful structure. It is a stone building and will be used exclusively for laboratory purposes. We were very much gratified at receiving a visit from Bro. Haynes, our province president, during the past week. Both he and Bro. DeWitt, the newly elected P. G. C., were present at our last chapter meeting, and made inspiring talks.

Fraternities are very active at Vanderbilt. The new  $\Delta K E$  house was completed during Christmas week. They have a beautiful house, built to accommodate about twenty boarders. The  $B \Theta \Pi$ s have begun work on a new house, as also have the  $K A$ s.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  intends to begin work on her new house some time during the coming spring. When all these houses shall have been completed six new chapter houses will have been built at Vanderbilt since 1903— $\Sigma X$ ,  $\Phi K \Psi$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $K A$  and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Our local alumni have begun to show a greatly increased interest in the chapter and fraternity. They are as enthusiastic over building a new home for  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  as are the men in the active chapter. They have instituted a custom which has long been in vogue in many cities, that of taking lunch together on certain days in every month. They have decided to meet in this way on the first and third Fridays of every month at the Duncan.

The men of Tennessee Alpha are taking a very prominent place in the social life of the university. Bros. Thompson, Manier, Hall and Howell are members of the Commodores—a senior club. Bro. Thompson, manager of the football team, is president. Bros. Adams and Boswell are Owls—

the junior society. Bros. Proctor, Pepper, Archer, Henry, Craig, West and Oscar Noel belong to the Wizaore sophomore organization. Bro. Proctor is president. Bros. Varnel and Ben Tate, Noel, Carter, Baskerville and Adams are members of the Freshman club.

Our representatives at Washington gave glowing accounts of the convention, and we expect to read the convention SCROLL with a great deal of interest.

MALCOLM POAGE.

Nashville, January 28, 1907.

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

Tennessee Beta offers humble apologies for not sending this letter in time for the December SCROLL and will try to be more prompt in the future. There is nothing of interest at present except foot-ball and our new chapter house. Our foot-ball team has proven itself, through successive victories over Mooney, S. P. U., Ga. Tech., Auburn, Tenn., Tulane, Mississippi and Maryville, to be one of the strongest in the south and it is yet to be proven whether or not they will take second place and give our sister institution, Vanderbilt, first place or whether they themselves will secure this honorable position. Odds are very much against us, yet the tiger never says die in victory or defeat.

Plans have been secured for the new chapter house and arrangements are now being made with contractors. We hope to have same completed for the semi-centennial of the university, to take place in 1907. This is to be a great occasion with the university and our plan is to make it equally great with Tennessee Beta.

GEO. L. WATKINS.

Sewanee, November 21, 1906.

Although our university is now in the midst of her vacation yet the same old Sewanee spirit reigns in the hearts of its sons and all are looking forward to their return in March with a great deal of pleasure. It is hard to estimate just how many of Tenn. Beta's men will return to aid in the work of another year, yet we hope for a nucleus of at least fifteen. Arrangements are under way for the erection of our new building and our pile of stone increases as the days pass.

Although our foot-ball team was defeated by our old time rival, Vanderbilt, it was not a disgraceful defeat. When one stops to think that 20 to 0 is the smallest score that they have been held to in three years, by a southern team, he can judge the actual strength of our team and give us due credit. At any rate it did not kill us and the tigers returned to their lair to sharpen their claws for the year to come. They have been "defeated though not beaten." Bro. Geo. Watkins was captain and centre and Bro. Stone was left tackle. Bro. Stone was unanimously chosen as tackle on the All-Southern team of 1906. Vice-Chancellor Wiggins entertained the team at a delightful banquet before the close of the year after which the election of the captain of the team for 1907 was held. W. S. Barret, full back, was elected to fill this position. E. B. Atkins has been elected manager and Bro. Shelton, assistant manager. Bro. Mitchell was elected manager of the *Purple* after the withdrawal of Bro. Spearing.

The Southern Intercollegiate Athletic association met at Sewanee, December 7 and 8, and was attended by representatives of fifteen universities. The same officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year, and the only other matter of importance was the adoption of the four-year rule, to take effect after 1907.

GEO. L. WATKINS

Sewanee, January 15, 1907.

## DELTA PROVINCE.

## OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Miami is expanding along many lines and we look to its rapid growth in the near future with hopeful expectancy. The new central heating plant is rapidly nearing completion. Also the plotting for the new auditorium has been commenced which, when finished will be one of the finest structures of its kind in the state.

But not only in the matter of buildings has the university shown an interest; but also in the welfare of its fraternities. The university has given a large tract of land on which the various fraternities may erect chapter houses. This section will be called Fraternity Place, and when occupied should give great prestige to Miami as well as to the chapters of the fraternities represented.

With a promptness of action and a view to advancement which is always characteristic of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , we are proud to say that our organization is the first to have accepted the proposition of placing a memorial at Miami, the birthplace of our revered order, as well as that of  $B \Theta \Pi$  and  $\Sigma X$ . It is useless to say how proudly Ohio Alpha looks forward to the completion of the national memorial and our chapter home.

Ohio Alpha was efficiently represented at the national convention by Bros. Guy Potter Benton, president of Miami, K. H. Zwick, Roi W. Risinger, Hartle, Stiles, Burkardt, Gee and Prugh.

Bros. Carter and Hitchcock and Phikeia Gamble are playing in the university band and Bro. Kilgour and the above named brothers are also playing in the orchestra.

Phikeia Gamble is captain of the basketball team.

The chapter has adopted a set of house and study rules, the efficiency of which immediately showed itself in our class work. The registrar of the varsity stated that the freshmen of our chapter were doing excellent work.

Ohio Alpha has taken the initiative in a move to establish Pan-Hellenism in Miami.

Bro. Jennings has left college to go into business with his uncle in Texas. Oxford, December 16, 1906. E. W. BOERSTLER.

## OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The winter term opened January 2, 1907. Ohio Beta returned all her men except Bros. Craig and Stillwell. Since the publication of the last SCROLL we have pledged Mr. Corliss Hargraves of the junior class. We now have twenty-three initiates and two phikeias.

Basketball is engaging the attention of our athletes at present. Ohio Wesleyan has won every game played thus far, even vanquishing our old rival Oberlin. All of last year's team are back and bid fair to land the state championship.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented by Bros. Dean (captain), forward, Stroup, forward, and Cameron, guard. An interfraternity Basketball League has been formed and a cup will probably be presented to the winning team. Bros. Kelsey and Charles have been elected manager and captain respectively of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's team.

On January first Miss Elizabeth Davies and Bro. Corley, '01, were united in marriage in St. Paul's M. E. church, Delaware, Ohio.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  attended in a body. The bride and groom were presented with a beautiful present by the Phis. Miss Davies is the daughter of Professor Davies and has been tutoring in German for the past two years in the university.

Our home has recently been beautified by re-papering. The parlor is especially attractive, being papered in the fraternity colors. Our library and



trophy room has been furnished with the debate pennants won by men of Phi Delta Theta since 1902. It will be interesting to note that we have had one or more men on the debating teams every year for six years.

We cordially invite all Phis when in or near Delaware to visit us.

Delaware, January 30, 1907.

C. E. WEBB.

#### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The rushing season is now over and Ohio Gamma has initiated and now introduces to the fraternity, Bros. John Henry Bender and Bernard Leroy.

We also have three phikeias whom we hope to initiate in the near future.

There has been a corporation formed for the building of a fraternity house and the lot has been secured. The work will begin in the spring and the house will be ready for occupancy in the fall.

On next Friday Ohio Gamma entertains with a dance.

Athens, January 29, 1907.

GEORGE G. THOMAS.

#### OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The university opened January 2 with an enrollment greater than ever before for the winter term, although the faculty handed out about fifteen hundred "cons" and "flunks" last term, thus showing that there were a great many new students who had entered, which caused the increased enrollment. For the last few years Ohio State has ranked fourth in the general list of universities and colleges of the country, in the percentage of increased attendance. The prospects are very good for keeping up this showing, as the plans are about complete for the erection of a large, new engineering building, several new buildings for the agricultural college, a girls' dormitory, and a large students' building, which will be the centre of student life. It is expected that work on these buildings will begin in the spring.

The Varsity foot-ball team closed one of its most successful seasons last Thanksgiving day, by making the exceptional record of not having its goal line crossed by an opponent, and easily winning the championship of the state. A great deal of credit for this fine showing should be accorded Coach Hernstein, who worked unceasingly for the interests of the team. Negotiations are on for a game with Chicago next season besides the one with Michigan, and the whole student body are in hopes we will secure the date.

The basket-ball season opened several weeks ago, and the showing thus far has not been up to standard, but it is expected that with more practice the team will be able to uphold its usual position. Bros. Cullen and Martin are playing on the freshman team, being barred from the Varsity on account of the freshman rule in Ohio athletics. There has not been much doing in track athletics thus far, although we have meets scheduled with Indiana.

The beginning of the new term finds the chapter in excellent condition. All the men have returned except Bro. Brindle, who left school to accept a position with an engineering corps, but expects to return next fall. We have also initiated two men this term, and take great pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bros. Johannes Minneman, of Sidney, Ohio and Howard G. Seldonridge, Lancaster, Pa.

At the recent election of the *Makio* board, Bro. Jeff Dickerson was chosen art editor. Bro. Seldonridge was chosen to write and stage the play which is to be given by the pan-hellenic association in the vaudeville show on February 1. This play is given in order to raise the debt incurred by giving the pan-hellenic banquet last term.

The chapter gave several dances last term in its new house, which is so admirably arranged for such purposes. We also gave several smokers at the house for the alumni and other Phis in Columbus. We intend to give one of these smokers every month if possible, and hope as many of the alumni and other Phis as can will come. We are always glad to have them make us a visit at any time.

We are also glad to announce that Bro. Ruth, of Indiana Beta, is one of the instructors in the chemistry department, along with Bro. Linder, also of Indiana Beta.

FRANK K. CAROTHERS.

Columbus, January 26, 1907.

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

The first of February finds Case men in the midst of examinations which seem to be harder than ever before, but the spirit of fraternity was never stronger than at this time, even though each man is spending his time in preparation for the "exams." There is some consolation, however, in the fact that Ohio Eta has rarely had so many members on the lists excused from taking examinations on account of excellence of their grades.

We have just completed a great improvement in our fraternity house which will permit us to house four or five of the alumni. The entire third floor has been remodeled and fitted up with three new bedrooms, a club-room, and shower-bath. Four members of the alumni will move into the new quarters immediately.

The Seniors have started their thesis work for their degrees. Two Phis Bros. Bourne and Parker have taken up a subject that is so novel that it is creating no little interest around the school. They will test the lifting power of fans for a flying machine. Brother Parker became interested in a model of a "flyer" last summer in Colorado. The lifting power had never been investigated, and so with Bro. Bourne he will make an exhaustive study of the lifters under varying conditions.

Bro. Robert Haines, Missouri Alpha, leading man in "Clothes" with Grace George, has been in the city this week and we have enjoyed the pleasure of a visit with him. His droll stories and happy ways have made a lasting impression.

Bro. Bertram Quarry, Ohio Eta, '01, has accepted a splendid offer as manager of a blast furnace in Chicago. He will be sadly missed by the Case chapter, for he was ever a leader in alumni support.

Cleveland, January 31, 1907.

RALPH M. RUSH.

#### OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

Since our last chapter letter, we have pledged Mr. Frank Miller. The initiation was held on the afternoon and evening of November 8, 1906. The chapter now numbers twenty-four.

Ohio Theta was represented at the national convention by Bro. A. C. Schroetter, delegate, and G. A. Doeller, alternate. The Cincinnati alumni club was represented by Bros. Dr. Perrin and Guido Gores.

The Christmas holidays passed very quickly, there being a continual round of dances, theatre parties and dinners. As is the custom, Ohio Theta gave her annual Christmas dance on the evening of December 26, at the Alms hotel. The floor at this place is one of the best in town. The decorations consisted of the chapter's collection of college and fraternity pennants, southern smilax, and holly. About forty couples were present. Among the out-of-town Phis present were Bros. George Dieterle and Al Kreimer of the

University of Pennsylvania, Bros. Jeff Dickerson and Tom Morris of Ohio State and Bros. Kilgour and Johnstone of Miami.

On University day, Friday, November 16, 1906, the graduate school of the university was formally opened with appropriate exercises, in the Ninth street Baptist church. Mr. O. W. Kuhn, chairman of the board of trustees, presided. Pres. Dabney made a short address and then bestowed the deanship upon Dean Harry.

The principal address was made by Dr. Andrew Fleming West, dean of the graduate school of Princeton University. He emphatically announced his position that all B.A. degrees should be based fundamentally upon definite amounts of mathematics, Greek or Latin and science, as well as of literature.

On the evening of University day, the laboratories and draughting rooms of the university were open for inspection. A large crowd of visitors mingled with the university people and enjoyed the various lectures and demonstrations given by the departments of Zoology and Physics. There were also two stereopticon lectures on Ancient Greece.

Our splendid collection of illuminated MSS. of the Middle Ages, also the Carson collection of Shakespearian documents were on display in the library.

The university's second debate this season will be held at St. Louis on April 12, with the Washington University. The question for discussion will be, "Resolved, that congress should be given power, by constitutional amendment, to legislate concerning manufactures and commerce within the several states."

Our basket-ball team made a very creditable showing in its first game this season, by defeating Ohio State 32 to 30. Ohio Theta is represented on the team by Bros. Conway, captain, A. C. Schroetter and Ackerson.

Cincinnati, January 16, 1907.

G. A. DOELLER.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Saturday afternoon, December 8, in University Hall, occurred the official presentation of the new portrait of President Angell, painted by William A. Chase of New York. On this occasion there were present many distinguished guests from other colleges and institutions. There were also read many letters of congratulation from the presidents of the leading colleges in the country. They all showed the great respect and place of honor which our beloved president holds throughout the United States not only as "President of our university but in a broad sense as dean of them all."

On the evening of December 8 was held the third annual Michigan Union Dinner in Waterman Gymnasium. There were seated at the banquet more than 900 Michigan men—alumni and undergraduates. The president of the Michigan Union took this opportunity to announce that the directors had finally completed arrangements for the purchase of the old home of Judge Cooley on State street as a site for the future Michigan Union club house. The house on the property in the meantime is to be used as a temporary club house. This was another long step towards the realization of the ultimate object of the Michigan union.

Directly across the way from the property of the club house is the site of the new Memorial building. As over two thirds of the amount required for this building is already pledged, there is a strong probability that we shall soon see the completion of this building on our campus. These two buildings will do much to keep alive the interest of both alumni and undergraduates.

For the first time in years Michigan cannot claim a successful season on the football field. Of our five games played this year we were successful in four and in the final game with Pennsylvania we were defeated. It was the first time in five years that Michigan has lost by a touchdown. The game was characterized as one of the cleanest and gamest exhibitions seen on Franklin field, for a long time, so we have the consolation of having proved a worthy representative of the west. One week before this game Bro. Curtis, captain of the team, sustained a broken leg. With only a week to revolutionize the system of plays, we can feel that there was some excuse. Without the loss of Capt. Curtis and Patrick we feel sure that game would have been closer. We can only look forward to next year when we hope to make up for our loss on Franklin field. Magoffin was elected captain for the 1907 team and we feel that under his leadership and with the material now on hand we will have a strong team for next fall. Bros. M. D. Graham and Curtis again won their M's on the team for this year.

The annual junior hop occurs this year on the evening of February 8. All the arrangements are about complete and the occasion promises to be one of unequalled splendor.

On the Wednesday before the Christmas holidays, we observed our annual custom of having a Christmas tree and dinner. The presents were a source of much amusement and were all reminders of our individual peculiarities.

The track prospects for the season of 1907 are very bright. If the conference rules allow all our athletes to compete we feel we will have a team that can uphold our record either in the east or west.

Ann Arbor, January, 30, 1907.

HOWARD D. DAVIS.

### EPSILON PROVINCE.

#### INDIANA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA.

Indiana Alpha has been in the very best condition this year. Bros. Simmons and Christian have left college, but Bro. Cassidy who was in last year has returned, so we still have a chapter of 19.

We have been very fortunate in securing a five year lease and option on one of the most desirable houses in the city. It is located near the college and will make the best fraternity house here. We will move April 1 and give up our present location which is entirely inadequate for our needs.

The members of Indiana Alpha were greatly bereaved by the death of Bro. Hobbs, '53, who was among the first initiates here. He visited the chapter shortly before his death, and although he was nearly eighty years old, he was very active and a most enthusiastic Phi. While here Bro. Hobbs attended a meeting and took a great delight in telling us the early history of the fraternity life at Indiana and at Wabash where he was affiliated.

Σ A E recently installed a chapter here, bringing the total number of fraternities up to nine.

We are always glad to entertain any visiting brothers.

Bloomington, January 31, 1907.

WALTER KEMP.

#### INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

Since our last letter, Wabash College has twice been in mourning. We have lost our president, Dr. W. P. Kane and the head of the Greek department, Dr. H. Z. McLain. Dr. Kane had been suffering from valvular heart trouble since last June and had been given leave of absence for a year. He went to Hot Springs, Ark., for treatment and died very suddenly there.

on November 28. Prof. McLain led the chapel services on Friday morning, January 4, and attended church the following Sunday where he was taken with a fainting spell. He died within an hour. He was the oldest man on the faculty, and was the only man left of the old faculty. He had been connected with the college for forty years as student and professor and was a great favorite with the student body. Dr. Geo. L. Mackintosh of the Fourth Presbyterian church of Indianapolis, has been given charge of the college until the next meeting of the trustees next June. Prof. Haines has charge of the Greek work. No new men have been selected as yet to fill the vacancies.

Indiana Beta will be well represented in all lines of college activity this winter. Bros. Miller, '07, and Fleming, '07, are on one of the debating teams. We will probably have six men in the glee and mandolin clubs. Bros. Miller, '07, Sohl, '08, Bosson, '09, and Blair, '10, are promising track candidates. Bros. Gipe, '09, Freeman, '08, and Merrell, '09, are on the basketball team. Bro. Gipe has been elected captain of the 1907 football team.

A movement has been started to celebrate the seventy-fifth anniversary of Wabash college at the next commencement. All of the fraternities are planning to have as many of their alumni back as possible. Indiana Beta hopes to be in the lead.

We take pleasure in introducing Bros. C. F. Merrell, '08, T. H. Blair, '10, R. S. Lowe, '10, and W. G. Masters, '09, to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . We have pledged John Fitzgibbons of South Bend. Geo. R. Banta, of Menasha, Wis., who will enter Wabash in 1909, and H. L. Dobbins, of Rensselaer, Ind., who will enter next September, are also pledged. Bro. H. C. Knott has dropped out of school and expects to enter some medical school in the near future.

We hope that all Phis who may be visiting in Crawfordsville or vicinity will call upon us at the chapter house.

MARION S. LEAMING.

Crawfordsville, January 14, 1907.

#### INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER COLLEGE.

Butler has entered upon the routine of mid-year work. On Founders' day, February 7, Prof. Howe, who has been spending his entire time for the past year working for the college endowment fund, will make his report. Upon Founders' day evening each class will give a "stunt" in the college chapel. The direction and management of the junior play, to be given the last of February, has been placed in the hands of Bro. Weer.

The varsity basketball team has been making a good showing. Bro. F. Davenport, captain, and Bros. Murray and Kingsbury represent  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on the team.

Bros. F. Davenport and Witt act as assistant instructors in Zoology and Chemistry respectively.

Indiana Gamma has pledged P. W. Schwartz. Mr. Schwartz won first place in the college inter-class debates and will represent Butler in debate with Wabash College, March 10.

Indiana Gamma extends a hearty invitation to Bro. Phis to visit the chapter.

Irvington, January 30, 1907.

PAUL W. WEER.

#### INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

It has just been announced that as soon as the weather permits work will begin on a \$35,000 dormitory. The required funds are on hand. Half of

the funds for a new \$50,000 Science building has been pledged and the building will probably be ready for occupancy the first of next year. The scientific departments are greatly crowded at present and hence the above announcement was welcomed by all.

Our basketball team, after only moderate success, has disbanded. We believe we have the material, but we cannot produce a good team with our inadequate gymnasium facilities.

Chelsea Boone, '10, captain of next year's football team, is a new pledge.

Bro. Ray Donaher has been elected to the presidency of the Athletic association, and Bro. Thurston is president of the Periclesian literary society.

All of those from our chapter who attended the convention at Washington had a grand time and considered the Washington Alumni club fine hosts.

Indiana Delta sent to all her alumni, as New Year greetings, postcards of Franklin College.

FARIS B. SMITH.

Franklin, January 30, 1907.

#### INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

Owing to high water, Indiana Epsilon has been almost separated from the rest of the world. With the highest river since 1884, the Ohio has covered all lowlands between Pittsburg and Cairo. Monday, January 28, was the first day for regular mails since the 17th. But while isolated from the world we have not been sleeping in our college where honors are waiting.

Bros. Nowlin and Loudon are on the basketball team of which Bro. Gore is manager.

On December 7 quite a number of co-eds were pleasantly entertained by Indiana Epsilon in her halls. The evening was spent in the usual manner and the occasion was thoroughly enjoyed.

Two of our men failed to return this term, Bro. Banta, '09, who is at home, and Bro. Lehmen, '10, who has accepted a position in Tennessee.

Indiana Epsilon desires to be among the first to wish our new editor success and the cooperation of all chapters.

Hanover, January 29, 1907.

M. B. GORE.

#### INDIANA ZETA, DEPAUW UNIVERSITY.

The all absorbing topic with us at present is the approaching convention. William P. Evans, the delegate, will be accompanied by some of the brothers.

However, aside from this, other phases of college activity are receiving their share of attention. The oratorical primary will be held in a short time and it is being looked forward to with much interest by all the students, as the winner is expected to carry off state honors. About six candidates have entered the primary contest. We are represented by Bro. Evans.

The opening of a series of class debates followed by interclass contests will occur November 21. Seventy-five dollars will be given to the three coming out of the finals with the highest grades. Our existence is evidenced by Bros. Turner, Jewett and Travis, in this department.

The football season is nearing its close. Only one game remains to be played. This with Miami University. We succeeded in holding Wabash to seven points. We feel proud of this, as Wabash had good grounds for believing the state championship was in her grasp. We now have five "D" men on the team: Capt. Chas. Jewett, Grider, Grady, Laurence and Chester Jewett.

A large number of Indiana Zeta Phis accompanied the team to Bloomington. They were guests at the Indiana Alpha chapter house, where they were hospitably entertained.

On November 17, seventeen Phis and their ladies went to Crawfordsville on account of the DePauw-Wabash football game. An informal function was given in their honor at the home of the Wabash brothers. All reported a royal time.

The social regulations here are a little more stringent than they have been. As a result several students have lost all social privileges.

Bro. Roy Millikan has been appointed editor of the local department of *The DePauw*, a weekly student publication.

A plan has been formulated by which we hope to be able to begin the erection of a chapter house in the near future. Be it said to their credit, the newly initiated brothers have responded liberally in this matter.

On the evening of November 14, Bro. Clyde Pottorff, '05, was united in marriage to Miss Claire Smith, a member of the DePauw chapter of  $\Delta X \Omega$ . Visiting Phis will always be welcome at our chapter house.

Greencastle, November 20, 1906.

V. A. BATZNER.

The event which most vitally interests DePauw students at present is the State Oratorical Contest, which is to be held in Tomlinson Hall, Indianapolis, February 1. DePauw will be represented there by Samuel Taylor, a graduate of Shortridge High School. This young but very unusual orator has arisen only by a determined and persistent effort, overcoming obstacles which to the ordinary youth would be far from encouraging. DePauw will send a large delegation to support her representative. In this connection we are glad to mention that Bro. Evans both in per cent and rank outclassed Mr. Taylor, but owing to a constitutional technicality, was awarded second place. The following comment was made by an Indianapolis paper:

"Evans had a grade of 12 against 13 for Taylor. Taylor received first place by four judges and according to the interstate ruling, received first place. Both Taylor's and Evans' speeches were masterly efforts."

At the end of the football season, out of twelve Ds our men were awarded five. Bros. Chas. Jewett, Grady, Grider, Lawrence and Chester Jewett receiving the honors. Bro. Grady is also a member of the varsity basketball team, having played in every game this season.

A committee appointed by the university trustees to secure a location for the new college library, mention of which was made in the October SCROLL, has taken steps to purchase our chapter house lot at a price which would give us a profit of \$500 on a year's investment.

We had planned that the province convention which is to be held at DePauw this year should be convened in February, but further developments made this impossible and we take this opportunity to announce that it will be held in the spring term, the exact date to be announced later. We hope to see a large number of Phis present, and to make this an interesting and profitable convention.

V. A. BATZNER.

Greencastle, January 31, 1907.

#### INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

This week finds Indiana Theta busy preparing for their alumni reunion to be held here Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 23, 24 and 25. Indiana Theta will endeavor at that time, through her alumni, to launch her house building project. The indications are strong that we will be able to undertake the erection of our proposed \$20,000 home so as to have it ready for occupancy next year.

The football team has been having a rather disastrous season this year, as we haven't as yet won a single game, and have only been able to score

once during the season. Our final game occurs Saturday, the 24th, when we meet Illinois. Lack of material, ineligibility of "P" men, accidents to good material, and poor coaching are attributed as the cause of Purdue's slump on the gridiron. The freshman team, which has been playing the Varsity to a standstill, is expected to redeem Purdue's standing next year.

Basket-ball and base-ball prospects are good, and a strong cross country club, which has been developed this fall, points to a successful track season. It appears now that Purdue will be as strong in her other departments of athletics as she was weak in foot-ball.

Since our last letter we have pledged two more men: W. A. O'Brien, '08, of St. Louis, and Ralph Broadwell, '10, Palm Beach, Florida. O'Brien, who entered this year, and Mat C. Dabney, have been initiated and we take pleasure in introducing our two new brothers to the fraternity. Our chapter roll now numbers 29 men, 22 of whom are active, the rest phikeias.

Bro. Babcock was elected to the T B II honorary fraternity and was chosen by it as Wilbur scholar, which is the highest in the university. This makes four times Indiana Theta has held this honor in the last six years. Bro. Babcock was also chosen by the class as chairman of the junior Prom., the only university society affair. The junior Prom. was originated here three years ago, and in those three years, we have twice held the chairmanship. This year we have two other members on the junior Prom. committee as well. This brings the total number of honors already gained by the chapter up to 23, probably more than any other fraternity will boast of as a result of their year's work.

Mr. James Fowler, the banker, has donated \$25,000 toward the Memorial Gymnasium fund. This makes \$100,000 now available. The new Science Hall is almost under roof, and affairs generally around the university are in a very prosperous condition.

The chapter deemed it expedient to move from its old hall over in Lafayette to the hall vacated by the Sigma Chis. We have had these new quarters completely remodeled and overhauled and they are now second to none.

J. W. VAILE.

Lafayette, November 19, 1906.

Since our last letter Indiana Theta has been prospering steadily. The disastrous foot-ball season, in which Purdue did not win a game, was followed by a basket-ball season which thus far has been very encouraging. Purdue has won four out of six games played, and should make a record among the "Big Nine" teams before the season is over. Bro. DeBoos has played for the last three years on the team.

Indiana Theta held an alumni convention during Thanksgiving week to put the house project on its feet. Quite a number of alumni were entertained and new enthusiasm was put into the movement. We now own the very best site on the campus and shall not give up our efforts until our \$20,000 house is built. Bro. Reel is devoting one day a week towards pushing the matter from the chapter's side, and J. F. G. Miller is "hot" after the alumni.

Indiana Theta has been getting her share of university honors this year. Early in the year Bro. Babcock was elected to the T B II, the honorary fraternity, and was chosen by that body as Wilbur scholar, the highest scholastic honor in the university. Bro. De Boos was later elected athletic director from the junior class to serve on the board of regents, and in December was elected on the *Insignia* board. The junior Prom. elections occurred early in December, and out of a committee of six, Phi Delta Theta secured three men, O. M. Babcock, chairman, C. A. Bird, and H. W. Worsham. The committee has attacked the problem with great energy, and now



two weeks in advance of the event, has sold enough tickets to make the affair an assured financial success, a thing which has never been accomplished heretofore.

About the middle of January the junior class held the *Debris* nominations. Final elections will be held in February. Russell Fortune was nominated editor-in-chief and F. A. De Boos was nominated athletic editor.

The chapter now has thirty men, which is seven more than last year, and as only three seniors graduate, the chapter will be very strong for the next two years.

Bros. Bird and Babcock are our base-ball "P" men, and will no doubt reflect credit upon the fraternity on the diamond again this year.

We regret very much the departure of Bro. De Boos, who leaves this week to take a position at Milwaukee, Wis.

Indiana Theta has had the pleasure of entertaining several alumni during the past few months. All Phis who are near here are cordially invited to make us a visit.

West LaFayette, January 30, 1907

J. W. VAILE

### ZETA PROVINCE.

#### ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

At present there is a lull in college activities due to the mid-year examinations which are now in progress. A post-exam. hop will take place on the evening of February the fourteenth at the Ravinia Casino, and on the twenty-first, the annual Pan-Hellenic Promenade will be given.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the prom. committee by Bros. L. T. Wilson and E. S. Albritton.

Since the appointment of Prof. Gillespie to the position of athletic director, the athletics of the university have taken a new lease of life. Our basketball team this winter has had a hard schedule and so far has lost a majority of its games. But lately the team has been playing great ball, last Wednesday defeating the strong Evanston Y. M. C. A. team. Bros. Rader and Gustine are on the 'varsity squad. An interfraternity basketball league has been organized and so far the five representing  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has not lost a game, thus standing a good chance for the finals.

On the twenty-fifth of January the alumni and students of the university celebrated Founder's Day with a reunion and banquet held in the University building in Chicago. Many of Illinois Alpha's alumni were present.

Bro. Marshall Beck has been compelled to leave college temporarily on account of ill health. However he expects to return next year.

Evanston, February 1, 1907.

ALLEN F. RADER.

#### ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The winter quarter opened January 2 with news of a New Year's gift of market securities to the value of \$2,917,000 from John D. Rockefeller to the university. This gift was made unconditionally and is the largest donation of this nature Mr. Rockefeller has ever made to the university.

Two and possibly three new dormitories for women are to be erected within the next few months. The cost will be from \$200,000 to \$300,000. Announcements of plans for these new buildings were made by the board of trustees in connection with the receipt of the New Years' gift mentioned above, although the erection of the dormitories is not a result of this latest gift. The new buildings will conform in general style to the architecture of the quadrangle, being of gray, Bedford sandstone, with red roofs.

The first annual report of acting President Judson has just been published. The university's need of buildings and a biological farm is discussed and higher salaries for instructors are asked. Plans for a new filtered water system to supply all the buildings with pure water are announced as completed. The system will cost \$30,000 and work on the plant is to begin immediately.

For the year 1905-06, the total number of students enrolled in the records of the university was 5,079, which ranks the University of Chicago second, according to the figures compiled by Professor Rudolph Tomb, Jr., registrar of Columbia University. In a recent issue of *Science*, Professor Tomb says, "Harvard has still the largest registration, and is followed by Chicago, with Michigan third and Columbia fourth."

Illinois Beta has initiated eight men and now takes pleasure in introducing as brothers: Earle P. Berry, St Marys, Ohio; George G. Buhman, Chicago, Ill.; Preston Nibley, Salt Lake City, Utah; John L. Schruth, Fargo, N. D.; Robert T. Radford, Morton Park, Ill.; Frederick G. Eberhard, South Whitley, Ind.; M. Clarence Mattinson, Gibson City, Ill.; Gordon L. Stewart, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Brother Auburn Nowels graduated at Christmas, leaving us as a chapter of seventeen men. We are housed quite comfortably at 5761 Madison avenue, and all Phis in and out of the city are cordially invited to visit us at any time.

JOHN D. ELLIS.

Chicago, January 16, 1907.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Illinois Delta wishes to introduce to the fraternity, Bros. Harry Aldrich of Galesburg, Ill., and Ray Murchison of Kewanee, Ill., initiated on October 12th, 1906 and Bro. Ernest Morse of Albilene, Kan., initiated November 22, 1906. We have two men pledged whom we expect to initiate in the near future, Dean McIntosh of Biggsville, Ill., and Carl Scammon of Tarkio, Mo.

Under the management of Bro. Henry Lass, Illinois Delta '06, the Knox Glee club has secured more extensive and more numerous trips than in former years. The Phis on the club are Bros. Spinner, Grant, J. Lowrie, Jay and Murchison.

Bro. Holman's oration was chosen to represent Knox in the Hamilton club contest which took place early in January. In this contest are nine of the western universities and Knox College. Four orations out of the ten are selected by the judges, and the four men whose orations were chosen appeared before the club in January. Bro. Holman was chosen as the alternate.

Bros. G. Lowrie, Stephenson and Holman have been chosen by the faculty as members of the Pundit club which is an organization composed of the members of the faculty and six senior men. The other seniors chosen were non-fraternity men. Bro. Spinner is manager of the Senior Dramatic club and Φ Δ Θ is further represented on this organization by Bros. Hilding, Holman, G. Lowrie, Orcutt, Stephenson and Auracher. Bros. Ellis and Prince will take part in the junior class play which will be given on the afternoon of Washington's birthday. On the evening of the same day the sophomores will present "She Stoops to Conquer" in which Bros. Essick and Richardson have the leading roles. Bros. McClelland and Phikeia Scammon are also in the cast.

On December 21st, Illinois Delta gave its annual Christmas party which was well attended by the active chapter and our alumni. On January 20th, the Lombard and Knox chapters held an informal smoker at the latter's

chapter house. We all enjoyed this union meeting and discussed the welfare of the fraternity. We are looking forward with pleasure to the Alumni Day banquet in our city which will be attended by the Lombard and Knox chapters and alumni and we are working to make it a great success. Bro. John Ellis has been selected to represent  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on the junior prom. committee.

All Phis who visit our city will be cordially welcomed at our chapter house, 498 Monmouth Boulevard.

Galesburg, January 31, 1907.

GEORGE W. PRINCE, Jr.

#### ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD COLLEGE.

Illinois Zeta wishes to introduce to the fraternity Bros. John I. Leonard, '10, and G. Richard Claycombe, '10. These men, with the old ones returned, give us a chapter well worthy of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

President Fisher has lately succeeded in increasing the endowment fund of Lombard by \$100,000, a very acceptable sum.

At present all interest centers on basketball. The team is just finding itself, but as there are ten Phis on the squad, including Bro. Chester C. Housh, '08, as manager,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  hopes to be well represented.

On Monday evening, January 21, Illinois Delta entertained at a smoker for Illinois Zeta. The evening spent was one of good fellowship, the brothers feeling more closely bound together than ever before. Plans were made to hold such meetings, together with the local alumni club, at regular intervals.

Bros. Preston Scott, Wertman, Grimes, Tipton, Justus and Hughes gave our chapter great pleasure by calling lately.

This issue finds the chapter in splendid condition. Our men are going in for all branches of college life. We have a warm heart for all other Phis and they will be welcome at 1284 E. Brooks street.

Galesburg, January 23, 1907.

ROBT. R. CRELLIN.

#### ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

After a very successful rushing season, Illinois Eta is pleased to present to the fraternity as Phis: Bros. E. C. Cunningham, '10, Pekin, Ill.; E. T. Ingold, '08, Appleton, Wis.; S. M. Brown, '10, Milford, Ill.; G. Matthews, '09, Potsdam, N. Y.; L. V. Manspeaker, '09, Champaign, Ill.; W. R. McKelvey, '10, Sparta, Ill.; R. S. Kimball, '10 and H. Mohr, '10, both of Chicago.

We now have twenty-seven active members and two phikeias which completely fills our house, in addition to three men living outside.

On Saturday, November the tenth we gave a banquet in honor of the Phis who returned to the Wisconsin game. A long table was spread extending from the dining room through the living room and across the library. There were about twenty-five visiting Phis in attendance, among whom were Bros. Dean, Greene, Eno, Stebbins, Brooks, Smith and Black of the faculty, Bro. Ayers of Dartmouth and Bros. Warner, and Mayor Swigart of Lombard. Illinois Eta's alumni was represented by Bros. Lindgren, "Jimmy" Cooke, "Dean" Franklin, "Bob" Ward, "Judge" Tuthill, F. W. Cutler, Stanton, "Joe" Smith, C. R. Ewing, J. A. Pope, J. L. Polk, Jr.

Several of the brothers arranged a little dinner after the Chicago football game, at the Union restaurant. Those attending were: H. McKelvey, W. H. Hughes, M. J. Trees, G. J. Orear, A. T. Claycomb, R. C. Yant, F. H. Reynolds, L. R. Love, W. E. Ramsey, A. B. Cutler, C. B. Busey, S. H.

Latta, A. W. McKelvey, J. F. Cook, H. Mohr, F. W. Cutler, A. C. Ahlswede, E. L. Stocker, J. L. Polk, Jr., T. J. Arnold, H. L. Green, M. P. Hertz, A. H. Hill, K. A. Kimball, R. W. Rutt, H. B. Ward, M. E. Nebeker, R. S. Kimball, G. D. Beardsley, J. G. Melliush, of Illinois Eta; F. E. Claycomb, Illinois Zeta, '78, C. W. Black, Ohio Theta, '04, G. E. Liscomb, New Hampshire Alpha, '03, G. H. Abbott, New Hampshire Alpha, '02, P. S. Blanchard, New Hampshire Alpha, '04, and W. Schwig.

Cupid has been busy among Illinois Eta's alumni. On November 5th Bro. W. H. Caton was united in marriage to Miss Glen Dallenbach of Champaign. After a pleasant honeymoon spent in touring the west, they are at home in Ottawa, Illinois. During the holidays Bro. C. O. Clark and Miss Anderson were wedded at Anna, Illinois. They will reside at Lawton, Park, Okla. At the same time Bro. H. F. Tripp and Miss Harvey were united in marriage at Craigsville, Illinois; at home at Walters, Okla. On New Year's Eve Bro. Black, of the faculty, and Miss Johnson of New Orleans were joined together by matrimonial ties.

Illinois' prospects in track are very good this year. If the retroactive feature of the three year rule is removed by the conference, Illinois will have the services of Capt. Gear, Mackey, and Burroughs. The first meet with Chicago is to be held in the gymnasium February 9th.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the track squad by Bros. Gear, Sparks, and May; and on the Freshman squad by Bros. Brown and Mohr.

Illinois will have practically a veteran base ball team this year, and the rosters are all looking for another championship team. Indoor practice began last week in the Armory. Bros. Greenleaf and Tondrow are on the varsity squad, and Bros. Kimball, McKelvey, and Cunningham are on the Freshman squad.

Basket ball is a comparatively new sport at Illinois, but the indications are that we will have a good team if Freshmen are allowed to participate. The athletic association will award official emblems for basket ball, and this has had the effect of bringing out large numbers of players. Bro. Matthews is our representative on the team and Bro. Ingold is official referee.

The first semester of instruction ends January 28th.

Champaign, January 12, 1907.

E. O. FURROW.

#### WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

The new year finds Wisconsin Alpha in a thriving condition. In spite of our severe handicap at the beginning of the semester in having a very limited number of men, we have been very successful in our rushing, and feel quite proud of the record we have made, notwithstanding adverse circumstances. At present there are nineteen active members in all. But eight men of a chapter of twenty-six returned this fall: Wm. Bailey, Edward Richter, Lawrence Lewis, Paul Hodges, Lester Ladd, Farewell Gascoigne, Raymond Storer and Halleck Kerr. We are glad to introduce as brother Phil: Harold Barker, '07, Madison; Pierre Kypk, '08, Lake Mills; Herbert Stark, '07, Milwaukee; Robert Laas, '09, Chicago; Ralph Hartley, '10, Oshkosh; Harold Tanner, Kaukauna; Seymour Winslow, '10, Madison; Ralph Doherty, '10, Grafton, N. D.; Frank Fosdick, '10, Sioux Falls, S. D.; Emmet Horan, Jr., '10, Eau Claire. Bro. Edward Brown of Indiana Gamma was affiliated in November.

We are expecting back next semester Bros. Blair Hartley, Milton Luce, possibly Fred Seville, who is rapidly recovering from a severe illness, and Lee Pond, Phikeia, from Eau Claire. We have put the button on the following men, we hope will be with us next year: Geo. Thom of Appleton,

James Sherman and Raoul Sherman of Appleton, and Webb Henry of Eau Claire. With these men and several others, who were pledged some time ago, the prospects seem very bright for next fall.

We are already preparing for the rush in the spring at interscholastic time. We have several names on our list and intend to make the best of our opportunities.

We have had the pleasure of entertaining several alumni during the last few months. Among them were: Geo. Tallman, Arthur Sullivan, Geo. Banta, Bennie Snow, Art Fairchild, Leo Ludlow, F. H. Ludlow, Milton Luce, Blair Hartley, Neeley Pardee, Ralph Cady, Herbert Lindsay and Lute Nash of Spokane, Wash.

Bro. Duval of Texas Beta is a professor of mathematics in the university. We are glad to have "the captain" with us.

Shortly before Christmas we had the honor of entertaining our town alumni with a dinner and smoker. Several excellent toasts were responded to.

Bro. Bailey was our delegate to the national convention at Washington, D. C. Bros. Laas and Lewis accompanied him. They speak in high terms of the courtesy and good fellowship manifested there. Bro. Steve Walmsley has been with us for the past few weeks. He is holding a position at the capitol, but is thinking seriously of taking a position at Hazel Green.

We have received a photograph of "Scrappy" Rose, Jr. "Scrappy" is located in Tucson, Arizona.

This year's prom. promises to compare very favorably with those of former years. The price of tickets has been reduced from six to three dollars and the number of guests limited. It is doubtful if any fraternity boxes will be in evidence. The faculty's idea is to make it a more democratic affair. We will have our customary house party, with the usual stunts. We extend a cordial invitation to our alumni to attend and help us fill the vacant cozy corners. We will promise them a splendid time.

The athletic situation is still somewhat hazy. The faculty has failed to ratify the big nine conference, leaving our next year's football schedule an unknown quantity. Ten Eyke is to coach our crew and we hope for success in that department. A baseball coach has not yet been selected and our schedule is yet incomplete.

The university has expanded its buildings somewhat during the past year. A new wing has been added to the main building, having twenty-six recitation rooms, an auditorium and some offices. The secretary's office has been moved to a stone building on the corner of Park and State streets. The department of engineering has increased its facilities in the way of a new hydraulic laboratory, which is nearly complete and which is situated on the lake shore.

The agricultural department is finishing a farms' mechanics building. The chemistry building has been remodeled into a very complete electro-chemistry laboratory, and science hall has also undergone many improvements.

At the end of the college year, Wisconsin Alpha hopes to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of its founding. Elaborate preparations are being made to have a great reunion of the alumni of Wisconsin Alpha. Our chapter antedates by fifteen years that of any other fraternity at Wisconsin, and we hope to have a celebration so successful that it will be remembered by all until some of our younger friends here endeavor to eclipse it. All this will be very welcome, for we hope to have a glorious time.

Wisconsin Alpha wishes a Happy New Year to all her sister chapters and looks forward to an era of increased prosperity for our beloved fraternity.

Madison, January 10, 1907.

EMMET HORAN, JR.

## MINNESOTA ALPHA, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

The University registration for the year just opened has nearly come up to the coveted four thousand mark. All departments have shown a slight increase with the exception of the schools of Mines, Law and Medicine. The graduate department has fallen off nearly 100 per cent. The summer school has increased double that of any previous session. The small increase this fall is undoubtedly due to the lack of proper facilities for handling the students. Every available room in the university is now in use during the day. The need for new buildings is being felt in all departments, especially the academic. The new main building will not be ready for occupancy until the opening in September, 1907. Alice Shevlin Hall, the new Woman's building, is completed and ready for dedication. Plans are completed for new dental and pharmacy buildings. These departments are growing rapidly and make new buildings an absolute necessity. Millard Hall, the new medical building, is nearly completed and will relieve the congestion of that department perceptibly.

Social activity thus far has been in the hands of the fraternities. The Pan-Hellenic Informals are well attended. The Tillicum and Triangle clubs, sophomore and junior inter-fraternity societies respectively, are giving a series of informals. The University Crack Drill Squad and University band are also planning a series of dances.

The honor system for examinations has been tried with success and is now being used in the economics and history departments. Other departments will undoubtedly adopt it within a short time.

The University Dramatic club has presented three plays: "My Lord in Livery," "A Man of Letters," and "Carrots." A trip for the club has been arranged, taking in the principal towns of the state.

The Glee and Mandolin clubs gave a concert at Stillwater Nov. 21, 1906. Their annual trip commences the 31st of December and will include a circuit of eleven towns. The membership of these clubs is large and their reception so far indicates an unusually successful season.

Debate and oratory are in full swing. Teams have been selected to represent Minnesota against Iowa and Wisconsin. The Sophomore-Freshman contest comes off the 12th of December, and the intra-Sophomore contest, for the Peavy prize of \$75.00 is scheduled for just before the holidays. The debate between the literary societies is for a loving cup. Edwin Aygarn has been chosen to represent Minnesota in the Hamilton oratorical contest.

Minnesota, by defeating Chicago by a score of 4-2, has earned the right to claim the western championship. The decisive defeats of Nebraska and Ames has demonstrated that we have a good team but the defeat by Carlisle shows the Gopher squad to be anything but a "new rules" aggregation. Marshall, Doane and Schughnecht have shown the best form in the new style of play. Marshall has added to his last year's playing by demonstrating that he is a place kicker of no mean ability. His goal from the 40 yard line at Chicago was easily the feature of the game. Authorities have already recognized him as one of the all western ends for 1906. The slump shown by the team in the Carlisle game was a surprise to the Gopher rooters. Larkin failed to show anywhere near the spectacular work he did at Chicago in the way of generalship and catching punts. Current was injured early in the second half. Marshall and Gardiner were disqualified for rough playing, and the team presented a patched lineup during the last few minutes of play. Carlisle won by her superior back field, the quick charging of the line, and the drop kicking of Libby.

The system of student tickets has not worked very favorably. There is too much red tape to be gone through with and also in the case of large

seat sales, the policy has been to give the students inferior seats. The new rules have proved successful and have satisfied the student body that they have not done anything to deteriorate the popularity of football.

In the interclass games, the sophomores defeated the freshmen 11 to 0. Several fraternities have teams.  $\Delta K E$  and  $A \Delta \Phi$  played a 0 to 0 game and will meet again on Thanksgiving.

Three veterans compose the nucleus of the basketball team for this year. The schedule has been nearly completed with a possibility of an eastern trip. The Board of Control has issued seven M's to the last year squad. The Girls' Basketball tournament is to be held December 21st. Teams will represent each of the classes and rivalry in decoration of the hall will be one of the features of the contest. The trophy is a silver loving cup.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$  entertained at the chapter house Oct. 27th, by an informal.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  freshmen entertained the newly organized inter-fraternity club. The Tillicum club will hold its next meeting at the expense of our sophomores.

Minnesota Alpha presents the following brothers to the fraternity: Cyril A. Costello, St. Paul; Norman Nelson, St. Paul; Frank Ray, Dickinson N. Dak.; Fred Blanchett, Elk River, Minn., and Geo. S. Loudon, Minneapolis.

Bro. Vance is exchange editor of the *Minnesota Daily*. Bros. Mather and Costello are members of the Mandolin club. Bro. Loudon is vice-president of the inter-fraternity freshmen club. Bro. Blanchett is in the 'varsity band. Bros. Blanchett and Sheild are on the basketball squad.

The chapter has been visited by Bro. McCrillis, H. G. C., Bros. Colton and Baird, Illinois Alpha; Bros. Frisbee, Barragar, Powell and Pitkin, Minnesota Alpha.

MARCELLUS C. SHEILD, JR.

Minneapolis, November 15, 1906.

Minnesota Alpha has pledged the following men who intend to enter the university next fall: Byron McCluskey, Ray Clymenhagen and James Costello of St. Anthony Park; Sidney Rexford, Geo. Weitbrecht and Raymond Chase of St. Paul. In the university we have pledged Gus. Eisen-graeber of Young America, Minn. The chapter is unfortunate in losing Bros. Edward McCanna and George Loudon, who have left college.

Several changes have taken place among the Phi members of the faculty. Bro. Conway McMillan of the botany department has gone to Pittsburg to enter the advertising business. Bro. Westerman of Colorado Alpha, lately at Missouri University, has been appointed assistant professor in the history department. The chapter feels very fortunate in having Bro. Westerman here and is grateful for the interest he has shown in its welfare.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$  entertained the active chapter of  $\Delta T \Delta$  at an informal smoker at the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  Lodge and were entertained in return at the  $\Delta T \Delta$  Lodge.

The inter-fraternity bowling league has been organized. Thus far the team has lost but one game. Two silver trophy cups are offered for the teams finishing first and second.

The freshmen entertained the members of the Adelpian, the inter-fraternity freshman society, at the chapter house. The sophomores also entertained the members of the Tillicum club, the inter-fraternity sophomore society.

Bro. Nelson has been elected a member of the dramatic club. Bro. Costello is a member of the Glee and Mandolin club. Bro. Blanchett has been appointed chief musician of the Cadet Corps. Bro. Loudon has been elected vice-president of the Adelpian club.

Much interest is being aroused over the coming election of the Athletic association. At a recent meeting of the Board of Control, they denied the right of the faculty to veto the actions of the Student Board. The question

will be put to a vote of the students. Several mass meetings have been held and both the faculty and student side of the question have been presented.

Minnesota seems to be following her former record in basketball. Thus far the team has defeated Illinois and Wisconsin by decisive scores. The usual class tournaments for both men and women are scheduled for the near future.

The chapter has been visited by Bros. Baird, Colton, Romans and Harker, of Illinois Alpha; Bro. Hinkley, of Michigan Alpha; Bros. Frisbee, Barragan and McCanna, of Minnesota Alpha, and Bro. McElroy of Pennsylvania Gamma.

MARCELLUS C. SHEILD, Jr.

Minneapolis, January 31, 1907.

#### IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The Christmas vacation is a thing of the past and everyone has settled down to preparation for the mid-year examinations, which occur February 1 and 2. The chair of history, temporarily vacated by Dr. Booth, owing to the illness of her father, has been filled by Miss Eva Torr an alumna of DePauw University. Miss Torr has also been elected to the position of Preceptress of Elizabeth Hershey Hall, the young ladies' dormitory, which position was vacated by the resignation of Miss Elia Heath, who was obliged to resign because of the large attendance in the Art department of which she has charge.

The New Year found every one returned with the exception of one of our phikeias, Ira Shrader of Thornburg, Iowa, who has taken a position in a bank in Kansas City, Missouri.

The third and last of the series of inter-collegiate debates with Coe College, is to be held soon. Of these two debates, each college has won one. Bros. Krenmeyer and McKinnon, who with Bro. Wilson, '06, formed the winning team of last year, will have places on this year's team. We have also a contract with Illinois Wesleyan and probably will debate with Upper Iowa University.

A short time before the holidays the active chapter entertained the alumni of the city with a turkey dinner at our chapter house. After the dinner the evening was well spent in reminiscences and tales of "the olden days." If the alumni enjoyed it as much as the active chapter, we are sure it was a grand success.

We were pleased to have, before and during the holidays, visits from Bros. Jason A. Randall, '99, New London, Iowa; Burton Beck, '03, Tacoma, Washington; Albert E. Smith, '97, Chicago, Illinois, and George M. Rommel, '97, Washington, D. C.

RAY I. TENNANT.

Mount Pleasant, January 12, 1907.

#### IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Since the last letter to THE SCROLL, Iowa Beta has initiated one of its phikeias, George W. Stephenson, of Burlington, Iowa, and has pledged another man, Henry A. Stoltenberg, of Avoca, Iowa. This makes an active chapter of eighteen men and three pledges.

The main event in the history of Iowa Beta during the past two months was the annual banquet of the chapter to the Phis of the city on December 11. Covers were laid for thirty-six of the brothers and one of the most enjoyable informal banquets ever given by the chapter was held. The toastmaster, Bro. B. V. Murphy of the active chapter opened the program. Bros. L. G. Weld, '83, C. S. Magowan, '84, and A. G. Smith, '91, of the faculty,



responded and Bro. L. L. Williams, the active chapter delegate to Washington, spoke on "The 1906 Convention." Bro. F. A. Schumacher, Ohio Epsilon, '85, gave an interesting talk on the granting of the charter of Iowa Beta at the Nashville convention. Several of the recent graduates also spoke. It is probable that Iowa Beta will give another banquet of a like nature in March owing to the success of this one.

Bro. W. M. Ball has been initiated into  $\Phi \Delta \Phi$  and has also been appointed deputy county recorder; Bro. O. R. Voss is one of the charter members of  $N \Sigma N$  which was installed here in December; Bro. L. L. Williams has been appointed on the senior hop committee and has been elected sergeant-at-arms of the freshman law class; and Bro. H. M. Harwood has been elected chairman of the junior prom. committee.

Shortly after the return of the brothers following the holiday vacation a Christmas tree was held, every member presenting two or three gifts of a burlesque nature to one other man and also a present to the house in the form of a picture, a pennant or some other useful article. The tree was most successful and the home of Iowa Beta has been greatly improved by the addition of the presents from the eighteen men.

In the first meeting of the pan-hellenic whist league held at the B  $\Theta$   $\Pi$  house last month,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's team, Bros. Williams and Ball, handily defeated the  $\Sigma \Delta E$  team eight boards to two. The schedule of the whist league provides for every fraternity meeting every other fraternity once. The fraternity having the best percentage at the end of the schedule will be awarded a handsome table. The winner will be decided by March 1.

The pan-hellenic board of delegates decided upon April 5 as the date for a pan-hellenic party, the first ever given in the history of the fraternities at Iowa. The board has already begun preparations for the party which will be the largest and most elaborate of the year in university social life.

The official basketball schedule was issued shortly after the holiday vacation by Bro. Mark Catlin who is manager of athletics and Iowa will have games with Northwestern, Chicago and Purdue of the conference colleges and also two games with Nebraska. The outlook is bright for a good team with the excellent schedule which has been arranged and the wealth of material which is trying for the team.

Within a week after January 1, 1907, the University of Iowa passed the 2,000 attendance mark which has been so long sought. As many students usually enter at the beginning of the second semester which opens February 4; this year, it is expected that the figures will take another leap next month. There has been an increase of about 400 students in the past two years.

Iowa City, January 10, 1907.

H. M. HARWOOD.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

We have just finished our mid-year examinations and are about ready to begin a new semester. From the few new students who enter at this time of the year we have usually managed to get one new man. As yet we have not seen any whom we think desirable, but have our eyes open.

This year Missouri has a basketball team for the first time. The management has arranged an unusually good schedule, consisting of games with Washington, Kansas, Haskell, St Louis and Kansas City athletic associations, and with the Fort Riley military team. So far two games have been played. Center College was defeated by a score of 68 to 5. The game with Washington, which resulted in a victory for Washington by a score of 28 to 24, was an exceptionally good exhibition of basketball. Of the remaining games we expect to win a goodly number.

This year the "Junior Prom" is to be given January 29th, as a ruling of the faculty prevents the gymnasium being used at any time while school is in session, January 29 coming between the end of the first and the beginning of the second semester.

Unless some of our best men are counted ineligible on account of their school work after this semester, we should have good track and baseball teams. This year we hope to have a man on the baseball team, and Bro. Brankam is sure of a place on the track team.

The chapter is to give its annual dance February 22. For over fifteen years this has been an annual affair and has always proved a success. With that record behind us we hope to make it a success this year.

Columbia, January 29, 1907.

C. A. POTTER.

#### MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

The opening of the second semester has brought quite a number of new students and returned several former students. Among these are Bros. Marquess and Lasley of last year's chapter. Besides strengthening the chapter, the return of Bros. Marquess and Lasley will strengthen the college in its athletic standing. Bro. Lasley is captain of the 1907 baseball team, while Bro. Marquess carried off the tennis championship last year and bids fair to repeat his achievement this spring.

At the close of the football season the squad met and elected Mr. Wm. Pipkin captain of the 1907 team. Only three of the squad were awarded "W's", among them being Bro. O. L. McIntire, who has made quite a record by his work on the gridiron the past two years.

For four years Westminster has opened the baseball season with the State university. The game this year will be of unusual interest from the fact that each of these teams has two games to its credit. Returning, as we do, all but one of the 1906 team, and with Captain Lasley's experience, Westminster expects to turn out one of the leading teams of the state. Nor should we leave out of account Coach Knight, who keeps in close touch with the men, and has the knack of getting the very best out of every one. Bros. Black and McKee of last year's team will be in the squad again.

Our first track meet will be with Central College. Bros. H. H. and O. L. McIntire and Bro. Pankey will represent  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on the squad.

On the staff of the *Blue Jay* this year are Bro. Miller, as athletic editor, and Bro. Ready, as fraternity editor.

The oratorical contest this year was won by H. B. Lang, who will represent Westminster at the intercollegiate contest in March.

The Glee club has recently been reorganized, with Bros. Black and Ready taking an active part. They will give several entertainments this winter.

Missouri Beta gave her annual Christmas banquet-dance on December 18. Over twenty-five couples were gathered around the banquet table.

During the holidays the local Phis were pleased to have with them Bros. Black and Leavel, '03, and Bro. Harrison from Missouri Alpha.

Fulton, February 7, 1907.

ROBT. S. MCKEE.

#### MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter Missouri Gamma has initiated six new men and now takes pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. Blasdel Shapleigh, '10; Ralph Campbell, '10; and Charles Wall, '10, of St. Louis; Frederick Wehrle, '10, of Belleville, Ill.; Thomas Elliot, of Portland, Ore.; and H. Elmer

Mantz of Lodi, Ohio. The chapter is well represented in college this year. Bro. Goodbar is president of the Student Body; Bros. R. B. Campbell and D. B. Turner are members of the glee club; Bro. F. M. Eliot is secretary of the athletic association; and Bros. Wall and Eliot members of the mandolin club.

On December 14th we gave a dance to which members of other fraternities were invited. It was voted the success of the season by those who attended.

Athletics at Washington are in a flourishing condition. The football season just closed was a very successful one for us. We succeeded in defeating Missouri State University by the substantial score of 12 to 0. The basketball team has just returned from a trip through the state. It played Missouri and Central College, winning from both. Prospects are very good for a winning track team in the spring.

Work on McMillan Hall, the new dormitory for women, is being pushed rapidly. The building is about one-half completed and will be ready for occupancy in the fall.

Since the last issue of THE SCROLL, K A Θ has entered Washington. This is the first national sorority to establish a chapter at Washington, though another will enter soon.

FRANK M. ELIOT.

St. Louis, January 28, 1907.

#### KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Most of the interest in the university at present is centered around the track team for the coming spring. We have been very fortunate in securing the services of J. P. Hagerman, one of the country's best athletes as coach of the team. He will undoubtedly develop the good material which we have and we hope will enable us to defeat our old rival, Missouri. The football team finished a very successful season, defeating four state universities out of five and playing a tie game with the other. While practice for baseball has not yet begun, the season looks very promising for the university. Good material is plentiful since the plan to bar freshmen failed, and many of the old men are back to be in the game again.

The university glee club leaves for an extended tour February 1. The Mandolin club leaves March 1. We are represented on the glee club by Bro. Power and on the mandolin club by Bros. Peet and Barteldes. The chapter is in good condition. We regret very much to report the loss of Bros. Neff and Johnson, the two oldest Phis in the chapter. We desire to acknowledge the visits of many Phis and hope those who are in this vicinity in the future will look us up.

HARRY J. TAYLOR.

Lawrence, January 31, 1907.

#### NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

The rules made by the interfraternity council governing rushing have had their first trial. By these rules, rushing is practically limited to smokers on Friday and Saturday evenings and no pledging or "spiking" is allowed until the mid-semester reports are completed. No one can be pledged who is deficient in his work. While these are advantageous in some ways, they have not met with universal favor because of the frequent smokers which are necessary during a long time.

Since our last letter we have initiated nine men. George J. Thomas, University Place, and William S. Haines, Omaha, were initiated October 19. Earl A. Clevidence, Lincoln, who was pledged at Knox College, was initi-

ated November 19. On December 15, we initiated Earl W. Lantz, Kearney; Loyd P. Shaffer, Falls City; Richard O. Webster, Ernest A. Everett, Armin N. Birkner and Archer M. Bunting, of Lincoln.

During the fall we have enjoyed visits from Bros. Walter B. Palmer, Morrison, Illinois Eta; Scott, Kansas Alpha; Watkin, Texas Beta, and a number of alumni of this chapter.

Bro. Walter S. Berry, Ohio Theta, is an instructor in mechanical engineering in the university.

Bro. Koehler, '08, has withdrawn from the university to take a position as cashier of the First National Bank, of Elwood, Nebraska.

A  $\Phi$  has recently installed a chapter here.

The new museum building is nearing completion and the Rockefeller temple will be completed in the spring. The present enrollment of the University is now 2,914, a considerable increase over last year.

Lincoln, January 8, 1907.

E. L. LINDQUEST.

#### **SOUTH DAKOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA.**

South Dakota Alpha was duly installed on December 18 and 19, by Bro. C. F. Lamkin, H. G. C., and F. R. Cowles, vice-president of Zeta Province, with the aid of the Sioux City alumni club, represented by Bros. R. H. Munger, Iowa Beta; O. S. Dean, Iowa Beta; and O. A. Wakefield, Illinois Zeta; and Perrett Gault, of Washington Alpha. Among those in the state who sent regrets were George R. Baker, Vermont Alpha, and Gov. Samuel H. Elrod, the latter sending his photograph and letter of congratulation. Twenty-one men were duly initiated.

This chapter starts out with an active membership of nineteen men a goodly number of alumni, and a chapter house of its own.

The university is moving on smoothly under the management of our new president, Dr. F. B. Gsult, who is at present making an active campaign throughout the state in the interest of the university.

At present a three story building of Sioux Falls quartzite, to cost \$40,000.00 is under construction; it will be the main part of the ladies' dormitory, making the present building (East Hall) the south wing. A bill is now before the legislature for \$50,000.00 for a law building, which will undoubtedly be passed. In this connection, I might add that Bro. O. W. Thompson, senator from this district, is chairman of the appropriation committee. This appointment assures the friends of the university that it will be well taken care of.

In athletics the university has the state championship in foot ball. Its goal was crossed by but one team during the season. Among the games played was one with the University of Nebraska, in which the varsity lost by a score of 4 to 0. Four of the brothers were on the team.

At present basket ball is in full swing, and an interesting schedule has been arranged.

The baseball and track men are beginning to train, and the outlook was never better for star teams. Last year's teams are back with the exception of four men.

The sophomore class will give its annual play in the near future. This year they will give "Richelieu." Two of the brothers will take prominent parts.

Vermillion, January 16, 1907.

EARLE M. YOUNG.

#### **COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.**

The annual initiation banquet was held on November 3. The ceremony and banquet were well attended by alumni from different parts of the

state. The initiates were Harry M. Zimmers, Leon Stanford Fairley and Ralph Carlyle Smith. As a future Phi we take pleasure in announcing Thomas Morrow, of Cincinnati.

On hallowe'en we gave an old fashioned hallowe'en party. The house was lavishly decorated with jack-o-lanterns, while the floor was strewn with autumn leaves. The party opened with a lively Virginia reel, followed by all the traditional hallowe'en stunts. Luncheon was served and appropriate favors were presented to all the guests.

On Monday before the holidays we had a Christmas party. The entire lower floor of the chapter house was completely enveloped in evergreens, holly and Christmas bells. Dancing and appropriate games were followed by a Christmas tree which was lavishly decorated and on which were presents for the guests and brothers.

A number of less elaborate dancing parties were given during the semester. At different times during the fall we entertained our friends in each of the four sororities with an informal dinner at the chapter house.

Our chapter and the Denver alumni club held an informal dinner in the Albany hotel, Denver, on January 29. Fraternity policy in general was discussed and in particular, subjects pertaining to this chapter. It was decided to incorporate and to take active steps toward raising funds for a chapter house. The note system was started last year and notes will soon be forthcoming.

Bros. James, Hickney, Steinhauer, Woods and Motten, of the Denver alumni club, came up last evening and initiated the juniors and seniors into the K T A Δ.

LIVINGSTON POLK FERRIS.

Boulder, January 12, 1907.

## ETA PROVINCE.

### GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

After the welcomed Christmas holidays, everything is about as usual at the University of Georgia. A large number of the old men are back and a good many new men have entered. Georgia Alpha lost two men, Bros. Brown and Allen, F. However we have one affiliate, Bro. R. B. Cates, Georgia Gamma, whom we are pleased to make one of us.

Just before the semi-final examinations began, Bro. Marcus McWhorter gave an elegant banquet in honor of the chapter. His suburban home is an ideal place for entertaining. The table and dining room were decorated in the fraternity colors. After feasting sumptuously, we retired to the bowling alleys where pool and ten pins were enjoyed until a late hour.

On last Saturday evening the athletic association met and underwent a re-organization; it is to be incorporated under the laws of Georgia and a new constitution has been drawn up and adopted. It is hoped, and we have reason to believe, that the new plans will be a big improvement on the old way of running athletics. At this meeting it was also announced that Bro. Kyle Smith had been chosen to captain the 1907 football team. This honor was much sought for and the selection shows Bro. Smith's popularity. Bro. C. G. Mills stands a splendid chance of being elected manager of the football team; his efficient work in the capacity of assistant manager of the '06 team speaks strongly for him.

Since our last letter, Φ Δ Θ has secured a full share of the college honors; in addition to Bro. Smith being elected captain of foot ball team, Bro. Marshall was elected editor-in-chief of the *Red and Black*; Bro. McWhorter, F., is secretary of Φ K Literary Society, and Bro. Hunnicutt is vice-president; Bro. Slack is associate editor of the *Intercollegian*.

The campus has been quite lively with the scrapping of the sophs and freshmen, occasioned by the annual banquets of these classes. Both succeeded in having their feasts despite the efforts to interfere by the other.

Bro. A. H. Reppard, '05, married Miss O'Hara at Greenville on the 19th of December. The chapter wishes him a bountiful share of prosperity and happiness.

H. R. SLACK, JR.

Athens, January 29, 1907.

#### GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE

College re-opened January 2 and, as our mid-year final examinations began January 23, most of us have been kept busy trying to finish up the term's work. We regret very much that Bros. S. M. Solomon, Jr., '08, and E. L. Reagan, '09, decided not to return to college after the holidays.

The foot ball season ended with the pennant still in possession of the seniors who have held it since their junior year.

Many of the track men have already begun training for the tri-college track meet which takes place in the spring. This is the only inter-collegiate athletic contest that Emory students are allowed to enter, and naturally, there is a great deal of interest taken in it. Georgia Beta was well represented on the team last year and will no doubt be so again this year.

Arrangements are now being completed for a series of inter-collegiate debates to be held between Emory and Davidson. An effort was made to get a series with Wofford, but, for several valid reasons, Wofford could not accept Emory's challenge.

The excellent prospects, with which our chapter began the collegiate year, are daily materializing. Our men are taking prominent places in all phases of college activity. Bro. McGregor, '07, is athletic editor of the college annual, the *Emoree*; Bro. Arnold, '08, will represent Few Literary Society in the mid-year debate between Few and  $\Phi$   $\Gamma$  Literary Societies; Bro. Hill, '09, was elected to represent  $\Phi$   $\Gamma$  but was compelled to tender his resignation on account of conflicting work; Bro. Arnold will represent his class on Georgia Day and Bro. Hill will represent his class on Lee Day; Bro. Clay, '10, and Hill, '09, were re-elected captains of their respective football teams on the nights of their respective banquets. On the All Emory football team, Georgia Beta was represented by Bros. Smith, '08; Reagan, '09; Pitts, '09, and Clay, '10.

Our chapter takes this opportunity of again thanking Misses Branham, Chapman, Hill, King and Mosely for their gifts to the lodge which have added so much to the beauty and coziness of our home.

W. A. DOZIER.

Oxford, January 15, 1907.

#### GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY

At a meeting of the trustees last fall, it was agreed to increase the endowment of the university by \$300,000. The work of raising this amount has already begun. The faculty began the subscription by giving \$5,000. Mr. C. E. Brown has been elected assistant professor of English.

Mercer did not meet with much success in football during the past season, winning only two games. Considering that this was our first trial in football, we are not discouraged and are preparing for the next season. Bro. Conner was captain of the team.

Since our last letter we have initiated P. O. Holliday, '10, Washington, Ga., who is a very valuable addition to our chapter. Bros. Conner, Cates and Anthony did not return for the second term. Bro. Conner has a position in Birmingham, Ala. and Bro. Cates has affiliated with Georgia Alpha.

We had hoped and planned to entertain the convention of Eta Province this spring. Bro. Underwood prefers it next fall, so it has been postponed.

We enjoyed having with us at our last meeting Bros. Dozier and Solomon of Georgia Beta.

J. TRUITT MARTIN.

Macon, February 7, 1907.

#### ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Alabama is at present making a great fight in the state legislature for an appropriation of \$500,000. If this is secured Alabama will be placed on an equal footing with the best colleges in the south. Our prospects of obtaining it are very bright.

The glee club has just returned from its first trip. All of the boys report a fine time.

Though it is still cold, preparations are already being made for baseball. The diamond is being put into condition and the boys are beginning to practice. We have some fine material and hope to more than atone for last year's poor record. Bros. Mushat and Welch are sophomore assistants on the team.

In the last few weeks we have lost several Phis. Bros. Smith, Nolan and Forman have resigned from college. Bro. J. P. MacQueen has entered the medical department at Tulane, while Bro. S. S. Lanier is at Lehigh. We regret their loss, but feel sure that they will be valuable additions to any chapter.

Bro. William F. Prouty of New York Epsilon, has been added to our faculty. He holds a chair in the geological department, and is welcome among us.

So far we have not had a visit from our new province president, E. M. Underwood, but we earnestly invite him to come "around our way" soon. This same invitation is extended to all Phis. CHARLES C. HEIDT, JR.

University, January 31, 1907.

#### ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

The reopening of college on January 2 found the majority of the brothers of last term with us again, only two men having retired, Bros. J. R. Goldthwaite, '08, and W. N. G. Legare, '10, but their places will be filled by the entrance of Bros. E. G. Wilsen, '09, and Wm. Winship, '08, of Georgia Delta, both of whom will be affiliated soon. Bro. J. G. Brawder, '09, of Alabama Alpha was recently affiliated.

At present class football is attracting considerable attention. All of the classes have teams in the field and some good games are predicted in the contest for the championship. Basketball season opened last week with Tulane on the campus. The game resulted in a victory for Auburn, 34 to 16. About fifteen games have been arranged for the team. Last year was the first time Auburn has had a basketball team in the field, nevertheless she made a good showing. This year the team is exceptionally good and the prospects for the championship seem bright. Bro. Burgess, '07, is playing guard on the senior team; Bros. Mayes and Murray both have places on the sophomore team, and Bro. Lathop, '10, is playing quarter on the freshman team.

On January 14 the corps of cadets went to Montgomery at the invitation of Governor-elect Conner to take part in the inaugural parade.

The honors that have recently come to Alabama Beta Phis are as follows: Bro. Ripley, '07, was elected business manager of the *Glomerata*; Bro. Park, '08, floor manager of the junior German club; and Bro. Mayes, '09, leader of sophomore German club.

All Phis are invited to call when in this vicinity. THOS V. WATSON.

Auburn, January 29, 1907.

## THETA PROVINCE.

## MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

President Kincannon, of the Industrial Institute and College, who was elected by the board of trustees to fill the position of Chancellor of the university, has declined to accept, and the position is still vacant. However, Vice-Chancellor Hume is acting in this capacity, and it is to be hoped that when the board meets again, the position will be permanently filled.

A costly Science Hall and an Infirmary, which are nearing completion, together with five residences for professors now under erection will greatly add to the beauty of our campus, which is one of much natural beauty.

In athletics our record for the past season surpasses all previous ones. In the annual Thanksgiving game at Jackson, Miss., where the state championship is determined, we gave the A. & M. College a severe drubbing to the tune of 29 to 5. The students of both institutions attended in a body, and while there we had the pleasure of meeting many Phi Sigma alumni from our own and from other institutions. In this game Bro. Miles Watkins, of Tulane, formerly of Tennessee Beta, umpired, and Bro. O. L. Kimbrough, '06, a conspicuous figure in athletics at the university, was timekeeper.

We are very much grieved to report that Bro. Somerville, '07, who so efficiently represented us at the recent national convention, is seriously ill at his home in Greenville, Miss. It is earnestly hoped that he will soon recover and resume his work at the university. We also regret to report that by withdrawal we have lost Bros. C. P. and H. C. Henry, who have gone to New Mexico on account of the ill health of the latter.

We are very glad indeed to welcome among us Bro. H. A. Camp, a Mississippian who was initiated by Tennessee Beta, and who has affiliated with us. Bro. J. A. Brown, Georgia Beta, '06, who has proven his efficiency as general secretary of the local Y. M. C. A., has also been instrumental in developing the university's first glee club of which he is the president. Bros. Coleman, Bray, Storm and Hardy are also members of the glee club.

It is our very great pleasure to report further that the chapter is in excellent condition, and numerically the strongest of the eight fraternities represented here. This year we pledged and initiated into the fraternity more men than did  $\Delta K E$ ,  $\Delta \Psi$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$  and  $\Phi K \Psi$  combined, and from present prospects we may reasonably infer that our victory next year will be just as complete.

RUNDLE SMITH.

University, January 20, 1907.

## LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have formally affiliated Bro. Phil Latham Gully, Kentucky Alpha-Delta.

Our foot ball season turned out disastrously, for Tulane has not scored one single point this season. The greatest move in athletics this year took place when the students almost unanimously withdrew from the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association. We expect to have a splendid baseball team, and the students have already subscribed \$600 to help make the season a success. Our track team is doing splendid work, and we expect to have a good one. Bro. R. L. McMillan, '10, represents  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on that team.

Bros. Gully, '09, and West, '10, are trying to make the varsity nine.

The glee club has been re-organized and intends making a tour among the southern colleges.

The basketball team has just returned from an extended trip, winning two of the six games played.



Mr. Andrew Carnegie has offered \$75,000 to Tulane, provided the University raises \$150,000.

There is a new sorority at Newcomb, A Δ Φ having entered there.

The gift of Mrs. Pilton of \$28,000 made possible the enlargement of the library by fully one-third of its original size.

The Tulane-Texas debate comes off some time next month. The literary societies at Tulane have about concluded arrangements with the University of Georgia for a debate with that institution.

Louisiana Alpha is holding her own very well at Tulane. Brother Bean has received his football T, and has been elected vice-president of his class. Brother Gully has also received his T. Bro. Watkins, '09, has been elected both manager and associate editor from the medical department on the *Jambalaya* board.

Bro. Chappius has been appointed law editor-in-chief of the annual, the *Jambalaya*.

Bro. Hortier has been elected treasurer of the Junior German Club, Asst. Business Manager *Jambalaya* and editor on the *Tulane Weekly*.

Bro. R. H. Marr, Tenn. A, '80, was appointed lecturer on the code of practice in the law school.

Bro. Pierre Leon Cusachs, Tulane, '96, has been appointed professor at the Polyclinic.

It was our pleasure to meet the Texas delegates to the Washington convention as they passed through New Orleans.

Theta Province convention will meet after lent in Austin, Texas. We are looking forward to that time with great interest and hope to send to the convention several of our brothers.

JAMES J. FORTIER.

New Orleans, January 25, 1907.

#### TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Within the last two months the University of Texas has passed a crisis which has been threatening the existence of the institution. The rivalry between fraternity and non-fraternity elements, at first merely a rivalry, had grown into a lively enmity. "Barbs," by virtue of their numbers, were claiming and taking all the political plums of the institution; frat-men were threatening the social ostracism of the "Barbs." Both factions were clearly at fault. The situation became dangerous. Realizing the fact, several of the more liberal minded men on both sides, through long and vigorous efforts, sometimes among the students, sometimes in caucuses and on the auditorium floor, succeeded finally in bringing about a reconciliation. As a proof of the genuineness of the change, two fraternity men now fill the most important positions of the university. Hugh Lamar Stone, B Θ II, is president of the final ball; and Bro. Bowie Duncan is captain of the football team. Texas regards this self-regulation among the students as both commendable and exemplary.

In our last letter we mentioned a new law building. We now have the pleasure of announcing that the foundations have been laid. By fall of this year, Texas' law department will move into the most elegant quarters of the campus.

Nineteen law students are petitioning for a charter of Δ X. If their petition is favorably received, Texas will have the honor of furnishing the first southern chapter.

Bros. Dickson, Duncan, Pope, Key, and McCutcheon are charter members of Θ N E. The organization held an unprecedented dance at Eighth Street Hall on the night of January 28.

Texas Beta also has a few charter members in the "Raffles Club," a most exclusive set of jolly good fellows, and in the "275-Club," lately organized. The initiation banquet of the former was held Monday, Feb. 27.

Our chapter, despite the epidemic of newly formed societies, still retains its identity. In fact fraternity spirit has never been more evident. Since the return of Bros. Pope and McCutcheon from Washington with their enthusiastic reports, Texas Beta has become ambitious. In the spring we are going to hold the Theta Province Convention in Austin. And we intend to have a *convention*—one worthy of mention in Bro. Palmer's next history of Phi Delta Theta. Every active Phi in the U. S. and Canada is invited to attend; also the alumni Phis. We have plenty of room and want a full attendance.

R. W. STAYTON, JR.

Austin, January 29, 1907

#### TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

We are very glad to present to the fraternity Bro. R. T. Brewer, of Kenney, Texas.

We regret to say that Texas Gamma has lost Bros. J. E. Harrison, Jr., and Chas. A. Walker. Bro. Harrison has accepted a position in San Antonio and Bro. Walker has received an appointment to West Point. He is now at his home in Craft, Texas.

Our house is nearing completion and we hope to have a detailed description of it, with photographs, etc., in the next SCROLL. Our expectations as to its appearance are being generously realized.

Baseball practice will begin in a few days. There is more interest manifested in athletics this year than usual and everything points to a good team. Prof. E. B. Cooper is physical director and in addition we will have a first class professional coach. Eight members of last year's team are back.

Recently  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was represented in public debate by Bro. Brewer, his side winning.

Within the last few weeks we have had visits from Bros. E. M. Armstrong, '06; T. C. Turk, '06; J. N. Ryman, '06; and P. F. Graves, '05.

Georgetown, January 29, 1907.

J. D. WHEELER.

#### IOTA PROVINCE.

##### CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

On November 10, Rugby was given its final test as an inter-collegiate sport and more than came up to all the specifications. The game played on California Field resulted in a victory for Stanford by a score of 6-3. While new to many spectators, the interest of the packed bleachers was sustained throughout both halves and the rooting was better than at the usual football game. President Wheeler witnessed several eastern games and stated that Rugby far surpassed the new reformed football. The Stanford coach has also reported the superiority of Rugby, so it is here to stay after a few modifications in last year's rules have been made.

Another new game introduced last term is the annual pushball match between the freshmen and the sophomores. This gives the lower classmen a chance to vent their energies which would otherwise be wasted in the charter day rush. The two classes met on the last of November and after two thirty minute halves left the six-foot pigskin in the center of the field for ten men picked from each side to fight over. These were unsuccessful in pushing the ball over either goal line, so the match was called off with

the score 0-0: From the spectators' point of view the contest was a howling success, as the struggles of 500 students over, under and against the massive ball afforded much amusement.

This year Junior Day fell on the thirtieth of November. The farce was extremely clever and the Prom kept up the standard set by former classes.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was represented by Bro. Tyssowski, '08, on the arrangements committee and Bro. Thacher, '08, on the farce committee.

The inter-fraternity baseball league matches were not brought to a close last term. Our team was put out in the semi-finals. The two remaining nines in the finals are the  $\Phi \Sigma \Delta$ 's (local) and the K A's.

Baseball practice owing to the rainy weather has not commenced, but the boating men are out in earnest. Bro. Tyssowski, '08, the new president of the Boat Club, went east during the holidays and purchased three eight oared shells, so a regatta with eights is now assured.

By graduation, we lost Bros. Charles Stuart, '06, and Bert Campbell, '06. Bro. Bingham, '06, also received his degree but will remain in college this term, taking post graduate work in economics. Bros. Harry Monett, '07, Victor Morgan, '08, and Robert Variel, '06, also left, leaving seventeen in the active chapter.

PHILIP S. THACHER, '08.

Berkeley, January 24, 1907.

#### CALIFORNIA BETA, STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

Stanford University opened for the second semester on January 8. Although the raising of the standard of scholarship caused about one hundred students to be dropped from the rolls, California Beta returned as strong as ever, with fifteen men back. Bros. Thomson and Brawley were graduated in December, and have gone home. The loss of Bro. Spalding, who left last semester to take a position with a construction company in San Francisco, will be offset by the return of Bro. McDuffie, '09, who has been out of college for a year. We have three men pledged at the present time, whom we hope to initiate early in February.

This year has been a very hard one for Stanford in football. The faculty athletic committee, against the wishes of all the men on the team, decided to shelve the old American game, and to try the English Rugby game, for a year or so at least. This necessitated a complete change in the training and coaching of our men, but after two months of hard work, Coach Lanagan succeeded in bringing the team into good shape, and when we met the team from Vancouver, we trimmed them, 3-0. We also defeated California in the annual game by the score of 6-3. During the Christmas holidays, the team made a tour of British Columbia, and made a very creditable showing against the veteran players. Bro. Chalmers has turned out to be a star at Rugby as well as at the old game.

The prospects for a good baseball team are of the best, and the series with the University of California should be won by Stanford. Eight veterans are on the squad this year. Bros. Chalmers and Dennis represent  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

In track athletics the prospects are also good, with the largest squad in the history of the college at work. Our new track will probably be available next week. Bros. Behlow, Bradford, Kelley, McDuffie and Weaver are trying for honors in this branch of sport.

Boating seems to have taken a big forward stride during the past year and everyone is looking forward to an excellent regatta in May. Bros. Macomber and Roberts are out for the freshman crew.

Bro. King was last semester elected to the upper class honor society, Skull and Snakes. Bro. Bradford is on the sophomore play committee, and with Bro. Chalmers represents us on the glee club.

We keep our door open to all Phis, and urge any who may be visiting in California to drop in.

H. J. HEFFRON.

Stanford University, January 25, 1907.

### KAPPA PROVINCE.

#### WASHINGTON ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

This is the first communication from Washington Alpha appearing in THE SCROLL this college year. Our reporter returned too late last September to get a letter in the October number.

The opening of college found us with twenty old men returned, enthusiastically working for the chapter and the fraternity. We were unusually successful in the fall rushing, securing ten of the best men entering this year, and one who was in college last year. We had twelve and lost only one, who was practically pledged Σ X before we began to work with him. Bro. Adair Rembert from Texas is with us and has affiliated. The chapter is in good condition in every respect. We believe we have good reason for feeling confident that we are the strongest chapter here at the present time. Β Θ ΙΙ is probably our strongest competitor. This year we have a chapter of thirty enthusiastic fellows who take a great interest in everything concerning the fraternity.

Last year during spring vacation we painted the exterior of the house. During the summer the interior was thoroughly repaired. We are proud of the appearance of our house and are making every effort to keep it in the best of condition, until we shall be able to build a house more suited to the needs of the chapter. Nineteen men are now living in the house and two others would be glad to move in if room could be had.

On their return from the convention Bros. Priest, Kinnear and Hoover gave a splendid report of the proceedings at Washington, which enables us, in a way at least, to realize what a great institution our fraternity is, and what an honor it is to wear the sword and shield. Few of us, I think, fully realize the magnitude of the fraternity and are not as proud of the fact that we are Phis as we should be.

The enrollment here shows a very material increase over that of last year, having reached the 1,100 mark. In all probability a large number of students will enter at the beginning of the next semester. We already have a line on several good men who will enter then. The board of trustees are working the state legislature, now in session, for an appropriation of \$1,000,000; \$400,000 maintenance and \$600,000 building fund. The plan is to use the new building constructed for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, to be held on the campus in the summer of 1909, and then give them to the university, thus avoiding the unnecessary waste of constructing temporary buildings and making improvements for the fair.

The loss of the northwest football championship to Oregon is a great disappointment to us. We had a good team and hoped to win. The chapter is justly proud of our all-northwest center, Bro. Tegtmeyer, and Bro. Bragdon, who was a star performer at tackle.

Our new initiates are Bros. William Rasmusen, '08, of Forest Grove, Ore.; Howard Gillite, '08, of Lewiston; Fred Matthys, '09; William Lilly, '10; Frank Plum, '10; Fred Green, '10; and Roger Bragdon, '10, of Seattle; Arthur Hamerland, '10; David McKinley, '10; Blaine Osborne, '10; and Prince Byrd of Spokane.

FRANK M. ALLYN.

Seattle, January 6, 1907.

## ALUMNI CLUBS

## NASHVILLE.

The Alumni club of Phi Delta Theta in Nashville, Tenn., has long felt the need of some means of bringing together the older men of the fraternity. Possibly one reason for overlooking this so long is due to the active chapter at Vanderbilt university. Some of the men have visited this chapter which supplied such a need, while the larger majority never availed themselves of this opportunity. To supply this long felt need, the noon-day lunch at a convenient place has been instituted. On short notice by phone 18 men were gathered together January 11th to talk over plans. We decided to meet every two weeks, the dates chosen being the second and fourth Fridays in the month. The second on January 25th showed 38 present, which is about half the number enrolled in the alumni chapter. We have the assurance that in a short while we will have even a much larger proportion present. The two occasions just past were most enjoyable having largely been made so by the older members telling their early experiences in the fraternity. It has developed that some of the Phis of the city have known other Phis for a long time in a business way, but never knew they were of the same fraternity. We wish to prevent such a thing as this occurring again in the future by bringing the men together socially, and we know no better way than about the festal board.

A most hearty welcome is extended to all Phis who visit Nashville, to lunch with us the second and fourth Fridays in each month at the Duncan Hotel.

ALFRED E. HOWELL, Pres.

Nashville, February 1, 1907.

HARRY S. VAUGHN, D.D.S., Sec.

## INDIANAPOLIS.

The legislature of the State of Indiana is now in session and very interesting times are promised, inasmuch as both the Republican and Democratic parties have promised the people of Indiana much reform legislation. Phi Delta Theta is well represented in both houses. Bro. Hugh Miller, Lieutenant Governor, is the president of the Senate. Senator John C. Farber is an influential member and is chairman of the insurance committee. Senator Thomas T. Moore is one of the most prominent workers for temperance legislation in the state. He has served several terms in the Senate and is recognized as a strong leader. Senator Alexander G. Cavens is taking a prominent part in the workings of the Senate, as chairman of several important committees. In the House of Representatives George I. White and Thomas M. Honan are recognized as leaders on the Democratic side. Their influence is felt in all important legislation. Representative Frank C. Olive is serving his first term in the house but is already recognized as a conservative and safe leader.

Your reporter has already told of the splendid dancing party given at White City during the fall. We have other social successes to relate. On November 20 a theatre party was given at which about sixty were present. Among the guests were Misses Lillian Fauvre, Laura Arnold, Natalie Dalton, Enid Morris, Nola Atkinson, Mabelle Schelper, Helen Altland and Mary Lindley; Mesdames Henry Fitton, W. P. Garshwiler, W. J. Bowman, J. E. Carns, Fred Wishard, Nathan Richards, Willetts Bastian, R. S. Barrett, Lawrence Davis, James Mitchell, Will Fesler, Samuel K. Ruick, Roland DeFrees, Frank Foxworthy, Charles Macauley, Herbert Woodsmall, Thomas E. Whallon, William H. Dye and F. S. Graves. The affair was a notable society event.

The club continues to meet every Saturday at the Commercial Club for lunch. The last Saturday of the month is guest's day. We desire that brothers who are in the city on Saturday shall call at the Commercial Club and make themselves a part of our association.

R. T. BYERS.

Indianapolis, January 30, 1907.

#### FORT WAYNE.

The spirit of Phi Delta Theta imparted in the days gone by still lives in the hearts of the little Alumni Club at Fort Wayne. We couldn't get to Washington, but we were there just the same in spirit. Following our first meeting and banquet at the Wayne Club last June, it remained for Bro. Fred S. Hartman, Purdue, '96, (assistant sales manager Ft. Wayne Electric Works) and his charming wife to open their home and spread, on the night following Thanksgiving, the most elegantly served and appointed dinner it generally falls to the fortune of an ordinary Phi to enjoy. Eight of us were present, representing seven different chapters. The carnations were there; so were the candelabra in "blue." The miniature goat with blue ribbon marked the plate and the seven courses following were not eclipsed by your banquet at the "New Willard." We had with us two new initiates, Bro. Curdes, of Indiana University, and Bro. Harris Hartman, of Northwestern. We again went through the spikes and initiation of the old day. We talked of Washington and extension, the College widow and our big guns. It was a happy crowd and proved that the Bond of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  banishes all barriers and strikes the chord that is tender and dear more quickly and effectively than does any secret organization or pact in the world today. Those present in addition to the above were: Edwin M. Hulse, Purdue, '99; R. W. Smith, Amherst, '99; D. McDonald, Case, '99; D. McNaughton, Wabash, '04.

Fort Wayne, December 15, 1906.

CYRUS D. MEAD, *De Pauw*, '98.

#### CHICAGO.

The Phi Delta Theta club of Chicago has already begun to make preparations for a proper celebration of Alumni Day. The celebration will doubtless be in the form of a banquet, but it may be held on the night of March 14, instead of March 15, as on the latter date many towns near by celebrate the occasion. Many Phis leave the city to attend these gatherings, and on the other hand if there were no conflict of dates many of the Phis in the other cities would be attracted to Chicago.

For the purpose of working up enthusiasm well in advance, we are stimulating attendance at our regular Friday noon lunch meetings. These are held at the Union Restaurant, No. 111 Randolph street, and visiting Phis are invited to attend. On Friday, January 25, there were eighteen Phis in attendance, at the next meeting, February 1, twenty-two were present. Postal reminders are being sent to a large list each week. By this means we hope to maintain a steadily increasing attendance up to the time of the Alumni Day celebration. At the last luncheon on February 5th, a business meeting was held, at which Bro. Warren D. Howe, Indiana Alpha, '86, was elected treasurer. A committee was appointed to take charge of the program to follow the Alumni Day banquet. The highest attendance that we have had at any of these banquets was 155. We are hoping this year to reach the 200 mark.

WILLIAM E. GODSO.

Chicago, February 5, 1907.

## PERSONAL.

*Gettysburg*—H. H. Keller, '01, is practicing law at Doylestown, Pa.

*Gettysburg*—C. Roy Coble, '97, is engaged in business in Oakland, Cal.

*Washington U.*—A. P. Gamble, '06, is located at Port Huron, Mich.

*Gettysburg*—Rev. T. L. Crouse, '87, is pastor of a church at Sharpsburg, Pa.

*Auburn*—R. C. Smith, '92, was elected to the legislature from Lee county, Ala.

*Vermont*—Arthur Day Welch, '02, has removed from Brooklyn, N. Y. to Denver, Colo.

*California*—Aime B. Titus, '06, is now a student of the Art Students' League in New York.

*Minnesota*—Earl T. Simpson, '02, has recently been elected attorney of Winona county.

*Auburn*—R. F. Ligen, '89, administered the oath of office to Governor Conner on Jan. 14.

*Wisconsin*—Mark Banta, '04, is the father of George Banta III, born December 15, 1906.

*Vermont*—Elroy S. Billings was married November 27 to Miss Mary E. Gale of Stowe, Vermont.

*Vermont*—Roy S. Morse, '01, was married January 9 to Miss Flora Patrick of Burlington, Vermont.

*Mercer*—E. N. Lewis, '06, and Miss Johnnie Logan were married at Macon, Georgia, on December 12.

*Wisconsin*—George T. Kelly, '94, was married December 1 to Miss Margaret Burnham at Evanston, Ill.

*Vermont*—Earl E. Parker, '01, was married November 21 to Miss Laura D. Oldway of Chelsea, Vermont.

*Wisconsin*—Hawley W. Wilbur, '04, was married December 15 to Miss Avis A. Dement at Dixon, Illinois.

*South Dakota*—James G. Bradford, '04, was elected state's attorney of Jerauld county at the recent election.

*Washington U.*—R. A. Campbell, '06, has a position in the Government Cement Testing Plant at St. Louis.

*California*—Joseph Harlan Hartley, '05, is now a mining expert, with the Ladd Metals Co., of Portland, Oregon.

*South Dakota*—Orville W. Thompson is among the new senators in the South Dakota legislature now in session.

*Vermont*—Hugh Leslie Thompson, '06, has completed his course at Stanford and is now located in Burlington, Vt.

*Richmond*—William Waller Trice, '93, of Tampa, Fla., was married on December 6 in that city to Miss Nell Pallica.

*Syracuse*—Rev. S. Danforth Lewis, '00, is pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Huntington, Long Island.

*Minnesota*—James Thompson, Jr., '04, has been elected County Superintendent of Schools at Ellis, North Dakota.

*Nebraska*—William L. Westerman, '94, is assistant professor in the department of History, University of Minnesota.

*Vanderbilt*—Dr. Harry S. Vaughn, '94, has removed from Kansas City to Nashville, where he is practicing dentistry.

*Washington State*—Charles E. Gaches, '01, and Howard A. Hanson, '03, are members of the lower house of the Washington legislature.

*Lansing*—The Macmillan Co. publish many works on horticulture by L. H. Bailey, '82, dean of the college of agriculture of Cornell University.

*Illinois Wesleyan*—"An Envoy of the Higher Civilization" is the title of a clever story by Richard Henry Little, '95, in *Everybody's* for February.

*Vanderbilt*—Hon. M. R. Patterson, '82, resigned as a member of congress in December, and was inaugurated as governor of Tennessee in January.

*Vermont*—Hugh H. Watson, '06, was married to Miss Mary Frances Joslyn in Montreal, December 30. Bro. Watson is Deputy U. S. Consul at Three Rivers, Quebec.





*California*—Frank Otis, '73, for several terms president of the San Francisco alumni club, serves this year in the assembly, the lower house of the California legislature.

*Columbia*—Frederick A. Goetze, '95, for some time superintendent of buildings and grounds at Columbia, has been appointed dean of the school of applied science of that university.

*Kentucky State*—L. D. Threlkeld '02, is a member of the law firm of Grassham, Berry and Threlkeld, of Paducah, Ky. Bro. Threlkeld is in charge of the office of the firm at Smithland, Ky.

*South Dakota*—Sheridan R. Jones, '02, professor in biology in Grand Island College, Grand Island, Nebraska, was married to Miss May Freeman, Vermillion, S. D., during the holidays.

*Northwestern*—Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., '89, has decided to devote his full time to the practice of law in partnership with his father. Their offices are in the Bond Building, Washington, D. C.

*Franklin and Purdue*—S. V. B. Miller, '06, is now with the E. R. Thomas Automobile Co., of Detroit, of which company Bro. Roy D. Chapin, president of Delta province, is local manager.

*California*—Guy L. Bailey, '97, after a number of years of residence in Yokohama as engineer for the American Trading Co., and after some time spent on the Atlantic coast, has returned to California.

*Gettysburg*—Rev. John W. Ott, '97, was married on September 26 to Miss Leoma Weaver in the Reformed church at Littlestown, Pa. Bro. Ott is pastor of the Reformed church at Grand Rapids, Michigan.

*Lehigh*—The engagement of John McCleary, Jr., '04, to Miss Minnie A. Kramlich, of Allentown, Pa., has been announced. Bro. McCleary is employed by the Turner Construction Co., of New York City.

*Indiana*—At the sixty-first annual convocation of the grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the state of Indiana, held at Indianapolis in October, Philemon H. Clugston, '85, was elected grand high priest of that body.

*Lansing and Michigan*—The *American Magazine* for January contains an article by Ray Stannard Baker, '93, entitled "An Extraordinary Experiment in Brotherhood—The Theosophical Institution at Point Loma, California."

*Illinois*—H. S. Piatt, '92, is superintendent of the public schools at Coshocton, Ohio. THE SCROLL has recently been favored with a pamphlet entitled, "Intermittent Cerebration," containing a number of excellent poems by him.

*Amherst*—F. P. Christensen, ex-'07, who has been in the law business in Worcester, Mass., was given a rousing send-off in the form of a banquet by his business friends early in January. He has left for Seattle, Wash., where he will open a law office.

*Dartmouth*—Lewis H. Blanchard, '97, will soon be married to Miss Alice Holton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Holton, of Chicago. Bro. Blanchard is the manager of the Chicago branch of Hapgood's. He is a very active member of the Chicago alumni club.

*Indiana*—John W. Foster, '55, is the author of "A Century of American Diplomacy," "American Diplomacy in the Orient," and "The Practice of Diplomacy as Illustrated in the Foreign Relations of the United States." The latter has recently been issued by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., of Boston.

*Vanderbilt*—Douglas M. Wright, '04, was married on November 17 to Miss Margaret Fall, step-daughter of the late Judge Thomas H. Malone, of Nashville, Tenn. Bro. Wright is paying teller of the First National Bank of Nashville. He was the delegate of Tennessee Alpha to the New York convention in 1902.

*Columbia*—That control of the Mercantile National Bank of New York City had passed from the hands of Edwin Gould and the interest he represents to those of F. A. Heinze, '89, was shown at the election of directors, in January, when Bro. Heinze and a kinsman were among the new directors chosen.

*Vanderbilt*—Drew Pruitt, '80, has removed from Fort Worth, Texas, to Los Angeles, Cal., and is a member of the law firm of Morton and Pruitt, 611-615 Germain Building. Bro. Pruitt is an able and successful lawyer. His son, Drew Pruitt, Jr., is a member of Texas Beta, of which chapter his father was one of the founders.

*Knox*—"Benner X. Smith, prominent in Mormon church circles in Salt Lake City, is at the Angelus," says the *Los Angeles Examiner*. It is quite evident that the news of the recent election in Utah has spread to southern California.—*Salt Lake Herald*. Bro. Smith is not a Mormon but is a member of the Utah senate.

*Butler and Indiana*—C. L. Goodwin, '83, whose residence is in Indianapolis, is president of the Blue Jay Lumber Co., at Blue Jay, near Raleigh, W. Va., a concern with a capacity of 70,000 feet daily. He also has extensive lumber interests about Greenwood, Miss. He has attended every national convention in the last ten years.

*Brown*—N. M. Wright, '89, is judge of the police court of Providence, R. I., and also secretary of the Republican state central committee. A. T. Swift, Ph. D., '89, is instructor in the English high school at Providence. Jeremiah Holmes, '02, is industrial secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Bridgeport, Conn. His address is 363 John street.

*Dickinson*—Rev. Dr. J. Frederick Heisse, '86, presiding elder of the west Baltimore district of the M. E. church, has been chosen editor of the *Baltimore Methodist*. This is the second time he has been editor of that paper, having resigned the editorship in 1897 to take charge of a large pastorate. He will continue as presiding elder, being assisted on the paper by an associate editor.

*Vanderbilt*—Harvey C. Alexander, '95, has been appointed adjutant-general of the state of Tennessee to fill the vacancy caused by the election of his predecessor to the state railroad commission. Bro. Alexander has been assistant adjutant general for nearly four years. He was a captain in the Fourth Tennessee Infantry and saw service in Cuba after the Spanish-American war.

*Case*—A balloon has been ordered by the United States government for use by the war department in experimental work. The balloon will be of regulation type, but unusually large, capable of holding 80,000 cubic feet of gas. It will be constructed in this city. The order came from Captain Charles de F. Chandler of the war department. The balloon will be finished within ninety days.

*California*—Perry T. Tompkins, '92, C. C. Young, '92, and Elmer I. Rowell, '97, have all resigned their positions in the

San Francisco high school and are now associated in business with Duncan McDuffie, '99, in the Mason-McDuffie Co. of Berkeley, a corporation which is handling large undertakings in the way of the development of new additions to the college town, now grown to a population of some 40,000 people.

*Lombard*—The funeral of Rev. Lucien J. Dinsmore, pastor for a number of years of the Church of Our Father (Universalist) was held this afternoon. The body was taken for burial to Dewitt, Iowa. Mr. Dinsmore died yesterday at his home, 2155 North Ashland avenue. He was born in Bloomington, Ill., fifty-five years ago. He is survived by a widow and an unmarried daughter.—*Chicago Evening Post*, December 10, 1906.

*Case and Pennsylvania*—Bro. Clinton D. Hoyt, '98, one of our affiliate club members, in notifying us of his change of address to Mexico City, writes: "I came down here and took charge of the Gold Electrolytic Refinery for the National Metal Co. Found some Phis of course. The man in charge at night is C. A. Bohn, *Washington*, '92, associate editor of the song book, and H. P. Lewis, '96, *DePauw*, *Purdue* and *Cornell*, is the general manager."—*Phi Delta Theta News* of the Philadelphia alumni club.

*DePauw*—Rev. A. S. Preston, '89, pastor of the First M. E. church of Wabash, Ind., one of the most prominent members of the north Indiana conference, and well known as a lecturer, is a strong advocate of a legislative enactment to require legal publications of betrothals six months before weddings. Such public betrothals, he believes, would eradicate the evil of sudden, ill-considered marriages, and would do away with elopements and clandestine nuptials, and, he believes, there is no other solution.

*Vermont*—Prof. F. S. Grow, '91, has been voted the degree of master of pedagogy by the New York University council. He is about to receive the degree of doctor of philosophy from New York University. He is teaching algebra in the DeWitt Clinton High School, in New York, and also is teaching geometry and trigonometry in the East Side Evening High School. As a result of his labor in the evening school last year, he received a rating of 98.5 per cent and was this year asked to take charge of the advanced mathematics.

*Kansas*—At a meeting of the regents of the University of Kansas, a proposition was presented to the board by Chancellor Strong to ask Andrew Carnegie for money with which to build a fine arts building on the campus. On motion of William Allen White, '90, a member of the board, the proposal was voted down. "Twenty Years of the Republic," 1885-1905, by Harry Thurston Peck, quotes from Brother White's famous editorial written ten years ago, "What's the Matter with Kansas?" Bro. White has contributions in recent issues of *McClure's* and the *American Magazine*.

*Vermont*—Arthur B. Gilbert, '89, has been appointed advertising manager of the Myron C. Clark Publishing Co., of New York and Chicago. In the past three years Bro. Gilbert has been assistant business manager of *The Railway Age*, of Chicago, and he was previously for twelve years in a similar position with *Engineering News*, of New York. The Myron C. Clark Publishing Co., is one of the largest publishers of engineering and technical books in the country and issues several periodicals, including *Engineering Contracting*, a weekly journal for the engineer as a builder, and *Railway Maintenance and Structures*, a monthly periodical for railway men.

*Franklin*—E. M. Edwards, '01, superintendent of schools at Eaton, Ind., was recently married to Miss Pearl Alexander of Franklin. R. G. Stott, '03, of Franklin, has recently returned from an extended trip over the Santa Fe lines, getting material for stories of southwestern life. F. N. Thurston, '03, who was graduated by the Harvard law school last June, will practice his profession in Indianapolis. H. E. Tincher, '03, who was married recently, has gone to Charlottesville, Va. A. B. Hall, '04, will graduate from the law school of the University of Chicago this year. R. E. Carter, '06, is teaching in the high school of Shortridge, Ind. A. B. Wright, '06, is professor of history in the high school of Anderson, Ind.

*Ohio*—Carl D. Sheppard, '02, was married to Miss Margaret Phoebe Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Miner Jesse Allen, at Akron, Ohio, on December 15. The wedding was quite a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  affair. It took place at the residence of C. F. Beery, '93, city solicitor of Akron. Dr. N. H. Bennett, '99, of Pittsburgh, was best man and U. M. McCaughey, '95, also was present. The bride wore white and blue, the flowers

were white carnations, and the name cards at the table bore the fraternity's coat-of-arms. The bride is a Wellesley girl, and half a dozen of her college chums were present. Bro. Sheppard is a member of the staff of the Schripps-McRae Press Association, his assignment being the house of representatives at Washington. He is secretary of the Washington alumni club, and was chairman of the press committee at the Washington convention. He contributes the article on the pilgrimage to Mount Vernon to this issue of *THE SCROLL*.

*Vermont*—Hon. T. C. Cheney, '91, who has for many years served as assistant clerk and as clerk of the Vermont house of representatives, was elected speaker of that body last October, receiving every vote that was cast, democrats



HON. T. C. CHENEY, VERMONT, '91  
Speaker Vermont House of Representatives.

as well as republicans giving him their support. This is very unusual, no person having been thus chosen during the previous thirty years. In addition, he is the youngest person in that period to be elected speaker, being only thirty-seven years of age. This makes his election a great honor, especially so, in view of the fact that, aside from the governor, the speaker has more influence on legislation than any one else. C. H. Hayden, '86 and S. H. Jackson, '98, are members of the house and members of the most important committees. Bro Jackson has resigned as state's attorney in Washington county, in order to give more attention to his legisla-

tive duties. A. M. Brown, '07, is assistant sergeant-at-arms of the house, while J. N. Harvey, '02, is clerk of the committee on revision of bills. E. C. Mower, '92, has been reappointed judge of the municipal court for Burlington, and E. M. Harvey, '96, has been reappointed for Montpelier.

*Vanderbilt and Virginia*—The resignation of J. C. McReynolds, '83, as assistant attorney general of the United States, took effect on January 1. He intends to practice corporation law in New York City. In his letter to President Roosevelt he wrote: "It has been an especially appreciated privilege to serve under you, and for the generous consideration which you have at all times shown me I beg to thank you with the utmost sincerity." In reply the president wrote:

THE WHITE HOUSE, JANUARY 1, 1907.

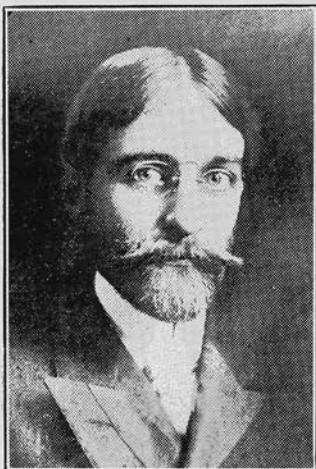
Dear Mr. Reynolds:

I have your letter of the 29th ultimo, and accept your resignation as tendered. I cannot let you sever your connection with the service without more than a merely perfunctory word of thanks. I have especially appreciated your connection with my administration. Not merely your purpose and spirit, but the efficiency of spirit, have meant very much to the administration. I thank you most heartily for all you have done and I wish you God speed in any work you may hereafter undertake.

Your friend,

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

*Pennsylvania*—The marriage of Post Wheeler, '94, to Hallie Erminie Rives, took place December 29, at Tokio, Japan,



POST WHEELER, PRINCETON, '94.

Second Secretary of United States Embassy at Tokio

where both of them were guests of Ambassador Wright. The ceremony was performed in the embassy by Dr. McKim, the American bishop stationed in Japan. The bride was given away by the ambassador. A Japanese count, who was a chum of Bro. Wheeler at Princeton, and who is now a member of the house of peers, was his best man. The attendance of invited guests was very large, including many prominent Japanese and foreigners. The presents were numerous and elegant. For many years Bro. Wheeler wrote paragraphs for the *New York Press*, under the heading, "The Reflections of a Bachelor." They were widely copied in other papers, and



1891  
 some of them have been reprinted in book form. He is also the author of books of verse. Last summer he was appointed second secretary of the embassy at Tokio. He first met Miss Rives in 1901, when both were guests on Sir Thomas Lipton's steam yacht the *Erin*, to witness the international race between the *Shamrock* and *Columbia*. The bride is a Virginian, and is widely known as the author of "Hearts Courageous," a novel with a great vogue a few years ago. Bro. Wheeler did not attend the University of Pennsylvania, but is a Princeton man. He was initiated by Pennsylvania Zeta, May 1, ~~1891~~, when, Dr. McCosh having retired as president of Princeton, it was expected that fraternities would be readmitted there.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  intended to get in on the ground floor, and accordingly, Post Wheeler and others were initiated by the U. of Pa. chapter and Phil King by the Lehigh chapter. Bro. Wheeler attended the national convention at Atlanta in the fall of 1891.

### HELLENIC.

$\Sigma \Phi E$  has entered Randolph-Macon.

$\Sigma N$ ,  $K \Sigma$ ,  $\Sigma \Phi E$  and  $\Sigma A E$  have entered Syracuse.

$\Delta K E$ , having entered Wisconsin, now has 42 chapters.

Locals at McGill and Toronto are petitioning  $\Psi Y$ .— $\Delta T \Delta$  *Rainbow*.

$T \Delta \Sigma$ , an engineering society, founded at Syracuse, has established a chapter at Lehigh.

The house of Southern  $K A$  at Virginia was burned on February 4. It was valued at \$15,000 and was insured.

The local society  $A E$  at Massachusetts Institute of Technology has been chartered by  $\Theta \Delta X$ , which now has 25 chapters.

The faculty rules forbidding the joining of fraternities by freshmen have been repealed.—Lehigh correspondence  $\Delta Y$  *Quarterly*.

War with Japan now seems inevitable. The Greek-letter societies have decided to admit no more Japanese into their deep and deadly mysteries.—*Washington Post*.

The Harvard chapter of  $\Delta Y$  will present this year, as its ninth annual dramatic production, "The Knight of the Burning Pestle," by Beaumont and Fletcher, one of the most popular of the early Elizabethan plays.

January 3, 1906, Σ X organized a Philippine alumni chapter with thirteen members. The Δ T Δ alumni association of the Far East is now some three years old and has had a very healthy and efficient existence—Δ T Δ *Rainbow*.

The most noticeable movement of the fraternities during the past year has been toward the medical department. They now fully realize that most desirable material is to be obtained from that quarter.—Vanderbilt correspondence, Σ N *Delta*.

From the *Beta Theta Pi* we learn that Mr. Clarence F. Birdseye, author of the article on "The Greek-letter Fraternity as an Educational Influence," quoted in part and commented on editorially in the October SCROLL, is a member of the Amherst chapter of X Ψ, class of '72.

The editor is advised by the Cornell chapter of Σ A E that the ground upon which its chapter house stands is the property of the New York Alpha association of Σ A E and does not belong to Cornell University, as stated in the December SCROLL, quoting from the Δ T Δ *Rainbow*.

The local chapters of K Σ and Σ A E have sent out a circular letter to the other fraternities in the university, calling a pan-Hellenic conference to consider the matter of occupying houses in a group near the site of the new college buildings.—George Washington correspondence, Σ X *Quarterly*.

The number of fraternity men in college this session is perhaps a little larger than that of previous years. Φ Δ Θ has 8 members, Φ K Σ 14, K Σ 13, and K Λ 12. The material is about picked over, although there may be a few additions later in the session.—Randolph-Macon correspondence, K A *Journal* for December.

The DePauw correspondent of the *Beta Theta Pi*, writing November 8, says: "We were rather pleasantly surprised recently in receiving the minutes of our fraternity meetings from 1856 to 1866. These were presented to us through the courtesy of Φ Γ Δ." The editor adds in a footnote: "Many years ago the records of this chapter were stolen by some rival fraternity or fraternities. Probably the records returned were a part of this lot."

There ought to be a cordial welcome extended by all collegians, fraternity men and non-fraternity men, to the debating and oratorical organization, Δ Σ P, founded at Chicago last April, and having at present a chapter roll comprising

Minnesota, where the movement originated, Michigan, Northwestern, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin and Chicago. Only men who have taken part in intercollegiate debating and oratorical contests are eligible.—Σ N Delta.

We are indebted to Bro. O. W. Lange for details of a meeting of the pan-hellenic club of Helena, Mont., on November 17, when a beefsteak supper was served at the Grandon Hotel, the second supper held by the club since it was organized a year previous. The number present was 31, representing 18 fraternities. The Φ Δ Θ representatives were O. W. McConnell, *Vanderbilt*, '90, and O. W. Lange, Cincinnati, '00. It was voted to have another meeting on February 12.

Φ Δ Θ tenders its sincere sympathy to X Ψ, because of the loss it sustained on December 7, when four of its members were burned to death in its Cornell chapter house, and several others were injured. Three firemen were killed by falling walls. The building was the finest college fraternity house in existence. It was built over twenty-five years ago, at a cost of \$130,000, but, six or eight years ago, it was bought for the chapter by a member of X Ψ in Ithaca, who paid for it only \$45,000. The insurance was only \$25,000.

The Δ K E convention met at Springfield, Mass., November 14-16. Each of the 41 chapters was represented by a delegate save those of Virginia and California. A charter was granted for a chapter at Wisconsin. The social features were a smoker, a theatre party, a barge ride over the city, a lunch at the country club, and a banquet. Δ K E claims to have the largest membership of any fraternity, it originated in New England, and Springfield is in the heart of its territory, yet, according to the Springfield *Republican*, the number of Dekes at the banquet was only "some 225," in another place given as, "over 200."

The local Skull and Raven chapter has been petitioning Δ T Δ. It is not yet announced whether it has been successful. Δ K E, Θ Δ X and Σ X occupy houses. The faculty has made offers that are very encouraging to chapters that have houses in view, and there will undoubtedly be a decided change in the fraternity situation very shortly as a result. As matters stand at present, however, the majority of the chapters are about on a par in the race for honors and prominence, and no single crowd could truly be said to be in the lead.—Lafayette correspondence Σ N Delta, quoted in Δ T Δ *Rainbow*.

Emory has seven fraternities: K A (Southern), 1869; X Φ, 1869; Φ Δ Θ, 1871; A T Ω, 1881; Σ A E, 1881; Δ T Δ, 1882; Σ N, 1884. The Emory correspondent of the Σ N *Delta* writes: "The number of fraternities here is more than sufficient. The field is crowded. Our chief rivals are K A and Φ Δ Θ." The Emory correspondent of the Δ T Δ *Rainbow* writes: "Our college annual was overthrown some years ago by the bitterness of non-fraternity men toward printing fraternity news and photographs; thus, you see, the relations between Greeks and barbs were serious. We have now compromised with this foolish opposition, and this year will publish the once fallen *Zodiac* under the new name of *Emoree*."

We are the first fraternity here that has actually entered a house that it can call home, and, although we are renting it, it was built for us, and we feel that it is our own.—W. & L. correspondence Δ T Δ, *Rainbow* for November. Fraternities have done well at college this year. Δ T Δ has a chapter house but not as many men as formerly. Π K A, Σ A E, Φ K Σ, Φ K Ψ and K Σ have done well in numbers. Φ Δ Θ and Σ X have each a larger chapter than they had last year, which is surprising, as they returned only a very few men.—W. & L. correspondence, K A *Journal* for December. A bulletin of Washington and Lee advocates the building of fraternity houses on the campus.—K Σ *Caduceus*.

This continued growth of the university, together with the action of the inter-fraternity council, is aiding the cause of fraternities at Nebraska very materially. This inter-fraternity council, an organization which was perfected last year, has for its object the regulation of "rushing" and "pledging" of freshmen. Under the provisions of the "rushing" rules fraternities are not allowed to have "rushing" parties except on Friday and Saturday nights. And, further, it is not allowable for a fraternity to pledge a freshman until after the mid-semester examinations and reports are in, and not even then unless he has satisfactorily completed twelve hours of university credit. The fraternities are quite generally living up to these provisions, and one of the results is that a higher class of fraternity material is being brought out.—Nebraska correspondence, Δ Y *Quarterly*.

The Σ A E *Record* recently published a list showing the fraternity membership of the present governors of states. There was one each in Σ A E, Δ K E, Φ Δ Θ, A T Ω, Φ K Σ, Φ K Ψ, X Φ, Ψ Y, Z Ψ and K A (Southern). K Σ expect-

ed to be in this classification with M. R. Patterson, who is to be the next governor of Tennessee. Mr. Patterson's name was carried on our catalogues for twenty-five years, but when he was asked about it he said that Kappa Sig was his first love, he was to be a charter member of Kappa at Vanderbilt, but there was no one to initiate him, and he was honorably discharged of all obligations before he became a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ —all of which is recorded to the chagrin of our fraternity. The writer has seen in the chapter minutes where one of the governors, in the above list, and now mentioned for the presidency, was black-balled by K  $\Sigma$ .—K  $\Sigma$  *Caduceus*.

The Technical Schools, attached to the Carnegie Institute at Pittsburgh were opened in the fall of 1905. An article in the *Independent* says: "Built on a site of 32 acres, donated by the city of Pittsburgh, these schools are rapidly growing in number and power, and are now furnishing instruction to nearly 1,000 pupils in the day and night classes. Nearly 10,000 young men and women have applied for entrance to these schools." The K  $\Sigma$  *Caduceus* says that, at the opening of the schools last fall, the director, Arthur A. Hamerschlag, being asked by the students to define his attitude toward their proposal to organize Greek-letter fraternities, replied: "I am opposed to Greek-letter societies. I am in favor of establishing dormitory clubs similar to those of the German students. These organizations offer the students all the advantages of the Greek-letter societies and eliminate the secret character."

Referring to the fact that the Texas and Southwestern chapters of the W. W. W. or Rainbow fraternity refused to enter  $\Delta T \Delta$ , but joined  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  instead, in 1886, when the other two active chapters of Rainbow, at Mississippi and Vanderbilt, united with  $\Delta T \Delta$ , the *Rainbow* asserts that "the Rainbow chapter at Southwestern University never had a chance to come into  $\Delta T \Delta$ ." If the editor of that journal has a file of it back for twenty years, and of its predecessor the *Crescent*, he will find therein plenty of proof that the statement of these circumstances, as given in "The History of Phi Delta Theta," is entirely correct. It does not stand to reason that, when  $\Delta T \Delta$  absorbed eight or ten dead Rainbow chapters, at such institutions as La Grange College, Erskine College, Neophagen College and Chamberlain-Hunt Academy, and the alumni of such chapters, as shown in "Baird's Manual," as well as in the  $\Delta T \Delta$  catalogue—it does not stand

to reason that  $\Delta T \Delta$  would have balked at Southwestern, where, in 1886, was the livest of the four live chapters of Rainbow.

Officially hazing in the  $\Phi K \Psi$  fraternity is a defunct institution, but we presume it would hardly be safe to conclude that the practice has fallen entirely into disuse. The foolishness of the horse-play business was illustrated so recently and in such horrible fashion at Kenyon, that it is surprising to note that the college fraternities have been discredited—for what discredits one Greek-letter society in the public eye discredits all—by a senseless performance of similar character at the University of California. A San Francisco dispatch, under date of December 19, says that Floyd E. Allen, a student in the freshman class at Berkeley, lies at home with a fractured skull, sustained while running along the roof of the Southern K A house, attempting to escape from some of his "brothers" who were trying forcibly to duck him in a bathtub. His condition is precarious, says the dispatch. We should think this incident must have made a happy holiday season for the members of the chapter responsible for the accident. Why not eliminate all of this sort of idiocy from college fraternity life?— $\Phi K \Psi$  *Shield*.

The fraternities at Wesleyan, Connecticut, are:  $\Phi N \Theta$  (local), 1837;  $\Psi Y$ , 1843;  $X \Psi$ , 1844;  $A \Delta \Phi$ , 1856;  $\Delta K E$ , 1867;  $B \Theta \Pi$ , 1890;  $\Delta T \Delta$ , 1904. All of them live in houses, and  $\Phi N \Theta$ ,  $\Psi Y$ ,  $X \Psi$ ,  $A \Delta \Phi$ , and  $\Delta K E$  own their houses, while  $\Phi N \Theta$  is building a new three story brick house with marble trimmings. There is also another local society,  $K P \Sigma$ , organized last fall.  $\Delta Y$  had a chapter at Wesleyan, 1850-52, and  $\Theta \Delta X$  had a chapter there, 1857-63. Efforts are being made to stamp out the new local. According to the *New York Times*,  $K P \Sigma$  was organized "to obtain a charter from one of the national fraternities, preferably  $\Delta Y$ ," and: "This action has leaked out and the faculty and fraternity men do not favor the plan, and have so informed the men who are applying for a charter. The faculty seem to consider that there are already enough fraternities at Wesleyan." The  $\Delta T \Delta$  *Rainbow* says that "the student body" has adopted the following:

Whereas, in our opinion the increase in numbers of the students of Wesleyan University has not been sufficient to justify the formation of a new fraternity,

Whereas, such a new fraternity but increases and embitters inter-fraternity contests and further divides the college body,

Whereas, in our opinion the best interests of the college are best subserved by the strengthening of the already existing fraternities and of a strong non-fraternity, democratic organization such as the Commons Club, ¶ We desire to place our stamp of disapproval upon the formation of the new organization so-called the K P Σ.

We desire to advise all freshmen in view of the unfavorable attitude of faculty, alumni, undergraduates toward same, to seriously consider the situation before taking any step to affiliate themselves with this organization, and do hereby recommend these resolutions to the consideration of the College Senate and College Body."

The semi-centennial convention of Σ A E was held at Atlanta December 26-29. It was attended by Col. J. B. Rudolph, of Pleasant Hill, Ala., 72 years old, the only survivor of the eight founders of the fraternity. The report of the eminent supreme archon, Mr. W. C. Levere, strongly advocated the writing and publishing of a fraternity history, and also a requirement that every active member purchase a copy of any future edition of the fraternity catalogue. Σ A E has never had a song book, but Mr. Levere said that, all other schemes to obtain songs having failed, "he was the originator of a scheme, the outcome of which proved very successful, so much so, in fact, that today the manuscript for the Σ A E song book is completed, and it contains, without doubt, the finest selection of words and music possessed by any fraternity in this land. More than this, we have closed the contract with the engraver and the work on the book is actually being done." The convention granted charters for chapters at Syracuse and Indiana. A feature of the convention was the publication of *The Convention Daily*, a four column sheet of news and gossip, the first volume of which was issued during the convention at Memphis two years previous. The social features were a smoker, a theatre party, a ball, and a banquet. Guests at the smoker were presented with souvenir steins bearing the letters "Σ A E." The Georgia Tech. chapter was given all the pennants used in decoration. Mr. G. D. Kimball, of Denver, succeeded Mr. Levere as E. S. A. Mr. C. P. Wood, of Little Rock, succeeded Mr. Henry Sydnor Harrison, of Richmond, as editor of the *Record*. Mr. Harrison has made that magazine one of the best and most interesting of fraternity journals, and we regret that his connection with it is severed.

B Θ Π was established at Yale in 1892. In the 1905 edition of "Baird's Manual" it was said to be represented "in all classes in the academic department," while Ψ Υ, Δ K E, Α Δ Φ and Z Ψ were said to be represented "in the junior class academic department only." A good many years ago

the local freshman societies at Yale were abolished and more recently the local sophomore societies.  $\Psi Y$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $A \Delta \Phi$  and  $Z \Psi$  have been junior societies. The goal of all Yale men is the local senior societies—Skull and Bones, Scroll and Key and Wolf's Head. They are much more restricted than the junior societies, which, however, are stepping stones to them. A year or two ago the junior societies went down into the sophomore class. They act as if there was a concerted agreement between them, and it appears that the list of recruits to be bid by each society is approved also by the others, so that there is but little, if any, competition, a very different manner of spiking men from what prevails anywhere else. The new men are bid publicly on the campus on the same night, just before Thanksgiving. The members, dressed in gowns, and each group preceded by a calcium light, parade on the campus and select its candidates. This is called "calcium night."  $B \Theta \Pi$ , desiring to be in the same class as the four junior fraternities, and having quit initiating freshmen, petitioned the faculty last fall for permission to march with the others on the campus on calcium night. This was granted, and  $B \Theta \Pi$  made its initial appearance as a junior society in the celebration on November 20. The Yale correspondent of the New York *Evening Post* writes:

At present, however, this recognition is merely external. The newly made "junior" has not been admitted to the campaign agreement with the others, and it is probable that some time will elapse before any action favorable to them will be taken. The situation among the societies is one of supply and demand. As soon as it is felt that an additional fraternity would be for the interests of the college, there is little doubt that the number of societies will be increased. Zeta Psi was admitted to the joint agreement last year, and the results have justified that action, but, for the time being at least it is generally felt that there is no room for another fraternity on the same basis. At the present time about 150 men in all are elected to the four societies from each class by senior year, and until the classes are considerably larger, it is doubtful if it will be considered expedient to increase the number of such elections in a class.

The article on "The Province System," in the October SCROLL, has been copied by a number of our contemporaries. A few of them have called attention to errors.  $B \Theta \Pi$  was the first fraternity to divide itself into districts, each district having a chief assistant secretary. This went into effect at the beginning of 1874. The *Rainbow* quotes the proceedings of the  $\Delta T \Delta$  convention held in May, 1874, to show that that fraternity then divided itself into four districts. However, each of these districts, instead of having an executive officer at its head, had a grand chapter, besides which there was a grand chapter for the whole fraternity, and the grand chapter



system continued in  $\Delta T \Delta$  until 1883. The *Trident* of  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$  calls our attention to the fact that the province executive in that sorority is called "grand vice president of Alpha province," etc.  $\Delta Y$  has adopted the district system. It has 37 chapters, divided into five districts, called "district I," "district II," etc., each comprising from 2 to 11 chapters, and having a president and secretary. The  $\Delta Y$  *Quarterly* is much pleased with the workings of the district plan. On the other hand, the  $\Delta K E$  *Quarterly* in an editorial disapproves of the district system, which, it says, has been adopted by "several of the large-membership fraternities." The editorial says:

While this system may seem to have its advantages, and may even in some cases be believed, at first blush, to have been more or less of a success, as it is fair to presume it has, judging from the fact that it has been and is regularly maintained by several of the numerically large fraternities, yet we are decidedly opposed to any such innovation in our case.  $\Delta K E$  is pre-eminently national; in the abstract, its aims and purposes, and in the concrete, its territorial domain.

The  $\Phi K \Psi$  *Shield* quoting further from the  $\Delta K E$  *Quarterly* says:

We do not know what the *Quarterly* means by "large-membership fraternities,"  $\Delta K E$  being one of the big ones. And as to apprehensions about sectionalism, we can say, after nearly twenty years' experience with the district idea, that it is ridiculous. . . . Of all the fraternities that have adopted the plan, which is only in line with the system of organization that prevails in almost every national body of importance, none have discarded it, but this fact seems to have no weight with our  $\Delta K E$  contemporary. It discovers that such plan must necessarily produce sectionalism, and so a "pre-eminently national" fraternity like  $\Delta K E$ —it has a chapter or two west of the Mississippi—must necessarily regard it as both "useless and pernicious." . . . We have no idea we could convince our friend  $\Delta K E$  in the face of his preconceived opinions. We assure him, however, that up to this date, we have failed to witness "the spectacle of a fraternity, or several fraternities rather, within a fraternity."

The *Record* very courteously explains that when it said of the first volume of  $\Sigma A E$  chapter letters, issued in 1906, the publication was "a long step in advance of what any other fraternity has yet attempted in this field of work," it was unaware that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  had issued a book upon exactly the same plan a year earlier. Now the *Beta Theta Pi* sets up a claim that  $B \Theta \Pi$  inaugurated the plan many years ago. Quoting the editorial on the subject from the October *SCROLL*, the *Beta* magazine says:

All of which is very interesting to Betas, because, as they know, this scheme has been in use in the fraternity since August, 1891, some 13 years prior to its adoption by  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and the bound volume has been issued regularly every year. The publication of a book of this kind is an admirable aid to the proper administration of the fraternity.  $B \Theta \Pi$  might just as well have credit for it.

We take it that the editor of the *Beta Theta Pi* has never seen either of the volumes of chapter letters issued by  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in 1905 and 1906 or the volume issued by  $\Sigma \Lambda \Xi$  in 1906. We have seen some of the annual editions of  $B \Theta \Pi$  chapter letters. They were issued as numbers of the *Beta Theta Pi*, and contained very condensed chapter letters, which included the list of initiates for the year and active members only. The plan of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has important differences. In the first place, the circular letter of each chapter contains its complete roster of members, active and alumni, living and dead, and a copy of this pamphlet is issued to each of its living alumni. Corrections in the alumni lists having been made, the letters and lists are issued in an entirely new form. The letters in full are assembled in the first part of a bound volume, and the active and alumni lists in the second part. The second part is, therefore, a complete catalogue of the fraternity revised every year. Indeed the seventh edition of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's catalogue, published in 1906, and reviewed in this SCROLL, was printed from the same plates as were used for the 1906 volume of chapter letters and lists, a residence directory and an alphabetical index being added. This volume contains 8 pages of introductory matter, 363 pages of chapter letters (an average of 5.2 pages to each of the 69 chapters), and 427 pages of membership lists. It also contains 64 illustrations. The total makes a book of 806 pages, with which we think a single number of the Beta magazine cannot be compared. We are not informed whether latterly a chapter letter is sent to every living Beta; if not that makes another difference between the method of  $B \Theta \Pi$  and that of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . We may add that THE SCROLL earnestly desires to give to  $B \Theta \Pi$  and each of the other fraternities the full measure of credit which it deserves. In this connection we feel bound to say that  $B \Theta \Pi$  has been one of the most enterprising of fraternities, and has introduced a number of valuable improvements in fraternity administration, as THE SCROLL has frequently mentioned.

### COLLEGIATE.

The honor system has been put in force by the students in the college of law of Cornell University. Each student pledges himself neither to give nor to receive aid in examinations.

Syracuse University is just undergoing a wonderful expansion epoch. It has a new men's dormitory, new Carnegie Library, Hall of Natural History, Bowne Hall of Chemistry and Archbold Stadium.

The University of Maryland, which, however, is not a state institution, celebrates its centennial this year. It has law, medical, dental and pharmaceutical departments in Baltimore, and it has just affiliated St. John's College, of Annapolis, as its academic department.

The past football season was marked by several inter-sectional games, notably Michigan *vs.* Pennsylvania, North Carolina *vs.* Pennsylvania, Vanderbilt *vs.* Michigan and Colorado *vs.* Indiana.—*S A E Record.* Vanderbilt also played the Carlisle Indians and beat them.

The anti-combination agreement, by which the students of Williams bind themselves to enter into no agreements of mutual support in undergraduate elections, has been ratified. It has been signed by authorized representatives of the twelve fraternity chapters, and by four-fifths of the non-fraternity undergraduates. The agreement went into effect January 10, 1907, and is to be binding until January 10, 1908.

It was announced on December 31, that John D. Rockefeller had given the University of Chicago \$2,917,000, bringing his total benefaction to the institution up to the sum of \$21,416,921.91. On January 7, the trustees of the university announced that he would further enrich it with a gift, probably of \$3,000,000, as a fund for pensioning old retired professors. Mr. Rockefeller decided upon this pension fund immediately upon the announcement that the University of Chicago had been excluded from sharing in the benefits of the \$10,000,000 pension fund of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, on the ground that it was a denominational institution. The university's independent fund will make possible substantially greater allowance to aged professors than would come from the Carnegie Foundation.

Of the 161 Rhodes scholars at Oxford, 79 come from the United States, 71 from the British colonies, and 11 from Germany. Though the Americans number nearly half, they do not take half the scholarship prizes. The great majority of academic distinctions have been achieved by colonial students, says the London *Times*, adding that the probable reason why Americans, in spite of their greater numbers, fail to keep up with them is "probably because the prospect of coming to Oxford to study appeals less to American students, and the competition is consequently less keen." However, in athletics Americans more than hold their own, and the *Times* mentions athletic honors won by four Americans: P. M.

Young, H. Sutton, W. E. Schutt and A. M. Stevens. Mr. Rhodes's desire was that the Rhodes scholars should take part in every aspect of Oxford life; and the earlier doubts about the new elements getting on with the old are said to be entirely dissipated. In a few colleges, says the *Times*, "the Rhodes scholars may possibly tend to keep together a little, especially the Americans, but not more so than Etonians or Harrovians or Wykehamists, while in the great majority of cases they become completely absorbed in the ordinary body of under-graduates." P. M. Young, mentioned above, one of our South Dakota petitioners, will return to the United States in July and will then be initiated into  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . He is a brother of Earle M. Young, reporter of the South Dakota Alpha.

In March, 1902, John D. Rockefeller, gave to trustees, called a general education board, \$1,000,000 for the promotion of education in the southern states. On June 30, 1905, he gave the board \$10,000,000 in securities, the principal to be held in perpetuity as a foundation for education, the income above expenses of administration to be distributed to or used for the benefit of such institutions of learning as the board might deem best adapted to promote a comprehensive system of higher education in the United States. From the income of the \$11,000,000, conditional subscriptions have already been made to 18 colleges in Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana, Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania, amounting to a total of \$1,077,500. As a condition of receiving these gifts, the colleges are raising the further total sum of \$3,262,500. On February 5, 1907, Mr. Rockefeller added to the \$11,000,000 the prodigious sum of \$32,000,000, the largest single gift, the board says, made by "a man in the history of the race for any social or philanthropic purpose." The board announces that it has adopted these principles for its guidance:

To co-operate sympathetically and helpfully with the several religious denominations; to select as far as practicable centers of population and wealth as the permanent pivots of an educational system; to mass its gifts on endowment. It is the judgment of the board that since the several Christian communions give so much attention to the promotion of higher education, such an agency ready at hand should receive the board's heartiest co-operation.

No gifts from this great fund are to be given to state educational institutions. It is said that the board now has applications from 250 colleges for aid, and that in the archives of the board is a history of every college in the United States, showing its endowment, income and other details, also a map

marked with pins of various colors, showing the standing of the institutions. On February 7 the board made appropriations to five institutions, \$125,000 to Wabash, \$125,000 to Wooster and \$50,000 to Lafayette.

### THE PYX.

BRO. S. K. RUICK, librarian, wishes a copy of the supplement of THE SCROLL for December, 1891, also a copy of Vol. III, No. 3 of the *Palladium*.

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*Success Magazine* has organized "The People's Lobby," which it is intended will furnish correct information regarding the doings legislative at Washington, D. C. Among the men prominently interested in the movement are these Phis: Ray Stanard Baker, William Allen White and Robert M. Allen, past president of Gamma province.

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Nine Phis in the employ of the Western Electric Company in Chicago, met at the "Monroe" on Friday, December 7th, and organized a lunch club. Those present were Brothers Cutler and Johnson of Illinois, Wolff of Northwestern, Jansen of Lombard, Jones of Purdue, Fairman of Nebraska, Upmeyer of Michigan, Earl of Chicago and Liscomb of Dartmouth. The club will meet at 12:30 Friday noons and will welcome all Phis to its festive board.

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The latest alumni club to adopt the fraternity luncheon custom is that at Nashville, where the last catalogue shows there are 85 Phis. The following circular letter was issued to them last month:

NASHVILLE, TENN., January 11, 1907.

TO ALUMNI AND ACTIVE MEMBERS OF TENNESSEE ALPHA AND OTHER.

FRATRES IN URBE:

Greeting—This is to inform you that on the second and fourth Fridays of each month "until forbidden," at half past the twelve spot, in the lobby of the Duncan Hotel, there will be a gathering of fairly good fellows, who will spend one hour only in discussion of luncheon and of such topics and happenings of mutual interest as may suggest themselves.

Incidentally some may renew fellowships which span the trifle of a quarter of a century. To others it may merely seem that long. At any rate there will be a good time, provided you bring it with you. Our host of the Duncan will do the rest.

In order to put yourself *en rapport*, merely drop an insignificant half simoleon with the manly figure at the desk, who returns to you the slip which guarantees your personal character and social standing to the monitor



CONVENTION ATTENDANCE SOUVENIR.

Presented at Washington to Walter B. Palmer, who holds the record for convention attendance. This bar-hadge design was suggested by Frank J. R. Mitchell. The details were worked out by Merrill C. Haldeman, and the badges were manufactured by his firm, Edwards, Haldeman & Company, of Detroit, Mich., many being sold at the Washington convention.

at the dining room door, and signifies your credentials to the Phi table. At today's luncheon eighteen of the *cognoscenti* were present.

The affair, which has long been a custom among Greeks in other places, was approved and ratified by the selection of the undersigned officers, which explains our writing. For the rest you will have to attend to be made wise. Next meeting on January 25. No proxies; no excuses; simply come; or come simply and leave wisely. Yours in the Bond,

ALFRED E. HOWELL, '82, President.

HARRY S. VAUGHN, '94, Secretary.

Bro. DeWitt informs us that 37 Phis were present on January 25.

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The Indianapolis Alumni club is a very active organization, holding luncheons weekly and maintaining a number of active committees, among them one whose duty is to visit members who are ill.

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The Pittsburgh alumni club meets for luncheon every Friday at Hotel Henry. Much interest is already being manifested by the Pittsburgh Phis in anticipation of the national convention to be held in that city under the auspices of the club, Thanksgiving week 1908.

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The New York alumni club has issued invitations for its mid-winter smoker to be held at the club house, 565 West 113th street, February 9.

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## OUR NEW PRESIDENT.

When the Washington Convention unanimously and enthusiastically elected John H. DeWitt to the presidency of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, it not only appropriately recognized faithful and efficient service rendered unselfishly for many years, but it showed wisdom in selecting as chief executive a man who possesses every qualification for the office.

John Hibbett DeWitt was born in Sumner County, Tennessee, September 21 1872, and has spent almost his entire life in his native State. His father Rev. M. B. DeWitt was also a college man and a Greek having been a member of  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$  at Cumberland University. His mother's maiden name was Mary Hibbett.

Bro. DeWitt was educated in the public schools, in Montgomery Bell Academy, Nashville and in Vanderbilt University from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1894. While in college Bro. DeWitt was Editor-in-chief of the *Vanderbilt Hustler* the college weekly and represented his University in the Southern Intercollegiate Oratorical contest in 1894. He was initiated into Tennessee Alpha on January 3, 1891 and during his active membership was chapter reporter, chapter president and delegate to the Indianapolis Convention in May 1894. He was also a member of the building committee which erected the Tennessee Alpha Chapter house in 1892—the first in the fraternity to be erected on ground owned by a chapter.

For two years after graduation from college Bro. DeWitt taught school and thereafter attended the law school of Columbian (now George Washington) University at Washington, D. C. receiving the degree of bachelor of laws in June 1897. While in law school he became a member of the  $\Phi \Delta \Phi$  legal fraternity. In the ten years which have elapsed since Bro. DeWitt completed his law course, he has become one of the leading lawyers of Nashville, having been engaged in some of the most important litigation in the State.

Although his professional duties have made heavy demands upon his time and energy, he has found time to serve his city, always taking an active interest in public affairs, especially municipal government. He was a member of the Nashville

City Council from 1899 to 1901 and is now serving a three year term as a member of the municipal Board of Education. He was one of the framers of the Charter of Nashville which was adopted in 1899 and was the author of a legislative act which drove the saloons out of sixty towns in Tennessee.

Bro. DeWitt declined election to the present State Senate and more recently declined to become a candidate for the office of Mayor of Nashville although strongly urged by the best people of his city.

Bro. DeWitt was formerly a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church but became a Presbyterian when these churches united. In the litigation which has resulted from this union in many states Bro. De Witt has been retained as counsel for the unionists.

In November 1899 Bro. DeWitt married Miss Rebecca Ward daughter of the late Dr. W. E. Ward founder of the young ladies seminary in Nashville which bears his name. They have two sons,—Ward, and John H. DeWitt, Jr.

Bro. DeWitt's career as an official in the fraternity dates from the Columbus Convention of 1898 when he was appointed President of Beta Province.

From November 1900 to January 1904 he was Treasurer of the General Council; from January 1904 to November 1906, Reporter of the General Council and Editor and Manager of the *Scroll* and *Palladium*; since November 1906, President of the General Council. The last four national conventions have unanimously elected Bro. DeWitt to one General Council position or another and so faithfully and efficiently has he discharged the duties of the various offices and so greatly has he endeared himself to Phis throughout the country that it will be long before they will willingly permit him to retire from official life. An incident of the Washington convention illustrates the esteem in which our P. G. C. is held by his fellow-townsmen. When his name was mentioned as a presidential candidate an enterprising Washington correspondent for a Nashville paper wired the news to his paper. Immediately telegrams began to arrive from his Nashville admirers commending Bro. De Witt in the highest terms.

His earnest devotion to duty, his wisdom and tact, his energy and enthusiasm, his urbanity and dignity and above all his character as a gentleman and a scholar pre-eminently fit John Hibbett DeWitt to stand at the head of our beloved fraternity and to stand as our representative before other fraternities and in the eyes of the world.

## INSTALLATION OF SOUTH DAKOTA ALPHA.

On the night of the 18th of December, 1906, the Tridentia Society at the University of South Dakota ceased to exist. For nearly seven years the people of Vermillion had known of the Tridentia, and by reason of the high character of its members and its importance in University affairs it had become the most prominent organization in the college town. Vermillion, where the University of South Dakota is located, is an ideal



## INSTALLATION PARTY—SOUTH DAKOTA ALPHA

From left to right—Top row—H. B. Case, T. H. Elmore, Carl Bryant, M. P. Beebe, H. Smith, J. W. Bryant. Second Row—E. B. Elmore, K. Sawyer, E. M. Young, P. T. Sutphen, D. H. Sutphen, D. E. Brisbane. Third Row—M. L. Thompson, holding "Pip," J. W. Raish, J. H. Sinclair, M. P. Goodner, H. E. Beebe, F. J. Cooper, O. W. Thomson. Bottom Row—O. W. Wakefield, O. S. Dean, F. R. Cowles, C. F. Lamkin, P. F. Gault, R. H. Munger.

home for a College. Small enough to make scholastic affairs the most important things in the life of the average citizen, yet it is large enough to have all the comforts and conveniences of a small city. Located high on the hills which lie on the north bank of the Missouri, the town overlooks the far reaching fields and meadows of the richest river valley on the continent. Early in the history of the west, energetic and intelligent men and women settled in and around the town, and the prosperity of the country and of the people is shown in the substantial and often elegant homes of the citizens.

It was in this typical College community, made up of College bred men and women, nearly all of them from the north central states, that the Tridentia society lived. In observing the ideals and work of the Tridentia men, the Alumni of other institutions felt that they renewed their own youth. Step by step the Tridentia grew steadily stronger until finally they built a house, worth conservatively \$12,000.00. Having reached an assured position in the University, membership in it being the summum bonum of every freshman, yet on the night of December 18th 1906, Tridentia died a violent death. In spite of its prominence and of the place it held in the affections of the College and town, no one mourned its decease for when Tridentia became a memory the South Dakota Alpha of Phi Delta Theta was born. When the Tridentia men who were at the National convention at Washington telegraphed the favorable result of the vote to Vermillion the town and College rejoiced with the Tridentia and when the initiating party arrived on the ground it seemed that every citizen took particular pains to welcome them.

Owing to previous engagements Richard Henry Little, President of Zeta province, was unable to be at the installation. However five Phis from a distance, viz. Charles F. Lamkin Missouri Beta '99, H. G. C., Frederick R. Cowles Kansas Alpha '06, Vice President of Zeta province, Robert H. Munger, Iowa Beta '99, Albert O. Wakefield, Ill. Zeta '95 and J. H. Origen S. Dean, Ohio Epsilon '94 together with Bro. Perrett Gault of Washington Alpha '07 (son of the president of the University and a member of the junior law class) made a sufficient party to properly install the new chapter.

The actual initiation and installation took nearly all of Monday night December 18, and most of the following day. The installing party took charge of the house, exorcised the spirit of Tridentia from it and dedicated it to Phi Delta Theta. When the ceremonies which ushered South Dakota Alpha into the fraternity world were completed there were twenty three new Phis to start out in enthusiastic work for the fraternity.

The installing party had but little time for social affairs yet a dinner and a dance had been arranged by the new chapter and were both most enjoyable affairs. The dinner was given in the house, on Monday night, just before the initiations began; while the dance was held at the University Armory, an ideal place, on Tuesday night, this being the first social function of the new born chapter.

No Phi who visits Vermillion will long be left in doubt as



# SOUTH DAKOTA ALPHA

From left to right—Top row—C. L. Chubbuck, J. H. Sinclair, R. C. Davis, H. B. Case. Middle row—P. T. Stephen, E. B. Elmore, H. E. Beebe, E. M. Young, P. F. Gaul, F. J. Cooper. Bottom row—T. H. Elmore, D. E. Brisbane, J. W. Raish, M. P. Beebe, K. Sawyer, D. H. Stephen.

to his being a welcome guest if he but let his presence be known. Being the first fraternity to enter this University, Phi Delta Theta has established itself in a position from which it can never be supplanted. The rapidly growing state is proud of its University, and the fraternity has shown its wisdom in entering another state University, destined to advance continually in wealth and influence. As first fruit of his enthusiasm Bro. O. W. Thompson, one of the state Senators devoted his energies for the University to such good purpose that the income for the institution for the next two years will be more than double that of the last biennium while in addition two new buildings will be erected at once.

With confidence South Dakota Alpha begins its life and takes its place in the fraternity.

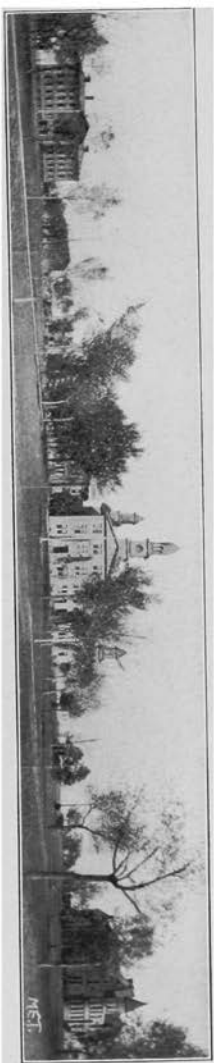
CHARLES F. LAMKIN, H. G. C.

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#### HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA.

The early settlers of South Dakota were men who believed in religion and education. They sought to perpetuate the former by establishing churches in every village and hamlet that sprang up on the wide prairies, and long before the means existed to build church edifices, flourishing church organizations were found everywhere. In few of the states of the union is there so deep and fervent a religious spirit as is to be found in the Sunshine State. In like manner the early settlers showed their conviction of the needs of education; school houses sprang up like magic every where as soon as the prairie soil was broken, and the school was coeval with the corn fields. No sooner had settlement fairly begun than the conviction prevailed that higher education must be provided for. Accordingly the first territorial legislature passed an act in 1861 establishing the University of Dakota. This organic act located it in the city of Vermillion on lot four of section twenty-four in township ninety-two. A second act passed the next legislature fully providing for the organization of the institution, its government and management, and establishing five departments, viz., Science, Literature and the Arts, Law, Medicine, Theory and Practice of Teaching, and Agriculture. Active measures were taken to secure a land grant from Congress, the result of which is to be seen in the 86,000 acres of land which are now the property of the institution. Long years passed without active measures being taken to carry out the provisions of these and other acts of the legislature. Life was too strenuous,





• PANORAMIC VIEW OF CAMPUS, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

and the growth of the population too slow to enable the material foundations of the school to be laid. At length by act of Congress in 1881 large grants of land were made to several Western territories, among them Dakota, for the purpose of establishing Universities in each of them. Public spirited citizens of Vermillion now saw that the time had come for action and at once proceeded to raise money by vote of the County to erect a suitable building and to set in motion the regular machinery of a school. They then applied to the legislature



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for appropriations. This once secured, there only remained the regular development of the institution consonant with the growth of the state. The University has gone through the usual difficulties—external and internal—to emerge in the end, a regularly organized Institution with the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Law, the school of Business and the Department of Engineering fully equipped and in successful operation. It has gone through flood and fire, has survived grasshoppers and all the ills that a new state is heir to, has had

its powers tested by all sorts of trial and tribulations until to-day it bids fair to enter upon a course of unparalleled success.

When first organized it was scarcely more than a preparatory school, and for several years of its existence little more could be claimed for it. Its history may be briefly stated. The epochs of its existence are: First, the development of the preparatory school into a college. This was accomplished during the first eight years of its existence and under the Presidency of Doctor Olson the college was finally and definitely established. The second step was the building up and strengthening of the college. This took the next ten years and then only the further development of the University proper was left. With the coming of the Law School in 1901 the work was done. The College of Music had been one of the first provided for in the acts of incorporation, and this has now become an institution widely recognized for the excellence of its work and the proficiency of its graduates. The College of Law has also attained a sure footing and its graduates are easily taking first place wherever they establish themselves. A School of Commerce is largely attended and is fitting young men and women for business life, the course now being a regular four years college course on a par with that of any other department. The College of Arts and Sciences is also doing successful work and the young men and women who have graduated from it are giving an excellent account of themselves in the various walks of life. The equipment of the University is growing with each year. The main building is a large stone structure built of Sioux Falls granite and contains the offices of administration, the lecture rooms for the language departments, law, music and art. A large and commodious armory and Gymnasium has lately been added. This affords also room for public gatherings and social entertainments. It is an artistic structure of brick and granite and is easily the handsomest building on the campus.

Science Hall contains the laboratories and lecture rooms of the Science Departments, a commodious assembly room and the workshops of the Engineering School. Built for use rather than for ornament, it is rare that the same amount of working space has been obtained for the same amount of money by any school. Here the science departments are comfortably housed and with their large equipments are able to do work excelled by none.

East Hall or Ladies' Dormitory is now in process of reconstruction. When completed it will give accommodation to



SOUTH DAKOTA ALPHA CHAPTER HOUSE



EAST HALL, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

nearly a hundred young ladies and give them all the comforts and conveniences of home. The College of Law will ask for a home of its own this winter, and if it shall be granted, as is confidently believed, the University will need only a library building to be thoroughly equipped for its work.

Located at Vermillion, a small town in the Southeastern part of the State, the University has some advantages above the other institutions of its kind. If it lacks the advantages offered by a large city, it also is free from the temptations and dangers incident thereto. There has been no saloon in Vermillion for twenty years and with the present temper of the people, there will be none for twenty years to come. Its location on the Vermillion river affords abundant facilities for rowing, fishing and skating, while the picturesque bluffs of the Western shores of the Missouri, only a few miles away make a fitting back ground for the beautiful valley which spreads between. Nature has been lavish in her outlay, and few places can vie with the natural beauty of scenery here.

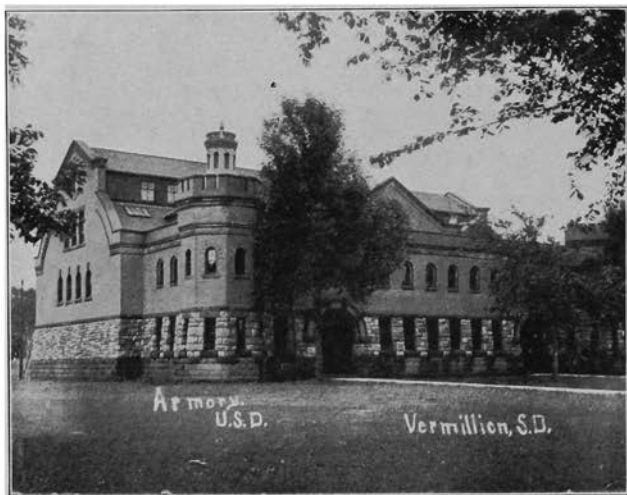
JOHN W. RAISH.

#### TRIDENTIA.

Tridentia was organized November 25th, 1899, by eighteen young men of the University of South Dakota. The organization was effected primarily for the purpose of petitioning some leading Greek Letter Fraternity to establish a chapter at the University. A year was spent in becoming more or less familiar with several of the best class of fraternities, and in making a choice among these.

After thorough consideration, such choice was made, and with the co-operation of Robert H. Munger, Iowa Beta, of Sioux City, Iowa, the South Dakota petition was first brought to the attention of Mr. Wm. H. Raymond of Lincoln, Nebr., then President of Zeta Province, early in the year 1901. Messrs. Raymond and Munger made the University a visit of investigation in March, 1901, as a result of which a formal petition and bulletin was placed before the Fraternity April 18, 1901. Endorsements by Iowa Beta and Nebraska Alpha were incorporated in this bulletin. A vote of chapters upon the petition resulted adversely.

In November, 1902, the petitioners were visited by Frank J. R. Mitchell, S. G. C., and shortly thereafter the second bulletin was issued. Tridentia was represented at the New York convention by M. L. Thompson, '02, and C. K. Snyder, '04. On that occasion a charter was again denied.



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An official visit of investigation was paid the petitioners by President Charles F. Lamkin, of Zeta Province, February 21 and 22, 1904. After a thorough investigation, such encouragement was given by president Lamkin that the petitioners continued their efforts with increased enthusiasm.

The next opportunity for presenting the petition for official action was afforded by informal Convention of Zeta Province, held at Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Mo., July 14, 1904. The petitioners were represented by O. W. Thompson, '93, and J. W. Raish, '05; the South Dakota petition receiving the unanimous endorsement of the delegates from the 9 chapters of the Province which were represented at the Convention.

At the Indianapolis Convention, on which occasion South Dakota was represented by O. W. Thompson, M. L. Thompson, and J. W. Raish, the petition failed to receive the vote of Zeta Province and no action was taken by the Convention. The spirit of determination on the part of the petitioners was such however, that they refused to recognize in this postponement a final defeat, but sought the earliest opportunity of again bringing the petition before the fraternity. This opportunity was offered by the Zeta province Convention at Des Moines, in May, 1906, at which time Kenneth Sawyer, O. W. Thompson and J. W. Raish appeared on behalf of the petitioners.

During the year 1906 Tridentia was visited and inspected by Albert O. Wakefield, Iowa Beta, of Sioux City, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Lamkin, Roy A. Campbell, Missouri Gamma, S. M. Vance and Joseph Michaels, Minnesota Alpha. W. B. Palmer was also a visitor at Vermillion during the Summer of this year.

The South Dakota petitioners were represented at the recent Washington Convention by O. W. Thompson, M. L. Thompson, D. W. Sullivan and J. W. Raish, the long struggle for recognition terminating most happily at this time by the chartering of Tridentia as South Dakota Alpha of Phi Delta Theta.

Tridentia's career as a local organization has been characterized by a gradual development along recognized and approved fraternity lines, both as to ideals and realities. During the first two years of its existence, the Society was nicely quartered in a suite of four rooms in the old Baptist Church Building, which was remodeled for the purpose. In 1902-3 a twelve room house was rented and occupied by the members.

The members of Tridentia incorporated, according to the

laws of the State, under the name of Tridentia Chapter House Association, April 20, 1904. The object of the corporation, as set forth in its Articles, is "to construct a house for the use of said Society, enable said Society to take and hold real estate and personal property for its own use and benefit, and to buy, sell, lease and control the same, to loan its own money, borrow money and issue its obligations thereof, etc."

Although the two organizations were separate and distinct, every active member and alumnus of Tridentia became a member of the Chapter House Association and each Tridentia initiate was also required to become a member of the corporation by subscribing \$50, which sum might be paid in cash or by ten notes of \$5 each, payable one each year, and bearing interest at 7 per cent.

Through the material assistance of O. W. Thompson, funds for building and furnishing the house were immediately available, and the work of construction was begun in May, 1904. The house was formally opened December 20, 1904, on which occasion the entire University and many of Tridentia's friends among the townspeople were received.

The site is a very desirable corner, one block from the University Campus. It consists of two lots with a frontage of 92 feet on one street and 144 feet on the other, with an alley at the rear.

The house is modern in every detail, 36x52 feet, three stories and full basement, containing twenty-two rooms. It is designed specially for a chapter house and will comfortably house twenty-four men. There are also suitable apartments for matron and servants. The value of the property is \$12,000, the total indebtedness to which it is at present subject being a mortgage of \$5,700, which is held by O. W. Thompson. In the matter of building a chapter house, Tridentia was much more fortunate than the average college chapter, in that the assistance of an alumnus enabled the Society to build its house first and pay for it afterwards.

During the seven years of its existence, Tridentia has initiated fifty-two men, including the charter members, and has elected twenty-one to honorary membership, all but one of whom are prominent alumni of the University. The exception is Robert H. Munger of Sioux City, Iowa Beta '99 whose tireless efforts on behalf of the South Dakota petition, from its very inception, Tridentia was desirous of acknowledging.

Although the oldest of the alumni have been out of college less than six years, many have already attained positions of



prominence in South Dakota and other states, and all have always been intensely loyal to the Society and its interests.

During the long pendency of Tridentia's petition, a strong spirit of loyalty and true fraternalism was engendered, which spirit is transmitted to South Dakota Alpha as the new chapter's most valuable inheritance.

JOHN W. RAISH.

#### THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF WISCONSIN ALPHA.

West of the Great Lakes, a span of fifty years takes us back to ancient times, when the land was one rolling prairie, on whose broad area grazed the American Bison in herds of a thousand and more, troubled only by the attacks of the noble red man. White-topped prairie schooners toiled their way across its unbroken expanse, and the pioneer guided his plow with one hand, while holding in the other his trusty rifle.

Amid such surroundings, on a spot long a favorite camping ground of the Indian, where he built his mounds and dreamed of the Great Spirit; on the shores of a lake whose mirrored surface had often reflected the faces of such red-skinned Napoleons as the great Chief Black Hawk, our hardy forefathers planted an institution in which their offspring might pursue the higher branches of learning.

Not many years after the founding of the University of Wisconsin, while it had as yet but a hundred and twenty sons enrolled, a Hoosier came out of the East, searching for more knowledge. After he had been at the University a short time, it occurred to him that he might more closely bind to him the friends he had made. He was a member of our fraternity from Indiana University, so he knew of a way to accomplish his desire. He and his friends applied for a charter, which was granted them that spring, and thus his object was attained.

Three years ago the University of Wisconsin celebrated the Fiftieth Anniversary of its founding. This event brought back to Madison hundreds of the alumni, who renewed their acquaintance and became closer friends. Next June Wisconsin Alpha of Phi Delta Theta will celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary of its founding, and this event is of as great importance to the chapter as was the Jubilee to the University. It will serve to bind the alumni more closely to the fraternity, and promote good fellowship between those who have been long fighting life's battles, and those who are in preparation for the contest. The alumni are coming from far and near, and many will be the touching meetings between brothers in

the Bond who were College chums, but whose ways since the years of their College brotherhood have diverged widely. Men who have fought and won the battles of life will mingle with those who are now about to go into the world and contend with new and unknown dangers. Old friendships will be renewed and many an exploit of times gone by will be recounted and enjoyed once more. The old days will exist again, and who can say that those upon whom the years lie heavily will not depart with new vigor and new hopes? The halcyon days of their college life will seem to have jumped forward out of the past, and to lie but a little way behind.

Fiftieth Anniversaries are not yet common even in the Middle West, and in all the broad expanse west of Indiana, Wisconsin Alpha will, with one exception, be the first chapter of any college fraternity to have attained its fiftieth year. At this University, sixteen years will elapse before there is a similar event. This chapter will then be making its plans for a celebration of its seventy-fifth anniversary.

This year marks an era in the history of Wisconsin Alpha. Having passed through the years of preparation, and the vicissitudes incident to the growth of a child, the chapter is in a position to begin the more sober life of one whose worst troubles are past, and whose successful existence is assured. It has arrived at the period of life when it is ready to form lasting friendships, which will be of benefit to one as much as to the other. With the object of forming these friendships, Wisconsin Alpha extends to all brothers in the Bond a sincere invitation to be present and partake of the good times next June. There will be entertainment to suit all tastes, it is hoped, and any Phi is welcome to share them with the active members of Wisconsin Alpha, and its loyal alumni.

ROBERT W. BAILY, *Wisconsin Alpha*, '07.

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#### ADJUDICATION AFFECTING HIGH SCHOOL FRATERNITIES.

The *Beta Theta Pi* republishes from the 86 *Pacific Reporter* the decision in the case of *Wayland vs. Board of School Directors*, handed down by the Supreme court of the State of Washington, August 15, 1906. The decision upholds the validity of a rule adopted by the board, providing that pupils who join, or remain members of, secret fraternities shall not be permitted to belong to debating clubs, athletic teams, glee clubs, orchestras, bands, cadet corps or kindred organizations connected with a public high school, in fact may be denied

all privileges of the school except those of the class room. The decision, while bearing directly on high school fraternities only, is of much importance to college fraternities also as the principle enunciated clearly applies to any educational institution supported from the public revenues. The principle, of course, does not apply to church or privately endowed institutions. Bro. Howard A. Hanson, Washington A. '03 represented the fraternities as attorney. The decision is as follows:

Crow, J. This action was commenced by appellant against the board of school directors of school district No. 1 in Seattle, King County, Wash., and other school authorities of said district, to restrain them from enforcing certain rules which deprive members of Greek letter fraternities of the privileges of said high school, except that of attending classes. The appellant, George Wayland, a minor 18 years of age, sues by Russel Wayland his guardian ad litem, on behalf of himself and other members of the Gamma Eta Kappa fraternity.

He alleges that all members of said fraternity are of school age and entitled to all the privileges of said high school; that they are unjustly prohibited from belonging to debating clubs, athletic teams, school bands, glee clubs, orchestras, cadet corps, and other kindred organizations of said school, and that, unless they withdraw from said fraternity, they will also be deprived of the customary honors attending graduation; that they have no privileges except that of attending classes; that said rules are in excess of lawful authority; that there is nothing objectionable in said fraternity; that its meetings are held at the homes of members, with the consent of their parents, every two weeks, from 8 to 10 o'clock p. m., and never during school hours; that they are not under the jurisdiction of the school authorities, but are under parental control; that at said meetings improper conduct is prohibited, and that a high class literary program is carried out. The answer pleaded an affirmative defense, substantially alleging the facts afterwards found by the trial court. From a final judgment refusing injunctive relief, this appeal has been taken.

The trial court made findings of fact, from which it appears that at the time of the commencement of this action George Wayland was a student in the Seattle high school and also a member of a certain secret Greek letter society, known as the "Gamma Eta Kappa fraternity;" that the membership in said fraternity and in other similar high school secret societies was confined particularly to high school students; that such

societies were therefore usually known as high school fraternities; that members other than such students were admitted as honorary members only; that said Gamma Eta Kappa fraternity was first organized in Seattle during the year 1900, at which time a request was made by it for the use of the name of said Seattle high school\*; that before acting on said request the high school authorities instituted a careful investigation to ascertain the probable effect of such societies on the school.

After such investigation and after receiving reports from many prominent educators, all of whom unqualifiedly condemned the influence of said societies as highly deleterious and injurious, the school board of said Seattle district, on May 7, 1901, passed a resolution whereby said request for the use of the name of the Seattle high school in connection with said fraternity was refused, and membership of students in any secret society connected with said school forbidden, that at all times thereafter it was contrary to the rules and regulations of said high school for pupils to become members of the said fraternities. Afterwards George Wayland, while a student in said school, became a member of said Gamma Eta Kappa fraternity as did other students; that it was also contrary to the said rules and regulations for students to become pledged to said secret societies; that said rules and regulations were from time to time modified to meet emergencies in accordance with the activities of said societies in pledging or initiating members; that on May 5, 1905, the school board by final action, amended its former rules so as to provide that all students who were then members of any high school secret society, or pledged to become such, who would promise that so long as they remained students of said high school they would not become members of any other such secret society or give any promise or pledge to become such, or solicit any other student to give any promise or pledge to become a member of any high school fraternity or secret society, and in good faith kept such promise—such students would be restored to the privileges of such school—otherwise all students who thereafter should become members of, or in any way pledge or bind themselves to join, any high school fraternity or secret society, or should initiate or pledge any other students, or in any way encourage or foster the fraternity spirit in the high school, should be denied *all the privileges of the high school except*

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\*We cannot imagine just what the learned judge means by the expression but the context shows that the fraternity probably requested permission of the high school authorities to organize the chapter.—EDITOR *Beta Theta Pi*.

*those of the class room*; that the influence of the said Gamma Eta Kappa fraternity and similar secret societies, and the membership and pledging of students therein, permeating said school, injuriously affected the good order and discipline thereof.

In adopting the various rules and regulations aforesaid, and in denying certain privileges of said school to pupils who refused to comply therewith, the respondents at all times acted in good faith and in the exercise of an honest judgment; that such action was at all times general in its application and at no time special, malicious or arbitrary; and that all such rules and regulations and particularly those in force and effect at the time of the institution of this suit were reasonable and necessary and were wholly within the powers of the respondents\*.

It will be observed that no attempt is being made by the respondents to deny appellant any instruction afforded by classwork or by the required curriculum of the school. He is only denied certain other privileges such as participation in athletic, literary, military, musical, or class organizations. In other words, the respondents made it optional with appellant to determine whether, against the known wishes of the school authorities, he would continue his membership in said secret society, and thereby forfeit participation in the privileges above mentioned, which were no part of the classwork or curriculum, or whether by complying with the adopted rules, he would elect to enjoy the privileges of which he is now deprived.

The appellant contends that the trial court erred (1) in making certain of the above findings of fact to which he has excepted; and (2) in entering judgment dismissing his complaint. Appellant especially complains that the evidence does not sustain the findings that all active members of the Gamma Eta Kappa fraternity were high school students, and that any members not students were honorary members only. There may have been an instance in which an active member was not a student when initiated, but he had been a student immediately prior thereto, and there is no evidence that he did not intend to so continue. In any event, it is immaterial whether he or even other members were students. It clearly

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\*It must be remembered that this is an appellate court, and that all of the foregoing recital of fact was found by the trial court possibly upon conflicting testimony, and that it is this state of fact upon which the appellate court bases its decision.—Editor *Beta Theta Pi*.

appears that the fundamental purpose was to organize with students of the Seattle high school.

The evidence shows that this particular Gamma Eta Kappa fraternity is a branch or chapter of a general organization having other chapters in various high schools throughout the country; that it is subordinate to a general or parent governing body, and that the entire organization is essentially a confederation of associations composed in the main of high school students. We call attention to a certain periodical which, with the consent of both appellant and respondents, was admitted in evidence, and is entitled "*The Gamma Eta Kappa Magazine*, Quarterly Devoted to the Interest of the Gamma Eta Kappa Fraternity of the United States of America, and Published by the Grand Conclave." This magazine appears to be in the charge of one general editor located in San Francisco, assisted by chapter editors, members of twenty distinct chapters, including Rho Gamma chapter, the one of which appellant is a member, purporting to be connected with the Seattle high school. In this magazine we find the following editorial:

"In former editorials we have frequently dwelt upon our old standby of High School Fraternities versus School Boards and Principals, but we feel compelled to again state the facts, on account of recent developments. The principal of the Seattle high school does not know what a fraternity is, or he would not attempt to enforce his proposed futile plans. It is simply a case of all educators not educated. Imagine the monarch that could prohibit a man from wearing a fraternity pin. The Sacramento board of Education by a vote of 6 to 3 recently decided "To forbid any member of the Sacramento high school from joining a frat society in that school." There is no penalty affixed, and the resolution was simply adopted to quell public sentiment in order to secure a favorable vote from the people on new school bonds. In voting on this motion but one member of the board expressed the belief that the law would uphold them in attempting to crush a society in a public institution; in other words they are educated. We hope that others will learn and save us the trouble of summoning our army of able attorneys, who are willing to defend us in the courts, and in doing so will make these uneducated beings feel their lack of knowledge with humiliation and chagrin at the expense of the poor unfortunates."

This magazine also publishes a letter from the Rho Gamma or Seattle chapter, in which the existing differences between it and the Seattle high school authorities are discussed. This letter in part says:

"And now comes the most unkindest cut of all. Beginning with the coming school year, in addition to the restrictions already imposed, all members of fraternities and sororities will be denied the right of graduation or of representing the school in any field of effort or competition. This is according to an open letter from Supt. Cooper to Prof. Twitmeyer. He calls Mr. Twitmeyer's attention to a recent ruling of the board which author-

izes his action. According to the ruling, the superintendent is given authority to 'repeal all existing regulations.' This phrase may or may not be significant, for as far as the secret societies are concerned they will go ahead and prosper as before. There will be no difficulty in pledging and initiating new members as they may be desired, because, far from creating any dismay among the students, it has aroused a feeling of indignation and that natural antipathy to restriction which is inherent in the American youth. \* \* \* It is barely possible that Rho Gamma chapter will incorporate, but it is a question whether such action would help matters any or would only add fuel to the flame."

Letters from the Sacramento, Cal., and Denver, Colo., chapters are also published, showing a like spirit of insubordination against lawful school authority. We incorporate these quotations in this opinion to illustrate the seditious spirit permeating this organization, with which the school authorities were obliged to deal. Without further discussion of the evidence, we express our complete satisfaction with each and all of the findings made by the honorable trial court.

The only remaining question is whether the board of education had authority to adopt the rules complained of. Appellant insists that section 2334, Ballinger's Ann. Codes & St., provides who shall be admitted to the public schools, and that the board of education cannot exclude any pupils so entitled to attend. No issue need be taken with this contention. The board has not excluded the appellant from the Seattle high school; neither has it threatened to expel or suspend him. He can and does attend school, and, under our construction of the rules adopted, he is at the same time permitted to continue his membership in the Gamma Eta Kappa fraternity; although in doing so he opposes the authority of the board and thereby forfeits certain privileges which are no necessary part of the curriculum or classwork from which he is not excluded. Respondents are only seeking to prevent appellant and his associates from dictating the terms on which they shall enjoy certain privileges which are merely incidental to the regular school work, and this they have authority to do.

Appellant further contends that as the fraternities meet out of school hours at the homes of members, and at no time in the school building, and as their parents consent to this action, the board is exceeding its lawful authority in entering their homes, in withdrawing from parents the control of their children, and in dictating what the children shall or shall not do out of school hours. We think this contention unreasonable. The board has not invaded the homes of any pupils, nor have they sought to interfere with parental custody and control. They have not said these fraternities shall not meet

at the various homes, nor have they attempted to control students out of school hours.

The evidence shows beyond a doubt that these secret organizations when effected foster a clannish spirit of insubordination, which results in much evil to the good order, harmony, discipline, and general welfare of the school. We can express these conditions in no better terms than by quoting from the testimony of Prof. Geiger, the principal of the high school, who says:

"I have found that membership in a fraternity has tended to lower the scholarship of the fraternity members, \* \* \* the general impression that one gets in dealing with them is one of less respect and obedience to teachers. It is found that there is a tendency toward the snobbish and patronizing air, not only toward pupils, but toward the teachers; there is a certain contempt for school authority. This is in a measure, I think, aggravated by the attitude of the parent organization, which seems to encourage members of the fraternity in this contempt for school authority, and one of the most difficult things in dealing with the situation is the fact that the members have this allegiance to a general organization or headquarters, which are often located in a distant city and which it is difficult to reach and which exercises upon the members in the local school a very powerful influence. \* \* \* In dealing with these fraternity members I have been assured more than once that they considered their obligation to their fraternity greater than that to the school."

The evidence of this witness with that of the president of the school board and other school authorities overwhelmingly establishes the fact that such fraternities do have a marked influence on the school, tending to destroy good order, discipline and scholarship. This being true, the board is authorized, and it is its duty to take such reasonable and appropriate action by the adoption of rules as will result in preventing these influences. Such authority is granted by section 2339 and subdivisions 5 and 6 of section 2362, Ballinger's Ann. Codes & St.

It would be difficult to confer a broader discretionary power than that conferred by these sections. Manifestly it was the intention of the Legislature that the management and control of school affairs should be left entirely to the discretion of the board itself, and not to the judicial determination of any court. These powers have been properly and legally conferred upon the board, and unless it arbitrarily exceeds its authority, which it has not done here, the courts cannot interfere with its action, *Kinzer v. Directors, etc.* (Iowa), 105 N. W. 686; *Board of Education v. Booth* (Ky.) 62 S. W. 872, 53 L. R. A. 787; *Watson v. City of Cambridge* (Mass.) 32 N. E. 864.



The appellant has cited a number of cases which in effect decide that the school board would have no authority to refuse him admission to the high school. This the board has not attempted to do; hence these citations are not in point.

The only case mentioned by appellant which seems to be cognate to the questions here involved is that of *State ex rel. Stallard v. White*, 82 Ind. 278, 42 Am. Rep. 496, in which the Supreme Court of Indiana held that the officers and trustees of Purdue University, an institution controlled and supported by the state, could not require an applicant, otherwise qualified, to sign a pledge relative to membership in Greek fraternities, as a condition precedent to his *admission* as a student.

The university authorities had adopted a rule that no student should be permitted to join or be connected with any so-called Greek or other college secret societies; and as a condition of admission to the university, or promotion therein, should be required to give a written pledge to observe such regulation. The relator declined to sign such a pledge and was refused admission as a student for that reason only.

The decision which ordered his admission was by a divided court. The majority opinion, however, is not in point as supporting appellant's contention.

The appellant has not been refused *admission* to the high school. The school authorities have only endeavored to exercise a governmental control over him after his admission, without even attempting to suspend him. In the majority opinion in *State ex rel. Stallard v. White*, supra, the court said:

"The admission of students in a public educational institution is one thing, and the government and control of students after they are admitted and have become subject to the jurisdiction of the institution, is quite another thing.

\* \* \* It is clearly within the power of the trustees, and of the faculty when acting presumably, or otherwise, in their behalf, to absolutely prohibit any "connection between the Greek fraternities and the university.

The trustees have also the undoubted authority to prohibit the attendance of students upon the meetings of such Greek fraternities, or from having any other active connection with such organizations, so long as such students remain under the control of the university, whenever such attendance upon meetings of, or other active connection with, such fraternities tends in any material degree, to interfere with the proper relations of students to the university."

The above language shows that the Indiana case upon which the appellant relies utterly fails to sustain any of his contentions. Our attention has not been called to any adjudicated case at all similar to this. Citation to authority how-

ever, is unnecessary, as under our statutes, the respondent school board had undoubted authority, to take the action of which appellant complains, and the courts should not interfere with said board in the enforcement of the enforcement of the rules and regulations which it has adopted.

The judgment is affirmed.

MOUNT, C. J., and FULLERTON, ROOT and DUNBAR, J. J.,  
concur.

### THE WHITE CARNATION IN A STORY.

"THE DIARY OF A BRIDE." Cloth; pp. 162, 5 x 7½, New York: Thomas Y. Crowell & Company. Published September, 1905.

This little book is a charming narrative of an ideal honeymoon, lasting through a year, as far as the diary carries us. It is full of sentiment and gentle touches of humor. The writer also shows a keen appreciation of books, and quotes frequent passages from her favorite authors. While the story is very light, it is sufficiently entertaining to help to pass a few hours pleasantly. A circular letter issued by the publishers to officers and chapters of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  says:

You are probably not aware that a recent successful book, "The Diary of A Bride," is especially directed to the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  fraternity. Several references are made to the fraternity emblem, and the binding shows white carnations against a blue field. This, of course, makes the book especially appropriate as a gift from members of the fraternity to their friends; and the author, who has preferred to remain anonymous, has requested that we bring the fact to your attention.

Readers and reviewers everywhere are enthusiastic about the book. The *Pittsburgh Gazette* says: "It reveals a wealth of tender sentiment that reminds one of 'The Kentucky Cardinal.' It is a book that warms the heart." The *New Orleans Picayune* calls it "One of the daintiest and most attractive books of the season."

It is bright, fresh, clean and wholesome, and in its special type design in two colors, it will make a pleasing gift upon any occasion. The price by mail direct is \$1.10.

Since this circular was issued the publishers have stated that the author is Mrs. Harriet B. Martindell, of Hamilton, Ohio.

The cover is light blue cloth, handsomely embellished with white carnations. Under the date "New Year's Eve," the bride mentions that her husband had white carnations sent to her, and then she says (pages 114-115):

Nothing has seemed more tender and beautiful, during these most beautiful of all holidays, than Jack's sending me tonight these white carnations. All flowers mean much to me, but the white carnation is an emblem to Jack and me, having a deep and sweet significance. Were half the world between us, and doubt and misgiving in our hearts, a white carnation sent from one to the other would reassure us to the fullest. They were the first flowers Jack ever sent me. They came to me on a glorious Easter morning, when

every living thing seemed to be lifting up its voice of praise. The spicy, snowy blossoms spoke of purity, peace, and love. Nestled among their fragrant petals was a card from Jack telling what the white carnation meant to him and must henceforth mean to us both. They were his fraternity flower. I buried my face in their fresh sweetness, breathing a prayer of thankfulness for a new joy that flooded my heart, and tears of resolve to be all that he thought me and wished me to be filled my eyes.

Always the white carnations bring back the same prayer, the same resolve, the same happy mist before my eyes. This card tonight says: "White carnations always mean the same." Yes, Jack, always and forever will the white carnations bear for us the same deep significance and be to us the same sweet emblem.

After the baby was born, Jack presented her with "a bunch of white carnations, tied with white ribbon" (page 160), and the book closes thus (page 162):

At last Jack broke the silence, as he whispered: "My sweetheart, my bride, my wife has worn my white carnations, and now the little mother must wear them, never for one moment of her life forgetting what they mean."

And the night melted away in the fragrance and purity of the white carnations!

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#### UNOFFICIAL FRATERNITY PUBLICATIONS.

No fraternity can be great unless it has many efficient workers. The officers of a fraternity, a few self sacrificing, hard working members, cannot make it great. A large body of volunteer workers, keen witted, practical and untiring is, needed to make any fraternity successful. One such man in every chapter is an actual necessity for the purpose of leadership. More, of course, are desirable. The ideal fraternity man is one that not only cheerfully performs all the duties which his chapter imposes upon him, but a Phi who is constantly seeking to find new means of promoting the general welfare of the fraternity or of his chapter—a member who is really unhappy unless he is doing something to advance the interests of one or both. The highest type of member is one who is gifted with initiative, who does not hang back because he is not directed or because he does not hold office, but one who can think of some improvement, and then, if others do not help him, goes ahead and does the work himself. What a push would a few hundred such members back of any fraternity give it.

The publications mentioned below were not officially issued but they exhibit much private enterprise, and the authors deserve much credit. We have never heard of catalogues of lawyers and physicians being issued by other fraternities; and, so far as we know, the *News* of Philadel-

phia and the *Bulletin* of New York are the only papers issued by alumni clubs of any fraternity, and the *Purdue Phi* is the only paper issued by a chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

"DIRECTORY OF THE LAWYERS OF PHI DELTA THETA. Compiled by Horace W. Davis, Sharon, Pennsylvania." Half bound; pp. 49, 4 x 5 $\frac{1}{8}$ . Youngstown, Ohio: Vindicator Publishing Company. Issued November 8, 1905.

This compilation is arranged alphabetically by states and towns, Anniston, Ala., being the first place, and the names of Phi lawyers in each town appear alphabetically under the name of the town. The total number of lawyers listed is 1248. The names of some of them are printed in black type, for which display a charge was made. The receipts from this source, and also from six advertisements on the three last pages, paid the expenses of publication and also some profit. The binding is manila, covered on the outside with black cloth, not turned in but cut on the edges. Bro. Horace W. Davis, the compiler of this useful list, is a member of Pennsylvania Gamma, class of 1905. He has a few copies left, and a copy may be obtained by sending ten cents to him at Washington, D. C., care of the Patent Office.

"CATALOGUE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF PHI DELTA THETA." Same printing on light blue, glazed paper cover, stiffened inside with cloth; pp. 61, 4 $\frac{3}{4}$  x 4 $\frac{1}{4}$  (oblong). Denver, Col: The World Publishing Company. Issued June 15, 1906.

This list was prepared and published by Bros. H. B. Woods and MacLean Libby, both of Pennsylvania Gamma, '03. It contains the names of 761 medical members, arranged alphabetically by states and towns, as are the names in the catalogue of lawyers, but in this case most of the names are given in full, and the chapter and class of each member are shown. The names are printed in uniform type. No charge for printing any name was made. The compilation, like the list of lawyers appears to have been thoroughly done. We are informed that Bros. Woods and Libbey did not come out quite even on their publication, but they have a few copies left and a copy may be obtained by remitting \$1 to H. B. Woods, 408 McPhee Building, Denver, Col.

"DIRECTORY INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNI OF PHI DELTA THETA." Pp. 16, 3 $\frac{3}{8}$ x6 $\frac{1}{8}$ . On white paper cover: "Indianapolis (coat-of-arms) Phi Delta Theta. 1906." Indianapolis, Ind.: The Indiana Newspaper Union. Issued October 15, 1906.

Indianapolis is the third largest  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  center, being ranked by only New York and Chicago. This directory contains the

names, occupations and addresses of 224 alumni. The alumni club at the Hoosier capital, established in 1879, has perhaps been more vigorous than any other in the whole fraternity. At least it is the only old alumni club that, since it was organized, has had a delegate at each national convention. It has also led in the matter of publishing lists of its members, this being the third edition.

We desire to call special attention to this directory, as it is a model in every respect, and we hope that this in other cities will issue similar publications. To give a clear idea of its make up, the first page of the membership list is reproduced below:

## MEMBERS.

ADKINSON, WESLEY H.....	Butler, '02
Manufacturer, Sheldon St. and Belt.	
ALLEN, HENRY COBURN.....	Wisconsin, '06
Student, 411 E. Sixteenth St.	
ALLEN, MAYNARD.....	Wisconsin, '06
Student, 411 E. Sixteenth St	
ANDERSEN, MARTIN.....	Wabash, '06
Artist, 23 W. Pearl St.	
ANTHONY, JAMES L.....	Butler, '04
Lumber, 1607 College Ave.	
ARONSON, ALBERT.....	Indiana, '08
Student, 2207 N. Pennsylvania St.	
ASHBY, F. F.....	Wabash, '05
Real Estate, 2340 N. Delaware St.	
AYRES ALEXANDER C.....	Butler, '68
Attorney, 500 Indiana Trust building.	
BAIR, ROLLARD R.....	DePauw, '03
Clerk, 316 The Shiel.	
BALL, ALLAN C.....	Wabash, '98
Dentist, 7 Odd Fellows' block.	
BALL, HOWARD N.....	Wabash, '98
150 W. Vermont St.	
BAMBERGER, RALPH.....	Indiana, '91
Attorney, 706 State Life building.	
BARRETT, RALPH S.....	Purdue, '98
Broker 411 Lemcke building.	
BASTIAN, WILLITS A.....	DePauw, '91
Attorney, 727 Law building.	
BATES, WILLIAM O.....	Cornell, '75
Editor, 91½ middle drive, Woodruff Pl.	
BENTLEY, LAYTON C.....	DePauw, '94
Minister, 2227 Ashland Ave.	
BOHLEN, AUGUST E.....	Cornell, '09
Student, 1418 Broadway	
BOHNSTADT, LOUIS J.....	Butler, '08
Student, 2608 Ashland Ave.	

This list contains all the facts important for a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  city directory. It is very neatly printed, and its size makes it convenient for mailing in an envelope or for carrying in the pocket. The committee on publication, to whom much credit is due, was composed of Bros. H. H. Woodsmall, S. K. Ruick, W. A. Bastian, C. S. Little and R. F. Davidson.

#### THE "PURDUE PHI."

This is the title of a paper issued by Indiana Theta. Two copies have been printed, each having eight pages,  $8\frac{3}{4} \times 12$  inches, three columns to the page. Neither copy is dated, but Volume 1, Number 1 is called "Founders Day Number," referring to Alumni Day, March 15, 1906. However, a wedding that occurred on July 12 is mentioned, from which it may be inferred that this issue did not appear until June or July. At the top of the first column of the editorial (fourth) page appears these lines:

#### THE "PURDUE PHI."

Published quarterly by the members of Indiana Theta of Phi Delta Theta, and considered by the Editors as "first class matter."

F. A. DeBoos,  
Editor-in-Chief.

An article on the observance of "Founders' Day" by Indiana Theta says that the topic for Alumni Day was discussed, and—

The publishing of some sort of letter from the active to the alumni several times a year was talked over, and it was decided to undertake some scheme of this sort, with a view of keeping the alumni in closer touch with the active chapter. The matter was put into the hands of Bro. DeBoos, who was given power to appoint his own committee, and the present paper is the result of the meeting.

An editorial regarding the paper says: "We will endeavor, for a time, to send out three of these sheets a year, and will increase this number if the idea proves successful." An editorial regarding the chapter's plans for erecting a house notes that, on June 12, 1906, the alumni association had purchased, for \$5,700, an elevated building site, "directly in front of the university," the location being without doubt the best in the city."

The closely printed pages are crowded with articles written up in fine journalistic style, with scarcely a trace of amateurism. Among them are "The University," reviewing the year 1905-06 at Purdue; "The Past Year," reviewing the chapter's career during that time; "The Class of 1906," sketches of graduating Indiana Theta men; "Our Freshmen," sketches of new initiates; "The Gold and Black," title of the 'varsity comic opera;

"The Phi Delt Minstrels," which gave a show at the end of the meeting on Alumni Day; "Fraternity Athletics;" "Fraternity Honors;" "The Province Convention;" "Locals;" "College Sports—(not Men);" "New Bunches in School," referring to the entrance of  $\Theta \Xi$  and  $\Phi \chi \Sigma$ .

Number 2 of Volume I, like Number 1, is without a date, but it copies a letter from the chapter's alumni association, dated November 1, 1906, announcing a reunion of Indiana Theta alumni to be held at Lafayette, November 23-24. A local mentions that a change was made in the chapter's hall (which Indiana Theta rents, as well as two houses) on November 14, so that it appears that this number was issued between November 14 and 23. It is called "Alumni Convention Number, November 23, 1906" At the top of the editorial page, the name of J. L. A. Connors is added as alumni editor.

The second number is printed in smaller type, but leaded instead of solid, as was the first number. Its contents are varied and interesting, and undoubtedly proved immensely entertaining to the chapter's alumni. Such a publication will surely do much to assure alumni activity, and it would be well for other chapters to investigate the scheme. Indiana Theta deserves much credit for setting the example.

Since the foregoing was set in type we have received the following letter from Bro. De Boos, now at Milwaukee, Wis.

As far as I know, the *Purdue Phi* is the only paper published by any chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . It was the outgrowth of our desire to get in closer touch with our alumni. Several of them had written us bemoaning the fact that news from us was scarce and that, when any of the fellows in the chapter did write, their letters did not give enough of the "happenings." This was particularly true of the men who had been out only a year or so.

The matter came up for discussion in the chapter two or three times, and a circular-letter was suggested. This was to be mimeographed, issued monthly and sent to all our alumni. I was placed in charge of the work, owing to stenographic experience, and we soon saw that a letter which would give all things in detail would be much too long for mimeographing, that is, there would probably be six or seven pages to it. Finally, we decided to issue a paper, and our idea was to get out three or four issues of it each school year. All our plans for the first issue had been made when one of our members happened to run across a paper issued just a couple of weeks previous (May, 1906) by the Purdue chapter of  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  and called the *Boilermaker Fiji*. It was the first number. This paper, I am free to confess, proved quite a help to us in our general make up, etc. We also chanced across a "ticket," issued by the local chapter of  $\Sigma \chi$ , which was printed in detailed sections, being about 12 inches long, and each section entitled the holder (a  $\Sigma \chi$  alumnus) to attend some one function of the series which they proposed giving at the time of their house party and reunion at the close of the year.

We saw by these two papers that the other chapters at Purdue were having the same difficulty as ourselves in their endeavor to keep in contact with their

alumni, and this fact determined us to go into the scheme even more elaborately than was at first proposed. We decided to double the size of our first sheet, and sub-editors were appointed so as to lighten the work. The editorial board (about six men as I now recall it) were apprised of the subjects that they were expected to handle, so that they might get familiar with the facts they would need, and, on one Saturday night, we all took an evening off, and "ground out" the copy for the first issue.

But when we sought a publisher, we were held up, as they wanted \$40 to publish it. This price was finally brought down to \$22, I believe, but school was now so near closed that we decided to hold off till next year, or publish the paper just before the opening of school, so as to help us in our rush, and this was done, the paper being issued about September 1, 1906. We had it published at a small town, the price being \$12.50, I think, and the cost of mailing was \$1.50 more, the paper going out to members of Indiana Theta only, except a few copies sent to the editor of *THE SCROLL*, etc. The first issue consisted of 200 copies. Each alumnus received one copy, though told editorially that he could have as many more as he desired. The paper was issued with one single object in view—to get the alumni in closer touch with the active chapter.

The second issue came out about November 19, and its direct purpose was to "touch up" our alumni on our reunion, which was to be held on November 23-24. The reason for our failure to affix exact dates was due to the indefiniteness of getting the matter written up and printed, etc., all of which had to be attended to outside of regular school work. This paper I sent to Columbus, Ind., to have printed, and the issue of 200 copies cost us only \$10.

In regard to later issues, I do not know exactly what is being done, although, when I left school last January, I was informed that another editor-in-chief would be appointed at once, and that another issue of the paper would be forthcoming in a couple of months. The fellows at Purdue are much enthused over the "Phi," and will not let the project drop, so I look for another issue within a month.

The cost of issuing the paper was met by the active chapter, and not even a special assessment was levied for it, the money being paid out of the treasury from the regular monthly dues. I do not think the cost should exceed \$12, including mailing.

"Has the paper been successful?" you ask. Well, it could not be a success financially, since the entire expense was borne by the active chapter; and as to its being a success in uniting the chapter more closely, the time is too short yet to tell. The fellows in the chapter thought it the best thing they ever did, and I have heard from over a score of alumni, either by letter or in person, and they were all tickled with it. They say too that "it's the best thing the chapter ever did," and practically every man exclaimed: "Why, I read her through and then turned her around and read her through again."

Now our prime motive in getting out this paper is purely selfish. We have been trying for several years to get enough money together to build a house, and all our appeals to the alumni have met with but little tangible results. They all were "lukewarm," their interest had seemingly died down. We hoped by the paper to revive this interest, which we knew had been drilled in them for four years, in order that, when the final "show down" came for the house, we would have worked up their interest to such an extent that they would "come south" with the money or their share of it. It may be two years before this final round up will have been made, but it was the purpose to develop everything possible so as to be in perfect readiness when we did want to make the call, and we knew that a man who had not heard from his chapter for several years, would probably be loth to help it financially.



## PHI DELTA THETA NEWS.

This paper was first issued in 1903, and has frequently been mentioned in THE SCROLL. It is published by the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  club of Philadelphia. It has been issued at irregular intervals, and the first volume closed with Number 10. The last issue we have received is Number 2 of Volume II, dated August, 1906. It is a four page sheet,  $7 \times 10\frac{1}{4}$  inches, two columns to the page. It is filled with information about the alumni club and Pennsylvania Zeta, and personals, and also a review of Palmer's "History of Phi Delta Theta." The present editors are Bros. J. H. R. Acker and B. H. Ludlow. The subscription price is \$1 a year. This publication attests the loyalty and enterprise of the Philadelphia Phis, and we would be greatly pleased to see the scheme adopted by clubs in other cities.

Since the foregoing was written we have received the *News* for January, 1907, Number 3 of Volume II, and also the following interesting letter from Bro. Acker, whose address is 910-916 Penn Square Building, Philadelphia.

*The Phi Delta Theta News* appears spasmodically and irregularly, but on the whole about four or five issues are published each year. The expenses are paid by contributions of one dollar, received from enough men to pay the cost of publication. Under our system of frenzied finance, the paper is generally first published, and then enough new subscriptions are secured to pay for its issue. The cost is about \$15 per issue, and copies are mailed to all Philadelphia members, to the general officers of the fraternity and to the reporter of each one of the chapters.

We endeavor to collect as many personals as possible, and find that the men take a great interest in the paper and rather regard it as a personal letter. It is particularly devoted to proposed events in connection with the fraternity about to take place in Philadelphia. The last issue was published in January of this year. I do not know of any other papers of a like nature which are published but feel that in its limited way the *News* has its place.

## PHI DELTA THETA BULLETIN.

DEVOTED ESPECIALLY TO NEW YORK DELTA.

We are delighted to know that the Phis of New York have decided to issue a paper similar to the *News* of Philadelphia. The *Bulletin* of New York is a four page sheet, measuring  $6 \times 9\frac{1}{2}$  inches. The whole first page, below the above title, is filled with a half-tone picture of New York Delta's splendid house at 506 West 113 Street. The paper is not numbered but is dated March 15, 1907. At the top of the second page appear the names of the staff: L. E. A. Drummond, editor; B. M. L. Ernst and I. L. Foster, assistant editors; G. C. Atkins, business manager; R. Mapelsden, Jr., New York Delta

editor. This is really enough editorial talent to conduct a first class daily. The salutatory follows:

In this number we make our bow, pay our respects to THE SCROLL, and cheerfully give credit for the idea of our existence to the *Phi Delta Theta News* of Philadelphia. If we rise to those dizzy heights of journalism reached by them we promise not to be too proud. Brothers in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , we greet you and wish the best of everything to the fraternity.

The principal contents of the paper are an historical account of the New York alumni club, locals about the Columbia chapter, personals about New York Delta men, and an announcement of the Alumni Day banquet. One of the local items mentions that Father Lindley visited and lunched with the chapter on December 15. The following announcement of a new Greek-letter fraternity book is made:

"Where Greek Meets Greek" is the style of a novel project in the book line which is to make its appearance in August or September. The publishers offer absolutely free representation, by portrait and brief data, to every fraternity man in New York and vicinity. The plan of the proposed publication is laid on liberal lines, and every Phi should interest himself in making that part of the work devoted to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  interesting and complete. The book will be published by the Alcolm Company, 200 Broadway, New York, publishers of "Baird's Manual."

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The University of Washington now has an enrollment of 1200 and a faculty of 75 instructors. The fine new buildings are already crowded, but the state legislature has just appropriated \$6,000,000 for new buildings. The next world's fair, the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, is to be held on the campus of 350 acres, and from 50 to 100 of the buildings are to be constructed, with the view of saving them for the university's use after the exposition has closed. Four bronze statues—Washington, Lincoln, Seward and John Jacob Astor—are among the ornaments that will also be saved. All these plans, when completed in 1909, will place the University at least twenty-five years ahead of its present position.—  
 $\Pi \text{ B } \Phi \text{ Arrow.}$

## EDITORIAL

With the development of the fraternity system and fraternity ideals on one hand and a more perfect conception of that system and those ideals and a more tolerant spirit on the part of the governing bodies of Colleges and Universities on the other, there has come a better understanding between faculties and fraternities to the manifest advantage of all concerned. In the early days, generally speaking, faculties and trustees opposed fraternities; later they ignored them; now they are almost universally coming to recognize them as important factors in college life and valuable adjuncts to the institution. This is as it should be. The aims and purposes of a well regulated chapter are so much in harmony with the aims and purposes of the college that the efforts put forth on behalf of the chapter very often result in valuable assistance to the college.

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Many of our chapters exercise a paternal supervision over the scholastic work of their members, particularly of the underclassmen. The benefit of such supervision so far as it concerns the members themselves is apparent. The benefit to the entire chapter is found in the fact that fewer of its members leave college on account of failure to do their scholastic work. If the work of the freshmen is watched over carefully and if these same freshmen are encouraged to make class-room work their main duty, it will almost always result that, having made a good start during the first year, they will have ample time during the remaining three years to take an active part in affairs athletic, social, etc., and by reason of having laid a solid foundation a much larger percentage of the men will remain through the whole course, to the manifest advantage of the chapter. We strongly recommend to all our chapters

this close supervision of and sympathetic interest in the College work of their members.

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At this season of the year our active men are asking each other: "How many old men will we return next year?" This is a pertinent question and one that every chapter should carefully consider. Often a member is undecided whether or not he will remain in college and in such cases a little persuasion will induce him to return. Many of our active men will be graduated within the next few weeks and of these a number will supplement college courses with additional work in professional schools. Such men can often be persuaded to take up work in the professional departments of their own universities. We recommend that chapters at this time give especial consideration to the question of retaining for next year the greatest possible number of this year's active chapter.

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Of equal importance is the question of obtaining suitable new men for next year. Interscholastic athletic meets often afford chapters a favorable opportunity to become acquainted with desirable new men, who expect to enter college the following year and to make a favorable impression upon them. Chapters should make the most of such opportunities and should also take occasion to become acquainted with desirable men attending secondary schools affiliated with or tributary to their respective colleges. Finally, when the chapter disbands for the summer vacation, let each man determine that he will use his best endeavor to bring back with him in the fall one or more new men who will add strength to the chapter.

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Of the men who are now about to end their college careers, we trust that not one will lose his interest in his chapter or his fraternity. Let each man, after locating, affiliate with an alumni club, if possible, and take an active interest in its

affairs. Each man, before ceasing to be an active member, should subscribe for THE SCROLL and *Palladium*, and should become a regular reader of them. No matter in what corner of the world a Phi may locate, the magazines will reach him and will keep him advised of his old chapter and fraternity. Let no member who goes forth from college say in future years, "I used to be a Phi," but let everyone say, "I *am* a Phi."

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It is encouraging to note the activity of our alumni clubs all over the country. Almost one-half of them celebrated Alumni Day in one way or another. For this activity much credit is due the Alumni Commission. Encouraging as present conditions are, there is a great field for further activity in this direction. While rousing the existing clubs to increased interest, the establishment of new clubs should be systematically carried forward. The number of our alumni organizations could be doubled and still there would be room for more. The weekly luncheon plan is in vogue in many of our larger clubs and there are many others who could take it up to advantage. Then comes the local Phi paper, such as the Phi Delta Theta *News*, of Philadelphia, and the Phi Delta Theta *Bulletin*, of New York. Such periodicals should be published by a number of our larger clubs as their value in keeping up the interest of members cannot be doubted. Other agencies for retaining in the alumnus the interest and enthusiastic activity of the undergraduate will in time be developed. The problems which the alumni commission and their co-workers have to solve are of great and far-reaching importance. With ninety per cent. of our membership numbered among the alumni we must systematically work towards a consolidation, a unifying of the ninety per cent with the ten per cent into one active, enthusiastic whole.

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In many of our colleges and universities the honor system, so called, obtains. If honor is to be found anywhere it ought

to be among our college men. That a college professor should find it necessary to stand over a class of college men and women while conducting an examination and scrutinize every movement of each student to see that he does not cheat or "crib" is a serious reflection upon the character of the students. Yet the students themselves, or rather some of their number are responsible for this condition. We would be glad to see our members cooperate with their college mates and instructors in the establishment of the honor system where it is not already in operation. The resulting improvement in college work is important but is inconsequential when compared to the higher instincts of manliness and honor which are inspired by this system wherever adopted.

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In selecting men who are to fill the various chapter offices next year great care should be exercised to the end that the very best men may be chosen for the several offices. In making a choice attention should be given to the peculiar fitness of the man for the office. Let the president be a man of executive ability, a man who not only does things himself but who sees to it that others perform their duties promptly. Perhaps the most important office in the chapter is that of Reporter. A chapter is very often judged (or misjudged) by its reporter. Let him be a man who will promptly and conscientiously answer correspondence and one who can and will write a creditable letter for each issue of *THE SCROLL*. In short every office is important. No office has been created for the purpose of conferring distinction upon its incumbent but for the express purpose of having the duties of that office performed. These facts should be fully understood and no man should accept an office except with a fixed determination to perform conscientiously the duties incident thereto.

## CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE

## ALPHA PROVINCE

## QUEBEC ALPHA. MCGILL UNIVERSITY

On the morning of April 5 occurred the greatest disaster which has yet happened to McGill. We were awakened about 4:45 A. M. to find the MacDonald Engineering building in flames, and in a few hours it was a mass of ruins. The fire had gained great headway before it was discovered and the most that the firemen could do was to save the workshops and some of the lower part of the main building. The origin of the fire is unknown. It evidently started on the second floor, and the building above the basement is totally destroyed. Nothing was saved, and a great deal of the equipment which was worth much more than its intrinsic value was destroyed, including all the records of the faculty. The loss is estimated at between \$600,000 and \$750,000. The insurance was \$320,000. Considerable loss was sustained by the students in drawing instruments, etc. It is fortunate that this did not occur earlier in the year, as the session is now closed and the examinations are being held. It is expected that adequate provisions will be made for next year's work, and that a finer and better building will soon take its place.

Drs. Finlay, Martin and Lafleur have been appointed professors of medicine to succeed the late Dr. James Stewart. Dr. Cunliffe has resigned to take the chair of English at Wisconsin. Mr. W. M. Edwards has been appointed assistant professor of Civil Engineering. Dr. Adams has recently been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society.

In the faculties of Arts, Law and Applied Science the session closed at the end of March, and the examinations are now on. On account of some of the papers having been destroyed in the fire, some examinations will probably have to be written again. Convocation takes place April 30.

In hockey this year McGill has not been very successful. Toronto won the intercollegiate championship. The interclass trophy was won by Science '09. Bros. Smith and Dion played on the team. Bros. Benedict, Sharp and Ross played on their class teams. Bro. Dion was elected manager of the football team for next year, and Bro. A. H. N. Kennedy vice president. Bro. A. C. Reid is secretary of the boxing club. Bro. Benedict is secretary-treasurer of the Class Day committee, and Bro. Brennan president of the Mining society for next year.

Bros. Dickenson, Sharp and Brennan won prizes for summer theses in Civil and Mining Engineering. Bro. Peters kept up the good work started by Bros. Crowell and Likely by winning third place in the examinations held by the New York City Hospital this spring. First place was also won by a McGill man.

In February we initiated three men, viz.: W. A. Kennedy and H. C. Kennedy, of Vancouver, B. C., and J. H. Byrne, of Ottawa, Ont. We have three men pledged for next year. On alumni day we held an informal smoker in the house.

Bro. Barker Cornell, '06, has a position in the city.  
Montreal, April 6, 1907.

GEO. E. BELL.

## ONTARIO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

The annual dinner of the Literary and Scientific Society of University College took place on Monday, February 18, in the Temple Building. The premier, and many others prominent in public life, were present. Among

the many facts dwelt on in the speeches of the evening, relative to the growth of our University, were the following interesting statistics: In 1882 Toronto had but four hundred and ninety-five students; in 1892, one thousand and ninety-five; in 1902, one thousand six hundred and twenty-eight; in 1907, two thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven. In a quarter of a century, the attendance has grown, in round numbers, from five hundred to three thousand. In 1882 the expenditure for the University was \$86,000; the estimates for 1907 were \$550,000—a proportionate increase.

The annual elections of the Literary and Scientific Society, which took place last night, have been absorbing the interest of the Arts students for the past three weeks. The executive of this society controls all activities in the Arts faculty. The elections are of the most strenuous kind imaginable. After some months of campaigning along peaceful lines, the two parties, Old Lit and Unionists, don their war paint to even up old scores in an all-night, rough and tumble fight, while the votes are being polled. The Old Lit party came off victorious, only two Unionists out of a ticket of fourteen being elected.

Toronto has had a most successful hockey season, as she has won four championships. The first team went through the season losing one game only and that to Queen's University. Without doubt the team was the most perfectly balanced and the speediest bunch of players Toronto has ever gotten together. After winning the inter-collegiate championship, they defeated the Argonauts for the city championship by a large score, and no doubt would have found little difficulty in disposing of the winners of the O. H. A. championship had the ice lasted. The team played the Crescents of New York an exhibition game and defeated them by a score of 15-5. The prospects of a championship team again next year are exceedingly bright as the team will lose but one man by graduation. W. Davidson, who played a star game at left wing is pledged to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . The second team won the intermediate championship of the intercollegiate league, and the third team won the junior series.

The annual Assault at Arms was held in the gymnasium on February 28. The event proved to be the equal of past years. Brother Johnson again pulled on the school team in the tug of war.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$  continues to get her share of college honors. Brother Cringan is chairman of the new song book committee and first vice-president of the Track Club. Brother Sprague is secretary-treasurer of the Track Club. Brother Burroughs is on the executive of the Track Club. Brother Munro won his T on the foot ball team this year. Brother Marshall played on the third hockey team. Brother Shepherd is on the song book committee.

Ontario Alpha held its first annual banquet on February 1st at the St. Charles Hotel. Several alumni were present and a most enjoyable time was spent. We were pleased to have with us on this occasion Brother Dawson of Quebec Alpha.

The chapter celebrated Alumni Day, March 15, by holding an informal smoker at McConkeys. Several alumni living in the city were present; the question of a new chapter house was discussed and in the near future we expect to have our chapter house scheme working on a substantial business basis.

The chapter is at present enjoying a visit from Brother Barker, '06 of Cornell. We are always glad to welcome any Phis who may be coming through Toronto.

H. S. SPRAGUE.

Toronto, March 16, 1907.



## MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE

The college opened for the spring term April 4th, after a vacation of two weeks. Maine Alpha is back with its full quota and one addition. Brother Matthews, '08, who left college at the close of the fall term, has returned.

A much needed addition was made during the Easter vacation, in the form of a reading and lounging room for the members of the college. A vacant room in Recitation Hall was fitted up and furnished with Mission chairs, desks and tables, and also a handsome cabinet which is to serve as a trophy case.

The new course in debating proved a decided success, and a team has been picked to represent the college in a debate with the University of Maine at some date during the present term.

The college musical club had a very successful season, playing to full houses in every instance. The Dramatic club thus far has met with success and will present the play in this city April 18th.

The baseball season has opened and Colby men are unusually lucky in being out-of-doors this early. Our ball field is in good condition, while at University of Maine there are still two feet of snow on the diamond, while Bates and Bowdoin are little better off.

Φ Δ Θ has eleven men in the base ball squad, with three men veteran players and sure of positions on the team and at least two more who will probably make the team. Brother Dwyer, '08, is captain of the team, and Brother Dean, '09, has been elected assistant manager and will be manager next year.

Track work will begin April 8th and Φ Δ Θ will send out a strong delegation to strive for track honors.

Maine Alpha observed "Alumni Day" by a banquet to the Alumni Club of the city at the chapter house and a very profitable discussion of the question as given for discussion on that occasion.

Waterville, February 4, 1907

A. H. COTTON.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The Dartmouth basketball team finished an otherwise successful season with a one week trip, during which they lost four out of five straight games. These defeats were in part due to the fact that Captain Grebenstein, Long and Brady had been ill and out of the practice.

The baseball team is still confined to the cage by poor weather. The team will start south on April 6. On this first trip of the season we will play the University of Virginia, Washington and Lee, Annapolis, Georgetown and Holy Cross. The members of the team are all in good condition, and the material from the freshman class is showing up well.

By the will of Thomas P. Salter, a former New York merchant, the sum of \$300,000 is bequeathed to the college. \$100,000 is set aside for two scholarship funds and the rest may be expended as the trustees see fit.

President Tucker has recently returned from his annual western trip. He spoke before the Alumni Clubs of Chicago, St. Paul, St. Louis, Pittsburg and Washington.

"Chinning season," which, this year, was postponed until March, is just past. Φ Δ Θ pledged three upper classmen and twelve freshmen. The initiation banquet will be held on Saturday evening of this week. We have made an especial effort to have as many alumni as possible in Hanover on that evening, and expect a large attendance at the banquet. Observation of Alumni Day was postponed until the night of the banquet, because of the fact that March 15 came during the rush occasioned by "Chinning season."

The following are the men just pledged: G. A. Tyler, '08; Russel Cowles, '09; E. M. Stark, '09; H. C. Comey, '10; R. R. Floyd, '10; J. H. Field, Jr., '10; H. C. Hutchins, '10; T. J. Leonard, '10; R. L. Macomber, '10; C. G. Merrill, '10; S. E. Pratt, '10; A. A. Ricker, '10; H. W. Sprague, '10; R. L. Wing, '10, and R. W. Wilson, '10.

HOWARD M. JUDSON.

Hanover, March 25, 1907.

#### VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

Work on the construction of Morrill Agricultural Hall has been resumed. The brick walls of the building were completed to the second story before cold weather necessitated a suspension of work until spring. The large pillars at the entrance of the building will be of light colored Barre granite. The ceilings will be of steel instead of wood as at first contemplated. The exterior walls are of pressed glazed brick. It is expected that the building will be ready for occupancy by next autumn.

The annual cake-walk was held in the gymnasium on the evening of February 22nd. A large audience witnessed the performance and as usual the event was a decided success.

A Sophomore-Freshman debate was held in the Science Hall on February 28. The question was: "Resolved, That the federal government by a constitutional should restrict suffrage by means of an educational qualification," and was won by the affirmative. Bros. Harris and Lawton were on the Sophomore team.

The annual interclass track meet was held in the gymnasium on the evening of March 28.

Junior week will be the second week in May, the prom coming on Friday evening, the 10th.

A very successful basketball season has just closed, after winning all the home games and a fair percentage of the out-of-town games. Baseball practice began in the cage immediately after midyear examinations, under Coach Hayes. The team will be made up largely of new men as only five of last year's strong team are in college this year. Nevertheless, the prospects for a winning team are very good. The season will open with a game with Harvard at Cambridge on April 6.

Alumni Day was fittingly observed, with many alumni present. A very enjoyable and profitable evening was spent at the chapter house.

Bro. Geo. M. Rommel of Washington, D. C., visited the chapter March 26.

Burlington, March 27, 1907

CHARLES A. SMITH.

#### MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE

Massachusetts Alpha is recovering from the leading part it played in a scarlet fever epidemic which invaded the college and town. Of the nine men residing at the fraternity house, eight were confined at the infirmary—Brothers Griffin, Weeks '07, Gibson, McClellan, Scott '08, Lawrence, Lewis '09, and Hazelton '10, from periods ranging from three to nearly seven weeks. The cause of the epidemic was traced to some cream supplied by a local dealer in whose family a neglected case of scarlet fever had occurred.

Williams closed an unusually successful basketball season on March 9 by defeating Wesleyan and winning the New England intercollegiate basketball championship. On the previous evening the Dartmouth five which had previously defeated Williams at Hanover, was bested at Williamstown by the score of 10 to 6 in a game so rough that the athletic relations between

the two colleges were severed because of an incident that occurred during the contest. Of the sixteen games played by the Purple, fifteen resulted in victories. An attempt was made to meet Yale in a series to determine the national championship, although a team from that University had been previously defeated 74 to 6 by Williams, but the Blue refused to accept the challenge.

The prospects for a good baseball season are particularly bright, and with the seven veteran players and the coaching by William Lauder of the New York Nationals, a successful season seems assured. In the middle of May the team will take a western trip which will include games with Michigan, Illinois and Chicago universities. The season opens on April 20th with a game at Williamstown with Union.

The track management has secured the services of B. J. Wefers, holder of the world's record for the 220-yard dash, as track coach for the season.

The tri-collegiate debate, on March 4, between Williams, Brown and Dartmouth resulted in a victory for Brown for the second consecutive time, Dartmouth winning and losing and Williams losing twice. The debate witnessed the close of a debating season which was far from successful from a Williams standpoint, the college having suffered a similar reverse in the debates with Wesleyan and Amherst last fall.

The annual cane contest during the week preceding March 17 was attended by less manifestation of violent feeling between the members of the two lower classes than has been the case in previous contests, and resulted in the usual success of the Freshmen in bringing in their canes.

With the presence of the new swimming tank in the Lasell gymnasium, considerable interest in swimming has been manifested in the college, and on March 23 the first swimming meet ever held at Williams took place in the tank.

For the second consecutive time the Lehman cup, awarded for all-around proficiency in track athletics, was won by Bro. Horrax, '09, with a lead of over twelve points over the nearest competitor.

Bro. Bullard, '08, was elected president of the student Y. M. C. A. on March 19.

The chapter has received visits lately from Bros. Squires, '01, Ayers and Hulst, '06.

Bro. Griffin, '07, has resigned from college. Later in the spring he expects to join his brother on a ranch in Mexico. Bro. Lewis, '09, has also resigned from college but will return next fall.

The new chapter house is, at least externally, nearly completed. The portico is being finished and the girdle of tiles embossed with the fraternity coat-of-arms has been put in place. Within the house the first floor has been plastered and considerable interior finishing has been done.

Williamstown, March 29, 1907.

DAVID B. SCOTT.

#### MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE

Since our last letter the college has unexpectedly had a vacation on account of a scarlet fever epidemic. The cases were not many, but being distributed through five houses, caused a general feeling of unrest, and after one death had occurred in the student body, college closed February 14, for two weeks. As a result we will have but five days' recess at Easter.

This year has been an unfortunate one for Amherst, for on February 9 death entered the circle of our faculty for the second time since college opened. Professor Garman, for more than twenty-five years connected with the philosophy department, and since 1894 at its head, was a man beloved by all who

had had the good fortune to study under him. He was not a man of world-wide reputation, because he had chosen to give his best to his pupils rather than enter the literary field. But for Amherst his position and influence were such as is practically impossible to replace.

Prof. F. J. E. Woodbridge, of Columbia University, is to give a course of lectures this spring in connection with the department of philosophy.

For the past week the baseball squad has had its daily work out in the cage, but as yet it is too early to make predictions about the team. Six men were lost from last season's team, so that many new players will represent us this year. The schedule is particularly commendable in that thirteen of the twenty-one games are to be played at home. Bros. Greenaway, '07, Pratt, '07, and McClure, '10, are out for the team.

The committee on committees appointed Bro. Rowe, '07, chairman of the program committee. Bros. Tracy, '08, and White, '08, were awarded Ladd prizes in public speaking. Bro. Blackmer, '09, represents us on the *Ohio* board. Bro. McClure, '10, was on the relay team which ran against Brown at the B. A. A. meet. Bro. Milloy, '10, has been elected to the Lit board, and Bro. Taylor, '10, is on the chess team. Bro. Schlutz, ex-'10, has taken a position with the Fiske Rubber Co., Chicopee Falls, Mass.

Amherst, March 20, 1907.

ROBERT H. KENNEDY.

#### RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY

The last, and most pleasant term of the college year opened on Thursday, March 28. As usual, the seniors marched to chapel dressed in cap and gown for the first time, while President Faunce delivered his customary chapel talk.

The series of public lectures were very well attended throughout, while the vesper services were well supported by the student body. Brown was successful over both Dartmouth and Williams in debate on March 4, defending the affirmative side of the question against the former and upholding the negative of the same question against the latter. In basketball, Brown was fairly successful, having defeated Yale, Harvard, Wesleyan and Dartmouth. The relay team won four successive victories over Tufts, Williams, Wesleyan and Amherst.

With the beginning of this term all attention is turned to baseball. Our prospects are especially good and under the managership of Bro. Bright, '07, the team, no doubt, will make an excellent record. Practice was held daily in the cage during the spring vacation, and on March 27 the first outdoor practice took place. "Doc" Sexton, '93, again has charge of the team as coach. The first game is to be played on Wednesday, April 3, with Bowdoin College. Bros. Tift and Funk as pitchers, and Bro. Dickinson at second, are playing on the regular team.

The annual Brown banquet is to be held on Saturday, April 13, and it is expected that there will be between four and five hundred subscribers. May 7, 8 and 9 have been set as the dates for "Junior week." The Sock and Buskin will give as its production on Wednesday night, May 8, "The Private Secretary." Bro. Kelley, '07, takes the role of the leading lady. Bro. Nason, '08, represents the fraternity on the Junior week committee.

Among the honors which have fallen to the brothers since the last letter are the following: Bro. Dickinson, '07, has been awarded the 'Varsity basketball "B." He played a hard, consistent game throughout the entire season. Bro. Alger, '09, has been chosen by his class to enter the competition for assistant manager of the 'Varsity baseball team. Bro. Whitmarsh, '09, was a close second in the recent contest for "College Gymnast" and won a

handsome copper stein. Bro. Regnier, '10, has been awarded his numerals after playing a star game at forward on his class basketball team.

All Phils on visiting teams are urged to call upon the brothers at Brunonia Hall.

BENSON R. FROST.

Providence, March 27, 1907.

#### NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The university has again opened after a ten days' recess for Spring vacation. Since our return all the interest of the students centers in baseball. The team has just returned from their Southern trip and have had the benefit of warm weather to get into condition for the strenuous season before them. There were several vacancies to be filled this spring but notwithstanding we have every reason for turning out a winning team.

We held our annual Junior Week house party during the first few days of February and it proved to be an even greater success than heretofore. The entire chapter house was turned over to the girls and chaperons for the week and the time was enjoyably spent with dances and the many other features planned for the entertainment of our guests. Our thirty-sixth annual banquet, held March 15th, was a very successful affair. We were extremely fortunate in having with us Bro. Dudley Horton, '75, as toastmaster, Bros. Whiting, '08, Hendee, '02, Snow, '04, Ketcham, '04, Wells, '04, Simonton, '06, Wynkoop, '06, and the members of the faculty who are Phils.

The crews are working every day since the weather has moderated sufficiently to allow them to row on the water. Competition is exceptionally keen this year as there are several vacancies in the varsity boat. The student body has shown more enthusiasm than ever in this branch of sport as we will have an opportunity, the first in several years, to see the varsity row at home, as the race with Harvard will be rowed on Cayuga Lake this spring. The Junior crew will probably row in the Henley regatta at Philadelphia and all of the crews will row at Poughkeepsie in June.

The Freshman banquet, which was suspended last year, owing to faculty objections, was held this year under slightly changed conditions. Instead of allowing the Sophomores to capture the Freshmen forty-eight hours before the time of the banquet, organized rushes were tried. Fifty men from each class were started from opposite sides of the field and the Freshmen tried to cross a certain line. The object of the Sophomores was to catch the Freshmen and keep them from crossing the line for a period of three minutes. Those that were held for this length of time were declared captured and were dressed in ridiculous costumes and paraded around the campus. This new method of having the banquet under the direction of the upper classes was merely an experiment, but as every one was entirely satisfied with the outcome, it will, no doubt, be adopted in the future.

Ithaca, April 2, 1907.

AUGUST C. BOHLEN.

#### NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY

We begin our spring term on April 2, instead of March 28, as has been the custom, the faculty voting to extend the winter term until March 27, thereby giving us a week's vacation between terms.

Our baseball squad of thirty-five men is practicing hard in the gym every day preparatory to the out-door practice, which will begin the first day of the spring term. We expect to have a winning team this year as most of the old team are here, besides a strong baseball delegation from the freshman class.

The baseball schedule is as follows; April 13, West Point at West Point; April 20, Williams, at Williamstown; April 27, Pratt Institute, on the campus, May 1, R. P. I., at Troy; May 4, Trinity, on the campus; May 11, Middlebury, on the campus; May 11, Hamilton, on the campus; May 15, Middlebury on the campus; May 17, Trinity, at Hartford, Conn.; May 18, Wesleyan, at Middletown, Conn.; May 20, New York University on the campus; May 25, Rutgers at New Brunswick, N. J.; May 30, R. P. I. on the campus; May 31, Hamilton at Clinton; June 1, St. Lawrence at Canton, N. Y.; June 8, Rutgers on the campus.

Brother Vogt, '08, is in the pink of condition and expects to hold his old position as varsity catcher again this year. Brothers Pettit, Jewell, Maugham, and Hendricks will be out for positions on the team.

On February 27, at the Troy-Olympic meet held in the state armory at Troy, N. Y., Union defeated R. P. I. in a relay race by half a lap on a twelve-lap track. Brother Hendricks, '09, was the first man to run and gained a third of a lap on his opponent.

From February 7th to 11th Union College celebrated Junior Week. The week's festivities began by the Sophomore soiree on Thursday, Junior hop on Friday, and fraternity dances, teas, theatre parties, and sleigh rides on Saturday. The chapter gave a house party, surrendering the house to the chaperons and girls.

The track team expect to have a very successful season under the management of Brother Bishop, '07, who has arranged meets with Trinity and R. P. I. He expects to join the intercollegiate state league, composed of Colgate, Hamilton, University of Rochester and Union.

On March 15 the chapter celebrated Alumni Day by a smoker. Most of the local alumni were present and we hope enjoyed the evening as much as the active chapter.

University Day was celebrated in an ideal way by addresses in the afternoon and a banquet in the evening at the Ten Eyck of Albany. Dr. Draper, Superintendent of New York State Regents and members of the faculty representing the several departments of the University gave addresses in the afternoon and the student body enlivened the gathering by college songs and cheers. At the banquet, Gov. Hughes, President Raymond, Dr. Ward of the medic, McElroy of the law, and Rt. Reverend Robbins spoke very entertainingly.

Schenectady, March 18, 1907.

D. S. GUARDINIER.

#### NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The mid-year examinations have come and gone and fortunately none of the Phis are among the missing, all having done very creditable work.

"Boar's Head," the dramatic society of the University, presented "The Rivals" at the Wieting, March 13 and 14. It was by far the finest and most successful performance ever put on by the club.

The basketball season has closed and although they lost three of the best men during the season, the team pulled out most beautifully, defeating such teams as Penn and Princeton.

At this time all candidates for the crew, the baseball team, and the track team are working hard. There is an abundance of material so that a successful season seems assured. Thomas Keane, formerly of Oberlin, has charge of the track work. Bro. Nelson, of last year's victorious Freshman crew is a very likely candidate for the varsity boat. Bros. Koley and Faus, and B. F. Selmser, a pledgling, are still in the running for the 1910 crew.

Bros. Dexter and Whitmyre are baseball candidates. Bros. Sears, Reynolds, E. G. Selmsier, Bates and Hutton are on the track squad.

Φ Δ Θ, Φ Γ Δ, Β Θ ΙΙ, lead in the interfraternity basketball league. The finals are soon to be played off.

The chapter has 27 men enrolled at present and may truly be said to be in a flourishing condition.

The 20th annual banquet held at the Yates on February 15, was largely attended and proved to be a most pleasant and profitable occasion.

Many alumni have already signified their intention of spending Friday evening at the chapter house to celebrate alumni day. A very enjoyable time is anticipated.

Bro. Robert T. Haines, Missouri Alpha, called upon us a few weeks since.  
Syracuse, March 13, 1907.

FRANK M. SIMPSON.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

At the opening of the spring term, nearly all the members of the chapter have returned, in excellent spirits, and with the determination to make this term one of the most successful for Φ Δ Θ.

During the vacation just ended the base ball team has been on its annual Southern trip. The team met with excellent weather and played every game scheduled, winning all but two. All the men on the team showed up in excellent form and prospects for a successful season are exceptionally bright. The team is under the management of Bro. F. S. Welsh, '07, to whose untiring efforts is due the excellent schedule arranged for this Spring. We are represented by Bro. Long, '08, at third base, Bros. McAvoy, '08, and Kelley, '10, in the outfield.

The combined musical clubs also have returned from their regular spring concert trip and report a very pleasant and successful time. Concerts were given at Scranton, Atlantic City, Washington, D. C., West Chester and many other towns and the trip was one of the most extensive ever taken. Bro. Atherton, '09, is on the mandolin club.

Bowling proved a very popular sport among the students and the team was well supported, altho not as successful as last year. Bro. Wight, '08, was our only representative on the team. In the inter-fraternity tournament we finished fourth and the interest taken in this tournament is growing yearly.

Junior Week festivities took place the third week in February and the doings of this week were the bright spots of last term. The play given by the Sock and Buskin Dramatic Association was extremely successful. The Junior hop was the best in several years. Brother Haight, '08, was chairman of the Decoration Committee. Bro. Hirst, '08, president of the Junior class was toastmaster of the Junior Browse which was held at the Karlidon. His witty and timely remarks were appreciated by all.

We are looking forward to a very successful track season, as nearly all the old men are back and a wealth of new material has been brought out in the interclass meets. Bro. Vought, '10, is a candidate for the distance events.

Several new tennis courts have been built and there promises to be much interest shown in this sport. Bro. Wilson, '07, is manager of the Tennis Association.

Since our last letter we have initiated Frank H. Kelley, '10, Reedsville, Pa., and take pleasure in introducing him to the fraternity as a brother.

The seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the college will be celebrated at the coming commencement. Great preparations are being made

to secure the attendance of as many alumni as possible and Penna Alpha is expecting a record breaking attendance at her annual June banquet.

Easton, April 3, 1907.

FRED B. ATHERTON.

#### PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE

The second term is just about to close and the chapter expects to return to college in April prepared to uphold the standard of Pennsylvania Beta. All the brothers have made good records in all branches of college activities this year and expect to enjoy the coming vacation. Brothers Reyner, Duncombe and Markel, who live some distance from Gettysburg, will remain at college during the holidays. The other brothers will visit their parents and friends.

The chapter recently received a letter from Bro. Walter Beckel. He is in Pittsburg managing the office of his father, who is an architect. He reports a prosperous year.

The basketball season has just closed. Bro. F. A. Muhlenberg was assistant manager of this year's team and at a recent meeting of the athletic association was elected manager of next seasons quintette. Bro. Muhlenberg was also captain of the scrubs.

The Glee and Mandolin Clubs have returned from a two weeks' tour in Western Pennsylvania and Maryland. The brothers representing  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  were Samuel Philson and Donald Huber. At different points along the route they were royally entertained by graduate Phis.

The inter-class championship series in basketball was completed last week. 1907 won first place, 1909 second, 1908 third and 1910 last. Bros. Ben Philson and Duncombe represented  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  for 1909, Bros. P. Singmaster and F. A. Muhlenberg for 1908, and E. A. Belt pledged for 1910.

The chapter has organized a baseball team. Bro. Ben Philson, '09, is captain and Bro. Reyner, '09, is manager. An interfraternity series will be played during the spring term. The tennis court has not as yet been rolled and put into condition for playing, but as soon as the brothers return from the spring vacation, work will be begun.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  holds the championship of the college and will do her best to keep the cup this year. Bro. Tyson, '09, was recently elected assistant editor of the *Gettysburgian*, the College weekly. He was also elected College correspondent by the Athletic Association.

The chapter has held several informal dances in the last few weeks and intends to hold a dance in the lodge soon after the holidays.

Bro. Merrill C. Haldeman recently visited the chapter and his visit was greatly enjoyed. We are always glad to entertain visiting Phis.

Gettysburg, March 26, 1907.

F. A. MUHLENBERG.

#### PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE

Studies have been resumed here after our spring vacation of one week. The candidates for the baseball team remained in Washington during the vacation and as a result of practice twice a day, the outlook is very promising. Almost three-quarters of last year's squad is back and the new material is making an especially strong showing. Manager Weaver has arranged a heavy schedule for this year and has been able to secure the services of F. A. McHale, a Union League pitcher, as coach. Bros. Ramsey, Dounan, Crow, Newman and Warren will probably make the team.

The Founders' Day banquet held by the Pittsburg Alumni Club, was a very enthusiastic gathering, although, owing to the high water and consequent poor transportation, it was not as large as usual. President DeWitt



gave a very enjoyable talk and the following evening was able to be present with us in Washington.

Bro. Murphy has been elected manager of next year's football team in consequence of the resignation of the 1906 assistant manager. He has almost completed a very heavy schedule including Yale and Princeton.

Pennsylvania Gamma wishes to extend a very hearty invitation to any Phis who may come to Washington or vicinity to visit us.

Washington, April 3, 1907.

H. A. DEAN.

#### PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

Pennsylvania Delta is glad to report success in her various activities.

The basketball season is just closing—one of the most successful in the annals of the College. Out of a season of ten games, nine were won. Of these five were played away from home. At Wooster only did we lose. On the team are three Phis—Bros. Giesey, Perry and Maxwell. Bro. Giesey is captain.

The annual Washington Birthday dinner—Allegheny's great democratic event of the year—was a rare treat. Four of our alumni were back for it—Bros. A. G. Freeman, '04, Morrison, '05, Robertson, '06, and Taft, '06.

One of our men was recently asked: "How is it you can get so many of your alumni back to visit you?" He replied: "It's the spirit of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  that brings them back."

Bro. Thomas was recently elected captain of the Track Team for the present year. Prospects for track athletics are very bright.

Baseball practice is in active progress. Three of our men are out.

Our Alumni Day dinner was held at the chapter house at six-thirty on the evening of the ides of March. In addition to the active chapter we were favored with the presence of several alumni. Bro. Professor C. F. Ross, '91, presided. The toasts were as follows: "Our Fraternity," Olin C. Jones, '07; "Retrospection," W. D. Lewis, '05; "Our Future," Stanley Bright, '09; "In Testimonial," C. T. Greer, '08; "In and Out," W. T. Mackey, '07; "Father Lindley," F. E. Stewart, '09; "On the Verge," W. R. Main, '07; "To the Front," E. M. Giesey, '08; "Blue and White," H. K. Dennis, '10; "The Alumni," Dr. W. A. Elliott, '89.

The following alumni have recently visited us: Bros. C. F. Miner, '81; Wm. H. Stenger, '90; L. W. Swanson, '06; W. D. Lewis, '05; F. M. McArthur, '05; W. S. Taft, '06; W. A. Wynn, '05; Wm. P. Murray, '86; C. M. Freeman, '03; S. C. Lampe, '03.

WILLIAM T. MACKEY.

Meadville, March 28, 1907.

#### PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL many things have occurred in and about College. President Reed, after having been petitioned several times and with one or two stirring editorials in the *Dickinsonian*, consented to allow the Sophomore-Freshman basketball game. The game came off Saturday afternoon, February 16, and resulted in a glorious victory for the Sophs. Score 58-34. Bro. Housman played centre and captained the Sophs, while Creasy played guard. Boyd played centre for the Freshies.

Bro. Leininger, '09, has been appointed assistant manager of out-door sports.

Recently the Pan-Hellenic league ruled to make Tuesday night "Fraternity Meeting Night." This means that Tuesday night will be kept free from College stunts and no College function will interfere hereafter with fraternity

meetings. After considerable discussion it was shown that last year's "rushing season" was a failure in more than one respect. The league then decided to try a ten day "rushing season" this coming year; thus they expect to do away with a great deal of labor, trouble and unnecessary hard feeling caused by last year's plan.

The local sorority, Omega Psi, which was established here in 1899, was initiated into Chi Omega last month. This makes the second National Sorority here, Pi Beta Phi having been established in 1903.

Last week, the Intercollegiate Oratorical contest between Swarthmore and Dickinson, held at Swarthmore, resulted in a victory for Swarthmore. Phi Delta Theta was represented on the Dickinson team by Benner, '07. This is the first contest of its kind between these two institutions and great interest was manifested in the new venture.

All points toward a great time at the "Founders' Day Banquet." Toasts have been prepared, letters received that many of the alumni will be with us, and we feel sure that great benefits will be derived therefrom.

The Musical Clubs gave their first concert of the year at Harrisburg and all reports tend to show that the clubs will even eclipse the fine work done last year. Thursday they play at Shippensburg. Bro. Schwarz, '09, is violin soloist on the clubs.

At a recent meeting of the trustees of the College it was decided to confer the degree of Doctor of Divinity on Bro. Linn Bowman, '98. Bro. Bowman is pastor of the Park Avenue church, Philadelphia. A vacancy in the preparatory school faculty occurred with the resignation of Prof. Sigmund. The chapter is pleased to announce that one of its alumni, Bro. Swift, '04, has been elected to fill the place. Bro. Presby, also of the Prep. faculty, has been appointed to the position of Vice-Head-Master.

The track men are working faithfully. The baseball candidates have been called out and from all appearances Dickinson will be represented this year by one of the best teams on the College diamond.

Since our last letter, the chapter has had a very enjoyable visit from Bro. Foster, President of the Province. Also visits from the following brothers: Miller, '07, Pennsylvania Theta; Shaw, '04, New Hampshire Alpha; Singmaster, '05, Pennsylvania Beta; Fasig, '92, Pennsylvania Epsilon; Swift, '04, Pennsylvania Epsilon; Creamer, '06, Pennsylvania Epsilon; Conn, '07, ex-Pennsylvania Epsilon.

WM. F. HOUSMAN.

Carlisle, March 14, 1907.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

The University Day exercises were held in the Academy of Music on February 22, with Dr. Owen Wister as the orator of the day, his subject being "The Seven Ages of Washington." Honorary degrees were conferred on Arthur Erwin Brown, Howard Atwood Kelly, John Watson Foster, Joseph George Rosengarten, Thomas Baily Aldrich in absentia, Owen Wister and Craig Biddle.

On February 5, we initiated a first year Dental student, and it gives us pleasure to introduce to the fraternity, Bro. Richard Henry Norton, Jr., of North Woburn, Mass.

The 'Varsity baseball team won the first game of its season from the College of the City of New York by the score of 9 to 1. Two other games have also been played, both with the Indians, the first was lost, the second won. Bro. Takaki has good prospects of making the team.

The 'Varsity and Freshman crews have been rowing on the river for almost three weeks. Bros. Hendrie and Rogers are rowing in the first boat, Bro.

York in the second, Bro. C. S. Bilyeu in the third, Bro. deHammel in the fourth and Bro. Lucas in the second freshman boat.

The intercollegiate gymnastic championship meet, held in Weightman Hall, was won by New York University with seventeen points, Pennsylvania taking second place with ten points.

"Herr Lohengrin," the nineteenth annual production of the Mask and Wig Club, made its debut on Saturday at Atlantic City and tonight begins a week's run in Philadelphia. Bro. Sawyer as "Myrtle Duffy," and Bro. Bailey as the "King" are in the cast, while Bro. Wright is in the chorus.

Bro. C. S. Bilyeu is a member of the Senior Banquet, and Central High School Club Smoker Committees. Bro. McGoodwin, who was in the Architectural Society play, is a member of the Senior Class Picture Committee. Bro. Hartzog is a member of the State Board Committee. Bro. Stine was a member of the Joint Editorial Banquet Committee, and Bro. Hendrie of the Central High School Club Smoker Committee.

Bro. W. F. Bilyeu was in the French play. Bro. Akahoshi is on the May Day Sports Committee. Bro. Wolstenholme is on the Punch Bowl Board and chairman of the Sophomore Banquet Committee of which Bro. Klaer is a member. Bros. Treat and Montgall are among the candidates for the Track Team and Bro. Bailey is on the Freshman Banquet Committee. Bro. Norton is on the Glee Club.

On March 15, the Philadelphia Alumni Club and the active chapter held their annual banquet at the Bellevue Stratford. There were no set toasts but the many impromptu speeches were very entertaining. The event of the evening was the presentation of a loving cup to Bro. Clifton Maloney, the retiring President of the Club, in recognition of his many and untiring services to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

Bro. Henry Cartwright Burr, '93 C., member of the firm of Joseph S. Burr & Co., lithographers and printers, died suddenly on March 21, at his home in this city. Bro. Burr took an active interest in the fraternity and will be greatly missed by Philadelphia Phis.

Our annual tea will be held on April 26.

MALCOLM I. DAVIS.

Philadelphia, April 1, 1907.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL Pennsylvania Eta has initiated two men, Norman Willoughby Henry Schafer, Allenton, Pa., and Miles Catlin Smith, Towanda, Pa., and we take pleasure in introducing them as brothers in the Bond. Bro. Sterling Sidney Lanier has affiliated with us from Alabama Alpha. This makes our chapter membership larger than it has been for several years.

The dormitories, which Lehigh is building, are now well under way and it is expected that they will be ready for occupancy at the beginning of next year. Although the work on Droun Hall and the dormitories has been somewhat delayed on account of the cold weather, it is now progressing rapidly. Plans have been drawn up by the University to extend the dormitories and erect several more buildings, including professors' homes, on the campus, and we hope the time when this can be made a reality is not far in the future.

Our basketball team has just completed the most successful season in the history of basketball at Lehigh, winning nine out of eleven games and scoring a total of 582 points against their opponents' 237. The baseball and lacrosse teams have been out practicing for a some time. On the lacrosse field we have Bros. Maeder and Smith and the prospects for a winning team

are good. Bro. Dunn, captain of the freshman relay team last fall, is out for the track team.

The combined musical clubs of the University gave a joint concert on the evening of March 16.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was represented by Bro. H. D. Smith in both the mandolin and banjo clubs. A trip for the club had been planned for Easter vacation, but owing to lack of funds it will have to be given up. The dramatic association, known as the Mustard and Cheese, will give its performance in the near future. Mr. Donaldson has again been procured as coach and the play to be rendered is "All in a Dormitory." Bro. Treverton represents us as vice-president of the association and Bro. Johnstone is in the chorus.

Bro. Johnstone is on the Junior Promenade committee.

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was well represented at each of the four class banquets held recently. At the Senior banquet Bros. Haust and Treverton each responded to a toast. At the Junior banquet Bro. H. D. Smith as class president, presided as toastmaster, and Bro. Fair gave a toast. Bro. Coyle was on the Sophomore banquet committee and Bro. Simpson responded to a toast at the Freshman banquet.

Since our last letter we have entertained Bro. Weeks, Pennsylvania Alpha, Bro. Singmaster, Pennsylvania Beta, and Bro. Haldeman, Pennsylvania Epsilon.

J. M. FAIR.

South Bethlehem, March 26, 1907.

#### PENNSYLVANIA THETA, PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

Events have moved along slowly since our last letter and we are at a loss as to what will constitute our usual chapter letter.

Alumni day has come and gone and we have with us the memory of one of the happiest days in the history of the chapter. We had with us Bros. Foster and Ray, of the faculty, and are fortunate in having Bro. Foster, President of our Province, in the College with us, for we can grace all such occasions with the presence of our Province President. The only alumnus present was Bro. Fleming '06, who is with us for the present semester. The banquet was a delightful function both from a fraternal and a social point of view. Bro. Smith acted as toastmaster and Bros. Foster, Ray and Fleming responded for the alumni, and for the chapter Bros. Leitzell, Bainbridge, Miller and Rowe. The toasts were lively and appropriate and the topic of the day thoroughly thrashed out. Bro. Ray presented a very feasible proposition, the outcome of which, will probably be the institution of a scholarship supported by the chapter. We regret that our other brothers could not be with us on this delightful evening.

Athletics have been rather slow since the close of football season. However the prospects for track and baseball are exceedingly bright. The baseball team leaves next week for a southern trip.

Bro. Fleming has been appointed instructor in chemistry and will be with us this Semester.

RAYMOND SWENK.

State College, March 20, 1907.

#### BETA PROVINCE.

##### VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

At a called meeting of the Board of Visitors on March 15, the resignation was accepted of Dr. Francis H. Smith, for more than forty years the honored professor of Physics. The Board also formally received and acknowledged

the following gifts: \$20,000 from Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page; \$1,000 from Mr. Richard B. Tunstall, and a deed to "Merry Mills," the estate of Mr. John A. Chandler of Albemarle County.

Three new professors were elected at the same meeting: Dr. Stephen H. Watts, to the chair of General Surgery; Dr. Thomas L. Watson, Professor of Economic Geology, and Dr. Robert M. Bird, Professor of Chemistry.

The new \$7,000 pipe organ given by Mr. Carnegie was dedicated March 19 and 20 by recitals given by Prof. Sam'l H. Baldwin, of Brooklyn.

Virginia Beta takes great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bro. Herbert M. Peck, of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, who was initiated on March 23. Bro. Peck is assistant coach of the football team, and has been chosen to represent the University in a joint debate with the University of North Carolina on April 19.

Bro. Kelly was the guest of the Richmond Alumni club at their annual banquet on Alumni Day. He reports that the Club is enthusiastically pushing the securing of funds for the erection of a chapter house for Virginia Beta. Work will be begun in the very near future if the Alumni respond readily to the call which has just been sent out. T. DWIGHT SLOAN.

Charlottesville, March 25, 1907.

#### VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

Fraternity spirit at Virginia Gamma was never stronger than at present.

On Saturday, March 9, we initiated William R. Phelps of Bedford, Va. Bro. Phelps is a second year man at Randolph-Macon and has made for himself an enviable place in college life. We take great pleasure in introducing Bro. Phelps to the fraternity in general.

In accordance with the instructions received from the secretary of the General Council in regard to the initiation of Mr. Walter H. Beal of Washington, D. C., recently passed upon by the National Convention, and after communication with the Washington Alumni Club, the date was set for March 13. A party including Mr. Beal and Bros. Rommel, Hitt, Compton and Meisenhelder arrived in Ashland on the evening train. After the initiation supper was served at the Henry Clay Inn, and Bro. Beal was welcomed to the chapter by many  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  songs and yells. We enjoyed very much having loyal Phis with us, and take great pleasure in introducing Bro. Beal to the fraternity at large as a member from Virginia Gamma.

Alumni Day was celebrated with more than usual enthusiasm. The first banquet in the history of the chapter was served in the Chapter Hall. Bro. I. M. Harris, president of the chapter, spoke on "The Progress of the Fraternity," Bro. W. Laylow Chenery on "The National Phi," and Bro. M. K. Harris on "The Relation of the Bond to Everyday Chapter Life." Bro. P. K. Gravely was toastmaster and executed his duties with more than usual ability. We were glad to have with us Bros. Haldeman '03, Penn. Epsilon and W. R. Weisiger '05, Va. Gamma.

Randolph-Macon basket ball team defeated the championship holders of the state by a close score of 16-14, in the local gymnasium. Randolph-Macon baseball season opens with Princeton, March 28, in Richmond, Va. Bro. L. L. Gravely pitches and Bro. L. J. Martin holds down first bag. The lacrosse team is hard at work practicing for the opening game with Virginia. Bro. P. K. Gravely is among last year's veterans.

We feel sure that Virginia Gamma is on a firmer footing than ever before, and assure all Phis a cordial welcome at Randolph-Macon.

Ashland, March 26, 1907.

WALTER P. REID.

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

We are in the midst of our spring examinations and during these strenuous times very little of general interest is taking place at Washington and Lee.

Our baseball season has begun and already we have won two preliminary games by the scores of 9-4 and 12-1 respectively. Our team is exceptionally strong this year and the prospects for a successful season are very flattering. We have a good schedule this season and have several good teams to meet, but we are confident that we will prove equal to the task. We play Columbia University in Lynchburg next Friday.

The boat crews will begin training next week. Bro. Minetree, '08, is our representative in this branch of athletics.

At our meeting last week we had as our guest Bro. Mudd, of Virginia Beta. We were glad to have Bro. Mudd with us, and we wish to assure all visiting Phis that a cordial invitation is extended to them to visit Virginia Zeta.

L. V. LARSEN.

Lexington, March 25, 1907.

**NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.**

North Carolina has opened up the season with some very good baseball. We lost the first game to Lafayette and tied the second one. Bro. Thompson, captain of this year's Varsity, pitched a beautiful game, but the team lost it for him on errors. He won the game from Cornell University, however, by a score of 2 to 0. We were very glad to meet Bros. Long, Welsh, McAney and Velly of the Lafayette team. They are loyal and worthy Phis.

The University Glee Club and Orchestra which has been in training for the past four months will give their initial recital here next Friday night. The occasion promises to be quite an auspicious one, as there will be a game of baseball here that day between Carolina and the University of Georgia, and the regular Easter German will be held in the new Bynum Gymnasium that night. The two baseball teams will be the guests of the Glee Club and Orchestra that night during their performance. Gerrard Hall will be appropriately decorated in the respective colors of the two Universities.

The track team is training hard every day preparatory to their meet with Clemson College, which comes off at Columbia, S. C., in the near future. Bro. Dunlap, who made a very creditable showing on the team last year, will be a candidate this year.

The new Σ A E House is about completed, and when finished will be quite a handsome addition to that section of the Campus. The Kappa Alphas will erect a new house some time in the near future. The new Carnegie Library is rapidly nearing completion. It bids fair to be one of the handsomest pieces of architecture to be found on the campus of any southern institution.

Since our last letter we have initiated Lucius Victor Dunlap, '10, Medical, and Curtis William Howard, '09, Academic. These men are hard workers, and are both very popular in the University. They are rapidly absorbing the spirit and enthusiasm which should characterize every true Phi, and in the course of a short time will be strong fraternity men.

We are looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to a visit which Bro. Fred J. Cox, President of this Province, has promised us. Bro. Cox hopes to get here about the first of April. He has stood right by us from start to finish, and practically all our success is attributable to his untiring efforts in our behalf.

EDWARD L. STEWART.

Chapel Hill, March 31, 1907.

## GAMMA PROVINCE

## KENTUCKY ALPHA-DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

The last term of the college year is well under way with no change in the scholastic work. Every other phase of College life, however, is showing increased activity. Outdoor athletics, sports and social events, are in full swing and we are entering with considerable anticipation into the most pleasant season of our College life.

Alumni Day, March 15, was most fittingly and impressively observed by us. No expense or trouble was spared to make our banquet, in every respect, successful. Our hall, already elegant in appointment, was appropriately decorated. The spread, both in artistic appearance and in the completeness of the courses, was everything that the skill and taste of the ladies of Danville could make it. Invitations were sent to every living alumnus of Kentucky Alpha-Delta. A great many of these, who could not be present, sent letters, in which they expressed their undiminished devotion to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . It was a pleasure long to be remembered, to see the alumni meet again their College mates, some of them having been separated for many years, to renew their pledges, to enjoy again the ties of comradeship and to live over again the happy incidents of their College days. We could feel and recognize the indissolubility of the Bond of our fraternity. The speakers and their subjects were as follows: Prof. C. G. Crooks, '84, "Ideals of the Founders;" Chastain Haynes, State, '06, "Bond of Phi Delta Theta;" D. J. Rice Cowan, '90, "Advancement of Phi Delta Theta;" Henry G. Sandifer, '05, "The Old Owl;" George V. Triplett, '07, "Initiations." These efforts were of especial benefit to us, the active members of the chapter. They disclosed to us the deeper and more significant meanings of our principles; they made us acquainted with the difficulties and advancements of the past; they gave us inspiration and encouragement and impressed upon us the possibilities that awaited us if we would but faithfully assume the responsibilities which were resting upon us. All in all we feel that Alumni Day has done us more genuine good than any other occasion in the history of our chapter.

The entertainments of the 22nd of February holidays were more than up to the usual standards. In the oratorical contest, Mr. Charles Meliner won first honors. The dance given by the Centre College Dance Club was well attended and much enjoyed. The Senior Class of Central presented the farcical comedy, "The Ulster." The play, both from a dramatic and financial standpoint, was in every way successful. Bro. Starling, appearing in one of the leading roles, made a great hit. In the following week, "The Traveling Man," a comic opera, was put on the boards by local talent. Bros. Andrews, Triplett, Cecil and Lynn had important parts which they played to perfection. The show was so successful that it will be presented in Louisville the first part of April, with Bro. Andrews as the star.

All athletic interest is at present centered in baseball and track work. Baseball practice, for the last two weeks, has been going on in the open. Both the veterans of last year and the new recruits are showing up in good form. There is no doubt but that our former record will be more than sustained. We will be represented on the team by Bro. Lynn, who will be one of the pitchers. We already have games scheduled with some of the leading Colleges of the south and middle west. The season opens March 30, with the Hospital College of Medicine of Louisville. The track team has lost some of its strong men. New ones, however, have been added and by consistent, hard practice we are confident of holding our own.

Extensive preparations are being made for the spring Carnival, which will be held May 17-18. This, for the last few years, has been the leading social

event of the season. It consists of side shows, gotten up by the College boys, fraternity booths for selling various articles, tennis tournaments, track meets and baseball games. Miss Schoolfield, one of our most loyal supporters, has been chosen queen.

To our coming festivities and pleasures we will be glad to extend a cordial welcome to all Phis that happen to come our way.

Danville, March 30, 1907.

LOGAN B. ENGLISH.

#### KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have initiated Mr. Bascom C. Ford, '10, of Lancaster, Ky., into the mysteries of Phi Delta Theta, and whom we present to the fraternity at large as a Brother in the Bond.

The work on the Normal School and Library buildings is progressing very fast, and they will be ready for use by next September. The Board of Trustees have appropriated fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for an Agricultural building; plans for this building have already been accepted and work will begin very soon. Plans are being drawn for a building for the Civil and Mining Engineering Departments.

Basketball is the only thing of interest going on in the College at present. Bro. Wilson is captain and Bros. Barber and Shanklin play guard and center respectively. We have a good chance to win the inter-collegiate championship. Baseball practice has begun in the Gym. The prospects for a winning team were never brighter. Bros. Goldthwaite, '10, and McFurrin, '08, represent Kentucky Epsilon on the squad.

Our Gym team is getting into shape for its annual meet with Central University, which will take place sometime this month.

Bro. Haynes, '05, President of Gamma Province, paid us a visit on the 15th of March and was with us several days.

Work on the "Kentuckian," the College Annual, is progressing rapidly. Bro. Spears is on the staff.

Kentucky Epsilon extends a hearty invitation to all Phis when visiting in Lexington to hunt us up.

Lexington, March 17, 1907.

JAMES S. WATSON.

#### TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

There has been much agitation during the last few weeks at Vanderbilt for the "Exemption Grade System." This provides that any student who makes a required grade in any subject shall be exempt from examination upon that subject. A petition in favor of this change was signed by the majority of the student body and presented to the faculty. After due consideration this was referred to a committee. No steps, however, will be taken by the committee until the beginning of next term, as this term is already so far advanced. This method of grading has been tried by a number of Colleges with great success and may be well worth trying at Vanderbilt.

The spring holidays begin here on the 4th of April and last until the 7th. The Glee Club and baseball teams will take advantage of this cessation of work to make extended trips. The Glee Club will make a tour of Alabama. They will complete their engagements by a concert in Birmingham on the 6th. The baseball team will again go to Alabama to play the University. It has been a custom for the past three years for Vanderbilt to play three games with the University of Alabama during the spring holidays, and we have always received the fairest treatment and a cordial welcome.



March the 15th, Alumni Day, was gloriously celebrated by Nashville Phis. On the evening of that date a banquet was served at the Duncan. Very nearly seventy-five men of Phi Delta Theta, both from the local chapter and the Alumni Club, were present. Every man had the true Phi spirit, and the greatest enthusiasm succeeded every toast. The Phis in Nashville were brought closer together by this occasion than by any thing that has happened in years. It seems, from every indication, that the pride of the Alumni in the fraternity is rapidly increasing.

We extend a cordial invitation to any Phis who may be in Nashville to visit us. We wish to get in close touch with brothers from other chapters as well as from our own. Nothing is more conducive to the general well-being of the fraternity than an interchange of ideas between Phis from different sections and different institutions.

MALCOLM POAGE.

Nashville, April 1, 1907.

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

The University opened March 21, and the student body is smaller than previous years. Active work in class rooms has begun and the Frat rush is on. Tennessee Beta so far has returned fourteen men and Bros. Shetton, Camp, Williams and Stone are expected soon. Bro. Henry Gass won a Rhodes scholarship recently. Bro. Gass has at all times been a hard student and very popular in the University and of course Tennessee Beta is proud of him. He has, at all times, taken an active interest in the fraternity and we all rejoice with him in his success.

Baseball is the talk at Sewanee and prospects are not very encouraging. Five of last year's team did not return, yet, we believe that practice makes perfect. Bros. A. Stone, G. Watkins, F. Stone and Mitchell are candidates for the team.

GEO. L. WATKINS.

Sewanee, March 25, 1907.

#### DELTA PROVINCE.

##### OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

The winter term opened January 9, 1907. Ohio Alpha returned all of her men. Since then we have pledged five new men, who certainly are worthy to be members of our great brotherhood. They are as follows: Willard A. Ward, Lawrenceville, Illinois; William Synder, Dayton, Ohio; Loren Potterf, Eaton, Ohio; Errot Feeney, Oxford, Ohio, and William M. Graham, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The University basketball team was very successful. Bro. Kilgore and Phikeia Gamble were our representatives. A very large squad is out for baseball and we hope to have a successful season. Bros. Hickcock, Loyd and Carter and Phikeia Synder expect to win places upon the team. The track team has secured several dates and has a very promising outlook. Bros. Stevenson, Stiles, Carter and Phikeia Rhiner have entered.

The brothers have taken active interest in theatricals. We were represented in the "Quest of the Quezarré," a musical comedy, by Bros. Carter, Keller, Daley, Hickcock, Kilgore and Phikeias Ward, Gamble and Gee. This comedy was presented to large audiences, both at the University and at the Jefferson Theatre in Hamilton. Bros. Keller, Kilgore, Smith and Hickcock played leading parts in Henry Arthur Jones' play, "The Maneuvers of Jane," given by the Oxford College Dramatic Club.

Ohio Alpha is fortunate in having the four class Presidents, showing that we are leaders in politics.

As a result of our installation of Pan-Hellenism, Δ K E, Σ X and Β Θ Φ will join us in the first Pan-Hellenic banquet which will be held on April 7, in Hepburn Hall.

The Fraternity has taken the boarding question in hand and we now have a Phi boarding house which is successfully managed by Bro. Smith.

We are very sorry to lose Bro. Boerstler, who has gone to New York City to attend the Stanhope-Wheatcroft Dramatic School. We wish him the greatest success.

In closing we might say that Ohio Alpha is enjoying the greatest prosperity she has experienced in many years.

SOLON J. CARTER.

Oxford, April 1, 1907.

#### OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The spring term opened March 27, 1907. Ohio Beta returned all of her men except Bro. Webb. Since the publication of the last SCROLL we have initiated Bro. Corliss Hargraves of the Junior class, and pledged Mr. Thornburn Gilruth of Siley Chapel, Ohio. We now have twenty-four initiates and two phikeias.

A very successful basketball season has just been closed. Ohio Wesleyan won twelve of the fifteen games played, and only lost the state championship by one game. Φ Δ Θ was represented by Bro. Dean, (captain), forward; Stroup, forward; Cameron, guard, and McConica, sub forward. Although Φ Δ Θ had three regulars and one substitute on the varsity, who were consequently ineligible to play on the fraternity team, yet a team was made up which won the inter-fraternity championship. We expect very soon to have the cup in our trophy room.

The baseball season will soon open. The candidates for the Varsity have been at work in the cages since the beginning of last term. Some very promising material has been developed. Branch Rickey, of the class of '04, a member of the New York Americans, is coaching. Bro. Baker, catcher on last year's team, will undoubtedly make his old position. Bros. Sigler, Whitney and Cameron are also trying for the team, and the prospects are that Φ Δ Θ will be well represented.

Bro. Hargraves was a member of the debating team which defeated Western Reserve. Bro. DeWees was leader of the Sophomore team and Phikeia Gilruth was second speaker for the Freshman team in the Sophomore-Freshmen league.

We cordially invite all Phis when in or near Delaware to visit us.

Delaware, March 27, 1907.

E. G. BARNETT.

#### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY

The spring term has now opened and Ohio Gamma returned eighteen men. The two we recently initiated, Bros. France and Bigger, did not come back, but will return next Fall.

The baseball team went out today for the first time and the prospects for a good team are pretty bright.

Most of the interest though is centered around the Pan Hellenic Baseball Association, which has recently been formed and for which a schedule has already been made. The Athletic Director has taken charge of affairs and will furnish all the paraphernalia and grounds while he charges ten cents admission. Twelve games have been arranged to be played on Saturday mornings and it will be hotly contested by the four fraternities.

Ohio Gamma has recently purchased a mascot in the shape of an English bull pup who is expected to lead us on to victory.

A very fine pennant will be given to the winner and much enthusiasm has been manifested.

GEO. G. THOMAS.

Athens, April 1, 1907.

#### OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The winter term at Ohio State will close on March 28, and everybody is busy with the "finals" at present. From all indications it looks as if Ohio Zeta will return every man next term, which opens April 3. The chapter has been very prosperous during the term, a condition due largely to our new house, which has brought the members of the chapter into closer relations with each other than ever before. We also take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity, Bro. Harry E. Neal, of Lancaster, Ohio. One thing that we all regretted very much was the withdrawal from school of Bro. Glen B. Southward, due to an attack of appendicitis. But we are glad to say that he has so far recovered as to accept a position as assistant engineer of a mine in West Virginia. He expects to return next year and complete his course.

On February 21, six members of the chapter enjoyed the hospitality of Ohio Beta at their annual reception, which was a great success in every way. And on March 2, the two chapters enjoyed a Smoker together at our house, at which they became better acquainted with each other and strengthened the bond of brotherhood.

Our Alumni Banquet was held on March 8, at the house, which is admirably suited for such functions. Bro. Charles Dowd, who had charge of the affair, tried to make it as complete as possible, it being the first one ever held in a house of our own. And it certainly was a success in every way. Father Lindley was the guest of honor, and gave a little talk which was greatly appreciated. Bro. John B. Ballou, T. G. C., and Bro. John E. Brown, Ex.-P. G. C., also were present and responded with short talks.

Ohio State won the indoor track meet with Indiana. We were not so successful as usual in basketball this last season. The track outlook for spring is very promising, as is also the baseball outlook. Ohio Zeta will have several men trying for the team.

The chapter enjoyed a short visit from Bro. John H. DeWitt, P. G. C., several weeks ago.

FRANK K. CAROTHERS.

Columbus, March 26, 1907.

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

The first of April finds most Phis at home for Easter vacation, but at Case, like many scientific schools, there is no vacation at Easter time. In fact there is not a break in the regular school work from the first week in January until July 1st. The new practice term which was introduced last year, takes up the entire month of June.

This term, however, was found to be of great value from a practical standpoint, and it will be continued throughout the month of July each year. With two new buildings and many additions in equipment, Case School now offers engineering courses which are equalled by few schools in the country.

Ohio Eta has shown steady improvement in many lines throughout the winter. At the election of the Junior Annual and for the Junior Ball committee for next year, our Sophomores swept everything, Bro. W. J. Fritz

being elected editor of the Annual and Bro. Traub as one of the assistants, while Bro. Paul Tappan was elected chairman of the Ball committee.

A new fraternity, Sigma Nu, has been installed at Case since the last issue of THE SCROLL. They start with six men.

Inter-fraternity baseball bids fair to become well established at Case this year. A league has been formed, a schedule adopted, and much interest shown. Ohio Eta will be represented by a strong team under Captain Parker. Track work has been abandoned at Case this year, because of the lack of time for proper training. In its place interclass "soccer" or association football will be played. The baseball nine this spring looks stronger than ever, with eight of last year's veteran players on hand.

William Dempsey McAbee, '10, of Indianapolis, Indiana, and Russell Atherton Bogardus, '10, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, were initiated into  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on March 14.

The Alumni banquet was held at the chapter house on March 15, with over fifty Phis in attendance. It proved a most enjoyable occasion.

Cleveland, April 3, 1907.

R. M. RUSH.

#### OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

On the evening of March 30, 1907, we initiated Mr. E. Pigman, and now take great pleasure in introducing him to the fraternity as a brother in the bond. We were assisted in performing the ceremonies by Bro. O. B. Reemelin and Bro. Blickensdorfer of Ohio Alpha.

The Cincinnati Alumni Club and the local chapter observed Alumni Day by having an informal dinner in the private dining room of the Gibson House. Among those responding to toasts were, Guido Gores, who spoke on "In What Ways Phi Delta Theta is Making Advancement;" Parker Fillmore, whose subject was, "Introducing American Ideas in the Philippines;" C. A. Schroetter, who briefly outlined the events of the National Convention; Bro. J. M. Smedes, who entertained us with "Vanderbilt Memories;" and C. Vos, Chairman of the Delta Province Convention Committee, who spoke of the work of his committee.

A very delightful informal dance was given by the chapter on the evening of February 12, 1907, at the College Hill Town Hall. About thirty couples were present.

No doubt of greater interest than any of the foregoing, is the fact that our new Chapter Hall is entirely refurnished with new rugs and portieres and a new set of Mission furniture.

Athletics at the University are again assuming a brighter aspect. After the rather discouraging football season it is with pleasure that we note a decided interest being taken in baseball and especially in track athletics. Varsity will have a team in the great intercollegiate meet at Columbus, O., on May 18. A dual meet with Miami has also been arranged to be held May 13.

G. A. DOELLER.

Cincinnati, April 4, 1907.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The annual Junior Hop, the greatest social function of the year, was held in Waterman gymnasium on the night of February 8. Our booth was decorated in Oriental style and our coat of arms was hung over the entrance. Saturday afternoon the guests were entertained by the Comedy Club, which presented a three act comic drama entitled "A Scrap of Paper, or the Adventures of a Love Letter." In the evening they enjoyed a concert given

by the University Musical clubs. Shortly after the Hop was over we received a beautiful Turkish rug from our guests as a remembrance of the most enjoyable event.

For the first time in years the Freshman banquet was held in Barbour Gymnasium. With the usual secrecy of date the event finally occurred on Monday night, March 11. The accustomed good natured strife between the two classes was this year averted to a great extent, by the use of the heating tunnels which made it easy for the Freshman to reach the hall without being molested. Two of our Freshmen were among those captured and turned in at a late hour in very striking costumes to be a source of amusement for the dancers.

Our Athletic situation was settled March 7 by the Board of Control. They passed resolutions deciding to remain in the Western Conference, but repealed the retroactive features of the three years rule and also favored changing the maximum number of football games from five to seven. This makes it possible for Michigan to compete with non-conference teams with our fullest strength. Everything points to successful teams in both baseball and track. The indoor meets already held show much new and promising material and also indicate that several records are in danger. Ramey lowered his half-mile record to 1:57.4-5 and Bro. Coe repeated the performance in the mile covering the distance in 4:24.4-5. Bro. Bristol had done good work in the dashes.

In spite of the fact that we lost several of our veteran baseball players last June, still we have good prospects for another championship team. The squad is under direct charge of Coach Bobby Lowe—Detroit's star utility player. He is being assisted by Langer, last year's pitcher, who will have charge of the ineligibleibles.

The Alumni banquet was held March 16, and was a most successful affair. The toasts were given by Prof. Jones, R. M. Dulin, Russel B. Thayer, R. D. Chapin, E. J. Wohlgemuth, C. C. Kusterer and W. H. Furst. They were all to the point and full of good advice. J. Arthur Whitworth was toastmaster and kept things going at a lively rate.

The Alumni present were: J. E. Brown, E. J. Wohlgemuth, H. C. Hunt, R. B. Linsley, Paul Steketee, W. M. Vandersluis, Sanderson, Dunham, Casteel, C. C. Kusterer, A. E. Kusterer, J. E. Davidson R. M. Lane, R. D. Chapin, Rus Thayer, I. J. Bradway, Putnam, H. N. Clarke, Lowrie, J. A. Whitworth, H. B. Searcy, Bradfield, Everham, Hulbert, Bebee, Prof. Jones, Prof. Sauders, E. T. Hammond and H. Beagle. W. D. DAVIS.

Ann Arbor, March 26, 1907.

## EPSILON PROVINCE.

### INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE

At a meeting of the Trustees of the College on March 15, Dr. George A. Mackintosh was elected President of Wabash to succeed Dr. W. P. Kane. Dr. Mackintosh has had charge of the departments of Philosophy, Biblical Literature and Forensics here for two years. He is very popular with the student body.

Wabash has won two State Championships this winter. Our basketball team won two games from each of the following institutions: Indiana, Purdue, Rose Polytechnic and DePauw. We have also won the title of Indoor Track Champions, having defeated Indiana and Notre Dame and having won first honors in the Y. M. C. A. meet in Indianapolis. Bros. Gipe and Freeman have basketball W's. Sohl, Miller and Blair are on the track

team. Bros. Fleming, West, Masters, Bosson and M. S. Leaming are on the Glee Club which will make a two weeks tour of the northern part of the state in the Spring vacation.

Bro. H. H. Leaming has been forced to drop out of College on account of an attack of pneumonia. John L. Fitz-Gibbon was initiated on March 2, and we take pleasure in introducing him as a brother. Howard Faunce of Philadelphia, Pa., and Harry Buff of Sullivan, Ind., are pledged to us. We have also pledged Lawrence DeVore and Maurice Cochran of Crawfordsville, Ind., who will enter in the fall.

We hope all Phis will come and see us when they are in this vicinity.

Crawfordsville, March 25, 1907.

MARION S. LEAMING.

#### INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Indiana Delta considers that this, the closing winter term, is the most important in years, for we have rented a chapter house and are now engaged in furnishing it for the opening of the spring term when seven of the brothers will move in. We consider ourselves fortunate in securing this, a nine room, modern brick residence located five blocks from the college. The brothers will board in the house, so it will be, we hope, a real home. We will retain our halls down town. We are gratified at being able to introduce to the fraternity Bros. H. D. and James Lawske who entered school this term. Our chapter roll is now much larger than for several years past. Bro. Webb was initiated March 6.

Candidates for the baseball team are practicing daily, and without doubt we will secure several positions. Bro. Van Riper is captain of the team.

On the evening of March the 8th, we gave, in our halls, a smoker for the local chapter of Σ A E whereby we trust the good feeling among Greeks was made still better.

President Bryan has just announced that Franklin will have a new gymnasium next year. This makes in all three buildings which will be erected this summer.

Indiana Delta extends a cordial invitation to all Phis to visit our new chapter house.

FARIS B. SMITH.

Franklin, March 20, 1907.

#### INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

No doubt the Alumni and friends of DePauw will be pleased to hear of the successful outcome of the efforts of Marvin B. Campbell of South Bend, to secure an additional \$10,000 yearly for five years, which goes toward defraying the current expenses of the University. The administration feels greatly indebted to Mr. Campbell for his successful campaign.

In the field of athletics, the basketball season just closed, was in most respects a very satisfactory one. Although the number of victories does not indicate that the team was strong, yet a good standard was maintained throughout the season, and we point with especial pride to the fact that we defeated Purdue by one point in our last game with them.

Our baseball outlook is very bright. The administration has secured the services of "Peaches" O'Neill, whose reputation as a baseball player is well known throughout the state. He is very hopeful of putting out a successful team.

As to the condition of the chapter we can say it is maintaining a very creditable position in the school, and the year, thus far, has been a very successful one in the history of Indiana Zeta.

We wish to extend an urgent invitation to all members of the fraternity, and particularly those of Epsilon Province, to be present at the province convention to be held here this term.

V. A. BATZNER.

Greencastle, March 26, 1907.

#### INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

At present baseball and the coming final examinations for those who "flunked" the first semester's work, are absorbing most of the interest of the students. The fellows participating in the latter event will far out number those of the first, in numbers if not in spirit.

The 'Varsity and class baseball squads are practicing on the athletic field after a few weeks' work in the Gym and under the coaching of Hugh Nicol, the 'Varsity squad has made remarkable advancement giving prospects for an unusually good team. Our chapter is represented by Bros. Babcock and Bird who won their letters in the previous season, and Bros. Deming, Wocher and Broadwell, while on the class squads Bros. Turpin, '08, Newcomer, '09, and Shelley '10, are making good.

The Fraternity squad, under the management of Bro. McGaughey, has worked up in fine shape for the Inter-Fraternity games, which will take place in the near future, and we expect to give the other Frats a run for the pennant.

This year the Junior engineers went to Chicago on their annual inspection trip. These trips are taken in order that the students may observe the practical application of the theories they have been studying. Much benefit is reaped from them and are well attended by the students.

A new feature was introduced into the University during the past month. This was a Student Council composed of two representatives from each class, two members of the faculty, President of the University, the president of the Athletic association, and the president of the Senior class. The duty of this board is to regulate all University questions arising between the school and the student body. Bros. Long, '07, Worsham, '08, and Reel, '09, are members of the council.

This season the Dramatic Club will stage "The President of Oolong." The cast has not been chosen as yet, but the final "try out" will take place next week. Bro. Reel, who took the part of leading lady in last year's performance, will be one of the leading characters this year, and Bros. Ellis, Newcomer, Dabney, Broadwell and Chapin are trying for parts.

Lafayette, March 27, 1907.

J. W. VAILE.

#### ZETA PROVINCE.

##### ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Illinois Alpha takes pleasure in introducing to the fraternity, William Schaeffer, of Chicago, who was initiated on the evening of March 26. Bro. Harold A. Romans, of Dennison, Iowa, returned to school at the beginning of the second Semester to finish his course. He will graduate from the Law School in June.

William James Mitchell, a brother of Frank J. R. Mitchell, died March 16, and was buried at Paris, Illinois. Mr. Mitchell was a Phikeia of this chapter, and was a man of unusually attractive personality.

Track and baseball are now holding the attention of the students. The track team started outdoor work the first of this week. Though the schedule has not yet been announced, in all probability meets will be held with

Naperville, Indiana and Purdue. On Thursday, March 28, a novice road race will take place, the course being twice around the campus, a distance of about two miles. About fifty men are entered. Besides six individual medals, a bronze shield will be given to the fraternity winning the most points. Phi Delta Theta has four strong men in Gustine, Schaeffer, Spillman and Griffith.

The baseball squad has been working out of doors for the last two weeks and is rapidly rounding into shape. Everyone is pleased with the work of Coach Cunningham.

We intend to move from our present quarters about the first of May to 2233 Sherman Ave. Illinois Alpha will be glad to welcome all visiting Phis there.

ALLEN F. RADER.

Evanston, April 2, 1907.

#### ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The spring quarter opened April 1st, with every Phi back in school and we wish to introduce to the fraternity our two new Pikeas, James Nibley, of Logan, Utah, and Edwin Joseph Bettendorf, of Davenport, Iowa.

Since our last letter Dr. Harry Pratt Judson has been unanimously elected by the trustees to succeed Dr. Harper as president of the University. He has been acting head of the University since President Harper's first illness two years ago and has been considered a possible candidate for the presidency ever since he became acting president, at the death of Dr. Harper. During the last few months the trustees and patrons of the University have signified their approval of Dr. Judson's administration on many occasions and his ultimate elevation to the presidency is regarded as the natural result of his good administration of University affairs. The choice of Dr. Judson as president was received with general satisfaction among both Faculty and students, with whom he is very popular.

On February 14 the combined  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  chapters at the University of Chicago and Northwestern University gave a box party at the Illinois to see Bro. Robert T. Haines in his new play called "Clothes." All present spent a very enjoyable evening, and we intend that this shall be the first of a series of social meetings between these neighboring chapters.

Our baseball and track teams are down to hard work and the prospects are good for a strong showing this spring from both teams. Our basketball team tied with those of both Minnesota and Wisconsin for first place in the race for championship of the west.

JOHN D. ELLIS.

Chicago, April 1, 1907.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

The Alumni Day banquet was held in our city on March 16, in order to accommodate the out of town alumni and on account of conflict with the Junior Prom. Sixty-five Phis were present, including the members of Illinois Zeta and Illinois Delta, their alumni and members of other chapters. Bro. Dick Little was to have been toastmaster, but was unavoidably detained, and Bro. Appleman, Pennsylvania Epsilon, '03, acted in that capacity. On the part of the alumni, Bro. Shurtleff, Illinois Delta, '03, responded. Bro. Wilds, Illinois Zeta, '92, was also on the program, and although unable to be present, sent a letter which was read in response to his name. Impromptu and music followed and all had a very enjoyable time.

Bro. Bruce McClelland won first honors in the Freshman-Sophomore Declamation contest which was held on March 19. Bro. J. Lowrie has been



selected as one of the Juniors on the Adelphi Prize Debate and Bro. McClelland was one of the two Sophomores chosen. Bro. J. Lowrie and Bro. Prince will represent  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on the Junior Oratorical Contest.

The outlook for athletics at Knox this spring is exceedingly bright. Eight of the men on last year's baseball team are out again for practice.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  will be represented on the team by five men: Bros. Hilding, Orcutt, Ellis, Essick and Richardson. A schedule of twenty-three games has been arranged, eleven of which will be played on the home diamond. New interest has been taken in track work this spring and over forty men have been out for training regularly. Already several of the former Knox records have been broken. Five Phis will represent us in track work.

Work has been begun on the new Knox gymnasium and it is hoped that within a year it will be completed. The building will cost thirty-five thousand dollars and will be modern in every particular. The need of such a building has long been felt by the students of Knox, and with its completion the opportunity for athletics at Knox will be on a par with those of other colleges of its size throughout the country. Friends of the college are putting Willard Field in fine shape and when the improvements are completed Knox will have an athletic park which is the equal of any in the country.

Galesburg, March 27, 1907.

GEORGE W. PRINCE.

#### ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD COLLEGE.

Our hopes have been realized. Out of seven men receiving the 'Varsity L., for basketball, five of them were Phis, so we feel very proud. The basketball season as a whole was very successful, Lombard finishing the season by defeating every team she played, giving us a strong claim for the college championship.

Illinois Zeta has so far fared very well in the matter of school honors. At a recent election, Bro. Cunningham was elected football manager for the next year, against the combined efforts of two other factions.

Friday, March 15, we gave our annual party, which was a success in every respect. Bros. Andrew Ray, of Avon, Ray Justus, of Stockton, Walter Hughes, of Illinois Eta, Hiram Buck, of Joliet, William Conser, of Chicago, Patrick Talent Brown, of Rio, and Athol R. Brown, of Galesburg, were the guests of the local chapter at this event.

The night following, together with Illinois Delta, we held our Annual Alumni Banquet, which was a great event. Bro. Dick Little promised to be at hand to act as toastmaster, but as yet has not put in an appearance, though all the stations have been watched closely. In the absence of Bro. Little, Bro. Appleman, Pennsylvania Epsilon, acted in that capacity, and his introductions and the speeches that followed were very interesting. Everyone had a great time.

Bro. Ed Smith, of London Mills, spent a day with us lately.

As the year advances, the more are we impressed with the strength of our chapter and the way we have pulled together in everything. We have now nine men staying in the house, the other three living at home.

We hope that no Phi will come to Galesburg without calling at 1284 E. Brooks street.

THEO. C. GRIER.

Galesburg, March 26, 1907.

#### ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Alumni Day was very quietly celebrated by Illinois Eta. The re-union was held in the Chapter House where a banquet was given to the Phis in

attendance. Those present were: Bros. Dean, Green, Brooks, Eno, Stebbins and Smith of the faculty, and Bro. Swigart of Champaign.

Since our last letter we have initiated, and are now glad to present as Phis, C. E. Kirkpatrick, of Anna, Ill., William Watson and Carl Watson of Chicago, Alva B. Meek, of Carrollton, Ill., and Sidney B. Morris, Oskaloosa, Ia.

Spring athletics are again in the ascendancy, and considerable interest is being manifested in them. With the exception of second base and left field Illinois has last year's experienced baseball team to put on the diamond. The remarkably early spring has permitted the players to practice a good deal out of doors, so that already they are playing in mid-season form. This week a series of games with the Milwaukee Association team commences, and after that there will be a couple of games with the Chicago National team.

Our track team is a well balanced one, suitable for dual-meets, but in the Western Conference the absence of individual stars may count very much against us. Bro. May has been performing consistently in the dashes, and we are expecting him to be a winner in the Conference Meet this spring. Coach Gill is anxious to send a four-man team to the Philadelphia Track Meet. Two of these representatives will be Bros. May and Watson.

Not content with carrying off track honors, Bro. May has entered politics. Last week he was elected Business Manager of next year's Illio by a vote of 362 to 61.

Heretofore Illinois was never granted a spring vacation, but this year a monster petition was presented to the Council of Administration, and as a result we will receive a vacation of four days at Easter time.

Bro. Richard Henry Little lectured on the subject "Making of a Great Newspaper" the evening of March 21. After his formal lecture was delivered in the chapel, Bro. Little returned to the Chapter House, where he kept the boys entranced until the wee small hours, with an account of his wonderful experiences.

E. O. FURROW.

Champaign, March 23, 1907.

#### WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Since our last chapter letter we have initiated three men whom we have the pleasure of introducing to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ —Allan Boyden, of Appleton, Junior in the College of Law, George Thom, of Appleton, '09, Les Pond, of Eau Claire, '10. These men will strengthen the chapter very materially, and will be true, loyal Phis.

The Junior Promenade was successful in all respects. About twenty-six in all occupied the Phi Delt box. Bro. Clark and Mrs. Clark, of Eau Claire, and Bro. Wilbur and Mrs. Wilbur, of Dixon, Ill, were our chaperons. Amongst the alumni who were visitors at the house party were David S. Law, Steve Walmsley, Tom Frawley, Tom Stevenson and Frank McDonough.

Our chapter was recently honored by a dinner given by the Alpha Iota Chapter of Chi Psi. It was a splendid affair, quite worthy of Chi Psi.

On March 14th the Inter-Fraternity relay race will be run. Kypke, Doherty, Richter, Storer and Tanner will be our representatives in this event.

Our committee on the University Circus Trained Animal contest is busy thinking up unique and side-splitting stunts in which Bill Bailly, Baltie Richter, and little Lester Ladd will appear to the greatest advantage. We are seriously considering the elephant, although he is quite a common beast of late years; we would prefer some pre-historic mammal. Since we are unable to

track him to his lair we are searching for him in the archives of our State Historical Library.

The chapter is active in athletic lines. Our baseball team is likely to be a creditable aggregation by the end of the season, in spite of the outlook at present. We are rapidly training men into second Jack Allens and Tom Leahys, as we have a dearth of such material.

Wisconsin is surprising the Middle West with the basketball record she is making. We have defeated Chicago, Minnesota, and Illinois besides several smaller Colleges and hope to tie Purdue for the Western honors. Bro. Richter is on the varsity crew as usual. Doherty is rowing number one with the Freshmen who are making quite a promising show.

We are receiving letters daily from our alumni, assuring us that they will attend our bi-centennial celebration. In fact we have had scarcely any refusals thus far and there are prospects of a royal celebration.

Madison, March 13, 1907.

EMMETT HORAN, JR.

#### MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Spring activity in track and baseball is already in evidence. Kemholtz, a former baseball star at Minnesota, who has made a record as coach with several smaller schools, comes to Minnesota from North Carolina University, and will have charge of the team this year. There are already a large number of candidates, including several veterans, and some promising new material. With a schedule which includes every conference team except Michigan, the Gophers expect a more successful season than ever before. Bro. Blanchett is on the squad.

The annual indoor relay meet was held last Saturday in the Armory, and a number of freshmen showed surprisingly good form, while the veterans also showed themselves in good condition. The outdoor track work commenced this week. Bro. Shield is on the track squad. In the Interfraternity Relay held in the meet last Saturday, Delta Upsilon won, with Alpha Delta Phi second and Chi Psi third. Phi Delta Theta did not enter.

The bowling schedule has been nearly played through, this week being the last in which contests will occur. Phi Delta Theta holds third place at present and hopes to finish second. Alpha Delta Phi has first place securely won. Bros. Thompson, (captain), Blanchett, Shield, Mather, Ellis and Vance represent Phi Delta Theta in the League.

The basketball season has just closed, leaving the championship undecided, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Chicago having equal claims to the title. A playoff has been suggested but will probably not take place.

Owing to the fact that the Lenten season is on, social life at the University is not very active. The University Dramatic Club recently presented "Tulu" at the University Chapel, the performance drawing a large attendance.

Alice Shevlin Hall, the new Women's Building, is proving immensely popular for many purposes. The dining room there is being enlarged to accommodate the great number of co-eds who take lunch there. The use of the hall as a place of entertainment, both by the girls as individuals and by clubs, has also become popular. Apropos of their efforts to secure a new Women's Dormitory, the girls entertained the members of the legislature and their wives at the hall last Thursday. A dean of women will soon be chosen by the regents.

The erection of the new University Hospital is now assured, the legislature having accepted the \$90,000 raised by subscription among Alumni for the purchase of a site, and this together with the Elliott bequest of \$115,000

for the construction of the building, will be used immediately to provide the structure. Work on the new Main has progressed rapidly. The actual construction work has been practically completed, the interior finishing work being all that remains to be done. When finished, this building will be the largest and possibly the handsomest structure on the campus.

The new Phi Kappa Psi house will probably be ready for occupancy by the beginning of the fall term.

The elections to Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi were recently announced, seventeen persons being chosen for the former and twenty-seven for the latter honor.

Interfraternity baseball will soon commence. Phi Delta Theta will be represented in the league.

The Annual Banquet of the Twin City Alumni Club was held March 15 at the Hotel Nicollet. About fifty were present, the active chapter being present in a body. A very favorable report was read by the Treasurer of the House Association, and a board of seven directors was elected to take charge of the house proposition, and it is expected that action will be taken by them which will make it possible to begin the erection of a home for Minnesota Alpha within a year.

An Alumni Smoker was held March 9 at the Chapter House and was attended by many of the Alumni brothers.

We have received visits from several Phis since our last letter, for which we are duly grateful, as we are always glad to hear from and meet with Phis wherever and whenever possible, and our home is always open to them.

Minneapolis, March 26, 1907.

STANLEY M. VANCE.

#### IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

For the past five weeks our chapter house on Broadway has been quarantined on account of smallpox, Bro. Stuber having a light attack of the disease. For a time it seemed as if the University would be compelled to close on account of the threatened spread of the disease. We apprehend no further danger, and hope to have our chapter house released from quarantine within a week or so.

Affairs around Wesleyan are in good condition. The Iowa Wesleyan Glee Club will start on March 25 for its annual tour through the southern part of Iowa and through Northern Missouri.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the Glee club by three men.

After a somewhat disastrous basketball season, the attention of the student body has been turned toward track work and baseball. Physical Director O. E. Johnson has been working hard to put forth a winning track team and the present prospects in this branch of athletics appear good. A few days ago, after chapel, in the short space of about thirty minutes over (\$250) two hundred and fifty dollars was raised for the support of baseball this season. Wesleyan will have one of the strongest teams which she has had for years.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  expects to be represented on the team by at least four men. Bro. Krenmyer is manager of the team.

Wesleyan has two intercollegiate debates this year, one with Coe College, of Cedar Rapids, and one with Upper Iowa University of Fayette, Ia. Of the six debaters on the two teams, three are Phis.

Alumni Day was observed by a banquet at the Hotel Brazelton at which the members of the active chapter not in quarantine, were present. A fine dinner was served after which officers were elected for the coming year, and various plans were discussed with a view to the building of a chapter house.

We were pleased to receive a visit from Bro. Fawcett, '89, Illinois Alpha, Bishop of the Episcopal church, Quincy, Ill., and we cordially welcome all this to call when in this vicinity.

JOHN MCKINNON, JR.

Mt. Pleasant, March 18, 1907.

#### IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

The University of Iowa reopened for the second semester on Monday, February 4, 1907, with a marked increase in attendance. Iowa Beta welcomed back Bro. G. E. Desmond and Bro. C. S. Milner, raising the number of active members in the chapter to twenty. Ray R. Coulter, of Burlington, Iowa, has been pledged. He will probably enter the University next fall to take medicine.

Sigma Chi won the interfraternity whist tournament in playing off tie with Phi Kappa Psi and Kappa Sigma. The prize, a fine table with a bronze plate in the center was awarded the winning team by the Pan-Hellenic Board. Phi Delta Theta team finished in a tie with Delta Tau Delta, for fourth place. The league was successful and aroused much interest.

Owing to the fact that the Intercollegiate Debating Association decided to hold their debate here between Iowa and Minnesota on the evening of April 5, the Pan-Hellenic ball has been postponed to April 12.

In the Pan-Hellenic baseball league, Phi Delta Theta opens with Sigma Nu on April 6. All of the team who won the cup last year are in school with one exception, Bro. A. F. McGowan, centerfield.

The Iowa basketball team finished the season with a brilliant victory over Nebraska last month. At present the track and baseball squads fill the large gymnasium. Bro. Mark Catlin, of University of Chicago, has charge of the track men. The athletic board are trying to get the services of Storey, an old Iowa player, to coach the baseball squad. Prospects are only fair in both branches of sport.

Bro. B. V. Murphy has been chosen to take a part in the Dramatic Club production of "The Little Minister," which will take place next month. Bro. G. W. Stephenson has been elected to Ivy Lane, an honorary society in the Freshman and Sophomore classes. Bro. Oakes and Stephenson have both received promotions in the University battalion.

Iowa Beta has begun making preparations for the state high school meet which will be held here on May 17. Every effort will be made to entertain the visiting high school men.

Invitations have been sent to the alumni in and about Iowa City to congregate at the chapter house on next Friday evening to celebrate Alumni Day. A dinner and smoker will be held with the customary speeches and good time.

H. M. HARWOOD.

Iowa City, March 12, 1907.

#### MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

Since the last issue of THE SCROLL Missouri has been very successful in athletic contests. The indoor meet at Kansas City the early part of March was won from Kansas by a score of 48 to 38. In this meet Bro. Branham won the fifty yard dash and the shot put. In basket ball Missouri has won all games but on the home court. These victories include one from the Kansas City Athletic Club, two from Kansas and one from Haskell.

Of the new students entering the second semester, Missouri Alpha has pledged Robert Powers Waters of St. Joseph, Missouri, who has been at Annapolis two years previous to his entrance at Missouri.

Alumni Day was celebrated by a smoker at the chapter house. Several of the alumni gave interesting talks and a very enjoyable evening was spent. We are planning an alumni reunion for commencement week. At this time we intend to discuss improvements on the house and to renew old ties.

Columbia, April 1, 1907.

CARL A. POTTER.

#### MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Since the last number of THE SCROLL, Missouri Beta has moved into a hall in the new I. O. O. F. Building, suitable for chapter meetings, initiations and dancing. After the fire destroyed our hall last April we were unable to get another in the city until the erection of this building. The first dance given in this hall was on March 22. Several alumni were present.

On the afternoon of the fifteenth of March the chapter went in a body to the grave of Father Morrison, and after appropriate ceremony laid its floral offerings on it. Missouri Beta receives every year on March 15 a box of flowers from "Mother" Morrison, and the hearts of all the chapter were deeply touched when these were laid on the grave. Connected, as he was, with Westminster, residing here at his death, and laid here in his last resting place, remembrances of Father Morrison are constantly brought before us, and we feel, as yet, his guiding and protecting hand.

The regular Alumni Day services, however, were postponed until the sixteenth, so as to have with us Bros. Lamkin, H. G. C., and Cowles, Vice President of Zeta Province, who could not be here the fifteenth. Over a dozen alumni co-operated with the active chapter in making the smoker a success. Plans were made to begin the construction of the chapter house this spring, and Bro. Rice, '06, with Bros. Marquess, Black and McKee, was appointed to take charge of the chapter house affairs.

After the meeting those present proceeded to the initiation of Chancellor E. Weymouth, of Cassville, Mo. The chapter, especially Bro. Weymouth, feels deeply indebted to Bro. Cowles for the able assistance he rendered during the initiation.

The baseball season opens with Missouri University, March 30. The team is fulfilling every expectation, and should make a good record.

Extensive schedules have been arranged for the Track and Tennis teams.  
Fulton, March 26, 1907.

ROBT. S. MCKEE.

#### NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

The second Semester did not bring its usual quota of new students this year. There were, however, fewer students who left College this year than usual after the first Semester.

The basketball team, besides playing a number of good games at home, made a successful trip through the middle west, lasting about three weeks. There has been baseball practice in the cage for some time past, but today batting practice was begun and a number of old and new men were out. As coach we have "Ducky" Holmes, manager of the Lincoln team of the Western League. A successful season is looked forward to, and one trip of three weeks duration will be taken. Considerable interest is also shown in track athletics, and meets have been scheduled with Minnesota and with Ames.

The Glee and Mandolin Clubs give their home concert at the Oliver Theatre tomorrow evening. On March 28 they begin their western trip through Wyoming and Colorado and will be gone for about two weeks. Phi Delta Theta is represented in the clubs by Bros. Duer, Meyer, Bunting and Phikeia Kirkup.

Our most important debate, that with Wisconsin, will be held April 5, and is looked forward to with more than usual interest.

The Senior Prom, one of the best dances of the year, will be held on Friday evening, March 12. Bro. Meyer is Master of Ceremonies.

Last Saturday evening our Alumni Day banquet was held at the Lindell Hotel. It is usually held on the Saturday evening of the week in which Alumni Day occurs, as that is a more convenient time for out of town Phis. About twenty-five alumni attended, and on the whole it was a very successful banquet.

Next Saturday evening the chapter will give an informal party at Walsh Hall.

E. L. LINDQUEST.

Lincoln, March 19, 1907.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA.

At this time of the year in the University of South Dakota, there is a lull in College activities and a period of expectancy.

We have just finished our basketball schedule and considering the fact that this is the first year we have attempted to put a 'Varsity team in the field, we have made a creditable showing.

The baseball men are daily working out. Our outlook in this line of spring athletics never was brighter; we have eight of the members of last year's team back and six new men are showing especially good form. Unquestionably Bro. Sawyer, pitcher, and Bro. Cooper, third base, will represent us on the 'Varsity team; Bros. Sinclair, Gault and Case are very promising candidates, the first two for outfield positions and the latter for first base.

Great enthusiasm is apparent on the tennis courts this spring. An effort will be made to arrange tournaments with other institutions in this section.

The track men are now working out of doors. This year we are depending to a great extent on new material as many of the old "war horses" for various reasons, will not seen be in track suits this spring.

On April 26, we debate with Iowa the question, "Resolved: That the general welfare of the American people demands the 'open shop' principle in our industries." On May 10, we meet Dakota Wesleyan in the debate on the question: "Resolved: That American cities should find the solution of their street railway problems in municipal ownership and operation." Both debates will take place at the U. S. D. At present negotiations are pending for a two year compact with the University of North Dakota. If this is arranged it will mean three good intercollegiate debates next year.

The Junior annual or year book, *The Coyote*, is now in the hands of the publishers.

The Sophomores announce that they will present "Richelieu" at the Vermillion Opera House, April 13. Bros. E. B. Elmore and J. H. Sinclair will appear in two of the leading roles. These Sophomore dramatics are always looked forward to with a great deal of pleasure and expectancy.

The legislature, which closed the first of this month, dealt very liberally with the University of South Dakota. \$200,000 was the total appropriation, \$50,000 of which, passed with an emergency clause, is immediately available for the construction of a law building. The remaining \$150,000 is to be used for various improvements and general maintenance. This appropriation is in addition to the revenue which we receive quarterly from our 35,000 acres of endowment land.

Since our last letter, one of Tridientia's alumni has been initiated into  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  viz: Bro. Royal Cleaves Johnson, of Highmore. Bro. Dennis William Sullivan, of Milbank, whose absence from the University on account of

illness in his family prevented an earlier initiation was received into fellowship at the same time. Bro. Sullivan departed March 1, for Hot Springs, Ark., to join the Boston American baseball club.

Bro. Perrett Franklin Gault, of Washington Alpha, was affiliated on March 5, and Bro. Charles Levi Chubbuck, of Ipswich, was initiated March 19.

Phikeias Fayette Boyson Ross and Orville Egar Schubert are at present awaiting initiation. The former is of the class of '10 and the latter '11.

Alumni Day was fittingly observed. Local alumni and active members met at the house for a six o'clock dinner, immediately after which all adjourned in a body to a concert given by the Faculty of the College of Music. Bros. Sawyer, Case, Brisbine, E. Elmore and H. Elmore, and Phikeia Schubert assisted in the chorus and Bros. Chubbuck, and Phikeia Schubert assisted in the orchestra. After the concert all assembled in the chapter hall where the ritualistic ceremonies were carried out, which was followed by addresses by Bro. President Cooper, and S. W. Raish, our Washington convention representative. After this a general discussion of fraternity matters of vital interest to all members of Phi Delta Theta's "baby" chapter was carried on by all members.

EARLE M. YOUNG.

Vermillion, March 20, 1907.

#### COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

The second initiation of this year took place on March 2. We have the pleasure of introducing to the fraternity at large Bros. Thomas Henry Morrow, '09, and James Graham Lamb, '08. Bro. Lamb was a pledge for some years, having been a student at Colorado College until the opening of the second Semester, 1906-'07, at which time he entered this University in order to become a Phi. He is a nephew of Bro. George Banta. Bro. James, Ohio Beta, and Bro. Stickney, Colorado Alpha, of the Denver Alumni Club, attended the initiation; also Bro. Wakeman, Illinois Alpha, who recently located in Denver.

A most successful basketball season has just been closed, Colorado winning the state championship. Bro. Snyder represented  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on the team, and reflected much credit upon himself and the fraternity.

Baseball prospects for this spring are very good. The winter has been very mild and practice began unusually early. Bro. Snyder is assured of a position on the baseball team.

Bro. Morrow is assistant manager of the baseball team this year and becomes manager next year.

The Glee and Mandolin Clubs are off on their annual tour of the state. The opening concert at Boulder was a great success, and it is said to be the best musical aggregation that has represented the University for years. We are very proud of our musicians this year.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has six representatives on the club. Bro. Castelucci is leader of the Mandolin Club and Bro. Whitaker leader of the Glee Club.

The annual oratorical contest took place March 14. Bro. Morrow won first prize.

The chapter deeply regretted the loss of Bro. Sevier. He has accepted a very good position with the Union Pacific Railroad. A dance was given in his honor before his departure.

The Denver Alumni Club has very considerably postponed the Alumni Banquet in order that the Glee and Mandolin Club men may attend.

Boulder, March 17, 1907.

LIVINGSTON POLK FERRIS.



## ETA PROVINCE.

## GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

All the students of Georgia are rejoicing, now that the second term examinations are finished and a clear stretch till the June finals lie before us. On April 20 the battalion will camp for about a week at Gainesville, Ga.; this furnishes a rest from books and regular college duties, and some look forward to it as a pleasant diversion, while others do not relish at all the hardships of camp life, even for a week.

On March 8, Georgia Alpha complimented the young ladies with the swellest dance given in Athens this season. We have not given a dance for some time, so determined to do ourselves honor, and in this we succeeded admirably. The hall was very beautifully decorated in the fraternity colors, flags and pennants. We were very glad to have with us for this occasion Bro. Davies of Georgia Delta.

Since our last letter our brothers have secured some important college honors. Bro. C. G. Mills was elected football manager for next season, and is hard at work on the schedule. Bro. Hunnicutt was elected President of Phi Kappa Literary Society for the month of April; Bro. Askew for June.

The intercollegiate debates are causing much interest and hard work on the part of contestants for places. Georgia expects to go up against the University of North Carolina, Tulane and Washington and Lee, and to give each one of them a hard race.

Athletics are full of interest at the present. The baseball team is getting into shape for the first scheduled game of the season to be played on Saturday. Our prospects for this year are very bright and there will be a lively race between Mercer, Tech and Georgia for the state pennant. The fraternity is well represented on the team by Bro. Marcus McWhorter and Bro. Dick Graves. The track team is also working consistently for Field Day. Georgia has always taken a lead in this department, and our prospects for this year indicate that we will sustain our past reputation. Bro. Kyle Smith, last year's brightest star is out, and Bros. V. B. Smith, L. E. Allen and S. O. Smith are promising candidates.

HARRY R. SLACK, JR.

Athens, March 25, 1907.

## GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

Interest at Emory is now centered on outdoor sports.

In baseball the different classes are competing with each other while our men on the track are doing some hard work. At the beginning of the season things looked very discouraging but as the time draws nearer for the meet things look brighter and Emory hopes to put out a strong team against Tech and Georgia. In baseball  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is well represented on each team, and with Bro. Smith as manager of the Junior team and Bro. Clay as manager and captain of the Freshman team.

Tree day was celebrated on March 26 this year, and the program rendered by the Seniors was very fine.

We were very glad to have Bro. Lilley with us for a few days. It is always a pleasure to have any of our brothers stop with us.

The men in  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  are doing good work and our lodge is in fine condition. We have recently made a payment and hope by June to have everything in fine shape.

W. A. DOZIER.

Oxford, March 27, 1907.

**GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.**

The fraternity men in College are jubilant over the regulations recently enacted by the faculty. Heretofore, especially for the past three or four years, it has been impossible for a fraternity man to obtain any office, such as managers of athletic teams. This was due to the strongly organized and antagonistic non-fraternity element. The "barbs" always voted solid and being in the majority carried all elections. Hereafter all positions of honor, trust or responsibility are to be filled, by a council composed of four members of the faculty and three students instead of by popular vote. On account of this blow, the non-fraternity organization, known in College politics as "Tammany," is about to die.

We have a better baseball team than we have had in several years. Most of the players of last year's team are back and there is an unusual amount of new material. The new pitcher, Oglesby, is showing up well and will doubtless be ranked among the best College pitchers in the state. Bros. Mallory and McCathern are again at first base and left field respectively. Bro. Williams is in right field. Our next game is with Georgia and if we win it, our prospects are good for the state championship.

We have been fortunate in pledging Amos Tift, Tifton, Georgia, and Jim Jelks, Macon, Georgia, who will enter College next fall. These Phikeias will aid us greatly in rushing at the opening of College. Bro. Martin, '07, has been elected class prophet. We are looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to a visit this spring from Bros. DeWitt and Underwood.

Macon, April 1, 1907.

J. TRUITT MARTIN.

**GEORGIA DELTA, GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.**

For the past two weeks everybody has been busy studying for and standing examinations, and although they were unusually hard everybody seems to have done very well. By an action of the Trustees our College year has been divided into two terms instead of three.

Although our football team was not as good this year as last, the team under the able leadership of Bro. Davies made a wonderful record. Bro. Brown, who played a star game at end and who is one of the best punters in the South, was elected captain for 1907. He has, however, decided not to return to College next year. In him Tech. loses the best football player that has ever attended the institution.

Our annual dance, which was given Feb. 8, was quite a success, and it was without a doubt the best fraternity dance of the season. Besides the local chapter and alumni we were delighted to have with us Bro. W. O. Marshburn of Georgia Alpha.

On account of the unusually warm weather, the baseball team has gotten into fine shape, and from the way in which the team played in the first game it seems that we have a fine chance to win the championship of the south again this year. Since the faculty will not allow students with six hour conditions to participate in athletics, the line up of the team has been somewhat in doubt. Since the examinations it is about definitely decided as to who shall play. We are very strongly represented on the team. Bro. Knight, catcher of last year's team, is again behind the bat. He will be one of the mainstays of the team this year and great things are expected of him. Bro. Wright, who played such a star game in the outfield last year, has been shifted to short stop, and from the way in which he is filling that position it seems as if he will be even a greater star at short than he was in the outfield.

Bro. Buchanan of the 1906 football team will play third base. He is also a good catcher, but he is such a strong all-around man that Coach Heisman has decided to play him at third base. Bro. Chapman, who was manager of the 1906 football team, is playing first base.

The track team has begun work. Bro. E. W. Smith is assistant manager. Bro. Cheney is one of the most promising candidates.

A new feature in College this year is the "Glee Club" which is composed almost entirely of fraternity men. It is quite a success. The club has given several entertainments and has been very highly praised by all. Bro. Cheney and Bro. Chapman are both members.

Since our last letter another member has been added to Georgia Delta. We take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large, Bro. H. L. Lumpkin of Quitman, Ga.

Our Province Convention, which was to have been held in Macon in February, has been postponed until next fall.

We have been quite busy for the past month looking out for new men. We already have one pledged and feel certain of pledging two more within a few weeks.

We are glad to have with us again Bro. J. Winship who is here from Emory and will enter College in a few days.

We regret very much the loss of Bro. Bell who has withdrawn from College and will sail in a few weeks for Europe. He will be gone for several months, but will probably be back in College next year.

We have been very much pleased to have with us on several occasions Bro. Watson of Virginia. Bro. Watson is quite an enthusiastic Alumnus and is a member of the Chapter House Commission. He is making Atlanta his headquarters and we hope to see him often in the future. We also enjoyed a visit from Bro. Sidney Connor of Mercer, recently.

We are always glad to receive visits from brother Phis, and we hope that all visiting brothers will look us up.

G. M. STOUT.

Atlanta, March 26, 1907.

#### ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Since our last letter Alabama has received an appropriation of \$500,000 from the state. A part of this sum will be spent in improving our already beautiful campus, but the greater part will be spent on new buildings. Recognizing the importance of Alabama Alpha's keeping up with and even ahead of the University, we are making strenuous efforts to start building our chapter house immediately, and, having an eye on the future, we are doing our best to build a fine one while we are at it.

This year Alabama has a new system for supporting athletics. For six dollars a year a student can become a member of the Athletic Association. This entitles him to a vote on all important matters, and also gives him a pass to all athletic contests held on the campus. This plan has been a success, and we will close this year without any debts.

We have a better baseball team this year than we have had for several years. Coach Pollard works the men hard. The team is going to take a past season trip north, and the northern Colleges will have to hustle to beat us. We play our first game on the 28th of this month.

The Glee Club has just returned from another trip, successful both socially and financially. The boys have been all over the south, and have made a hit everywhere. Bros. White and Lampley W. are members.

At commencement this year there will be a reunion of all the "7" classes. We hope to have many of our alumni brothers visit us then.

University, March 26, 1907.

CHARLES C. HEIDT, JR.

**ALABAMA BETA. ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.**

Second term examinations are just over, and leave us with one of the most prosperous chapters  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  ever had at this institution. At present the chapter consists of twenty-seven men. Since our last letter, we have initiated a new man into the mysteries of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bro. C. B. Gibson, '08, of Columbus, Ga.

At the last session of the legislature, the College received an appropriation of \$226,000 for new buildings and the annual appropriation from the state was also considerably increased. This was due mainly to the efforts of President C. C. Thade, who has done much to raise the standard of the College during his administration. Plans have already been drawn up for a library and also a new gymnasium and an Agricultural building. The Engineering building is nearly completed and all apparatus will be installed and ready for the next session. They are also planning to build dormitories or a mess to take care of the increased attendance, as the present boarding facilities are inadequate. The matriculation this year has already reached the 600 mark and with new facilities provided for by the appropriation it should continue to grow.

During the holidays of the 22nd of February the usual dances were given. They were the most successful in several years. The Sophomore-Freshman dance was given Thursday night, the 21st, the Senior Hop Friday, the 22nd, and the Junior, Saturday, the 23rd. Most of the visitors were from Montgomery and Opelika, but there were some present from all parts of the state. The Phis were very much in evidence. Bro. Mayes was leader of the Sophomore-Freshman hop and Bro. Park of the Junior. Bros. Burgess, Ripley, Carter and Will Barnes hold offices in their respective German Clubs. Bro. B. B. Barnes has been elected floor manager of the commencement hop. The carpet has been taken up in the hall and we hope that by commencement all the brothers will be good dancers, as we have stag dances every Saturday night. We have made arrangements to give a dance at the Gymnasium during commencement. This will probably be on Saturday, June 1, since this was the only time we could get the Gymnasium. We hope that many of our alumni will attend this commencement as several classes are going to hold reunions. We extend a cordial invitation to all Phis to visit us and especially our alumni.

This is usually a dull time of year for athletics, but we have had some exciting contests in basketball. So far Auburn has lost only one game, losing that to the strong Birmingham Athletic Club. We hope to break even with them however when we play them again on the 30th of this month.

The class basket ball games are just over, the Seniors winning the championship from the Juniors, 9 to 6. Bro. Lothrop was manager and played forward on the Freshman team, Bro. Powell manager and center on the Junior and Bro. Ripley forward on the Senior team.

The basketball team is fast developing and promises to be one of the best ever sent out from Auburn. In a practice game with the Montgomery Southern League team we won by a score of 4 to 2. Sam Weems, our veteran pitcher, was the star and struck out eight or nine men. He has already been signed by the Montgomery manager to play after the College season closes. We have six of last year's men back, among them Bro. Burgess who, last year, made "All Southern" catcher and captain. This year he has been changed to first base and Whitman, captain of last year's football team, is behind the bat. He is an old University of Florida star and is showing up very well, as is McClure at short, who played fast ball for G. M. A. in the prep. league last year. Our schedule has just been announced. It is a rather hard one, including games with University of

Alabama, Georgia and the Georgia Tech. The team left today, March 27, to play the first S. I. A. A. games of the season with Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge.

The track team will make several long trips this season. Meets have been arranged with Tulane, Ga., Tech. and Vanderbilt. The track is one branch of sport which has been somewhat neglected in the past, but is fast gaining prestige, and we hope to have a winning team.

Besides the regular members of our Lyceum course we had a very enjoyable entertainment this week by the Judson Glee Club. They came as the guests of the Auburn Glee Club. The latter gave a reception in their honor at the Thomas Hotel. The Phis are well represented, Bros. Burgess, Brasfield and Buchanan being members of the first quartette. Other members are Bros. Mayes, Park, Browder and Rogers.

Bro. Lipscomb is captain of Company "A" and will be one of the contestants for the handsome sword given to the captain of the best drilled company.

Bro. Watson was recently appointed Lieutenant and assigned to the staff. Bro. A. H. Reppard, Georgia Alpha, '05, and his bride visited Auburn recently, and the brothers enjoyed meeting them very much.

Any Phis passing through are cordially invited to stop over and see us at any time, especially commencement.

ORMAND N. POWELL.

Auburn, March 27, 1907.

## THETA PROVINCE.

### MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

Prof. J. B. Aswell, state superintendent of education of Louisiana, has accepted the Chancellorship of the university having been elected by the board of trustees at their last meeting.

Hon. J. E. Holmes of Hernando, Miss., has been elected professor of law, to fill the chair left vacant by the resignation of Bro. C. L. Sivley, who leaves for Memphis soon to accept the important position of general counsellor to the Y. & M. V. RR.

We are sorry to report the withdrawal of Bros. Aldridge, Camp, Hall and Storm, some of whom, however, will be back next session. While having been weakened to a certain extent by this, yet we feel confident that we will be able to hold our own.

The University Glee Club under the direction of Bro. J. A. Brown, has made a hit this session, being the best in the history of the University.

Our baseball team this year is exceptionally good, and we are entertaining great hopes for the coming season. Bro. L. P. Jones holds down shortstop like a veteran, and is by far the star hitter of the team this year. Bro. H. T. Buckley has also made good as sub. first base.

The frats are in the midst of the rushing season now, and we have reason to expect to come out victorious next session as we won this year.

University, March 25, 1907.

RUNDLE SMITH.

### LOUISIANA ALPHA TULANE UNIVERSITY.

It is with pleasure that we introduce Bro. J. P. McQueen, of Alabama Alpha, as a member of Louisiana Alpha.

The track is now in perfect shape, and practice goes on regularly every afternoon. Under the able direction of Coach Eshelman, the students are confident of meeting with success in the various meets in which Tulane will

very shortly participate, namely: The Triangular Meet with Texas and Vanderbilt, the Interstate Meet, and thirdly, and most important, that in which the championship of state will be decided. Bright prospects are entertained by all as to the success of the 'Varsity nine. The chief defect in last year's team was the lack of team work, and this year the students have remedied that evil by procuring an excellent coach in the person of Joe Rickert. "Old Joe" is a Southern League wonder and played for successive years with the New Orleans team. He is an old hand at the game and makes our men hustle. We hope that through his efforts we may report, in the next number of this publication, victories over Southern University of Alabama, A. and M. College of Texas, Mississippi College and the University of Tennessee.

Tulane is now in her debating season. The Carnot debate, which is a discussion of French policies, resulted very satisfactorily this season. We have spoken in our last letter of the Texas and Georgia debates. All that we have to add is that the teams have been selected, and that victory is almost a certainty. In order to promote the debating spirit at Tulane, a debate has been arranged between the Sophomores and Freshmen. This is a good move and will result in the appearance and development of material for the intercollegiate debates. It is the honor of the writer to have been chosen as one of the three to defend the Sophomores in this debate.

Founders' Day was celebrated at Tulane by most imposing exercises, the most important being an oration by Judge E. H. Randolph, of Shreveport, La., the formal presentation to the University of the annex to the library, and a baseball game between the Academics and Lawyers versus the Medicos.

The last and most important event which we have to report is the celebration of the fraternity's Alumni Day, when the New Orleans Alumni Club along with Louisiana Alpha gave a splendid banquet at which fully forty men were present. We are justified in saying that a stronger bond of friendship exists now between active and alumni members of Louisiana Alpha than ever before. The New Orleans Alumni Club and the local chapter work hand in hand with each other, and the affection of the alumnus to his younger brother might be compared to that which a father bears his son.

We regret that the Theta Province Convention will be postponed to the fall.

JAMES J. A. FORTIER.

New Orleans, March 28, 1907.

#### TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Texas is sound asleep. Our winter was accompanied by only one freeze and our Spring is almost flowerless on account of the drought. The Winter Term examinations coming between two such unnatural seasons were not conducive to increased energy and we are now asleep.

Our province convention was to have come off in the late spring; but as our brothers in Louisiana and Mississippi were opposed to the date, we have decided to have the affair next Fall.

We had a bulldog for a mascot up to a short time before examinations, but he chewed up all the rest of the dogs in the neighborhood and forced his dismissal and expulsion upon us. He is now chewing up dogs in some other locality.

On St. Patrick's Day the Irish blood of our chapter, in league with some others of the same nature, tied green bands around every tree on the campus and fixed a green flag on the weather signal staff of the Main Building. The escapade caused a few smiles but no trouble.



# LOUISIANA ALPHA CHAPTER, TULANE UNIVERSITY

Top row, left to right:—1. H. H. Tippin, 2. Geo. West, 3. J. F. Blau, 4. H. W. Meyer; Second row, left to right:—1. H. H. Russell, Jr., 2. J. J. Renshaw, 3. E. T. Russell, 4. M. F. Seip, 5. H. E. Chambers, Jr.; Third row, left to right:—1. Ray, 2. J. J. Fortier, 3. A. C. Chapuis, 4. Edw. C. Ansley, 5. M. A. Watkins; Bottom row, left to right:—1. L. R. McMillan, 2. W. H. Tootin, 3. M. A. Shumard, 4. L. T. Hines, 5.

Since our last letter, the petitions of Δ X (legal frat.) have received notice that they are to be granted a charter.

Bro. M. C. McCutcheon has been elected assistant manager of the football team.

Bro. Graves is now President of the Y. M. C. A.

Our visitors' record is growing a name or two larger every day. This is in accordance with our policy: "We want to meet and come in touch with every friend and brother who passes through Austin."

Austin, March 27, 1907.

## IOTA PROVINCE.

### CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

The attention of all Californians is now centered on the coming Athletic events with Stanford. After considerable discussion it was finally agreed to have the track meet on our oval on April 20. Owing to the fact that the earthquake of last spring made a meet impossible, the outcome of this next contest is extremely uncertain and much good material will probably be developed. Bro. Cowles, '09, is expected to win points in the hurdles and Bro. Dillingham, '10, is doing good work in the half. By a faculty ruling, the Freshmen will not be allowed to compete in the 'Varsity meet, but will be given the opportunity of testing their ability in the intercollegiate Freshman meet.

Baseball practice is being rushed in earnest, and with five of the old players back, the three games with Stanford will be well worth watching.

The main event this spring, however, will probably be the regatta, for this is the first eight oared race on the Pacific coast. The Boat Club, under Bro. Tyssowski, '08, has purchased three fine eights and the interest in this sport has been exceedingly keen. Boating has been taken in charge by the Executive Committee of the student body and Bro. Tyssowski was appointed manager of the crew. Bro. Schroeder, '10, stands a very good chance of making the Freshman crew.

In the first week of March, we initiated George Dillingham, '10, who comes from Ukiah.

The Symphony concerts given in the Greek Theatre have continued to give the College public a chance to hear the best works of the masters. On one afternoon Rosenthal, the famous pianist, played, and Madame Schumann-Heink gave a concert in February. Among the artists who will appear in April are Hekking and Nordica, with the San Carlo Opera Company in Aida.

The Sanskrit department is busy getting ready its presentation of the Hindu comedy, "The Little Clay Cart," by Babhabuti. It will be given in translation but will have the Indian setting and costumes and will end with a spectacular sacrificial procession in which nearly a hundred and fifty students will appear. An elephant and several zebras will add to the realism of the performance.

The Eumenides of Aeschylus will also be given in the original Greek. The massive, picturesque walls and tiers of seats of the Greek Theater are well adapted to such a classical production.

On March 16, the annual Alumni banquet was held in the Palace Hotel. It afforded a fine chance for the new men to get acquainted with the alumni and in spite of the small attendance of the alumni it was a great success.

Berkeley, March 20, 1907.



**CALIFORNIA BETA, STANFORD UNIVERSITY.**

On January 30, California Beta initiated three new men, Bros. James F. Pieper, '09, of Palo Alto, Cal.; Cyrus P. Happy, '10, and Thomas W. Halliday, '10, of Spokane, Wash., whom we take great pleasure in presenting to the fraternity.

On March 16, we celebrated Alumni Day with a banquet at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco. Covers were laid for about fifty, and a most enjoyable evening was spent by those present.

The annual convention of Iota province will be held here in the forenoon of April 13th, at which time we expect to entertain the entire California Alpha chapter for a couple of days. The annual baseball game between the two chapters will be played during the day.

At present, all interest is centered upon the coming athletic events. The Freshman Intercollegiate Track Meet will be held next Saturday on Stanford's new oval. Phi Delta Theta will be well represented by Bros. Weaver and Halliday. Boating has taken its place in the regard of the student body and is on a par with football and track. Two fours are now on their way to Los Angeles to enter a regatta to be held there March 30th. Coach Murphy will enter the single sculls, and Bro. Roberts, '10, will be coxswain on the Junior crew. The first baseball game of the series with California will be held at Berkeley April 6th. Bro. Dennis is on the squad and has a good chance to get in the game. The team leaves tonight for Reno, Nevada, to play a game with the university of that state. Bro. Bradford is doing well on the track, and promises to be a point winner in the mile in the 'varsity meet. As yet the interclass nor the interfraternity series have been started, but both will probably begin very soon.

California Beta is in the very best of condition, and we urge every Phi who may come to the coast to make us a visit.

H. J. HEFFRON

Stanford University, March 25, 1907.

**KAPPA PROVINCE.****WASHINGTON ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON**

On March 16th the Annual Alumni Banquet was held at the Hotel Lincoln, seventy-five Phis being present.

Bro. Daniel B. Trefethen Massachusetts Beta, acted as toastmaster and the following responded to toasts: Bros. A. B. Priest, Indiana Zeta; Ralph Marvin, New York Alpha; Clay Allen, Illinois Alpha; Harry G. Wills, Michigan Alpha; Robert E. McGlinn, Washington Alpha and J. Webster Hoover, Washington Alpha.

A dance was given by the Alumni and active chapter on Jan. 25 which was a success in every way.

We have recently initiated a new member, Bro. Walter L. Johnstone, whom we take pleasure in introducing to all Phis.

The outlook for Washington in athletics is very bright. Most of the interest at present is centered in rowing and in the triangular regatta which takes place in California the last of April, the contestants being California, Stanford and Washington. For the first time, in the history of rowing on the Pacific coast, the crews will row in eight oared shells, thus marking another step in the advancement of the West in athletics.

Bro. Byrd, '10, is a promising candidate for the crew and Bros. Farley and Wells are showing up well on the track squad. Prospects for a good track team are very bright this spring.

In baseball we expect to have a championship aggregation. Bros. Gillette, Hoover, Isbell, Tegtmeier and Hammerland are strong candidates for places on the team.

The big triangular debate between the Universities of Oregon, Idaho and Washington will take place in the near future. Bro. Rassmussen will lead the team against Oregon.

Bro. Dalby is editor of the Tyee, our Junior annual and also an associate editor on the Goat, an alumni monthly.

An Interfraternity baseball league has been formed and a silver cup is to be put up as a trophy. Washington Alpha will enter a strong team.

Seattle, March 25, 1907.

HARRY S. CRANE

## ALUMNI CLUBS.

### BURLINGTON.

The Burlington Alumni Club celebrated Alumni Day, as is customary here, in conjunction with the local chapter at our fraternity home at 439 College street.

The usual formal banquet was replaced by an informal meeting and heart to heart talk in which everybody participated in a general discussion of the Alumni Day topic and of general and local fraternity conditions.

At none of the many gatherings of loyal Phis on that evening, could the welfare of the general fraternity and of any chapter, have been more thoroughly reviewed than was that of our beloved fraternity and of Vermont Alpha on that night by that little band of Vermont Phis.

As a result of that evening Vermont Alpha is a stronger chapter and every one present a more loyal Phi.

It is the unanimous opinion of the local Alumni, several of whom have been constantly with the chapter almost since its organization, that never before in the chapter's history has the personnel of the men equalled the standard of today and I speak the sentiment of the Alumni Club, that we are very proud of our boys in the University today and feel confident that they will excel the past good records of the chapter in all departments of College activity.

Alumni present: Sinclair, '82; Stevens, '89; Forbes, '90; Cheney, '91; Mower, '94; Sabin, '96; Jackson, '97; Patrick, '98; Andrews, '99; Kern, '01; Grey, '03; Cunningham, '04; Thompson, '06; Brown, '07; Cushman, New Hampshire Alpha, '09.

GEORGE M. SABIN, '96.

March 27, 1907.

### BOSTON AND HARVARD.

The spirit and ideals of Phi Delta Theta, handed down as a great legacy to the members of the fraternity now living in and around Boston, received renewed pledges of loyalty at the combined dinner of the Boston and Harvard Alumni Clubs, held on alumni day, March 15. For days in advance the most active missionary work was pushed among the members, and on the evening when Phis were meeting all over the country, sixty Boston and Harvard men gathered at the Quincy House to form another strong link in the chain of good fellowship that was being welded in a score of cities and towns from Maine to California.

Those who were there represented 24 different colleges, and there were representatives from the active chapters of Dartmouth, Colby, Amherst and Brown. The cheering and singing at this dinner was more enthusiastic than

at any other, and the enthusiasm seemed to reflect the devotion to the great fraternity which was felt by every Phi in the hall.

After a short business meeting at which the officers for the coming year were elected and a few minor matters attended to, the Phis all went to the dining hall where the dinner was awaiting their attention. The noise began with the first course, and the cheering was continuous throughout the evening. Bro. E. L. McIntyre, Brown, '04, of the Harvard Club, was the toastmaster, and he started things going at a lively pace. Bro. A. M. McCrillis of Providence, Brown, '99, led the cheering and before he had finished he had a cheer from every one of the 24 colleges represented. If there was only one brother as a representative of his alma mater, a half dozen brass lunged Phis were delegated to aid him, and in that way almost every one at the dinner had the pleasure of cheering not only for his own college but also for an institution which he may not have seen, but at which Phi Delta Theta had firmly established itself.

The cheers were not the only means of identifying the brothers according to the chapters they represented, for from all around the tables came the echoes of songs which brought memories of ivy covered walls, warm spring evenings, and forgetfulness of all care and responsibility. What if the measures of Dartmouth "symphony" mingled with the soft tones of a song from Amherst, or the two together were blended with the rollicking cadences of "hymns" of Colby, Vermont or Brown? They all typified the same spirit and all expressed the same feelings, and every man was glad to see everybody happy and feel a degree of contentment on his own account. And when the whole chorus united on a song which told of fealty to the sword and shield and all that it stood for, no tribute in music of any host to high ideals surpassed it in fervor.

The after dinner oratory was of as high a standard as the more demonstrative pledges of the early part of the evening. Bro G. W. Earle, Dartmouth, '90, was on the programme for a speech, but was unable to be present, but Bro. J. C. Shelby, Kentucky State, '04, of the Harvard club, brought up to the rest of us Puritans a sample of Bluegrass eloquence that was truly inspiring and refreshing. His remarks were warmly applauded as they deserved to be, for his topic, "Phi Delta Theta and the South" gave him a field rich in rare traditions which grow better with age.

Bro. McCrillis told all about the social side of the Washington convention, with its many attractions, and his personally conducted tour from one event to the other at this great gathering was an innovation in the Boston dinner which was highly appreciated. Bro. T. M. Phetteplace, Brown, '99, told of the legislation at the convention and of the acts of the delegates, which will be of so much consequence to the fraternity in the future.

The delegate from Maine Alpha (Colby) was Perley L. Thorne, and he arrived in good condition after fighting his way out from the Pine Tree state through two months' depth of snow. He brought encouraging words from his chapter, and what he said aroused new enthusiasm among those whose active days in the chapter are all over.

From the Harvard club there was another speaker, Chester Arthur Legg, Amherst, '04, who had the belligerent toast, "Our Fraternity: May It Never Retreat." Bro. Legg was good for it, however, and he plunged into his subject with a vigor of language which aroused much admiration.

Bro. C. A. Andrews, Amherst, '05, a scheduled speaker, was not able to be present, but two able substitutes, Bro. J. H. Carfrey, New York Epsilon '92, and Bro. Frank W. Rane, Ohio Zeta, filled the vacancies created by his absence and that of Bro. Earle.

The delegates from the active chapters, who are always so welcome at the

Boston dinners, were: Bro. W. E. Bright (Brown) Rhode Island Alpha, '07; Bro. C. A. Lamb (Amherst) Massachusetts Beta, '07; Bro. E. B. Fowler (Dartmouth) New Hampshire Alpha, '07, and Bro. P. L. Thorne (Colby) Maine Alpha, '07.

The officers elected for the year were: President, C. W. Doten, Vermont Alpha; Vice-President, George W. Earle, New Hampshire Alpha; Secretary, Kent Knowlton, New Hampshire Alpha; Treasurer, Samuel S. Dennis, Jr., Vermont Alpha; Reporter, Arthur L. Philbrick, Rhode Island Alpha; Warden, Frank W. Rane, Ohio Zeta; Historian, I. C. Hight, Maine Alpha; Chorister, E. M. Brooks, Massachusetts Beta.

These are the details of the Boston dinner, reduced to mere words, for one needs a more adequate means of expression than language to describe the event and do it justice. Now that it is all over the alumni club is prepared for another year of activity in which it is so loyally supported by all the Phis about Boston.

Lest we forget: Every Saturday at 1 p. m., the Phi from California, the Phi from Florida or the Phi from Canada or from any other part of the world, will find an enthusiastic band of brothers at Marston's restaurant on Hanover Street, Boston. He and all others are welcome there, and we assure him of a pleasant hour if he calls in and gives the handclasp which marks him as one apart, with us, from other collegians and other Greeks.

March 25, 1907.

ARTHUR L. PHILBRICK.

#### NEW YORK.

Alumni Day was celebrated as usual on March, 15, by the Phi Delta Theta Club of New York City. The banquet this year was held in the council chamber of the exclusive University Club, 54th street and Fifth Avenue. An increased charge for plates had a somewhat unfortunate effect on the attendance, but nevertheless a goodly crowd of men representing no less than twenty-seven chapters of the fraternity were present, and taken all together, the occasion was one of the pleasantest held by the metropolitan Phis in some years.

A gratifying feature was the attendance of almost a score of men who had previously taken no part in the club's activity and the re-appearance of a number of familiar faces after an absence of years. The club was particularly happy to welcome in its midst and at its celebration, Bro. James Clarke McReynolds, Vanderbilt, '83, Virginia, '84, Assistant United States Attorney General, who has been engaged in the prosecution of the tobacco trust in behalf of the government. The address of Bro. McReynolds on the great governmental problems of the day was delivered with all the fire and delicacy of the great orators of the south and was keenly appreciated.

Other speakers on the toast card were Dr. Henry Dawson Furniss, Alabama, '97, Virginia, '99, who spoke about "The Stranger in New York City," and told a number of original Southern stories; ex-Judge William Henry Jackson, Vanderbilt, '85, who was kept away at the last moment, Judge Julius Marshall Mayer, C. C. N. Y., '84, Columbia, '86, former Attorney General of the State of New York, whose subject was: "If You are Not Too Tired," and General Lee Fairchild, Lombard, '86, of perennial fame, who spoke without a subject. It is interesting to observe that Bro. McReynolds chose as the subject of his learned address: "The Amplitude of the Accolade." Dr. George Watson Roberts, Vermont, '87, president of the New York club, was our toastmaster. The topic for the Alumni Day

discussion: "In What Way Phi Delta Theta is Making Advancement," was assigned by the dinner committee to "Everybody."

The dinner menu was as follows:

	Cotuit Oysters	
	Soup	
	Clear Green Turtle	
Varies		Hors d'Oeuvres
	Fish	
Long Island Smelts		Sauce Tartare
	Entrée	
	Noisette of Lamb Bearmaise	
	Peas and String Beans	
	Bermuda Potatoes Rissolée	
	Roti	
	Squab Guinea Chicken en Caserole	
	Salad Chiffonade	
Ice Cream		Biscuits Fortoni
	Cheese	Coffee
	Cigars	

The menu card was tastily gotten up by Elliott of Philadelphia. It was composed of four sheets bound in silk with a cord, ring and tassel, with still board covers. The front page bore the fraternity shield engraved in gold and the following legend:

ALUMNI DAY BANQUET  
of the  
PHI DELTA THETA FRATERNITY  
Founded at Miami college, 1848  
held by the  
PHI DELTA THETA CLUB  
of New York City  
at the  
UNIVERSITY CLUB  
March Fifteenth  
Nineteen Hundred and Seven

The annual business meeting of the club was held in the room adjoining the council chamber before the banquet proper. A committee consisting of Franklin Backus Ware, C. C. N. Y., '93, Columbia, '94, formerly a member of the New York City Board of Aldermen, George Chew Atkins, Columbia, '02, and William Robert Bayes, Ohio Wesleyan, '01, was appointed to revise the constitution and by-laws of the club to conform them more nearly with the new conditions which the club has faced. Pursuant to the recommendations of the nominating committee the following new officers were elected:

President, Dr. George Watson Roberts, Vermont, '87; First Vice President, Lamar Hardy, Mississippi, '98, Vanderbilt, '00; Second Vice President, Theodore Raymond St. John, Columbia, '02; Treasurer, Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, C. C. N. Y., '88, Columbia, '90; Corresponding Sec-

retary, Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, Columbia, '99; Recording Secretary, George Chew Atkins, Columbia, '02.

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

##### CLASS OF 1908

Albert Shiels, C. C. N. Y., '86; William Rowe Conklin, Williams, '00; Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, C. C. N. Y., '88; Columbia, '90.

##### CLASS OF 1909

Frederick Arthur Goetze, Columbia, '95; Franklin Backus Ware, C. C. N. Y., '93, Columbia, '94; Judge William Albert Keener, Emory, '74.

##### CLASS OF 1910

William Robert Bayes, Ohio Wesleyan, '01; George Chew Atkins, Columbia, '02.

##### CLASS OF 1911.

Stallo Vinton, Butler, '97; Columbia '00; Otto Hellmuth Hinck, Columbia, '99; Dr. George Watson Roberts, Vermont, '87.

##### CLASS OF 1912.

Lamar Hardy, Mississippi, '98; Vanderbilt, '00; Theodore Raymond St. John, Columbia, '02; Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, Columbia, '99.

The president appointed the following standing committees for the year:

House—Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, C. C. N. Y., '88; Columbia, '90; chairman; Edwin Hoyt Updike, Columbia, '04, and Roland Pearce Jackson, Columbia, '02.

Finance—Franklin Backus Ware, C. C. N. Y., '93; Columbia, '94, chairman; George Lounsbury Walker, C. C. N. Y., '90, and Benjamin Sinclair Orcutt, C. C. N. Y., '88.

Entertainment—Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, Columbia, '99, chairman; William Rowe Conklin, Williams, '99, and Joseph Stettenheim Buhler, Columbia, '01.

Membership—George Chew Atkins, Columbia, '02, chairman; Joseph H. Freeman, Lansing, '90, and Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, Columbia, '99.

The diners were favored by the distribution at the banquet of the first number of the new Phi Delta Theta Bulletin, devoted especially to New York Delta. The new paper is to be published monthly by Bro. Lewis E. A. Drummond, as editor; Prof. Irving Lysander Foster, Brown, '93, head of the department of Romance languages and literature at Pennsylvania State College and president of Alpha Province, as assistant editors; George C. Atkins as business manager and Reuben Mapelsden, Jr., Columbia, '08, as New York Delta editor. The first number consisted of four printed pages. It contained a full page print of the new Heinze chapter house at Columbia, an Alumni Day banquet announcement, fraternity book reviews, an editorial, a short history of the New York Club and New York Delta, Columbia and personal news columns.

The dinner souvenirs were silver pocket match safes, containing the fraternity shield stamped in bronze on the face.

The dinner committee was as follows: Dr. George Watson Roberts, Vermont, '87, president of the club, ex-officio; Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, Columbia, '99, chairman; Thomas Hill Low, Syracuse, '03; Kendall Banning, Dartmouth, '02; Theodore Raymond St. John, Columbia, '02; Frederick Fuller Lincoln, Vermont, '97; Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, C. C. N. Y., '88; Columbia, '90, and George Chew Atkins, Columbia, '02.

Among those present, grouped according to chapters, were:

*Columbia*—Thomas H. Baskerville, '86; Judge Julius M. Mayer, '86; Elbert P. Callender, '87; Francis A. Winslow, '89; Lewis E. A. Drummond, '90; Franklin B. Ware, '94; Frederick A. Southworth, '95; Oscar W. Ehrhorn, '98; Bernard M. L. Ernst, '99; George C. Atkins, '02; Herman S. Riederer, '02; Theodore R. St. John, '02; David M. Updike, '03; Eugene Piton, Jr., '04; William R. Tyler, '04; Edwin H. Updike, '04; Edgar N. Dollin, '05; John L. Tonnelle, Jr., '05, and Denison D. Streeter, Jr., '09.

*Cornell*—Benjamin S. Coe, '02, and Everett C. Welsh, '05.

*Brown*—George Burdick, '02, and Otis J. Case, '05.

*C. C. N. Y.*—Judge Julius M. Mayer, '84; Francis A. Winslow, '87, and Lewis E. A. Drummond, '88.

*Lombard*—Gen. Lee Fairchild, '86, and Rev. Dr. Leonard W. Brigham, '86.

*Mississippi*—William H. Lee, '91, and Lamar Hardy, '98.

*Vanderbilt*—Hon. James C. McReynolds, 83; Dr. George A. Wyrth, '00, and Lamar Hardy, '00.

*Vermont*—Dr. George W. Roberts, '87, and Henry F. Miller, '08.

*Dartmouth*—Mark B. Wiley, '03, and Edwards P. Noel, '05.

*Syracuse*—Charles F. Taylor, '84; Thomas H. Low, '03, and Albert R. Seaman, '03.

*Michigan*—Dr. Benjamin E. Dolphin, '01.

*Hillsdale*—Harry L. Guggenheim, '00.

*Hanover*—Harry A. Marks, '92.

*Lafayette*—Joseph O. Skinner, '02.

*Williams*—Dr. Frederick R. Baker, '99.

*Lehigh*—Andrew T. Brice, '00.

*Auburn*—David J. Castleman, '01.

*Southern*—David J. Castleman, '00.

*Northwestern*—William A. Clark, '90.

*Washington and Jefferson*—Morgan D. Hayes, '92.

*North Carolina*—William H. Lee, '97.

*Virginia*—Hon. James C. McReynolds, '84.

*Texas*—Banton Moore, '00.

*Amherst*—Charles Sullivan, '88.

*Buchtel*—Dr. Carlos G. Webster, '94.

*Pennsylvania*—Dr. George A. Wyeth, '03.

*Washington*—Gardner W. Millett, '06.

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

The first of a series of informal monthly smokers of the Phi Delta Theta Club of New York City was held at the Heinze club house on Saturday evening, February 9, 1907. Sixty members of the fraternity turned out and the occasion was one of the pleasantest which the Metropolitan Phis have had for years.

Besides the old standbys the club was glad to welcome a dozen strangers from distant parts who have either recently located in New York or were visiting the city. Among the latter was Bro. Warwick A. Ripley, Wabash, '73, authoritative digest of the laws of Indiana. Entertainment in the way of ventriloquism and sleight-of-hand was furnished by professionals. Bro. George S. Parsons, *Columbia*, '02, repeated his now-famous musical monologue and members of the *Columbia* chapter and its recent graduates obliged with glees and instrumental numbers.

After the entertainment, punch and a buffet supper was served. It is interesting to note that seventeen different chapters were represented by

graduates at the smoker. The men came from Michigan and from Texas; from Massachusetts and from Michigan. The representation by chapters was as follows:

Columbia, twenty-five; Williams, five; Cornell, Wisconsin, C. C. N. Y. and Syracuse, three each; Union, two; Wabash, Amherst, Dartmouth, Emory, Texas, Vermont, Michigan, Case, Washington and Lee and Washington and Jefferson, one each.

Those in attendance at the smoker were:

*Columbia*—Elbert P. Callender, '88; Lewis E. A. Drummond, '90; Frederick A. Southworth, '95; Bernard M. L. Ernst, '99; Joseph S. Buhler, '01; George C. Atkins, '02; Oscar Bullard, '02; Roland P. Jackson, '02; George S. Parsons, '02; Herman S. Riederer, '02; Theodore R. St. John, '02; Edgar N. Dollin, '02; Francis W. McKinney, '02; Edwin H. Updike, '04; George C. Turner, '04; Frederick A. Goetze, '05; William A. Bode, '04; Edsall DuB. Elliott, '06; Grover H. Bode, '08; William A. Alexander, '08; Curtis P. Snook, '08; Elliott R. Alexander '07; William B. Davison, '09; Fernando V. Parraga, '09; Reuben Mapelsden, Jr., '08.

*Cornell*—Dudley R. Horton, '75; William W. Pellet, '01; Francis W. McKinney, '02.

*Wisconsin*—Roy K. Lohmiller, '04; Arthur G. Sullivan, '06; James A. Jackson, '06.

*Williams*—William R. Conklin, '00; Harold C. Brown, '01; Clarence McMillan, '03; Albert P. Newell, '05; Edsall DuB. Elliott, '06.

*Syracuse*—Edward D. Rich, '92; Thomas H. Low, '03; E. Glenwood Pearce, '08.

*C. C. N. Y.*—Albert Shiels, '86; Lewis E. A. Drummond, '88; Edward J. McDonald, '92.

*Wabash*—Warwick H. Ripley, '73.

*Union*—Everett G. Brownell, '00; Gail B. Jenkins, '03.

*Amherst*—Charles Sullivan, '88.

*Dartmouth*—Henry D. Thrall, '06.

*Emory*—Charles H. Richardson, Jr., '04.

*Texas*—Banton Moore, '00.

*Vermont*—Dr. George W. Roberts, '87.

*Michigan*—Roy K. Lohmiller, '05.

*Washington and Jefferson*—Morgan D. Hayes, '92.

*Case*—Charles M. Nissen, '00.

*Washington and Lee*—Henry D. Graybill, '02.

It is the intention of the directors of the club to hold monthly smokers throughout the year, with the exception of the summer months. At these functions this are welcome whether they are members of the New York club or not.

BERNARD M. L. ERNST.

#### SCHENECTADY.

The Schenectady Alumni Club celebrated Alumni Day, Friday evening, March 15, at the home of New York Beta. The meeting, which was one of the most largely attended in the history of the Club, was called to order at seven o'clock by the president of the Club, Bro. LeRoy O. Ripley, '00, and the formal ceremonies of the day were observed.

Fraternity policy, past and present, and chapter house matters then received attention. The report of the treasurer of the Club was most encouraging and the acquisition of a chapter house by New York Beta within the next year seems probable.



A meeting of the Board of Directors to elect officers for the coming year was called for April 26, 1907.

Bro. Bishop, who represented the active chapter at Washington gave the alumni a report on the convention and an account of the active chapter.

After the former business had been transacted, refreshments were served and the remainder of the evening was spent in reminiscences and social good times. The fraternity spirit is strong in the Phis of Schenectady and was further strengthened by our last celebration.

D. S. GUARDENIER.

April 15, 1907.

#### PHILADELPHIA.

On Friday evening of last week, the 15th inst., the Phi Delta Theta Club of this city celebrated Alumni Day by a Reunion and Banquet, held in the Red Room of the Bellevue-Stratford. The tables were decorated with the fraternal White and Blue and a profusion of white carnations. All day long our flag hung from the pole of the Bellevue-Stratford overhanging Broad Street.

There were seventy-five Phis in attendance, about twenty-five of whom were from the Active Chapter. Bro. William T. Read, 1900 College, 1904 Law, acted as toastmaster and aptly introduced each brother. The responses were entirely informal, among those called on, being Bro. H. M. Dubois, J. Clark Moore, Jr., William M. Davison, Jr., J. H. R. Acker, Albert N. Garrett, Charles S. Potts and J. Harris Warthman. A telegram was read from Bro. John G. Hendrie.

A handsome silver Loving Cup, engraved with the fraternity coat of arms, the date, and a clause of appreciation, was presented to Bro. Clifton Maloney, who for nearly ten years, prior to the last annual meeting of the Club, when he resigned from office, was the President. The presentation speech was made by Bro. Moore and the cup was passed from Phi to Phi in a toast to the Brothers who have done so much for the success of Pennsylvania Zeta.

Nothing need be said of the dinner itself, the very name Bellevue-Stratford speaking for that part of the program. The menu was very attractive and the music "catchy." The singing, led by Bro. Dieterle of the active chapter, was splendid.

In every way the reunion was a success, from the formal presentation of the cup to the response of the baby member of the Chapter, Bro. Dick Norton; and the Banquet Committee, of which Bro. Acker was chairman, deserves every credit.

The spirit of Phi Delta Theta and the loyalty of the sons of old Penn filled the air. Such reunions have a most important place in the lives of Phis in and about Philadelphia and every Brother felt the better for this one.

March 22, 1907.

BENJAMIN H. LUDLOW.

#### RICHMOND.

The Phi Delta Theta Club, of Richmond, enthusiastically celebrated Alumni Day on Friday night by an annual reunion and dinner at the Commonwealth Club. After doing full justice to the attractive menu, those assembled were further entertained by the appointed speakers of the evening, led gracefully forth by President Robert L. Powers as toastmaster.

Alex. H. Sands, Jr. began the fun with his "Gibes from the Lawyers," which was replied to by Dr. Clifton M. Miller with his "Cuts from the Doctors," who was immediately followed by Mr. George Bryan with surrebuttal

testimony in defense of the law, a battle of repartee and wit, during which those present were told of the experience of a young (?) lawyer first appearing before the Supreme Court and the passionate eloquence wasted upon the sleeping justices, were given the first authentic definition of "brainstorm," and learned that Lawyer Smith received eighty per cent. of doctor's bills for advising him to give Lawyer Jones twenty per cent. for collecting.

The other speakers of the evening were Mr. Roy E. Cabell, on the topic, "In What Ways Phi Delta Theta Is Advancing;" Mr. John P. Lea, on "Our Chapter House Proposition;" Mr. E. W. Kelly, of the University of Virginia, on the same subject, and Dr. Greer Baughman, on "The National Convention at Washington," from whom it was learned that the Phi Delta Theta fraternity had placed itself on record as endorsing and had expressed its determination to work for the adoption of the "honor system" in all those colleges where they were represented by active chapters.

This was especially gratifying to the graduates of the University of Virginia present, the pioneer university and the exemplifier of this system.

The following gentlemen are members of the Phi Delta Theta Club of Richmond, the majority of whom were present at the annual dinner: Messrs. Albert B. Alsop, A. J. Battle, Adolphus Blair, Jr., Percy S. Boshier, George Bryan, Roy E. Cabell, B. Pollard Cardoza, W. A. Chambers, John Currie, L. R. Curry, James W. Gordon, Bernard R. Guest, J. J. Hickey, J. A. Lancaster, John P. Lea, J. W. Marshall, Frank W. Minor, W. W. Morton, Preston W. Noland, William H. Parrish, A. W. Patterson, M. C. Patterson, A. L. Pleasants, George C. Powers, Robert L. Powers, Conway R. Sands, Alex. H. Sands, Jr., R. E. Scott, W. C. Shepard, C. P. Stearns, C. W. Tanner, Robert S. Taylor, D. W. Thayer, E. P. Valentine, G. G. Valentine, Harry L. Watson, S. M. Wilson, Wins. F. Wilson, Dr. Greer Baughman, Robert S. Boshier, Matt O. Burke, William S. Gordon, E. C. McSparran, Clifton M. Miller, M. Pierce Kucker, Francis W. Upshur and Rev. Thomas McN. Simpson.

After the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted in the selection of Dr. Greer Baughman as president, and Mr. Charles P. Stearns as secretary, and after those present had congratulated Dr. Greer Baughman and Dr. Francis W. Upshur, the committee, upon the success of the twenty-eighth annual dinner, adjournment was in order, each man leaving with a stronger loyalty to the Phi Delta Theta and a better understanding of the spirit of fraternity life.

#### NASHVILLE.

The Nashville Alumni Club of Phi Delta Theta, celebrated last night with a banquet in honor of the founders of our fraternity.

The occasion was one noted for its great humor as well as interest.

One of the interesting features of this gathering was, that fathers and sons, both of whom joined the same chapter, sat about this board.

Tennessee Alpha is not very old as yet, still it bids fair in a short time to be self-perpetuating in this manner.

Fifty Phis attended last evening, which manifests the interest lingering in the hearts of those, many of whom are many years removed from the active chapter.

Some few of these were from other than our own chapter, but we claim sixty-eight Tennessee Alphas out of seventy-nine Alumni in the city. Nashville has proven a very good place to live in so far as Phis are concerned.

The question of building a new chapter house at Vanderbilt was brought

up and most favorably received. The men of the active chapter have had plans drawn up in keeping with their needs, which plans if carried out as proposed, will outclass any chapter house now at Vanderbilt by double the cost.

The building is to be erected on the site now occupied by the old house, this property being valued at \$4,000 and \$2,200 has been subscribed by the Nashville Alumni. The active chapter have given notes on themselves to the amount of \$2,200, leaving about \$4,000 to be collected in order that the balance can be borrowed for the erection of the building. The property complete will cost \$20,000.

The toastmaster after hearing the report from the active chapter, said, "The boys need the house and they ought to have it, and they *will* have it."

This seemed to express the sentiments of the whole company present.

I herewith enclose program of this occasion that I feel I could not do justice to did I write longer.

DR. H. S. VAUGHN.

#### CINCINNATI.

Alumni Day was celebrated in Cincinnati by a dinner at the Gibson House, Friday evening, March 15. Bro. Scott Bonham, Ohio Beta, '82, president of the Cincinnati Alumni Club, acted as toastmaster. Bro. Guido Gores, Cincinnati, '01, told in a brief and concise manner of the advancement being made by Phi Delta Theta at the present time. Bro. Albert Schroetter recalled many interesting incidents of the Washington convention. Keen regret was felt because of the unavoidable absence of Bro. I. J. Cox, Dartmouth, '96, who was to respond to the toast, "Memories of Old Dartmouth." His place on the toast list was filled by Bro. K. O. Foltz, Ohio Epsilon, '77. The remarks of Bro. Foltz were particularly interesting because they were in the nature of personal observations made during a recent trip to Jamaica. An eloquent toast, having for its subject: "Education in the Philippine Islands" was responded to by Bro. Barker H. Fillmore, Cincinnati, '01. Our honored brother and distinguished jurist, James B. Swing, Hanover, '76, was unable to be present to respond to the toast "Hanover Again." Bro. Edward N. Clingman, Ohio Alpha, '74, referred in his toast in a very beautiful manner to the idea of brotherhood which is the basic principle in college fraternity life. Bro. John De Ellis, Cincinnati, '07, easily convinced the alumni of Cincinnati that the interests of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in the University of Cincinnati are being well looked after by the active chapter of Ohio Theta. Bro. Ellis simply told the "facts in the case." Bro. J. M. Smedes, Vanderbilt, '79, was particularly happy in his reminiscences of "Old Vanderbilt Days."

The toast, "Delta Province Convention, November '07," was handled by Bro. Calvin Vos, Cincinnati, '06. A committee to take charge of the arrangements for this convention was appointed by the chair, the committee named to act jointly with a similar committee selected by the active chapter of Ohio Theta.

The election of officers resulted in the selection of Bro. W. H. Fillmore Cincinnati, '04, as president of the Cincinnati Alumni Club, and Bro. S. A. McGill, Cincinnati, '00, secretary. The meeting was a very enjoyable affair, made none the less so by numerous songs and yells which were contributed in abundance by the Phi Anti-Tuberculosis League.

The following is a list of those present: Scott Bonham, J. Marshall Smedes, Dr. G. P. Roberts, Clarence Bahlmann, Parker H. Fillmore, Edwin O. Schroetter, Llew. Williams, Jr., Earl Knight, Erwin Bahlmann, Edward

Haffner, Albert Doeller, Clifford Cordes, Edward Pflueger, Frederick L. Hanger, W. H. Fillmore, Dr. Howard F. Schell, John De Ellis, Hayward Ackerson, Albert Schroetter, Norman Conway, Henry Froelich, Guido Gores, E. N. Clingman, Dr. K. O. Foltz, S. A. McGill, Calvin Vos, Harry Fetsch.

March 20, 1907.

STUART A. MCGILL.

### COLUMBUS.

As in past years, the Columbus Alumni joined with Ohio Zeta Chapter in celebrating Alumni Day. This year, however, the banquet was held in Ohio Zeta's home, decorated for the occasion with fraternity and college pennants and banners, with table decorations of daffodils and white carnations.

As this was the first banquet in the new chapter house, it was made somewhat general in its scope, and invitations were given to several out-of-town Phis to be present and answer to toasts. To avoid conflict with other celebrations, the date was changed to Friday, March 8.

Some of the guests were unavoidably detained—among them Bro. Guy Potter Benton of Oxford, Bro. Hubert H. Ward, former P. G. C., of Cleveland, Bro. C. E. McBride of Mansfield, and Bro. I. M. Foster of Athens—and while regretting their absence, as also that of Bro. Emmett Tompkins, who had succumbed to the ubiquitous and omnipotent grippe, those who did gather around the tables were fortunate to have with them a founder of the fraternity, a former President of the General Council, and the present T. G. C., who stood the journey from Coshocton very well.

Father Lindley was, as always, an especially welcome guest. He brought to the chapter one of his latest portraits, inscribed suitably for the occasion, and this will be one of their most prized belongings, though nothing of the kind is needed for "his boys" to preserve the memory of his kind presence.

Bro. Marcus G. Evans kindly consented to assume the duties of impromptu toastmaster—a position that he occupied with such success as to arouse suspicions of prior knowledge. In addition to responses by Father Lindley and by Bro. John Edwin Brown, who was an especially acceptable speaker, in view of his enthusiastic help in the chapterhouse movement, the toast-list contained the names of Bro. S. J. Flickinger, Secretary to the Governor of Ohio, who spoke on "Politics" and advocated politics of the right sort, when synonymous with organization and concerted effort; Bro. Lowry F. Sater, who paid an eloquent tribute to the services of those Phis who have gone before us and are now numbered in the Chapter Grand; and Bros. Bretland and Manning, representing the active chapter.

So with songs and stories, college and fraternity yells and renewed tributes to Phi Delta Theta, another new home was dedicated to what it is hoped will be many years of service to the fraternity, prosperity to the chapter, and to the large cause of friendship and brotherly love.

In addition to those above named the following were present: From the Alumni—Bros. Trump, C. C. Vail, A. D. Ingram, J. L. ("Irish") Connors, James Prendergast, John Dudley Dunham, Charles C. Miller, David W. Jones, who was greeted more affectionately, if not more warmly, than in a certain football game at Columbus not many years ago; W. S. ("Billy") Brown, W. O. Scheibell, Calvin B. Ruggles of the Michigan Chapter, Bertram C. Pyle of Ohio Wesleyan, Pastor of the Madison Avenue M. E. Church, Charles F. Dowd, Herbert P. ("Hub") Senter, Earl C. Grant, just home from a European (not bridal) trip, and L. V. Vorhes of Portsmouth; Bro. W. R. ("Billy") Sprague who came up from Portsmouth, Bro. ("Phony") McGill

and Bro. Kelsey who came from Delaware to represent Ohio Beta; and from the active chapter—Bros. Martin Seldonridge, who enlivened the evening with his German "Barbara Fritchie" and dialect stories, Brubaker, Morrow, affiliated from Delaware; Welliver, Funk, Clawson, "Scotty" Scott, formerly of Ohio Wesleyan (who on account of his connection with that institution, is especially discerning in the purchase of smokables with which he is always entrusted) "Tom" Morris, "Bly" Morris, Seeds; Lawrence George Schlesinger, Arthur Schlesinger, who has another name that the writer is unable to spell even "simply;" Gascoigne, Minneman, Neal, the newest member; Cullen, "Deac" Sherick, Dickerson, Mitchell, Carothers and "Buck."

CHARLES F. DOWD.

#### INDIANAPOLIS.

The Phis of Indianapolis have a justly deserved reputation throughout the Fraternity, as being unsurpassed in energy, strength and loyalty, but on the occasion of the Founder's day banquet on March 15th, 1907, they outdid themselves.

The banquet was held at the Grand Hotel, at 8:30 P. M. and was attended by about 125 enthusiastic Phis.

Young Phis, middle aged Phis and old Phis were jumbled together and all were young in spirit and feelings.

A very pleasant feature of the occasion was the attendance of delegations from all the active chapters of the province, and also many Phis from the surrounding towns.

"Mine Host" Billy Holt of the Grand Hotel, fairly outdid himself and the tables lavishly decorated with white carnations and other beautiful decorations, groaned with good things to eat, and the service was perfect. No national convention banquet was ever handled better.

The committee in charge labored long and hard, and they did their work well. They gave us most excellent music and a program of speeches that could not be surpassed for eloquence, cleverness, entertainment and beautiful sentiment.

The headliner was Rev. Carter Helm Jones, Va. Delta, '82 of Louisville, Ky. We all considered it a great treat and an honor to hear and have with us our gifted and eloquent brother from Dixie.

Our own Phi Delta Theta Quartette, composed of Brothers F. N. Thurston, Ind. Delta, '03; F. G. Wishard, Ind. Beta, '94; R. G. Scott, Ind. Delta, '04; and N. H. Richardson; Ind. Beta, '96; performed nobly, and stirred up all kinds of Phi enthusiasm.

Bro. Fred G. Wishart, Ind. Beta, '94, sang a solo in a very pleasing manner, and was obliged to respond to several encores.

Bro. William E. Thurston, Ind. Delta, '09 favored us with a beautiful violin solo, which was enthusiastically applauded by those present.

Brother William Harrison Hayes, Ind. Beta, '00, of Sullivan, Ind., President of Epsilon Province, presided over our deliberations, and proved himself a first class toast master in every respect. He did as well as our own Hugh Th. Miller, and that is saying a great deal.

After the banquet had been served, and before the toasts began, the annual election was held. There were two tickets in the field, known as the "Interests" and the "Common People" tickets.

The official ballot is herewith reproduced:

## ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNI OF PHI DELTA THETA, MARCH 15, 1907.



"Interest"



President  
Vice Pres't  
Reporter  
Treasurer  
Warden  
Chaplain

CHARLES WOOD  
HILTON U. BROWN  
FRANK A. SYMMES  
HUBERT WOODSMALL  
FRANK PRESTON  
JAY B. DILL



"Common People"



RALPH BAMBERGER  
AMOS A. BUTLER  
NEAL THURSTON  
WILLITS A. BASTIAN  
NATHAN H. RICHARDSON  
HIRAM B. PATTEN

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

To vote straight "Interest" or "Common People" ticket mark cross in square at head of ticket thus ☒ Each voter is entitled to vote for one person for each office, if you wish to vote for candidates on both tickets make no cross at head of ticket but put cross in front of name of person to be voted for. If two persons for same office are voted for both votes will be thrown out.

*Only Indianapolis Alumni are entitled to vote in this Election.*

Brother Frank Martin, Ind. Delta, '95, upset all calculations of the Phi politicians, by getting up a third ticket on the spur of the moment, called the "Farmer's Ticket," at the head of which, as Honorary President was Dr. Joseph S. Jenckes, Ind. Alpha, '55, one of the oldest living Phis.

Dr. Jenckes was unanimously elected Honorary President of the Indianapolis Alumni Club, and the "Interests" ticket was elected in its entirety as follows:

President: Charles A. Woods, Indiana Alpha, '97. Vice President; Hilton U. Brown, Indiana Gamma, '80. Reporter: Frank A. Symmes, Indiana Beta, '07. Treasurer: Hubert H. Woodsmall, Indiana Delta, '98. Warden: Frank A. Preston, Indiana Zeta, '94. Chaplain: Jay B. Dill, Indiana Theta, '00.

The result of the election with the exception of the Honorary President, was not announced until next day at the weekly noon luncheon of the club.

The first speaker on the program was Bro. Columbus H. Hall, Indiana Delta, '72. Bro. Hall is the Vice President of Franklin College and is a well known educator.

Bro. Hayes, desiring to familiarize himself with the toast list, wrote one of the Indiana Delta boys to let him know something about Prof. Hall, and the reply of the Franklin brother was as follows:

Dear Bro. Hayes:—

Yours of the 11th received. Concerning Prof. Hall, I will proceed to answer your questions as you put them.

His name is Columbus Horatio Hall; he is the head of the department of Greek in Franklin college; is married and is generally known about here as a follower of Teddy Roosevelt, in that he believes in large families, and has one (ten of 'em.) He graduated from Morgan Park (Chicago University) in 1875; as to his hobby, so far as I know, his recreation is principally gathered from studying Hebrew and other long since forgotten languages, but he is an enthusiast when athletic sports are on. In fact he is the most ardent supporter of athletics about the school, and frequently speaks on the subject, almost invariably referring to times when he was a boy, and had to saw wood for exercise, because he didn't know of foot ball.

In speaking, Prof. Hall has made it a rule to work his outlines so as to have three "points" from which he works his argument. In fact his almost unvarying adherence to that habit has come to be regarded as a joke, and everyone looks for it. His speeches are always worth listening to though.

He is a very small man and does a very large work. He is an enthusiast in fraternity affairs, and is a decided help to the Indiana Delta boys when the alumni are assisting in showing new material what's what. He is well known in Masonry, and in the last Scottish Rite class, he did Franklin proud.

He is also Vice President of Franklin College.

This was the first time Bro. Hall has met with us, and we trust it will not be the last.

Prof. Hall's talk on "Our Founders" was most interesting and entertaining. He said "the funny and the serious sides of life are very close together, and it is often a close race between the tears and the smiles, to see which will win out."

Among other things, Prof. Hall delivered a most beautiful eulogy on our revered founders, and on the Bond. He said in part that the Founders, in the Bond, promulgated the fundamental basis of the order, which was fraternal friendship. He said Phi Delta Theta asks three things of every member:

1. Have faith in one another.
2. Serve and sacrifice not for ourselves, but for one another.
3. To give love to one another.

All these things were uppermost in the mind of Bro. Morrison, and we will honor him best, if we will practice these principles, declared the speaker.

The next speaker was Bro. Russell T. Byers, Indiana Beta, '98 of Indianapolis, whose subject was "Our Alumni Club."

Bro. Hays introduced him by saying that he was proud to introduce the men that made him a Phi, and that Bro. Byers was an insurance lawyer, but was otherwise respectable, and that his subject was, Alumni Clubs, or the active chapter's meal ticket. Purpose of Alumni Clubs, to build chapter houses and pay debts of active chapters.

Bro. Beyers talked very entertainingly on our Alumni Club, and with very great impartiality roasted most of the members of the local club, as will be noticed from the following letter which Bro. Beyers said he had written to THE SCROLL some time while he was serving as Reporter:

Editor of THE SCROLL.

Dear Brother: We have no social successes to relate. Politics seems to be the all absorbing topic. The legislative nominating convention will convene in a few days, when it is supposed that Bro. Sam Ruick will be renominated by acclamation. All remember with gratification the accomplishments of "Polly" during the last session. Two years ago, his slogan was "No taxation for fraternity property." He is now running on his record. This year he has again raised his battle scarred banner, and leads in his demands for Sunday Baseball, free beer and plenty of railroad passes.

Bro. Charles Macauley announces that he is not at this time a candidate for any office, and that as the great Commoner, he will work in the ranks.

Then there is the Marion Club, the club that made Beveridge famous, and Hubert Woodsmall wants to be a Director. Here is his war cry:

"Wood he? Wood what? Woodsmall would make a good Director."

Another man with a record is Ralph Bamberger. He aspires to be the President of our own local Alumni Club. During his candidacy, he has used every influence, even to promising federal jobs.

Yours in the Bond,

R. T. BYERS, Reporter.

Our toastmaster then informed us that Bro. Willits A. Bastian, Indiana Zeta, '91 of Indianapolis, the "Dick Little" of Indiana, and who fought with Grant at Veedersburg, afterward a high private in Coxey's army, and who had numerous other distinguished marks and traits, would inflict upon us a dissertation on the time honored, worn out, threadbare subject, "Billy Goat."

Bro. Bastian said we could congratulate ourselves that in the annual meeting of the "Goat Fancier's Association," the exhibit was full, and then he proceeded to unroll a manuscript with which he entertained us for about three quarters of an hour with one of the wittiest, cleverest dissertations on the "Goat" ever produced at a Phi dinner. The assemblage was in a constant uproar, and the luster of even Dick Little's speech on the Goat at the Washington convention, would be a little dimmed in comparison. We shall endeavor to get possession of the manuscript and reproduce it in the near future, after carefully expurgating the same.

The next speaker was our eloquent brother from Dixie, Dr. Carter Helm Jones of Louisville, Kentucky, Virginia Delta, '82, and well did he fulfill our expectations. Never has the writer been privileged to listen to a more eloquent and pleasing address than that given by Bro. Jones on "The Co-Phi," unless it was the toast on "The Ladies" given by Bro. Jones at the Louisville Convention in 1900.

It was just eight minutes to twelve, when Dr. Jones commenced to speak, and as he looked at his watch, he remarked that the lateness of the hour reminded him of the Irishman that was devouring a number of raw eggs, and



as he swallowed the last one, he heard a faint "cheep." "Begorra, ye spake too late," says he.

Bro. Jones told a number of very clever and entertaining stories, one of which was about a Kentuckian who was the recipient of a jar of brandied peaches. He could not eat the peaches, but he wrote his friend telling him that he certainly appreciated the spirit in which they were sent.

Bro. Jones said he could treat his subject, "The Co-Phi" in many ways, adding that the Co-Phi usually had to be treated.

Treating her historically, he said that Adam was the first Phi, and that he said "eis aner, oudeis aner," which freely translated, means, it is not good for man to live alone, and that was where the Co-Phi came in.

In trying to define the Co-Phi grammatically, Bro. Jones declared she was not a personal pronoun, for that was something that stood for a noun, and the Co-Phi will not stand for anything. She is not singular, for we can not compare her. She is not a verb, as that means action, being or state, and her only state is matrimony, and that state cannot be bounded.

She has no particular mood, and her voice is active, her tense varies, and finally Bro. Jones gave up trying to describe her, saying that the Co-Phi is bound to the Phi as she comes into his life, and that she is an ideal he tries to make real.

The writer tried to make copious notes of Bro. Jones' speech, but became so engrossed in the eloquent language and beautiful sentiments, that when it was over, he found he had made but very meager notes.

The toastmaster said we were very glad to have the benefit of clergy, and then introduced as the next speaker, Bro. William C. Ball, Indiana Alpha, '67, of Terre Haute, who responded to the toast, "The Advancement of Progress."

Bro. Ball said this was the first fraternity banquet he had attended since his college days, but that he did not intend to miss another as long as he lived. Bro. Ball gave us a most interesting and entertaining talk which covered the subject assigned for discussion on Alumni day, by the General Council. Bro. Ball handled the subject in a most able manner, and made us all feel what a force for good Phi Delta Theta is today, and what strides it has made in recent years.

The last speaker on the program was Judge John C. Robinson, Indiana Alpha, '61, of Spencer, Indiana, who also informed us that he had not attended a Phi banquet since his College days, but that he felt that he had found the fountain of youth, and that he would not stay away again so long.

Bro. Robinson signed the bond on January 27, 1858, and said the greatest secret of the fraternities of those days was where and when they met.

Bro. Robinson related several interesting anecdotes about our departed Bro. Benjamin Harrison, and other of our famous men who had signed the Bond.

His toast "Reminiscences" was one of the finest after dinner addresses the writer has ever heard, and brought tears to more than one eye.

He ended by saying: "Many of you young men will in your career, join many orders and societies, but none will ever be so near and dear to you as Phi Delta Theta."

It was nearly two o'clock when the banquet adjourned, and everyone present voted it a complete success in every particular.

The committee in charge, to whom the credit is due, was: Bro. Frederick Neal Thurston, Indiana Delta, '04, chairman; Bro. Frank A. Symmes, Indiana Beta, '07; Bro. James L. Mitchell, Indiana Alpha, '89.

The following is a partial list of those present, it being impossible to obtain a full list, as a number came in late:

*Indiana Alpha*—John P. Todd, '04; William T. Patten, '93; Tom W. Donnelly, '09; C. L. Hornaday, '08; Thomas W. Simmons, '08; Arnold S. W. Curdles, '09; A. Free, '09; Lewis W. Hughes, '98; Dr. Homer Woolery, '97; H. L. Smith, '98; Chas. A. Woods, '97; Posey Jones, '92; James L. Mitchell, '89; Dow B. Foster, '92; J. W. Fesler, '87; Lon D. Rogers, '78; Clarence L. Goodwin, '83; Hanson S. Gifford, '04; Amos W. Butler, '81; Dr. George Pendleton, '91; William C. Ball, '67; Dr. Joseph S. Jenckes, '56; Judge John C. Robinson, '61.

*Indiana Beta*—Will H. Hays, '00; Russell T. Beyers, '98; T. W. Allison, '10; Guy M. Wells, '03; Harold McCulloch, '10; Rollin DeFrees, '59; Joseph de Lorenzi, '09; Walter H. Linn, '09; Dr. Thomas C. Hood, '81; Lyman E. Ott, '80; S. A. Bouslog, '05; Michael E. Foley, '99; Frank A. Symmes, '07; N. A. Richardson, '96; Dr. Fred G. Wishard, '94.

*Indiana Gamma*—P. W. Schwartz, '10; T. R. Spray, '10; L. D. Kingsburg, '10; Laurence Freeman, '09; James L. Murray, '09; J. R. Tracy, '08; E. Fitzgerald, '09; Frank C. Olive, '97; R. F. Davidson, '92; Lawrence B. Davis, '00; Thos. A. Hendricks, '09; Robert H. Egbert, '06; Hilton U. Brown, '80; Chas. F. Moffitt, '79.

*Indiana Delta*—Columbus H. Hall, '72; W. B. Douglass, '08; Calvins R. Marshall, '07; Rollin L. Ott, '06; Edwin L. Deming, '09; William E. Thurston, '09; Roscoe G. Stott, '04; Omar I. Demaree, '00; Illiff J. Brown, '09; R. Thos. Overstreet, '10; Ivory J. Drybread, '97; Frank A. Witt, '06; H. D. Lawshe, '09; Elmer E. Dunlap, '93; Faris B. Smith, '08; Julian S. Bryan, '10; Merle J. Abbett, '07.

*Indiana Epsilon*—William S. Garber, '72; Thomas C. Whallon, '98; K. D. H. Reap, '00; J. W. LaGrange, '86.

*Indiana Zeta*—Neal Grider, '09; Clyde R. Randel, '10; Lawrence M. Birch, '10; Chester E. Lawrence, '10; Guilford Wiley, '06; Will Raub, '10; Homer Wiley, '10; O. R. Van Dyke, '05; Chester A. Jewett, '09; Charles E. Felton, '06; Charles W. Jewett, '07; William G. Crawford, '05; Frank A. Preston, '94; Willits A. Bastian, '91; S. K. Ruick, '97; Dr. Frank W. Foxworthy, '94.

*Indiana Theta*—J. B. Dill, Jr., '00; Herbert J. Woche, '09; G. R. Millican, '09; Vincent K. Newcommer, '09; Mat. C. Dabney, '09.

*Ohio Alpha*—John B. Elam, '70; Charles A. Macauley, '98.

*California Beta*—William A. Eaton, '02.

*Wisconsin Alpha*—Thos. D. Stevenson, '08; Clyde E. Osborne, '06.

*Michigan Alpha*—Claude T. Tuck, '02.

*Massachusetts Alpha*—Ralph M. Ketcham, '05.

*Virginia Delta*—Carter Helm Jones, '82.

S. K. RUICK.

#### CHICAGO.

It must be confessed that the celebration of Alumni Day in Chicago this year was considerable of a disappointment. This, however, was perhaps true only in the matter of attendance and looking on the bright side, it can be recorded that an action was taken which will doubtless bring about a successful reorganization of the club and insure a series of six evening dinners with entertainment features, between now and March 15, 1908.

The dinner this year was given at the Great Northern Hotel and the service rendered by the hotel management was highly creditable. There were ninety-two Phis present. This was the result of six hundred notices sent out with return postal cards. Forty-three of the notices have been returned undelivered. With the new scheme for a series of dinners through the year it is hoped that a stronger interest may be worked up and sustained.

Twenty-five chapters were represented. There were twelve alumni from Illinois Beta, six from Indiana Epsilon, five from Illinois Alpha and smaller representations from other chapters. The active chapters of Illinois Alpha and Illinois Beta were well represented; sixteen from Illinois Alpha, eleven from Illinois Beta. The names of Phis present are given at the end of this report.

Bro. Hoyt King, Indiana Alpha, '92, presided as toastmaster and demonstrated that he knew how to do it. His introductions were most felicitous. The club is to be congratulated on having made a discovery. Those that responded to toasts were: Judge Frederick A. Smith, Illinois Beta, '66, Rev. John R. Crosser, Pennsylvania Gamma, '82, Rev. John Balcom Shaw, Pennsylvania Alpha, '85, Judge Christian C. Kohlsaat, Illinois Beta, '67 and Rev. William Chalmers Covert, Indiana Epsilon, '85. Bro. Richard Henry Little was on the program, but our worthy province president was at church lecturing on "The Making of a Great Newspaper" and was unable to reach the hotel before the party had broken up. Special invitations had been issued to Bro. William Allen Cohito of Emporia, Kansas, and to Dr. Guy Potter Beaton of Miami, but both were compelled to decline.

After the toasts a plan for reorganization was discussed and adopted. In brief, the plan is that active members of the club shall pay annual dues of five dollars. An entertainment committee was appointed and will arrange for a series of six evening dinners between now and March 15, 1908, at each of which some form of entertainment will be provided. For each one of these dinners a price of fifty cents will be charged to active members. Other Phis will be charged \$1.00. Bros. Judson, chairman, Howe, Remy, Godso, Mintan, McCaskey and Soule constitute this committee. The first of these dinners will probably be given in April. The following Phis attended the dinner:

*Alabama Beta*—John Arrington, '95.

*Illinois Alpha*—Herbert T. Wheat, '01; John F. Wulff, '05; Chas. Center Case, Jr., '01; Frank W. McCasky, '97; Harold A. Romans, '06.

*Illinois Beta*—Frederick A. Smith, '66; Christian C. Kohlsaat, '67; Stacy C. Mosser, '97; William E. Ramsay, '01; Harvey T. Woodruff, '99; Guy C. Kinnaman, '02; Herbert F. Ahlswede, '03; William E. Godso, '03; Willis S. Hilpert, '03; John H. Smale, '04; Frederick A. Speik, '05; Walter K. Earle '04.

*Illinois Zeta*—John E. Edwards, '79; Harrie A. Jansen, '04.

*Illinois Eta*—Ralph S. Shepardson, '97; Burt T. Stanton, '00; Forest J. Arnold, '03.

*Indiana Alpha*—Hoyt King, '92; Warren O. Howe, '86.

*Indiana Beta*—Otis L. Linn, '04.

*Indiana Gamma*—Curtis H. Remy, '71; Charles F. McElroy, '04.

*Indiana Epsilon*—Fred Clifton Spalding, '04; Earl W. Newton, '04; Gustavus P. Head, '82; William E. Hunter, '03; R. S. Edwards, '06; Wm. Chalmers Covert, '85.

*Indiana Zeta*—R. C. Hawthorne, '04; Howard S. Cook, '84.

*Indiana Theta*—Harry R. Wilson, '01; F. G. Whipple, '02.

*Iowa Beta*—Lewis B. Morton, '01.

*Kansas Alpha*—George S. Lewis, '89.

*Massachusetts Alpha*—Charles H. Ward, '03.

*Michigan Alpha*—Carl H. Upmeyer, '04; John B. Mecham, '88; Edwin S. Antisdale, '90.

*Michigan Gamma*—Alfred R. Heckman, '86; Charles I. Barker, '87; Fayette F. Soule, '97.

*Nebraska Alpha*—C. S. Whedan, '04; John T. Sumner, '99; Fred F. Fairman, '06.

*New Hampshire Alpha*—L. H. Blanchard, '97; Philip S. Blanchard, '04; Guy H. Abbott, '02; George E. Liscomb, '07.

*New York Alpha*—Walter Kuhlmeier, '05.

*Ohio Alpha*—Asher Golden Wark, '94; William E. Stokes, '99.

*Ohio Delta*—Ralph H. McKee, '95.

*Pennsylvania Alpha*—John Balcom Shaw, '85; Jackson P. Kuney, '76.

*Pennsylvania Gamma*—John R. Crasser, '82.

*Wisconsin Alpha*—John W. O'Neill, '85; Robert P. Minton, '04; Harold G. Ferris, '02; Fred W. Bentley, '83.

*South Dakota Alpha*—J. Kentner Elliott, '03.

*From Active Chapter Illinois Alpha*—Harold A. Spilman, Randolph Griffith, Chester F. Ericson, Ernest Swanson, Allen F. Rader, Wm. H. Schoeffler, Paul M. Taylor, Harris V. Hartman, Merlin S. Wilson, Leon T. Wilson, G. B. Turner, Clifford C. Gustine, William W. Burke, James R. Johnson, Elmer S. Albritton, George W. Barlow.

*From Active Chapter Illinois Beta*—Robert T. Radford, Walter P. Steffen, E. W. Edmonds, William E. Thomas, Frederick G. Eberhard, John L. Schruth, Bernard H. Krog, John D. Ellis, M. Clarence Mattinson, Olin L. Richards, George Edwin Bolsinger.

WILLIAM E. GODSO.

#### PEORIA.

The Peoria Phi Delta Theta Alumni Club, observed Alumni Day in proper spirit. Eleven brothers met at the round table of the Creve Coeur Club and passed the evening in reminiscences and good fellowship. Bros. MacClyment, of Wyoming, and C. H. Meade, of Chillicothe, joined us and Bro. Geo. A. Shurtliff, enrolled. The club will have three meetings a year, June, September and March.

H. B. BEECHER.

March 16, 1907.

#### SIOUX CITY.

The Sioux City Alumni Club enjoyed a very pleasant celebration on Alumni Day, March 15. A banquet was held at noon in the Dutch room at the West Hotel.

The officers for 1907 were elected as follows: President, H. H. Jarvis; secretary and treasurer, A. O. Wakefield; reporter, Robert H. Munger. An executive committee was appointed composed of Bro. J. W. Hallam, J. P. Blood and O. S. Dean. At the close of the banquet Bro. Jarvis spoke upon the topic of the day: "In What Way is Phi Delta Theta Making Advancement?" and a general discussion followed which awakened happy reminiscence, bringing us into close touch with the spirit of the day. Appropriate toasts were offered to the Fraternity, the General Council, etc.

We are pleased to join in a toast to the success and prosperity of the new chapter, South Dakota Alpha. Fraternity colors were worn by the brothers during the day. The members of the Sioux City Club extend their best wishes to the Fraternity.

ROBT. H. MUNGER.

March 19, 1907.

#### ST. LOUIS

The Seventeenth annual banquet of the Alumni Phis in St. Louis was held on Thursday night, March 28, 1907. It has been the custom of the St. Louis

Club to hold their meeting on the 28th of March for the reason that it is the anniversary of the Phi Chapter in St. Louis, the Missouri Gamma Chapter in St. Louis, at Washington University having originally been initiated on March 28th, 1890.

The banquet was served by Southern Hotel in its private dining room at 8 P. M., Philo S. Stevenson, President of the Alumni Club, presiding as toastmaster.

Before sitting down to dinner the annual election of officers of the Alumni Club was held and the following officers elected: J. Campbell Cummings, Commercial Building, St. Louis, President; Robert C. Miller, 618 Chestnut Street, St. Louis, Vice-President; Christy M. Farrar, 218 Granite Building, St. Louis, Secretary and Treasurer.

General Frederick Funston, U. S. A., Richard H. Little, of *The Chicago Tribune*, and Chas. F. Lamkin, Historian of the General Council, were invited as guests of honor.

Unfortunately General Funston, owing to illness, and Richard H. Little owing to newspaper engagements were unable to be present; but Bro. Lamkin barked beautifully, and talked on the fraternity in general, and particularly on the proposed Chapter House for Missouri Gamma Chapter.

Richard McCulloch, who was on the program for a toast, was unexpectedly unable to be present, and E. Glion Curtis responded in his place.

An amusing incident of the evening was related in the *Globe Democrat* next morning as follows:

One of the toasts of the evening was "How to Be a Loyal Phi, Though Married," responded to by Glion Curtis. As Toastmaster Stephenson announced the speaker and his subject there was a sudden commotion at the door. A striking looking young woman was forcing her way past a protesting head waiter and making straight for the speaker's table. Reaching the toastmaster's side, she placed her hands on his shoulders, looked into his eyes and cried: "O Philo, tell me it is not true that you are to be married."

Just what reply Mr. Stevenson made could not be heard, owing to the wave of audible joy that swept through the assembled "frat" men. Some of those present were not aware that the scene was a carefully planned hoax. They sympathized with Stevenson. Stevenson did not know what to make of the scene, and not until the young woman made a smiling retreat, and he looked at some of his intimate friends did he become aware that it was all a joke.

Alvan J. Goodbar spoke for the Active Chapter of Missouri Gamma, and Charles C. Collins on the Chapter House proposition from the Alumni standpoint.

A general discussion of the Chapter House proposition was entered into and many spoke, all in favor but presenting various views.

A motion was made by Walter E. Fischell and seconded by Christy M. Farrar, to take a vote of the alumni present to ascertain the sentiment as to whether the Chapter House for Missouri Gamma should be on the campus of Washington University or whether they should proceed to get a site off the campus at an increased cost.

The vote was practically unanimous that it should be erected off the campus if possible.

A meeting of the Missouri Gamma Chapter House Association was also held. The committee reported that a pro forma decree of incorporation had been secured from the state, and that there was some \$2700 in cash on hand and about \$4000 more in notes, subscribed for the Chapter House. The intention was expressed that a strong effort was to be made to commence build-

ing this summer, so that by next winter the Active Chapter would be in its own home.

A nominating committee of Christy M. Farrar, Philip White and Guy Study made the following nominations for the Board of Directors of the Missouri Gamma Chapter House Association:

For the term expiring March 28, 1908: Alvan J. Goodbar, E. Sammual Allen and Frank Eliot, representing the active chapter on the board.

For the term expiring March 28, 1909: Richard McCulloch, E. Glion Curtis and Charley Pettus.

For the term expiring March 28, 1910: Charles Cummings Collins, Alex. Skinker and Philo S. Stephenson.

It was moved and carried that the secretary cast the ballot of the Association in accordance with this report. After some more informal discussion the meeting adjourned, and the banquet was over.

There were about sixty present several Phis making long trips specially to be present at the annual reunion.

The following Phis were present at the banquet: Geo. F. Ayres, D. D., Frank Coddling, Boyle O. Rodes, Ruby Beneke, Hamilton Daughady, R. A. Bull, Phillip B. White, George Boeck, Ben T. Harrison, J. Adkins, Charley Pettus, W. C. Morgan, J. W. Judson, Bud Hunkins, Charles F. Lamkin, Douglas Turner, Christy M. Farrar, Marsh B. Boothby, R. Glion Curtis, M. D. Dodd, Francis P. Hardaway, Walter E. Fischel, Herschel J. Drabelle, Chas. C. Collins, J. Campbell Cummings, Alex Skinker, John G. Gough, Allen C. Caldwell, Joe T. Howell, Mark M. Anderson, Philo Stevenson, Elmer Mantz, W. P. Elmer, G. L. Gold, H. R. Barton, R. H. Stevens, Jr., P. R. Flitercraft, Ralph McCarty, Eugene T. Senseney, Robert Wilson, Benedict Farrar, Ben Chapman, Brownlee Fisher, Royal Switzler, Frank Montgomery, Alvan J. Goodbar, Frank Eliot, F. J. Wehrl, L. A. Wehrl, Samuel Allen, Guy Study, Alan P. Whittimore, L. B. Vella, Allen W. Clark, C. M. Marriott, Victor E. Rhodes and Roy Campbell.

The following accepted but were unable to be present: Richard McCulloch, Boyle O. Rodes, Wm. Graham, Albert Lawver, Warren L. Clark, Blasdel Shapleigh, Joseph Dickson, Nick Carter, Thos. B. Carter, Coalgate Scudder, Charley Madill, Frederick Funston, Kelton E. White, A. B. Gregory, Ralph Campbell, Charley Wall, Dan Dillon.

#### FULTON.

On March 15, Missouri Beta decorated the grave of Father Morrison with white carnations from the chapter and with violets sent by Mrs. Morrison. The regular celebration of Alumni Day was held on Saturday evening, March 16. The Fulton Alumni Club and the Missouri Beta chapter joined in the celebration. At this celebration were C. F. Lamkin, H. G. C., F. R. Cowles, Vice President Zeta Province and E. C. Henderson Chapter House Commissioner. About thirty-five Phis were present, including a number from out of town and all the local Alumni. The active chapter initiated Chancellor Edwin Weymouth, of Cassville, Mo., before the exercises. A buffet lunch was served and afterwards the following Phis spoke: Dr. Noble B. McKee, superintendent State school for the deaf, Rev. C. A. McPheeters, president Synodical College, E. C. Henderson, S. S. Morrison (nephew of Robert Morrison) F. R. Cowles, John J. Rice, Jr., and others. A number of subscriptions for THE SCROLL and for the Miami chapter house were taken. A very successful meeting was closed by perfecting plans looking towards a chapter house for Missouri Beta which is expected to be started in June.

March 19, 1907.

C. F. LAMKIN.

## NEW ORLEANS.

The New Orleans Alumni Club and Louisiana Alpha chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  celebrated at Hotel Bruno on March 23, at a banquet. The banquet and meeting of the Alumni Club was postponed from March 15 because the Tulane Alumni banquet was held on that date.

No one who was present at this gathering will deny that it was one of the most enthusiastic and successful banquets in the history of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in Louisiana and not only did everyone present enjoy himself fully, but much business was transacted and many things planned to aid the local chapter in maintaining its present high standing in Tulane University.

The meeting of the Alumni Club took place at seven-thirty p. m., with five new members present. After reports of officers had been read a discussion of the affairs of the club and of the local chapter took place. It was agreed to reduce the dues of the club and at the end of every year to turn over all surplus cash in the treasury to the chapter house fund of the local chapter. A chapter house association was formed in the club to secure the subscriptions of all alumni who have not contributed and to take active charge of the chapter house fund. Bro. Herman B. Gessner, '89, was elected president of the Chapter House Association, Bro. C. Milo Brady, '89, vice president, Bro. W. S. Lewis, '94, treasurer, and Bro. Edw. C. Ansley, '06, secretary. All of these officers are members of Louisiana Alpha chapter. The Club decided to hold joint meetings with the local active chapter every month and if this project is carried out it will be highly beneficial to all concerned. The following officers were elected to serve during the coming year: C. Milo Brady, Louisiana Alpha, '89, president; Horace E. Crump, Louisiana Alpha, '04, treasurer; Edw. C. Ansley, Louisiana Alpha, '06, secretary and reporter; Walter S. Lewis, Louisiana Alpha, '94, and Oliver E. Rayne, Georgia Beta, '05, members of the Executive committee. The meeting adjourned and those present repaired to the banquet room where they were joined by the members of the active chapter. Bro. C. Milo Brady acted as toastmaster and presided over the enthusiastic gathering in his usual happy manner. The following toasts were responded to: "Louisiana Alpha and Tulane," James J. Fortier, '09; "New Orleans Alumni Club," Alex Allison, Jr., Louisiana Alpha, '96; "Chapter House Prospects" Walter S. Lewis, Louisiana Alpha, '94; "Reminiscences," Geo. G. Earl, Pennsylvania Alpha, '84. "The Ladies," Warren B. Parks, Georgia Alpha, '00; "Phi Delta Theta," Herman B. Gessner, Louisiana Alpha, '89; "1906 Convention," Abner C. Chappuis, Louisiana Alpha, '07; "The Freshmen," Edwin T. Russell, Louisiana Alpha, '10; "Past, Present and Future," Edw. C. Ansley, Louisiana Alpha, '06.

Bro. Harry H. Russell, Louisiana Alpha, '08, was leader of the songs and yells and was assisted by Bros. Chappuis and Ansley. The songs and yells were given heartily if not musically and everyone present voted this one of the features of the evening. The subject for general discussion "In What Ways is Phi Delta Theta Making Progress," was handled under the impromptus and nearly every one present had something to say on this subject. Taken as a whole the gathering made up in enthusiasm and general enjoyment what was lacking in numbers. The Hotel Bruno orchestra rendered several selections during the evening, among which were all of the old Phi Delt favorites.

Those present were: H. B. Gessner, C. Milo Brady and J. F. Dupuy, all three of them chapter members of Louisiana Alpha, A. C. Chappuis, '07, James J. Fortier, '09, Don Renshaw, '10, Leonce J. Himel, Jr., '09, Edw. T. Russell, '10, M. F. Seip, '10, J. F. Bean, '10; H. E. Chambers, Jr., '10, Geo. S. West, '10, H. H. Tippin, '09, W. H. Tippin, '10, J. P. McQueen,

'10, H. H. Russell, Jr., '08; Miles A. Watkins, '09, of the active chapter. The following alumni of Louisiana Alpha: Edw. P. Brady, '91; A. Capdevielle, '00; John R. Upton, '99; W. S. Lewis, '94; M. Lewis, '05; H. N. Woods, '99; Benj. Crump, Jr., '02; J. T. Chambers, '05; Albin J. Nott, '04; T. B. L. Layton, '00; J. G. Martin, '02; Thomas Gilmore, '05; W. A. Howcott, Jr., ex-'07; Gordon King, '97; P. S. Freret, ex-'07; W. B. Mangum, '02; C. T. Rayner, '02; Alex Allison, Jr., '96; Horace E. Crump, '04; Edw. C. Ansley, '06. Others present were O. E. Rayne, Georgia Beta, '05; W. B. Parks, Georgia Alpha, '00; F. G. Govan, Georgia Alpha; A. W. Barlow, Tennessee Beta, '06; A. B. Wheeler, Jr., Tennessee Beta, '06; Geo. O. Earl, Pennsylvania Alpha, '84.

The following committee arranged the annual banquet and had the affair in charge: Edw. C. Ansley, chairman; O. E. Rayne, Georgia Beta, '05; W. B. Parks, Georgia Alpha, '00, and Thomas Gilmore, Louisiana Alpha, '02, from the New Orleans Alumni Club and J. J. Fortier, A. C. Chappuis and Don Renshaw from the Louisiana Alpha chapter. We hope to have several smokers at the chapter hall in the near future and hope that we may be able to report a great revival of enthusiasm and interest on behalf of the Phi Delta Theta Alumni residing in New Orleans. EDW. C. ANSLEY.

March 25, 1907.

#### FORT SMITH.

Our Annual meeting was a very successful and interesting affair. We spent the evening in talking of old college days and of ways and means of increasing the interest in our club. We decided to do all in our power to induce good men who left here for colleges in various places to join our fraternity if possible. We have sixteen members in our club but on account of absences from the city, we had only eight present at our banquet, but what we lacked in numbers we made up in enthusiasm. On account of the small attendance we decided to postpone the election of officers to some future day.

ROBT. DICKENS.

March 25, 1907.

#### SAN FRANCISCO.

The San Francisco Alumni Club held its annual banquet at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco, Saturday evening, March 16. Bro. Louis Titus, California Alpha, '94, was toastmaster. Among the chapters represented were Stanford, California, Dartmouth, Washington and Jefferson, and the University of Michigan. There were in all forty-four Phis around the table.

The toasts were as follows: "All for one and one for all," Bro. Frank Otis, California Alpha, '73; "The Stanford Phis," Bro. W. W. Behlow, Stanford University, '07; "The Blue and Gold," Bro. Alfred Salisbury, California Alpha, '07; "Castles in Spain," Bro. Elmer Rowell, California Alpha, '07; "How to explain to your client why you lost his case," Bro. Wigginton Creed, California Alpha, '98. Bro. Alfred Swinnerton, California Beta, '05, was elected delegate from the San Francisco Alumni Club to the next Iota Province Convention, which is to be held at Stanford on Saturday, April 13. Bro. George McChesney, California Alpha, '96, was elected Reporter of the San Francisco Alumni Club for 1907-08.

March 18, 1907.

VICTOR H. HENDERSON.



## SPOKANE.

The Spokane Alumni Club celebrated the annual Alumni Day by banquetting at Davenport's. It was pronounced by all to be the best banquet and most successful gathering of the local Alumni Club.

The principal speech of the evening was by Hon. Norman Buck, Wisconsin Beta, '59, ex-Judge of the Idaho Supreme Court. His speech was full of reminiscence and wit and was very much enjoyed. Those present were: Norman Buck, A. M. Craven, C. M. Doland, M. H. Durkee, J. H. Evans, H. B. Ferris, E. H. Hughes, E. S. Hutchins, T. H. Jones, A. M. Lupfer, E. M. McElroy, L. G. Nash, M. H. Stanley, W. S. Thyng, D. E. Twitchell.

The following officers were elected: President, Norman Buck; Vice-President, T. H. Jones; Reporter and Secretary, H. B. Ferris; Treasurer, M. H. Stanley.

H. B. FERRIS.

March 29, 1907.

## SEATTLE.

While the Seattle Alumni Club has been somewhat remiss in sending in its letters to the SCROLL, it has not been due to the fact that the club has not been active. For some time a discussion has been carried on relative to the reorganization of the club, the purpose being to effect a stronger and more permanent organization. This has been accomplished. A set of by-laws has been adopted and the following Phis selected as officers: Bro. D. B. Trefethen, Massachusetts Beta, President; Bro. R. C. Hazen, Kansas Alpha, Treasurer and the undersigned, Washington Alpha, Secretary and Reporter. An executive committee was appointed consisting of Bros. J. Roy Kinnear, Washington Alpha; Clay Allen, Illinois Alpha, and Bro. Harry G. Willis, Michigan Alpha.

Among the plans contemplated by the Alumni Club is that of the entertainment of visiting Phis in 1909, during the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. The Exposition will be held on the campus of the University of Washington, probably the most beautiful college campus in the world from a natural scenic standpoint. The Legislature this year appropriated \$1,000,000 \$600,000 of which will be used for the construction of three University buildings which will be used for Fair purposes and then for educational purposes; \$200,000 for the construction of a Washington State Exhibit building, \$100,000 for the purchase of exhibits, and the balance for transportation and maintenance of the Exhibit building. At the close of the Fair this building will become the property of the University for educational purposes. Several of the State Legislatures have already appropriated various sums of money for the construction of buildings and the establishment of exhibits at the Fair. Many of these buildings will be constructed with the view of turning them over to the University for educational purposes. At the close of the Fair, all the Fair buildings, proper, will be constructed with this ultimate end in view.

On January 25 the Seattle Alumni Club gave one of the prettiest Fraternity dances ever given in the City. The affair was held in Christensen's Broadway Hall.

On March 16 Alumni Day was celebrated by ninety Phis, the largest gathering to the Pacific Northwest. Bro. Daniel B. Trefethen officiated as master of ceremonies. The following are a list of toasts responded to:

Bro. A. R. Priest—The toasts begun will make a Twentieth Century Run.

Bro. Ralph Marvin—Will thoughts divest on brother Phis from East, out West.

Bro. Clay Allen—Will clear the air *Εἰς ἀνὴρ ὀνόμις ἀνὴρ*.

Bro. Harry Willis—'ll make a bluff sprouting Fields unpublished stuff.

Bro. Robert G. McGlinn—Will then begin, a Short and snappy Political spin.

Bro. J. Webster Hoover—Will now unloosen, and tell of those, the Chapter's chosen.

Impromptus—Here do follow suit, so rig the nerves and wits to boot.

Among the impromptus were the remarks of Bro. Howard A. Hanson, Bro. C. E. Gaches and Bro. Loren D. Grinstead.

Phi Delta Theta was well represented at the last session of the State Legislature by Bro. W. A. Halteman, Indiana Delta, '87. Bro. W. A. Halteman, who is serving his second term in the Lower House, proved to be one of the permanent members of that body; Bro. C. E. Gaches, Washington Alpha, '01, the youngest member of the House; Bro. Howard A. Hanson, Washington Alpha, '03. In addition to these members of the Legislature, we were very fortunate in having with us Bros. Grinstead and McGlinn, both Washington Alpha, '05. Bro. Grinstead was Assistant Chief Clerk of the House and Bro. McGlinn its Reading Clerk, commonly spoken of as "that leather-lunged Phi Delta Reading Clerk." The brothers worked hard for the interest of the University and their respective districts, and are generally conceded to have made good records and ably represented their Alma Mater.

March 27, 1907.

HOWARD A. HANSON.

#### TACOMA.

The Tacoma Alumni Club celebrated Alumni Day on Saturday evening, March 16, with a dinner at the Tacoma Hotel. Nine of the thirteen members were present and spent a pleasant evening talking over the old days and planning for the further extension of the Club's influence in the city. The occasion was more than a mere observance of Alumni Day for it marked the first anniversary of the Tacoma Club, the charter having been granted one year ago. Several matters of business were attended to. Bro. F. A. Rise was again elected as president of the Club. Bro. W. G. Heinley, was re-elected secretary and treasurer. Owing to his expected removal from the city, Bro. Burton Beck resigned as correspondent for THE SCROLL and Bro. C. F. Nevius was elected as his successor. Plans were discussed relative to the reception of visiting brothers or those who may locate in Tacoma. In view of the fact that so many young men are coming to the Northwestern cities the club will appreciate being notified of the coming of any Phi brothers to Tacoma. Tacoma Phis will be glad to welcome all newcomers. Those present on the 16th were Bros. Rice, Glanville, Dempsey, Shackelford, Nevius, Beck, Beurhaus, Ellis, Fletcher. Owing to other engagements Bros. Hill, Heinly, Bridges and Harshberger were absent.

C. F. NEVIUS.

## PERSONAL.

*De Pauw*—T. T. Moore, '75, is a member of the Indiana State Senate.

*Miami*—John C. Farber, '73, is a member of the Indiana State Senate.

*Tulane*—William Ball Mangum, '02, is now on Smetes Plantation, Mississippi.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—F. M. Kline, '97, is principal of Tabor Academy at Tabor, Iowa.

*Indiana, Wabash and Michigan*—W. S. Harbert, '67, is now a resident of Los Angeles, Cal.

*Vermont*—Hugh H. Watson, '06, is in the United States Consular Service at Three Rivers, Quebec.

*Stanford*—William B. Moulton, '94, is President of the Civil Service Commission of the State of Illinois.

*Franklin*—William A. Halteman, '87, is a member of the lower house of the Washington Legislature.

*South Dakota*—Brother Dennis Sullivan will play with the Boston American league this coming season.

*Gettysburg*—R. H. Philson '03, is cashier of the Citizens' National Bank of Meyersdale, Pennsylvania.

*South Dakota*—Bro. Kenneth Sawyer, '07, has signed with the Winnepeg as a pitcher for the coming season.

*Stanford*—Oliver Kehrlein, '05, will be married in the early summer to Miss Frances Coon, of Menlo Park, Cal.

*Kentucky State*—Bro. J. B. Trice Jr., '06, is now connected with the General Electric Co. of Schenectady, N. Y.

*Central*—C. C. McChord, '80, was renominated without opposition to the Kentucky Railroad Commission, March 19.

*Gettysburg*—H. H. Muhlenburg, '06, has been elected captain of the University of Pennsylvania Water Polo team.

*Vermont*—E. C. Mower, '92, has been reappointed judge of the Municipal Court of Burlington for the next two years.

*Central*—William Rogers Clay, '85, delivered the leading address at the opening of the Louisville Exposition, March 11.

*Gettysburg*—J. Clyde Markel, M. D., '00, has located in Pittsburg and will open offices, practicing as an eye specialist.

*Tulane*—Fernand Vaughn Gasquet, '98, is no longer with Gilbert & Gasquet of Birmingham, but now resides in New Orleans.

*Tulane*—Henry N. Woods, '99, left his position as Constructing Engineer in Jackson, Miss., and has moved to New Orleans.

*Gettysburg*—J. W. Ott, '97, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, has been elected pastor of St. Mark's Church, Hagerstown, Maryland.

*Kentucky State*—On March 19, 1907 Bro. Phillip B. Cross '09 was married to Miss Clara Estelle Smith at Los Angeles, California.

*Butler*—Addison C. Harris, '62, formerly minister to Austria Hungary, was recently elected president of the Columbia Club of Indianapolis.

*Tulane*—Udolpho Wolfe, '94, was recently married to Miss Daisy Charles of New Orleans. The newly married couple will reside in New Orleans.

*Emory*—Claude N. Bennett, '88, manager of the Congressional Information Bureau, Washington, D. C., has returned from a trip to the Canal Zone.

*Dartmouth*—Dr. Charles A. Eastman, '87, is contributing "School Days of an Indian" to the *Outlook*. His first number appears in the issue of April 13.

*Gettysburg*—The Rev. and Mrs. Albert Brown of York, Pennsylvania, celebrated their silver Wedding February 8. Bro. Bell was of the class of '78.

*Central*—J. C. D. Blackburn, '57, who retired from the United States senate March 4, has been appointed chairman of the Panama Canal Commission.

*Vermont*—E. M. Harvey, '96, was reappointed judge of Municipal Court for the city of Montpelier, a position which he has held for the past two years.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—Guy Potter Benton, president of Maimi University, recently delivered an address in Indianapolis before the "Big Meeting" of the Y. M. C. A.

*Knox*—Berne M. Mead, '00, is assistant cashier of the Commercial German National Bank of Peoria, Illinois. This is the largest bank in Illinois outside of Chicago.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—Walter E. Clark, '96, has been promoted from instructor in economics in the College of the City of New York to assistant professor of philosophy.

*Columbia*—Frederick A. Goetze, '95, formerly superintendent of the buildings and grounds, has been appointed Dean of the School of Applied Science of Columbia University.

*Washington*—Loren D. Grinstead, '05, is chief minute clerk of the Washington House of Representatives, while Robert E. McGlinn, '05, is reading clerk to the same body.

*Center*—Joseph C. S. Blackburn, '57, whose term as U. S. senator from Kentucky expired on March 4, has been appointed a member of the Isthmian Canal Commission.

*Toronto*—Ross B. Mackinnon, '06, was married to Miss Daisy Estelle Moring in Raleigh, North Carolina, February 27. Bro. Mackinnon is in the Peas Furnace Company of Toronto.

*Kentucky State*, '06,—Bro. J. D. Rogers has resigned his position with the Phoenix Bridge Co. at Phoenixville Pa. to accept a similar position with the Indiana Bridge Co. at Muncie, Indiana.

*Hillsdale*—On April 4 Vernon W. Van Fleet, '92, of Elkhart, Ind., was appointed by Governor Hanly as Judge of the Superior Court of the district comprising Elkhart and St. Joseph Counties.

*Knox*—"The Good Fairy and the Bunnies" by Allen Agrault Green, '03, has been published recently by A. C. McClurg & Co. It is a book for children and first appeared in serial form in *The Advance*.

*Ohio Wesleyan*—Dr. John Edwin Brown, '84, is one of the incorporators of the new Ohio Starling Medical College formed by the consolidation of the Starling Medical College and the Ohio Medical College.

*Kansas and Pennsylvania*—John H. Outland, '98, is surgeon-in-chief of the Bethesda Hospital at Topeka, Kansas. When a student Dr. Outland was one of the best known football players in the College world.

*Vermont*—H. C. Atwell, '86, has recently been elected president of the State Horticultural Society of Oregon. He is an extensive fruit grower and for the past six years has been postmaster at Forest Grove, Oregon.

*De Pauw*—Frank A. Preston, '96, who has been connected with Bradstreet's Mercantile Agency, has been appointed general agent for the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, with offices in the Lemcke Building, Indianapolis.

*Vanderbilt*—The publication number of *The Cumberland Presbyterian* contains a halftone portrait of John H. DeWitt, '94, P. G. C., and a historical sketch of the Cumberland Presbyterian Publishing House contributed by him.

*Case*—Frank Fairchild Morris, '05, and Miss Geneva McMillan were married on April 3, at the home of the bride on Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. Four Phis were among the ushers, while Bro. Henry L. Steiner '05 was best man.

*Washington*—In the Washington Legislature C. E. Gaches, '01, introduced the Pure Food Bill and H. A. Hanson, '03, was instrumental in passing Juvenile Court bills and in passing bills giving Armories to the cities of Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane.

*Union*—W. E. Hays, '02, has just completed an eighteen months' service in the Philadelphia Polyclinic Hospital and on May first will begin a three months' service at the Manhattan Maternity Hospital after which he will engage in practice in New York City.

*Wisconsin*—Mark Banta, '04, has just been appointed provincial agent of the Phenix Insurance Company of Brooklyn, for the western half of Canada, with headquarters at Winnipeg. This is a very important post for a man who has been out of college less than five years.

*Butler*—Messrs. Charles Scribner's Sons have published "A Short History of American Navy," by John R. Spears, '72. The author is known literally through his larger history of the navy. This book, to be sold at 50 cents, is published under the auspices of the Navy League of the United States.

*Hanover*—William B. Barr, '75, is General Freight and Passenger Agent at the Grand Central Station, Chicago, and is also associate editor of the *Railway Journal*. He is the author of an article in the February issue entitled, "Investigation of Car Shortage by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

*Butler*—Among the prominent contributors to the \$250,000 endowment fund for Butler College are the following Phis: Addison C. Harris, \$2,500; Hilton U. Brown, '80, \$1,000; C. L. Goodwin, '82, \$1,000; F. Roland Kautz, '87; \$1,000; J. A. Kautz, '85, \$500; Hugh Th. Miller, '88, \$300; John S. Duncan, '65, \$250.

*South Dakota*—P. M. Young '03, a South Dakota Rhodes scholar, repeated his victory of 1906 at the Oxford-Cambridge meet by taking first place in the high jump at five feet eight and one half inches, and first in the long jump at twenty two feet and four inches. On his return in July he will be initiated into South Dakota Alpha.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—Bro. Charles E. Myers, '02, has completed his course at Drew Theological Seminary and has also won high honors for himself there. Out of a number of contestants, he secured the Scotland Fellowship prize and, in consequence, will pursue his studies next year at Free Church College, Glasgow, Scotland.

*Vanderbilt*—J. C. McReynolds, '83, until recently Assistant Attorney General in the Department of Justice, has been appointed by Attorney-General Bonaparte as special counsel of the department in cases arising under the Interstate Commerce and Anti-Trust laws. He is especially to relieve Henry W. Taft of the active work of prosecuting the cases against the Tobacco Trust, so-called.

*Central*—George Keats Speed, '00, was married in Lexington, March 27, to Miss Florence Dillingham Chenault, daughter of C. D. Chenault, cashier of the Lexington Banking and Trust Company, of that city. The wedding, on account of the prominence of the families, was one of the most notable social events of the season. Bro. Speed was formerly of Louisville, Ky., but is now city editor of the New York Journal.

*Cornell*—Captain Charles Albert McAllister, '87, chief engineer of the United States Revenue Cutter Service was married in March to Miss Adelaide Kenyon. Captain and

Mrs. McAllister will make their home at the Westmoreland. Among the many gifts received were a handsome chest of silver presented to the bride by the House Committee on Naval Affairs of which she was assistant secretary, and a splendid mahogany desk presented to the bridegroom by his brother officers of the Revenue Marine Service.

*DePauw*—It is understood at DePauw that J. T. Brumbaugh, '94, head of the department of public speaking, will leave at the end of the year to accept a chair in the University of South Dakota. Prof. Brumbaugh has been very successful in his work at De Pauw and it is due to his efforts alone that the school has had such remarkable success in oratory and debate the last five or six years.

*Texas*—A Cornell University archaeological expedition, under the direction of Prof. John R. S. Sterrett, '72, will start on March 9 for Asia Minor. Professor Sterrett has previously spent several years in exploration and excavation in the East. He hopes by the study of inscriptions and by accurate surveys to determine some important historical sites, and get other information by which to correct current maps. He may remain abroad two years.

*Buchtel*—Frank Pixley, Φ Δ Θ, author of many famous musical comedies, the most popular and successful of which, "The Prince of Pilsen," after five years of prosperity here and abroad, still holds its place in the favor of the theatre-going public, has just returned from Mexico, where he has been engaged in collecting material for a new musical comedy with a Mexican setting. Pixley hopes to rival "The Prince of Pilsen" with his coming effort. Gustav Luders, now in Europe with Henry W. Savage, will write the music.—*Indianapolis News*.

*Indiana*—On February 22, 1907, the University of Pennsylvania conferred the degree of doctor of laws upon seven eminent men, among whom was Gen. John W. Foster, '55. They were presented severally to Provost Harrison by Mr. Walter George Smith, a trustee of the university. Our distinguished brother was spoken of by Mr. Smith as a lawyer, a soldier, Minister of the United States to Mexico, to Russia, to Spain, the special plenipotentiary to negotiate treaties with Brazil, Spain, Germany, the British West Indies; then Secretary of State of the United States, and since then charged again not



alone by the government of the United States, but by that of a foreign power, with the gravest responsibilities.

In closing Mr. Smith said:

The position he occupies in the world of diplomacy is unique, and not alone in conference and in council, but by his works on diplomacy, he has attained an eminence which the trustees of the university are glad to recognize, and therefore, have instructed me to present the name of John Watson Foster, statesman, diplomat and author, for the degree of doctor of laws.

*Iowa Wesleyan and Allegheny*—"Inheritance in the Female Line of Size of Litter in Poland China Sows," is the title of a monograph by George M. Rommel, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '97, and E. T. Phillips, *Allegheny*, '99, which was read before the American Philosophical Society on October 19, 1906. Both Bros. Rommel and Phillips are in the Agricultural Department at Washington and will be remembered with pleasure by those who attended the Washington convention.

*Michigan State*, '89—In a recent editorial the *New York Evening Post* said: The *American Magazine* has done a public service in assigning Ray Stannard Baker to a study of the negro question, North and South. His writings in *McClure's* and other magazines have established his reputation as a careful and unbiased investigator of political and social problems, and his first article on the negro in the April *American* proves that he has undertaken his new task in the right spirit.

*Butler*—Hugh Th. Miller, '88. The following is clipped from the Indianapolis *Morning Star* regarding the closing session of the Indiana State Senate:

Lieutenant Governor Miller was showered with "bouquets." Three resolutions were offered in which he was lauded for his ability and fairness, and, as a token of esteem, the Senate presented to the Lieutenant Governor an elegant Phi Delta Theta pin, the sword and shield, the shield set with pearls and diamonds. One resolution in praise of the Lieutenant Governor was signed by all members of the minority. This resolution was read by Senator Carl Wood and was adopted by a vote of 50 to 0, a most unusual vote. It was perhaps the first time in years that every senator had voted on a roll call and had voted on the same side of the question.

One of the impressive scenes of the closing afternoon was the speech of presentation to Lieutenant Governor Miller of the jeweled fraternity pin. Senator T. T. Moore was chosen to make the presentation speech. "Resolutions which have been offered express but feebly the high honor in which we hold our Lieutenant Governor," he said. "We honor him for his fairness and patience under all trying conditions and I present to him this sword and shield as a token of our esteem, knowing that it will never be tarnished by any action of his.

Lieutenant Governor Miller's response was a succinct review of the work

of the Senate, in which he did not forget to emphasize the earnestness and vigor with which each member had attended to his duties.

"This," said the Lieutenant Governor, "has to my mind been one of the most important sessions of the Senate in the history of the State. We have had some memorable fights and we have effected legislation which will be of benefit in all sections of the State. We passed a 2-cent fare bill without opposition of any consequence and I must mention the educational measures which we have passed. We have passed many laws of importance and reforms have been covered and covered completely."

Leaving the discussion of the Senate's work, the Lieutenant Governor turned his attention to the personal bonds and friendships which had been established, and it was with the most apparent feeling that he continued his address. "We have learned to know each other here," he said, "as we would not have done elsewhere. We have learned the weaknesses and the virtues and the sterling qualities of the men who represent their families, their counties and their districts. 'Tis a great thing to have worked together for our people and I thank you not only for this jewel, this token of esteem, but for the expressions of good will both from the minority and the majority."

*Illinois Wesleyan*—Bro. Richard Henry Little has added to his manifold activities that of manager of elopements. At least the following clipping from the *Chicago Record-Herald* would so indicate:

There was an automobile chase on 100 miles for a marriage license through the wilds of Indiana yesterday by a lovelorn Chicago couple, to whom "Dick" Little, war correspondent, acted as guide, philosopher and friend. The license was finally captured and a wedding duly solemnized.

The pursuers-in-chief of the elusive license were Chris D. Hagerty of the Associated Press and Mrs. Mary Moore, both of Chicago—now Mr. and Mrs. Hagerty. Encouraged and counselled by Mr. Little, the would-be bride and groom left Chicago yesterday morning in a large touring car, bound for Hammond. Enlivened by Japanese and Russian army jokes, learned in the original tongues while Mr. Little was in the Orient during the war, Mr. Hagerty and Mrs. Moore controlled their nervousness as best they might, while the big machine made its sixty-two and one-quarter miles an hour toward Hammond.

Arrived at the Indiana town, the automobile whizzed through the streets for thirty-six minutes in pursuit of a justice of the peace. One was finally captured.

"Nothing doing" said the judicial dignitary, however, regarding the party with a sympathetic smile. "The marriage department has been removed to Crown Point, and that's where you'll have to go to get a license."

Mr. Hagerty groaned. Mrs. Moore clutched the back of the tonneau in despair. Mr. Little alone was cool.

"Forward," he said, simply. Later he admitted he had quoted General Oku to the Japanese regiments.

Forward, accordingly, the automobile proceeded. At Crown Point, however, the party bumped into the Sunday law. Clerk Harold H. Wheeler refused to grant any marriage license on Sunday.

Mr. Hagerty and Mrs. Moore favored sounding the retreat from Indiana. "Never," declared Mr. Little. "I will see that you two are married ere yon sun sinks in the golden west."

Why don't youse guys go to Valparaiso?" came a suggestion from the sidewalk, where a knot of Indiana citizens were reviewing the invaders.

"To Valparaiso," was the order. The chauffeur obeyed, and a few more miles were placed behind the motor car. At this town a license was secured, and the ceremony performed. The wedding party returned to Chicago last night.

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## HELLENIC

Φ K Ψ has entered Case.

Φ Σ K has entered Virginia.

Δ K E has entered Wisconsin.

Φ Σ K has entered Williams College.

Δ Γ has established a chapter at California.

Φ K Ψ has a total membership of over 10,000.

Π B Φ has entered the University of Washington.

B Θ Π has installed a chapter in the University of Toronto.

A T Ω, having entered Worcester Tech and Wisconsin, has 48 chapters.

A Φ has entered the University of Nebraska, and the University of Toronto.

K A Θ announces the re-establishment of her Gamma chapter at Butler College.

The national convention of Δ Γ was held at Boulder, Colorado, April 23 to 26, 1907.

The Vanderbilt chapter of Π K A has died, leaving twelve chapters at that institution.

Π B Φ has re-established her Minnesota Alpha chapter at the University of Minnesota.

A T Ω entered the Worcester Polytechnic Institute November 27, 1906, absorbing the Arm and Hammer society, a local founded in 1904.

The next convention of A T Ω will be held at Pittsburg, during Christmas week, 1908, a month later than the time appointed for our own convention there.

The Wisconsin correspondent of the Δ T Δ *Rainbow* notes the entrance there of Δ K E and A T Ω and says: "There is a rumor that Σ Φ is contemplating entering."

$\Delta \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Psi Y$ ,  $Z \Psi$ ,  $\Sigma \Phi$ ,  $\Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Delta \Psi$  and  $K A$  (northern) do not support fraternity journals.  $X \Phi$  issues a year book. The *Purple and Gold* of  $X \Psi$ , the *News Letter* of  $\Phi K \Sigma$  and the *Signet* of  $\Phi \Sigma K$  go to the members of their respective fraternities only.— $K \Sigma$  *Caduceus*.

Two groups of petitioners to  $\Delta Y$  have within the last few months withdrawn their applications and joined other fraternities. So far from being arguments against the requirement of two years' existence for a petitioning body, these two incidents are really arguments in favor of this policy.—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

The last (1900) catalogue of  $Z \Psi$  shows that its California chapter was chartered by its grand chapter (convention), December 29, 1870, and was established in the summer of 1871. The catalogue also shows that the first members of the Stanford chapter were initiated by the California chapter, October 5th, 1891, and that the Stanford chapter was not chartered until it was granted a charter by the grand chapter, January 9, 1902. Yet, locally at California and at Stanford,  $Z \Psi$  claims the date 1870 at the former and 1891 at the latter. It seems that there should be some regularity in having the date of the charter or the date of establishment. In the account of the fraternity in "American College Fraternities," page 288, the date 1892 is given to the Stanford chapter, but in the "Directory of colleges and chapters" in that book, page 558, the date 1891 is given to it. and it is placed ahead of the Stanford chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , which was chartered October 22, 1891, and the charter members of which were initiated October 24, 1891.

The recent session of the Indiana Legislature enacted a law on high school secret societies in the following terms: "It shall be unlawful for the pupils in any elementary or high schools of this state to form secret societies, fraternities or other similar organizations in such schools; and the board of school commissioners or board of trustees of any school, town, or city, and the trustee of any school township, and the superintendent of any school, are hereby required to enforce the provisions of this act by suspending, or, if necessary, expelling a pupil in any elementary or high school who refuses or neglects to obey such rules or regulations or any of them."

Acts of the 65th General Assembly of Indiana, 1907. Page 616.

Chapter 278. AN ACT to enlarge the powers of boards of school com-

missioners, boards of school trustees, township trustees, superintendents of schools, and others having the government of such schools, prohibiting secret societies and fraternities, and declaring an emergency.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, that the common schools of the State of Indiana, both elementary and high schools, shall be open to all children until they complete the courses of study in said common schools, subject to the authority of the teachers therein, and to all the rules and regulations provided by the proper authorities for the government of such schools. It shall be unlawful for the pupils in any of the elementary or high schools of this state to form secret societies, fraternities or other similar organizations in such schools; and the board of school commissioners or board of trustees of any school, town or city, and the trustees of any school township, and the superintendent of any school, are hereby required to enforce the provisions of this act by suspending, or if necessary, expelling a pupil in any elementary or high school who refuses or neglects to obey such rules or regulations, or any of them.

Sec. 2. An emergency exists for the immediate taking effect of this act, and it shall be in force from and after its passage.

There are four local societies here striving for charters from as many national fraternities. The oldest of these, the Pi Thetas, who have been steadily petitioning  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$  for a number of years, it is rumored are about to combine with several other local clubs at other Colleges, and form themselves into a national fraternity to be called  $\Pi \Theta$ . The Pi Thetas, however, would neither confirm nor deny the report. The Aztec club, who have been seeking a  $\Psi Y$  parchment for the past four years are still hopeful. Nothing can be learned as to their ultimate success, at present. The Comus and Oax clubs are petitioning  $X \Psi$  and  $\Theta \Delta X$  respectively. The latter's efforts, it is said, will meet with success in the near future. Concerning the entrance by fraternities into Illinois, it seems that the material here, while it is steadily improving, does not justify any conservative fraternity in entering for a few years at least. A chapter of the Masonic fraternity has been installed here, but is not classed among the fraternities.—University of Illinois correspondence,  $\Delta T \Delta$  *Rainbow*.

Here at Chicago, the non-fraternity or "barb" element is rapidly forging to the front in college "politics." For the first time in the history of the university, the year-book, the *Cap and Gown*, has fallen into the hands of non-fraternity men. Not only the year-book but the class officers and student-councilorships are being usurped by the "barbs." Heretofore these bones of contention have been fought for by opposing combinations formed from groups of fraternity chapters, the barbs dividing and supporting any faction which the individual saw fit. Although these doubtful "college honors"

do not mean much in themselves, it must be acknowledged that the student-body is represented by the men who hold them, and the fraternity men are beginning to realize that "in union there is strength." Consequently pan-Hellenic meetings have been held for the purpose of uniting the fraternities against the barb element in the case of elections, etc. These meetings have led to a better feeling and more perfect harmony among the fraternities.—University of Chicago correspondent, *Δ T Δ Rainbow*.

There was a neat stroke of business which a drummer for Burr, Patterson & Co. recently performed. While visiting Cumberland in the interest of his employers, he initiated a number of men into *Θ N E*. One or more alumni were included among the candidates. After learning which way the wind blew, they were permitted to purchase *T. N. E.* badges. Now that *Theta Nu* has become a mere jewelry drummer's side line, a badge-maker's graft, why should it any longer have serious consideration? Its name is a mere mask for college follies and excesses; there is not to be discovered behind it any dignified or responsible control having national authority. It stands for nothing worth the attention of twentieth century college students. Even in those places where it is supposed to wield great political power, a very little determined resistance will undoubtedly dethrone it. Those chapters of fraternities forbidding *Theta Nu* membership, whose rivals attempt to use the fact to their discredit, should rather glory in their enlightenment, and strive to spread the light.—*K Σ Caduceus*. During the ten years that *Δ T Δ* has been enforcing her prohibition against *T. N. E.* we have never had occasion to regret the decided stand we took against that organization.—*Δ T Δ Rainbow*.

We hope to find room in the next SCROLL for a review of "The Record of Phi Kappa Psi," a book of eighty pages containing a short account of that fraternity. The author is Mr. Guy Morrison Walker. From a chapter on "History and Government," the following paragraph is quoted:

In 1884, District of Columbia Alpha was succeeded by Pennsylvania Epsilon at Gettysburg College, which thus became the last of the grand chapters. For at least eight years before the grand chapter system of government was abolished, a strong movement in favor of a change of government had grown up within the fraternity, but this movement was not able, until the grand arch council (convention), to show sufficient strength to carry out its plans.

At this council a special committee was appointed to draft an entirely new system of government, providing for a strong, centralized executive council,

the officers of which should be graduates; and a special grand arch council was called to meet at Indianapolis in April of the following year to pass upon the report of this committee. The report of the committee was adopted, completely revolutionizing the system of government in the fraternity. The plan then adopted exists and is in operation at the present time, with only such amendments as the growth and development of the fraternity have made advisable.

Under another heading, the author says: "Φ K Ψ was a pioneer in the modern centralized form of government, by means of an executive council, composed of graduate officers." Now Δ T Δ comes forward with the astonishing claim "that Φ K Ψ's constitution was strictly modeled after its own." Reviewing Mr. Walker's booklet, Mr. Lowrie McClurg says in the Δ T Δ *Rainbow*:

We are the first fraternity to incorporate the divisional form of government in our constitution, in 1874; we had our executive council in 1879 and our present form of government in 1883, all ahead of Φ K Ψ.

At the time that that fraternity's committee was working on the proposed new constitution, our own was an open document, and that committee had the use of a copy to aid it in its work. Δ T Δ has long recognized the fact that Φ K Ψ's constitution was strictly modeled after its own, but it never deemed it necessary to twit that fraternity on this fact; on the contrary we were glad of the evidence that sometimes this fraternity could recognize a good thing when it saw it.

Mr. Walker in the twenty years of his work on "Record" should have informed himself on the history of his fraternity or being informed should not have presumed on our ignorance of general news of the Greek world, or else he should have made his production a strictly secret document.

Since Φ K Ψ adopted our method of government its advance has been more rapid than it was previously; it should have been very much more so. The explanation of this seeming lack of impulse, made to ourselves, has been that in its development our constitution was evolved by natural causes within our own ranks, and 1883 only saw the beginning; the growth has been continuous, natural and steady ever since. Φ K Ψ adopted something it had not developed and which, it, as an organization, knew nothing about, and this tender plant apparently quit growing as soon as it was transplanted to less fertile ground.

One of the distinctive features of the congress was the editing and publishing of a daily edition of the Δ T Ω *Palm*, called *The Palm, Junior*. Four numbers, each one consisting of four pages of four columns each, published and distributed on the morning of each day to the visitors and delegates constituted the enterprise. In its pages were published a synopsis of the proceedings of the congress from day to day, "write-ups" of the various social events, announcements concerning future events and the arrangements therefor, directory of the officers' hotel rooms, times and places set for the meetings of the respective congress committees, editorial on matters pertinent to the occasion and a number of advertisements

which more than paid all the expense of the publication. This outline of its contents will show that the little newspaper was more than a mere toy or a novelty; it was, indeed, a most useful instrument for the dissemination of necessary information among the four hundred present. Indeed, its circle of usefulness was not restricted to the congress. Daily, the delegates sent a large number of them to friends at home, to chapter houses and homes, obviating the necessity of writing extended letters and yet informing them in the best possible manner of what was transpiring at Birmingham. It is a safe venture that many friends of the delegates who expected the usual souvenir card received what was far more acceptable, *The Palm, Junior*. Issued as an experiment it amply justified itself. Everyone present was highly pleased with the idea and loud in their praises of its usefulness. It is suggested that future committees charged with making arrangements for a congress keep this feature in mind. In this connection it should be stated that, though suggested to the Birmingham brethren by Editor Reno, the idea was not original with him. Δ Y enjoyed the advantages of a similar publication at its 1878 convention and Σ A E inaugurated the scheme at its 1904 meeting.—A T Ω *Palm*.

#### PAN-HELLENISM IN MEXICO.

The following vivid account of an inter fraternity dinner is taken from the Mexican *Herald* of March 3, 1907. Herbert P. Lewis who responded to the toast "The Way We Do" is a Phi—Indiana Theta '96, Indiana Zeta '96 and New York Alpha '98.

Talk about your happy yule-tide gatherings! Recall the gay husking-bee! Think about all the merry "rough-houses" you have been in; the gleeful satisfaction you experienced after putting the finishing touches to your rival's chances in your love affairs, then combine them all and it would look like a toad-stool in the Great Desert, as compared with the time the frat. men had at their banquet to Fenton R. McCreery at Sylvain's last night. There revelling and merry making, that could be traced in influence to no other spot on the face of the globe than a college campus, and anecdotes of the happenings of college life in the more or less "old days," when some of the tales laughed over last night were serious problems of life. The banquet was admirably arranged in every detail, and great credit is due the originators of the dinner, and those who worked to make the occasion a success. The table was arranged to occupy the entire front suit of rooms at the Restaurant Sylvain, and the table and room were tastefully decorated. The chair of the toastmaster was in the center of the long table beside the guest of honor, the chair occupied by Mr. McCreery being draped with the Dominican flag. The menu and toasts were as follows:



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## TODAY'S PROGRAMME.

9 A. M.—Semi-Continental Celebration.  
Order of Exercises.  
Prayer—Rev. G. Hendree Harrison.  
Address of Welcome—Bishop Alexander.  
Response—Clyde L. Webster.  
Song—"Dear S. A. E."  
Two Minutes Silence in Memory of Our Dead Historical Statesmen—Henry Snyder Harrison.  
The Founder—William C. Lever.  
Exhibition of DeVoté Malles.  
Jubilee Song.  
1 P. M.—Bisexual Report; Appointment of Committees.  
3 P. M.—Banquet.

## COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Brother William C. Lever, U. S. A., has announced the following as the Committee on Credentials:  
W. R. F. Dunn, Chairman.  
George D. Kimball.  
Clarence W. Stowell.  
A. N. Bennett.  
W. E. Long.  
Delegates will greatly facilitate the Committee's work by turning in their credentials at once.

Every alumnus of Sigma Alpha Epsilon should subscribe to the fraternity publications. The Record is a quarterly non-sectarian journal, while the Psi Alpha is published every other month and is secret. The members of the fraternity can get three both for a dollar a year, which is a ridiculously low price.

## A CONVENTION SENTIMENT.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon! Fifty Years Young! Her past is glorious and as the thousand youths in '91. Her future is benediction to the thousands yet to come. Her work to weave together all over our broad land by her words of eternal love, a brotherhood that will exist in no man's hand. All hail, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

William C. Lever, U. S. A.

## KAPPA THETA PSI.

### GREETINGS FROM SIMPSON.

To the National Convention of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity.  
GREETINGS:  
To the representatives of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity in convention assembled the men of the Kappa Theta Psi send the warmest greetings. We hope for you a most successful, enjoyable and profitable session.

We feel that we owe to the S. A. E.

E. Fraternity an apology for what, perhaps, seemed an attempt to intrude ourselves into your fellowship. We shall not attempt to excuse ourselves except on the ground of ignorance of some of the real conditions, and our eagerness to become associated with the men of S. A. E. No one can regret more than we ourselves the unfortunate occurrence which has placed us in the position we must hold in the eyes of the National Fraternity. We are sorry that we had not the patience to await the natural development of events which would give us the desired recognition.

But we do wish to say in all seri-

ously wishing you and the chapters from which you came a most prosperous and successful year, we extend to you best wishes of the Kappa Theta Psi.

## DR. THOMAS CHAPPEL COOK.

At the last convention but two of the founders survived, Dr. Thomas Chappel Cook and Colonel John B. Rutledge. Now the sad news comes that Brother Cook died February 12, 1905. This, with Brother Spencer's death, is the saddest news we have had for many months. Recollections of



THE ORIGINAL MINUTES

Tattered and torn though the old book is, Sigma Alpha Epsilon prize beyond measure the original minutes of Mother '91. They contain more of our early history to the page than any other pages in existence. If you want to catch the spirit of the founders, read the account of those early days as recounted in this volume. Its contents have been reproduced and are now in book form at the disposal of those who wish. The edition is restricted to one hundred and twenty-five copies. It is bound in cloth and may be obtained at the catalogue stand in the convention hall.

ousness and hostility that we are determined to prove to the men of the S. A. E. Fraternity that we shall be worthy of a place among their number and that we are working to that end. We are grateful for the kindly spirit shown our representatives at the Providence Convention held at Lincoln, Neb and in all our dealings with the men of the National Fraternity. We hope to be considered as men led away from the wiser path by too great zeal for the betterment of our local organization.

regret will probably be offered to the Convention, sympathizing with the families of the deceased brothers. Among the prominent S. A. E. men on hand at this convention are John B. Rutledge, the last of the founders; Thomas E. Watson, John D. Little, Ex-Congressman Geo. P. Harrison, C. C. Sanders of the old Georgia Military Institute chapter, Auditor W. W. Braxton, of Alabama, Dr. R. Almy, Thomas S. Weil, William C. Lever, D. Kimball, and numerous others.

## OFFICERS OF SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON.

We present herewith a list of the main and subsidiary officers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon who are delegates (paraphrasing):  
Business Supreme—Arden—William C. Lever, of Illinois.  
Ceremonial Supreme—Deputy Archon—Marvin E. Mulderose, of Tennessee.  
Ernest Supreme—Recorder—Clarence W. Stowell, of Rhode Island.  
Ceremonial Supreme—Treasurer—George D. Kimball, of Colorado.  
Editor of The Record—Henry Snyder Harrison, of Virginia.  
President—President.  
Alpha—Charles P. Davis, of Massachusetts.  
Beta—Ralph C. Stewart, of Pennsylvania.  
Gamma—Alfred H. Berkley, of North Carolina.  
Delta—Clyde L. Webster, of Michigan.  
Epsilon—J. Clay Murphy, of Georgia.  
Zeta—Elmer A. Sanford, of Missouri.  
Eta—W. N. Valle, of Colorado.  
Theta—Henry P. Durr, Jr., of Louisiana.  
Iota—Frank K. Houston, of Tennessee.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.

Chapter II, Article II, Section 3. Add—No one who is a member of Theta Psi Epsilon Fraternity or a similar organization under another name shall be admitted to membership in the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, nor shall any member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity be permitted to become a member of Theta Psi Epsilon nor a similar organization under another name.  
Chapter VIII, Article IX, Section 3. Add—Add of each initiate at the time of his initiation shall be required the promise that he will wear the badge of the fraternity as long as he lives except it be removed from his person by loss or accident, or recalled in accordance with Section 3 above.

## SAMUEL SPENCER.

One of the most distinguished members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon met a sad death on Thanksgiving Day. Samuel Spencer, of old Georgia Psi Chapter and one who added materially to perpetuating the fraternity after the war, was killed in a Southern Railway wreck at Lawler, Va. Brother Spencer was a prominent figure in the fraternal world, and his death was lamented throughout the country. He was riding in his private car when killed.

## SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON CONVENTION DAILY.

Courtesy of Mr. Charles P. Wood, the new editor of the Record.

## MENU

Soup—Potage Samana Bay (pero no tan aguado).  
 Fish—Red "Snapper up, Uncle Sam."  
 Entree—A la Puerta Platena.  
 Roast—A la Dominican Treaty.  
 Vegetables—A la Cotuy.  
 Ices—A la Montecristy.  
 Nuts and raisins—Little Nigs de Dessert.  
 Coffee—Cafe noir à la Dominicaine.

## TOASTS

W. G. Moler, Toastmaster.

Our Guest	George W. Cook
Reply	Fenton R. McCreery
The Stirrup Cup	A. L. M. Gottschalk
Reminiscences	Paul Hudson
Alma Mater	W. W. Blake
The Way We Do	Herbert P. Lewis
Diplomacy	W. H. Sloan
The Ladies	Robert S. Barrett
What They will do to Him	James Harold Warner
A Prophecy	Harold Walker
The Tie that Binds	Albino Zertuche

And mixed in with the toasts, were the good old college songs that took every one back for the moment to the "happiest days of all"—to the days when real cares did not exist—not even in class work. So passed a merry evening and it is safe to say that in the minds of not a few of the boys to whom college is a fresh recollection, was the mental query as to whether or not they had mastered that "beastly trig," or whether, after this indulgence, they would make that eight-thirty class in "economics." One thing that the dinner proved was that the fraternity men in Mexico, will, in all probability, in the near future, succeed in effecting some kind of a regular organization, that will be not only a body of men gathered together for the sake of congeniality, but for the definite purpose of making newcomers in the city, and the visitors who are frat. men, feel strictly at home.

## COLLEGIATE.

Williams College has received \$192,000 bequeathed by Mrs. Laura Currier, of Williamstown.

The Indiana State senate has passed a bill prohibiting fraternities in the high schools and elementary schools.

The treasurer of Yale University has compiled figures showing that in the academic department each student costs per year \$326 for instruction and administration expenses, while he pays but \$155 a year for tuition. In expenses no account is made for interest on the cost or value of the college plant.

The gift of \$6,000,000 to the Carnegie Institute, announced by Andrew Carnegie, swells the amount given by Mr. Carnegie

to the library, institute, and technical schools here to \$19,-620,000, and raises the total of his benefactions in Greater Pittsburg to \$32,500,000. This is said to be the largest sum ever given by one individual at any one community.

Owing to the great demand for men with technical training to fill gaps caused by promotions, the Pennsylvania Railroad has sent out a plea to the presidents of universities and colleges asking that more students be urged to prepare for railroad careers. As a result, it is understood that the heads of several institutions will recommend special departments for instruction in railroad work.

During the past two years the University of Chicago has established a class for the training of railway employes with the object of increasing their professional efficiency. The project has been undertaken in association with a number of railways, and has thus assumed a practical aspect. Special lectures have been delivered by prominent railway officials bearing upon the traffic, auditing, and operating of the American railway.

Butler College has succeeded in raising an endowment fund of \$250,000. Joseph I. Irwin of Columbus Indiana had offered \$100,000 on condition that \$150,000 more be raised. Eight days before the time limit expired more than \$70,000 remained to be raised and the unique plan was adopted of forming the students and friends of the college into seventeen teams who made a whirlwind canvass. The required sum was obtained shortly before midnight of the final day.

Quarrels among the Greek letter fraternities at the West Virginia university have involved some of the university affairs in a pretty mess. The Athletic association elections did not satisfy three of the fraternities, and they have issued a statement saying that none of their members will take part in the athletic sports this year. Other fraternities announced their withdrawal from the annual year book and the glee club. The faculty threatens to abolish all fraternities, it is said.

The trustees of Johns Hopkins University have recently decided to admit women to all post-graduate courses. With the exception of Clark University—which is an institution of peculiar character, only a few departments of study being represented there—and of Princeton, which, until recently, has given little attention to graduate work, Johns Hopkins has

been for many years the only prominent American university in which admission of women to graduate work has not been systematically provided for. Yale, conservative as it is, admitted women to full privileges in the graduate work, including not only degrees but also fellowships, a number of years ago.

A short time ago State was thrown into a turmoil by the publication of a small yellow pamphlet labeled *Lemon*. Its purpose, apparently, is to put into print the gossip commonly heard on the campus and subsequently to bring this gossip to the persons whom it will do the most good. The newstand at which this small periodical appears bi-weekly is the scene of a bargain day sale melee as each issue is placed on the market. The editing is done strictly sub rosa, for the reason that the majority of the *Lemon's* astringencies would call down the wrath of an all powerful faculty upon the heads of the staff if they were known.—*Pennsylvania State Correspondence*, K  $\Sigma$  *Caduceus*.

In his late report the dean of the university faculty at Cornell gives some interesting figures comparing the standing of students admitted from private schools with that of students admitted from public schools.

	Private	Public
Number of schools . . . . .	309	553
Number of students (20 years) . . . . .	1,865	2,520
Warned (first term) . . . . .	132	115
Warned (after first term) . . . . .	284	233
Dropped (first term) . . . . .	138	77
Dropped (after first term) . . . . .	153	111

Work has begun on the fourth "Ten-Year Book," to appear in 1908, covering the forty years of Cornell's history. It is proposed to enlarge the scope of the forthcoming volume by including the names not only of graduates, as hitherto, but of all matriculates.

A recent investigation shows that more than one-fifth of the university students are engaged in various kinds of work in order to pay in part or wholly for their education. Positions connected with the boarding clubs offer the best opportunities and it is estimated that more than three hundred students pay at least for their board by such work. One hundred and fifty students pay a large part of their expenses by taking care of furnaces during the winter months. Many others utilize Saturdays and occasional afternoons in working by the hour on

the university farm, in offices, or about the gymnasium. Twenty-five students are engaged in the work of running laundry agencies or collecting laundry bills. In five of the banks students are engaged as night watchman, in four stores there are student clerks, and in many of the buildings students are given janitor work.—University of Illinois correspondence, *New York Evening Post*.

J. D. Bowman, secretary of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, announced April 22 that, although the foundation had declined to admit state universities to the accepted list of beneficiaries of the fund, it occasionally granted retiring allowances in state institutions to men who had rendered distinguished academic service. In accordance with that plan the executive committee of the foundation, he said, had given retiring allowances to the following educators: E. Benjamin Andrews, chancellor of the University of Nebraska, a prominent teacher and educator for thirty years. Francis H. Smith, for more than fifty years professor of natural philosophy at the University of Virginia. William H. Folwell, for fifteen years president of the University of Minnesota, and now professor of economics in that university. Amos N. Currier, for forty years professor of Latin and Greek in the University of Iowa, and now dean of the college of liberal arts.

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## THE PYX.

The delay of this issue of THE SCROLL is due to several unavoidable reasons.

1. The illness of the assistant editor.
2. The illness and death of a brother of the editor.
3. An unusual rush of business at the printshop, added to the sudden death of the mother of the official printer, necessitating his prolonged absence in Indiana.

Such events will hardly again conspire to delay the fraternity periodicals.

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Our readers will be relieved and pleased to learn that Bro. Walter B. Palmer, who has been ill almost ever since the Washington Convention is improving in health. He is now in Baltimore but expects to go south as soon as he is able to travel.

Epsilon Province will meet in convention on May 10 and 11 at Greencastle, Ind., and will be the guests of Indiana Zeta.

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As a means of promoting interest in its semicentennial celebration in June, Wisconsin Alpha expects shortly to issue an eight page newspaper. We are promised something rich in this periodical and we look forward with interest to the appearance of the first number.

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In a newspaper clipping which appeared in the February SCROLL, Miss Ethel V. Wilder was referred to as "daughter of the fraternity." Miss Wilder's title is "Sponsor of Gamma Province" having been formally appointed by the Province Convention assembled in Nashville, Thanksgiving Day, 1905.

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It is a very pretty custom of Louisiana Alpha to send out engraved cards bearing Easter greetings to her friends.

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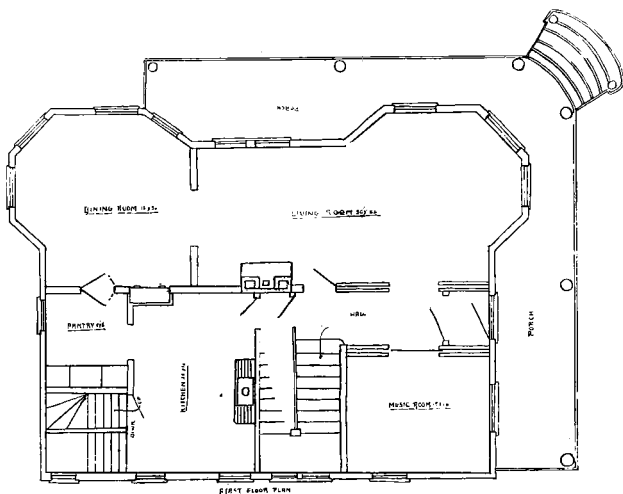
## ILLINOIS ALPHA'S NEW CHAPTER HOUSE.

The movement for a chapter house at Northwestern University may be said to have originated in 1902, when notes were signed by all the retiring active men as well as several of the closely allied alumni. Lack of interest and good, conscientious work resulted in practically nothing being accomplished for several years, less than \$100.00 in cash being realized at this time. But the chapter house fever was on and during the interim the need of a chapter house was not forgotten by the chapter.

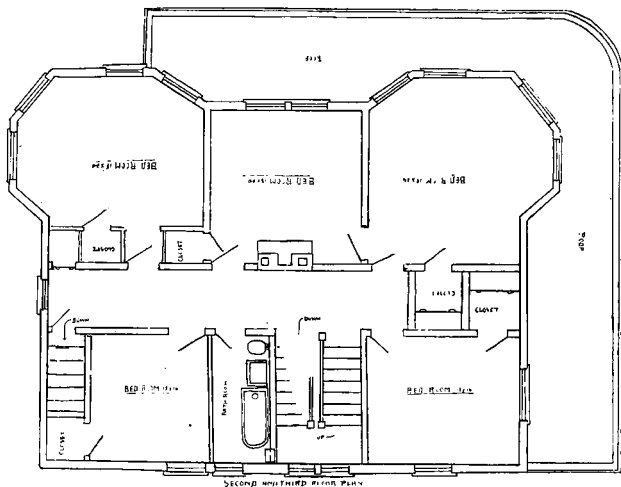
During the year 1905-06 a committee was appointed consisting of Elmer F. Blu and H. A. Romans from the active chapter, and Col. Henry M. Kidder, '59, Frank J. R. Mitchell, '96, and C. Center, Case, '01, from the alumni. This committee went to work and from that date the subject has been continually agitated. But the time was not yet ripe, for each active man felt that a \$10.00 cash subscription was all that he could afford. Upon this basis the active chapter went to work to raise enough money to swing a property which was somewhat inferior to our rented home, but which seemed to be in reach of our resources. After a long struggle both to raise the necessary money and to convince the younger members that an inferior property owned was better than a more desirable house rented, the necessary funds were realized, only to discover that the property in question had been sold five days previously.

This was a hard blow for the movement, for it ended any possible chance of obtaining a home during the school year of 1905-06. Subsequent developments however proved this loss to have been no misfortune.

In September 1906 the chapter returned but eight men and the prospects of owning a house seemed distant. After a strenuous rushing season we found ourselves with ten new men, nine Freshmen and one Sophomore. Immediately the chapter house question was resumed and a committee from



ILLINOIS ALPHA CHAPTER HOUSE—FIRST FLOOR PLAN.



ILLINOIS ALPHA CHAPTER HOUSE—SECOND AND THIRD FLOOR PLANS.

the active chapter, consisting of Bros. R. A. Willson and Elmer S. Albritton, was appointed to co-operate with the alumni committee. The active men were timid, the alumni more than ever desired to be shown, and it was an up-hill fight. The second semester opened and Bro. H. A. Romans, who had been a member of the earlier committee re-entered college and was added to the committee and made its chairman. The work was continued but the alumni seemed to have deserted us and the chapter was rapidly becoming dis-



LIVING ROOM, ILLINOIS ALPHA CHAPTER HOUSE

couraged. The men in the chapter became desperate and finally every active man agreed to pay \$50.00 on or before June first, and with this as a new basis of action the committee again sought the alumni. The change of feeling among the alumni was complete and within three weeks we had pledged enough money to insure success. On March 26 we signed a contract of purchase and placed our forfeit money in the hands of a real estate agent. A vigorous campaign to collect the funds subscribed followed the signing of the contract and by April 20 the required amount of cash had been



ILLINOIS ALPHA—ACTIVE CHAPTER.

raised, the deed delivered, and the chapter took possession of the first chapter house owned by any fraternity at Northwestern.

The property is a twelve room frame house, situated on a lot fronting 50 feet on Sherman avenue and 137 feet on Noyes street. A wide veranda extends across two sides of the house and commands a view of Lake Michigan and the university campus two blocks away. The corridor on the main floor opens on the right into a large living room 34 feet long and 14 feet wide. This room contains a large fire place and tower windows looking southwest, a window seat extending half way round the room. On the left of the corridor, is the parlor, beyond which a broad stairway leads to another window seat at the first landing. Beyond the stairway is the cloak room, a telephone booth and the kitchen and pantries. Opening off of the large living room is the dining room, with tower windows opening to the south and east. On the second and third floors are nine bed chambers, with bath on each floor. All the sleeping rooms are large and will easily accommodate two men each.

The basement contains laundry, furnace room and store-room and in addition a chapter hall 28x16 feet. The house is lighted throughout with both electricity and gas and is heated with steam.

The property is valued at \$10,000.00. The present indebtedness is \$6,000, of which \$4,000 is in the form of a first mortgage bearing 5½ per cent interest. The balance of the indebtedness is held by one of our prominent alumni, and is to be paid off just as soon as additional funds can be collected.

Our alumni of earlier days would not recognize the present chapter comfortably housed in its own home, but we hope to have the privilege of entertaining them at an early date. To all Phis a hearty invitation is extended to visit us at 2233 Sherman avenue.

ELMER S. ALBRITTON, '07.

#### INDIANA ALPHA RENTS A NEW HOME.

At the close of the college year of 1906 Indiana Alpha had strong hopes of building a home on the lot which had been owned by the chapter for about five years; the money had been assured for a long time as soon as suitable plans could be furnished. After much delay it was found that a house suitable to the needs of the chapter would cost considerably more than the amount of money available.



INDIANA ALPHA'S NEW HOUSE (RENTED).



INDIANA ALPHA—ACTIVE CHAPTER.

Top row, right to left—C. F. Zinsmeister, O. L. Doster, Wade LaRue, W. H. Cassady, D. G. Irions, A. C. Rogers. Second row, right to left—Albert Free, W. H. Allison, H. A. Sloan, W. E. Sexton. Bottom row, right to left—Walter Kemp, R. C. Beeler, "Fik," the Pup, Arnold Curdes, C. O. Gamble, C. L. Homaday, E. G. Donaldson. Bros. not in above group—A. B. Williamson, Chas. Tighe, Cecil Sharp, J. B. Williamson, T. W. Donnelly, C. D. Stoudt.

By the time the final estimate was given the University had closed for the summer. Fortunately the committee obtained a one year lease on a house near the campus. This place was small, accommodating only ten men with rooms, but served as a meeting place and furnished mess quarters. Aided by this house, the chapter was able to be together and organize for the years work.

About the middle of the winter term of 1906-07 the house committee, Bros. O. L. Doster, A. B. Williamson and Albert Free, learned that the magnificent Gentry home could be secured and at once began negotiations with the result that a lease was signed and the chapter was able to secure possession April 1, 1907.

The house is situated two squares east of the university, and is surrounded by well shaded grounds. It faces north and a roomy porch adds to its attractiveness.

Its interior plan and excellent furnishings and fittings make it adaptable in every way to the needs of a chapter. The woodwork down stairs is cherry and oak and upstairs is curly birch.

The first floor has dining room and kitchen on east side. A spacious hall crosses in front from which the stairway leads to the second floor. On the west are two large parlors. These with the hall and dining room make an excellent floor for dancing. A smoking room joins the parlors on the south. The second floor is used for sleeping quarters. Each floor has its bathroom, electric bells and speaking tubes.

A material addition to the comfort and beauty of the parlors is the mission furniture which was secured when the chapter took possession of the house. Another distinction enjoyed by no other fraternity at Indiana is the large flag which floats from the 50 foot pole in front of the house.

We think it may be safely said that Indiana Alpha is in the best condition in its history. It is freely admitted that we occupy the finest house in the city, and we own all its furniture.

It is needless to say that visiting brothers are welcome at all times. We hope that every Phi who can will share our present prosperity.

WALTER KEMP.

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#### THE EPSILON PROVINCE CONVENTION.

On May 10 and 11 the annual convention of Epsilon Province was held in Greencastle, Indiana, and, owing to the fact that this was the first time in a number of years that the

convention had been held in our city, the coming of the brothers from over the state was looked forward to with a great deal of pleasure. Invitations were sent out to the various chapters and alumni clubs of the state and to the alumni of the local chapter. The response to these invitations was hearty, Indiana, Wabash and Franklin in particular being represented by large delegations.

By noon on Friday, the 10th, most of the delegates had arrived and a short business session was held at one o'clock, after which the convention as a whole went to McKean Field to see Indiana Beta and Indiana Zeta cross bats as a curtain raiser to the Wabash-DePauw game. The contest had been well advertised and hence a large crowd of students and citizens was out early to see the two chapters "battle for supremacy" in baseball. The game, being almost errorless, was interesting from start to finish, and after the dust had cleared away from nine innings of thoroughly scientific ball playing it was found that the local chapter was one score in the lead, the final result being four to three.

On Friday evening a banquet was spread for the visitors at the Commercial Hotel. There were seventy Phis present, including representatives of the various active chapters, a number of members of the Indianapolis Alumni Club, and many other prominent alumni, both resident and non-resident. After an hour and a half had been spent in consuming the delicacies that had been set before us by the hotel management, the following toast list was enjoyed:

Toastmaster, Lieutenant Governor Hugh Th. Miller, Indiana Gamma, '88; Address of welcome, W. P. Evans, Indiana Zeta, '07; "Phi Spirit," S. K. Ruick, Indiana Zeta, '07; "The Fraternity Man," Geo. Miller, Indiana Beta, '07, "Our Fraternity," W. H. Hays, Indiana Beta, '00; "The Royal Butter," W. B. Douglass, Indiana Delta; "The Hoosier Phi," D. H. Long, Indiana Theta, '07; Address, H. L. Davis, Indiana Zeta, '94; "The Sister Phi," O. L. Doster, Indiana Alpha, '09; "Retrospect," Paul Weer, Indiana Gamma, '10; "Afterwhiles," M. B. Gore, Indiana Epsilon, '07; Impromptus.

The toasts were entertaining and this, with the informality of the occasion, helped to keep the large dining hall reverberating with the laughter and applause of seventy good and loyal Phis. After the toast list was concluded, and some of the older alumni began to feel the need of that "sleep which knits up the ravelled sleeve of care," the more youthful Phis repaired to the chapter's down-town hall, where a smoker was held. This was the occasion for even more unrestrained merriment and served as a crowning event to a successful day.

Saturday was spent in looking after the business side of the



Convention and by Saturday evening most of the visiting Phis were on their way home.

The convention was a successful one from the standpoint of work accomplished and fellowship engendered. We invited the convention here, feeling confident that the citizens of Greencastle and the members of the student body would be able to see for themselves that Phi Delta Theta in Indiana is a truly great organization, and our hopes were more than realized. We hope that the local chapter may very soon be accorded the privilege of again entertaining the province convention in this city.

W. P. EVANS, *DePauw*, '07.

#### TENNESSEE BETA'S RHODES SCHOLAR.

Henry Markley Gass, son of the late Reverend John Gass, step-son of Bishop Theodore D. Bratton of Mississippi, and one of the most popular students of the University of the South, has been awarded the Cecil Rhodes scholarship for three years. Bro. Gass who will be 20 years old on December 26 next, will be the first representative in Oxford University from the University of the South and is probably the youngest American Cecil Rhodes scholar to be educated in Oxford on the broad political platform laid down by the late diamond billionaire. Bro. Gass is a typical Sewanee product and represents the American type of manhood for which the University of the South stands. Four years of the Military discipline of the Sewanee Grammar School, and four years of the intellectual, social and athletic life of the university, have combined to develop in Bro. Gass a college



HENRY MARKLEY GASS, *Sewanee*, '04.

man in whom his fellows may justly take pride. He was born in Augusta, Georgia, and prior to entering the Sewanee Grammar School in 1898 attended a private school in Charleston, S. C., for four years. When promoted from the grammar school to the university proper, he won both the Latin and Greek medals. In 1905 he was given the history commencement prize and a year later he was announced winner of the Kentucky medal for Greek founded by the late Bishop Dudley, and the Master's Medal for Latin founded by Bishop Sessums of Louisiana. In 1907 he was class valedictorian. He is a member of the following social organizations in the university: Phi Delta Theta fraternity, the Chelidono Society, The Sopherin, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and the Senior German Club.

T. J. WALTHALL, JR., *Sewanee*, '05.

#### THE SORORITY HANDBOOK.

"THE SORORITY HANDBOOK. By Ida Shaw Martin, A. B. Boston. 1907." Cloth, pp. vi+188, 5x6¾. Frontispiece. \$1. Also in paper cover, 75 cents.

This work is full of new and interesting information about intercollegiate societies for women. It will certainly be hailed with delight by members of the sororities, and even fraternity men will be entertained by it. The author is Mrs. Ida Shaw Martin, the founder of Δ Δ Δ, and a graduate of Boston University in the class of 1889. As her book is the first one ever published that relates exclusively to sororities, it is an important contribution to fraternity literature and one that will be of permanent value. The plan of the work is entirely original, its principle divisions being as follows:

Preface. Pp. iii-vi.

Chapter I. The Higher Education of Women. Pp. 1-8.

Chapter II. The Evolution of the Sorority System: (1) Distribution of Chapters. (2) Extension. (3) Standards. (4) Government. (5) Publications. (6) Alumnae Associations. (7) Chapter Houses. (8) Pan-Hellenism. (9) The Congress of Fraternities at Chicago in 1893. (10) The Inter-Sorority Conferences. Pp. 9-44.

Chapter III. The Mission of the Sorority. Pp. 45-62.

The Sororities. (1) Literary Sororities, Class A. (2) Literary Sororities, Class B. (3) Musical Sororities. (4) Medical Sororities. (5) Necrology of Chapters. (6) Honorary Societies. (7) The Association of Collegiate Alumnae. (8) Southern Association of College Women. Pp. 63-130.

Statistical Data. (1) Co-educational Colleges. (2) Independent Colleges for Women. (3) Affiliated Colleges. (4) Co-ordinate Colleges. Pp. 131-188.

In Chapter I the author says:

Co-education is the popular and prevailing system of college education in the United States. About seventy per cent of the five hundred colleges in

the country are co-educational, while there are only twelve independent colleges of the first rank, five affiliated colleges and about the same number of co-ordinate colleges.

It is not to conservative New England, so lavish with gifts to her sons, but to pioneer Ohio that we must look for the beginning of college education for women. Oberlin College, opened in 1833 as Oberlin Collegiate Institute, but not chartered as a college until 1850, was the first institution to offer advanced courses to women as well as men.

In 1836 Mary Lyon secured a charter from the Massachusetts legislature for Mount Holyoke Seminary, which, though it did not pretend to offer collegiate courses, yet stood firm for serious work and high standards.

In 1853 Antioch College in Ohio was opened, under the presidency of Horace Mann, and admitted men and women on equal terms.

Elmira College, established in 1855 by the Presbyterian Synod, was the first women's college to receive a charter from any state.

The state universities of Utah and Iowa, opened respectively in 1850 and 1856, admitted women from the first.

A few institutions under religious control in the middle west, bearing the name of college but doing work little higher than the first class secondary schools of the present time, were induced to admit women, as the result of these experiments. Except, however, in the districts where the influence of these pioneer schools was felt, little marked progress was made. Women were still the slaves of tradition.

The author says that greater liberality in the education of women was one of the results of the civil war.

In this time of immediate need, what was more natural than that the people should demand that existing colleges, hitherto sacred to men, should open their doors to women? The well-endowed universities made a strong stand against what they considered an intrusion. They claimed that they did this from a sense of duty to the past, to the founders and givers of endowments. The state universities, however, could make no such plea. Their endowment came from state or federal government, without restriction as to sex, and the people failed to see the need of establishing separate colleges for women when the state universities were already in existence.

Before long these doors, willingly or unwillingly, swung open to maid as well as man—Kansas and Minnesota in 1866, Indiana in 1868, Missouri, Michigan, Illinois and California in 1870, Nebraska in 1871, Ohio in 1872, Wisconsin in 1874. The opening of the University of Michigan to women was in direct opposition of the faculty, upon demand from the state legislature, and is interesting as showing the sentiment of the people. All state universities organized since 1871 have admitted women from the first.

The twelve independent colleges for women that are classed as "of the first rank" are Elmira, Vassar, Wells, Wellesley, Smith, Bryn Mawr, Mount Holyoke, Woman's College of Baltimore, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Trinity (Catholic, Washington, D. C.), Rockford (Illinois) and Mills (California).

The five affiliated colleges for women are Radcliffe College, (annex of Harvard University), Barnard College (annex of Columbia University), Woman's College of Western Reserve University and Sophie Newcomb College of Tulane University.

The four co-ordinate colleges, in which the men and women are more or less segregated, are the University of Chicago, Colby College, Middlebury College and Bucknell University.

The abandonment of co-education at Western Reserve University in 1888, after a trial of sixteen years, and the establishment of a co-ordinate college for women under the university charter, resulted from a decision of the trustees to call the college back to its original purpose, to educate men only, a decision which seemed the wisest solution of the difficulties growing out of an attempt to engraft co-education upon an institution modeled after New England ideas.

The decision of the trustees of Wesleyan University to limit the number of women admitted in any one year to twenty per cent. of the whole number of students enrolled in the preceding year is another instance of the futility of the attempt to introduce co-education into a New England college.

The segregation policy of the University of Chicago, adopted by the trustees in October, 1902, whereby separate instruction is provided as far as possible for men and women during the freshmen and sophomore years, was explained by President Harper as due in a large measure to the proximity of the university to a great metropolis, and the increasing enrollment of young women students.

The decision of the trustees of the Leland Stanford Junior University to limit the number of women students to five hundred at any time is, according to President Jordan, in harmony with the founder's purpose.

The aim of the trustees of Middlebury College in establishing a co-ordinate institution in 1903, after twenty years of separation, and the complete separation of the two in the required work of the first two years, is said to be due to a desire to make suitable and adequate provision for the culture and intellectual training of young women, to enable them to enjoy a more distinct social life while in college, and to provide for them an independent system of honors and prizes.

The college for women opened at Bucknell University in 1905, though at present only a hall of evidence, since very little instruction is given separately, is nevertheless the beginning of a definite plan for separation.

The system of co-ordination in vogue at Colby for the past ten years, and the very recent decision of the trustees to introduce separation in chapel exercises, and to establish, as soon as funds will warrant, an affiliated college for women, seems to be the accepted solution of the vexatious problem of providing collegiate instruction for women in connection with well established colleges for men along the Atlantic seaboard.

From the section of the book relating to sororities are taken the following details, which give the name of each, the date and place where it was founded, the number of its active college chapters, the number of its members, its colors, its flower and the name of its magazine. The author divides the literary sororities into two classes—Class A, embracing those whose chapters are mostly in colleges and universities of high rank; and Class B, embracing those whose chapters are in institutions of a lower grade.

#### LITERARY SORORITIES—CLASS A.

Pi Beta Phi—April 28, 1867; Monmouth College, Illinois: 36 chapters; 4,500 members; wine, red and silver blue; dark red carnation; *Arrow*.

Kappa Alpha Theta—January 27, 1870; DePauw University; 27 chapters; 3,500 members; black and gold; black and gold pansy; *Kappa Alpha Theta*.

Kappa Kappa Gamma—October 13, 1870; Monmouth College, Illinois; 33 chapters; 4,700 members; light and dark blue; fleur de lis; *Key*.

Alpha Phi—October 20, 1872; Syracuse University; 13 chapters; 15 members; gray and bordeaux; lilies of the valley and forget-me-nots; *Quarterly*.

Delta Gamma—January 2, 1874; Louis Institute, Oxford, Miss.; 17 chapters; 2,100 members; bronze, pink and blue; cream colored rose; *Anchora*.

Gamma Phi Beta—November 11, 1874; Syracuse University; 12 chapters; 1,200 members; light and dark brown; carnation; *Crescent*.

Sigma Kappa—November, 1874; Colby College; 6 chapters; 400 members; maroon and lavender; violet; *Triangle*.

Alpha Chi Omega—October 15, 1885; DePauw University; 8 chapters; 1,000 members; scarlet and olive; scarlet carnation with smilax; *Lyre*.

Delta Delta Delta—Thanksgiving Eve, 1888; Boston University; 23 chapters; 1,700 members; silver gold and blue; pansy; *Trident*.

Alpha Xi Delta—April 17, 1893; Lombard College; 10 chapters; 40 members; light and dark blue and gold; pink rose; *Alpha Xi Delta*.

Chi Omega—April 5, 1895; University of Arkansas; 20 chapters; 1,000 members; cardinal and straw; white carnation; *Eleusis*.

Alpha Omicron Pi—January 2, 1897; Barnard College, Columbia University; 6 chapters; 250 members; cardinal; jacqueminot rose; *To Dragma*.

Kappa Delta—October 27, 1897; Virginia State Normal School; 10 chapters; 350 members; olive-green and white; white rose; *Angelos*.

Sigma Sigma Sigma—April 20, 1898; Virginia State Normal School; 8 chapters; 250 members; purple and white; violet; *Triangle*.

Zeta Tau Alpha—October 25, 1898; Virginia State Normal School; 8 chapters; 300 members; turquoise and gray; white violet; *Themis*.

Delta Sigma—November 2, 1901; Tufts College; 3 chapters; 200 members; Nile green and white; violet.

Alpha Gamma Delta—May 27, 1904; Syracuse University; 3 chapters; 68 members; red, buff and green; red and buff roses.

#### LITERARY SOCIETIES—CLASS B.

Beta Sigma Omicron—December 12, 1888; Synodical College, Fulton, Mo.; 7 chapters; 373 members; ruby and pink; red carnation; *Beta Sigma Omicron*.

Phi Mu Gamma—October 17, 1898; Hollins Institute, Virginia; 5 chapters; 250 members; turquoise blue and black; forget-me-not; *Shield*.

Alpha Kappa Psi—March 1, 1900; St. Mary's School, Raleigh, N. C.; 3 chapters; 75 members; Wedgewood blue and gold; forget-me-nots.

Gamma Beta Sigma—November 3, 1900; St. Mary's School, Raleigh, N. C.; 3 chapters; — members; purple and gold; violet.

Alpha Sigma Alpha—November 15, 1902; Virginia State Normal School; 6 chapters; 200 members; garnet and gray; carnation; *Magazine*.

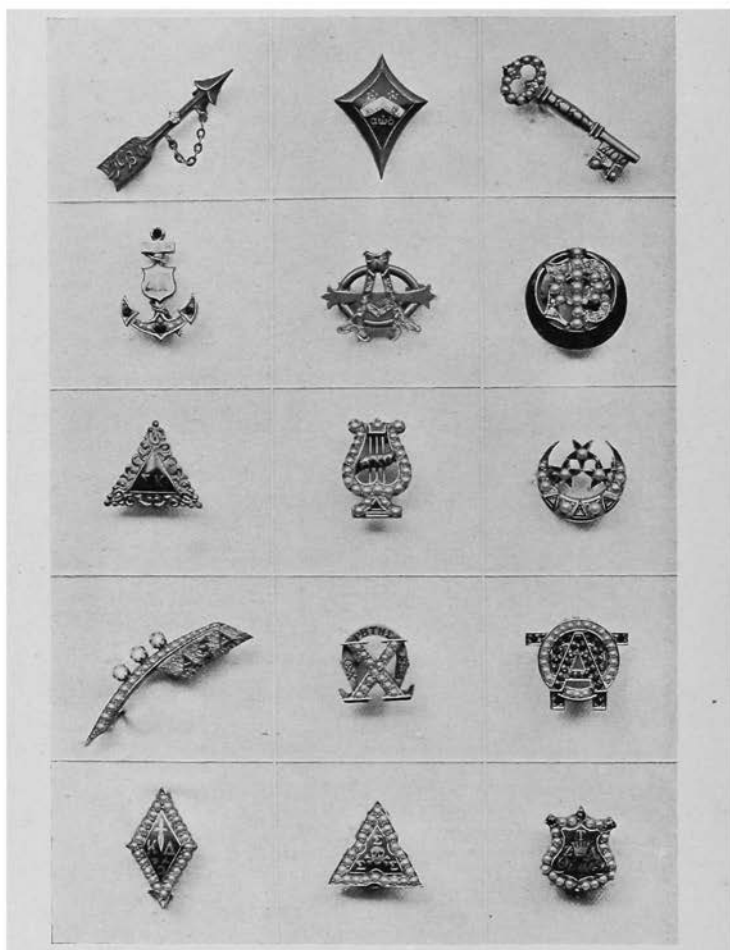
#### MUSICAL SOCIETIES.

Sigma Alpha Iota—June 12, 1903; University of Michigan; 3 chapters; 100 members; red and white; red rose.

Mu Phi Epsilon—November 13, 1903; Metropolitan College of Music, Cincinnati; 9 chapters; 450 members; royal purple and white; violet; *Year-book*.

#### MEDICAL SOCIETIES.

Alpha Epsilon Iota—February 26, 1800; University of Michigan; 9 chapters; 400 members; black, white and green; white carnation.



Pi Beta Phi  
Delta Gamma  
Sigma Kappa  
Alpha Xi Delta  
Kappa Delta

Kappa Alpha Theta  
Alpha Phi  
Alpha Chi Omega  
Chi-Omega  
Sigma Sigma Sigma

Kappa Kappa Gamma  
Gamma Phi Beta  
Delta Delta Delta  
Alpha Omicron Pi  
Zeta Tau Alpha

#### BADGES OF THE SORORITIES.

Frontispiece of "The Sorority Handbook,"  
By courtesy of its author, Mrs. Ida Shaw Martin.

Epsilon Tau—November 4, 1898; Boston University; 3 chapters; — members; fern green and white; white carnation.

Zeta Phi—May 29, 1900; Syracuse University; 3 chapters; 100 members; black white and gold; daisy.

Bro. Calvin Vos, Ohio Theta, '04, "lawyer and member of Sinfonia and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  fraternities," is credited with being one of the three founders of  $M \Phi E$ , in 1903, the other two being the dean and a member of the faculty of the Metropolitan College of Music at Cincinnati.  $\Phi M E$ , founded at De Pauw University in 1892, combined with  $M \Phi E$ , under the name of the latter, in 1906.

The preface, dated March 1, 1907, says that since the book went to press  $A \Phi$  had entered Toronto, and  $A X \Omega$  Syracuse. More recently  $A \Xi \Delta$  has entered Tufts;  $A \Theta \Pi$ , California;  $A X \Omega$ , Simpson;  $\Pi B \Phi$ , Washington University and the University of Washington.

The frontispiece is a half-tone plate, showing the badges of fifteen of the literary sororities. These illustrations of the badges are the most beautiful ever printed. *THE SCROLL* is greatly indebted to the author for the loan of the plate. The preface states that the picture of each badge is from a "life size" photograph. The preface also mentions that the 1906 convention of  $A \Phi$  "decided to use in the future only such badges as have the  $\Phi$  upright instead of inverted, as has been the custom for many years, and bearing in black enamel three small letters, the meaning of which is for the initiated only."

Several sororities have jewels:  $K K \Gamma$ , sapphire;  $A \Sigma A$ , sapphire;  $B \Sigma O$ , ruby;  $\Phi M \Gamma$ , pearl;  $\Sigma A I$ , pearl;  $M \Phi E$ , amethyst.

$K K \Gamma$ ,  $A \Phi$ ,  $\Delta \Gamma$ ,  $\Gamma \Phi B$ ,  $A X \Omega$ ,  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ ,  $A \Xi \Delta$ ,  $X \Omega$ ,  $A O \Pi$ ,  $K \Delta$ ,  $\Sigma \Sigma \Sigma$ ,  $Z T A$ ,  $B \Sigma O$  and  $\Phi M \Gamma$  have pledge pins.

$\Pi B \Phi$ ,  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ ,  $K \Delta$ ,  $A O \Pi$ ,  $B \Sigma O$ ,  $\Phi M \Gamma$ ,  $A K \Psi$ ,  $\Gamma B \Sigma$  and  $A \Sigma A$  have flags.  $B \Sigma O$  has a banner also.

Several have patrons:  $K K \Gamma$ , Athena;  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ , Poseidon;  $X \Omega$ , Demeter;  $Z T A$ , Themis;  $\Phi M \Gamma$ , Diana;  $A \Sigma A$ , Minerva.  $A \Gamma \Delta$  has a mascot, a squirrel.

$\Phi M \Gamma$  and  $M \Phi E$  have yells.  $K K \Gamma$ ,  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ ,  $X \Omega$  and  $A \Xi \Delta$  have calls, but that of the latter is secret.  $\Sigma \Sigma \Sigma$  has a chant.

$K A \Theta$ ,  $A \Phi$ ,  $\Delta \Gamma$ ,  $A X \Omega$ ,  $X \Omega$ ,  $A O \Pi$ ,  $B \Sigma O$ ,  $\Phi M E$  and  $\Sigma A I$  have whistles. The whistle of  $\Sigma A I$  is the Shepherd's call from Tanhauser.  $A \Gamma \Delta$  and  $A \Xi \Delta$  have secret whistles.

Several have open mottoes:  $A \Phi$ , "Hand in hand;"  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ ,

"Let us steadfastly love one another;"  $\Phi \Gamma B$ , "Founded on a rock;"  $\Sigma K$ , "One heart, one way;"  $A X \Omega$ , "Ye daughters of music, come up higher;"  $\Delta K$ , "We seek the highest;"  $\Sigma \Sigma \Sigma$ , "Faithful until death;"  $B \Sigma O$ , "We live to do good;"  $\Phi M \Gamma$ , "Know thyself;"  $A \Sigma A$ , "To one another ever faithful;"  $\Sigma A I$ , "*Vita brevis, ars longa*."

Two have secret journals as well as open magazines:  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ , *Triton*;  $X \Omega$ , *Mystagogue*.

The following paragraphs are quoted from Chapter II:

The older and larger sororities have found it necessary to create new offices, in order that no member of the executive staff may have more work than she can accomplish satisfactorily, and in order that every phase of fraternity development may receive its due share of attention. The sororities are tending more and more toward retaining for longer periods than the usual interim of two years between conventions those officers who show special ability along certain lines.  $K K \Gamma$  is unique in electing its editor, historian and director of catalogue for a term of ten years.

All the sororities of prominence have established archives, and the majority of them have an officer whose duty it is to collect and arrange historical data. Whenever historical matter has been given to the public, it has usually appeared in the same issue of the magazine, which is known henceforth as "The Historical Number."  $K K \Gamma$  issued a small pamphlet in 1903 for the use of its members and for distribution among its friends, but up to the present time nothing elaborate has been attempted. The record of sorority histories is yet to be written.

The difference between fraternity life in a university in a large city and what it is in a college in a small town are well drawn.

A university located in the heart of a large city finds it very difficult to inspire the same amount of college spirit that is secured with slight effort in a much smaller college situated in a village. The city university draws its students to a large extent from the towns within a radius of twenty-five miles. The marked improvements recently made in the matter of cheap and quick transit render it possible for many of the students to live at home during their entire college course. The hurried entrance upon the work of the day, the hasty exit after recitations in order to catch a train, the absence of dormitories, the lack of suitable boarding places in the congested districts of a large metropolis for the few who are forced to find temporary lodgment, the distractions and fascinations of a large city, the general indifference of the greater part of the citizens, are all potent agencies that work constantly against any very strong growth of college spirit. These same elements make it extremely difficult for the city university to have a satisfactory social life.

Conditions in the typical college town are thus described:

The college or university in the small town, on the other hand, fills the whole horizon for students, faculty, property owners and tradesmen, and there is a marked local pride taken in everything that interests the students. They are people of importance in the village, because of their association with the college; and since everybody thinks there is but one college in the whole world, they begin to think so too, and develop immediately a very



proper and lasting interest in their alma mater. With dormitories, halls of residence, fraternity and sorority houses on or near the campus, with boarding places and faculty houses within easy reach, it is possible for such a college to have a very delightful social life and to foster all sorts of student enterprises. Under such conditions fraternity and sorority life comes very near to being ideal, an interest that is second only to that felt for the college itself.

The book may be ordered from the author, Mrs. Ida Shaw Martin (Mrs. William Holmes Martin), Iveagh Park, Bay State Road, Canton, Mass. WALTER B. PALMER.

#### REVIEWS OF THE FRATERNITY'S HISTORY.\*

FROM THE BETA THETA PI, BY ITS EDITOR MR. WILLIAM RAIMOND BAIRD, AUTHOR OF "AMERICAN COLLEGE FRATERNITIES."

It may well be imagined that a work which has taken up so much time is large in size. It comprises 966 closely printed pages, each slightly larger than the pages of the *Beta Theta Pi*. What this means may better be realized by stating that it is larger than Bryce's "American Commonwealth" or any of Dickens' novels.

The work begins with an account of the first Greek-letter society, the  $\Phi B K$ . This is the best account of the original Greek-letter society which has appeared in print, pains having been taken to secure as much detail as possible concerning all the essential facts of its early history. Then follows a chapter upon the intercollegiate fraternity system, accompanied by illustrations of the badges of most of the fraternities. This account is general and gives practically no particulars concerning different members of the Greek world.

Following this is a chapter upon Miami University, where  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was founded, accompanied by many illustrations of the old village of Oxford, the buildings of the university, and the like. The next chapter relates to the fraternities at Miami. If we had room, we would copy much that the author says concerning this subject, and we may do so at some other time. The foundation of  $B \Theta \Pi$  is carefully and accurately described, and its relations to the college and the chapter of  $A \Delta \Phi$ , which preceded it at Miami, set out in detail. One interesting circumstance may be noted at this point concerning the foundation of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

\* When "The History of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity" was published, copies of the book were sent to the editors of the journals of the general fraternities for men. This was done as a matter of inter-fraternity courtesy. It was, of course, expected that notices of the book would be given in these magazines. It is, perhaps, not too late to expect that notices may be yet given in the journals of  $\Delta T$ ,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ ,  $\Phi K \Psi$  and  $\Theta X$ , especially in those of the latter two, as *THE SCROLL* was the only journal which gave extended and favorable reviews of the histories of  $\Phi K \Psi$  and  $\Theta X$ .

A  $\Delta$   $\Phi$  established its chapter at Miami in September, 1835, and B  $\Theta$   $\Pi$  its first chapter in July, 1839. Both of these chapters were suspended at Miami for about four years, including the college years from 1847 to 1852. It was during this interim that  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  was founded, on December 26, 1848. The author says that "it was the first general Greek-letter society to originate in an institution where no other Greek-letter society existed." While that is strictly and exactly true, if by "Greek-letter society" is meant an active chapter, there can be no doubt of the fact that the prior existence of these two fraternities at Miami was responsible for the organization of  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  and that it was not strictly a case of spontaneous generation. The author says that in January, 1848, R. C. Anderson and Milton Sayler were the only A  $\Delta$   $\Phi$ s at the university, and both left after commencement in August, 1848. At that time the only Betas were S. S. Laws, Isaiah Little and J. W. Noble. Laws and Little were graduated in 1848. Noble had been suspended in January, 1848, and having been restored to membership in the university was the only Beta in the university, and the only fraternity man there at the time when  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  was founded. The charter of the A  $\Delta$   $\Phi$  and B  $\Theta$   $\Pi$  chapters had not been withdrawn and they were soon revived.

The author then states the facts concerning the origin of the chapter of  $\Delta$  K E at Miami. It appears in the fall of 1851, J. H. Childs and J. G. McNutt were expelled from  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  for repeated intoxication, and three other members, Matthews, Denny and Kemper, resigned in sympathy with them. In 1851 Denny joined A  $\Delta$   $\Phi$  and early in 1852 Kemper, Matthews, Childs and McNutt became the founders of the chapter of  $\Delta$  K E. Kemper afterwards resigned from  $\Delta$  K E and regained his membership in  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$ . . . . The author then gives an account of the split in the newly organized  $\Delta$  K E chapter which resulted in the formation of the  $\Sigma$   $\Phi$  society, June 28, 1855, and which society subsequently changed its name to  $\Sigma$  X. Many interesting reminiscences concerning the relations between the different fraternities at Miami are set out in this chapter, and we regret that we have not room to reproduce them.

The next six chapters of the book are taken up with fairly extended biographies of the six founders of  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  and comprise, in addition to the text, their portraits, facsimiles of their signatures, and illustrations of many interesting things concerning them.

The next chapter is entitled "The Parent Chapter" and gives a very full account of the organization and early doings of the fraternity. It includes a facsimile of the minutes of the first meeting held December 26, 1848, and extracts from those of subsequent meetings detailing matters of interest. The reproduction of a page from the treasurer's book, containing his financial report of March 6, 1849, is very interesting as showing the small scale, financially at least, on which matters were conducted in those days.

Separate chapters are devoted to the chapters Indiana Alpha, at Indiana University, Kentucky Alpha, at Centre College, and Indiana Beta, at Wabash College, each setting out in detail the circumstances surrounding their organization.

Then follows a chapter concerning the articles of union and the constitution of the original chapter and a chapter upon the original shield badge. In this last chapter comparisons are made and illustrations given of the badges of different college fraternities displaying the general outline of a shield.

The remainder of the book may be conveniently divided as follows: The general conventions are each treated in a separate article, and between these are inserted other articles giving the annals, or a narrative of events occurring in the interregnum, while from time to time digressions are made at appropriate places to insert special chapters upon such subjects as THE SCROLL, the different editions of the catalogues and song-book, the record of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in the civil war, and the like. The accounts of the different conventions and the annals are interesting down to the time when the fraternity grew up and became fairly prosperous, after which they become exceedingly monotonous and wearisome.

In the early days, perhaps the most striking circumstance is the division of each of the chapters at Miami and Centre into two parts or chambers. Concerning the Miami chapter the division took place April 13, 1852, when Anderson, Boude and Hutcheson presented a petition stating "that there is, in our opinion, in the Miami University, an adequate opportunity for the establishment of another college of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ," and, therefore, they requested that power be conferred upon them to organize and establish such a college, to be known by the name of the Ohio Beta of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . At the next meeting the relations which should exist between the two chapters were discussed at length, and it was agreed that each of the chapters should, previous to the election of any member, submit to the other chapter the name of the candidate, together with the

time and place or his proposed election. November 11, 1852, this second chapter was dissolved. The author states that the reason for organizing a second chapter in the same institution was that the members at Miami thought it best for the interest of the society that its existence there for a time should remain *sub rosa*. So large an assemblage of members could not meet regularly without arousing suspicion, hence, they divided into two bodies. After commencement in 1852, the society having made its existence publicly known, there was no longer any reason for both chapters. Accordingly, the second chapter surrendered its charter.

The minutes of the Centre chapter for March 1, 1854, state that the question chosen for the conference two meetings hence was "the propriety of forming a new chapter of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  at this place." Later this was done by a vote of ten to seven. An application was made for a charter, and a division of the chapter took place by lot, seven members forming the new chapter and seven remaining in the old one. An agreement was drawn up between the two chapters that the number in each should not exceed fifteen, and that any person proposed for membership in each should receive a two-thirds vote of the other chapter; and no person who had been rejected in the one could be admitted to the other without receiving the unanimous consent of the chapter in which he was rejected. July 5, 1855, this second chapter was dissolved. The author says it initiated no members.

In this book there will be found, given in every detail, the steps taken to establish chapters in different institutions, some of which were successful and some were not. The only noticeable thing about the rapid extension of this fraternity is that prior to 1890 few of the chapters were established as the result of movements originating outside of the fraternity itself, but most of the chapters were established by the direct inspiration of some member or members having more or less official relations with the fraternity's administration. Since the date mentioned the fraternity has been importuned by petitioners from many institutions, attracted by the standing of the fraternity in the Greek world, and irrespective of any action upon the part of any of its members.

There are chapters in the book giving in detail a list of all the Phis who served in the civil war on both sides, and also those who served in the war with Spain.

The book is profusely illustrated with facsimiles of old letters, badges, invitations and illustrations of different kinds.

It contains illustrations of the several chapter-houses, portrait groups of many of the conventions, single portraits of a large number of its prominent members and facsimiles of many documents. It also contains a roll of the chapters in detail, of the officers of the general conventions from time to time, a full history of THE SCROLL, the official organ of the fraternity, an alphabetical index of the general officers, a classified list of prominent members, a complete chronology of the fraternity, a bibliography, statistics of membership shown by catalogues and much other information which we cannot here mention.

If there is anything to criticize concerning the book, we would say that it is not properly called a history. It is in no sense a history if that word means a descriptive narrative of events occurring in orderly sequence in the life of the fraternity, with comment thereon, pointing out the lessons which may be gathered from the consideration of the events described. It is rather a storehouse of materials from which at some time a history of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  may be written. It would more properly be called an encyclopedia. . . .

It is a book which no person, who desires to be well informed about the college fraternity system of the United States can afford to be without. The author has taken the utmost pains to verify, from different sources, statements of the most trivial facts, and its dates and names can be implicitly relied upon. It is full of the most unexpected and interesting bits of information, and as in many respects the history of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and  $B \Theta II$  runs in parallel lines, there is much in it to interest members of our fraternity.

Probably no fraternity will venture to print a similar work. Certainly the author of this article can not be accused of any belittling of the importance of the college fraternities. They have their place and an important place in the American educational system, and yet it does seem as though Mr. Palmer's book was the result of the expenditure of energy, effort and time quite disproportionate to the importance of the subject treated. The pity of it is that few can appreciate the unselfish devotion, the disinterested loyalty which has gone into this book. In half the time devoted to it Mr. Palmer might have made himself master of two or three languages or the highest living authority on some important phase of human endeavor. A consciousness of a labor of love well completed will be his only reward.

FROM THE RECORD OF SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON, BY ITS FORMER  
EDITOR, MR. HENRY SYDNOR HARRISON.

The first thing that takes one's eye about Mr. Walter B. Palmer's remarkable "History of Phi Delta Theta" is its mere physical bulk. It is a large, stout book of almost the exact dimensions of the  $\Sigma A E$  catalogue of 1904, and it contains something over 950 rather closely-printed pages. Looking at the volume little less casually—though not much scrutiny is necessary, after all—you perceive that the corporeal thickness of it is as nothing to its astonishing scope and comprehensiveness.

Here, indeed, is a task of the highest magnitude discharged with the most praiseworthy skill, thoroughness, and perhaps most laudable of all, with uncompromising industry. After what travail, vexation and hardship Mr. Palmer has finally brought his work to an end, no one will ever fully understand but himself. An outsider, however, is vouchsafed a glimpse from the author's preface, which we have found in many ways the most interesting part of the book. The idea for the 'history' was first projected, he tells us, in 1879, and has been pretty constantly on his mind ever since.

Mr. Palmer has a clear claim to the glow of pride that comes to the honest workman, when he is at last able to lay his work aside with the knowledge that it is well and faithfully done. We have noted his hint as to how that work grew and expanded as he got into it. We find him holding out the promise, back in 1888, to "complete the history of the fraternity in the fortieth year of its existence." The fortieth year of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's existence was the year 1888. The history was completed nearly twenty-three years later. But  $\Sigma A E$  is familiar with surprises of this sort from her own experience with catalogues and manuals; and certainly Mr. Palmer, in 1888, did not anticipate any such history as this volume before us.

How thoroughly the book tells the life story of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  we are doubtless not well qualified to say, but we should take it to be highly unlikely that any fact of importance has been neglected. Indeed, if the book has a fault, it would seem to be in the other direction. It runs, perhaps, to too much detail. But a first history of any organization, as the author suggests, may well be pardoned this tendency; it is certainly far better to include in it too much than too little; and the scope of this history gives it also something of the nature of the source-book and something of the encyclopedia. On the whole, he would be an unenthusiastic Phi who could not be interested in everything set down here; just as he would be an

uncommonly inquisitive Phi who wanted to know something about his fraternity which Mr. Palmer's book does not tell.

To follow the growth and development of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , as elaborately set forth in these pages, would be both instructive and interesting, but we have not the space for it here. We can only hope to show very briefly the general plan on which the book is constructed. Beginning with an account of the first Greek-letter fraternity,  $\Phi \beta \kappa$ , the narrative passes on to a general account of the more modern fraternities, with cuts showing their various badges. Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, where  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was born, and the rise of fraternities at Miami, receive due attention in the thirty or forty pages following. Next come sketches of the fraternity's six founders, all but one of whom, John Wolfe Lindley, has already passed to the great beyond.

The consecutive story really begins on page 96, with an account of the beginning and early life of the parent chapter at Miami. The next three chapters, those at Indiana University (1849), Center College (1850) and Wabash College (1850) receive similar attention. Then commences the order that is followed, more or less regularly, through the remainder of the work. The annals for each interconvention period alternate with an account of the doings of the conventions. This scheme covers the progress of events pretty thoroughly. What it necessarily omits is included in the numerous special articles which the author has interjected all through the work. Some of the more important of these deal with the catalogues of various issues, beginning with 1860,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in the the civil war, correspondence and recollections of early years, the badge and coat-of-arms, the song-books from 1874, alumni clubs, the various constitutions,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  in foreign wars, and various other topics of Phi interest. After 1875, when the first issue of THE SCROLL was published, a brief account of important facts which appeared in the magazine from year to year becomes a regular feature. Final departments include rolls of chapters and alumni clubs, lists of conventions, general officers and prominent members, a Phi chronology, an excellent fraternity bibliography, some tables of fraternity statistics and the various indices.

The book, then, as even this rough summary may suggest, is remarkably complete.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  finds herself in possession of a history such as no other fraternity as has yet approached. It should fill all her wants in this direction for a long time to come, and has certainly set a new standard in this field of fra-

ternity activity. But, after all, the mind harks back from commendation of this notable volume to admiration of the man who made it. The profoundest impression that an inspection of the *History* has left upon the writer is of the skill, the tireless zeal and the unselfish devotion of Mr. Walter B. Palmer. The fraternity is indeed fortunate which can command such indomitable service as his.

**FROM THE JOURNAL OF SOUTHERN KAPPA ALPHA, BY ITS FORMER EDITOR, MR. VERNER M. JONES.**

As a rule fraternity histories are volumes of interest only to the membership of the particular organization whose life story is told, and they are generally so dry as to but casually engage the attention of the average member. Generally more catalogue than history, they are kept as reference books, whereby the whereabouts and careers of old friends may be handily preserved. The History of Phi Delta Theta, however, by Walter B. Palmer, which has just been issued from the press of the George Banta Publishing Company, of Menasha, Wis., departs from the conventional fraternity history in more than a single respect, for it is essentially a documentary history as regards to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  matters, being without the usual catalogue feature, and is, in addition, a comprehensive compendium of general Greek-letter information.

From his extended connection with  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  affairs, which dates from the late seventies, and which includes his encumbrance of every position of prominence in that organization, and his most extensive acquaintanceship with its members, Walter B. Palmer has the clear and undisputed right to speak *ex cathedra* on matters pertaining to that organization, and when his marked capacity for sustained and detailed labor and his talent for collection and compilation are considered, he is qualified as the logical Phi historian. When in addition his broad knowledge of general fraternity affairs, resulting from his experience as editor and associate editor of THE SCROLL is recalled, it will appear to those who are acquainted with his broad fraternity knowledge and sympathies that he is equally authorized to write of Greek-letter matters promiscuously.

In any event Mr. Palmer's labors entitle him to the distinction of being the Gibbon of the fraternity world of letters, for his history represents more time, labor, determination and enthusiastic energy than any of the big fraternity histories hitherto. For no less than twenty years has the work been on his heart and mind and when it is considered that



he is a very busy man, whose life labor is along an identical line of endeavor, it is amazing how he has been able to steal the time and from what source he procured his additional physical and nervous energy.

The volume comprises, including an introduction and author's preface, about 1,000 pages, and includes in treatment, besides a complete history of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , with especial reference to its founding at Miami University, Ohio, in 1848, sketches of its sixty-nine active chapters, its inactive, alumni associations and prominent alumni, a full history of  $\Phi B K$ , the mother of the Greek-letter system, the inter-collegiate fraternity system generally, and full accounts of miscellaneous Phi institutions, like locals absorbed, THE SCROLL, conventions, badges, coats-of-arms, catalogues, etc.

The most interesting feature of the work is the story of the founding of the fraternity, with the many side lights on life at Miami at that time. The situations leading up to, concurrent and subsequent are entertainingly and minutely set out, and involve the careers of the  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$  chapter from the idea of which sprang the Miami or Western Triad,  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and  $\Sigma X$ , and also of the local chapter of  $\Delta K E$ , from a split in which came  $\Sigma X$ . The affairs incident to the complicated and picturesque relations of these organizations to each other and to the Miami faculty make altogether exciting and romantic reading matter. Much space is given to biographic matter touching the founders of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and their subsequent careers.

The work is copiously illustrated by likenesses of Phi celebrities and chapter houses, of Miami buildings and campus scenes, of historic Phi papers, documents and insignia, of  $\Phi B K$  badges and the old Raleigh Tavern at Williamsburg, Va., where the organization held its meetings, cuts of all fraternity badges and much incidental embellishment.

In the author's preface he gives many interesting incidents in connection with its preparation and compilation, and narrates some of the besetting tribulations of the historians and some of the joys incidental. He tells how the work became almost a part of himself, how it was his constant associate during years of perigrinations and peripatetic meanderings while traveling for the government, how it grew to be a bulky manuscript a foot thick, and became so insistent in its companionship that on one occasion it even accompanied him on an ocean voyage.

Mr. Palmer is an alumnus of Emory College and of Van-

derbilt University, and nominally resides in Nashville, where he was for quite a while identified with local journalism. He has, however, been but little at home since 1892, when his talents for energetic and intelligent collection and careful compilation of statistical information were recognized by the government, since which time he has been subject to special assignments from the department of labor. His most noted official achievement possibly was his exhaustive and voluminous report of the great mining labor disturbances in Colorado, when his report was distinguished by being made the subject of a special message by the president. Since that time he has performed notable like services during the big Chicago strike and elsewhere.

#### FROM THE CADUCEUS OF KAPPA SIGMA.

For K  $\Sigma$  men the comprehensive history of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  which has just been published as the result of twenty-seven years of labor on the part of Walter B. Palmer, its author, is of particular interest. It tells of the struggles of a younger organization against older and more strongly intrenched societies. It shows how the more youthful association, in most instances, triumphed over its elders. It describes its spread from the middle west still further west, then into the south, and finally into the conservative east, until ultimately it surpassed all other college fraternities in its number of chapters. And then it tells, with commendable fairness, how a still younger organization, born in southland, but reaching out eventually to every part of the union, at last outdistanced  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . "For twenty-one years, 1883 to 1904," says Mr. Palmer, " $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  had a larger number of active chapters than any other college fraternity. In the latter year, it had 69 active chapters; but in that year the number of active chapters of K  $\Sigma$  reached 71."

$\Phi \Delta \Theta$  originated in 1848 at Miami, also the birth place of B  $\Theta$  II and  $\Sigma$  X. It had six founders, of whom the six stars in the fraternity's insignia are emblematic. Of the six, Robert Morrison was the leader and moving spirit. . . .

Three years after it was founded, the fraternity came dangerously near being wrecked, because of having taken into its fold men unworthy of its principles. Among those who saved the society at this crisis was Benjamin Harrison, later president of the United States. The trouble arose when two members, J. H. Childs, '52, and J. G. McNutt, '53, dis-

graced themselves and their fraternity by getting drunk at their initiation.

Harrison was McNutt's roommate, and he was accordingly appointed to admonish him. Another member of the fraternity was chosen to talk with Childs, who was his confidential friend. McNutt promised on bended knees, calling God to witness, that he would never touch liquor again; while Childs promised to abstain until Christmas. "But Childs and McNutt," says Mr. Palmer, "continued to get drunk, and strangely enough seemed to make a point of becoming intoxicated on the nights of meeting of the Young Men's Temperance Society, of which both were members, and of which McNutt was the prosecuting officer."

They were finally summoned to appear before the fraternity at a special meeting, but they refused. Harrison, who was then president of the fraternity, and the secretary of the organization, then drove to the home of J. McM. Wilson, one of the founders of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , brought him to Oxford, had a meeting called, and induced the accused members to be present. Childs and McNutt pleaded guilty; but with such an ill temper that their names were then and there stricken "from the Bond."

Three friends of the accused men who refused to vote against them resigned on the spot. Others threatened to secede. Harrison, however, voted to oust his friend and roommate, and he induced a faithful few to do as he did, to put the fraternity before personal preference.

"The fraternity today," said Mr. Morrison in 1888 shortly after Harrison was nominated for the presidency, "is enjoying a large measure of prosperity, due perhaps to no other one thing in our history in grand results so much as to the skill evinced by Benjamin Harrison, the youthful student at Miami University, as president of the Ohio Alpha, the grand chapter of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , in the celebrated crisis of 1851."

Some of the exploits of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  men in the civil war and the war with Spain are recorded in graphic detail by Mr. Palmer. "The fraternity," he says, "has just reason for pride in the honorable part which its members took in the civil war. Of the 281 Phi Delta Thetas engaged in the war, 229 were in the United States army, 2 in the United States navy, and 50 in the Confederate army. Many members attained high military rank, earning their promotion by conspicuous gallantry and manifest ability."

Among other Phi Delta Thetas who took part in the war were J. F. Philips (later United States district judge), who was a brigadier-general; J. W. Foster (later secretary of state); J. C. Black (commissioner of pensions under President Cleveland); T. J. Morgan (commissioner of Indian affairs under President Harrison); H. V. N. Boynton and Theodore Read, all of whom were brevet brigadier-generals. Benjamin Harrison was a colonel of the 70th Indiana infantry; and in the Confederate army, J. C. S. Blackburn (later United States senator from Kentucky) was a lieutenant-colonel.

Of the Phi Delta Thetas of the Spanish-American war, the most noteworthy was General Frederick Funston, the capturer of Aguinaldo.

Mr. Palmer's book is of too wide a scope for a reviewer to do it full credit in a magazine article of this length. It is a monumental work, and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is indeed fortunate in having its achievements so ably, so painstakingly and so comprehensively recorded.

#### EDITORIAL FROM THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON QUARTERLY.

The historian of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , Walter B. Palmer, has recently completed a history of that fraternity. It contains nearly 1,000 octavo pages, and is by far the most comprehensive history of any college fraternity ever published. The preface shows that the author has been engaged on it at such time as he could spare from other duties during a period of twenty years. Its arrangement is chronological, from 1848, the year the fraternity was founded at Miami, to 1906. The records of the fraternity seem to be remarkably complete. Every important historical date is given except that of one *ante-bellum* chapter. An abstract of the proceedings of every convention (the first being held in 1851) is given, together with the names of all delegates and other members in attendance.

The most interesting portion of the history is that which relates to the origin of the fraternity and the establishment of the early chapters. Full details are furnished regarding the parent chapter, and incidentally there are several references to the establishment of the Kappa chapter of  $\Delta K \Xi$  at Miami. A sketch of Miami University included in the book is perhaps the best that ever appeared. There are also sketches of the six founders of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . Interesting correspondence and reminiscences of the founders and other early members are quoted. All of the publications of the frater-

nity are fully described. The military careers of the members in the civil war and in the Spanish and Philippine wars are given in great detail. There is a list of prominent members, and testimonials to the fraternity from such members are interspersed through the pages.

The development of the constitution is traced, showing how the machinery of government has been modified to meet the demands of a fraternity of wide extent. The social customs of the fraternity receive much attention. Considerable space is devoted to the chapter house movement, and an illustration and description of the log cabin erected by the Lambda chapter of  $\Delta K E$  at Kenyon in 1855 are furnished. The book contains a full sketch of the ancient  $\Phi B K$ , an article on the intercollegiate fraternity system, and numerous notes about other fraternities. Frequent citations are made from the  $\Delta K E$  *Quarterly*. Subdivisions of the book are devoted to a list of general fraternity officers from 1848 to 1906; statistics showing the growth of the fraternity in membership, chapters, chapter houses, etc.; a chronology epitomizing the whole history of the fraternity; a bibliography of books and magazine articles containing references to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and fraternities in general; a topical index and indexes of chapters and alumni clubs, giving the work an encyclopaedic character.

The book is profusely illustrated with half-tones and wood cuts, the coat-of-arms engraved on steel making the frontispiece. The illustrations include Miami campus views, portraits of the founders and of distinguished alumni and general officers, convention groups, pictures of chapter houses, engravings of badges and other insignia of various periods, and facsimiles of many old fraternity documents, making a total of 387 engravings.

Undoubtedly the author has delved deep into all the records of the fraternity and has fully covered his subject. He presents an astonishing array of facts bearing on the history of the fraternity during its career of over fifty-seven years. Many of the incidents related, especially of the earlier years, will be appreciated by members of other fraternities than his own.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is to be congratulated on having a member who has been willing to undergo the prodigious labor required in producing such a voluminous, comprehensive and valuable work. He has been indefatigable in his efforts to rescue from the past a complete account of the fraternity, and in making a permanent record of the impor-

tant archives of the fraternity and of the scattered archives of the chapters, the originals of which are liable to destruction by the ravages of time. The book contains many distinctive and admirable features, and it will not fail to entertain all Greeks who are interested in fraternities generally. It is one of the few books yet published which anyone of pan-Hellenic tastes will desire to add to his library. It is handsomely printed and bound.

**MR. LOWRIE McCLURG IN THE RAINBOW OF DELTA TAU DELTA.**

Every fraternity man who sees a copy of this work will envy  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , in that it has a more complete collection of printed historical matter pertaining to itself than has his own. This is the most complete work of its kind that the Greek world has seen up to date, and it is the result of more than twenty years of hard work on the part of its author, who is naturally a most devoted admirer of his fraternity. The book was issued early in the present year, is a large octavo of 966 pages and weighs more than four pounds. Work on it was begun in 1880 when Mr. Palmer was appointed historian of his fraternity.

After a very interesting author's preface in which the story of the undertaking is outlined, giving an account of his troubles and trials, the work begins with an instructive account of the first Greek-letter society,  $\Phi \beta K$ , founded, as most fraternity men know, at William and Mary College in 1776. It then goes on to sketch the organization and growth at Miami University where  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and also  $\beta \Theta \Pi$  and  $\Sigma X$  were founded. The  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$  was the first fraternity to found a western chapter and it entered Miami in 1835.  $\beta \Theta \Pi$  was founded in 1839, but at the time of the founding of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , December 26, 1848, neither of these earlier societies were in active organization at Miami, though there were members of each in the college.

Here Mr. Palmer makes the first of several claims by which he attempts to show that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is the most important among the college societies. He says that, saving  $\Phi \beta K$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was the first general Greek-letter society to originate in an institution where no other Greek-letter society existed. Neither  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$  or  $\beta \Theta \Pi$  was then living at Miami, but their general influence must have been felt in the student body, members of both were still in college, and each fraternity was reorganized by these members shortly after.

A sketch is then given of the organizing of  $\Delta K E$  and the founding of  $\Sigma X$ ; then come biographies of the six founders, followed by an account of the parent chapter and separate

chapters also on the second, third and fourth chapters of the fraternity. Then Mr. Palmer goes into the general history of his fraternity, mixing up annals, convention notes and the records in *THE SCROLL* and *Palladium* in a way rather bewildering to an outsider, who finds it almost impossible to follow in an intelligent way. However, no member of another fraternity is in position to criticise his production adversely, as, through the self sacrificing labors of Mr. Palmer,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has a work of which no other can boast, though it is essentially a source book, not a history. In it the archives of the fraternity are preserved as they could not be in any other way.

Many curious customs and movements within the fraternity are noted, and we learn that a Chicago convention, held in 1869, seriously considered the motion to admit women to its ranks. It also seems to have been the custom to allow members to initiate students attending colleges where no chapter existed, before a petition had been sent in or a charter granted. How often this was done or up to how recent a date is not clearly shown. Among others, the chapters at the Universities of Minnesota, Iowa and Texas were first organized in this way. The students at Minnesota who afterwards petitioned were initiated on September 16, 1881; the charter was granted October 12, 1881. Those of Iowa were initiated February 3, 1882; the charter was granted March 27, 1882. Those at Texas were initiated October 8, 1883, and the charter was granted October 15, 1883. This seems rather a unique way to extend a fraternity, and doubtless it is not done now.

No man who desires to be well informed on the fraternity world can afford to be ignorant of this history of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , and all ambitious chapters of our own fraternity should preserve it in their libraries. It is clearly printed in small type and is a good specimen of book making.

#### MR. HENDREE P. SIMPSON IN THE ALPHA TAU OMEGA PALM.

A large volume of 966 pages, bearing the above title, has come to the writer's table, and, in a general way, it is well worth perusing by members of the fraternities. However, this is not meant for faint praise, for, as far as his own fraternity is concerned, Mr. Palmer has rendered it a service that perhaps no other man would have attempted, and perhaps which will not be equalled by any other fraternity for many years to come. It is a volume showing monumental and self-sacrificing labor carried to the limit. . . .

He began on the work about 1885, intended to complete it in 1888, the fraternity's fortieth anniversary, and in this year of 1906 it finally saw the light of a publication day. The work is not only a full history of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , but many contemporaneous acts of other fraternities are therein mentioned, and of course this makes it the more interesting to the Greek-letter world. He tells us that at one time, in 1889, he was convinced that "the fraternity was not in a great hurry for my history, and, therefore, there was no need for me to trouble myself about its early completion"—a feeling that comes to all compilers of such annals more than once while at work upon the task.

A full account is given of the first American Greek-letter secret society,  $\Phi B K$ , which dates from the year of the declaration of independence, and, as is now familiarly known, was founded at William and Mary College. . . . There are six pages given to the general subject of "The Intercollegiate Fraternity System," illustrated by reproductions of the badges of most of the orders. . . . A full history of Miami University occurs therein, and we find recorded the fact, unknown to many, that at one time, 1873 to 1885, the old institution had to be closed on account of financial difficulties. . . . Nineteen pages are given to "Fraternities at Miami," in which is said: "Thus Miami became the birthplace and first home of Greek-letter societies in the west, as Union has been in the east.  $B \Theta \Pi$  was the first such society to originate west of eastern New York," being founded there in 1839, four years after the entrance of  $A \Delta \Phi$ . Biographies of the fraternity's six founders occupy forty-four pages, and the parent chapter is given nineteen. The annals of each period between conventions are written up in full, as are a record of each convention that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has held, and the history by years of its official journal. There are besides chapters given to such subjects as its members "in foreign wars" and "in the civil war." "Correspondence of the early years" makes what must be interesting portions to Phis. . . .

A chronology of the fraternity, and a fraternity bibliography complete this interesting work. The author's fraternity is under a debt of gratitude to him, so great that it will probably never be paid in full, but being a labor of love, its finish and completeness is of course considerable reward.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is to be congratulated upon the possession in printed form of the results of his long-carried-on work.



## FROM THE SIGMA CHI QUARTERLY.

"The History of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity," recently issued, includes much that is of interest, not only to the organization for which it was primarily intended, but also to college and fraternity men generally, and among the last mentioned, Sigma Chis in particular, as  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is the second of the "Miami Triad," having been founded seven years before  $\Sigma X$  at the first home of Greek-letter societies in the west, which was also the birthplace of  $B \Theta \Pi$ . The book is a monument to the literary genius and painstaking devotion of Walter B. Palmer, Emory, '77, Vanderbilt, '80. In his preface the author states how he never contemplated at the outset so stupendous an undertaking, but the work expanded, during the twenty-five years of preparation, until it assumed the aspect of an encyclopædia as well as a chronicle, extending in printed form over 966 pages. The account of  $\Phi B K$  preceding the sketch of the intercollegiate fraternity system, is the most complete ever published, and the book deals at length with the early history of  $\Sigma X$  at Miami. Among the illustrations, in which the book abounds, is a facsimile of an invitation sent June 10, 1857, by Alpha Chapter of  $\Sigma X$  to the parent chapter of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ . The history proper leaves little to be desired in the way of comprehensive detail and indexing, and it has been well stated that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  now has a history written so well that it will be a century hence, as now, the admiration and despair of Greek-letter society historians.

## FROM THE DELTA OF SIGMA NU.

Mr. Walter B. Palmer, the most prominent fraternity man in America except William Raimond Baird ( $B \Theta \Pi$ ), has issued what is probably the crowning work of his life, "The History of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity" a volume of almost 1,000 pages. It is a wonderful collection of historical data, not alone of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ —for Walter Palmer is too broad and good a man for that—but a cyclopedia of Greek letter lore.

## A MODEL CHAPTER HISTORY

"THETA OF DELTA KAPPA EPSILON: The Story of Sixty Years, 1844-1904: Being a Historical Sketch of the Chapter of the  $\Delta K E$  Fraternity at Bowdoin College, and Brief Biographies of Its Members from Its Establishment to Date. By John Clair Minot. (Cut of  $\Delta K E$  badge.) Augusta, Maine: Kenebec Journal Print. 1904." Cloth back, paper covered board sides; pp. 272, 5x7½. Illustrated. \$2.

In the preface to "The History of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity," published in 1906, the writer urged that separate

histories of the chapters of the fraternity be prepared and published. He had in mind the history of the Bowdoin chapter of  $\Delta K E$ , which was published in 1904, and which is the best example of a chapter history he has ever seen. Certainly it is a good model for the chapters of any fraternity to adopt.

The book has many interesting features, interesting to other Greeks as well as Dekes. This is especially true of the earlier portion of the history, which describes fraternity conditions at a small college over sixty years ago. During that time great changes have taken place in the student life of all institutions and in the customs of the chapters of all Greek-letter fraternities. Most modern Greeks have very imperfect ideas of these changes, and will be entertained by an authentic account of how a chapter was organized and conducted in the dim distant days when college fraternities were still in their formative stage.

The author is Mr. J. C. Minot, Bowdoin, '96, of the editorial staff of the *Kennebec Journal*, Augusta, Me. His literary style is very attractive. He has the historic sense which recognizes the difference between what is of permanent importance and what is of only ephemeral interest. He indulges in no vainglorious boasting about his fraternity. Apparently he has made excellent use of all available materials for a history of his chapter.  $\Delta K E$  would be very fortunate if it could secure his services to write a history of the whole fraternity.

Mr. Minot's book is handsomely printed, though one might wish that so valuable a work had been bound in nothing less durable than full cloth. Of the 272 pages, introductory matter fills pages 1-10; the history of the chapter, 11-110; a catalogue of the members, 111-262; a name index, 263-272. The subdivisions of the historical portion are as follows:

Two Men from Yale—Institution of Theta Chapter—Charter Members—The First Year—Story of the Pins—Establishment of Xi Chapter—Early Incidents—Our Honorary Members—Early Correspondence—Theta in the Civil War—Conventions Held With Theta—Our Sister Fraternities—Two Deaths in the Androscoggin—Three Names Blotted Out—Semi-Centennial Celebration—The Halls of Theta—Chapter House Movement—The House a Reality—Kinship Within the Chapter—Some of the Prizes and Honors—A Few Figures.

The illustrations are as follows:

The Chapter House (frontispiece)—The Chapter Coat-of Arms—Hawthorne's Letter Accepting Honorary Membership—South Appleton Hall—The Undergraduate Members, April, 1904.

$\Delta K E$  was founded at Yale College, New Haven, Conn.,

June 22, 1844, by fifteen members of the class of 1846. One of them, Elisha B. Shapleigh, wrote about this important event to his friend, John S. H. Fogg, who was then a sophomore at Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Me. These two were natives of Eliot, Me., and had prepared for college at the same academy. By correspondence, they discussed the organization of a chapter at Bowdoin, and this led to the establishment there of the second chapter of  $\Delta K E$ , a few months later. Referring to a communication, dated October 17, 1844, from Edward G. Bartlett, one of the founders at Yale, to Fogg, the author says:

It goes on to express the willingness of the Yale chapter to grant such a new chapter, provided the petitioners at Bowdoin become an organized body, pledging themselves to be true to the secrets of  $\Delta K E$ , and to do all in their power to advance its interests. The writer also inquires particularly as to "the prospects of perpetuating such a society at Bowdoin, as we should be unwilling to have any branch of  $\Delta K E$  expire ingloriously."

Shapleigh and Bartlett, whose home was in Portsmouth, N. H., visited Bowdoin to inspect the college and the students. From Portsmouth to Brunswick they were two days on the trip, traveling by team. The two Yale men wore "upon their waistcoats a fraternity pin, for the first time seen in Brunswick." The visit was made during the first week in September. At that period commencement at Yale, Bowdoin and perhaps most other colleges in the United States came in that month. The visitors "departed for their homes most favorably impressed with the Bowdoin men," and their report was favorable, as was evidenced by "the promptness with which the charter was granted when it was petitioned for, after vacation."

November 1, 1844, is the date upon the faded parchment charter, which has had a place of honor in the chapter hall all these sixty years, yet November 6 was the date when the eleven charter members met for organization and were initiated by Thomas D. Sherwood, the delegate from the mother chapter, Phi, at Yale, who came to Brunswick for that purpose. . . . That the initiation ceremonies of today differ in some of their details from those performed on that memorable evening, need hardly be stated. . . .

. . . The chapter was organized with the choice of Goodrich, president; Dunlap, vice-president; Fogg, secretary; Jackson, corresponding secretary, and Emery, treasurer; while Dunlap and Knight were chosen to deliver the oration and poem at the next election of officers. A tax of \$1.50 was assessed on each member as an initiation fee. . . . Jackson, Knight and Upham were chosen a committee to secure pins for the members, and also to engage a suitable room as a meeting place.

The meeting at which the charter members were initiated and the chapter was organized was held in the room of a junior, at the home of his parents in Brunswick. The next

two meetings, also were held there, and then a room was rented from a resident of the town, at a rental of \$20 a year, but the location of the room cannot now be learned:

The room first engaged was fitted up at an expense of \$28.03, of which \$17 was paid for chairs, \$6.75 for a stove, \$2.50 for lamps, 33 cents for a mat, 20 cents for a "lamp feeder," and 95 cents for postage. Later the luxury of a desk was added, "similar to that in Odd Fellows' hall."

The meeting place of the chapter in those early years was kept a profound secret from the world in general and from the other fraternities in the college in particular, and the members were accustomed to go to it singly and by devious routes, on the evenings when meetings were held. In the early years the meetings were held once in two weeks, on Monday evenings, though special meetings were often called as circumstances demanded. The regard in which attendance at meetings was held is shown by the fact that for many years a fine of 25 cents was imposed for each absence for which a good excuse was not presented, and the names of absent members were recorded in the minutes of each meeting.

The eleven charter members were composed of two seniors and nine juniors. At the first meeting they elected three sophomores to membership. At the second meeting, on November 11, they elected another sophomore.

These four students were initiated on the following evening, November 12; or, in the words of the record, "having taken the affirmation of secrecy, received the right hand of fellowship from the fraternity and signed the constitution, were constituted brethren of our mystic band."

On April 7 another sophomore was initiated; on July 14, 1845, another sophomore and five freshmen.

This raised the membership of the chapter to twenty-two, but as the constitution then provided that the number of members in a chapter should at no time exceed eighteen, and should ordinarily be only fifteen, the chapter had passed a by-law, June 16, with the somewhat remarkable provision that no person should be regarded as a "constitutional member" until the last term of sophomore year. This resulted in a peculiar state of affairs within the chapter, which was relieved, however, when the mother chapter, in October, 1845, agreed to a change in the constitution, making the limit twenty-two members instead of eighteen. At the first convention of the fraternity, held at Yale, December 23, 1846, the clause limiting the membership of a chapter was stricken from the constitution.

One of the very few faults of the history is that it tells nothing about the college. It does not state how many students there were at Bowdoin when  $\Delta K E$  entered or at any other time.

When Theta chapter of  $\Delta K E$  was established at Bowdoin, in 1844, two inter-collegiate fraternities were already represented there— $A \Delta \Phi$ , dating from 1841, and  $\Psi T$ , dating from 1843. . . . . A chapter of  $X T$  was also established at Bowdoin, in 1844, which died out in the late sixties. Tradition tells us that  $X \Psi$  was the "sporty" fraternity of its time, and that a visit to its halls in its declining years disclosed a punch bowl as the only article of furniture remaining intact. . . . .  $\Theta \Delta X$  established a charge at Bowdoin in 1854, which became inactive five or six years later.

In 1874 it was revived. . . . A chapter of  $\Delta T$ , then known as a non-secret fraternity, was established at Bowdoin in 1857, the leaders in the movement being three or four students who had resigned from membership in  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ . The chapter became inactive within a year or two. . . . The Bowdoin chapter of  $Z \Psi$  dates from 1867. . . . No new inter-collegiate fraternity appeared at Bowdoin for a quarter of a century. . . . Then came the re-establishment of  $\Delta T$  in 1893, . . . followed by chapters of  $K \Sigma$  in 1895 and  $B \Theta II$  in 1900.

It would be interesting to know the ages of fraternity idioms and at what colleges they originated.

In the matter of securing new members there was undoubtedly more strenuous rivalry in the old times than in our day and generation. The term "fishing," as used in this connection at Bowdoin, is as old as the fraternities themselves. We find it first used in the records of Theta, October 5, 1850, when two members were thanked "for services in the line piscatorial." And what piscatorial artists there have been since that day!

In the old literary societies there was much politics, but during the last third or quarter of the nineteenth century, such societies greatly declined in importance at most eastern and many western colleges.

In those early years, the election of officers for the general literary societies, the Peucinian and the Athenaeon, which thrived at Bowdoin for two-thirds of the nineteenth century, was a bone of contention over which the fraternities lined up for battle. On those occasions there were frequent alliances between two fraternities; and in the records we find many instances, along through the 'fifties, where Theta chapters voted to combine with another fraternity—almost invariably with  $\Psi T$ , though occasionally  $X \Psi$  or  $\Theta \Delta X$  figured in the arrangement—for a revision of the important offices.

The charter members of  $\Delta K E$  of Bowdoin, at their first meeting, on November 6, 1844, voted "to keep the existence of the chapter a secret until the beginning of the spring term, when they proposed to appear in public, wearing their pins for the first time." But the secret became known at Yale and then at Bowdoin, in an unexpected manner. An order for pins was sent to New Haven, but, instead of being addressed to a jewelry firm, it was, by mistake, addressed to a stationary firm. The latter, not understanding it, but finding Sherwood's name in it, sent it to his room on the Yale campus, to get information about its contents.

Sherwood happened to be out, but his room-mate was in, and that young man was a member of  $\Psi T$ . The open letter was left there to await Sherwood's return, and the roommate, forgetting certain ethical principles with which, as a Yale junior, he was presumably acquainted, proceeded to read it. It is easy to imagine his amazement at its contents. The new society, which, though less than six months old, was proving a worthy rival of the two older societies at Yale, had become more than a local affair and had entered the world of intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity by establishing a chapter at Bowdoin! . . . He did not think to tell Sherwood that he had read the letter, and he lost no time in informing his  $\Psi T$  brethren of his

startling discovery. They, in turn, hurried a letter off to Kappa chapter of  $\Psi \Upsilon$  at Bowdoin.

Theta of  $\Delta K E$  has enrolled twenty-six honorary members, of whom "nineteen were elected in the first three years of the chapter's existence, one was elected in 1858, and six in 1869, when the general convention of the fraternity was held at Bowdoin."

By some unaccountable oversight, the general catalogue of the fraternity, issued in 1890 gives the names of only five of Theta's honorary members, and doubtless this circumstance has deceived many of our younger alumni as to the facts of the case, particularly as the same error was made in the catalogue of 1900 and in other lists that have been published. As a matter of fact, the total number of Theta's honorary members is twenty-six, of whom three are now living. The records are plain enough in this matter. The date of election is known in each instance, and in many cases the letters of acceptance are on file in the archives.

At first each chapter could elect its honorary members as it pleased, the only restriction being that they should be graduates of the college where it was located. In May, 1847, by consent of the Phi chapter, the constitution was amended so that the concurrent vote of two-thirds of the other chapters was made necessary to the election of an honorary member by any chapter. At the same time the clause restricting such members to the alumni of the college was repealed.

Some of the earlier honorary members were initiated with the same ceremonies that marked the reception of undergraduate members, and, like them, signed their names to the constitution and by-laws. Some of them frequently attended the meetings of the chapter and took part in its exercises.

Some of the honorary members were relatives of undergraduates; some lived in Brunswick; some were in the medical school; and some were teachers in preparatory schools where the infant chapter evidently felt that a good word in its behalf would not be amiss. . . . It is interesting to note that these honorary members have given thirteen sons to active membership in the fraternity.

Our fraternity no longer sanctions the election of honorary members, and in these days, when  $\Delta K E$  is great and powerful, the restriction is a wise one. But in the early days—and it is well to remember that nearly all of Theta's honorary members were elected in the first three years of its life, and none more recently than thirty-five years ago—it undoubtedly was a source of strength to have the help and friendship of a few young alumni who were active and influential. Rivalries were stronger then; there was faculty opposition, and in many ways the chapter had much more to contend with than in the later years. The election of honorary members was not the selection of a few famous names to bolster up the chapter, for it will be observed that practically all of Theta's honorary members who have become famous won their success and distinction after, and not before, their election to  $\Delta K E$ , giving the fraternity much greater reason to be proud of their connection with it.

Thus John A. Andrew was elected to honorary membership in Theta of  $\Delta K E$  fifteen years before he became war governor of Massachusetts; Nathaniel Hawthorne, long before he wrote his immortal masterpieces; Eugene Hale, before Maine ever sent him to Washington; John Searle Tenney, ten years before he became chief justice of Maine; James G. Blaine, before he became a great leader in national politics; and Josiah L. Pickard, forty years before he became a university president.

The members frequently had banquets or "spreads," and greatly enjoyed themselves around the festive board.

The records of Theta's early meetings abound in references to occasions when there was "a feast of reason and a flow of wit," but the first "feed," in the modern acceptance of the term, in which the young chapter indulged, was on the evening of September 3, 1845. It was the last meeting of the summer term, and consequently the last meeting of the chapter's first year, and it was made a gala occasion in various ways. Four honorary members, all young alumni, were initiated; there was an oration on "The connection between religion and politics," by Dunlap, '45, "even more than fulfilling the expectations of the most zealous;" also a poem by Knight, '46, "displaying much originality of thought and power of imagination; . . . after which literary feasts the society administered to their physical wants from a splendid collation, prepared by the committee previously appointed."

The imagination is not forced to a difficult or unpleasant task when it pictures the scene. The records of the meeting go on to state the interesting fact that "the festivities of the evening were much heightened by the presence of two of our Yale brethren, Messrs. Shapleigh and Bartlett, who joyously partook with us in our feasts of fat things, literary and convivial." These guests had both visited Bowdoin before in the interests of forming the chapter, but as this was the first time that a member of Phi had been at Bowdoin since Sherwood came to institute Theta chapter, it is the first instance in the history of Δ K E where members of one chapter visited another.

The room which the chapter rented in November, 1844, was occupied by it until August, 1846, when a larger hall "on the third floor of the old Dunlap block, on Main street, a building since replaced by the new Dunlap block, was engaged for the same rental, \$20 per annum."

It was a good sized hall, with a large ante-room, and, when the chapter moved in, it indulged the luxury of forty-two yards of carpeting for the floor. As one means of protecting and preserving the carpet, three spittoons were purchased at the same time.

The general conventions of 1852 and 1858 were held in this hall. In preparation for the first of these, extensive additions were made to the furnishings. Two tables were purchased, and incidentally it was "voted to restore to its rightful owner the table now in the possession of the society." The two sofas were purchased which no alumnus of the chapter fails to remember, and a little later a chandelier was purchased at an expense of \$25. Before the convention of 1858 was held, the ante-room of the hall was carpeted and painted.

The beginning of a library for the chapter hall was made February 2, 1860, when it was voted to buy a Webster's Dictionary, and from this nucleus has grown the library in which the chapter justly takes pride.

After ten year's occupancy of this hall, the rental was raised, but the chapter, too well satisfied to move, "voted to pay double the rent if necessary to keep the rooms." After another ten years, in 1866, the chapter moved to a hall in a new building near the campus. The hall was over a store; it was lighted with gas, and the rental was \$65 a year. It was dedicated with an oration and the singing of songs and odes written for the occasion.

As was the case with the previous hall, this one was occupied for exactly a score of years. Here the sessions of the general convention of 1869 were held, in preparation for which about \$125 was expended upon the hall. In 1867 the chair was purchased which has since done faithful service for the presiding officer. This was procured in Lewiston at an expense of \$28. A little later the large ante-room—where the Kappa chapter of  $\Psi$   $\Upsilon$  was at least once entertained in a body—was carpeted and papered.

In 1886 "the chapter moved to the hall that had been prepared for it on the third floor of the Boardman block," which it occupied until it built a house in 1900.

This third hall was a very pleasant home for the chapter, though usually most uncomfortably crowded on the nights of the alumni reunions in June. The ante-room was small, and on initiation night the boys appreciated the kindness of the dentist, who occupied the floor below, in placing his reception room at their disposal.

How distinct in the memory of the alumni is the picture of this hall! The two old sofas across two of the corners, and the piano between them; behind one sofa the bust of Shakespeare upon a little table, and behind the other on a similar table a mounted loon, much the worse for the ravages of the moths; the many delegation pictures upon the walls; the stack of tables and the littered bookcase beside the door to the little kitchen; the recessed platform for the presiding officer, with the fraternity escutcheon in its rear; the two supporting rods from the ceiling, often utilized for acrobatic performances; the cane seat arm chairs, filling most of the floor space; and the worn faded carpet, which was usually the subject for animated discussion at the alumni reunions—one old graduate no sooner remarking that his delegation bought it than another would promptly declare that the former's might have bought it, but *his* had paid for it!

The time when chapters quit meeting in halls and began to live in houses marked a day of profound change and the beginning of an epochal era for college fraternities. The splendid chapter houses, with their luxurious furnishings, are to be greatly admired, and ownership of such homes gives prominence and permanence to chapters, but when many alumni think of their fraternity life memory will carry them back to halls where their chapters assembled for many years. The hall may have been only one small room, perhaps over a store, and, with a meagre supply of shabby furniture, of a barren appearance, yet there many life-long friendships were formed. The associations connected with the old hall will always be dear, and about the place the fondest of recollections will cling in the minds of Greeks of the older college generations.

As the memory of the alumnus strays back to his undergraduate days in  $\Delta$   $\Upsilon$   $\Upsilon$ , perhaps it lingers longer and more fondly than elsewhere in the chapter hall. Whatever else he has forgotten, he still recalls his first entrance within those closely guarded portals, the mysteries there imparted, and the welcome from the heart with which he was received into the fellowship of the fraternity. It was in the chapter hall that the work was done



and the training given which proved not the least important part of his college course in its permanent value. There were fought the forensic battles which usually raised the dust within the room, but never failed to settle the great problems which were vexing the world outside. There were enjoyed the "spreads" and "feeds" which appeal, as do few other things, to the happy and healthy young collegian. There were sung in riotous glee that made the rafters tremble the songs of  $\Delta K E$ —sung with more volume and heartiness than regard to technique, and with much more harmony in the hearts of the singers than in the sound of the singing.

In 1896 Theta of  $\Delta K E$  purchased a large corner lot, on which, four years later, it erected a splendid chapter house, the first built at Bowdoin by any fraternity. The following paragraph shows how the project was successfully financed on the gift and first and second mortgage plans.

The house, when finally built and ready for occupancy, represented an outlay of practically \$30,000, of which approximately \$20,000 went for the house itself, \$5,000 for the lot, and \$5,000 for furnishings. Of this total of \$30,000, the sum of \$10,000 was secured from the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Portland, on a first mortgage of the property. This mortgage has since been transferred to the Augusta Savings Bank, which now holds it, and is being reduced at the rate of \$500 annually, from the income of the house. Of the remaining \$20,000, about \$10,000 was contributed by the alumni on an issue of second mortgage, profit-sharing bonds, and almost \$10,000 came from the earlier chapter house fund, from gifts by alumni and undergraduates and from temporary loans. Although at first the financial proposition looked formidable and forbidding, it did not prove difficult of solution.

$\Delta K E$  always has had a large chapter at Bowdoin. In 1904 the active members numbered thirty-nine. During the sixty years, from 1844 to 1904, the chapter enrolled 612 members, an average of 10.2 per year. These do not include the twenty-six honorary members, but include eighteen Dekes affiliated from other chapters, and three whose names have been blotted from the roll. Of these three, one, in the class of '49, "requested a dismissal from the chapter;" one, in the class of '51, "likewise found himself in uncongenial company, and soon after his initiation, the fee of which he never paid, he 'left with the benediction of all concerned,' according to the entry made at the time," and "later in his course became a member of  $A \Delta \Phi$ ;" and one, in the class of '64, was expelled for desertion from the army.

There have been several instances among the Bowdoin fraternities where a man has ceased to be a member of one, through resignation or expulsion, and became a member of another. Thus, as related elsewhere, a member of Theta, from the class of '51, left  $\Delta K E$ , "with the benediction of all concerned," and later joined  $A \Delta \Phi$ . Then we have seen how the chapter of  $\Delta T$  was first established by men who resigned from  $A \Delta \Phi$ . About that time another member of  $A \Delta \Phi$ , in the class of '60, resigned from that fraternity and joined  $X \Psi$ . One of the earliest members of  $\Theta \Delta X$  was a mem-

ber of the class of '54, who had left  $\Psi T$ . Theta chapter has one member upon its rolls who had earlier been a member of another fraternity at Bowdoin, in the person of Edward W. Thompson, '56. Of this brother it is recorded: "This highly honored member of our fraternity first joined the  $\Theta \Delta X$ , but was expelled during his junior year for causes which we did not deem sufficient. Universally sustained in his course, and with a hearty welcome, he was initiated into  $\Delta K E$ , July 17, 1855."

At the semi-centennial of Theta chapter, celebrated June 27, 1894, when Bowdoin celebrated the centennial of its incorporation, "about 150 alumni signed the register, representing 38 classes in the chapter's history, and fully one-half of the states of the Union," and "there were also present representatives of seven other chapters of  $\Delta K E$ ." After a reunion in the chapter hall, early in the evening, there was a banquet, at which there was an orator, a poet, an historian, and many other speakers.

Previous to the civil war  $\Delta K E$  was the greatest expansionist among all college fraternities. The number of chapters established before the war by various fraternities was as follows:  $\Delta K E$  (1844-61), 33;  $B \Theta \Pi$  (1839-61), 29;  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$  (1832-61), 23;  $Z \Psi$  (1846-61), 17;  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  (1848-61), 17;  $\Theta \Delta X$  (1848-61), 17;  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  (1848-61), 17;  $\Phi K \Psi$  (1852-61), 17;  $X \Psi$  (1841-61), 16;  $\Delta \Psi$  (1847-61), 16;  $\Phi K \Sigma$  (1850-61), 15;  $\Sigma A E$  (1856-61), 14;  $\Psi Y$  (1833-61), 13;  $\Sigma X$  (1855-61), 11;  $\Delta \Phi$  (1827-61), 10.  $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$  was the pioneer in the west (at Miami University in 1835) and  $\Delta K E$  in the south (at the University of Nashville in 1847).

The parent chapter of  $\Delta K E$  at Yale and the chapter at Bowdoin were established in 1844. The third chapter was organized at Princeton in 1845, and was killed by anti-fraternity laws in 1857. The fourth chapter was established in 1846 at Waterville College, now called Colby College.  $\Delta K E$  was the first fraternity to enter the college, and the chapter, which was called Xi, was organized by Theta at Bowdoin, which had received the necessary authority from Phi, the mother chapter at Yale. The petition for charter, dated June 22, 1846, was addressed to Theta, and "it is worth noting that this original petition, after reposing in Theta's archives for over fifty-eight years, was returned to Xi this year, and now has a place of honor in its hall." On June 25, 1846, two Dekes from Bowdoin initiated nine men and instituted the chapter at Waterville, where "the meeting was held in No. 27, North College, since destroyed by fire." On September 2, 1846, when eight members of Xi visited Theta,

"the members of the new chapter first appeared in public wearing their pins."

One of the first important things which Theta of Δ K E proceeded to do as soon as it was firmly established was to take steps towards forming a chapter of the fraternity at Colby—then Waterville—College. A search of the records and correspondence of that period brings out the curious fact, however, that the chapter at Waterville is not so old by a year as it is commonly credited with being. The general catalogue of the fraternity states that the chapter was chartered June 25, 1845, and that, to be sure, is the date which the charter bears. The chapter even celebrated its semi-centennial during the commencement week of June, 1895, with public exercises which included a history, an oration and a poem by distinguished alumni, and a splendid gathering of its loyal members from far and near.

But in the interests of historical accuracy, it should be stated that Xi chapter was not established, nor, in fact, petitioned for until June, 1846, a fact which is easily enough demonstrated. The mistake doubtless arose from a mistake in dating the charter. This document was not made out and given to the chapter until the convention which was held at Yale, December 23, 1846, and in filling in the date somebody blundered and wrote "1845" instead of 1846. If the mistake was noticed it was never corrected; and as years passed by and few bothered to make themselves familiar with the early records, it was natural that the date borne by the charter was accepted without question.

On the second anniversary of its establishment, November 6, 1846, Theta received the first addition to its membership from the ranks of a sister chapter. This was in the person of Henry I. Ware, '47, one of the charter members of Xi, who had severed his connection with Waterville College and become a student at Bowdoin. He was at once elected to membership in Theta and warmly welcomed into the full fellowship of the chapter. He was the first of twelve members of Xi who have come to Bowdoin and affiliated with Theta chapter.

The first break made by death in the ranks of Δ K E at Bowdoin, or in the whole fraternity, for that matter, came when Henry I. Ware, '47, spoken of above as coming from Xi chapter and as a delegate to the first convention, died of consumption at his home in Athens, Me., in July, 1847. . . . For the first time crepe was worn upon the pins of the fraternity. A constitutional amendment was discussed, providing for such an outward work of respect and sorrow in case of a deceased brother, and there was correspondence concerning it among chapters, but finally it was decided that it would destroy its highest significance if it were made a constitutional obligation.

The author gives interesting information about some of the earlier conventions of Δ K E. The earliest convention held by the fraternity met with mother Phi, at New Haven, December 23, 1846, when there were but five chapters—Yale, Bowdoin, Princeton, Colby and Amherst.

The constitution was amended in several important respects; the chapter officers were given the designations by which they have since been known; the initiation ritual was enlarged and improved; charters were given by Phi to four chapters which up to that time had existed and done business without any such written authority; and by the gathering and conference of the delegates the fraternity was strengthened in every respect. . . . From then until 1852 no convention was held, all matters of legislation,

constitutional changes, the establishment of new chapters, etc., being settled by means of the voluminous correspondence maintained.

Three general conventions of the  $\Delta K E$  fraternity have been held with Theta chapter at Bowdoin—in 1852, 1858 and 1869 respectively. In these later years, with our fraternity such a national institution, it has been impossible to induce the convention to meet in so remote a corner of the Union as Maine. Moreover, to the modern convention is attached an imposing series of social functions hardly possible of realization in a small college town.

The second convention of the fraternity was held at Brunswick during the first week in September, 1852, the commencement week at Bowdoin, Theta chapter being host.

Although the convention was determined upon almost a year in advance, the time proved to be none too long for securing an orator and poet. At first the home chapter felt confident it could supply them from its own alumni, but one brother after another whom it wrote to felt unequal to the task and modestly declined the honor. Next an appeal was made to Phi, which recommended several of its alumni, but they too felt obliged to decline. Then a general appeal was made to the other chapters, and a drag-net was thrown out for any alumnus suspected of oratorical or poetic ability sufficient to warrant his appearance before a  $\Delta K E$  convention. Finally both orator and poet were secured from among Theta's young alumni\*. No records of that convention have been preserved and so we cannot give the names of its officers or delegates, or any particulars as to the business transacted.

The third convention of  $\Delta K E$  was held at New Haven in 1853, the fourth at Washington in 1855, the fifth at Washington in 1856, the sixth at Providence in 1857. The convention of 1858, held at Brunswick, August 3-5, "was in reality the seventh convention to be held, but, as it was the thirteenth year after the founding of the fraternity, it was denominated the thirteenth convention, and subsequent conventions have been numbered on that basis." It appears that  $\Delta K E$  suffers from the misfortune of possessing no minutes of its first six conventions.† Referring to the convention of 1858, the author says:

The minutes of this convention are the earliest on file with the  $\Delta K E$  council in New York. . . . The whole number of chapters represented at the convention is not given in the minutes. . . . A member of the chapter at Middlebury, who had been expelled, and had later joined Sigma chapter at Amherst, was declared, after a long discussion, not to be a member of the Sigma chapter; a graduate pin, in the form of a scroll, was adopted;‡ "The Delta Kappa Epsilon March" was ordered published; the troubles of the Alpha chapter at Harvard were given the usual airing that occupied the attention of so many conventions, before and after that time.

\* Until the last fifteen or twenty years every fraternity considered that it was essential that at each convention a formal oration should be delivered and an original poem read, and perhaps also a history and a prophecy. This custom was observed by  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  until 1891.

† Many other fraternities are similarly unfortunate. A few years ago a gentleman, who has as much general knowledge of college fraternities as anyone in the United States, told the writer that his fraternity and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  were the only older fraternities that possessed complete records of all their conventions.

‡ Probably  $\Delta K E$  was the first fraternity to adopt a pin or button for alumni.

The third and last convention to be held with Theta chapter met in Brunswick, October 6-7, 1869. The convention banquet was a convivial affair, according to an alumnus.

Although Maine is a prohibition state, and at that time no liquors were ever used in college, yet I fear before we adjourned, at two o'clock in the morning, one at least of those who were to respond to toasts had fallen under the table. How many others were there deponent saith not, for he possibly was not in a condition to observe the actions of others. The last thing which I remember about that convention, which was a notable one in many respects, was that three of us, about four o'clock in the morning, were striving to get up Maine street (which is 200 feet wide) singing. . . . I cannot swear that we ever reached college. It is said that this one and only departure from staid New England habits was due to the fact that the Harvard chapter was represented by a full delegation, and that the members of that illustrious order joined with the Yale chapter to initiate the rural youths of Maine.

Δ K E has just reason for being proud of the record of its men in the civil war. As shown by its general catalogue of 1890, it had 1,542 members in the Union and Confederate armies and navies, or about twice as many as any other fraternity. Sixteen undergraduate Dekes left Bowdoin to enlist in the army, and in all seventy members of Theta chapter fought for the perpetuation of the Union and three in the armies of the south. A pathetic incident connected with the death of Lieutenant E. S. Rogers, Bowdoin, '65, "was one of a thousand to prove that the conflict between the sections could not sever the bond of brotherhood between the members of the fraternity wherever meeting." He was wounded at Cold Harbor, Va., June 7, 1864, and died the next day.

After he fell, mortally wounded, in that most desperate charge of all the war, a Confederate officer came upon him, and, seeing the Δ K E pin upon his breast, knelt beside him and clasped his hand in the grip so dear to both. The southern Deke remained with him to the end, doing all in his power to make his last hours more comfortable, and when all was over he sent the last messages of the dying boy to his home in northern Maine, and with them his Δ K E pin and other mementoes, which are to this day priceless relics treasured by his relatives.

Theta chapter possesses rich archives, consisting of letters received from other chapters in the early years, when extended correspondence was much more usual than it is today. There are several hundreds of these letters, and a few years ago a committee on archives "carefully arranged these letters in files by years, making them easy of access, and putting at the disposal of the fraternity almost unlimited material." Interesting portions of many of these old letters are quoted.

A particularly breezy letter is that from E. P. Abbe of the Phi chapters August 14, 1846. It calls Theta "our dearest offspring, the apple of our

eye;" refers to Harvard as "a Boston High School;" declares "we have the finest fellows in the whole college;" and pays respect to  $\Psi \Upsilon$  as "a feeble folk who have taken the offscouring of our class." There is a letter from Henry Hitchcock, of Phi, May 7, 1847, which showed that the ethics of the early years allowed considerable latitude in the matter of prying into the affairs of rival fraternities, as various mottoes and grips are explained with much detail and relish.

Another letter from Amherst in October, 1847, tells how  $\Delta \Phi$  and  $\Psi \Upsilon$  were seeking to injure or destroy the young chapter by urging its best members to forsake it and join them. "You are too smart men to be dragging that little society up hill," said the tempter on one occasion, whereupon the loyal members of Sigma, warmly resenting the insulting proposal of the rival fraternity, retorted: "Sir! you shall see the day of our prosperity! We shall exist as long as you, for more than one hundred men have sworn it in different parts of our land!" Sigma chapter has long since arrived at the top of the hill, both literally and figurately, and its rivals have learned the truth of earnest prophecy.

A letter from Phi chapter, May 30, 1848, states that the first movement to establish a chapter at Harvard had been given up, because it was found that such a chapter could not be established "without permitting the legislature of Massachusetts to overlook our constitution."

Among the letters preserved in the files of 1851 are one from Phi suggesting that the fraternity procure a block for the Washington monument; one from Upsilon relating how the chapter of  $B \Theta \Pi$  at Brown became a chapter of  $\Delta \Phi$ ; one from Alpha chapter at Harvard, November 14, announcing its organization a week earlier, and stating that T. S. Perry, Theta, '50, then studying at Harvard, had declined to join it; one from Psi chapter, Alabama, in response to an appeal from Theta for a poet for the coming convention, declaring that Psi had "no poet among its members whom it would do to trust so far from home;" four other letters from Psi which suddenly became one of the best of correspondents, after failing to write at all for the first three or four years of its existence; one from the young Chi chapter, Mississippi, blaming the mails for miscarrying its earlier letters, and promising to send a delegate to the coming convention at Brunswick and one from Gamma chapter, Nashville, seeking light as to the extent to which the fraternity obligation bound members to support each other in class and general society elections.

No fewer than fourteen letters were received from the Phi chapter that year, many of them of much length. Evidently the general catalogue of the fraternity does the inactive Delta chapter, South Carolina, an injustice in giving the date of its establishment as May 5, 1852, for the files of Theta show a letter from Delta December 29, 1851, giving the chapter officers and discussing the proposed general convention.

Of the thirty-three chapters established by  $\Delta K \Xi$  from 1844 to 1861 inclusive, eleven were located in the south.

What the civil war period meant to our fraternity, with its many strong chapters in southern colleges, is indicated by the letter files of Theta. The southern chapters were particularly prompt and cordial in their correspondence in the anti-bellum days. They were intensely loyal to the fraternity, and active in its affairs. They were heard from as usual in 1860, and from some of them letters were received in 1861; and then came the significant silence, unbroken for years, which told of college doors closed and chapters in a body marching to battle. There is much to stir the blood in those last letters.

The chapters at the University of Virginia, Oakland College (Mississippi) and others became inactive by their members enlisting in the southern army.

Chi chapter, Mississippi, wrote March 9, 1860: "May the bonds which unite us never be ruthlessly sundered by the political din which now disturbs our unhappy land. We love your north and hope you do our south. We hope that these commotions may soon cease." In January, 1861, the same chapter wrote: "In these sectional times the north and south are widely separated, but this should have no effect on Δ K E. Our glorious union should never be dissevered or the strong bonds that unite us be broken asunder." Within a year the seven chapter officers mentioned in the first of these letters were all in the Confederate service, as is shown by the general catalogue of the fraternity, and the writer had been killed in battle.

In the same month (January, 1861) Kappa Psi chapter, Cumberland University (Tennessee), wrote its emphatic opposition to a proposition of Delta chapter, South Carolina, that the southern chapters should sever their connection with those of the north; declaring, "We are unable to see why the action of political demagogues should influence or injure our great fraternity."

The latter part of Mr. Minot's book, about three-fifths of it, is devoted to a catalogue of the members of Theta chapter, arranged by classes and an index of the names therein. In looking over the catalogue one is struck with the fullness of the biographical data. The exact date of initiation of each member is given, indicating that the records of the chapter, from its beginning over sixty years ago, are in a very complete condition. Besides, the full name of every member appears, and in most cases college honors are shown. Following is one of the shorter entries. It relates to a member of the class of 1869.

\*OSCAR FITZ ALLEN GREENE, Lawyer.

Boulder, Col.

Born, February 2, 1842, Troy—Initiated September 20, 1865—Private. Company M, 1st Maine Cavalry, 1862-65—Junior Part—Senior Part—Editor, *Bugle*—First English Composition Prize—Phi Beta Kappa—Oration—A. B. A. M. and Master's Oration, 1872—Lawyer, Wisconsin, 1871-75; Boulder, Col., 1875-99—Member Colorado Legislature—Professor, Roman Law, University of Colorado—Died November 4, 1899.

No chapter of Φ Δ Θ has ever published a chapter history, and the writer cannot think of anything which any chapter could do to benefit the fraternity more than to publish a good history of itself, to serve as a model for other chapters. In default of any such Φ Δ Θ model, he heartily recommends Mr. Minot's book, which may be obtained by remitting \$2 to him at Augusta, Me.

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### PHI KAPPA PSI'S GREAT MEN FROM SMALL COLLEGES.

Mr. Guy Morrison Walker is the author of "The Record of Phi Kappa Psi," a manual of that fraternity, containing 80 pages, which was issued last year. One of its features is an elaborate list of the prominent members of  $\Phi K \Psi$ . In an article published in the *Shield* for December, he presented a compilation which shows how many  $\Phi K \Psi$  men that have acquired distinction have been initiated by each chapter. Evidently the compilation was made laboriously and with painstaking care. The article, which was copyrighted, has attracted much attention, because it shows that nearly all of  $\Phi K \Psi$ 's distinguished men were educated at the smaller colleges, very few at the large universities. The compilation is summarized as follows by Mr. Walker in an article contributed by him to *Leslie's Weekly*:

A recent examination of the membership of a college organization having over 10,000 members, drawn from over sixty colleges and universities, disclosed some striking facts regarding the success attained by men from different colleges, and some limitations upon success peculiar to some professions. A table was prepared showing the total number of members drawn from each college, and the number from each college who, according to popular judgment, had achieved success.

The list of colleges was then arranged in order according to the number of successful men that each had contributed to the organization, and the first striking thing seen from the list was the fact that the three colleges at the head of the list which had the largest number of successful members were De Pauw University, Ohio Wesleyan University, and Allegheny College, all of them comparatively small Methodist colleges in the middle west. The first contributed seventy-one successful members to the organization; the second, fifty-three; and the third, forty-four; while their percentages of success were, respectively, seventeen, thirteen, and eleven.

Out of the first dozen on the list, ten were small church colleges, and only two were state universities, the University of Virginia being fourth on the list and Indiana University being ninth. Both of these institutions, however, have had, during most of their existence, a comparatively small attendance, and have really been colleges of extremely high rank, instead of universities.

The other places were held as follows: Fifth, Washington and Jefferson College; sixth, Bucknell University; seventh, Dickinson College; eighth, Northwestern University; tenth, Wittenberg College; eleventh, George Washington University, D. C.; twelfth, Lafayette College. The first large university in the list was the University of Pennsylvania, in the thirteenth place, which, out of a membership of 270, had contributed twenty members, or about seven and a half per cent. to the list of prominent and successful men.

The editorial comments of the *Shield* are as follows:

The figures Brother Walker brings forth to support his argument—and they are incontrovertible so far as the main proposition is concerned—will at least serve to impress the brethren of the big colleges with the idea that they are not necessarily the whole thing in the fraternity. There is a disposition



on the part of the brothers in some of the chapters to feel that chapters in the smaller colleges are discreditable to the fraternity, and we heard it argued on the floor of a grand council (convention) on one occasion that the number of chapters ought to be reduced to fifteen. That sort of a position, in our opinion, indicates a very one-sided view of comparative chapter strength, and those who are addicted to such a feeling as that which prompted this speech, can read Brother Walker's article to their enlightenment.

Writing about small colleges and their graduates, a contributor to the New York *Evening Post* says:

To enumerate the great men who have shaped the life of the country is to call the roll of the small colleges. To analyze the lists of the captains of industry, the princes of commerce, the masters of assemblies, is to find that the cradles which have rocked them were in village homes, the schools that prepared them in farm or town districts, and the colleges which gave them final training were not seldom the small colleges of meagre resources, but large ideals and inspirations.

#### ANOTHER CHAPTER PAPER.

We have been favored with a copy of Number 1 of Volume 1 of the *Wisconsin Alpha Blaetter*, dated May 15, 1907. It has eight pages, measuring 9 by 12 inches, with three columns to the page. It is very well printed. At the head of the editorial page are the following lines:

##### WISCONSIN ALPHA BLAETTER.

Published spasmodically by Wisconsin Alpha of Phi Delta Theta, and put out as high class matter upon unsuspecting alumni from Madison, Wis.

Send your kicks to the waste basket. Send your money to us.

Horatio G. Winslow, '04 } Associate Editors.  
Robert W. Baily, '07 }

Under the title on the first page are the words "Jubilee Number." This issue was intended mainly to induce alumni to return to visit Madison on June 14-20, to attend the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of "the first chapter of any fraternity west of Lake Michigan, and one of the oldest fraternity chapters in the whole west and south." The paper is largely filled with announcements about the jubilee and articles relating to the reunion. The following is quoted from the salutatory:

It is with somewhat of fear and trembling that we venture into this field, new to Wisconsin Alpha. The idea of this paper, however, originated with our brothers down at Purdue, whose energy has become a slogan. Not to be outdone, we have, with the assistance of many alumni, collected together a large amount of language for the delectation and pleasure of alumni and friends of Wisconsin Alpha. . . .

If this sheet is received with favor by our alumni, we will try hereafter to issue it two or three times a year. . . . With the issue of this sheet, Wisconsin Alpha is, we think, the second in the line that will soon be a pro-

cession. . . . . We think, that the future of chapter correspondence with alumni lies in a publication of this nature.

There are columns of news and gossip about alumni and several articles relating to local affairs, including an account of a dinner and smoker given by the chapter to the town alumni last November. Another local article relates to the university circus, in which Wisconsin Alpha has won three silver cups—in the first biennial circus, in 1901, for the best trained animal, a camel; in 1905, for the best special feature, an automobile; in 1907, for a nondescript animal, which "had a bird's body with an elephant's head," which "could flap its wings, wink its eyes and elevate and curl its trunk," and which "also emitted certain frightful and hideous noises."

We have received the second issue of the *Phi Delta Theta Bulletin*, which is published by the Phis of New York City, and which was noticed in the April SCROLL. The first page contains an engraving of the dining room of the chapter house of New York Delta, as it will appear when certain alterations in the house are made, according to the plans of Bro. Fredrick Squires, of Squires & Wynkoop, architects.

#### PRIVATE FRATERNITY JOURNALS.

In addition to their open magazines, the following fraternities issue secret journals: *Bulletin* by Σ X, *Palladium* by Φ Δ Θ, *Phi Alpha* by Σ A E, *Star and Crescent* by K Σ. ΒΘΠ, for some time after it absorbed the Mystic Seven fraternity, issued a private journal, called the *Mystic Messenger*, but that journal has been suspended for a number of years, and in its stead two of the eight issues a year of the *Beta Theta Pi* are circulated privately, being sent only to Betas, one consisting of the minutes of the annual convention, the other consisting of circular letters from chapters to alumni. One or two issues of the *Phi Gamma Delta* during each year are circulated privately, being sent only to Fijis. The *News Letter* of Φ K Σ, the *Signet* of Φ Σ K and the *Purple and Gold* of X Ψ (if indeed the last is still published, which is doubtful) go to members of their respective fraternities only. In addition to their open magazine, two sororities issue secret journals: *Triton* by Δ Δ Δ, and *Mystagogue* by X Ω. Even Δ Y, which claims to be "non secret," is considering the question of publishing a secret journal. The Δ Y *Quarterly* says:

The editor of the *Quarterly* has always believed that a private publication, issued annually, either in connection with the convention annual or at an intermediate period, say as a summer issue of the *Quarterly*, would not be

inconsistent with the principles of the fraternity. It is not necessary, in order to maintain our position as non secret, to put our private correspondence into the hands of the public. Such a private issue could be made of great value as a means of communication between the council and the chapters, and would prove of considerable interest to the alumni as well.

Yet the *Quarterly* professes to have no use for secret frivolities, as it says in another place:

There is generally someone to bring up at convention the questions of a whistle and even a grip, but  $\Delta T$  has always classed these, with hatbands and countersigns, as too trivial for legislation. May we continue to do so.

As to how secret a "non-secret" fraternity may be, the *Phi Gamma Delta* says:

To-day  $\Delta T$  is not outwardly distinguishable from any other college fraternity. It is known that it has a ritualistic initiation, though there is no grip or pass-word or other sign of distinction except the pin. A member of that organization says the  $\Delta T$  ritual is not regarded as secret, but, from the point of view of custom, no one not a  $\Delta T$  or an initiate would be permitted to witness an initiation ceremony. So  $\Delta T$  now stands on practically the same footing as any other college secret society.

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#### JAVELIN THROWING REVIVED.

On their badges and coats-of-arms the Greek-letter fraternities display many emblems in common, but  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is the only fraternity which has the javelin as a symbol. The following paragraphs, taken from an article in the *New York Sun*, of May 5, 1907, show that the javelin, which the ancient Greeks used in warfare, is to be used again in athletic contests:

Throwing the javelin, or lance, is the newest addition to the already long list of athletic contests. Properly speaking it is the revised edition of an ancient pastime and was officially catalogued for modern discussion at the Olympic games at Athens last year. That it will rank prominently among the recognized forms of modern field sport there is no reason to doubt. Medical science has stamped it with approval. It is said to develop the thorax and respiratory organs, and for a man inclined to pulmonary trouble there is no better tonic than regular indulgence in the pastime.

Probably, for these reasons, in olden times it had a place on the list of medical gymnastics, and it was also recommended to men of plethoric temperament and those subject to spells of vertigo. The action of the arms and the body in propelling the javelin through the air tends to strengthen the shoulders and chest, thereby inducing the proper amount of circulation in the region of the lungs. Another thing that will help the sport to become popular is that the most delicate person can

freely indulge in it without the danger of strain or injury so often met with in more violent practices.

In due course Americans may effectively "hurl their lances in the sun" and rank with the foremost experts, but just now Sweden has the lead in the record department. This is not to be wondered at, for the game has been revived in that country for the last ten years, while only a few contests have been seen in America. At the Olympic games of 1906 the Swedes captured all the honors. E. Lemming made a world's best mark with a throw of 175 feet 6 inches; Knut Lindberg was second, with 148 feet 2 2-5 inches; B. Soderstrom was third, with 147 feet 4 inches, and H. Mellander fourth, with 145 feet 3 3-5 inches.

Besides being a regular event of the Olympiad, this feat of throwing the javelin formed one of the five contests which made up the pentathlon or all around championship. In the first revival of the games in 1896 the javelin was left out because the Hellenic officials were not sure what class of spear to use. Finally they selected one specimen, and it is supposed to be an exact reproduction of the weapon used in the early days of Greece. The modern javelin is about 8 feet long, shod with a steel point the socket of which is 2 feet in length.

According to Homer, Hector was slain by Achilles under the walls of Troy with a javelin. Warriors who made use of the javelin after the manner of Achilles carried two into the field of battle. After having singled out their opponents they let fly one or both of the javelins at him and usually wound up the encounter with the swords.

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#### INITIATES OF THE CHAPTER GRAND.



James Maxwell Murdock, *Amherst*, '03,  
Died May 26, 1906, at Winchester, Mass.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Frederick Everett Carpenter, *Brown*, '89,  
Died August 30, 1906, at Providence, R. I.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Robert Grothe, *Case*, '08,  
Died July 10, 1906, at Lakewood, Ohio.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

Joseph Kincaid Simrall, *Center*, '57,  
Died January 12, 1907, at Danville, Ky.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Charles Eustis Kincaid, *Center*, '78,  
Died November 2, 1906, at Cincinnati, Ohio.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



John Jeremiah Jacob, *Central*, '91,  
Died January 27, 1907, at New York, N. Y.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Oscar Benjamin Peterson, *Colby*, '07,  
Died June 21, 1907, at Waterville, Maine.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Goudy Leadbetter Twitchell, *Colorado*, '09,  
Died September 3, 1906, at Denver, Col.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Samuel Duncan Puett, *DePauw*, '72,  
Died May —, 1906, at Rockville, Ind.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



John Morris Correll, *Dickinson*, '86,  
Died May 18, 1906, at St. Clair, Penn.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Daniel David Quillian, *Emory*, '86,  
Died April 17, 1906, at Athens, Ga.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Marmaduke Mendenhall Coffin Hobbs,  
*Indiana*, '53; *Wabash*, '53.  
Died January 4, 1907, at Salem, Ind.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Egbert Raymond Townsend, *Iowa*, '99,  
Died June 12, 1906, at Iowa City, Iowa.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

## THE SCROLL.

William Miller Purman, *Lehigh*, '94; *Cornell*, '95,  
Died May 14, 1906, at New York, N. Y.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Edwin Hurd Conger, *Lombard*, '62,  
Died May 18, 1907, at Pasadena, Cal.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Lucien Jerome Dinsmore, *Lombard*, '75,  
Died December 7, 1906, at Chicago, Ill.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Sidney Gault, *Lombard*, '01,  
Died September 26, 1906, at Knoxville, Ill.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Matthew Clay, Jr., *Mississippi*, '02,  
Died May 9, 1906, at Delhi, La.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Edward Andrew Sawyer, *Mississippi*, '03,  
Died August 20, 1906, at Kosciusko, Miss.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Eby Ryley, *Missouri*, '06,  
Died March 1, 1907, at Kansas City, Mo.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Philander Jacobs, *Ohio*, '78,  
Died ———, 1906.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Hoyt Sherman McComb, *Ohio State*, '04,  
Died March —, 1907, in Coahuila, Mexico.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Henry Cartwright Burr, *Pennsylvania*, '93,  
Died April 1, 1907, at Philadelphia, Pa.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

Edward Breckenridge Hyde, *Purdue*, '95,  
Died July 2, 1906, at Chicago, Ill.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Scott Mendenhall, *Sewanee*, '06,  
Died October 25, 1906, at Chicago, Ill.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Howard William Bell, *Stanford*, '99,  
Died August 19, 1906, at Asbury Park, N. J.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Robert Edward Arnall, *Vanderbilt*, '83,  
Died March 1, 1907, at Centreville, Tenn.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



William Henry Cotton, *Vanderbilt*, '85,  
Died February 7, 1907, at Nashville, Tenn.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Ernest Henry Root, *Vermont*, '93,  
Died August 12, 1906, at Los Angeles, Cal.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



William Dunham Hudson, *Washington*, '93,  
Died ————, 1906, at St. Louis, Mo.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Daniel Price Young, *Washington and Lee*, '96,  
Died December 12, 1906, at Louisville, Ky.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*



Harry Hamlin Beaser, *Wisconsin*, '84,  
Died January 25, 1907, at Ashland, Wis.  
*In Coelo Quies Est.*

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES.



EDWARD HURD CONGER, LOMBARD, '62.

Edwin Hurd Conger, who was Minister to China at the time of the Boxer troubles died at Pasadena, California, May 18, of amoebic dysentery contracted during his residence in China.

He was born in Knox county, Illinois on March 7, 1843, was graduated from Lombard University, Galesburg, Illinois, in 1862, and immediately enlisted in the Northern Army as a private. He served with distinction for three years, having attained the rank of Brevet Major before he retired.

At the close of the war he entered the Albany Law School, finishing his course there in 1866. In that year he married Miss Sarah Pike of Illinois. He practiced law for two years in Galesburg and then settled down on a farm in Iowa, but still continued to follow his profession. He prospered, became interested in banking and politics, and in 1882 was elected State treasurer on the Republican ticket.

In 1885 he was sent to congress, where he served until 1891. In that year he was appointed Minister to Brazil by President Harrison. It was the beginning of a long and honorable diplomatic career. Mr. Conger was reappointed to the Government post at Brazil by President McKinley, and in 1898, when conditions were beginning to look threatening in China, Mr. Conger was transferred to Peking. There he did his most notable work in the diplomatic service.

With the representatives of other Foreign Powers he was forced to take refuge in 1900 in the British Legation at Peking. For five weeks Ambassador Conger and the others in the Legation kept up an almost continuous fight with the Boxers and their sympathizers. For days the Government at Washington was uncertain whether Mr. Conger had been murdered or not, but finally this memorable message came from him:

"For one month we have been besieged in British Legation under continued shot and shell from Chinese troops. Quick relief only can prevent a general massacre."

Mr. Conger took an important part in the negotiations which followed after the foreign Powers had entered on Peking. He was head of the commission which negotiated the new commercial treaty with China in 1902.

In March, 1905, Mr. Conger was appointed Ambassador to Mexico. He remained in that post only a few months when he sent his resignation to President Roosevelt, giving as



his reason for retiring his private business and personal affairs. The President in accepting the resignation expressed his cordial appreciation of the work which Mr. Conger had done.

"In zeal, efficiency and single minded devotion to public duty you," wrote Mr. Roosevelt, "have been the kind of an official of whom Americans feel proud, and I congratulate the country upon having had your services."

Mr. Conger since his retirement from the diplomatic service had devoted himself almost entirely to his personal affairs. He is survived by his wife, who was with him during the Boxer uprising and who was almost as popular as her husband in the official circles of Peking.—*New York Sun*.

Bro. Conger will be sadly missed by his old chapter at Lombard in which he was always deeply interested.



WILLIAM HENRY COTTON, VANDERBILT, '85.

Rev. W. H. Cotton, pastor of Waverly Place Methodist Church, and one of the best known members of the Tennessee Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, died at his home, six miles from the city on the Nolensville road, at 11 o'clock this morning, after an illness of several days with pneumonia.

Mr. Cotton was an Englishman by birth, having been born in Halifax, England, October 11, 1856.

He was educated in the grammar schools of England and Vanderbilt University, of which he is an alumnus, both of the literary and theological departments. He served various stations and circuits in the bounds of the Tennessee conference, including Murfreesboro, West End, Pulaski stations and Murfreesboro and Fayetteville districts as presiding elder, and in all of these positions he was a conscientious and earnest worker, winning the admiration and esteem of the people whom he served.

As a pastor Mr. Cotton was faithful and tireless, and his sermons showed careful thought and study, while they were at the same time interesting. He was a most approachable man, while gentle and retiring in disposition, and to young people he was always especially kind and considerate.

At West End Church, the most important station over which he was called to serve during his ministry, Mr. Cotton achieved decided success. He served the church four years, and during that time his reports to the annual conferences were always of

an encouraging nature. He looked not only after the spiritual welfare of the people, but the financial condition of the church.

Mr. Cotton's first work was on the Woodbine circuit, which lay in the neighborhood of his present home. During this work he met and married Miss Fannie Williams, a member of one of the old families of Davidson County. His wife and four children, three boys and one girl, survive.—*Nashville Banner* Feb. 7, 1907.



**EGBERT RAYMOND TOWNSEND, IOWA, '99.**

The members of Iowa Beta, both active and alumni as well as the alumni of Iowa University in general, and countless



EGBERT RAYMOND TOWNSEND  
Iowa, '99

friends throughout the country were grieved to learn of the sudden death of Bro. Egbert Raymond Townsend, on June 12, 1906, at Iowa City, Iowa. Coming as his death did, in the midst of commencement exercises, it could not help but cast a gloom over the festivities of the week, both in the fraternity and among the large body of alumni who were in the city to attend commencement.

Egbert Raymond Townsend or "Bert" as he was always known, was born in Iowa City on April 29, 1879. He attended the public schools in that city and in several western cities where his parents later resided. While still a boy he returned to Iowa City and thereafter made his home with his uncle, the late Dr. J. C. Shrader, then dean of the college of medicine in Iowa University. After graduation from the high school, Bert entered the collegiate department of the university in September, 1895, at the age of sixteen and graduated with the degree of bachelor of science in 1899. He entered the

college of medicine the following year, but after a short time abandoned the study of this subject.

During the time he was in the university, Bert took a prominent part in all college activities and was a leader in class functions. He was particularly active as a member of the dramatic club, and took a leading part in several dramatic productions. His ability, along these lines, was exceptional and he received much praise for the manner in which he interpreted difficult character parts, especially in farce comedy. It was freely predicted that if he had followed the stage as a profession he would have gained renown as a player of farce comedy.

Bro. Townsend became a member of Phi Delta Theta during his college career, and from the day he first wore a pledge pin until his death he was a loyal Phi in the highest sense of the term. The interests of the fraternity were dear to him and even after leaving college, he was always an active member. He was ever willing to do something for the fraternity or for a fraternity brother. His bright and sunny smile and his ability as a musician and entertainer made him a welcome visitor at the "frat" house and no rushing season was complete without him.

After leaving the university he took up newspaper work as a reporter on one of the Iowa City papers. His cheerful disposition and his ability to make friends combined with an original and easy style of writing soon won him the position of city editor of his paper, a position which he held for a number of years. During these years he kept in close touch with university life and was a prime favorite with all the people connected with the university as well as with all who came in contact with him in his daily work.

In 1904 he accepted a position as the head of the publicity department of the Parker Amusement Company and in this capacity made several trips through the southern and southwestern states. He was entertained at the chapter houses of our fraternity at several places and in this way his acquaintance among the members of the fraternity became very extensive. Wherever he went he will be remembered for his pleasant and congenial manner and his humorous and readable newspaper stories. He was frequently dubbed "The George Ade of the Southwest" and his original and witty style marked him as a coming man in the newspaper world.

He was compelled to give up his work on account of poor health but after a forced vacation of about a year spent in

Colorado and California he returned to the field of his labor. His physical condition however forced him to give up his work. Shortly before his death he returned to Iowa City suffering from a general break down of the nervous system. This combined with worry over his condition preyed upon his mind and while suffering from mental derangement he took his own life.

To those who knew Bert, it is useless to say anything to perpetuate his memory, for to know him was to love him and few members of our fraternity ever followed its teachings so closely and so fully carried out the name of "brother" as he did. He was a true friend, kind hearted and generous to a fault. He was an optimist and believed it was better to smile than to frown, no matter how dark was the hour. He was possessed of an active mind and unusual talents, and was ever willing to use them to help or entertain others. He was successful in the business world, in that he did his work well, not alone for gain but for the satisfaction it gave him.

OLIVER LONGUEVILLE, *Iowa*, '07.



**JOSEPH KINCAID SUMRALL, CENTER, '57.**

On the evening of January 12, 1907, Honorable Joseph Kincaid Sumrall died suddenly at his country home three miles from Danville, Kentucky. Judge Sumrall was born in Mason county, Kentucky seventy-two years ago and was graduated from Center College in 1857 in the same class with Senators Blackburn and McCreary, the former also being a Phi.

After studying law in Maysville, Kentucky and St. Louis, Missouri, he began the practice of his profession at St. Louis in 1859. In 1862 he returned to Maysville, where he continued to practise law. He was County Judge of Mason county from 1866 to 1879 and removed to Boyle county in 1875 where he resided until his death. Judge Sumrall was one of the most widely known lawyers in the South and was a loyal member of the old Kentucky Alpha chapter.



**HENRY CARTWRIGHT BURR, PENNSYLVANIA, '93.**

Henry Cartwright Burr, member of the firm of Joseph S. Burr & Co., lithographers and printers, at 310 Chestnut street, died April 1, 1907 at his home, 2208 Locust street. He was a son of William Berrell Burr and a grandson of Joseph S. Burr, founder of the firm of which he was a member.

Bro. Burr was 34 years old. His death came suddenly, due

to nervous shock following a recent operation. He was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, class of 1893, at which institution he took a post-graduate course, obtaining the degree of master of science.

He had the distinction of being the youngest man to enter the Union League as a member, having been admitted when he was 21 years old. He was a member of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, the Philadelphia Photographic Society and the Merion Cricket Club. He leaves a widow and a son, Henry Cartwright Burr, Jr.



**CHARLES EUSTIS KINCAID, CENTER, '78.**

Judge Charles Eustis Kincaid, lawyer and journalist died at the Cincinnati City Hospital on the morning of November 2, 1906. He was born May 18, 1855 in Boyle County, Kentucky. He entered Centre College in 1874 and became a member of Kentucky Alpha chapter the same year. After his graduation in 1878 he was city judge of Lawrenceburg, Kentucky, and editor of the *Anderson County News* for two years. He became a member of the first Kentucky Railroad Commission in 1880 which position he held two years. In 1883-84 he was private secretary to Governor Knott; and for the next two years held the same position under United States Senator Williams. Governor Knott in 1884 appointed him to remove the remains of Joel T. Hart, Kentucky's famous sculptor from Florence, Italy to Frankfort, Kentucky. In 1887 he was consul at St. Helen's, England. He returned to this country in 1888 and for the next eight years held government positions. In 1896 he joined the staff of the Cincinnati *Enquirer* which position he held until his death. He received the degree of A. M. from Centre College in 1881.



**JOHN JEREMIAH JACOB, CENTRAL, '91.**

John Jeremiah Jacob, son of the late Lieutenant Governor Richard T. Jacob, of Kentucky, nephew of the late Mayor Charles D. Jacob, of Louisville, and a cousin of John I. Jacob, of Louisville, died at St. Luke's Hospital in New York January 27, 1907, of pneumonia.

Bro. Jacob was thirty-seven years old January 22, and was born in Westport, Kentucky. He was engaged in the real estate business in New York, and his home was at 78 Manhattan avenue. He was educated at Central University, Richmond, Kentucky and at the Law School of the University of Michigan.

He is survived by B. C. Jacob, of Pittsburg; Dr. Donald R. Jacob and W. J. Jacob of Louisville, brothers; Miss Laura Jacob, of Louisville, a sister; Captain R. T. Jacob, of Oklahoma City, a half-brother, and Mrs. Elizabeth B. Wooley, of North Carolina, a half-sister.



**FREDERIC EVERETT CARPENTER, BROWN, '89.**

Frederic Everett Carpenter died suddenly at Providence, R. I., August 30, 1906, aged 40 years, 8 months and 8 days. He was the son of Abraham A. and Sarah C. (Martin) Carpenter, and was born in East Providence, R. I., December 22, 1865.

Bro. Carpenter prepared for college at the Providence High School, and entered Brown University, graduating with the degree of A. B. in 1889. While in college he became a member of Phi Delta Theta and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. After leaving college Bro. Carpenter studied law, and in 1892 was admitted to the Rhode Island bar and for a number of years was connected with the old law firm of Bassett and Crutchall of Providence. Upon the death of the latter he became a partner of Mr. Adoniram J. Cushing, with whom he had since remained. For three years, 1897-99, he was tax collector for the town of East Providence, and in 1898 was acting town solicitor.

On March 26, 1895, he married Miss Annie R. Hill, of Providence, who, with a daughter, Grace Edith Carpenter, aged ten, survives him.

He was past commander of the Sons of Veterans, and at the time of his death was division adjutant.



**OSCAR BENJAMIN PETERSON, COLBY, '07.**

The approaching college commencement will be marred and the whole city has been thrown into gloom over the tragic accident of yesterday afternoon when Oscar W. Peterson, a member of the senior class at Colby, and whose home was at Jemtland, was thrown from a light boat into the Mesalonske stream, and drowned.

Mr. Peterson and Harold W. Kimball, (Maine Alpha, '07,) accompanied by Misses Ethel Runnells and Alizda Roy of this city, started about the middle of the afternoon for a boating trip up the stream. They were on the return, and were just below Cedar bridge, so called, situated above the almshouse, when Mr. Peterson attempted to change his place in the boat

and stood up to do so. The boat was a light canvas one and the four people made a good load for it. He lost his balance and the occupants of the craft were thrown into the water.

Mr. Kimball at once seized Miss Runnells and started to the shore with her, but she struggled so that the young man was nearly pulled under. Reginald H. Farrar, (Maine Alpha, '10,) was in a canoe quite near the scene of the accident, and at once paddled to the spot. He caught Miss Roy as she was about to sink and Kimball and Miss Runnells were supported by the sides of the canoe, and in this way the shore was reached. The men at once turned to look for Peterson, but a glance told them the awful tidings that he had been lost. Not a trace of him could be found and it is thought that he sank at once.

A passing team conveyed the young ladies and Mr. Kimball to the city, and the news of the accident was spread abroad. City Marshal Holmes was notified and immediately started to look for the body.

The news reached the campus some time after the awful accident had occurred. Mr. Peterson made his home at the Phi Delta Theta house, and here the boys could not at first believe it. The members of the faculty were notified and a large party started for the stream. Professor John Hedman is the young man's cousin and he took charge of the search. President White was confined to his bed during the day by illness but immediately prepared to go out and aid where he could.

The search for the body was kept up all evening, the college men not caring to leave the spot where their comrade went down. The body was recovered about a quarter of nine.

Not for a long time has anything happened that has caused such sorrow as the drowning of young Peterson. He was one of the best liked men at college, and the fact that he had practically finished his course and was ready for graduation, lends more tragedy to the accident. At the moment of the drowning the young man's mother and brother were on their way to this city for the graduation of their son and brother. They arrived here last night, only to be told the sad news. Miss Ellen Peterson, also a member of the senior class, is a sister, and she is nearly prostrated.

Mr. Peterson was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He was one of the best students in the class and his rank was high. He had recently been elected a teacher of

French and Latin at Coburn and at the meeting of the trustees of the institute today, his appointment would have been confirmed. As an athlete he was prominent, being a strong fullback on last year's football team, and was on the baseball and basketball teams. He was a member of the college band.—Waterville Morning *Sentinel*, June 22, 1907.



**SAMUEL DUNCAN PUETT, DE PAUW, '72.**

Samuel Duncan Puett was born March 22, 1846, near Rockville, Indiana. His parents came to Indiana from



North Carolina when they were children and were therefore among the earliest settlers in the state. Bro. Puett completed his course at Asbury (now DePauw) University in 1872, and the following year married Miss Maimie E. Maxwell, daughter of Judge Samuel F. Maxwell. Having studied law under Judge Maxwell, Bro. Puett afterwards became his partner in the practice of his profession. For more than thirty years he was one of the foremost lawyers of his county.

SAMUEL DUNCAN PUETT, *DePauw*, '72.

He was a member of the Masonic Fraternity, the Mystic Shrine, Knights of Pythias and Elks.

Bro. Puett had been for many years an active member of the Methodist church and a teacher in the Sunday school.

The following is quoted from the Rockville *Tribune*:

"He was interested in all things that went to the upbuilding of the community, and in the business world he was a powerful factor. A man true to his convictions and of his ideas of right, and firm in his opinions, he rose equal to every occasion. Splendid in his physical manhood, broad-minded, social, genial, charitable, whole-souled and kind-hearted, his friends were legion—friends which throughout all his life, he 'grappled to him with hooks



of steel.' In his death, the bar has lost one of its most valued members; his church one of its staunchest supporters; his associates a trusted friend, and the state an eminent citizen."



**ROBERT EDWARD ARNALL, VANDERBILT, '83.**

Robert Edward Arnall, died at his home in Centreville, Tennessee, March 1, 1907, after his return from El Paso, Texas, where he had gone for the benefit of his health.

Bro. Arnall was 48 years old and had been superintendent of public instruction of Hickman county. Later he was a candidate for state senator on the Democratic ticket but withdrew on account of ill health. He had long been engaged in mercantile pursuits and was one of the leading citizens of his community.

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**TWO REQUESTS.**

1.—OF ACTIVE CHAPTERS—On receipt of this issue of THE SCROLL, *please* send names of men leaving college this year, with home addresses, as subscribers to THE SCROLL. Money can be sent later, and addresses can be changed at any time.

2.—OF ALUMNI.—A majority of Alumni subscriptions expire with this issue of THE SCROLL. You can save the editor much labor and the order considerable expense by making a remittance *now*. It is no small task to make out and direct 1,000 bills, and if you lighten this burden by an immediate remittance, it will be highly appreciated.

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In rejecting the bill for taxing residential property belonging to colleges and universities, the Massachusetts house of representatives has shown itself true to the best traditions of the state. The senate passed this measure by a small majority, though discussion of the merits of the case had already shown that there was no reason for supposing that the growth of exempted property was imposing upon any town or city a burden which was not more than outweighed by the advantages flowing from the presence of an institution of learning. Only last summer the whole question was studied by a special committee of the legislature, which came to the conclusion that "the financial conditions of all the college towns are as satisfactory as those found in the great majority of our communities." The action of the senate, therefore, came as an unpleasant surprise to all friends of education. But in the house, the proposal was defeated by a vote of 142 to 14, after a debate which made it clear that the historic policy of the commonwealth is not likely to be changed.—*New York Evening Post*.

## EDITORIAL.

IN THE SCROLL for June it is customary for the editor to declare that the fraternity is in a more prosperous condition than it ever was before. Though this has been an annual commonplace, we doubt not that it has been true every year during the last thirty years. The advance of Phi Delta Theta in that period has been something phenomenal. At any rate, we feel very sure that the record of the collegiate year 1906-07, is one of substantial gain for the fraternity. Early in the year a new edition of the catalogue was published, the first in many years. The new catalogue, as well as the elaborate history of Phi Delta Theta, published late in the previous year, will be found to be very helpful in the administration of fraternity affairs. Both of these books should make members much better informed about the standing of the fraternity and the careers of their chapters than they have heretofore been, and should stimulate them to redouble their efforts to promote the general and local interests of Phi Delta Theta.

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The national convention at Washington at Thanksgiving time aroused a great deal of enthusiasm. As the national capital is not by any means the capital city of Phi Delta Theta, the attendance was not so large as at two previous conventions, but never before was a greater interest displayed in the welfare of the fraternity. The legislation was of a very important character. The constitution and general statutes adopted at the semi-centennial convention, in 1898, were thoroughly revised, and many improvements in them were made. In the revision are included several innovations in fraternity administration, which will be peculiar to Phi Delta Theta for a time at least. Socially, the convention was a great success; never before were so many and such varied entertainments offered. If the enthusiasm of the members in attendance was an index

of the loyal spirit and fraternity pride to be found in the chapters and among the alumni, the fraternity is to be heartily congratulated.

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At the beginning of the year there was one weak chapter. From too much conservatism, perhaps, it had permitted the number of its members to become reduced to the danger point, but alumni support has placed this chapter on its feet again, and it may be expected to regain its former strength. Aside from this chapter, we believe that every chapter in the fraternity is in a prosperous condition, and that most of them are stronger now than at any previous time in their careers. One chapter has been added during the year. Half a dozen or more applications for charters were presented to the Washington convention, but only the one from South Dakota was granted. In South Dakota Alpha we have secured a body of men who reflect much credit on the fraternity. The state is growing rapidly, and the university receives liberal appropriations from the legislature. Phi Delta Theta is the pioneer fraternity in the state, and undoubtedly the chapter has a brilliant future.

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Great progress has been made during 1906-07 in acquiring chapter houses, probably more progress than in any previous year. The chapter at Stanford has repaired the ravages caused by earthquake. Syracuse, Ohio State and Northwestern have purchased houses. Williams has built a splendid house, to take the place of its old one, while Sewanee is erecting a unique stone edifice, to take the place of the frame house which it built nearly a quarter of a century ago. Pennsylvania State and Southwestern have built houses, while South Dakota came into the fraternity already owning a house. During the year building lots have been bought by Virginia and Ohio. The real estate that is owned by chapters, therefore, amounts to many thousands of dollars more than it did a year ago. Indiana, Purdue, Westminster and Auburn have owned building lots for some time. Colby, Lafayette, Lehigh, Miami

and Washington each have the option of building on college grounds. To specify the chapters which are accumulating building funds would be almost like calling the roll of the fraternity. Two chapters, Indiana and Franklin, have during the year begun to live in rented houses. Kentucky State did not live in a house during this collegiate year. No chapter occupying a house in 1906-07 has given it up.

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Gratifying as is the advancement made during the year, we trust that still greater progress will be made during 1907-08. Chapters should determine to secure the best freshman delegations next fall that they have ever secured, or at any rate the best delegations which their respective institutions afford. To this end the members should work during the summer, and every active member should be prompt in returning to college at the opening of the fall session, so that his chapter may be numerically as strong and as well organized as possible during the exciting rushing season. The principal duty of chapters is to obtain good men for Phi Delta Theta. In material ways also we hope that the chapters will resolve to accomplish more during the coming year than they have ever done before in the same length of time. They should realize the importance of acquiring houses, especially as rival fraternities are making strenuous efforts in that direction. If other fraternities are occupying houses, and especially if they own their houses, and the chapter of Phi Delta Theta is homeless, there is no doubt about it our chapter is placed at a very great disadvantage. If a chapter does not see its way clear to build or buy a house, it should at least rent one, because fraternity spirit will be fostered, and the chapter organization will be much stronger, by reason of the intimate relationships that are formed when members live together under the same roof. Besides chapter housekeeping need not cost any more than boarding.

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The next decade will be years of building operations for Phi Delta Theta. Nearly half of our chapters now own their

homes and all of them ought to be householders within a few years. That is the task that we have set before us. It will not be accomplished without much effort and some sacrifice, but we believe that the members will show their loyalty and liberality and that the desired result will be attained. It means ten years of hard work, but think of how much stronger the fraternity will be when all of its chapters are living in their own homes and all liens against them have been removed. Of course no chapter should wait ten years, nor five years nor one year, before forming building plans. There should be no delay, for there will be no better time for building a house than in these times of prosperity. Again we refer to the plans for financing a chapter house that were explained in *THE SCROLL* for last December, and advise that the one which seems most practicable be adopted. When a chapter house is to be built the main thing is to have an intelligent and indefatigable leader, one who combines energy with practical experience.

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Many chapters are slow about building because they think that it is necessary first to obtain from alumni large contributions in cash or subscription notes. This we believe is a mistake. Gifts from alumni are desirable but not absolutely essential. In the magazines of other fraternities we have read of houses being built by chapters too young to have more than a very few alumni. Sewanee, in 1884, the next year after it was organized, built the first fraternity house in the south, and the first chapter house in Phi Delta Theta. Pennsylvania State, chartered in 1904, built a costly house in 1906. It is true that in each of these cases the house was built on college grounds. Such a site has advantages and disadvantages. One advantage is that a house on a campus is exempt from taxation. A disadvantage is that when a house is on the campus the faculty are usually more inclined to interfere with its management.

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But if a chapter cannot obtain or does not desire a building site on college grounds, and if it has not the money to pay for

a lot, it may still acquire a home of its own. One way is to buy a house to be paid for in installments, or, better, to obtain from some builder a contract to erect a house adapted for chapter purposes and sell it to the chapter on the installment plan. The installments can be paid for the most part out of the receipts from room rent, but the chapter after occupying the house may count on contributions from alumni and active members. When they see something tangible and realize the necessities of their chapter, members will respond much more readily and liberally than they will when the chapter has no house and only paper plans for one. This has been proved in many cases. Of course the five or ten year note scheme should be utilized by all chapters until they have acquired houses and until the houses are entirely relieved from all encumbrances. Active members are usually very willing to give a series of five or ten notes, payable one each year, and within a few years these notes make a large sinking fund. In some cases that we know of chapters have used such notes for collateral on which to borrow from banking institutions money to be used for building purposes.

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Alumni may be asked to subscribe to a building fund in cash or in notes, and if in notes they will probably make the time of payment within two or three years. However, when alumni are asked for cash, they will undoubtedly subscribe more if they receive stocks or bonds than if they are asked to give money outright. They may be asked to subscribe for second mortgage bonds, the first mortgage bonds being sold to outside parties. We believe that by this second mortgage bond scheme it is entirely practicable to acquire a house within a year or two, even though the chapter has no money at the outset. Even if the chapter is young and has few alumni, it will doubtless find that alumni of other chapters residing in its locality will take second mortgage bonds. Speaking generally, it may be said that alumni are usually willing to help a chapter in its plans for financing a building project if they are based on business principles.

In what we have said about chapters building or buying houses we mean incorporated chapter house associations composed of alumni. The ownership should be in such an association and the house rented to the chapter at so much per collegiate year.

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Fifty years ago the torch was carried from Bloomington to Madison to light an altar fire in a state which was then less than ten years old. The state universities of Indiana and Wisconsin were very small institutions at that time, but look over the lists of early members of Indiana Alpha and Wisconsin Alpha and see what strong, forceful men they were. Phi Delta Theta was the only fraternity that entered Wisconsin before the civil war. The enlistment of members in the army caused the chapter to suspend, but it was revived in 1880, and its subsequent career has been most creditable to the fraternity. For nearly thirty years Wisconsin Alpha has been a prosperous and progressive chapter. Those whom she has initiated and trained have shown much loyalty for their chapter and fraternity. From far and near they come this month to celebrate the chapter's semi-centennial and to enjoy many delightful reunions with old companions. The home coming is to the chapter's magnificent new home, a splendid monument to her enterprise and to the devotion of her sons. The program includes a great variety of entertainments, extending over nearly a week. The jubilee is the most elaborate celebration that has ever been held by any chapter of Phi Delta Theta, or, for that matter, by any chapter of any other fraternity. It will be the last semi-centennial that can be celebrated by any chapter for two years—until 1909, when Illinois Alpha may have its jubilee. But meanwhile a number of chapters may celebrate their tenth, twentieth, quarto-centennial, thirtieth or fortieth anniversaries, and we trust that many of them, following Wisconsin Alpha's splendid example, will do so. The average age of our 71 chapters, it may here be observed, is 28 years.

## CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

## ALPHA PROVINCE.

## QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY

The burning of the Science building was followed ten days later on the morning of April 16th by the complete destruction by fire of the medical building. Incendiarism is believed to have been the cause of both fires. The loss sustained by the medical faculty is almost irreparable. The collections of pathological and anatomical specimens; the life work of many of the faculty and recognized to be among the finest on the continent will take years to replace; indeed, some of the rarer specimens may never be duplicated. The total loss of the medical faculty is estimated at \$750,000. A new site opposite the Royal Victoria Hospital on which to erect a new building is being strongly advocated. Both the Science and Medical buildings are being rapidly torn down, and accommodation for both faculties will be afforded for the ensuing college year.

The chapter house, being but thirty yards from the medical building, had a very narrow escape. The roof caught fire twice but little damage was done.

On Tuesday April 30th the faculties of Arts, Science and Law held their convocation. The following members of Quebec Alpha received the degree of Bachelor of Science:—Bro. Bell in civil engineering; Bros. Sharp, Dickenson and Haughton in mining engineering and Bro. Benedict in mechanical engineering. Bro. Bell won the British Association medal and prize for the highest average in the fourth year. Bro. Sharp won the second Carlyle prize in mining engineering. Bro. Dawson led the third year in the chemistry course. Bro. Shanks won first prize in political history and Bro. W. A. Kennedy won a prize for general proficiency in second year Science.

Bro. Benedict is with the Locomotive and Machine Company of Montreal. Bro. Sharp is prospecting near Sudbury, Ontario with the Mond Nickel Company. Bro. Haughton is petrographer with the Canadian Geological Survey in the Yukon. Bros. Robertson and H. C. Kennedy who expect to be out of college next year are with the Stave Lake Power Company, Vancouver, B. C.

Bros. Landry, Peters and Lake receive the degree of M. D., C. M. this year. Bros. Drysdale, '04, and Putnam, '05, are spending a few weeks in Montreal. Quebec Alpha extends a hearty welcome to any Phi who may be visiting Montreal during the Summer. The chapter House will be open all Summer.

GEORGE E. BELL.

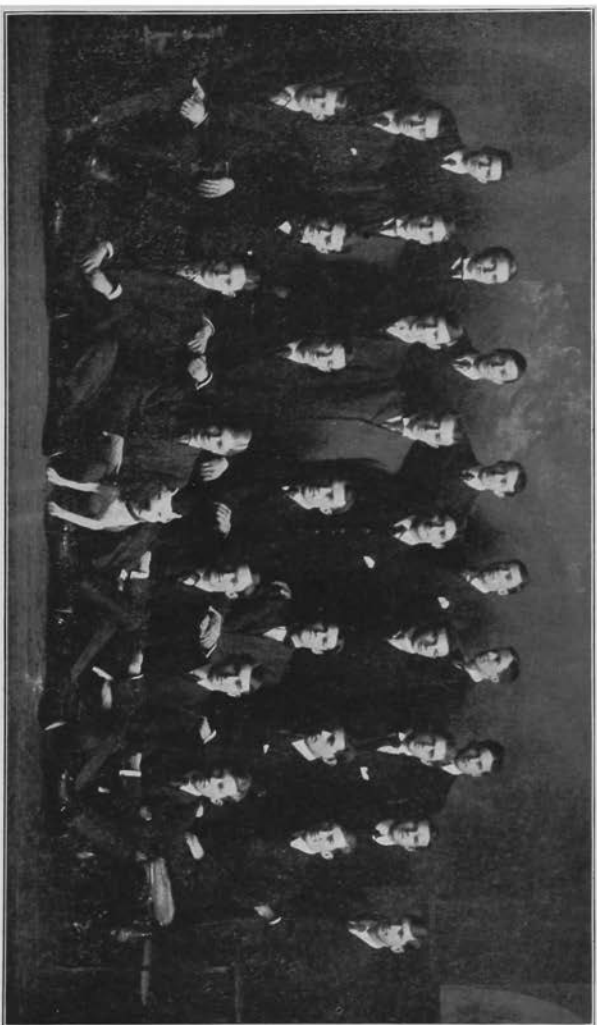
Quebec, May 26, 1907.

## ONTARIO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.

The Board of Governors of the University have finally selected Robert A. Falconer, M. A., B. D., L. L. D., Litt. D., of Halifax, for the presidency of the University, the position having been vacated by the resignation of President London some time ago.

At present Prof. Falconer is principal of Pine Hill College and he is well and favorably known throughout Nova Scotia both as an educator and as a man of affairs. Prof. Falconer is a Canadian and great things are expected of him by his friends here, although the position he has been selected to fill is one of uncommon difficulty, arising not so much from the size of the insti-





QUEBEC ALPHA OF PHI DELTA THETA, 1906-7.

C. W. Drysdale, C. V. Brennan, J. H. Byrne, S. J. Crocker, A. H. Dion, W. A. Kennedy, C. M. Ross,  
 W. S. Robertson, H. C. Kennedy, A. H. N. Kennedy, J. G. Dickenson, E. McI. Benedict, E. S. Blanchard, W. E. Lake, H. M. S. Houghton, R. E. Powell,  
 H. LeB. Peters, W. R. L. Shanks, G. E. Bell, A. L. Sharp, A. W. Reid, W. W. Raymond, W. A. Landry,  
 K. Munro, A. C. Reid

tution as from the complexity of its life and the history of its growth. Four or five new departments are to be added and the co-ordinating of all these departments, the harmonizing of various interests and the arousing and maintaining of a true educational ideal for the university as a whole, will make demands on all the resources of the new president.

The final examinations are now over and college activities will be brought to a close by the convocation exercises which are held during the first week of June.

The lacrosse team has left for its annual spring trip. The team will play several games in New York and one with the University of Pennsylvania, Hobart and Swarthmore. Bro. Davidson is playing on the team.

The chapter enjoyed a visit from Bro. Whitmore of Minneapolis recently. We hope that any Phi coming through Toronto this summer will not forget that Ontario Alpha is always glad to welcome them.

Toronto, May 22, 1907.

HARRY S. SPRAGUE.

#### MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

The debate with the University of Maine which took place at Waterville May 17th was in every way a marked victory for Colby. The Colby team showed the effects of the new debating course established here last winter.

The improvement committee has been devoting its attention this spring to the campus. The back campus which slopes gently to the Kennebeck River has been carefully graded and two new tennis courts have been added.

Sophomore declamation was held in May and Bro. Dean '09 won second prize.

On May 18, the Maine intercollegiate track meet was held on the college athletic field, and was one of the most successful meets in many years. Two new state records were made, due in a large measure to the perfect conditions of our track. Bro. Allen, '09, is assistant track manager.

At present writing Colby stands second in line for the baseball championship of the state with a good chance to win.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the team by Bros. Dwyer, '08, captain and catcher, Buker, '09, first base, Tillon, '07, second base, Shaw, '09, pitcher, and Bros. Mathews, '08, and Peterson, '07, have each played in one championship game this year.

The brothers of Maine Alpha who went with the ball team on its western trip wish to take this opportunity to thank the brothers of Vermont and New Hampshire Alpha for the hospitality shown them and especially do they wish to show their appreciation of the interest which Bro. Cheney, Vermont Alpha '91, took in the welfare of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  members of the team.

Waterville May 26, 1907.

A. L. COTTON.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

New Hampshire Alpha is now ending what has been a most prosperous year. After a most successful chinning season, in which we pledged fifteen men, our initiation banquet was held March 29th and was in every way a success. The chapter takes great pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bros. G. A. Tyler '08, Russell Cowles '09, E. M. Stark '09, H. C. Comey '10, R. C. Floyd '10, J. H. Field, Jr., '10, H. C. Hutchins '10, T. J. Leonard '10, R. L. Maccomber '10, C. G. Merrill '10, E. S. Pratt '10, A. A. Ricker '10, H. W. Sprague '10, R. W. Wilson '10, R. L. Wing, '10.

We hear with extreme regret the resignation of Dr. Tucker as president of the college on account of ill health. We rejoice, however, in the fact that he will remain with us until a suitable successor may be chosen and that even then he will retain a position as a member of the faculty. When one looks

back over the last fourteen years of Dartmouth history he readily sees how inseparable are Dr. Tucker and the college.

Bro. Dixon, Michigan Alpha, '92, professor of economics, who has his sabbatical year in 1907-1908, has been employed for the year by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

On May 16th, we were agreeably surprised by Bro. L. E. A. Drummond, our province vice president, who brought us many helpful suggestions. He made a very complete and careful examination of the Chapter and we trust he was quite satisfied with our condition.

Our track team is now finishing a most successful season. In baseball the team has been rather erratic, yet at times have played fine baseball. Bro. Wallace '07 who manages the team has had very hard luck, because many games were cancelled on account of bad weather. Again when Brown severed athletic relations with Dartmouth he had still more trouble for the game with Brown here the 22nd of May was to have been the chief attraction for Junior week.

Last week the junior class held its annual "Prom" with complete success.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  held a house party during the week.

Bro. Stark '09 was recently elected by his class as one of the editors of the *Aegis* board of 1909. Bro. Farrington, '08, an editor of the '08 *Aegis* has been appointed athletic editor of the *Weekly* for the next year. Our interfraternity baseball season is on and  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  confidently hopes to win the pennant. Bro. Leonard, '10, is captain of the chapter team. He is also captain of his class team.

Bros. Welsh, Long, McAvoy and Kelley of Lafayette recently called upon us. Again we extend our invitation to all visiting Phis.

Hanover, May 27, 1907.

WALTER C. RICH.

#### VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

With the opening of college after the Easter recess, we have been engaged in the usual spring activities; baseball, track and tennis has each claimed its share of our attention. In baseball, Vermont has been very successful, winning from Colby, Holy Cross, Tufts and Massachusetts State and losing close games to Dartmouth, Amherst and Brown. Bros. Hunt, '10, and Scott, '10, have made the 'Varsity the former having made an excellent showing in the box.

Track athletics have been more prominent at Vermont than ever before in her history. On May 18th the first dual meet in several years was held with Tufts College on Centennial Field, Tufts winning a close contest 66-51. The visitors were faster in the dashes while Vermont excelled in the long distance runs and in the hurdles. The feature of the meet was the two mile race in which Vermont took all three places. Bro. White, '10, was easily Vermont's strongest man, taking thirteen points. At the intercollegiate meet at Worcester May 25th, the track team made a very encouraging showing, taking three points in the mile.

Vermont Alpha gave a dance April 16th in Masonic Temple. The week beginning May 6 was Junior week and was full of the usual athletic and social activities, baseball, tennis, the fraternity dances, the Cotillion dance and the Junior Prom.

On May 1st college work was suspended and the day observed as Founders' Day. Appropriate exercises were held in the chapel. Bro. T. C. Cheney, '91, was orator of the day. He chose for his subject "The College Man in Politics," and delivered a strong and helpful address.

Commencement week begins June 24th with class day, Tuesday will be

alumni day and Wednesday the commencement exercises will be held. The Kingsley Prize Speaking will be held the Saturday preceeding commencement. Bro. Harris, '09, has been chosen a speaker.

Burlington, May 28, 1907.

CHARLES A. SMITH.

#### MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

The arrival of a long overdue spring has been greatly welcomed in Williams-town and the various college activities so long retarded by the cold weather have taken a new start in life. Massachusetts Alpha stood well to the fore in these activities, and in track especially promises to maintain a high standard during the remainder of the college year.

The baseball team which started the season with seven veterans has not quite come up to expectations so far, this season, due largely to the cold weather, but an excellent finish in the latter half of the season is expected. To date there have been five victories four defeats and one tie game. Harvard defeated the Purple in a ten inning contest at Cambridge, 3 to 2, although Williams led in its half of the last inning. Seven games were played before the start of the western trip on May 14 and resulted as follows: Williams vs. Union 12-2, Holy Cross 8-11, Vermont 6-2, Trinity 5-0, Amherst 1-7, Wesleyan 10-3. The western trip which was the first ever taken by a Williams team was very successful the feature of the tour being a 13-inning game with Michigan at Ann Arbor, which was called on account of darkness, when the score still remained at 0-0. Illinois won a close game by the score of 3-2, and Chicago was defeated by the score of 4-2 at Chicago. Earlier in the season Bro. Lambie was a member of the baseball squad and was elected captain of the freshman baseball team.

Φ Δ Θ has been more active as a fraternity in baseball than ever before having entered a team in the interfraternity league of the college. This is the first year that such a league had been formed at Williams and the 12 fraternities and two eating clubs which entered made it necessary to form two separate leagues. While Φ Δ Θ cannot be said to have a pennant-winning team we feel sure that it will at least not be a tail ender in its league.

In track Williams has made a remarkable showing so far this year, both of the dual meets resulting in large victories for the Purple. Brown was defeated in Williamstown on May 4, by the score of 75-41, and Wesleyan was outclassed on the following Saturday in Middletown by the score of 85-41 points. In both of these meets Bro. Horrax '09 was easily the star performer; he secured 21 points in the Brown meet and defeated Mayhew the Brown star in all of the four events in which he was entered against him. Bro. Alexander '10 was also a point winner in the Wesleyan meets the Williams track team made an unexpectedly poor showing at the New England intercollegiate meet at Worcester this spring, securing a low fifth place. Bro. Horrax won 6½ of Williams' 11 points and broke the Worcester high jump record.

As usual we have been glad to welcome the many alumni who have visited us in the past two months. Although our new chapter house is nearly externally completed the interior is progressing slowly. Φ Δ Θ will make an early start next fall and with the aid of several of our alumni should begin the college year in excellent shape. The following alumni have recently visited the chapter: Bros. J. A. Young '88, Tarbox '92, Wilson '92, F. Squires '00, L. Squires '01, Marvin '01, Ely '02, Halst '06.

Williamstown, May 27, 1907.

DAVID B. SCOTT.

## MASSACHUSETTS BETA AMHERST COLLEGE.

Amherst is in the midst of the prom festivities with its round of concerts, dances, and receptions. The junior promenade on the evening of Memorial Day will be a more brilliant affair than ever before. The decorations are in the hands of a Japanese firm and for a time the gymnasium will take on an Oriental appearance. Bro. Tracy, '08, is one of the committee in charge of the prom.

The college has not had as successful teams on diamond and track this spring as usual. The baseball team in particular has had much to contend against in that nine of the squad of twelve men are new to the team. To date it has won seven games and lost five. Bro. McClure, '10, is first college pitcher, and has distinguished himself particularly in the batting line.

In the N. E. I. A. A. meet at Worcester last Saturday Amherst had to be satisfied with third place. The half mile proved to be the prettiest race of the day, when Bro. White, '08, won out over a strong field in close to record time.

By the death of Mr. E. W. Currier, '65, Amherst receives a bequest which is expected to amount to about five hundred thousand dollars. This is the largest amount Amherst has ever received by a single legacy.

Our faculty will be much changed when the new college year begins. Recently Prof. E. P. Harris, for nearly forty years head of the department of chemistry, resigned, and at present is enjoying an extended trip abroad. New men are to be appointed in the German, French, psychology, history and chemistry departments, all of which have lost men either by death or resignation during the past year. Prof. Todd and party have sailed for South America, where near Iquique, Chili, a study of Mars is to be conducted during the summer.

Bro. Parmalee, '09, is one of two men to accompany Bro. Loomis, '96, associate professor of biology, on an expedition to the Sand Hill country of Nebraska in search of remains of mammals of the Miocene Age. The expedition is to last ten weeks of the summer.

Since our last letter Bro. Swet, '07, has been elected class marshal, Bro. Smith, '08, business manager of the Literary Monthly, and Bro. Kennedy, '08, assistant business manager of the *Student*. The latter publication is to be changed from its old form of a weekly to a semi-weekly published on Monday and Thursday evenings. Bro. Shute, '08, is vice-president of the fraternity baseball league and Bro. Rowe, '07, is on the class book committee.

Amherst, May 29, 1907.

ROBERT H. KENNEDY.

## RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The college year is fast drawing to a close and with the end of the examination period on June 14, another page of collegiate history will have been sealed. Class Day will be observed on Monday June 17, and the regular commencement exercises will take place on Wednesday June 19. Rhode Island Alpha has eight men in the graduating class, all of whom have been prominent in college life.

The social life of the university has not been allowed to drag during the past term. On April 13, the annual Brown banquet was held in Sayles Hall, at which time over 200 sub-freshmen were present while the event was also attended by nearly 400 undergraduates. Junior week was celebrated on May 8th, 9th and 10th. Bro. Nason, '08, represented  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  on this occasion which was most successful in every way. On May 9th the Sock and Buskin Society, of which Bro. Kelly, '07, is president, gave a production of G. W.

Hawtreys play entitled "The Private Secretary." The play was given in the Providence Opera House and the theatre was packed to the doors. The annual junior celebration was held on May 28, when the entire junior class took a sail down the bay in a specially chartered boat.

The baseball team is in the midst of a very successful and encouraging season—as far as scores are concerned. While Bro. Bright, '07, as manager, has been compelled to cancel four games thus far on account of the stormy weather, yet those games which have been played have resulted very satisfactorily. Ten straight victories, with no defeats, and one tie game with Yale, 2-2, is the record to date. Bro. Tift, '07, is the regular first-string pitcher and Bro. Dickinson, '07, plays second; Bro. Funk, '07, also, is a sub-pitcher. Interest in track has taken a sudden rise at Brown. In a dual meet with Williams on May 4, Brown lost 51 to 75, while she was successful in the dual meet with M. I. T. on May 10 by the final score, 69 to 56. In the big Worcester Meet on May 25, she secured second place to Dartmouth. On May 18th, the Brown tennis team defeated the Amherst team on the local courts.

Among the college honors which have fallen recently to members of the fraternity are the following: Bros. Tift, '07, Kelly, '07, and Whitmarsh, '09, have been elected members of important committees of the Brown Union. Bro. Whitmarsh, '09, has been elected manager of his class baseball team, while Bro. Regnier is captain of the freshmen baseball team. Bro. Marshall, '07, has been honored with the  $\Phi$  B K key.

In conclusion we wish the brothers a most pleasant and agreeable vacation, and trust that all may return in the fall prepared to do valiant service for old  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$ .

Providence, May 27, 1907.

BENSON R. FROST.

#### NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The close of the present term finds Cornell in a very prosperous condition. The new agricultural buildings have been completed and were fittingly dedicated at the time of our centennial celebration. Work is still going on at the alumni field and we are hoping for a speedy completion of this needed and beneficial work.

Cornell has again proved herself a consistent performer in athletics. The baseball team is playing in splendid form, having defeated Yale, Harvard, Columbia and Pennsylvania, besides such strong teams as Amherst and Lafayette and is making a very promising bid for the intercollegiate championship.

Track prospects are quite encouraging. Cornell defeated Princeton by the large score of 74 to 42 in the annual meet, and much is expected of the team at the time of the intercollegiate meet in Boston May 31 and June 1.

Although the varsity crews have not been rowing in their usual good form, they have taken a very decided turn for the better in the last few days, and will, no doubt, be strong contenders in the Poughkeepsie races in June. On decoration day the varsity will row Harvard in the two-mile course in Cayuga Lake, this being the first time a Harvard crew has rowed in Ithaca for several years.

Chapter work has already begun for next year. We have seven men pledged so far, and hope that all brother Phis will kindly let us know if they learn of any desirable men contemplating entering Cornell next fall. The chapter has become better acquainted with its alumni in the last year and to further this cause the entire chapter intends staying through alumni week this June.

Ithaca, May 27, 1907.

AUGUST C. BOHLEN.

## NEW YORK BETA, UNION COLLEGE.

We are nearing the close of another college year which has been one filled with success for Union. Not that we have been any more successful in athletics than in previous years but they are on a better basis and under the charge of our new physical director, Dr. McComber, so we are sure to be victorious in athletics next year.

The college is spending \$10,000, this spring in beautifying the grounds and with the addition of our new general engineering building we will be able to show our college to strangers with pride.

We had no football team last year but will have one next fall and under the coaching of Harold S. Tenny, Princetons's famous quarterback, we should make a good showing.

Our track team is in fine condition and will undoubtedly do good work at Trinity on the 30th of May. Bro. Bishop, manager, has been very unlucky in having bad weather prevent our meets with R. P. I. and Colgate. There was an interclass meet on the campus May 18, which the sophomores won by 50 points against the juniors 48 points.

Our baseball team had hard luck in not being able to get any practice before the first two games which resulted disastrously for us. Bro. Vogt is catcher and Bros. Jewell and Pettit are substitutes.

The Chapter loses two men by graduation Bros. Bishop and Waters. Bro. Bishop was elected to ΣΞ. We have pledged four strong men for next year and with the active chapter we ought to be able to continue the prosperity of New York Beta.

Schenectady May 30, 1907.

DOANE S. GUARDENIER.

## NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The latest addition to the already splendid and efficient equipment at Syracuse is a new gymnasium. The concrete foundation is nearly in place and work will be rushed with all possible haste. The "gym" proper and also the swimming tank are to be the largest in the country. It will join the stadium on the east with which it will communicate by means of an underground passage. Work on the stadium is progressing rapidly and it will undoubtedly be used for football next season. It is said that \$100,000 has been raised for the purpose of beautifying the campus.

The Orange is having great success in all departments of athletics. The baseball team had a very good trip south and opened the season at home by defeating Princeton, 6-3. The schedule is hard but great things are looked for.

The track team is up to the usual high standard. In the recent relay meet at Philadelphia, Capt. Allen broke the intercollegiate record for the pole vault by clearing the bar at 12 feet 1  $\frac{1}{4}$  inches. A baseball game and dual trackmeet have been scheduled with the Carlisle Indians at Elmira, on May 16. The crews are working hard for the race with Wisconsin on Lake Mendota, May 31.

New York Epsilon is about to close another successful year. The chapter roll numbers 27, with 3 pledglings—Ray Kimber, '09, Fayetteville, N. Y., John H. Scully, '09, Holyoke, Mass., and William Mack, '10, Elmira, N. Y.

In the moving-up day elections to the upper class societies, many Phis were chosen. Bro. Loucks made Φ K A, senior society. Bros. Brewster and Loucks were elected to the senior Dinner Club. Bros. Reynolds and Simpson were picked for Corpse and Coffin, and Bros. Waugh and Baum for Monx Head, the two latter being junior societies.

The chapter is also as well represented in other branches. Bro. Simpson was recently elected assistant football manager, Bro. Nelson is a valuable

member of the varsity crew. Bro. Kaley is in the freshman crew squad. Bro. Whitmire and Phikeia Mack, are varsity pitchers, Phikeia Scully is the varsity third baseman. Bros. Bates and Selmser played on the 1910 basketball team of which the former was captain. Bro. Kilpatrick played with the 1909 team. Bro. Low is a member of the University Band. Furthermore the chapter has not had a man busted this year.

Already the fellows are looking forward to the opening of college next fall and hope to have a pleasant announcement to make to the fraternity at that time.

FRANK M. SIMPSON.

Syracuse, May 12, 1907.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

We are now near the end of our college year, and in about a week will take place the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the founding of the college.

Our baseball team this year has had unprecedented success, having beaten such teams as Princeton, University of Pennsylvania, Columbia, Dartmouth, Wesleyan, Navy and Indians. This year we play four games with Lehigh, our rivals from up the river. Each has won a single game so far, and the final outcome will be watched with great interest. The season is also very successful financially under the able management of Bro. Welsh, '07. Bros. McAvoy, '08, Long, '08, and Kelley, '10, are doing good consistent work on the team.

The track team this year is very strong and the college records in the hammer throw and high jump have already been broken, although but one meet has taken place. Bro. Vought, '10, is on the team for the distance events.

A very pleasant social feature of this term was the joint supper with Pennsylvania Eta. Nearly all the members of both chapters were present and it was characterized by good feeling and a fine time for everybody. This is the second annual affair of this kind, and its success assures their continuance.

Pennsylvania Alpha loses three strong men by graduation this year, Bros. Welsh, Wilson and Hemingway. Bros. Welsh and Wilson will be graduated with honors.

Our yearbook, *The Melange*, will soon be out. It is produced by the junior class. Bro. Hirst, '08, is one of the associate editors.

The board of trustees of the college have accepted the plans for our \$20,000 house and have granted us a site on the campus. Under the direction of Bro. Baker, '82, contracts are being drawn up, and it is expected that we will break ground for the house before commencement.

Bro. Hemingway, '07, is chairman of the senior banquet committee. Bro. Welsh, '07, has a toast at the senior banquet which is held in New York City.

Bros. Long, '08, McMeen, '09, and Atherton, '09, have been elected to Knights of the Round Table, the honorary upperclassmen's society. Bros. Kirkpatrick, '10, and Kelley, '10, have been elected to the Calumet Club, an honorary sophomore society. Bro. Kirkpatrick, '10, is manager of the freshman baseball team.

Our annual reunion and banquet will be held this year, as last, in the fraternity rooms and we are looking forward to the attendance of a larger number than ever of our alumni.

Since our last letter we have been visited by Bros. Rice, Vermont Alpha, '02, Sawyer, Pennsylvania Epsilon, '09, nearly all the active members of Pennsylvania Eta, Bro. Foster, president of the Province, Bros. Radcliffe, '77, Nute, '91, Johnston, '04, McIntire, '06, and Cooper, '05.

Easton, May 27, 1907.

FRED B. ATHERTON.





PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, ACTIVE CHAPTER.

## PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

The celebration of the seventy fifth anniversary of the founding of the college will occur in June. The public services will be held during commencement week, quite an extensive program having been planned by the authorities. There will be several class re-unions then, and every one is anticipating the coming of the event with a great deal of pleasure. The class of 1907 which will then be graduated, while not very large in numbers, has been very active in athletics and its loss will be keenly felt.

*The Spectrum*—a year book gotten out by the Junior Class—will come out about the first of June. It is reported that it will be the finest book ever gotten out here. Hardly any expense has been spared to make the book a complete success. Several colored plates have been inserted which in itself is a new departure, and a sheep-skin binding has been used. This with the matter inside the book, will make it very attractive. On the advance sale, over a thousand copies were subscribed for. It is by far the largest number of any *Spectrum* ever sold. Bro. Muhlenberg is the assistant artist on the staff.

The class of 1908 recently held the first Junior Prom. The event took very well, and promises to become an annual affair. The whole senior class was invited and a number of them were present. Bro. Mahlenberg was on the committee of arrangements, and Bros. Paul Singmaster, and Donald and Henry Huber attended.

The compulsory athletic fee after two years work by the student body finally passed both the faculty and the board of trustees. It is to be first put into practice next September. The fee will be six dollars a year per man, with the privilege of appeal on the part of those financially unable to pay this much. There is much rejoicing among the students as the compulsory fee will put athletics on a much firmer basis. It will very probably mean the return of Mr. Fred C. Vail, our popular football coach who developed the team which made such a wonderful showing last fall. The former system, that of subscriptions, was very unsatisfactory and ineffective. To Bro. Dornberger '06 a great deal of the credit for the establishment of this fee is due. He was chairman of the first student body committee, and pushed it vigorously, and succeeded in getting a great deal of interest stirred up in the matter.

The interest in track athletics has been revived and the interclass meet was held on May 18. The junior class easily carried off first honors, winning fifty one out of a possible ninety one points.

A track team was sent to the relay races in Philadelphia and competed with several teams which had established reputations. The team succeeded in capturing fourth place easily leading the fifth team. The time was very fast for a green team, the mile being made in 3:43. Bro. Muhlenberg accompanied the team.

The football schedule has been announced for next year. It includes games with University of Pennsylvania, Swarthmore, Bucknell, Franklin and Marshall on Thanksgiving day, Ursinus and Steelton Y. M. C. A. The latter game while a money-maker, is not approved of by the student body, as the Y. M. C. A. has a very strong professional team, and usually succeeds in laying out one or two of our best men for the remainder of the season. The loss of three of our best back-field men, among whom is Sieber who was mentioned for the all-American team, will seriously cripple the squad.

Professor Harvey Reutschler, who is taking a post-graduate course at Johns Hopkins university, is instructing the classes in physics. The college authorities have purchased over a thousand dollars worth of physical apparatus, which with the instruments already in use, will be more than enough to give a very complete experimental course. Professor Reutschler is acting pro-

fessor, and will be succeeded next fall by a man from one of the western universities.

Our baseball team is doing good work this season, having defeated Dickinson our principal rival, and winning two out of four games on its Eastern trip. The team has split even with Mount St. Mary's, a catholic college in Maryland.

A part of the interclass baseball series has been played off. The juniors easily defeated the freshmen recently, and the junior-sophomore game is to be played off on the 28th. The sophomore-freshman game will be played on the 31st. Bro. B. Philson captains the sophomore team, and Bros. Reyner and S. Philson have also earned positions. Bro. Marshal, who is manager of the freshman team, catches for his class. Jacobs plays left field, and Belt (pledged) plays short-stop.

In the inter-fraternity baseball series  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has defeated  $\Sigma A E$ , and  $\Sigma X$  was defeated by  $A T \Omega$ .

The 1909 *Spectrum* elections were held a few weeks ago. Out of the six sophomores we had then, five got positions on the staff. Bro. L. Tyson '09 was elected editor-in-chief, Reyner photographer, Kessler assistant editor, S. Philson assistant artist and B. Philson associate business manager.

Bro. Muhlenberg, basketball manager, is at work on his schedule. It will probably embrace a southern trip through Baltimore and Washington.

The chapter started the idea last year of holding its commencement banquet in the house instead of at a hotel, as has been customary heretofore. The idea has taken well, and out of five fraternities with houses, three have fallen in line.

The last dance of the season will be held in the house on May 31. We hope to make this the most successful dance of the year, and the committee has most of the arrangements already perfected.

We are glad to be able to announce another addition to our ranks, Alfred L. Taxis '09 from Pittsburg, having been initiated recently. We are sorry to have to announce that Bro. Duncombe '09, Meyersdale Pennsylvania, was compelled to leave us on account of the poor state of health of his father.

The chapter has had several visits lately which it enjoyed very much among them those of Bro. Foster, president of Alpha Province, Bro. John E. Meisenhelder of Washington and Bro. Morrow, Ohio Beta. Bro. Meisenhelder was in the class of '97 here, and was a member of the committee of arrangements for the Washington convention.

Bro. E. Singmaster '05 also paid us a visit recently. He is connected with the Pittsburg Reduction Co., and reports that he has secured the services of thirty Gettysburg students to sell aluminum cooking utensils this summer. He has also secured a number of men at Dickinson, Lehigh, State and other colleges. Bro. C. E. Reyner '09 is one of the thirty Gettysburg men, and expects to canvas in Ohio.

The chapter has received a beautiful couch, a present from Bro. Nichol, '09. He is in the furniture business in Frostburg, Md.

A good many of the alumni are expected back for commencement, as the anniversary and the different class re-unions will do much to bring back more than the usual number. Bros. Kellar '01, Jack Philson '03, Floto '03, Nichol Ex '09 and Chase Ex '10 have already signified their intention to be here.

Gettysburg, May 27, 1907.

FREDERICK A. MUHLENBERG.

#### PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Allegheny closed her basketball season with ten victories to her credit and only one defeat. On the home floor her team could not be conquered;



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in fact for the last five years Allegheny has not lost a game of basketball on the home floor. Wooster defeated us on its own floor by a score of 30 to 20, but Oberlin met defeat twice on our floor and once on its own.

Allegheny is not more proud of her team than is Pennsylvania Delta, because besides having Bro. Capt. Giesey at center she also had Bro. Perry at guard and Bro. Maxwell at forward.

Bro. Mackey, editor-in-chief of *The Allegheny Literary Monthly* and Bro. Stanley Bright, associate editor of the same, laid down their pens in March, after having given Allegheny the best literary magazine yet produced. Bro. Stidger is on the new board as college editor.

Bro. Dennis is just closing the year as exchange editor of *The Campus*.

Bro. Giesey is business manager and Bro. Perry assistant business manager of *The Kaldron*.

Bro. Thomas is captain of the track team. As yet no meets have taken place, but on June first an intercollegiate event will take place at Conneaut Lake, Pa.

Allegheny alumni of western New York and Pennsylvania held their first annual banquet at Jamestown, N. Y., on the evening of April 1.

Bro. O'Connor, '09, has left college for Panama, where he goes to join his father—one of Pennsylvania Delta's alumni—who is superintendent of schools in the Canal Zone. Bro. O'Connor is working in the engineering department of the Canal Building.

Bro. Perry is vice-president of the tennis association, Bro. Stewart, secretary-treasurer and Bro. Miller on the tournament committee. An intercollegiate tournament will be held at Westminster about June the first.

Allegheny was recently defeated in debate by Albion, but won from Washington and Jefferson.

Ground was broken on April 30th, for the new men's commons, Cochran Hall. This building will be one of the finest architectural adornments of our campus.

The Pan-Hellenic banquet this year was thoroughly enjoyable. Good spirit ruled and everybody declared the event positively "the best ever." Bro. Lick responded to the toast "The Pan-Hell. Politician."

Meadville, May 10, 1907.

WILLIAM T. MACKEY.

#### PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Epsilon is at present planning and making preparations for the province convention to be held here next November. We are looking forward to one of the largest province conventions ever held. Reports indicate a large attendance of sister chapters in Alpha Province.

Our chapter is still receiving its share of honors incidental to college life. The brothers are well represented in all phases of college activity. Bro. Houseman, '09, is a regular pitcher on the 'Varsity team. Bros. Leininger, '09, Parsons, '10, and Washabaugh, '10, are gaining honors on the track team. Bro. Young has been assigned a part in the play to be given by the college dramatic club. Bro. Statler was elected secretary of the athletic association and Bro. Leininger is now assistant manager of outdoor sports. Bro. Benner was a member of the inter-society debating team and the inter-collegiate oratorical team.

Our alumni day banquet was a rousing success. We were fortunate in having with us T. F. Newby, Lehigh, '89, Arthur B. Moulton, Dartmouth, H. N. Hagerty, Lafayette, '81, Wilber Morse, W. U. of Pa., '97, and W. T. Shaw, Dartmouth, '04. On this occasion plans were inaugurated for establishing the Carlisle Alumni Club.

Bro. Charles Swift has been elected to the position of Professor of English in the preparatory school. Bro. Paul Tomkinson has been elected Adjunct-Professor of German and mathematics in the college.

All the fraternities are in houses with the exception of K Σ. B Θ II has moved into its newly built home adjoining the Mooreland and Σ A E has purchased ground opposite. A X P has rented a house on Louthier Street.

Our president, Dr. Reed, has taken steps to introduce a new department, known as the department of peace and public service, into our college. The debating team of the college won the intercollegiate debating championship of the state of Pennsylvania.

In closing permit us to extend to all Brother Phis a hearty invitation to visit us whenever possible. We expect to have three men in the house during the summer, and we shall be glad to have you visit there at any time.

Carlisle, May 16, 1907.

RAYMOND READ.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

On April 23 Pennsylvania Zeta initiated Louis Herman Haupt, a sophomore in the engineering department and it gives us pleasure to introduce him to the fraternity at large as a brother in the Bond.

The Mask and Wig Club recently erected a wooden fence on the campus between College Hall and the Houston Club for the senior singing which has now become an established custom.

This year the junior class of the college adopted a new system for the election of senior president. It provides for no nominations. Any member of the class may be voted for on the first ballot. The five highest will then be considered as nominated, and their identity will be kept secret, until the second ballot is taken. Thereafter, by a weeding out process, the number is reduced to one who is declared elected. As it is understood that there shall be no electioneering, this system does away with the evils of class politics.

Governor John A. Johnson, of Minnesota, the well known after-dinner orator, will speak at commencement which takes place on June 19. Class Day will be held in the Lyric Theatre on June 14.

On Saturday, April 27, Pennsylvania's annual relay races were held with over 1200 entries. Owing to the loss of one of our best men and the poor condition of some others the Pennsylvania teams did not make a good showing. However, we now feel that we have a very good chance of winning the intercollegiate track meet.

Bro. Sawyer was a member of the relay smoker committee. Bro. Stine is a member of the class day committee. Bro. Hendrie has been elected a member of the senior class executive committee and the house committee of the Houston Club. Bros. Davis and Hendrie have been appointed members of the 1908 record committee. Bros. Brown and Haupt were on the sophomore cremation committee. Bro. Rogers was in the tug of war at the May Day sports, Bro. Hendrie was one of the marshals. Bros. Klaer, Wolstenholme, Brown and Pomeroy took part in the dual track meet which the freshmen won from the sophomores.

Since our last letter we have had the pleasure of entertaining Bro. DeWitt, P. G. C., Bros. Foster and Drummond, president and vice-president of Alpha Province, and Bro. Huxley, Minnesota Alpha, '97. Bros. Walker and Paxon also paid us visits.

Any information regarding men coming to Pennsylvania who would make worthy Phis will be greatly appreciated.

MALCOLM I. DAVIS.

Philadelphia, May 30, 1907.

## PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Lehigh has just completed her lacrosse schedule and has been fairly successful. She started the season with a victory over the College of the City of New York and followed this with the defeat of the strong Mt. Washington team. Harvard was next met and despite the fact of forty extra minutes of play the score resulted 5-5. Lehigh then suffered a slump and met defeat at the hands of Johns Hopkins and Stevens, finishing the season by winning over Swarthmore 7-1. Pennsylvania Eta was represented on the lacrosse squad by Bro. Maeder, '09.

At present Lehigh is in the midst of her baseball season and thus far has played eight games, having won from St. Johns, West Point, College of the City of New York and Stevens and lost to the University of Pennsylvania, (5-3) Villanova, Dickinson and Lafayette (3-1)

As for track sports Lehigh has had one meet and that with Haverford, resulting in a victory for the latter.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was represented on the varsity track team by Bro. Dunn, '10. Bro. Dunn also competed in the one-mile relay at the University of Pennsylvania relay races on April 27, 1907. The annual interclass track meet was held on May 11 in which 1909 carried off the honors with 1907 a close second.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was represented by Bro. Dunn, '10, who won first place in the broad jump and third in the quarter mile. Bro. Lanier, '10, competed in the one mile run.

This last week has brought forth a change in the centre of activity of Pennsylvania Eta as she has moved her chapter house from 451 Lehigh street to large and commodious quarters at 510 Seneca street, and is better fitted for receiving all visiting Phis.

Bros. Harst and Treverton, '07, have been elected members of the senior class day committee. Bro. Harst will deliver the Ivy oration and Bro. Treverton will act as class prophet, priest and deacon. Bro. Harst has also been elected to  $\Phi B K$ , being one of the two technical men of his class to receive the honor. Bro. Fair, '08, has been elected president of the tennis club for the ensuing year. Bro. Johnstone, '08, has been appointed a member of the junior promenade committee, has been elected to Triskaideka and was successful in making the Mustard and Cheese chorus. Bro. H. D. Smith, '08, has been chosen a member of the Mandolin and Banjo Club, president of the Combined Musical Association of Lehigh and is a member of the Arcadia. Bro. Coyle, '09, has been elected vice-president of the class for the junior year. Bro. Dunn, '10, has been elected vice-president of the class for the sophomore year. Bro. McWilliams, '10, has been elected marshall of the class for the sophomore year.

We have had the pleasure of welcoming recently Bro. Irving L. Foster, president of Alpha Province. Among the other brothers who have paid us visits since our last letter are Bros. T. F. Newly, Pennsylvania Eta, '89, E. H. Singmaster, Pennsylvania Beta; D. M. Rice, Vermont Alpha, J. C. Cosgrove, Pennsylvania Theta, P. R. Bullard, Rhode Island Alpha, and M. W. Singer, '06, J. McCleary, Jr., '04, W. McCleary, ex-'07, and A. C. Pierce, ex-'08, of Pennsylvania Eta, in addition to several of the Lafayette brothers.

In closing we wish to extend a hearty welcome to all visiting Phis to our new chapter house.

South Bethlehem, May 11, 1907.

THOMAS COYLE, JR.

## PENNSYLVANIA THETA, PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

This spring Pennsylvania Theta will lose seven men, among them the last of our charter members, Bros. Garreth and Leitzell.

This has been a very prosperous year, not only for the chapter but also for the college. Our baseball team is probably one of the best that ever represented Pennsylvania State on the diamond. Thus far we have experienced but one defeat, the first game played, and have won seventeen straight games defeating such teams as Cornell, Villanova, St. Johns, Washington and Lee, Virginia Military Institute, Dickinson and West Point. In track we have also been successful, defeating our old rival, Dickinson, by a score of 92-12. We are represented on the track squad by Bro. Hand '08.

Pennsylvania Theta is represented in many branches of college life. Bro. Smith '07 is leader of the college orchestra. Bro. Dawson '07 is leader of the Glee Club. Bro. Leitzell '07 had a leading part in the Thespians and was also on the senior dance committee. Bro. J. S. Miller is artist in chief of the 1909 *La Vie*, and Bro. F. B. Miller is one of the assistant-editors.

Since our last letter we had the great pleasure of entertaining Bros. Heaton and Culf '06.

We regret to announce that Bro. Henning '06 will leave us June 1 as he resigned his position as instructor in chemistry to take a position as first assistant for the American Tin Plate Co., at Vandergrift, Pennsylvania.

We would consider it a great favor if all Phis, who know of men coming to State next year, would notify us of the fact.

State College, May 17, 1907.

FRANK B. MILLER.

## BETA PROVINCE.

### VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

We are now in the midst of our final examinations and there is naturally not much doing here except hard work. The university is just ending the eighty-second year of its existence, and this year has been an unusually successful one in every respect, their having been many acceptable gifts received and the largest enrollment recorded since the Civil War.

In the field of athletics we were more than fortunate in turning out excellent football, basketball and track teams, while our baseball team by defeating Princeton 3 to 2 and the Army 5 to 1 on the northern trip, proved that it deserves to be ranked among the leading college nines, ending its successful season at West Point on the 11th of this month. The team also made the enviable record of winning ten straight games on our home grounds.

In the recent issue of the *Virginia Alumni Bulletin*, quite a little space was given to complimenting Bro. Woods on his successful management of "The 'Varsity Girl," the show put on by the Arcadians, the dramatic club of the University.

The 1907 "Corks and Curls" is now out and, owing to its unusual excellence and attractiveness, a greater number of copies have already been sold than in any previous year. Bro. "Dick" Taylor was the business manager, and Bro. Blackford has been elected to fill the same office next year. For the last five years either the editor-in-chief or the business-manager of this well known annual has been a Phi. Bro. Taylor has also been re-elected president of the Y. M. C. A., and was one of the three students elected to the advisory board of the general athletic association. As these latter offices are the only ones here in which every student and alumnus is entitled to an equal vote, they are generally considered as the highest honors that can be won.

The members of the active chapter are all working hard and keeping up the enthusiasm for securing a chapter house, but we have been somewhat disappointed by the slow and rather indifferent way the majority of our alumni are responding to the circular letters sent them by Bro. Lee of Richmond.



However, we are hoping that they will soon wake up and realize the importance of "striking while the iron is hot."

During April we had the pleasure of having Bro. DeWitt, P. G. C., for a short visit. He brought enthusiastic news from the Vanderbilt chapter, and seemed pleased at the good condition of the fraternity in general. We also enjoyed meeting many other brothers who were members of the teams of the Universities of Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Lafayette, Dartmouth, Georgia, etc., and we hope to renew their acquaintance next baseball season.

If any of our brothers know of new men who expect to come to Virginia next year, we would appreciate it very much if they would write us their names and whatever they know about them. Bros. Kelly and Heth are both members of the graduating law class. Bro. Kelly has been untiring in his endeavors towards a chapter house, while it is enough to say of Bro. Heth that he was our representative at the Washington Convention. We shall greatly miss them both, but as the rest of the chapter expect to return, our chances for starting off well next fall are very bright.

Charlottesville, May 29, 1907.

T. DWIGHT SLOAN.

#### VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

We are now in the midst of the final examinations at Randolph-Macon and everybody has stopped trying to bluff and is cramming for the exams. If Virginia Gamma does as well as she has always done we will have no trouble in finding our names written there.

In baseball Randolph-Macon had tough luck. Nearly all of the games that we lost were lost in the first inning, but after the fatal first the team settled down and played good ball. Virginia Gamma was well represented by Bros. L. L. Gravely and L. J. Martin. Both did good work in the box.

Field day this year was by far the most interesting ever witnessed at Randolph-Macon. Until the last event it was hard to tell who would be champion, but Bro. Martin was the lucky one, winning by three points. In the inter-collegiate track meet held in Richmond, May 4th Randolph-Macon won third place. We were represented by Bros. Chenery and Martin, the latter winning two first places and two second, tying for the highest number of points.

Randolph-Macon won from Hampden-Sidney in a joint debate held in the college chapel the 26th of April. The debate was close and interesting from the first Hampden Sidney having the best side of the question and Randolph-Macon having the debaters.

With our sister chapters commencement and closing of the year's work is sad, because the men who have been together through college, the stand bys and wheel horses of the chapters, who have guided the chapters for years must leave and direct their energies in other fields; with us this is true to some extent. We lose two seniors—Bros. Chenery and T. M. Harris, but the majority of our band will return next year. In closing we would like to ask all this, if they hear of a good man who is coming to Randolph-Macon to let Virginia Gamma know of him.

Ashland, May 28.

WALTER REID.

#### VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY

Our final examinations are at hand and the present session ends on June 12. From every standpoint this scholastic year has been the most prosperous in the history of our institution.

The chapters in Beta Province are planning for a convention to be held at the Jamestown exposition sometime during the latter part of the summer

and Virginia Zeta hopes to be well represented there. No better place could have been chosen for the convention and Bro. Fred J. Coxe is making every possible effort to make the event a success. We hope that the gathering of members of Beta Province will be supplemented by other visiting Phis who expect to visit the exposition and we take this opportunity of assuring them of a cordial welcome.

Washington and Lee held its annual track and field meet May 18. Bro. Minetree broke the local record at the shot put, while Bro. T. O. Bagley won 100 and 220 yard dashes. Bro. Bagley also won second place in several other events, thus securing the all-around championship of the day.

We regret very much to report the loss of Bros. T. O. and C. F. Bagley for next year, both of whom retire from the active chapter by graduation at the close of the session. However, we will return seven members next fall, and with new material that we have in mind our success for next year seems assured.

L. V. LARSON.

Lexington, May 27, 1907.

### GAMMA PROVINCE.

#### KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

The baseball season has been very successful; our team has won nine out of twelve games so far, and we have an excellent chance for the state championship.

A fraternity baseball league was formed and Kentucky Epsilon will play the Sigma Chis some time this month for the championship which we hope that we will be able to win. A silver loving cup will be given to the winner.

The chapter has received its share of honors as usual. Bro. Spears '07 will be an honor man in the chemistry department and has a very fine position awaiting him when he graduates. Bro. Wilson '08 was chosen as a member of Lamp and Cross Society, Bro. Boree '09, "Mystic 13" Bro. Shanklin is captain of freshman baseball team.

We lose only one man by graduation this year, Bro. Spears. Bros. McFuron, '08, Goldthwaite, '10, and McDowell, '09, will not be back with us next year. We have had a very successful year in spite of the fact that when college opened in the fall we had a very large debt on our hands and only seven men returned. We have about paid off all of this old indebtedness and did not lose a single man that we asked this year. We have already six men for initiation next fall and hope to have a chapter of twenty.

We want to thank those Phis who were kind enough to recommend men for our consideration and want to assure them that we gave them attention though we could not agree upon all of them.

There has recently been started a Pan-Hellenic movement by the Sigma Nu fraternity, and permanent organization has been affected. The "Honor System" is one of the main things at present which this council is trying to establish and unless the fraternity men do it, it never will be established.

The chapter will be glad to see any Phi whenever he may be in Lexington and will do all in their power to see that he is royally entertained. We ask a favor of every Phi who may know of suitable men for Phi Delta Theta, who are going to enter State College next fall to please correspond with the reporter and he may be assured that everyone recommended will be given a thorough investigation. Also correspondence during the summer should be addressed to the reporter at 284 S. Limestone, Lexington, Kentucky.

Lexington, May 15, 1907.

JAS. S. WATSON.

## TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

It is with just pride that I write the June Scroll about our splendid new chapter house. At ten o'clock Tuesday, May 20, the real work began. During "frat" meeting Bro. Meade, chairman of building committee reported that everything was in readiness for actual work to begin the following morning. This report was received with great enthusiasm. We couldn't wait for morning, but brought out the same old battle-axe that was used many years ago in erecting the first Greek-letter chapter house in the South, the one that we now occupy, and cut down an old oak tree that stood in the center of the proposed site for the new edifice. The old axe was passed around from one to another until all had put in several good licks. Then the old tree went down with a crash. It was truly an occasion of joy and cherished hopes fulfilled when at last those who have labored for years toward the building of a house all-stone suitable to the environment of Gothic architecture saw their dreams at last materializing into something definite and enduring.

On the Monday of semi-centennial week the corner stone will be laid. Bros. Patterson, Governor of Tennessee, Charles M. Beckwith, Bishop of Alabama, John H. DeWitt, president of our General Council, C. W. Haynes, president of Gamma Province, Joseph L. Meade, chairman of the building committee and Mr. B. Lawton Wiggins, vice-chancellor of the University of the South will distinguish the occasion with appropriate speeches.

We will also endeavor to have Bros. John Hodgson, Caleb Weed and as many other alumni members as possible with us for the corner stone ceremonies. We will endeavor to present a photograph and full description of the house in the next SCROLL.

T. J. WALTHALL, JR.

Sewanee, June 2, 1907.

## DELTA PROVINCE.

## OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

This year we lose only two men by graduation, Bros. Hartle and Stevenson. Bro. Hartle was recently married to Miss Ruth Bowman, of Oxford. Bro. Stevenson is expecting to go into an iron works as a chemist. He has been assigned one of the leading roles in "Taming of the Shrew," the senior play, to be given commencement week. In the interclass track meet Bro. Stevenson broke the local record for the hammer throw by five feet.

We introduce to the fraternity Bros. Erret Feeney, Loren Potterf and William Graham. These brothers were initiated April 8. Dr. Benton, Dr. Moore, Dr. Davis, Prof. Hoke and Earl Kellar were present. This was the second initiation that the Freshmen had ever attended and owing to a lack of upper classmen it fell upon them to take an active part, which was performed in a very impressive manner. After the ceremonies our Phikeias joined us in a very enjoyable banquet, Prof. Hoke acting as toastmaster.

The Pan-Hellenic banquet was a rousing success. About seventy fraternity men attended representing B Θ Π, Σ X, Δ K E and Φ Δ Θ. It began about 10:30 and after a sumptuous feast, the toasts were started by Dean Hepburn, B Θ Π. He was followed by Dr. Benton, Φ Δ Θ, then the representatives of each fraternity followed. Bro. Roi W. Risinger was our representative. After the toasts we adjourned to the Σ X house, where a smoker was given. Bro. Dr. Newcomer was with us for the night.

Ohio Alpha has commenced its spike, we have entertained several men whom we expect to be in school next fall.

On May 11 we gave an informal party to the Oxford College girls which was a success in every sense of the word. Through the kindness of Bro. James R. Patterson, Miami, '62, we will give our second affair on June 1, at Glenwilde, his beautiful country home. This is to be a "pedestrian party," and we are expecting a very enjoyable time.

The *Recensia*, our annual, is now out and is by far the best one that has ever been published. Bro. Risinger, '08, is the business manager.

Commencement week will begin June 15. The corner stone of our new \$80,000 auditorium will be laid on June 17. We will hold our annual alumni banquet on June 18, and are expecting a large number of visitors.

So far this year our baseball team has been fairly successful, having won about half of the games. Bros. Hitchcock, '10, and Slayd, '08, are our representatives. Our track team was beaten by Earlham last month, but we are expecting to win from our rivals in Danville, Ky. S. J. CARTER.

Oxford, May 19, 1907.

#### OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The end of May finds the members of Ohio Beta earnestly engaged in preparations for commencement. This year, we will lose by graduation, five valuable men, Bros. Sigler, Whitney, Deau, Sapp and Kelsey. Besides these, it is probable that a couple of our underclassmen will not return.

Bros. Webb, Allison and Kraig will return in the fall. The baseball season is now in full swing. The team has been generally successful; Phi Delta Theta is represented by three regulars and one substitute, Bros. Whitney shortstop; Baker, catcher; Sigler, pitcher, and Cameron substitute catcher. The most important games are yet to be played and Ohio Wesleyan has a good chance to win the state championship.

Our track team has had success and we expect to make a creditable showing in the Big Six meet. Bro. Kraw is representing us in that branch of athletics.

On the evening of May 18, the chapter gave a lawn party to its lady friends. Much credit is due Bro. Sigley and his social committee for the success of the evening. In all probability, it will become an annual function.

On the evenings of May 8 and 9th the Athletic Association held its annual carnival in the gymnasium. It was a great success clearing over \$700. Phi Delta Theta handled the refreshments clearing \$112 and winning the prize offered to the organization making the most money.

Ohio Beta's prospects for the coming year were never brighter. Already enough good men are in sight to make up the years loss by graduation so that the present era of prosperity will be continued.

We cordially invite all Phis when in or near Delaware to visit us.

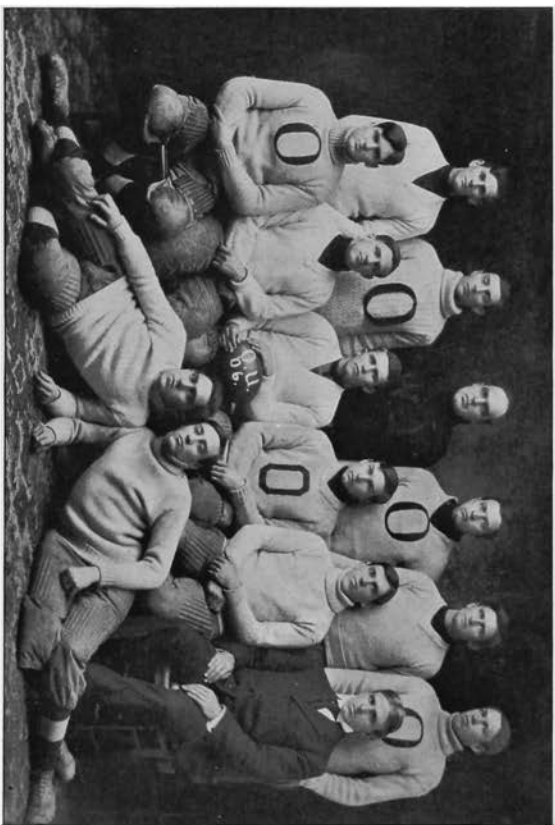
Delaware May 28, 1907.

E. G. BARNETT.

#### OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

Just now Ohio finds herself in the midst of the most successful baseball season she has yet enjoyed, having won six straight games from the following teams: Cincinnati, two games, Capital University, Marietta, and Kenyon, two games.

We have several more hard games ahead, but if the team keeps up its present form we will surely make some or all of them "go some." But what is claiming most of the attention of the fraternity men of the university is the Pan-Hellenic baseball league, which was formed the first part of the term. At present  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  leads with three games won and none lost,



OHIO FOOTBALL TEAM OF 1906—FIVE ARE MEMBERS OF OHIO GAMMA.

while each of the other fraternities has lost a game. It is hard to see why the banner, which is to be given to the victors, should not find a final resting place on Phi Delta Theta's walls. At any rate there is as much enthusiasm, if not more, shown in these games, which take place on Saturday mornings, than in the varsity games.

A couple of weeks ago a number of young ladies from the dormitory and the town also, surprised us with a pillow shower at the house. This was a tribute to  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  as it was the first and only one of the year. All of the pillows were very beautiful, some of them being the result of hours of painstaking and skillful work, and the quantity was only exceeded by the quality.

On Saturday, May 18, we were very pleasantly entertained by Dr. and Mrs. Ellis, with a pedro party at their home, while Friday evening Dr. Jones, the athletic director, and his wife, entertained us in honor of the Kenyon baseball team.

GEO. G. THOMAS.

Athens, May 19, 1907.

#### OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

On Friday night, April 12, Varsity was defeated in debate by Washington University of St. Louis, the question was, "Resolved that Congress should be given by constitutional amendment, power to legislate directly concerning commerce and manufactures within the several states." Varsity spoke on the negative side. Just one week before this, on April 5, the "Junior Prom" was held at the Fort Mitchell Country Club. The affair was a decided success.

It was during the week of April 8, that the Eliza Orne Ropes bequest of \$100,000 was received by the university. Upon the death of Mr. Ropes, a fortune, estimated at two million dollars, was made available for the use of philanthropic institutions, many of which are located in Ohio. The sum given to the University of Cincinnati is to be used to maintain a chair of "Comparative Literature," a chair which Harvard, Columbia, Princeton, Chicago and Wisconsin, alone of American colleges maintain.

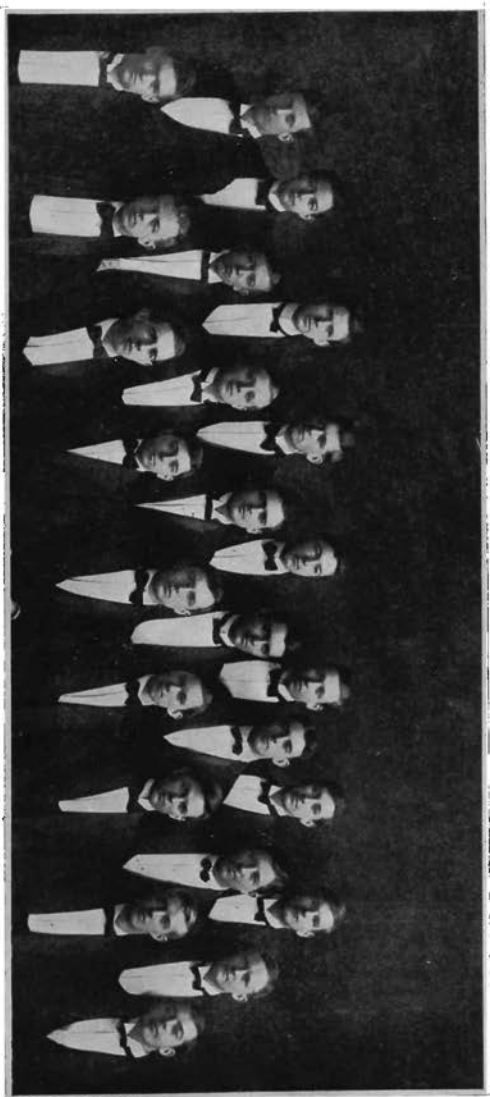
On Saturday evening, April 27, a very enjoyable and successful "rushing smoker" was given by the chapter, in the chapter hall.

Probably the most important event of the year in the minds of the students was the visit of Secretary of War, William H. Taft, to the university on Monday, April 29. The auditorium was packed with students and visitors. The colleges of law and medicine were out in force and led the cheering.

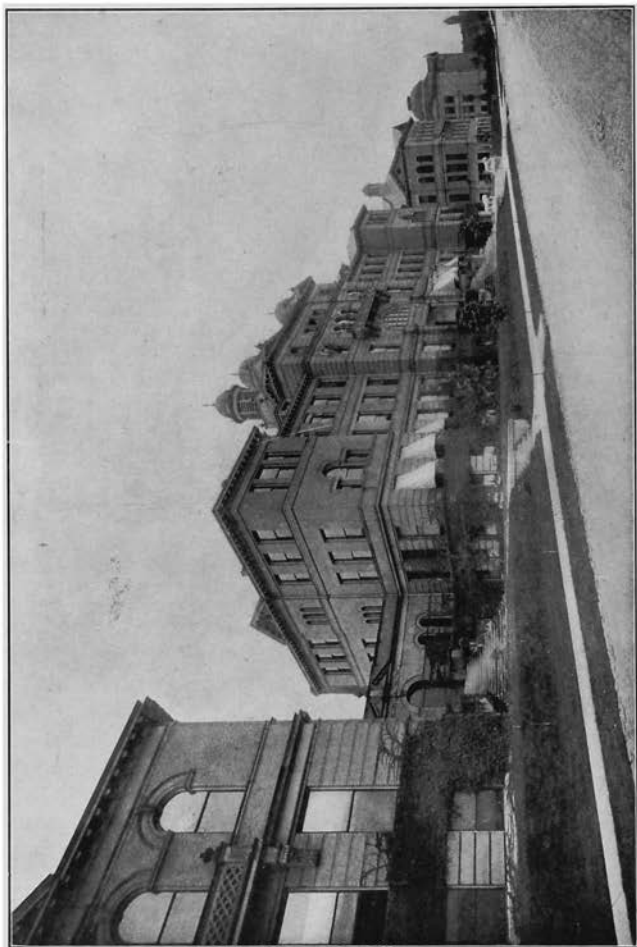
Secretary Taft spoke for nearly half an hour, telling chiefly about his personal connection with the University of Cincinnati. In closing he said: "It is a fine thing, indeed, for me to come to the University of Cincinnati and see the fond dream of my father, who was a hard worker for the University of Cincinnati in its infant days, almost realized. I have been a student and a teacher in this University. I have acquired for her an interest and an affection and a love which is second only to that which I bear to my own alma mater, Yale."

The closing event of the oratorical work of the year occurred on Friday evening, March 3, when the five contestants for the Jones prize, spoke in the auditorium of the university. Bro. John DeMoss Ellis, who was the only fraternity man entered, was awarded the first prize of forty dollars. The subject of his oration was "Goethe, the Man."

The senior boat ride and dance, which was given on May 14, marked the beginning of the series of events given by the class of 1907, before the close of college. The function was well attended and all declared that they had had a most enjoyable time.



OHIO THETA, ACTIVE CHAPTER.



THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.



The class play will be given on the evening of May 29, on the campus of the university. The play will be Tennyson's "The Foresters." Bros. Ellis and C. A. Schroetter will take important parts.

The annual commencement of the university will be held on the evening of June 1, in Music Hall. By having an evening commencement, it is expected to have a very large attendance, particularly of business men who are interested in the commencement of the professional schools.

The speaker of the evening will be Dr. Elmer Ellsworth Brown, United States Commissioner of Education.

The list of graduates of all departments numbers one hundred and fifty-four, and of this number, seventeen will receive the degree of master of arts.

Before closing we wish to say a word about the coming Delta Province convention, which is to be held at Cincinnati. The chief events on the program for the entertainment of delegates and visitors will be a smoker, a theatre party, a ball and last, but not least, the trip to Miami University at Oxford. Invitations will be sent to chapters in the neighboring states and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

Cincinnati, May 21, 1907

G. A. DOELLER.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

At the recent spring elections of the class societies, Bro. Graham made Friars, Vulcans and Michigamua. Bro. Patterson made T B II, Bro. Rowell made Friars, and Bro. Will French made Pipe and Bowl.

The annual freshman-sophomore contests resulted sophomores 3, freshmen 2. The first contest was the tug of war across the Huron. The sophomores here showed their superior skill and soon had all the freshmen in the river. The next contest was the rock stunt. The sophomores here had an easy time putting the mineral rock on the campus. Saturday morning the freshmen were victorious in the obstacle relay races and also in the push ball contest. The underclassmen this year purchased a regulation push ball, which greatly improved the contest. With a little change in the rules governing the rock stunt we feel that we have at last found a suitable substitute for our old time spring hair cutting.

The annual senior swing out, which was postponed from May 1 took place Thursday afternoon, May 9. It was preceded by exercises in University Hall where President Angell addressed the graduating class. There were about six hundred seniors in the line of march around the campus.

Everything now is in preparation for the eastern track meet at Cambridge June 1. This is the first time that Michigan has competed in the eastern meet in years, and we feel that we have a team that can well uphold the honor of Michigan. Bro. French will compete in the broad jump, Bro. Coe in the distance runs and probably Bro. Bristol in the dashes. The annual inter-scholastic meet will be held May 24 and 25 at Ann Arbor, and indications point to a very large attendance of prep-school athletes.

The baseball team this year is exceptionally strong. They have defeated many of the strong western teams, five or six of the games being shut-outs. Last Thursday Michigan played a thirteen inning, 0 to 0 game with the Williams team, one of the strongest of the eastern nines.

On April 5 and 6 occurred the annual Michigan minstrels given by the Michigan Union. It proved a great success and drew large crowds. The show was given in Detroit April 12. Bro. Kaiser was in the sophomore ballet and Bro. Rowell was on the executive committee.

Commencement exercises start this year June 17 and end with graduation

exercises Thursday morning, June 20. We want to urge the alumni to send in recommendations of any good men coming to Ann Arbor next fall. We appreciate this great help and want the old men to help us all they can in this way. Drop a letter to the chapter house and let us know when they will arrive in Ann Arbor, as it is very hard to locate a man if we do not get him at the train. A letter to Bro. Frank T. Rowell, 2428 Third Avenue, Louisville, Ky., will do the work.

HOWARD D. DAVIS.

Ann Arbor, May 18, 1907.

## EPSILON PROVINCE.

### INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Indiana Alpha is at the close of a most successful term and year, with flattering prospects for the future. Life in our new home has been very pleasant and it is gratifying to know that  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is the best housed fraternity in Indiana.

Indiana has practically cinched the second place in the state baseball race, Notre Dame being clearly first. Bro. J. B. Williamson has played a strong game at third base all season, playing especially fast in the contest with Notre Dame here. Bro. Chas. Tighe will be elected captain of the football team for the coming year. A strong squad has been going through some hard spring training.

We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large Bro. Jno. Raymond Hume, of Milroy, Indiana. Bros. C. F. Zinsmeister was one of the college minstrels; C. L. Hornaday, track captain; J. B. Williamson, member of baseball team and college minstrels; R. C. Beeler, university band and orchestra; Arnold, Curdes, chairman freshman Pan-Hellenic dance.

Bros. Zinsmeister, Free, Sexton and Beeler represented Indiana Alpha at the recent state convention at Greencastle. Bro. Zinsmeister was warden of the convention and Bro. Free responded to the toast "The Sister Phi," at the banquet.

The chapter will lose by graduation and withdrawal Bros. C. F. Zinsmeister, C. L. Hornaday, C. D. Stoudt, T. W. Donnelly, W. H. Cassidy, A. Free and H. A. Sloay. We regret very much that these men are forced to leave the chapter, but wish them unbounded success in their several vocations.

We are already investigating some promising material for next year and would earnestly solicit the aid of our alumni and sister chapters in the work. Information may be sent during the summer to C. O. Gamble, Bloomington.

Bloomington, May 21, 1907

WALTER J. KEMP

### INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE

Wabash is making great preparations for the celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the college, the sixty-ninth annual commencement and the inauguration of our new president, Dr. Geo. L. Mackintosh. The senior class has presented a bronze bust of Dr. W. P. Kane, our late president, which will be unveiled at this time. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Dr. Mackintosh on June 9. On the evening of June 10, the Baldwin oratorical contest, in which two of our members will participate, will take place. The program for June 11, is the unveiling of the class memorial, the alumni banquet, two performances by the Ben Greet Company and a baseball game with Indiana University. Commencement and the inauguration will be on June 12. The commencement address will be made by Professor Asa H. Morton, class of '82, of Williamstown, Mass.



MICHIGAN ALPHA, ACTIVE CHAPTER.

Indiana Beta will have a banquet at the house on Monday, June 10, at five o'clock. We expect a great many of our men here for that occasion and are making preparation for them.

On May 28, the senior class dedicated a class stone with the class motto, "We Stand as a Unit" engraved thereon. A stupendous street parade in which the entire student body participated, preceded the ceremony. A mock inauguration was performed and James B. Elmore, the Bard of Alamo, delivered a dedicatory poem. Bro. C. G. Miller was master of ceremonies.

On May 10, Indiana Zeta and Indiana Beta met in a baseball contest. The game was played at Greencastle. With a DePauw man as umpire and by running in a ringer in the form of Bro. "Polly" Ruick, they succeeded in defeating us in a hard fought battle by a score of 3 to 1. We are planning to protest the game.

Bro. S. E. Fleming has been chosen a member of  $\Phi$  B K. Bros. Fleming and Miller are contestants in the Baldwin oratorical contest.

The track team won both state meets and in the meets more than half of Wabash's points were won by members of Indiana Beta. Bro. Blair broke the records for the 100 and 220 yard dashes and Bro. Bosson raised the high jump record. Bros. Miller, Sohl, Bosson and Blair have been awarded the track "W."

Bro. F. L. Snyder, '86, visited us on May 7. He is a missionary to Siam.

We will graduate five men this year, S. E. Fleming, G. Henry, M. S. Leaming, C. G. Miller and J. R. Rankin. All the underclassmen in the chapter expect to return along with Bros. Gwynn and H. H. Leaming, making a total of twenty active men with four pledges to start with.

We invite all Phis to call upon us when in Crawfordsville.

Crawfordsville, June 1, 1907

M. S. LEAMING

#### INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER COLLEGE

We take pleasure in introducing to  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  Bro. Waldo E. Stein, who had been a pledge since last fall.

Our men are working hard in preparation for the annual inter-fraternity track meet which will be held on Irwin Field June 10. The Phis confidently expect to win this meet by a good margin as they have always done before.

The Indiana intercollegiate tennis tournament will be held on the Butler College courts June 6 and 7. Butler will be represented by Bro. Paul Weer and R. J. McKay,  $\Sigma$  X. Bro. Weer together with Bro. J. K. Kingsbury won the state championship on the Butler courts last year.

The completion of the college endowment fund will bring an increased attendance over past years. The resuming of intercollegiate athletics will bring a re-inforcement of new men; and we are now making plans to pledge for  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  the very best men who will enter next fall.

Wednesday of commencement week the Butler students will present "May Day Revels." A great deal of hard work is being spent upon this, both by the whole student body and by the faculty, and an exceedingly elaborate reproduction of an old fashioned English May Day which will be instructive as well as intensely interesting, is being arranged.

Bro. Frank Davenport has been appointed manager for the Butler Collegian for next year. This is an honorary position offered by the faculty.

We are always delighted to entertain our Bro. Phis when they are in Indianapolis.

PAUL W. WEER.

Irington, May 31, 1907



INDIANA DELTA, ACTIVE CHAPTER.

**INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE**

In our last letter we announced that we would move into a chapter house for the spring term. The house is now an accomplished fact. The brothers not only room but also board in the house and this constant fellowship is already making them better Phis, and we hope it has had a similar influence on the guests we have had the pleasure of having with us.

On May 28 the chapter entertained its friends at a house warming, which was considered by the guests a decided success.

Franklin's baseball team this spring has been a pronounced success, winning nearly all games played. Indiana Delta had four men on the team including the captain. All but two of the present team will return next year, so our prospects for a still better team are bright.

We have one new pledge this year, Elmer Davis of Aurora, Ind.

This, the first week of June, is occupied with final "exams," and the second week of the month will occur the usual commencement events, not the least of which will be the presentation of the senior class play, purported to be entitled "Abe Martinsville." The two upper classes have each made concessions such that the old time "scrap" over the senior play has been by mutual consent abandoned.

Of our four graduates this year two, Bros. Marshall and Abbett, will attend medical school, and Bros. Van Riper and Crecraft will probably teach. A few others will not return next year but we will nevertheless have a larger chapter than usual for the opening of the school year.

Franklin, June 4, 1907

FARIS B. SMITH

**INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.**

The third term of the year is fast drawing to a close, ending one of the most prosperous years of Hanover College and Indiana Epsilon. Work on the chapter house fund has been pushed with vigor and we expect to be in a house next year. In baseball the Phis were in the majority being represented by Laudon pitcher and captain, Nowlin first, Selleck third, Gore right field, and Cartmel left.

In tennis we are strong and expect to hold the local cup which has been ours for four straight seasons. Phikeia McDill has already become one of our honor winners by carrying off the oratorical contest. Bro. Gore is one of the class speakers for commencement. Among the Phis who will be with us at commencement are Bro. Shelby, '95, who will, with Bro. Brashiar, '87, deliver the addresses before the literary societies. Visiting Phis of this term include Bros. Edwards, Oldfather and DuShane, of '06.

Epsilon chapter entertained its lady friends with a banquet and dance at Madison on the evening of May 17.

M. B. GORE.

Hanover, June 5, 1907.

**INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY**

With the college year ending for the under-classmen on the 8th of June, and commencement on the 12th, all are very busy at present in making up work in back subjects, and the seniors are doing extra duty in preparing their theses. Indiana Theta loses only three men by graduation this year, Bros. Dennis Long, Guy Ellis and Ned McGaughy, but these three will be sorely missed as they are very active enthusiastic workers not only in the fraternity but also in the university, where they have each won honors.

Our house committee has completed arrangements for a new rented house on the corner of First and Russel streets, West Lafayette, where we



# INDIANA THETA, ACTIVE CHAPTER.

Snider	Wocher	DeBoos	Fortune	Bird	Long	Shiel	Reed	Broadwell	Stewart
Reel	Dabney	Aldridge	Babcock	Vaile	Dennix	Stein	O'Brien		
Worsham	Chapin	Munn	M. Newcomer		Garber	Miltican	McQuethy	Shelley	
V. Newcomer	Ellis					Coons	Turpin		

will have a thoroughly modern and complete home for our chapter and all visiting Phis whom we are always glad to see. The change to the new house is a great step in the advancement of the chapter as our present quarters are very uncomfortable and unsatisfactory. The chapter hall on Third and Columbia streets will still be retained where we hold all of our meetings and give dances and other entertainments.

Considering the scarcity of material, the spring athletics at Purdue have been very good. The baseball team made a good record, losing only to the strong Illinois, Notre Dame and Chicago teams in the "Big Nine," and these defeats have been very close. The state championship was lost to Notre Dame after twelve innings of fast play by the score of 4 to 3. Indiana Theta is represented on the baseball team by Bros. Bird and Babcock, Bro. Babcock acting in the capacity of captain. The track record has surprised even the most sanguine. The schedule this year was the most extensive ever arranged for an "old gold and black" team but the men worked hard and Purdue lost the state meet to Wabash by the small margin of 4 points. We won the dual meet with Ohio State but lost to Chicago and Illinois.

Indiana Theta expects to return at least twenty men next fall and in order to get an early line on new men, we request that any information of this sort be sent to our rushing committee composed of Bros. W. G. Munn, Jr., 1695 New Broadway, Louisville, Ky., and O. M. Babcock, 806 Riverside Avenue, Evansville, Indiana.

H. J. WOCHER.

Lafayette, May 26, 1907

## ZETA PROVINCE.

### ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The school work and most of the examinations are over, and now the students are looking forward to commencement week. On Saturday, June 15, there will be a field meet between the different departments of the university and a baseball game between the alumni and the varsity. Monday, June 17, is class day and the graduation exercises will be held on the night of June 20, in the Auditorium in Chicago. Illinois Alpha will lose this year by graduation Bros. H. I. Allen, H. A. Romans, R. A. Willson and E. S. Albritton. We have pledged six men who will enter the university in the fall. They are Andy Aldrich, Morton Grover and Harold Lavery, of Evanston, Leroy Vehe, of Chicago, and Russel Newhouse and Rufus Blount, of Wabash, Ind. The chapter will go to Woodstock, Ill., on the 19th of June to attend the wedding of Bro. J. B. Romans, '06, of Aberdeen, S. D., and Miss Alice Bunker. Miss Bunker is a K K Γ of Northwestern, '08.

We would be glad to hear of any good fraternity material entering Northwestern in the fall.

ALLEN F. RADER.

Evanston, June 10, 1907.

### ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Illinois Beta takes pleasure in introducing to the fraternity, Phikeia Lloyd Mosser of Illinois, the brother of Bro. Stacy Mosser of this chapter.

Many important changes have been taking place about the quadrangle since our last letter to THE SCROLL. Mr. Rockefeller's latest handsome gift to the university of the strip of land on the south side of the Midway Plaisance extending from Cottage Grove avenue to Madison avenue and from 60th to 61st street, marks one of the most significant steps in the prog-



ress of the university since its founding. The approximate cost of the land was two million dollars. Many times gifts of money, buildings, and other property have been generously presented; there has never been a serious want that has not been readily supplied—and the founder has been the freest contributor to the cause; but this latest present of land for Chicago's great campus is prophetic of "a greater Chicago." The full block between the Midway and 61st street, and Lexington and Greenwood avenues is to be utilized for a new athletic field. Marshall Field, the scene of many of the historic contests in western athletics since Chicago first became a factor fifteen years ago, will in a few years become only a practice field. Just how soon the new field will be completed is a matter of doubt. Work has already been started filling in the tract, and in a short time it will be graded and can be used for practice and inter-college and class athletic events. While no appropriation has as yet been made for the new stadium, the plan calls for the best athletic field in the west, which includes bleachers of concrete or steel, enclosed by a massive stone fence.

The sunken English garden in the Hutchinson Court is completed and a similar one in Hitchcock Hall Court is in progress of construction. These are styled by the students respectively English One Garden and English Two Garden. A complete row of trees has been planted on both the east and west sides of the quadrangle from 57th to 59th streets. The registrar's office now located in Cobb Hall is to be moved into the press building as soon as the alterations necessary to the removal have been completed. The object of the change is to bring together the financial department of the university and to relieve the congestion in Cobb which is especially marked on the first days of every quarter when the students are paying tuition at the registrar's window. A second entrance to Cobb is to be made through the north wall of the chapel. The campus is cut up in many places by the laying of pipes for the new filtered drinking water system.

The Hon. James Bryce, ambassador to the United States from Great Britain, will deliver the convocation address at the sixty-third convocation of the university, on Tuesday, June 11. So great is the interest in the address that the demand for seats has been unusually strong this year. In order to accommodate more guests the convocation exercises will be held in Bartlett gymnasium instead of Mandel Hall.

The senior gift to the university this year will consist of a pair of decorative electric lights to be placed on either side of the entrance to Cobb Hall. An especially elaborate program is being prepared for graduation week this year, which includes the class day, senior and junior ball game, junior college exercises, junior prom., the presentation of a farce by the university dramatic club, entitled "The School Mistress," and an alumni reunion. The Cap and Gown, a splendid book of five hundred pages, is out and is by far the best year book yet presented by the university. The Black Friar Opera, "Sure Enough Segregation," presented on May 10 and 11, was a big hit all around; the music was good and the play better.

Chicago's track team did well at the big meet at Philadelphia April 27, getting the lead from the start and holding it to the finish. Our one-mile relay team defeated the much-heralded team of Pennsylvania and won the national intercollegiate championship in this event. We also captured points in the hammer throw and pole vault. Our track team with varying success in dual meets has been growing stronger till we may look forward with strong hopes of winning the conference. Our record in baseball this year shows varying results, some good some worse than poor. In tennis the struggle for the championship in doubles in the west has narrowed down to a close contest between Wisconsin and Chicago.

The chapter is in splendid condition this spring. We have just moved into a splendid new eleven room house at 5532 Monroe avenue, which is, we think, the best house ever occupied by the chapter. Since the last letter to THE SCROLL we have given two smokers, both well attended, one to the Phis in the graduate schools of the university and one to the chapter alumni. We will be in fine shape to take care of men entering college next fall and hope that all Phis knowing of desirable men who intend to enter here will correspond with our reporter as soon as possible.

Chicago, June 1, 1907

JOHN D. ELLIS

#### ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

On May 13 the corner stone of the Knox gymnasium was laid, the ceremonies being in charge of the class of '07. This building will be completed by next fall and with its completion Knox men will have excellent facilities for athletic training and should turn out better athletes than ever before. The Knox baseball team has been very successful this year, and has won nine out of the twelve games played thus far. There are five Phis on the team. Four men represent us on the track team which has been doing excellent work this spring and several former Knox records have already been broken.

The Knox-Beloit debate which was held in Galesburg this year was won by the Knox team and after the debate the students gathered around a big bonfire and celebrated the victory. A Knox man represented Illinois in the inter-state oratorical contest which was held at Parkville, Mo., this spring.

On May 13 William Karl Scammon, of Tarkio, Mo., and Dean Preston McIntosh, of Biggsville, Ill., were initiated.

Bros. Essick, '09, has been elected manager of the '09 *Gale*, the college annual. Bro. Ellis, '08, has been elected president of the athletic association for the coming year. Bros. Stephenson and Holman will represent us on the commencement program.

Several weeks ago the Lombard Phis royally entertained the Knox chapter at an informal banquet and theatre party. The sentiment expressed at this banquet was that the two chapters should become better acquainted as by doing so we could help and strengthen each other. In the near future this year's initiates of the Knox chapter will give a banquet to the Lombard and Knox chapters. Illinois Delta gave its annual May party on May 10, and about thirty couples were present.

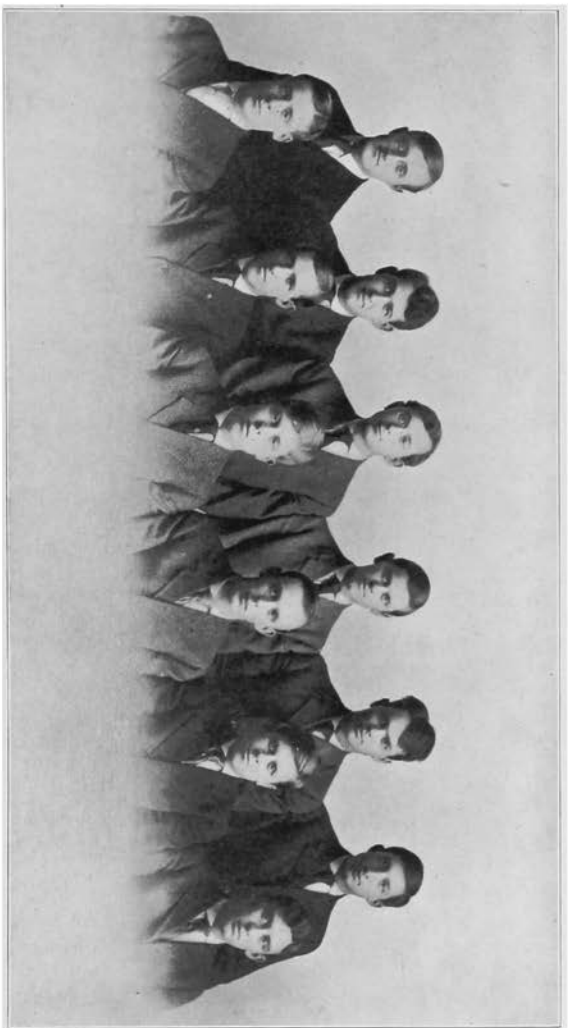
We regret that we will lose this year seven seniors by graduation, and Bro. Grant, '08, who will probably take up dramatic work in the east. Bro. Roberts, '10, expects to return and we will have thirteen men back next year. The prospects are bright for a large freshman class and we already have in sight some good fraternity material.

Galesburg, May 16, 1907.

GEORGE W. PRINCE, JR.

#### ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD COLLEGE.

The United States and the whole world lost a good and estimable citizen, but  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and Illinois Zeta especially lost a devoted brother, by the death of Bro. Edwin H. Conger, at Pasadena, California. The news of his death was a sad blow to our chapter, for although he has of late been a man much taken with public affairs he has never forgotten his chapter or his college. Space does not permit a proper eulogy of him here, but we feel that all the brothers realize what a great, grand man Bro. Conger was and we here at Lombard will feel his loss very keenly.



ILLINOIS ZETA, ACTIVE CHAPTER.

School has closed with the Phis still at the head and everything promises a most prosperous year when school commences again in the fall. The prospects for new men are the brightest and plans have been formulated so that we shall do a good deal of our rushing in conjunction with Illinois Delta, which will doubtless be of valuable assistance to both chapters.

The track season was not very successful, Lombard losing both meets. Out of six varsity letters awarded three were won by Phis, Bros. George L. Ross, captain, Oral J. Hatch and Theo. C. Grier. The other three were divided between the barbs and Σ N.

The last part of the year *The Ithud*, the college annual, made its appearance. Both the editor and manager were Phis, Bros. Theo. Grier and Chester Housh being the men in charge.

Two of the most enjoyable features of our fraternity life this year have been union suppers with Illinois Delta. A toastmaster has been appointed on each occasion and each of the brothers has had to respond. The result of these meetings has been a closer drawing together of the brothers and many plans for the future have been made.

At commencement time a meeting of all the old Phis and the active chapter will be held at which plans are going to materialize for the building of a chapter house in the very near future. The next letter will contain a full report of that meeting and its results.

THEO. C. GRIER.

Galesburg, June 2, 1907.

#### WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

As the end of the year approaches we look back and reflect on our achievements and speculate upon our future welfare. We feel that this year has been a good one in every sense, for in spite of losing a large number of men in a single semester in the year previous, Wisconsin Alpha has lived, prospered and upheld triumphantly the Phi standard of excellence in her members. The men lost through failure in classes was less this year than in any former year, and this fact makes us feel that we have run our chapter ideally the last year. We have sought to make the fraternity a help and not a hindrance in connection with our work on the hill and the results have been gratifying indeed.

We feel that upon the alumni should rest to a great extent the responsibility of a chapter's welfare. They have the opportunity and they should have the good will and interest to keep alert for desirable men who are worthy of being Phis. When we consider that we have the strongest alumni in the state, we can not help but be surprised at the infinitely small number of men that they look up for us. We are strong, but we are not strong enough not to need the help of our alumni. We hope that during the summer months each alumnus will take the trouble to look up at least one good man to send down this fall.

We gave an informal party May 3, and as usual there were no regrets. Visitors at the house have been few. T. F. Frawley, "Noisy" McCoy and Neely Pardee have visited us.

Since our last letter we won first prize in the university circus for the best animal. It was an original attempt, being a bird elephant, with automatic members which moved in an astonishingly natural fashion, so that the effect was almost uncanny, at least it seemed so to the enthusiastic judges.

Two of our men, Gugler, '07, and Pond, '10, took part in the Haresfoote play at Fuller Opera House on May 24, and added much to the humor and success of the comedy.

Interscholastic has gone by, and we think we have been very fortunate in



ILLINOIS E.T.A. ACTIVE CHAPTER.

W. F. McKelvey	Kirkpatrick	Morris	Managers	Kimbell	Cunningham	Brown	Sparks
Mohr	Meek	May	Burch	A. W. McKelvey	Trees	Ward	Pope
Hughes	Reynolds	F. H. McKelvey	Manpacker	Claycomb	Ingold	Townsend	Furrow
Greenleaf							
Heardsley							
Necker							

securing Ted Burns of LaCrosse, John Powell of Appleton, John O'Keefe of Appleton, Kickbusch of Wausau, Sweet of Fond du Lac, Paris of Sandy Hill, New York, Franklin Pardee of Wausau, and Orbison of Appleton.

We are expecting a hundred or more alumni for the reunion and hope for many more. Preparations are complete. But read the *Wisconsin Alpha Blatter* and if you want a girl for the party write for her or bring her with you.

Wisconsin Alpha would suggest that chapters exchange communications respecting ways and devices of rushing men and the most successful methods of bidding. This would be a common help and we would like to exchange views with other chapters.

EMMET HORAN.

Madison, June 1, 1907.

#### MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

The University of Minnesota after probably the most successful year in her history, will close on June 14, when the final ceremonies of commencement will be performed. The enrollment for the past year has been the largest in the history of the institution, exceeding 4,000. With the opening of the new main building for the fall term, it is expected that a much larger number will enroll as the facilities will then be such that the present overcrowded condition will be relieved and a much larger number can be cared for. In all forms of student activities, athletics, oratory, debate, etc., much glory has been added to Minnesota's name.

In spring athletics, despite the continued inclement weather, Minnesota has made a very creditable showing. On the track, where the weather has proved the greatest handicap, the smallest measure of success followed. Both Nebraska and Wisconsin defeated the varsity team, the former at Northrup Field in a close contest which remained undecided until the last event, and the latter at Madison where the Gophers, handicapped by the illness of their crack sprinter, Dougherty, lost heavily, their score being more than doubled by the Badgers. The baseball team has been more successful, and after varying success at the beginning of the season, has developed a team which has defeated Iowa, split even in two contests with Notre Dame, defeated Armour Institute, and taken two games from Chicago. There are still several games on the schedule, but the Gophers have already proved that they have a team worthy of the place Minnesota holds in the "Big Nine."

The tennis team, handicapped also by the weather, failed to take any honors at the conference meet, and was defeated by Chicago in a dual meet at Northrup Field, but succeeded in tying Wisconsin at Madison.

On May 12, the Minnesota gymnastic team carried off the championship of the Western Intercollegiate Gymnastic Association, at the meet held in Chicago on that date.

Students of the university were fortunate enough to have an opportunity recently to hear Wm. J. Bryan, a possible nominee for president in 1908, speak in chapel on the subject "Faith." All classes were dismissed to give opportunity to hear the talk. Another opportunity to hear a presidential possibility will be given when Wm. C. Taft, comes to Minneapolis to deliver the commencement address to the class of 1907 at the university.

Minnesota Alpha looks forward to the coming year as one with the brightest prospects. On May 23 two men were initiated by Minnesota Alpha, and the chapter takes pleasure in introducing Ney M. Dunn, of Jackson, Minn., and August Eisengraver, of Young America, Minn. All other present active members of Minnesota Alpha, with the exception of these

men, are expected to return next year, forming a large and efficient nucleus for the building up of next year's chapter. Four pledges are expected to enter school in the fall. Minnesota Alpha has secured new quarters for next year, a house much better fitted and more conveniently situated than the house we now occupy. Before the summer is over, negotiations will have been completed for a property upon which to build a new home, and with this excellent start before her Minnesota Alpha expects to make next year a banner one in her history.

"Twelfth Night" was recently produced by the university dramatic club with Bro. Nelson in the leading role, Bro. Lewis also having a part. Bro. Lewis was recently elected assistant manager of the dramatic club for the coming year.

In the interfraternity baseball league the struggle has narrowed down to the semi-finals, with  $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ ,  $Z \Psi$ ,  $\Sigma N$  and  $\Theta \Delta X$  still in the race.

Minnesota Alpha has enjoyed many visits from Alumni during the year, and has received much aid and assistance from them, and hopes to have the visits of this continue and increase. Another manner in which very valuable assistance may be rendered to the active chapters is in the way of recommending men who are entering college, and Minnesota Alpha hopes that every alumnus knowing of desirable men who are intending to enter this or any other institution where  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has a chapter, will make the fact known to the chapter concerned or to the General Council. Minnesota Alpha extends best wishes for a pleasant summer and successful opening of the new year to all her sister chapters.

STANLEY M. VANCE.

Minneapolis, June 1, 1907

#### IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Iowa Wesleyan is again rejoicing and with two-fold cause. Our president, Dr. Hancher, who has been critically ill in Asbury Hospital, Minneapolis, has returned to us. Although not entirely recovered, he is able in a measure to attend to his work at his own home. He had appeared at Chapel but once when the announcement was made which affords Wesleyan another source of joy: What is known as the Lincoln property, at the northeast corner of the campus, the former home of Senator Harlan, was given by Mrs. Robert Lincoln to the university as a president's home. Some extremely fine furniture was included in this gift. The place has recently been repaired and painted and will make an excellent residence.

Wesleyan has had reasonable success in the baseball field this year, winning half of the games played. Phi Delta Theta's representatives on the team are Bros. Fee and Kreameyer and Phikeia Needham. Bro. Krenmeyer is manager.

The Senior class play, "At the Sign of the Jack o' Lantern," will be given Wednesday, June 12. Bro. McKinnon, our only senior, will take a prominent part.

Bro. Merle Besser, '05, is spending a few weeks' vacation with his parents.

Bros. Art Beck, '06, and Fred Beck, '03, spent Sunday, May 19, in the city.

RAY I. TENNANT.

Mt. Pleasant, May 26, 1907.

#### IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

The state high meet was held in Iowa City May 17 and Iowa Beta did some strong rushing with the result that Ray Murphy of Ida Grove was pledged and a good line secured on several other desirable men. The doors

of the chapter house were thrown open to the invited guests among the "prep" school athletes and visitors and everything done to show the visitors a good time.

Iowa's baseball team has been playing fast ball and has won five victories so far this spring. The track team has been unfortunate in losing several of the best men in school through the conference ruling and the outlook is not bright for any better than third place at the state meet next week at Des Moines.

Pan-Hellenic baseball has been badly delayed this spring on account of bad weather but at present Phi Delta Theta still leads with a percentage of 800 and bids fair to win the cup again.

In the annual elections to the honorary societies Bros. B. V. Murphy and H. M. Harwood were elected to the Scimitar and Fez the senior society and were initiated last week. Bro. R. E. Smith and J. L. Oakes were elected to the Waskwi, the honorary junior society. The election of the Owl and Keys, the sophomore society has not taken place. Bro. Harwood is playing on the university tennis team which has defeated both Cornell and Coe this spring. Bros. L. L. Williams has been chosen to give a memorial address at commencement and is in the cast of the senior play, "The School for Scandal," and Bro. J. L. Oakes takes the leading part in the Greek play "Iphigenia," one of the most unique productions ever attempted in the history of the university.

The *Hawkeye*, the annual year book of the university, has been issued and is a much better publication than has been put forth by the junior class in recent years. Bro. Murphy was athletic editor. Lawrence Hagler, of Milton, Ia., one of Iowa Beta's pledges, has been initiated. Bro. F. B. O'Brien has been compelled to return to his home at Ames, Ia., to assist his father in business.

H. M. HARWOOD.

Iowa City, May 18, 1907.

#### MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

The end of another college year is rapidly approaching, and we are now in the midst of the final examinations. We feel that this has been a most successful year for Missouri Beta as well as for the college. Our chapter, composed of sixteen men with six pledges, has taken the lead in every college enterprise.

The college, too, has had a successful year in every respect. Our debating team has passed the season without a single defeat.

The tennis team, also, made a clean record. Bro. Marquess and Phikeia McKee play the doubles on the team.

The baseball team has made an unusually creditable showing, while we did equally well in football, basketball and track.

F. C. Tjompkins has been elected captain of the 1908 baseball team, and baseball "Ws" awarded to Bros. Lasley, Black and Penney.

Next year's chapter promises to be a strong one. Ten men, at least, and six pledges will return.

Our annual June banquet-dance will be held June 3, and we are expecting many of our alumni back on this occasion.

We are practicing hard for the inter-fraternity baseball games to be held during commencement week.

We take pleasure in introducing to the Phi world, Bro. A. L. Brown, who has been initiated since our last letter.

Any information which may be given us concerning good men who intend to enter Westminster next year would be greatly appreciated.

Fulton, May 30, 1907.

R. S. MCKEE.





IOWA BETA, ACTIVE CHAPTER.

Denio  
Stephenson

Ranck  
Harwood

Patterson  
Smith

O'Brien  
Oakes

Ball  
Streff

Leech  
Purcell

Murphy  
Dixon

Desmond  
Ely

Carrell  
Voss

**MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.**

Commencement this year promises to leave Missouri Gamma in a very prosperous condition. We lose only two men by graduation and have five already pledged. The chapter in connection with the alumni is still working hard for a house of its own. The fund is increasing steadily and we hope to have \$5,000 by next fall.

The chapter was visited by Bro. Frederick R. Cowles during April.

The baseball season just closing has been a successful one in every way for Washington. The team has just returned from a trip through the west, where it won every game but one. We have two men on the team this spring, Bros. Dillon and Fischel.

The track team has had little opportunity to show what it could do. The only big meet scheduled, that with Missouri State University, has not yet come off.

Commencement exercises will be held June 20. Hon. James Bryce, ambassador to the United States from England, will deliver an address to the University.

FRANK M. ELIOT.

St. Louis, May 25, 1907.

**KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.**

Kansas Alpha takes great pleasure in introducing Bros. Young, Markham, and McCoy. Bro. McCoy was initiated on April 15, 1907, Bro. Markham on April 30, 1907, and Bro. Young on May 6, 1907.

The baseball team of the University has so far obtained one of the best records ever made by a Kansas University team. It has won over 700 per cent of the games played and promises to keep up its record to the end of the schedule.

The track team was defeated some time ago by the Tigers of Missouri, but yesterday made up for the defeat by gaining a victory over the strong team of Nebraska by a close score of  $52\frac{1}{2}$  to  $50\frac{1}{2}$  in one of the prettiest meets ever seen on McCook Field.

In the inter-fraternity baseball association  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  defeated the  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  team by a score of 9 to 7, but lost our second game last week to  $\Sigma X$  by a score of 7 to 0. This practically gives the championship to  $\Sigma X$ .

The junior prom was held last week in the new Robinson gymnasium and was a great success. We were represented on the committee by Bro. Cooke.

Bro. Young was our only representative on the baseball team and Bro. McCoy on the track team.

The end of the school year finds Kansas Alpha in the most prosperous shape. We will return about twenty men and will have a very strong chapter. The Kansas Alpha of Phi Delta Theta Building Corporation has been organized for the purpose of either erecting or buying a home for our chapter, and we hope that next year will see us in our new house. We wish to acknowledge visits from Bros. Cowles, Bangs, Breidenthal, Haldeman, Dolman and several others. We hope that all Phis who may be in Lawrence will look us up.

HARRY J. TAYLOR.

Lawrence, May 18, 1907.

**NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.**

On the evenings of April 18 and 19, we initiated five men and take pleasure in introducing John Temple Kirkup, Denison, Ia.; Frank Chesterfield Bulta, Burchard, Neb.; William Buehler Metcalfe, Lincoln, Neb.; Paul Rolfe Halligan, North Platte, Neb., and Robert Childers Ashby, Genoa, Neb.

The University baseball team has just returned from a three weeks' trip. Although playing in hard luck much of the time, it was considered a successful trip. The victory over Minnesota was particularly gratifying and the low score in the Wisconsin game was next best.

A good deal of interest has been taken this year in the interfraternity baseball games.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has defeated  $\Phi K \Psi$  and  $\Delta T$ , but was beaten by  $K \Sigma$ . Games will soon be played with  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  and  $B \Theta \Pi$ . The victor among these six fraternities must play the champion team of the other five fraternities represented, for the pennant.

The University track team more than made up for its defeat at Ames by defeating Minnesota. In the latter meet the Nebraska record for the mile was lowered to 4:35 and the two mile record was lowered to 10:21.

The annual Pan-Hellenic dance will be given May 24 and is the big dance of the college year.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is represented on the committee by Bros. Duer and Lindquest, the latter being chairman. A number of alumni are expected to visit the chapter at the time. On May 22 the chapter will entertain the alumni at dinner and a smoker.

Bros. McLaughlin and Builta have been elected Innocents, the senior society, for next year.

Nebraska Alpha is closing a most satisfactory year and all the members except those who graduate expect to return next fall.

Bro. J. A. Cline, Jr., 1955 J. St., Lincoln, will be summer reporter.

Lincoln, May 19, 1907.

E. L. LINDQUEST.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA.

The closing of the college year finds South Dakota Alpha preparing for a big reunion to be held at commencement time. A large number of our brother alumni will be here to celebrate, and a goodly number of Phis from the neighboring cities will also be present. This chapter extends an invitation to all Phis to be with us.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bros. Fay Ross, of Akron, Ia., and Lloyd Halver, of Flandreau, S. D.

At the annual election of editor and business manager of the *Volante*, the college weekly, Bro. Young was elected to succeed Bro. H. E. Beebe as business manager.

The university glee club made its initial appearance in the chapel a few weeks ago. Bros. T. H. Elmore, E. B. Elmore, H. B. Case, D. E. Brisbine, K. Sawyer, and Phikeia Schubert are members of the club.

This year we lose by graduation Bros. H. E. Beebe, M. Pliu Beebe, Floyd Cooper, Doran Sutphen, Percy Sutphen and John W. Raish, but the outlook was never better for available fraternity material and we will have no difficulty in replenishing our numbers with the right kind of men.

The varsity teams have been very successful this spring. The baseball team has lost but two games, and then they were of a series of four with the Sioux City (Ia) Packers, a professional team. An extended trip through Nebraska, Kansas and Iowa had been arranged for that team, but had to be called off on account of the bad weather. This chapter was represented on the team by Bros. Cooper, Sinclair and Sawyer. The latter left a short time ago to pitch for Winnepeg in the northern league. Reports from there show that he is more than making good.

The track team has taken a great spurt under the efficient management of Coach Parry ( $\Delta K E$ ) of University of Chicago. The team is now at Mitchell attending the South Dakota intercollegiate athletic association meet, which includes every college in the state. The chances are very good for the var-

sity team to return with the cup. Bro. Cooper is the only man we have on the team.

In tennis Bros. E. B. Elmore and E. M. Young won the annual tournament. They are now also at Mitchell competing for the state college championship. Bro. H. E. Beebe has been elected to give the presentation address for the seniors of the college of arts and sciences on their class day program.

Last week the state high school meet was held under the auspices of the varsity, and hereafter will be an annual event here. Sioux Falls high school won the pennant. At that time the state high school championship in basketball was settled, the Sioux Falls girls and the Aberdeen boys winning. In the debate the Vermilion high school won. During the meet the chapter held open house, and it was filled to overflowing at all times. The location of the state high school meet here will be a great aid in bringing students to the varsity, and will also help the frats in lining up available material.

The board of regents, in a late session here, selected a site just south of East Hall for the new law building. Work on the same will begin July 1. At the same meeting the faculty were re-elected with a raise of salary, and Dr. Hamilton, Ph. D., of University of Chicago, was elected to the head of the new department of education. Two new colleges were established, viz: Colleges of medicine and engineering over which Drs. Lommen and Pell were respectively made deans.

At the coming commencement the university will celebrate its 25th anniversary. Great preparations are being made and the committees on arrangements confidently expect a large number here. The brothers who will be back next year are as follows: D. E. Brisbane, '09; C. L. Chubbuck, '10; H. B. Case, '08; E. B. Elmore, '09; T. H. Elmore, '09; F. B. Ross, '10; J. H. Sinclair, '09; E. M. Young, '08, and Phikeia Schubert. This is the nucleus around which we are confident a strong chapter can be built.

Phis visiting in this state or working among the surveying parties or on the numerous railroad extensions in South Dakota this summer if they will write the reporter of this chapter at Vermilion, S. D., undoubtedly he can put them in touch with some of the Phis of this chapter who will be more than pleased to meet them and be of service to them.

Vermilion, May, 21, 1907.

EARLE M. YOUNG.

#### COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

The alumni banquet of the Denver alumni club in connection with our chapter was very fittingly observed at the Adams hotel, Denver, on Saturday, April 6. As stated in our last letter it was postponed on account of our glee club men.

So far this spring our baseball team has come up to our highest expectations. At present it is a tie between Colorado college and the university, each team having won every collegiate game in their schedules. The two games with Colorado college remain to be played. One will be played here during commencement week and great interest will be centered on this game.

In track athletics Colorado has left all other institutions in this state far behind her. We won the state meet by a safe margin. Five records were smashed. Just recently the A. A. U. held its first meet in Denver; Colorado was first with 79 points, more than the total of all other competitors combined.

The interfraternity baseball schedule was not finished owing to bad weather and although we are not champions for this spring we retain the pennant.

High school day was a marked success. Between three and four thousand high school students and their parents visited the university. Every fraternity house on the hill was the scene of great festivities, this being a great rushing day.

In spite of the unusual amount of cloudy weather this season the elements spared our annual picnic. This year it was the most successful in every way that we have ever given. The tallyho ride to Eldorado Springs and return was only one of the enjoyable features. At the springs, after a tasty lunch served to us as we sat among the rocks, we enjoyed a shirtwaist dance.

Bro. Castello has been chosen assistant manager of the football team. This makes him manager for the following year.

The chapter of this year has been more fortunate than any previous one in the matter of persuading an officer to venture beyond the "pale of civilization" to visit us in the "wild and woolly west." Bro. Mitchell was the "brave" one and we appreciated his visit highly. Bro. Mitchell was in the party that installed our chapter and since our installation this is the first visit that any officer has made us. This is truly "a long time between drinks" but we hope that the intervening time to the next one will be considerably shorter.

Bro. Lannon, our only active charter member, leaves the chapter this year. Bro. Lannon has taken his A. B. On June 5 he takes an L. L. D. He is manager of the senior class play. We are all sorry to see our old standby leave us.

A pleasant vacation to all our sister chapters.

Boulder, May 31, 1907.

LIVINGSTON POLK FERRIS.

## ETA PROVINCE.

### GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

A few more weeks and the work for '06-'07 will be finished. The seniors get their diplomas on Wednesday the 19th and this event winds up commencement. The year has been very successful in all departments of university work as well as in the various features of college life. The attendance reached the high water mark. Georgia has participated in more inter-collegiate debates, the military department has been wonderfully improved, we have been represented by splendid teams in football, basketball, baseball and tennis, and the athletic association is in much better condition and we are almost sure of getting a new \$100,000 Y. M. C. A. building for the campus.

The chapter will be fortunate in losing only three men by graduation, Bros. Marshburn, Davis and Hunnicutt, so we will return at least eighteen or nineteen men next fall. Already three men are pledged for next year and it is our intention to have the best chapter in our history.

During the encampment at Gainesville Bro. Sidney Smith entertained the Psi most royally at his lovely home. An elegant dinner of seven courses was about the most acceptable thing you could offer a crowd of soldier boys. Everything was complete in every detail. The table and dining room were most attractively decorated in the fraternity colors, and at each plate there was a dainty souvenir in the shape of a white carnation tied with a blue ribbon. The Brothers thoroughly enjoyed Bro. Smith's genial hospitality and appreciated very much his many kindnesses while in Gainesville. The battalion had quite a number of dances and Brenan college gave two receptions in honor of the cadets. All of us had a very pleasant time in spite of the first three days of bad weather.

Our baseball team had a very successful season throughout. We won a majority of the games and put up an excellent article of ball in every one. The team took a trip up through Virginia, playing the Navy, U. of Va., V. M. I., George Washington and Washington and Lee. However, we are all disappointed that we did not get a chance to beat the Georgia Tech. Institute. In the second game of a series with this institution the umpire gave a very rank decision; the Georgia athletic management protested against such injustice, but to no avail, so it was thought best to sever athletic relations with the Tech. in future or at least till the matter is properly adjusted. On the baseball team Bros. Graves and M. P. McWhorton did  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  credit.

The track team took part in two meets, coming out of both with flying colors. The score of a dual meet with Clemson was, Georgia 65, Clemson 43. In a four cornered meet held in Atlanta, Georgia found herself out of her class as the following score clearly indicates, Georgia 70, Tech. 33, Auburn 22, Emory 18. We are well represented on this team by Bros. K. Smith, Y. B. Smith, and L. Allen.

In the world of college honors  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is taking a signal lead. Our men work faithfully and conscientiously and receive the reward of their labors. There is always a goodly number of Phis in every contest and the success with which they meet, our annual letter will attest.

Georgia came out very successfully in a tennis tournament between several southern institutions, held recently in Atlanta. Our teams swept everything until they struck the team from Wake Forest, which beat us out for the championship. Bros. Carter and Middlebrooks hold up  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ 's reputation in this department.

Bro. Robeson Carter, '08, recently married Miss Elizabeth Edwards of Toccoa. It was a unique Phi wedding in every respect—color scheme, attendants, etc.,—and was of great social interest throughout the state as the parties are among the most prominent in North Georgia. The chapter wishes for them a life filled with joy and success.

Georgia Alpha has been glad to welcome as visitors Bro. Murphy, '10, Georgia Delta, and Bro. Wood, '09, Georgia Beta. Bro. H. L. Adams, Vermont Alpha, also paid us a visit recently. Such loyal Phis always meet a cordial reception at any chapter.

Georgia Alpha hopes that all the sister chapters may have a pleasant vacation and a propitious beginning next fall.

Athens, May 31, 1907.

HARRY R. SLACK, Jr.

#### ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

The university has just closed another successful year, successful in every sense. At this, our seventy-sixth commencement, the corner stone of our first "greater university" building was laid. The exercises were held on the eastern side of the large and beautiful campus. Under a clear sky, and in ideal weather, the Eugene A. Smith scientific building, a structure which is designed to cost \$100,000 when completed, had its beginning. A large crowd of Alabama alumni and their loyal friends witnessed the ceremonies. Teeming with enthusiasm and with a wide horoscope for the future prospects of old Alabama, the utterances of the distinguished president, Dr. John W. Abercrombie, and Governor B. B. Comer were cheered to the echo. This is the first of a number of fine buildings which are soon to be erected. In the next four years \$500,000 will be spent in improving the university. Many beautiful driveways are being planned.

In athletics Alabama has surpassed all previous records. In football we

won the championship of the state, while in baseball we have a strong claim to the championship of the whole south. We won the series from Harvard college, Vanderbilt, Auburn, the University of Mississippi and Mercer. We lost only one series, to the University of Louisiana, and as two teams we defeated, in turn defeated them, they are out of the race. The team is now on its way to play several of the northern colleges, and we hope to make a good showing against them.

We lose very few of our brothers by graduation this year, and should return a good number of old men. Most of the boys passed their examinations and have expressed their intentions of returning next year.

The university is now abandoned and will remain so for several weeks. Then we will have the summer school. But next year we hope to enliven it with a larger body of students than ever before. We wish all this a pleasant vacation.

CHARLES C. HEIDT, Jr.

University, May 31, 1907.

## THETA PROVINCE.

### MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The commencement exercises began Sunday morning June 2nd with the baccalaureate sermon preached by Bro. Henry Stiles Bradley, Georgia Beta, '90, of St. Louis. On Monday, June 4, the cornerstone of the new science hall was laid by the alumni association and Knights of Pythias.

On the night of June 3 the  $\Sigma$  X's entertained their alumni and friends with a banquet.

We were glad to have with us Bros. Bradley, Georgia Beta, '90, Sivley, Mississippi Alpha, '92; J. M. Powers, Alabama Gamma, '91; Bray, Mississippi Alpha, '02; W. G. Yeager, Mississippi Alpha, ex., '04; Kimbrough, Mississippi Alpha, '06.

In baseball this year we were very successful, having defeated our old rivals, A. and M. in three successive games, scores, 4-0, 3-0, 8-7. In addition to this we won all of the scores with the exception of those with Tennessee and Alabama. The athletic association cleared about \$500 during the season which will be added to the fund for building an athletic home.

Having secured the services of Mason of Harvard, as coach for next year's football team, we have great hopes for the coming football season.

Nearly all of the members of this year's team will return and a good many other men have signified their intention of coming out; in addition to these we shall have several freshmen who will come here with local reputations.

Bro. T. A. Hardy was successful in the John W. Odorn Confederate Memorial prize contest; he delivered his essay Monday morning of commencement.

Bro. Witty was awarded the place to represent the university in the oratorical contest to be held at the Crystal Springs Chatauqua, where Millsaps, Mississippi college and A. and M. are also represented. Bro. Witty was one of the two chosen to deliver an oration at the graduating exercises commencement.

Bro. Coleman was the only frat man who won a place in the senior debate.

Through the instrumentality of Bros. Brown and Witty, the *Varsity Voice*, a weekly published by the students has been established, the first issue appeared during commencement.

Bro. R. Smith has been awarded the first place on the University Magazine board for the session of 1907-8.

Bro. F. L. Fair, ex., '06, of Louisville, Miss., was married on May 8 to Miss Lily May Stewart, of Canton, Miss.

We lost this year by graduation from the literary department Bros. Coleman, Somerville, Bray, Witty; from the law department Bros. Hardy and McCabe. Bro. Somerville will return next year to complete his course in law.

Mississippi Alpha's prospects for next year are exceedingly bright, and from present indications will stand preëminent in quantity as well as quality.

The board of trustees meet this week to select a chancellor, and it is hoped that they will decide upon a man who will take the job and then stick here and one who means business.

RUNDLE SMITH.

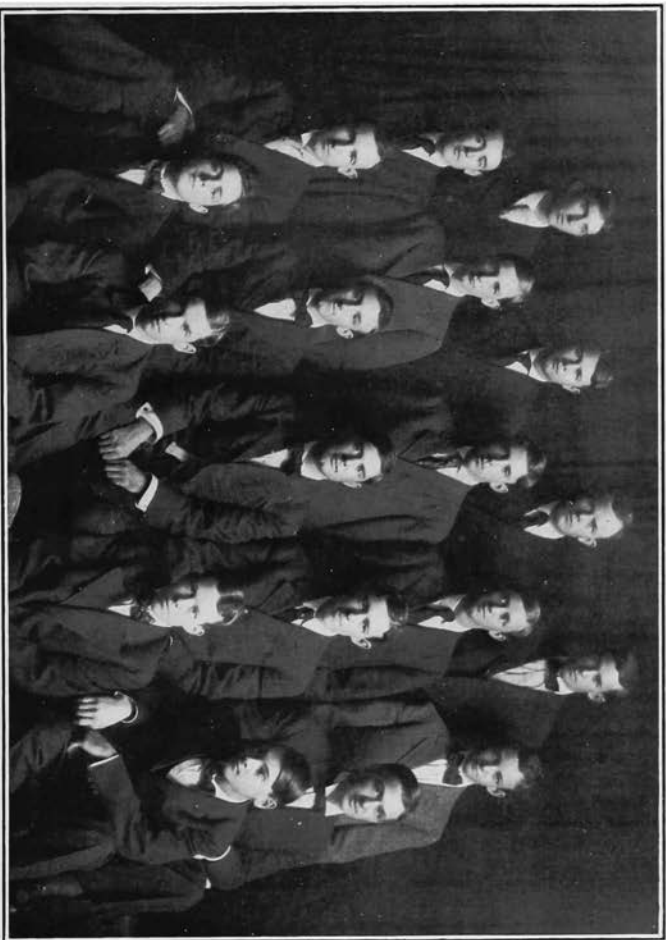
University, June 4, 1907.

#### LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Tulane won back her athletic laurels through the efforts of her baseball team. The reason for this year's success is due to the magnificent work of her pitchers, the backstop work and the able coaching of "Joe" Rickert. Of the ten games played eight were victories and two defeats through inopportune errors. The total number of runs scored by Tulane amounts to sixty-four, while those of her opponents to thirteen. Five shutouts also added glory to her victories. The fielding work was excellent, none of the players having an average below 750. Only three of the men leave next year, so we may very well have hopes for another such excellent baseball season. The past track season lasted nine weeks in which four meets were held, one with the University of Texas, another with the Amateur Athletic Union, the last two being the inter-class and the sophomore-freshman meets. Texas won by the score of 65 to 43. Tulane took second place in the A. A. U meet, making a splendid showing, for she had to compete with teams from all over the south. Records were lowered in three of the events, namely, the half mile to 2:08, the mile to 4:55 1-5 and the 220 yard hurdles to 26 1-5. Great credit is due Coach Esheleman for his untiring efforts in making a successful track team. The prospects are bright for a successful football season. Judging from the excellency of the schedule arranged for next year, Tulane will not have an easy time. Tulane will play Virginia, Central, Arkansas, A. & M. of Texas, Maryville of Tennessee, Drury college and Howard.

In the forensic world our success was poor. The first debate with Texas on the Italian immigration was lost by Tulane by a two to one vote. With Georgia the same subject was handled and defeat was ours again. Tulane is still ahead of Texas and will again battle with her next year. The Georgia debate is now a permanent yearly arrangement. The sophomores won the sophomore-freshman debate. The Forum was victorious over the Glendy-Burke in the inter-society debate. The regulations pertaining to the Carnegie pension fund for aged professors will permit five of Tulane's professors to retire, namely, Professors Nixon, Deiler, Elliot, Caldwell and Lewis. We are sorry to see Bro. S. Crump, '04, leave the faculty, for we have considered ourselves fortunate in having had him with us for a year. Mr. R. M. Walmsley was elected president of the board of administrators to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Fenner. The requirements for admission to the university have been placed upon a basis of "units." Applicants are required to be credited with fifteen units in order to be admitted to full standing. A "unit" is a subject passed through one school year with





LOUISIANA ALPHA CHAPTER, TULANE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA.

H. Tippet  
H. H. Russell  
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Renshaw  
Forster  
W. Tippet

Bean  
E. T. Russell  
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Ansley  
Shumard

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H. Chambers  
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not less than five recitation periods per week. It is the purpose of the administrators to make co-education in the medical department a possibility. This is not the only wise action of the board. They have resolved to erect a new Richardson memorial on the campus of the academic colleges to cost \$100,000. Only the first two years of the medical course will be affected by this, while the more advanced classes will remain domiciled as they now are. This is a step toward the unification of the student bodies of the various departments of the university. The  $\Phi B \Phi$  fraternity has entered the medical, there being now five professional fraternities at Tulane. Beginning in 1908 a full high school education will be required for admission to the medical. The new state medical college will soon be built in New Orleans. This seems unnecessary as Tulane can accommodate all medical students coming to this city and has one of the strongest medical schools in the country.

Bro. Alexander Allison, '96, was recently elected president of the alumni association. The *Jambalaya* (annual) has made its appearance. The book cost over \$2,000 and cannot be surpassed, if it is even equalled, by any in the college world. Bros. Renshaw, West, Chambers and Fortier have been elected to editorships on the *Tulane Weekly*. We lose by graduation Bro. Chappins at the law, and Bros. Jordan and Upton at the medical. We take pleasure in introducing Phikeias Michel Provosty, Mayo Railey, Charles Rivet, Marc Robinson, Fred Seip and George Bernard. Province President E. E. Witt has started a movement get up a fraternity paper for Theta Province. Louisiana Alpha heartily endorses that movement, and promises all the support that is necessary to make the plan a brilliant success. All Phis who come to New Orleans during the summer are most welcome. They would please us immensely by making us acquainted with their whereabouts.

College is closed and Louisiana Alpha has completed its eighteenth year of prosperity and usefulness.

We have striven to follow the noble precepts of the sacred bond, and we think we have succeeded. It is partly due to the splendid example given us by the brothers who have preceded us, that is, our alumni, that we have been able to add one more jewel to the crown which they have handed down to us unblemished though enviously guarded by all.

We wish our alumni and sister chapters a most pleasant summer and vacation as well as a successful rushing season.

New Orleans, June 8, 1907.

JAMES J. A. FORTIER.

#### TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The intercollegiate record for the 100-yard dash has been attained by Texas, Ramsdale having lowered our former record to 9:4 in our victory over Tulane.

Bro. Muse won two first medals in the class track meet.

In order to keep our next year's fast ball team abreast with track, Bro. Duncan has already begun to stir up "Old Texas" enthusiasm.

Bro. Key lifted the much coveted "gym cup" this year by winning the most points.

Bro. Burshor has been elected president and idyll of the Graftonians.

Bro. Graves was elected editor-in-chief of our annual, *The Cactus*.

In the late varsity minstrels Bro. Morrell took an active part. We are indeed glad to see that the enterprise succeeded so well financially.

Much talk and many plans about Theta Province convention are going on. We expect to have the convention here during Thanksgiving week. Every Phi is urged to be present and join in the expected good time.

Texas Beta feels very greatly the courtesy extended to the chapter by Governor and Mrs. Campbell in entertaining its members with a dance at the mansion.

In closing our chapter wishes to extend an invitation to all brothers who may visit the capital city to stay with us.

Austin, June 1, 1907.

R. W. STAYTON, JR.

## IOTA PROVINCE.

### CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

California Alpha closed the term on May 13, class day, with its annual celebration and open house. Nearly a thousand guests were served with refreshments and lingered until late in the shady grounds listening to the Hawaiian orchestra. In the evening the senior extravaganza given in the Greek theatre proved a great success and Bro. Hal Bingham in the leading role made a decided hit. He sang several of his own songs which were the musical hits of the show. "The Limit" was the name of the production, the authors Harold Clark and Mabel McReynolds.

The chapter was very fortunate this year in numbering among its guests Bro. F. J. R. Mitchell and several other Phis from distant chapters.

This spring's athletic contests did not turn out well for California, but of Bro. Roy Cowles's '09, work in the high hurdles in the Stanford meet the chapter is certainly proud. Cowles won this race from McFarland, Stanford's captain, in the fast time of 15 4-5 seconds, making a new collegiate record on the Pacific coast. In the freshman crew Bro. Walt Schroeder pulled No. 3 and showed up in varsity style although our boat was beaten by a quarter of a length.

At the election of the Order of Golden Bear, the senior honor society, three Phis were taken in a record never surpassed by any other fraternity at California. The three were Bro. Hal Bingham, graduate student; P. S. Thacher, '08, and John Tyssowski, '08. Bro. Cowles also was elected to Winged Helmet, a junior honorary society.

Amongst those receiving degrees this year were six Phis: M. Stansbury, M. D.; L. T. Hickey, B. S.; Charles E. Stuart, B. S.; Hal Bingham, B. S.; Alfred Salisbury, B. S., and Bert Campbell, B. S. Although this is quite a number of men to lose at one time the chapter will be in good condition to start next fall. In the meantime it is requested that all Phis knowing of preps. intending to enter California will notify John Tyssowski at Tonopah, Nev., as the chapter desires to have all such information when the term opens.

With best wishes to the other chapters from California Alpha.

Berkeley, June 9, 1907

JOHN TYSSOWSKI.

### CALIFORNIA BETA, STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

Stanford has passed through the most successful year in its history, although last year's disaster was a great setback to the university financially, the Stanford spirit came out stronger than ever and it has been due to this spirit that we have had a prosperous year.

When it came time to sign up for rowing, baseball and track more men appeared than ever before and all trained conscientiously through the season.

The first of the intercollegiate events was the freshman track meet with the University of California in which we were defeated. But to counteract

this defeat on the same day the varsity track team won from the University of Southern California at Los Angeles, and the crew defeated San Deigo at Naples, winning both the senior and junior events as well as the single scull event.

Next came the track meet and the tennis tournament with the University of California in both of which we came away with flying colors. With baseball the games were hotly contested, Stanford winning the first, California the second and Stanford the third.

Rowing is fast gaining prominence and this year the two universities agreed to row eights. We were successful in both the varsity and freshman events and as the winner was to row against the University of Washington at Seattle on the thirteenth of May, we are confident that we shall make a creditable showing.

Φ Δ Θ has been well represented on the victorious teams. Bro. Roberts, '10, coxwained the freshman crew. Bro. Chalmers, '07, had made his position on the varsity eight but was forced to drop training on account of an athletic heart. In baseball Bro. Dennis, '09, made sub on the varsity squad and Bro. Cochran, '10, played on his class team. On the track Bro. Bradford, '09, and Bro. Weaver, '10, represented us on the varsity squad, and Bros. Weaver and Halliday on the freshman team.

Although we shall be greatly crippled by the loss of Bros. Behlow, Burge and Chalmers next year our prospects are exceptionally good and we hope to be able to report as successful a rushing season as we had last year.

Bro. Bradford, '09, was elected to the executive committee of the associated students and was appointed associate editor of the '09 *Quad*.

We shall be very greatly strengthened by the return of Bros. King, '07, and Stowe, '09.

Bro. Bradford, '09, was elected to Skull and Snakes the upper class honor society.

California Beta had her first alumni dinner on May 18, during senior week and it proved quite a success for our first attempt. Although a great number of our alumni are scattered we hope to be able to get them together by keeping open house during commencement. Any Phi who are out on the coast will be warmly welcomed at our chapter house.

Stanford University, May 25, 1907.

HAROLD J. HEFFRON.

## KAPPA PROVINCE.

### WASHINGTON ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

Washington is looking forward to the greatest athletic carnival which has ever been held at the university. Decoration day she will meet Oregon and Idaho in the annual triangular track and field meet. On the day following the eight oared race with Stanford over a four mile course will take place, on Lake Washington.

The baseball season was fairly successful, Washington getting an even break for the season. Bros. Gillette, Tegtmire and Isbell represented us on the team. Bro. Gillette acted as manager of the team.

Outside of the athletic events of the week, there is little going on at the university, as everyone is preparing for the final examinations. Washington Alpha has enjoyed a very prosperous year and the prospects for next year are unusually bright. We hope that every Phi who may visit the northwest will make us a visit.

HARRY S. CRANE.

Seattle, May 29, 1907.

## ALUMNI CLUBS.

## PITTSBURGH.

Phi Delta Theta! Phi Delta Thete!

Pittsburgh! Pittsburgh! Nineteen-eight.

Have you ever heard that yell? If you have you will understand where this letter comes from. As you have not heard from us recently, at least through THE SCROLL, we thought the best evidence we could give that we were still alive would be our yell that figured so prominently at the Washington convention. This same yell now figures at all gatherings of the Pittsburgh club with the exception that the volume of sound has increased many fold. At a smoker given in January, reports of the various functions in connection with the recent convention received careful attention and many questions were asked as to plans for our entertainment of Phi Dels two years



A GROUP OF PHIS AT A RECENT SMOKER OF THE PITTSBURGH ALUMNI CLUB

hence. We still meet every Friday and lunch together. Until recently we occupied a private dining room on the second floor of the Hotel Henry, but during the summer months we will be found in the main dining room, where we will gladly welcome any Phi who may be in the city.

On March 15, we observed alumni day and on that date Pittsburgh was visited by the worst flood in her history. The flood interfered greatly with our banquet, which had given promise of being the largest affair of its kind ever given. Many Phis from distant portions of the territory claimed by our club had signified their intentions of attending. Some were able to reach the hotel. Many were compelled to remain away. Bro. John H. DeWitt, P. G. C., accepted our invitation to attend and instead of reaching Pittsburgh at 5:30, we had the pleasure of greeting him at 10:30. But while the attendance did not come up to our expectations, and while many of our speakers failed to arrive, and our menu cards did not arrive until the next day, still we believe that our banquet was as delightful an affair as any at

tended that night by Phis. Bro. Joseph A. Langfitt, Pennsylvania Gamma, '79, who is a state senator, made an ideal toastmaster and many who came to listen found themselves helping to entertain simply because he willed it so. We were extremely fortunate in securing Bro. DeWitt, our honored president, who endured a long and hard journey that he might be with us. He gave us one of his characteristic speeches, having as his subject, "Phi Delta Theta." He dwelt on the ideals of a successful fraternity and reviewed the work being carried on by our beloved order. We trust that he carried home with him a small portion of the enjoyment he afforded us by his presence. On Saturday following ten or twelve of the brothers took lunch with him. "Greetings from W. and J.," by Harry M. Newman, '08; "Washington Convention," Wm. T. Tredway, W. and J., '86; "Our Financial Difficulties," J. Audley Pierce, Lafayette, '99, and "Pittsburgh Convention," by M. Hoke Gottschall; Dickinson, '00, comprised the remaining toasts. The following were elected officers for the ensuing year: James A. Bell, W. and J., '87, president; M. Hoke Gottschall, Dickinson, '00, treasurer; Robert W. Lindsay, W. and J., '02, reporter.

A few days ago we had the pleasure of entertaining Bro. Charles A. Woods, Indiana '97. Bro. Woods, who is president of the Reliable Life Insurance Company of Indianapolis, was a delegate to the Washington convention when the Pittsburgh delegation made his acquaintance. He is combining business and pleasure on this trip. As he is president of the Indianapolis alumni club, we gave him pointers on how to make his club successful. ?? As we opened with a yell let us close with the South's answer to ours at Washington and express the hope that it will find a place in the heart of every Phi.

You all wait! You all wait

We'll be in Pittsburgh in nineteen-eight!

Pittsburgh, June 3, 1907.

ROBERT W. LINDSAY.

#### CHICAGO.

The first of the series of six informal entertainments and dinners for the year ending March, 15, 1908, was given by the Phi Delta Theta Club of Chicago, on the evening of April 19 at Vogelsange. The brothers were not only provided with plenty to eat and drink, but thanks to the committee of arrangement of which Bro. J. W. Judson was chairman, a few most entertaining stunts by imported talent gave the finishing touches to a most enjoyable occasion. We will not mention the names of some of our bald-headed members who seemed especially enraptured.

This being the first meeting after the alumni day banquet, the annual election of officers was held. The following brothers were elected: President, Hoyt King, Indiana Alpha, '92; first vice-president, J. W. Judson, Michigan Alpha, '01; second vice-president, Harry T. Woodruff, Illinois Beta, '98; treasurer, Warren D. Howe, Indiana Alpha, '86; secretary, Frank W. McCaskey, Illinois Alpha, '97. The second informal gathering took the form of a beefsteak supper at the Tip Top Inn. Mr. C. E. Akeley, of the Field museum, a friend of Bro. Warren D. Howe, exhibited stereoptican pictures which he had taken on his trip through British East Africa. The modest narrative of his dangerous exploration together with some of the most interesting views of the African jungle and characteristic pictures of wild beasts and natives filled an evening long to be remembered and appreciated by those fortunate brothers who attended.

All Phis are heartily invited to drop in at our next entertainment which will occur in July. Remember our Friday noon luncheons at the Union restaurant, Randolph and Clark streets. All out of town Phis are especially asked to look us up at this place.

FRANK W. MCCASKEY.

Chicago, June 1, 1907.

## PERSONAL.

*Northwestern*—Wendell P. Kay, '96, is mayor of Watseka, Illinois.

*Gettysburg*—Walter J. Bickel, '02, has removed to Prescott, Arizona.

*Gettysburg*—P. S. Heintzelman is acting United States Consul at Dalny, Manchuria.

*Central and Virginia*—Keats Speed, '00, is city editor of the *New York Evening Journal*.

*Gettysburg*—George Hay Kain, '97, is the father of George Hay Kain, Jr., born April 3, 1907.

*Gettysburg*—Paul B. Dunbar, '04, receives his doctor's degree from Johns Hopkins this year.

*Purdue*—Orville L. Simmons, '93, is in the real estate and insurance business at Goshen, Indiana.

*Stanford*—Ralph D. Frisselle, '05, was married March 25, 1907, to Miss Louise M. Kline, in San Francisco.

*Tulane*—Frank T. Copp, Jr., '00, has removed from New Orleans to Bogalusa where he will engage in business.

*Tulane*—Dr. Gordon King, '98, is Associate Professor of the Ear, Nose and Throat in the Medical Department of Tulane University.

*Columbia*—The degree of doctor of divinity was recently conferred upon Rev. Charles H. Hays, '90, by the General Theological Seminary.

*Tulane*—Alexander Allison, Jr., '96, has been elected president and Walter S. Lewis, '94, vice-president of the Tulane Alumni Association.

*DePauw*—Dr. Andrew Stevenson, '82, a member of the DePauw faculty, is president of the history section of the Indiana State Teachers Association.

*Tulane*—Dr. Herman B. Gessner, '89, has been promoted to the Associate Professorship of Operative Surgery in the Medical Department of Tulane University.

*Vermont*—G. H. Baker, '92, has left the Congregational pastorate at Townsend, Vt., and is now editor of the *Daily American*, Aberdeen, S. D.

*Columbia*—E. H. Updike, '04, and G. C. Atkins, '02, announce that they have formed a partnership to practice law at 229 Broadway, New York.

*Alabama*—President Roosevelt has appointed Oliver D. Street, '87, of Guntersville, Ala., to be United States attorney for the northern district of Alabama.

*Iowa Wesleyan*—George M. Rommel, '97, is a contributor to a recent number of *Bit and Spur* and a large portrait of Brother Rommel accompanies the article.

*Vermont*—Don M. Rice, '02, is with the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company at Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania, being a mechanical engineer in the canal department.

*Stanford*—Oliver Kehrlein, '05, was married on June 12 to Miss Frances Coon at Menlo Park, Cal.; his brother Emil Kehrlein of the same chapter and class was best man.

*Lafayette*—The Fleming H. Revell Co. has published "Life That Follows Life," by Rev. John Balcom Shaw, D.D., '85, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, Chicago.

*Lansing*—L. H. Bailey, '82, dean of the College of Agriculture, Cornell University, is president of the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations.

*Gettysburg*—Edward B. Hay, '03, represented the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis at the National Exhibit on Tuberculosis recently held at Providence, R. I.

*Cornell*—Capt. Charles A. McAllister, '87, engineer-in-chief of the United States revenue cutter service, and Miss Adelaide Kenyon, of Chicago, were married last February at Washington, D. C.

*Vanderbilt and Virginia*—J. C. McReynolds, '83, former Assistant United States Attorney General, who represented the government in the proceedings to declare invalid the formation of the Northern Securities Company, is in New York making investigation into the methods of the tobacco companies.



*Butler*—Hugh Th. Miller, '88, Lieutenant Governor of Indiana, is a promising candidate for Governor of that state. "Hugh Th." usually captures what he goes after and all Phis will wish him success.

*California*—Charles W. Deacon, '05, was married June 20, 1907, to Miss Florence L. Thrall, in the Unitarian Church at Berkeley, Cal. Brother Deacon is a civil engineer and they will reside in Berkeley.

*Alabama, '03; Virginia, '05*—A. S. Taylor, M. D., delegate of Virginia Beta at the New York convention, sailed for China last December, his wife accompanying him. He represents the University of Virginia as a medical missionary in that field.

*Vanderbilt*—Joseph M. Leveque, '89, is editor of the New Orleans *Harlequin*. Bro. Leveque is described as a powerful factor in the fight for real democracy in Louisiana and his paper is said to exert a strong influence for the purification of local politics.

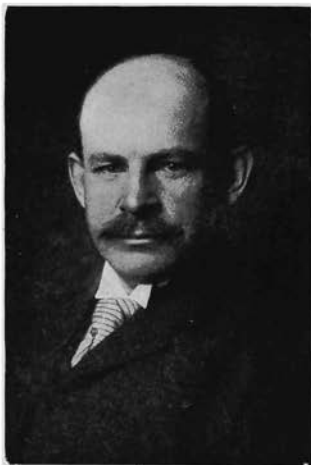
*Tulane*—Lieutenant Watt Tyler Cluverius, '94, U. S. N., is earning a reputation as an amateur actor according to press reports describing a performance given at Carvel Hall, Annapolis, recently in which a one act comedy "The House of Cards" was presented.

*Butler*—The Indiana Anti-High School fraternity law is said to be the result of agitation started by Fassett A. Cotton, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Bro. Cotton together with Senator Thomas T. Moore, Indiana Zeta, '75, drew the bill and had it introduced.

*Washington and Lee*—"The Wooing of Henry" is the title of a clever humorous sketch by H. Rob Keeble, '02. It is published in pamphlet form and distributed by the Duquesne Distributing Co. in the interest of Red Raven Splits. In addition to being a literary man, Brother Keeble is city attorney of Abilene, Texas.

*California*—George D. Kierulff, '96, who was the delegate from his chapter to the Philadelphia convention in 1896, is with the Holmes Investment Company, in the Monadnock Building, San Francisco, being associated with his brothers-in-law, C. Edward Holmes, California Alpha, '89, and E. Clarence Holmes, California Alpha, '95.

*Vanderbilt*—Grantland Rice, '01, is the sporting editor of the new daily, the *Nashville Tennessean*. To the initial number he contributed a poem of much merit entitled "God's Country" which was displayed on the first page. The *Memphis News-Scimitar* refers to him "as a sporting editor who is almost peerless in the country." Nearly every number of the paper contains some sprightly and readable verse from Bro. Rice.



LEE FAIRCHILD, *Lombard*, '86

*Lombard*—Lee Fairchild, '86, addressed the Eclectic Club at Delmonico's in New York on April 24; three days later Bro. Fairchild gave "An Evening Just for Fun" in the Astor Gallery at the Waldorf-Astoria.

*Michigan State*—Prof. L. H. Bailey, '82, of Cornell University, author of "The Principles of Vegetable Gardening," etc., is the editor of a new work entitled "Cyclopedia of American Agriculture." It is to be complete in four volumes and it is expected that this will be by far the most important agricultural cyclopedic work yet undertaken in this country. Brother

Bailey recently lectured on "Rural Art" before Vassar College.

*Emory*—Judge William H. Thomas, '87, who presides over the State Criminal Court at Montgomery, Alabama, recently delivered, in Nashville, a speech in advocacy of the more rigid enforcement of the criminal law which has been copied and favorably commented on by the leading magazines of the country. Dr. Lyman Abbott, of the *Outlook*, praised the address most highly. Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, Attorney General Bonaparte, and a number of men of equal standing gave pronounced praise to it.

*Richmond*—Harry L. Watson, '91, one of the Alumni Commissioners, is southern district manager for the Martindale Mercantile Agency and the American Law Directory with offices at 201 Kiser Building, Atlanta, Georgia. His work takes him to many southern cities in which we have Alumni clubs and he is making an effort to arouse the various clubs to greater activity. Bro. Watson's business is largely with attorneys many of whom are Phis.

*Richmond, Virginia, Columbia, Washington and Lee, '85*—Since President Jenkins resigned as president of Kentucky University, it has been talked by many that he will be succeeded by Judge Lyman Chalkley, now dean of the law college. Judge Chalkley is quite an able man having graduated from the University of Virginia, attended the Columbia law school and is a graduate of Berlin.—Kentucky University correspondence, *Π K A Shield and Diamond* for April.

*Mercer*—Hon. James W. Overstreet, '88, is being gladly received at May picnics and barbecues all over the first Georgia district which he ably represents in Congress. He was the the sixth Phi to be elected to Congress from Georgia. Although only elected for the unexpired term of three months, he made a reputation as a useful member and was once selected by the speaker to preside over the House. It is expected that he will be returned to the Congress following the one next to convene.

*Vanderbilt, '90*—Mr. J. W. Sewell, supervisor of grammar school work in the city schools, has accepted an invitation from the educational department of the Jamestown Exposition to deliver ten lectures on English grammar and methods of teaching it. Mr. Sewell is author of a set of English language lesson books for children used throughout the country, not alone in Tennessee but in the north as well. The higher book of this series is one of the very few books of southern production used in the northern schools.—*Nashville Banner*.

*Amherst*—Rev. G. Walter Fiske, '95, for four years pastor of the High Street Congregational church, of Auburn, Me., has resigned to take the professorship of practical theology at Oberlin College. The position is endowed especially for the purpose of emphasizing the practical side of theology, for teaching the students to be church financiers and business men, and to enable them to administer the various depart-

ments of the church. He will be the first man to hold the professorship of exclusive practical theology in any theological seminary in this country. Brother Fiske, while pastor at Auburn, organized the Pilgrim fraternity, now a world-wide organization, and started a chapter of the Knights of King Arthur.

*Butler*—The Indianapolis *News* of April 13 contains a two column picture of Judge Ira W. Christian, '81, and has the following to say of Brother Christian:

"This judge, who presides over the Hamilton Circuit Court, holds, with Judge S. R. Artman, that the liquor business is an outlawed traffic. Judge Christian first came into public notice as a judge of advanced ideas when he rendered a decision as a special judge in the case of Lewis V. Kissel, which was sent from Indianapolis to Hamilton county on a change of venue. In this case Judge Christian held that when a licensed saloon becomes a nuisance to the community, it can be abated by injunction by a private citizen, whose property is injured by the saloon's proximity. This decision was sustained by the Supreme Court of Indiana in a decision handed down February 22, 1901.

*Indiana*—Ex-Secretary of State John W. Foster, '55, will be one of the delegates for the Chinese government to the second peace conference at The Hague, which will probably convene some time next year. Brother Foster has long been in close touch with the Chinese government and was one of the advisers of the mission to Japan which ended the war between China and Japan. Brother Foster has recently written a book on "The Practice of Diplomacy" which has received favorable comment at the hands of reviewers, the New York *Times* devoting four columns to it. As is well known, there is no higher authority than Brother Foster on international law.

*Vanderbilt*—William A. Webb, '91, has been elected president of Central College, Fayette, Mo., in which for some years he has been professor of English. Bro. Webb is a scholar of high attainment, having studied at one of the German universities. Another Vanderbilt Phi Delta Theta, John J. Tigert, '04, has accepted the professorship of moral philosophy in Central College, and will soon return from Oxford, where for three years he has held a Rhodes scholarship from Tennessee. Central is the college of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Missouri. The original Missouri Beta of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  was established there in 1876, and, on account of anti-fraternity laws, it died in 1878.

*Emory*—Claude N. Bennett, '88, manager of the Congressional Information Bureau of Washington, D. C., has returned from a month's investigation of conditions in the Canal Zone. He reports most favorably upon the progress of the canal which he predicts will have ships running through it by January 1, 1915. Bro. Bennett's Bureau is regarded as authority by members of Congress and many other clients on all lines of current information. It covers everything from data for college debates and educational or Fourth of July speeches to learned treatises on law, politics, science or religion.

### HELLENIC.

Δ T Δ has entered Purdue.

Σ N has entered Case and Dartmouth.

The legal fraternity Φ Δ Φ has entered Vanderbilt.

A T Ω has been re-established at Washington and Lee.

Θ Δ X has entered Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Local societies at Pennsylvania State are petitioning Φ K Ψ and A T Ω for charters.

Φ K Σ has entered the Universities of Michigan Tennessee, Texas and California.

Φ B K, the ancient honorary society, has at last granted a charter for a chapter at Michigan.

Θ Ξ has entered Rose Polytechnic Institute, where A T Ω and Σ N were previously established.

Σ Φ E has entered Georgia Tech., making ten fraternities there, with an average membership of 16.

Φ Σ K has entered Brown and Swarthmore. This fraternity has no dead chapters.—Δ Δ Δ *Trident*.

Southern K A has six Rhodes scholarship men, an excellent record for a fraternity with only 49 chapters.

The four sororities represented at Ohio State University have formed a Pan-Hellenic Society with rules and regulations governing rushing, etc.

Bro. J. F. Hanst, Lehigh, '07, is editor-in-chief of the *Bent* of T B II, an honorary fraternity with about a dozen chapters.

The *Record* says that the convention held by Σ A E at Atlanta last December reached high water mark, the register showing 345 names.

The Σ N *Delta* says that Σ A E has acted favorably on the application of X T K, a local at Dartmouth, and will install it as a chapter shortly.

A E Y is the name of an honor society recently organized by the Emory faculty among the students, membership depending on scholarship.

Houses of K Σ, owned and rented, now total 46, as against 36, when data was collected for the latest volume of "Baird's Manual."—K Σ *Caduceus*.

B Θ Π and Φ Γ Δ are soon to erect houses on the campus. This move will leave Φ Δ Θ the only chapter on the hill without a house.—Union correspondence, Δ Y *Quarterly*.

The *Beta Theta Pi* is now in volume 34, THE SCROLL of Φ Δ Θ in volume 31, the *Phi Gamma Delta* in volume 29, while the *Shield* of Φ K Ψ is in volume 27.—Δ Y *Quarterly*.

Ohio Wesleyan university is the first university in Ohio to gain admission into the Δ Σ P fraternity. It is a debaters' and orators' fraternity, and only those who have won victories on the platform are eligible.

Southern K A has entered Drury College, Springfield, Mo., virgin soil for fraternities. It now has six chapters in Missouri at the State University, State School of Mines, William-Jewell, Washington, Westminster, Drury.

The last edition of the song book of B Θ Π, an admirable collection, was published only five years ago, but the trustees of the fraternity have authorized the expenditure of a sum not to exceed \$1,000 in the publication of a new edition.

With the fraternities holding their members up to the honor system, the non-fraternity men will have to fall in with it, and, once started, the system will run itself. Φ Δ Θ, in national convention, has endorsed the honor system. Let every fraternity not only endorse it, but hold its members strictly up to it.—Σ A E *Record*.

The *Trident* publishes a steel engraving of the coat-of-arms recently adopted by  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ . The design is handsome and heraldically correct.

The number of petitions for chapters which are presented to the fraternities is very great. A curious thing is that the fraternities which twenty and thirty years ago were rapidly extending their ranks are now very slow to do so.—*Beta Theta Pi*.

The badge question has been settled. Henceforth the official pin will be an unjeweled monogram of the letters  $A \Phi$ , the  $\Phi$  having the upright position, and bearing in black enamel three small letters, the meaning of which is for the initiated only.—*A  $\Phi$  Quarterly*.

The *A  $\Phi$  Quarterly* and the  *$\Delta \Delta \Delta$  Trident* are both emphasizing the fact that they represent women's fraternities, not "sororities." The *Key* joins hands with them on this issue, and would like to go on record herewith as representing the  $K K \Gamma$  fraternity.—*K K  $\Gamma$  Key*.

The *Palm* now groups the names of deceased members of  $A T \Omega$  as the names of deceased members of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  are arranged in THE SCROLL for June every year, but under the heading "In Memoriam," instead of the "Chapter Grand," and with the words "*Requiescat in pace*," after each name, instead of "*In coelo quies est*."

Iowa State College enjoys three national and any number of local organizations.  $\Sigma N$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$  and  $\Sigma A E$  have become established and are on fairly friendly terms. Among the local organizations are the Gamma Alphas, petitioning  $K \Sigma$ ; the Noit Avrats, petitioning  $\Delta T \Delta$ ; the Blackhawks, petitioning  $A T \Omega$ , and the Aztecs, petitioning  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .—Iowa State (Ames) correspondence,  $\Sigma N$  *Delta*.

The *Quarterly* says that the  $\Delta K E$  convention at Springfield, Mass., last November, was attended by "fully 250 loyal Dekes," and that 225 attended the banquet, at which "dainty  $\Delta K E$  banners were before each plate, and also souvenir ash trays bearing the fraternity coat-of-arms." The speaking at the banquet being concluded, the members formed in single file, and, each waving his miniature flag in one hand, and with his other on the shoulder of the man ahead of him, marched through the hotel lobby, singing a marching song.

We have lately received letters and a good deal of printed matter in regard to the University of Arkansas and a local society there which desires us to recommend their application for a charter for a chapter of B Θ Π. We are looking into the matter, but have not yet decided what to do in regard to it.—Vanderbilt correspondence, *Beta Theta Pi*.

Through a blunder in clipping a Greek news item, we stated in the last issue that K Σ Π of George Washington University was applying to Σ Ν for a charter. This society petitioned Δ Υ at the last convention, and has no intention of receding from its position. The men write that they want Δ Υ and hope to make Δ Υ want them.—Δ Υ *Quarterly*.

The *Delta* of Σ Ν is more copiously illustrated than any other fraternity journal. A recent issue contains the portraits of about twenty-five editors of such magazines. The editor of the *Delta*, Mr. Clarence E. Woods, was too modest to include his own portrait. He is one of the most intelligent fraternity workers in the country, and is mayor of his city, Richmond, Ky.

K Σ has recently issued a manual of the fraternity, called "The Kappa Sigma Book," a selection of 75 fraternity documents entitled "Early Letters and Papers of Kappa Sigma" (which is not sold to any but members), and a second edition of its "Address Book," containing the names of all members in one long alphabetical roll and also arranged by states and towns.

In the last *Record* something was said about an annual, the *Emoree*, to be gotten out this year by the students of Emory. On account of a little trouble between the "nons" and the fraternity men, the latter withdrew from this annual and decided to get one out under the name of the *Eranos*. This annual is gotten out by and for the fraternities exclusively.—Emory correspondence, Σ Α Ε *Record*.

The following periodicals are issued by the legal fraternities: Δ Χ, *Quarterly*; Φ Δ Φ, *Brief*; Θ Λ Φ, *The Paper Book*. Issued by the dental fraternities: Ψ Ω, *Frater*; Δ Σ Δ, *Desmos*; Ξ Ψ Φ, *Quarterly*. Issued by the medical fraternities: Φ Χ, *Quarterly*; Φ Δ, *Black and Gold*; Φ Α Γ, *Quarterly*; Α Κ Κ, *Centaur*; Χ Ζ Χ, *Record*; Φ Ρ Σ, *Journal*; Ω Υ Φ, *Journal*; Φ Β Π, *Skull and Pelvis*. The *Intercollegiate Medical Journal* of Ν Σ Ν has suspended.



The Z  $\Psi$  fraternity held its annual convention at Lafayette last January, when it was decided to build a \$20,000 chapter house here. It can easily be seen that the chapter house question is growing to be an important one and that  $\Delta Y$  must get hers soon, if she is to keep up with the rest.—Lafayette correspondence,  *$\Delta Y$  Quarterly*.

According to the San Francisco *Chronicle* there is much activity in building among the fraternities at Stanford. It is stated that  $\Theta \Delta X$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$  and  $\Gamma \Phi B$  have commenced the erection of houses and that the work of reconstructing the X  $\Psi$  house, which was destroyed by the earthquake, has been begun and that Z  $\Psi$  and  $\Pi B \Phi$  have secured lots upon which to build.

The governor of Pennsylvania, on March 28, 1907, approved an act of the legislature which prohibits the fraudulent wearing or use of the device, insignia, badge or emblems of any fraternity of over ten years' standing, having a chapter in that state; the publishing of any alleged or pretended secrets of any such society; or the unauthorized use of the name of any such organization. Violation of this law is a misdemeanor punishable with imprisonment for three years or a fine of \$1,000.

A contributor to the *Quarterly* says that "in the general attendance and in the business" of the recent convention of  $\Delta Y$ , "much was to be desired." The convention was held with the chapter at Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vt. At the banquet there were "about 175 members," and he says: "This is not a particularly good showing of alumni or undergraduates, when it is noted that districts I, II and III contain twenty-four chapters, fourteen alumni clubs and thirteen alumni associations. It is surprising that the near-by chapters did not send more undergraduates to the Middlebury convention." Districts I, II and III embrace Canada, New England, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

In THE SCROLL for February, we called the attention of the *Beta Theta Pi* to the fact that its claim that the fraternity year book scheme originated with B  $\Theta$   $\Pi$ , instead of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , was probably based on a misconception of the scope of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  book. We stated that this book for 1906 contained 8 pages of introductory matter, 363 pages of chapter letters, and 427 pages of membership lists, forming a complete cata-

logue of the fraternity, a total of 806 pages, with 64 illustrations, cloth bound. We said that one number of the *Beta Theta Pi* every year contained a very condensed letter from each chapter and lists of initiates and active members, and we expressed the opinion that a single issue of the *Beta* magazine was not to be compared with the year book of  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  as above described. Having seen in the *Beta Theta Pi* no answer to our statement, we would now like to inquire of that journal whether or not our understanding and statement of the facts were correct.

614 members of  $A \Delta \Phi$  celebrated the 75th anniversary of the fraternity's founding with a dinner at the Astor House in New York on April 20. Edward Everett Hale was the principal speaker and in the course of his remarks said:

"I once met a man down in Texas some years ago, and he asked me where I was from.

" 'I'm from the East,' I said.

" 'Oh, Chicago?' he asked in some surprise.

" 'No, Boston.'

" 'Oh,' said he, 'then you talk French.'

" 'Well, that's the kind of a man that this fraternity wants to cure. We want to do away with the sectional lines and learn to know that our world extends west of the Hudson and to teach others that there is something East of the Mississippi. I believe that our fraternity should be broad enough and catholic enough to bring all the fine men of this country together.'"

Of the regular fraternities for men  $A \Delta \Phi$  and  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$  each have three chapters in New York City—at Columbia, New York University and C. C. N. Y.  $\Psi \Upsilon$ ,  $\Delta \Phi$ ,  $Z \Psi$ ,  $\Delta \Upsilon$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $\Theta \Delta X$ ,  $\Delta K E$  and  $\Phi \Sigma K$  each have chapters at two of these institutions, and  $\Phi K \Psi$  at Columbia and Brooklyn Tech. Stevens Institute, located at Hoboken, N. J., which is in many respects a suburb of New York, has chapters of  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$ ,  $\Phi \Sigma K$  and other fraternities. As Swarthmore College, located at a village of that name, is practically a suburb of Philadelphia, the seat of the University of Pennsylvania, it may be said that  $\Delta \Upsilon$ ,  $K \Sigma$  and  $\Phi K \Psi$  each have two chapters in that city.  $B \Theta \Pi$  has two chapters in Cleveland—at Case and Western Reserve.  $\Delta T \Delta$  has two in Chicago—at the University of Chicago and Armour Institute. Several regular fraternities have more than one chapter each in the institutions in and around Boston—at M. I. T., Boston University, Harvard and Tufts. The only one, we believe, that has two chapters in a small city or town is  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , which has two at Galesburg, Ill.—at Knox and Lombard. Some of the medical and dental fraternities have two or three chapters each in the same city.

The annual report of Mr. H. H. McCorkle, secretary of the  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$  fraternity, for the year ending December 15, 1906, has been printed in the *Shield*. He notes that the fraternity now has 43 chapters, having established one at Case during the past year. From his report the following paragraphs are taken:

Over 10,000 names are now enrolled.

No new petitions have been presented.

The petitioners of last year from Pennsylvania State College are still knocking for admission to our fraternity.

There were some prospects that old Missouri Alpha (University of Missouri) would be revived but the time does not seem quite ripe for this movement.

George Washington University still offers an opening for the re-establishment of District Columbia Alpha, but this proposition is also in an undeveloped state.

The band of petitioners of last year from Williams College went in  $\Phi$   $\Sigma$  K in June, 1906. Those brothers who are anxious to strengthen the fraternity in the east still have hope, and in time this may end in fruition, since the institution seems to be acceptable.

The internal improvement has not been marked, the chapters generally showing about the same condition as that of last year. There are exceptions, of course, but it is manifest from the reports that the ideals of  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$  are wanting in some chapters.

If greater care were exercised in selecting candidates, occasion for expulsion, suspension or resignation would seldom arise. This is another evidence of our wide departure from the straight and narrow path. There are men in the fraternity today whose lives only reflect discredit. We fear that in some cases this can be traced to chapter influences.

The spirit of pleasure is entirely too prevalent in our chapters. To the constitutional requirements has been added, by the undergraduates of some chapters, a new requirement, wealth. Unless a student "has money," he will not be taken in, although he may be the best sort of student, possessing splendid character, but is not a spendthrift, not a society man, but a "book worm," who has his business in college and means to attend to it, wins honors in his classes, never is conditioned and commands the respect of faculty and students, but is not rich, is not a "good fellow," in their sense of the word, hence he is not taken in. What a contrast to the men of '52. We know them by their works. Of the great number of brothers who leave college today by graduation or otherwise, how few of them will ever be known by their works. We need to return to the "ways of our fathers."

As mentioned in THE SCROLL for last October, Bro. W. C. Stickney, Colorado, '04, informed us that Bro. E. J. Churchill, Nebraska, '85, had discovered a watch-key pin, bearing the letters " $M \Sigma \Phi$ " on one side and the words " $\Delta\epsilon\sigma\mu\omicron\varsigma \Phi\iota\lambda\alpha\varsigma$ " on the other, which was once in the possession of an old pirate.  $M \Sigma \Phi$  is not listed in "American College Fraternities." Our request for information about it has brought out some interesting facts. The following statement has been received from Mr. H. H. Lumkin, a member of  $\Sigma \Lambda E$  at the University of the South, Sewanee:

While looking through THE SCROLL of a Phi friend of mine here, I came across the item which asks for an identification of a badge bearing the letters "M Σ Φ." The pin referred to is an old badge of the Clariosophic Literary Society, of the University of South Carolina, Columbia, S. C. I graduated from that institution in 1904, and was a member of that society. Though in late years the badge has been changed, I have seen a badge exactly like the one described, and our mystic stand still has the same shape as the old pin. I have a medal from the society bearing "Δεσμός Φιλίας" and "M Σ Φ." As this society is over 100 years old, and has sent out numerous alumni, such as John C. Calhoun, Wade Hampton and a host of others, you can understand how a badge should have gotten so far out west.

The present owner of the badge, Mr. Sanford H. Cochran, of Cochran & Egan, lawyers, at Logan, Iowa, has written to Bro. Churchill as follows:

The history of the watch-key is as follows: It was purchased by Thomas Ross, at San Francisco, in 1849, from a captain of a United States ship, who told Ross that he or his crew had captured it from a Spanish sea pirate in the Pacific ocean. Ross died about 1873 at Carmi, Ill., and his administrator sold the key to my father, Sanford Cochran, who presented it to me in 1874.

Bro. George Chew Atkins, Columbia, '02, having written to us that he had run across a pin, shaped like a five pointed star, bearing the letters "Σ Φ Υ," crossed daggers, a skull, and the name "Simmons," we asked in the October SCROLL whether any of our readers could identify the badge. We have received from Bro. James L. Cobb, Columbia, '09, a letter saying that he is acquainted with the owner of this badge.

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## COLLEGIATE

The Pennsylvania legislature has appropriated \$400,000 for the University of Pennsylvania.

The 1906-07 enrollment of Vanderbilt is 874, the high water mark at that institution.—Σ A E *Record*.

Twenty-two university buildings, all of stone and uniform in architecture, adorn Sewanee's campus.

Alabama Polytechnic Institute has about 600 cadets enrolled this year—Auburn correspondence K A *Journal*.

Mobile Medical College has become the medical department of the University of Alabama.—Ω Υ Φ *Journal*.

The University of the South is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary this month. Andrew Carnegie has given it \$60,000 for a science hall.

The Missouri legislature has made an appropriation of \$800,000 for the university, to cover the next two years.—Missouri correspondence, K Σ *Caduceus*.

At the recent commencement of Westminster College it was announced that the endowment fund of the college had been increased by \$100,000, the donors being citizens of St. Louis.

Columbia owns five Siamese Buddhas, a recent gift to the Indo-Iranian department from a fellow of the university who was formerly consul-general for the United States to Siam.—K K Γ *Key*.

The last Alabama legislature appropriated \$500,000 for the University of Alabama. To Alabama Polytechnic Institute it gave \$226,000 for the new buildings and a considerably increased appropriation for annual expenses.

The merging of the Ohio Medical University and the Starling Medical College, Columbus, has resulted in the Starling-Ohio Medical College, which will become the medical department of Ohio State University.—Ω Υ Φ *Journal*.

Under the will of E. W. Currier, '65, Amherst receives a bequest of \$400,000 or more, the largest amount the college has ever received. His death also releases \$180,000 for Williams College, willed by his aunt subject to his life interest.

The co-operative book store, established at the University of Virginia last fall has been very successful, its business amounting to \$5,000 in its first two months. The intention is that it shall provide everything that a student can ask for.

The first edition of the alumni register of Ohio State University is dated November, 1906. It contains the names of graduates by colleges and years, by states and towns, and in one alphabetical roll. It contains also lists of officers and instructors.

Another evidence that practical and theoretical education are becoming more closely related is found in the establishment by a Boston laundry firm of a fellowship in chemistry at the University of Kansas. The fellow to whom it is awarded is to devote two years to studying methods of saving clothes in the usually destructive process of laundering, and, at the end of the fellowship period, to write and publish a monograph on laundering.—K K Γ *Key*.

President Raymond has announced that the whole amount necessary to secure the sum of \$100,000 from Andrew Carnegie having been subscribed, work will be begun as soon as possible on the new \$200,000 engineering hall.—Union correspondence, *Δ Y Quarterly*.

A new general catalogue of the officers and graduates of Columbia University, from the foundation of King's College in 1754, has recently been issued. It contains lists of alumni by departments and classes, by states and towns and a long alphabetical roll.

The Medical College of Ohio, medical department of the University of Cincinnati, has instituted a post-graduate school of instruction. The course will extend from April 15 to June 1, and will cover all branches in medicine and surgery, as well as the specialties.—*Ω Y Φ Journal*.

Lafayette is celebrating its seventy-fifth anniversary this month. It has been raising an anniversary fund of \$500,000, one fifth of which has been contributed by Andrew Carnegie. A mechanical engineering course, the only engineering course which the college lacks, is to be established.

Now that Princeton is the happy possessor of the newly-made Lake Carnegie, the undergraduate rowing world is looking to it as a possible candidate for crew honors. It will be the Princeton policy, however, to develop class and society crews, instead of training for intercollegiate races.—*K K Γ Key*.

Unnamed donors have presented to Princeton \$1,200,000 for immediate use. Half of the sum is for a new physical science laboratory the other half for a geological and biological museum and laboratory. In each case \$400,000 is given for the building and \$200,000 for equipment and maintenance.

Up to nine or ten years ago the number of students enrolled by West Virginia University during any year had never reached 300; now the enrollment is 1,100, and the patronage comes not only from every county in West Virginia, but from many other states, and a half-dozen foreign countries. President Purinton has recently made a study of the growth of American colleges and universities, and says that, with the single exception of the University of Illinois, the per cent. of growth of West Virginia University is the largest in the country.—Prof. J. M. Callahan in *K K Γ Key*.

The Baptists of Georgia are raising a \$300,000 endowment fund for Mercer University. A \$40,000 dormitory is now nearing completion, and work will soon begin on a handsome library and another dormitory. The two literary societies have planned to have buildings of their own.—*S A E Record*.

The recent South Dakota legislature appropriated \$213,000 for the support of the state university during the next two years, also \$50,000 for a law school building, and \$7,500 for a previous building fund. These are substantial increases over the appropriation of two years ago, and much credit is due to Bro. O. W. Thompson, who, as the head of the education committee of the senate, introduced the bills.

This is the dawning of a new era for Lehigh. The new dormitories, College Commons and Drown Memorial Hall will all be ready for occupation by next September. Several other fraternities have also signified their intention of building on the campus in the near future. This means that the student body, heretofore scattered over several square miles, will soon be in one district.—Lehigh correspondence, *Δ Y Quarterly*.

The American Association of Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations was instrumental in inducing the recent session of congress to increase governmental appropriations to agricultural colleges under the Morrill bill. The sum at present available under this law is \$25,000 annually to the agricultural college of each state. Under the new law this amount will be increased \$5,000 annually until it reaches the total of \$50,000.

The enrollment this term, which is over 1200, is the largest for any one term in the history of the university. This makes a total for the year of almost 1900, which discounts any preceding year. Work on the new \$100,000 library is rapidly nearing completion, and the enlargement of Maxwell Hall for the use of the law school is now under way. A new \$50,000 central heating plant is being installed.—Indiana correspondence, *S A E Record*.

The New York *Tribune* said the other day, "Of all the college dailies, the Cornell *Sun* most resembles a real newspaper." Prof. William Lyon Phelps, of the department of English literature in Yale, seconds this with the assertion that "the Cornell *Sun* is the best college daily in America." The

*Sun* is the largest daily college paper, the only eight-page paper, in the country, and, with one exception, it is the only paper that furnishes a brief summary of the world's current events.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

Franklin College will begin extensive improvements at the close of the present school year. Financial arrangements have practically been made and bids will be let at once for three new buildings—a science hall, a gymnasium, and a girls' dormitory. The estimated expenditure is \$100,000. With this increased capacity will come an enlarged faculty and attendance.—Franklin correspondence, *Σ A E Record*.

Dr. W. J. Tucker has resigned as president of Dartmouth but has agreed to remain until his successor shall be chosen, when he will become a lecturer in the college. When he became president, in 1893, the institution had scarcely 400 students and the faculty numbered 26. It now enrolls over 1000 students while the faculty numbers 70. The number of buildings has been more than doubled and the endowment largely increased. A notable addition to the college was the founding of the Tuck School of Administration and Finance. Under the will of T. P. Salter, of New York, the college has recently received \$300,000.

Ohio, in 1893, passed a law against "what is commonly called hazing," with a penalty of from \$10 to \$100, or imprisonment from thirty days to a year. This law was not precise in its definition. It is now replaced by a new act covering educational institutions of all kinds and defining what is meant by hazing. It is described as "any act that injures, frightens, degrades, or disgraces, or tends to injure, frighten, degrade, or disgrace any fellow-student or person attending such institution." The maximum fine is increased to \$200 and the maximum imprisonment is reduced to six months; but provision is made for the imprisonment of the offender until the payment of the fine.

"Oxford and the Rhodes Scholarships" is the title of an eminently useful reference book which has just been brought out in the ancient university town. The compilers explain the source, origin and purpose of the scholarships, and details as to eligibility, etc.; print Mr. Rhodes' will, describe Oxford as it is—or as it has seemed to a Rhodes scholar; estimate the expenses and give various practical hints. They point out that



the Rhodes scholar who expects to live the year round on \$1,500 will have to figure closely in order to make this sum cover his necessary expenses; the man who, while not extravagant, is at the same time not inclined to stint himself, must expect to put between \$875 and \$1,000 as a minimum into his six months at Oxford.

A course in journalism, with one instructor, a practical newspaper man, has been established at Virginia. The *Alumni Bulletin* says:

The course, which is offered this year for the first time, will run three times a week throughout the year, and may be offered as an elective at large for the bachelor of arts degree. The course has been instituted in response to the steadily increasing belief that journalism is as much a profession as law or medicine, and that as such, it should be taught in our universities. The widespread recognition of the fact that a clean press is one of the fundamentals of our democratic form of government, makes it very necessary that a state university should train the future newspaper man. The course centers around constant practice in writing all forms of news, and the cultivation of "the news sense." The class constantly analyzes standard dailies, and learns the method of gathering news and preparing it for publication. It will also attempt the publication of a paper at the end of the course.

Chancellor Day of Syracuse has laid down the following rules of conduct for students at that university.

(1) No social function of the university shall be continued after twelve o'clock. This applies to all university events, including the junior prom and the senior ball, all class and class society events.

(2) All parties on the Hill, of a formal nature, must close at 11:30, so that students will be in their rooms at twelve o'clock. Other parties must close at 10:30, so that students will be in their rooms at eleven o'clock.

(3) No student of the university shall be seen out after midnight. Every student should be in his room at eleven o'clock, unless special permission be obtained.

(4) A man who keeps a girl out after midnight is a miscreant, and will be treated as such by the authorities.

(5) No girl or party of girls shall visit a man's chapter house unless properly chaperoned. This applies alike to formal and informal affairs, afternoon or evening.

(6) No young man of the university shall go to any dance hall in the city, under penalty of the authorities.

A statue of Alexander Hamilton, Columbia's most distinguished son, is to be placed in front of Hamilton Hall. The sculptor, W. O. Partridge, '85, has already completed the model. The figure is to be of heroic size, representing Hamilton in the attitude of making a speech. The statue will be of bronze, and, with the pedestal, will cost about \$12,000, contributed by the alumni association and individual graduates.

Columbia has also been given another bronze statue, but of an entirely different character. It is a bronze statue of Great God Pan, and exhibits the horned and hooped god in a recumbent position, his two reeded pipe to his mouth. It is thirteen feet nine inches long, and its highest point is five feet seven inches above the base, being one of the largest bronzes that has ever been cast in the single piece in this country. The sculptor was George Gray Barnard, the donor Mrs. Henry C. Potter. The statue will occupy an appropriate site in a grove of trees on the campus.

Excepting the injury to Stanford from earthquake, perhaps the greatest loss ever suffered by any university in America was sustained by McGill in two fires which occurred within a fortnight of each other. On April 5 the MacDonald engineering building and a great deal of its very valuable equipment were burned. The loss is estimated at \$700,000, the insurance being \$320,000. On April 16 the medical building was burned, and with it were destroyed many valuable records and costly instruments, as well as the medical museum, which contained many priceless specimens. Though the damage cannot be expressed in money, the financial loss has been estimated at \$500,000, the insurance being \$350,000. After a searching inquiry, the board of governors concluded that there was no reason to suspect that either fire was of incendiary origin, as had been suggested. Under the will of Mrs. Peter Redpath, of England, McGill will receive \$30,000 for the Peter Redpath museum and \$120,000 and the books in the testator's manor-house library for the Peter Redpath library.

The most typical of all college publications are the comic papers. A large part of each number is taken up with sarcastic comment on local happenings, athletic rivals and their own more staid contemporaries. For instance, the Harvard *Lampoon* always calls the *Crimson* the *Crimesown*. The Yale *Record* invariably mentions the Yale Daily *News* as the Yale Daily *Snooze*, and the Princeton *Tiger* recognizes the *Princetonian* only as the *Printsanything*. In the art department they are weak. The Cornell *Widow* shows even this failing at great intervals. Four other publications of this class that stand above the average are the Columbia *Jester*, the *Wrinkle*, of Michigan; the *Punch Bowl*, of Pennsylvania, and the *Chapparral*, of Stanford.—Φ K Ψ *Shield*. A paragraph on the same subject in the K Σ *Caduceus* says that "the Harvard

*Lampoon* is the oldest of the college comics that have survived," and mentions also the Lehigh *Burr*, the Wisconsin *Sphinx* and the Michigan *Clarion* (instead of the *Wrinkle*.)

#### CHICAGO, XV YEARS OLD, LOSING ITS NEWNESS.

The University of Chicago is just entering upon the second period of its history. Its doors were opened on October 1, 1892, and since that time it has been steadily moving forward, adding one department after another, taking one surprising step after another, receiving one million dollars after another, until it now has a plant valued at \$10,000,000, an endowment fund of about the same size, an active faculty list of about 300, and an annual student enrollment of more than 5,000.

The university is fast losing the air of newness which has marked it during its short life. The buildings are taking on age under climatic changes. The ivy begins to cover the stone walls. Permanent improvements in the campus are being pushed. More and better trees are being planted. The grounds are being marked by class gifts each with its peculiar significance. Each year reveals more of beauty and the warmest personal attachment seems to be a certain feeling of the graduate as he receives his diploma and starts out to fight his way in life.

Recent years have witnessed a marked improvement of the student life at Chicago, this being due in a great measure to the erection of the Reynolds Club, a fine building with large general rooms, billiard and bowling quarters, smaller rooms for committees, a small, well-appointed theater, and all facilities needed for student activities. Under the same roof is the university commons or dining hall, and through a long corridor one may pass into the larger auditorium known as Mandel Hall, with its thousand seats, its splendid organ and its large stage. Just across the street is the block dedicated to physical culture and athletics, which, under the name of "Marshall Field," at first used as a sort of punning joke, commemorates the generosity of a famous merchant prince of the city. On this field is the Bartlett gymnasium, a notable structure where physical culture is required of all undergraduates, and where college athletes meet in contests of almost every sort. The combination of club-house, commons, theater and gymnasium in close proximity has had a marked effect in the development of the student life.

The fraternities are thick here. There are perhaps fifteen of the undergraduate organizations, several law and medical societies, and some local class "honor societies," as they are called, scholarship excellence being rewarded by membership in  $\Phi B K$  and  $\Sigma \Xi$ . The inter-fraternity spirit is good and the rivalry, which is keen, seems to work for good, everything considered. Rents are high in the region of the university. A house large enough for chapter purposes is an expensive luxury. It is hard enough at best to keep bills paid when the house rooms are all taken. The summer months would bring bankruptcy were it not for the possibility of renting to summer quarter students. As it is most of the fraternities are able to fill up their rooms, often with those who wear their own badge, a most satisfactory situation from every point of view.

As for Lambda Rho chapter, it is not as large as it should be, but it has a set of representative students who secure their full share of college honors and who seem to appreciate fully the demands made by membership in  $B \Theta \Pi$ . The chapter has an interested body of alumni who are working away toward eventual ownership of a chapter house in a favorable locality. Already several thousand dollars have been pledged toward the purchase of a lot. When that is paid for it will not be difficult to finance the house. The time is not far distant when our chapter will have its permanent home and will thus be further strengthened in its position in the university. —Condensed from an article by Prof. F. W. Shepardson in the *Beta Theta Pi*.

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#### HOSTILITY TO CO-EDS AT CORNELL.

At the first annual "feed" of the men's association of the college of arts and sciences of Cornell University, on May 3, a formal movement was started in favor of the segregation of the sexes in the university, and against participation by women students in undergraduate activities. The anti co-ed campaign was favored not only by male students but also by professors.

Prof. E. W. Olmstead, of the French department, strenuously urged complete separation and segregation, going as far as to demand separate classes, buildings, and teachers. This, however, was recognized as impracticable, as against the charter of the university and on account of the great expense involved.

Arthur W. Dubois, president of the association and a prominent member of the senior class, proposed a plan whereby the co-eds would be ousted from all participation in class politics and from membership on class committees, organizations, publications and every other form of activity. He declared that politics had become rotten because of co-ed participation, that votes went to those who were the best looking or did the most fussing, and that the presence of co-eds was unfair and unjust, and that the men suffered from it.

At a meeting of all the women students, on May 15, President Schurman spoke on the subjects of co-education and segregation. He asserted that the women had precisely the same rights as the men at the university, that the principle of co-education was absolutely settled at Cornell, and that neither trustees, faculty nor administrative officers had at any time ever considered the question of modifying it. He further said that the question of separate class organizations for men and women was one which concerned the students alone. It was for the women students themselves to determine whether or not they desired any change.

The attempt to disfranchise the co-eds and to deprive them of the right to vote for all of the important officers in the junior class was soundly beaten in a class meeting held on May 22, and the co-eds won a big victory. The question arose over an attempt on the part of certain advocates of segregation to incorporate into the constitution of the class of 1908 a provision which would have allowed the girls to vote for three minor offices, but would have made the class president and other important class officers open only to a vote by the men. The amendment was introduced by Seth Whitney Shoemaker, editor in chief of the *Cornell Sun*, and had the backing of that paper in its editorial columns. It was supported by the so-called "woman haters" not only in the junior class but also in other classes, and it is understood had the moral support of most of the 1906 men now in the university.

After a male junior had spoken in favor of the amendment and another had spoken in opposition, Miss Ethel Hamilton spoke for the girls in opposition. She said that the girls took a great deal of interest in class affairs and that they always had had a right to vote for the people who represented them.

When the vote was taken the amendment was beaten by a majority of about fifty, and even had the fifty co-eds not voted at all, there were enough men on hand to defeat it, for

under the constitution a three-fourths vote was necessary to secure its adoption.

President Schurman's speech to the women is considered as having knocked out any attempt to secure segregation in classes, and the action of the junior class will probably stop further efforts at keeping the women out of undergraduate activities. The co-eds have enjoyed a laugh all by themselves, while it is the general opinion that those who started the agitation made an egregious blunder.

#### CHURCH SCHOOL ADJUNCTS TO UNIVERSITIES.

That Cornell will not grant credit to Catholic students for work done in a proposed Catholic school, even if such courses are parallel to those taught in the university and the Catholic students so arrange their courses as to take the studies which they say are taught unfairly at Cornell in a Catholic college, in addition to the regular work in the university, are the salient points brought out by President Schurman of Cornell University in a letter to a Catholic alumnus, which is published in the *Alumni News*.

President Schurman says that there can be no objection to the erection of a chapel, hall and school of any religious denomination near the campus, and that the students who attended Cornell could receive not only religious teaching but instruction in other fields of study. The president then says that a student in the arts department could so arrange his work as to have only twelve hours a term in the last two years of his course, so that he "could attend courses in philosophy or history or any other studies in a hall adjoining the campus of Cornell University," and this would not raise the question of Cornell giving credit for work done in a hall under outside control and without asking any favor whatever from the university.

The president also points out that no student is required to take the courses in history or philosophy which are objectionable to the Catholics and that the university does not compel any student to take any of the courses; he can graduate without taking them. The president then warmly defends the system of instruction at Cornell, declaring that it is free from bias. He says that he has a very high opinion of the scholarly worth and fairness of spirit of all of the courses in history and philosophy offered at Cornell, the instruction in these subjects being neither Catholic nor non-Catholic. Cornell's aim, he says, as is that of all universities worth the name in our day, is to teach,

and to teach in philosophy and history, as in all other fields, simply the truth, a truth which in itself is neither Catholic nor Protestant, Christian nor pagan, but achieved and possessed in common by honest scholars of all faiths.

The Wisconsin Presbyterian Synod has voted to establish a pastorate at the University of Wisconsin, and has raised \$2,000 for the purpose. There will now be five pastors devoting their time exclusively to the state university students, as the Baptist, Congregational, Episcopal, and Catholic Churches have already provided pastors. In an address before the Presbyterian Synod, President Van Hise advocated the establishment of religious chapter houses in university towns as centres of religious activity. He also predicted that, in the near future there will be theological seminaries in university towns, where men training for the ministry may receive their secular instruction from the larger resources of the state institution.

An article on religious instruction in state universities, published in the *Alumni Bulletin* of the University of Virginia says:

How can the cost of Bible teaching in a state university be provided for, since states cannot use taxes for the support of religion? How can Bible teaching be introduced without interfering with the religious liberty of those who do not believe in it? How can it be so conducted as to keep it free from everything of a sectarian or denominational nature?

To escape these difficulties various expedients have been tried. Thomas Jefferson himself desired to settle the matter for the University of Virginia by inviting the denominations of the state to establish their theological seminaries about the university. Though never attempted in Virginia, this plan has been tried elsewhere with some success, e. g., at the University of Toronto, University of California, University of Oregon, University of Missouri. At some of these institutions credit is given toward degrees for work done in the seminaries.

Elsewhere extra-mural Bible lectureships have been established with the encouragement of state universities. They offer courses that are free to all students, but lead to no credit in the university itself. Their support comes from interested Christian people and the appointment of resident lectures has been by those who receive and manage the funds. Such work is now being done at the universities of Michigan, Kansas, and Texas. A like lectureship has been maintained at the university of Virginia for nearly a decade.

The friends of the Bible lectureship at the University of Virginia have long felt that it could not do its best work until given a place in the curriculum. Believing in both the educational and the religious value of Bible teaching, they desired the university to put it upon a par with other studies that lead to the B. A. degree. This was done by the board of visitors at their meeting last June. Their action created the chair of Biblical history and literature, stipulated that its teaching should be entirely non-sectarian, and provided that one course of three hours per week, running through a session, should be credited as an elective at large for the B. A. degree.

Thus Bible teaching is provided for the students under conditions that free it from objectionable features. It is strictly unsectarian. It is purely elective,

and no one need take it who does not desire to do so. It is paid for altogether aside from state taxes, or other funds of the university. The money that was provided by Christian people to support the lectureship, which it superseded, maintains the chair. The work of this new chair has begun quite encouragingly. It is hoped that it will enlarge from year to year and prove a valuable factor in the educational and religious life of the university.

## THE PYX.

A file of THE SCROLL, even for a few years only, is of much interest and value. We trust that many of our readers are having THE SCROLL and *The Palladium* bound for their libraries. A classified index of the contents of this volume of THE SCROLL will be issued with the October number.

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We trust that delightful vacations will be enjoyed by all readers of THE SCROLL. We request them to send to us vacation photographs which would be of interest to This generally, that we may use them for illustrating the October SCROLL.

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Bro. John S. Watson, reporter of Kentucky Epsilon informs us that his chapter did not occupy a house during 1906-07, mainly because it was not able to find a suitable house that could be rented. He writes: "We are going to try very hard to get some kind of a house for next year even if it can be used only for a meeting and loafing place."

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In spite of our admonition that March 15 should be called Alumni Day, several reporters, in writing for the April SCROLL persisted in calling it Founders' Day. We trust that all of them will in time learn the phraseology of the fraternity.

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The K  $\Sigma$  *Caduceus* says that a Greek-letter fraternity club has been formed in Denver, that it has "250 members representing 24 fraternities," and that "options have been secured on land upon which will be built a building to accommodate the fraternity men." Among four prominent citizens who are mentioned as giving support to the project is Hon. Tyson S. Dines, who is one of the leading lawyers of Denver. He was a member of old Missouri Beta at Central College, Fayette, Mo., and was present at the installation of Colorado Alpha



in 1902, but by some oversight he has always been omitted from our catalogues. We hope the new catalogue editor will properly enter his name.

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The twentieth anniversary of the Pennsylvania Eta chapter of the  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  fraternity at Lehigh University was appropriately celebrated with a banquet by the original founders who are members of the classes of '87, '88, '89 and '90 of the university, at the Sun Inn last evening. Covers were taken by ten, Alban Eavenson, '91, of Philadelphia, the first initiated into the chapter, taking the place of Frank R. Coates, '90, of Salt Lake City, who was unable to be present. T. F. Newby was the toastmaster. Several hours were happily spent in giving reminiscences, recounting the daring exploits of college days and the experiences acquired from the stern realities of life. A letter was read from Mr. Coates, who had a kind word for everyone around the festive board. Those present were: M. H. Fehnel, '87, of Sugar City, Idaho; Otto C. Burkhardt, '88, of Bethlehem; Chas. H. Miller, '88, of Little Rock, Ark.; John J. Lincoln, '89, of Elkhorn, W. Va.; A. T. Throop, '89, of Niagara Falls; T. F. Newby, '89, of Harrisburg; Ralph P. Barnard, '89, of Washington, D. C.; Theo. A. Straub, '90, of Pittsburg; Edwin H. Beazell, '90, of Pittsburg, and Alban Eavenson, '91, of Philadelphia.—Bethlehem (Pa.) *Times*, June 11, 1907.

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Bro. Fred J. Cox, president of Beta Province, announces that a convention of his Province will be held at the Jamestown exposition on September 9 and 10. Prior to that date Bro. Cox expects to address a letter to each member of the fraternity living within the boundaries of the province outlining the programme of the convention. The General Council, Province presidents and members of the fraternity in general, are invited to attend this convention. It has been many years since Beta Province has held a convention and the time seems opportune for securing a large attendance.

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A recent number of the *Phi Gamma Delta* publishes an article which states that high school fraternities originated in Muncie, Ind. It seems to the editor that this criticism of an innocent town is uncalled for, as it is well known that High school fraternities were in existence in other parts of the country prior to the date mentioned in the article in question.

The subscription price of THE SCROLL and *Pauladium* is so small that it scarcely pays for the cost of producing the magazines. When out of the subscription price it becomes necessary to deduct the cost of sending repeated statements of account, the loss to the fraternity is increased by just that much; then too, our subscribers frequently remit by checks on local banks. We are compelled to pay 10 cents exchange on every such check we receive. These two items while small in each case aggregate a considerable sum when multiplied by the number of our subscribers. We therefore request that each and every subscriber knowing himself to be in arrears, without waiting for a statement, remit the amount of his indebtedness by draft or money order, or, if a check is more convenient, add 10 cents to cover exchange. Within a short time after the appearance of this number of THE SCROLL statements of account will be sent to all delinquent subscribers. Those who remit promptly after reading this notice will save the editor time and labor and the fraternity expense. If you do not know how much you owe, make your remittance large enough and your subscription will be extended to the date to which your remittance pays.

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—Ω T Φ, *Journal*.

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Bro. Frederick R. Cowles, vice president of Zeta Province writes that Kansas Alpha is in the midst of an active campaign for a house and expects to acquire and occupy a \$10,000 property by fall.

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The *Sewanee Purple* of May 24 contains a cut of Tennessee Beta's chapter house which is being built this summer. In a column article descriptive of the house it is stated that it is to be one of the finest houses in the Southern Hellenic World. The corner stone was laid June 24 and it is expected that the house will be completed by fall.

Charles Tighe, Indiana Alpha, '08, has been elected captain of the Indiana University football team. We would like to publish in the October SCROLL a list of Phi football captains and prominent players.

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BASEBALL TROPHY

In the interfraternity baseball contest at the University of Iowa, the trophy which is shown herewith was won by Iowa Beta and becomes the property of that chapter permanently. Seven games were played no team defaulting. The series was not decided until the last game when  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  defeated  $\Sigma \Lambda \Xi$ .

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A Greencastle correspondent for an Indianapolis paper says  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has purchased the old home of Judge Colliver which will be extensively remodeled and be made into an imposing home for the chapter.

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On April 22 the editor visited Denver and was hospitably entertained at the Pan-Hellenic Club. This club is unique we believe. While there are other Pan-Hellenic clubs we be-

lieve this is the first of its kind to actually establish itself in real club quarters. It occupies the entire top floor of the Adams Hotel and has all the features of a first class city club. Bro. C. B. James, Ohio Beta, '90, is secretary. Bro. R. W. L. Tiffany, Colorado Alpha, '07, is assistant Secretary, and Bro. Walter C. Stickney, Colorado Alpha, '03, and H. B. Woods, '03, are members of important committees.

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The report of the Alumni Day dinner of the Indianapolis Club, published in the April SCROLL, says that the speech of Judge J. C. Robinson, Indiana Alpha, '61, was "one of the finest after-dinner addresses" that the writer ever heard, that he expressed his delight at being present, and that he paid a high tribute to the fraternity by saying: "Many of you young men will in your career join many orders and societies, but none will ever be so near and dear to you as  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ."

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$\Phi \Delta \Theta$  and  $B \Theta \Pi$  have more chapters occupying houses than any other fraternities.  $B \Theta \Pi$  has 69 chapters, and the *Beta Theta Pi* gives a list of 28 which own their houses, 32 which rent houses and 9 which do not occupy houses.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  has 71 chapters, of which 32 own their houses, 22 rent houses and 18 do not occupy houses. The 32 owning houses are those at Dartmouth, Vermont, Williams, Amherst, Cornell, Columbia, Syracuse, Gettysburg, Allegheny, Dickinson, Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania State, Miami, Ohio Wesleyan, Ohio State, Case, Michigan, Wabash, Northwestern, Illinois, Wisconsin, Missouri, Nebraska, South Dakota, California, Stanford, Washington State, Vanderbilt, Sewanee, Emory, Texas, Southwestern. The 22 renting houses are those at McGill, Toronto, Colby, Union, Washington and Jefferson, Lehigh, Georgia, Ohio, Indiana, Butler, Franklin, DePauw, Purdue, Chicago, Knox, Lombard, Minnesota, Iowa Wesleyan, Iowa, Westminster, Kansas, Colorado.

#### SUMMER ADDRESSES.

It is often necessary to communicate with chapter reporters during the vacation period. Therefore we publish the following summer addresses of chapter reporters. This list includes only reporters whose summer addresses differ from those given in THE SCROLL directory. If the name of a chapter does not appear in the following list, the reporter of

that chapter may be addressed at the address given in THE SCROLL directory.

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Maine Alpha—Clarence R. Plummer, 97 Chestnut St., Camden, Me.

Vermont Alpha—George S. Harris, Stowe, Vt.

Rhode Island Alpha—Hubert R. Ede, Fairhaven, Mass.

New York Alpha—August C. Bohlen, 1418 Broadway, Indianapolis, Ind.

New York Beta—D. S. Guardenier, 331 Broadway, Albany, N. Y.

Pennsylvania Alpha—Fred B. Atherton, 2094 N. Main Ave., Scranton, Pa.

Pennsylvania Beta—Alfred L. Taxis, 321 Pit St., Wilkesburg, Pa.

Pennsylvania Zeta—Horace W. Fairlamb, Jr., 709 E. 14th St., Chester, Pa.

Virginia Gamma—Wm. R. Phelps, R. F. D. No. 4, Bradford City, Va.

Virginia Zeta—L. Vernon Larsen, 819 Fatherland St., Nashville, Tenn.

Kentucky Alpha-Delta—W. Lyne Starling, Hopkinsville, Ky.

Ohio Beta—Robert W. Burns, 505 Third St., Marietta, O.

Ohio Gamma—Guy D. Miller, 75 E. State St., Athens, O.

Ohio Eta—P. R. Tappan, Mansfield, O.

Ohio Theta—John DeMoss Ellis, 803 Maple Ave., Newport, Ky.

Michigan Alpha—A. A. Treadway, 272 Lyons St., Grand Rapids, Mich.

Indiana Beta—L. J. C. Freeman, Waynetown, Ind.

Indiana Gamma—Pearl W. Schwartz, Portland, Ind.

Indiana Delta—Edwin Deming, Winona Lake, Ind.

Indiana Theta—H. J. Woche, 1313 N. Alabama St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Illinois Zeta—J. I. Leonard, 710 Jefferson St., Joliet, Ill.

Minnesota Alpha—Stanley M. Vance, 77 E. Sanborn St., Winona, Minn.

Iowa Alpha—Farncombe S. Bridger, Φ Δ Θ House, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

Iowa Beta—Wm. E. Purcell, 423 8th Ave., Clinton, Iowa.

Missouri Alpha—Leon Paul Forgrove, 1201 Sylvaine St., St. Joseph, Mo.

Missouri Gamma—Samuel H. Allen, 26 Westmoreland Place, St. Louis, Mo.

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Georgia Gamma—J. T. Martin, Shellman, Ga.

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Alabama Beta—Orman N. Powell, 26 Nimmons St., New-  
man, Ga.

Mississippi Alpha—Rundle Smith, Vicksburg, Miss.

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