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GEORGE FAWCETT. Va. Alpha '79

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George Fawcett, Virginia Alpha

A Magazine Article by WILLIAM CROSBY BENNETT

IT was a dark, rainy night, with black clouds hovering over the Santa Monica mountains, seemingly quite out of place in the usual sun-drenched Southern California, that I turned off Hollywood boulevard and ascended the hill leading to Padre Court and George Fawcett's home. At the back of his house, close up against the verdant hillside, I found he had built a cozy study, with shelf-lined walls for his books and papers, and an open fireplace where the logs were burning cheerily as if to offset the driving rain and rustling wind in the tall, health-giving eucalytus trees in the yard.

Mr. Fawcett, in dressing gown and slippers, stood with back to blazing logs. Usually in Southern California one feels constantly the call of the out-doors, but that day the urge was gone. It was one of the few days of the year to stay under cover. The veteran actor knew how to make the time pass entertainingly. Coming from stage to screen, with a long career in character parts, varied and numerous, he brought a wealth of knowledge and experience that he has used effectively before the camera. Who can forget the old major in Peter Ibbetson, the down-and-outer in Ebb Tide, the merciless father in Old Homestead, the drunken captain who loses his ship in Pied Piper Malone, or the score or more of other roles, from Java Head to His Children's Children? Like Dickens' pen pictures, his characters are cameos in real life.

He confessed to me that he has to get himself into the part before he dared work. "The reason some actors do

not register what they are trying to express," he said, "is because they are too much engaged in studying their technique. This devotion to the mechanical side of acting takes their minds off the character they are trying to build, and it shows in the picture. Ah, the camera is canny. It gets every thought behind an act."

Most seasoned actors who have travelled all over the world and played the wide range of parts he has, have often an idea in the back of their head that they would like to leave pictures some day and return to the stage. But not George Fawcett.

"I love pictures," he said. "At the time they came into being the stage was growing archaic. We had sent out inferior companies and poor actors to the smaller towns, until the people were beginning to be fed up on the stage. Then came pictures, and the small-town people could see the plays with the best actors in the world. They had a chance to see the same picture the city folks saw, and it came as a welcome respite after the years of having poor plays in the village opera house. Then, too," he added, with a reminiscent smile, "the stage was so uncertain. Why, one year I played in fourteen plays that were failures, and out of that I had only a few weeks' work."

But all Fawcett's stage plays were not by any means the failures his words might indicate. To us old timers it does not seem so long ago when he captured London by storm in his role as Big Bill in the "White Man," as E. Milton Royle's "Squaw Man" was christened for its English production. The play ran a solid year at the Lyric theatre. The standing-room-only sign was trotted out nightly. Police had to keep back the crowds that waited to see him leave the theatre. Shop windows were filled with his pictures, and his name blazoned from every second bill-board. But all this homage never turned his head the least little bit. One British paper remarked on his immunity to flattery as follows:

"Though now a celebrity—and being a celebrity in London means being besieged by all sorts of persons—Mr. Fawcett is taking things very quietly. He lives at a quiet

hotel not far from the theater, and spends most of his time wandering about the older parts of the city. He is a perambulating guide-book—not of the places starred by Baedeker, but of the half-forgotten, out-of-the-way shrines held dear by lovers of English history and English literature. After the matinee today he took your correspondent for a walk in old London—to Garrick's house, to Goldsmith's grave, to the chamber of Pendennis and the haunts of Sheridan. He led the way up toward Charing Cross and Fleet street, and as night came we strolled through the Temple, through Brick Court and all the other by-ways made famous by the immortals of our English tongue, and then to Simpson's for a dinner of English mutton and greens and a pint of English beer."

A few years later Mr. Fawcett repeated his former London success—this time at the Aldwych theatre—in the title role of the Great John Ganton, and again captured the English public and press by his excellent portrayal of the Chicago millionaire meat packer.

As he stood there before the fire on this rainy day of which I speak, I seemed to connect my host with colonial mansions, servile darkies and the courteous gallantry of the charming South. I was right. He was born in Fairfax county, Virginia, where his ancestors, coming over from England in the early days of the colony, and settled. His father was a country gentleman—a broad-gauged business man, as Mr. Fawcett termed him—and owned the famous race horse, Dexter, that held the world championship for many years. Young Fawcett was graduated from the historic University of Virginia. He was one of the first college men to go on the American stage. He made his debut at the Manhattan theater in New York City; subsequently appearing in leading roles with Tomasso and Alexander Salvini, Nat Goodwin, Maude Adams, Lewis Waller and other prominent stars; besides being in many productions with his own company—the Fawcett Stock Company. His first appearance in pictures was in 1915. Since that time he has portrayed many difficult character roles.

George Fawcett is one of the intellectual men of the screen. He brings to it big ideals and high aspirations. Only a little while in conversation with him reveals a keen love and appreciation of beauty, a critical faculty that unerringly separates the false and cheaply ephemeral in art from the true and enduring—a knowledge of real value in life that comes to most people too late for their application.

Above all and of greatest interest to us as brothers is the fact that George Fawcett is a loyal and enthusiastic Phi Psi. He is a member of the Southern California Alumni Association, a regular subscriber to **THE SHIELD**, deeply interested in the activities of old Virginia Alpha and unflinching in attendance at the functions of the alumni association; and, those who have come in contact with him at our meetings, are imbued with the genuineness of his whole soul character, a real fellow, well met and a genuine brother.

Jessop Wins Boat Title

Taking advantage of every break, nursing his boat, the *Windward*, along through a calm and finally driving across the finish line before a freshening breeze, Joe Jessop, Cal. Gamma '19, of San Diego, Cal., won the interclub Star boat championship of the Pacific coast off Balboa, Cal., on August 1st. There were three races, Jessop winning a first, a third and a fifth place. His win by a single point upset the best-known skippers on the coast. In all three races he demonstrated marked skill which elicited much favorable comment in Pacific coast yachting circles.

This was not Jessop's first success on the water, he having won a cup in the Star boat races on Long Island sound a year ago.

Has the Old Line College Fraternity Lost Its Opportunity?

By JOHN L. PORTER, Pa. Beta '84, in Banta's Greek
Exchange

FRANKLY, my dear reader, if you are a member of any of the old line fraternities of the type first established in liberal arts colleges only, do you not think the Greek fraternity has lost its greatest opportunity, either through being engrossed in itself, or through lack of foresight?

Frankly, again, would you not rather be a member of one of twenty fraternities than to be, as you are today, a member of one of seventy-four?

Would it not have been better for the twenty organizations to have established chapters in the eligible institutions, as they became eligible, instead of having new fraternities started in those institutions because of the aloofness of the then existing nationals?

How much does it matter today what fraternity a man belongs to, just so that he is a fraternity man? No fraternity concedes any prestige or precedence to any rival, and the members of the most recently organized fraternity are just as proud of their pins and all those pins mean, as are the members of the oldest, richest, and most exclusive (God save the mark) fraternity extant.

Fraternity men were formerly chosen because of some suspected latent intellectual or forensic abilities. Today, the qualifications for membership may be anything from being a fine lounge lizard upwards, and a fraternity pin has become such an item of personal adornment among men and such a sign of conquest and ownership of young women, as to make the man or young woman without one an object of conjecture and suspicion.

The failure of the earlier Greek societies to expand reasonably and to recognize real men and real ability has resulted in the formation of other Greek societies *ad nauseam*. All sorts of honorary societies have been formed

to further accent ability, and, unfortunately for themselves, as well as for the old line organizations, have adopted Greek insignia and nomenclature; furthermore, the Greek insignia has been adopted by the people of foreign nations and by members of various religious denominations, to indicate their societies in the colleges and universities, until now the roster of so-called national fraternities list hundreds of thousands of names, and the importance or distinction of fraternity membership is accordingly lessened, with no one benefitted but the fraternity jewelers.

When the whole Greek letter idea is degraded by the organization of strictly social societies in the high schools of the country, eligibility to which entails in many cases the grossest immorality, supplemented in many cases by indecent practices in initiatory ceremonies, should we not all be regretful that our predecessors have been so shortsighted?

Think what a different situation would obtain were all the fraternity men and women of the country to be members of twenty Greek letter organizations, instead of being divided into seventy-four. A mere pronouncement by the membership of the twenty would be such a vast expression of public opinion that it would not be possible for a high school society to exist with Greek insignia or name. Neither would it be any more possible for the various professional organizations to be so misnamed. Any propaganda backed by any one of twenty fraternities would at least attract some attention. As opposed to this, how much attention do you suppose is paid to any item either proposed or submitted by any one of the seventy-four college fraternities now extant?

The high school, professional, racial, and religious societies or clubs have no semblance of a college Greek fraternity in purpose, ideals, practice, outlook, constructiveness, mutuality, comradeship, solicitude, cooperation or friendly competition; therefore, they never were and never will be entitled by any possible line of reasoning to adopt Greek designations, and it is a matter of surprise that those in charge of these organizations have not long

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since recognized the weakness and incongruity of the situation, and taken steps to place themselves before the public, the educational world particularly, in their proper light by the adoption of entirely new, distinctive, significant, and appropriate names, types of buttons, and other decorations and insignia.

College fraternities were started in liberal arts colleges, and because of that fact they seemed to think that their activities should be confined to such institutions and they did so confine them until other sorts of institutions had gained a decided foothold in the educational world. These new institutions were labeled universities, and it was not long until the fraternities in them were initiating students in every department or college, and when some of the Greek societies began to demur at the wholesale initiation plan, the members of the different colleges organized their own fraternities, until there are now more than twenty-five professional organizations functioning. Then add to these the honorary list, numbering thirty or more.

And then add to these lists thirty-four collegiate sororities, with twenty-three professional and ten honorary sororities, and does not one have cause to wonder just why we all claim any right to be known as Greeks, when the title denotes about as much distinction and exclusiveness as does the Union Station?

Most fraternities, today, of which the writer has knowledge, are more of the college club type than of the original idea, and the real fraternity is losing out very fast in these times when money, social prestige, ancestry, automobiles, athletics, dancing and general disregard of all of the real amenities of life count for more than scholarship, industry, comradeship, respect, and loyalty.

Too many of the men who have been and still are doing the worthwhile things in the world are in a very great degree not college men, or, if they are, are not Greek letter men. If of the latter class, why? In nine cases out of ten, more likely they were grinds in their classes in college; were probably also earning their way; were not consid-

ered fraternity material because they were in a professional or technical department.

The time has already arrived when, if the original type of fraternity is to get any honor out of its classification, it will be compelled, either to assume non-Greek designations, or to initiate a campaign proposing and backing legislation against Greek letter societies in high schools, private schools, business colleges or preparatory schools of any kind whatsoever, and establishing an unwritten law against local fraternities using the Greek alphabet in any way in naming their clubs.

One of the main reasons for colleges encouraging the organization of fraternities at their institutions, and for recommending locals to national fraternities is that it relieves them of the expense of providing dormitory space for that number of men or women.

College authorities, we all know, are finding fault with fraternity scholarship, social functions, extravagances, and many other like things, almost continuously, and we shall, no doubt, hear these complaints continued until we are able to establish a different sort of reputation for our organizations.

More prominent and worthwhile people in this great country of ours are daily shaking the hands of our great technicians and praising their abilities, than can be said truthfully of any other class. Why, then, do not the old line fraternities add to their prestige in social, athletic, musical, dramatic and class honors, by adding great constructive brains and scholarship to their list of eligibles?

Let us be as democratic in our college life as we are in our professional and business careers after graduation and learn to know the sterling, analytically minded men who are coming along with us and who will be the great men of the morrow, and the days after.

Let us be as proud of the dramatic, the architectural, the engineering and the fine arts stars in our class as we are of the baseball, hockey and swimming men, and we will be able to demonstrate to the college authorities that fraternities are out for the highwater marks in everything

that tends to show them to the world, as man-making institutions with life-making aspirations, and fundamentals of impregnable and irreproachable honor, intelligent citizenship, and undying loyalty to both our brothers and our colleges.

The Largest Fraternities

For the first time, a college fraternity has passed the hundred mark in the number of active chapters, Kappa Sigma now having a roll of 101 chapters. Recent expansion has changed the relative standing of several fraternities as to the number of chapters. Twenty fraternities now have 40 or more active chapters, the aggregate number for this group reaching a total of 1348. These fraternities, with the present number of chapters, are:

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Van Fossan Appointed to Tax Appeal Board

WHEN President Coolidge chose as one of the members of the United States Board of Tax Appeals, Ernest H. Van Fossan, N. Y. Gamma '10, of Lisbon, Ohio, and more lately of Washington, D. C., he gave evidence of his intention to select for this very important work men whose training and native ability specially qualified them for it. Brother Van Fossan was not an applicant for this position, and the suggestion of the appointment came to him as a complete surprise. His unusual success in other public service, however, had brought him to the attention of the administration and it was for this reason that he was chosen for nomination.

Brother Van Fossan is an Ohio lawyer, formerly of the firm of Billingsley, Moore & Van Fossan at Lisbon, the town where he was born, September 6, 1888. Upon the declaration of war in 1917 he offered his services to the Government, entered the first officers' training camps, was commissioned a second lieutenant and during the period of his service rose by the regular grades to the rank of captain. He now holds a major's commission in the judge advocate's reserve corps. Early in 1918 Captain Van Fossan was ordered to Washington for special duty in the office of the Secretary of War. Here he participated in numerous investigations and surveys of War Department administration, the results of which were incorporated in recommendations to the Secretary of War, and included the establishment of the War Department post office, organization of the personnel division of the General Staff, creation of the office of director of munitions, the establishment of the centralized War Department automobile service, and other fundamental changes.

After this important service, in November 1918, he was assigned to the inspector general's office and made surveys and prepared recommendations for the reorganization of the quartermaster's depots and the chemical warfare



ERNEST H. VAN FOSSAN, N. Y. Gamma '10

service. He also made, at the instance of the Secretary of War, a survey of the government of the Panama Canal Zone.

The following year Brother Van Fossan was made a member of the War Department Claims Board, in which he participated in the adjustment of claims against the Government totaling \$4,000,000,000, covered by some 30,000 contracts. While engaged in this work, in 1920 he was also made chief counsel of the War Credits Board, charged with the duty of collecting and recouping advances made to war contractors. These collections aggregated \$250,000,000. Brother Van Fossan resigned these positions in June 1921, to assist the special Panama Canal Commission in making a second survey of the Canal Zone administration, resulting in several reforms and economies in that service. From October 1921 to January 1924, Brother Van Fossan served as assistant counsel and director of claims of the United States Shipping Board. He then resigned from the government service, and resumed the private practice of law with offices in Washington, from which he has now been drafted to the Board of Tax Appeals. He has always maintained his professional connections and voting residence in Ohio.

Brother Van Fossan is a graduate of Oberlin College, in the class of 1909. His course there was supplemented by study of the law at Columbia University, where he became a member of Phi Kappa Psi, being graduated in 1913. Brother Van Fossan gained his college and university education chiefly by his own efforts, earning money in various fields of work, from stone mason's helper to athletic instructor. He inherited an interest in schools and education. He is the son of Prof. W. H. Van Fossan, widely known among Ohio educators. His mother, Mrs. W. H. Van Fossan, is also well known as a writer and magazine contributor.

Brother Van Fossan is a devoted churchman, a Presbyterian and a member of the Church of Covenant, where he is leader of the Men's Bible Class, one of the largest in the capital. He is also chairman of the committee on

law and legislation of the Washington Federation of Churches and Washington chairman for the National Council on Religion in Higher Education.

Brother Van Fossan was married June 26, 1926, to Miss Frances Hawthorne Brady of Clarksburg, W. Va.

Albert Sinclair Captain of Oregon Varsity Football Team

Combining a versatile and stellar performance on the gridiron with highest grades and excellence in scholastic endeavor, Albert Sinclair, Oregon Alpha's six-foot football warrior, has been recognized by his election to the captaincy of the Oregon varsity for the 1926 season.

Sinclair's career on the gridiron has been varied. He first played the game with the Leavenworth, Kansas, High School team. Entering the University of Oregon in 1922, he won recognition by his sensational playing at tackle. The next year he was used at center on the varsity and in one game played defensive fullback. In 1924 an injury to his back forced him to stay out of the game but in 1925 he was back at his old berth of tackle, where he was one of the mainstays of the Oregon line. He particularly distinguished himself by stopping the rushes of George Wilson, of Washington, all-American fullback.

During his freshman year "Al" won the chapter scholarship cup for having the highest grades in his class and during the fall term of 1925 won the campus letter men's cup for having the highest grades of any varsity letter man on the campus. His average has been above that of the campus since he first registered in college and he is majoring in physics, carrying a full scientific course.

Sinclair will captain the Oregon team during the first year of the coaching of Captain John J. McEwan, formerly of West Point, at Oregon. Sinclair also is a member of the varsity swimming team and has won state championships in the breast stroke. He weighs 190 pounds.



ALBERT SINCLAIR, Ore. Alpha '23
Captain of the University of Oregon 1926 Football Team

Maintaining High Ideals

Being the Report to the G. A. C. of the Committee on Morality and Democracy, Walter Lee Sheppard, Chairman.

SINCE the discussion of the moral and spiritual health of our organization in the report of this committee to the last G. A. C. of 1924, there has been a growing tendency among the young people who seek the benefits of higher education to value intellectual smartness and material success above nobility of character and adherence to high principle. The colleges assume little or no responsibility for anything beyond the intellectual training of the student, and look to other organizations, like the college fraternity, to inculcate those moral and spiritual influences and restraints, without which the man of great intellectual power becomes a menace, rather than a benefit, to society.

Some fraternities are more successful than others in teaching their members the habit of thinking first of the welfare of others, and last of their own. Each fraternity has its own program and its own methods to attain these ends; but we believe, with reason, that Phi Kappa Psi has the best. In this respect our Fraternity undertakes to render a service to its undergraduate members that transcends all others except those of the family and the church. Indeed, where these have sometimes failed, Phi Psi has many times succeeded.

But it is not the province of this report to boast of our successes, but rather to discover the reason for our failures, and to sound a challenge toward a greater effort to overcome them in the future. Our task is more difficult than ever before. There is a frankness of speech, and an indifference to the observance of the social amenities heretofore prevailing, that is fraught with danger to the young people of today. The thoughtful ones would certainly avoid and combat this lowered standard of manners, if they were made to understand its insidious power to weaken and coarsen their moral fibre. Dr. Charles W.

Elliot recently observed that "young women expect to encounter rudeness from young men," and "do not seem to resent gross misconduct toward them by their male associates." Here is the inevitable result of blunted sensibilities, and lack of refinement, which ought to be incompatible with the possession of a college degree.

The words of Theodore Roosevelt, in the last public message which he wrote before his death, were never more timely than they are today. "You cannot retain your self-respect," he said, "if you are loose and foul of tongue. A man who is to lead a clean and honorable life must inevitably suffer if his speech likewise is not clean and honorable. The future welfare of the nation depends upon the way in which we can combine in our young men—decency and strength."

With the loss of restraints in speech and behavior has also come a loss of ideals. A commercial and materialistic point of view is prevalent among the young people of today that is a frequent subject of comment and concern. When Mr. Frazer Hunt revisited his Alma Mater this winter, after an absence of eighteen years, he inquired of an undergraduate, "What do you think of the Red Grange business?" The student replied, "We come to college to learn how to make money, don't we?" Mr. Hunt went away depressed and discouraged, because he felt that something had gone out of the college life as he had known it, "something fine and gentle," the thing that teaches us that the acquisition of money is only an incident to earning one's livelihood, but that it is the other uses we make of our lives which lift us above the commonplaces of mere existence.

What makes for happiness in the world is the spirit of which Mrs. G. Lister Carlisle spoke, in writing of the rescue of the crew of steamer Antiope by the steamship President Roosevelt, during the terrific storm that swept the Atlantic Ocean in February last. "The conscientiousness of this spirit of the brotherhood of man," she wrote, "which one felt from ship to ship through all those terrible four days, was very inspiring; so much so that

the whole incident stood out and became to me a thing emblematic of love of our neighbor—enduring patiently, silently, steadfastly, cheerfully, and to stick to it to the end, even with failure seeming to stare them in the face.”

It is the habit of thinking and acting that is acquired during the smaller and petty incidents of life, which prepares a man to respond nobly when the great tests come, and if our Fraternity cannot do its full part in teaching our members these everlasting truths of life, it falls far short of its greatest mission.

It is respectfully recommended that a careful and thorough survey be made by the appropriate committee to ascertain what measures are employed in our various chapters to direct the habits of thought and conduct of our undergraduate members along lines in harmony with the lofty standards and ideals of our Fraternity, with particular attention to the recommendations made in the report of the committee on chapter houses, adopted by the last G. A. C. of 1924.

President of Oldest Medical Society

Dr. C. Floyd Haviland, N. Y. Beta '94, has recently completed a term as president of the American Psychiatric Association, which takes pride in the fact that it is the oldest national medical organization in the country. Dr. Haviland is now superintendent of the Manhattan State Hospital, Ward's Island, New York City, having previously served for several years as chairman of the New York State Hospital Commission.

Phi Psis have had a prominent part in this medical association, Dr. Samuel E. Smith, Ind. Beta '78, of Richmond, Ind., having served as its president from 1914 to 1915. The next annual meeting of the association will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, the invitation to meet there having been extended on behalf of the psychiatrists of Cincinnati by Dr. Thomas A. Ratliff, Pa. Iota '04, superintendent of the Grandview Hospital.

Dr. Rous Leads in Cancer Research

Perhaps the leading authority in the world on the study of the "cancer germ," and the scientist who has accomplished the most in experimentation in this branch of medicine, is Dr. Peyton Rous, Md. Alpha '99, of the Rockefeller Institute. A recent number of *World's Work* contained the following reference to the study of cancer and Dr. Rous' connection with it: "It is no secret that American scientists have not taken seriously the discovery of a "cancer germ" and an "associated substance" recently announced by Gye and Barnard of London. Though little has been said publicly on this point, criticism of the whole proceeding in American scientific circles has been pronounced. Probably cancer research has had as much to its credit in this country as in England. The work of Gye and Barnard, for example, was based entirely upon the discoveries of Dr. Peyton Rous of the Rockefeller Institute—probably the most important in the history of this branch of medicine. Up to the time of Dr. Rous' experiments no one had ever produced a cancer experimentally except in one way—by the transplantation of the cancer cell itself. Dr. Rous filtered a specimen of chicken sarcoma, using a filter so fine that the cells themselves could not pass through. That is, he obtained a filtrate which contained no cancer cells. When he injected this into a healthy chicken, however, cancer resulted. It is difficult for the lay mind to appreciate the revolutionary character of this achievement. It seemed to prove that the cause of the disease did not exist in the cancer cell itself, as had been believed, but that it was something extrinsic—a micro-organism, a chemical agent, or what not.

"Naturally Dr. Rous and his co-workers have eagerly sought this elusive cause. However, they have had no success. Following the Rous experiments, Gye and Barnard now claim to have found the mysterious entity, whatever it may be, that the American investigators could not discover. Scientists on this side of the water

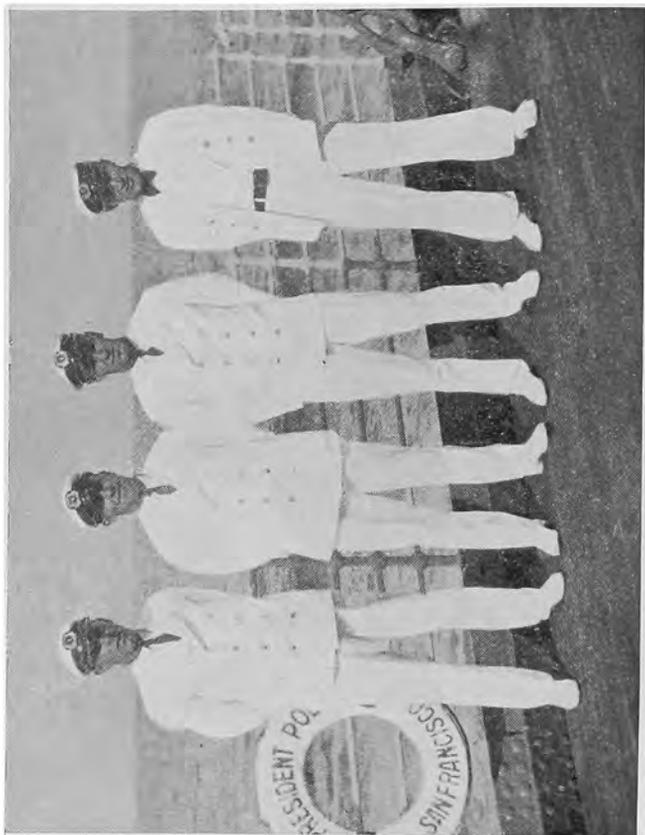
are not at all convinced that they have been successful. In fact, little more evidence exists than the mere statement of the London investigators, for the reports so far published are incomplete and unsatisfactory to the scientific mind. Not far from two hundred 'cancer germs' appear in scientific literature—all, after careful investigation, proving to be illusions. The utmost caution should therefore be used in rushing into print with a new one."

Dr. Rous was born in Baltimore in 1879, received his bachelor's degree from Johns Hopkins University in 1900 and the doctor's degree in 1905. He was an associate professor of pathology in the University of Michigan for several years. He is a co-editor of the Journal of Experimental Medicine.

Phi Psi Orchestra Goes Round the World

Three of the four men who comprised the orchestra of the S. S. President Polk of the Dollar Steamship lines on its trip around the world this summer were Phi Psis. These brothers are Wilbur C. Mullhollen, Pa. Alpha '19, Henry J. Sommer jr, Pa. Zeta '23, and George E. Olewine jr, Pa. Zeta '22. Brother Olewine finished college last June, while Brothers Mulhollen and Sommer expect to study at Dickinson College of Law this year. The fourth member of the orchestra was Mr. Edward F. Schmidt, a member of Phi Sigma Kappa at Gettysburg College. The boys report a wonderful trip, with plenty of opportunities for sight-seeing in strange lands.

The President Polk left New York July 8th, and is due to reach that port again on October 21st. The itinerary includes the ports of Havana, Cristobal, Panama, Balboa, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Honolulu, Yokahoma, Kobe, Shanghai, Hongkong, Manila, Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez, Port Said, Alexandria, Naples, Genoa, Marseilles, and Boston.



THE PHI PSI ORCHESTRA ON BOARD THE U. S. S. PRESIDENT POLK

Left to right: Edward F. Schmidt, Phi Sigma Kappa; Wilbur C. Mulhollen, Pa. Alpha '19; Henry J. Sommer, jr., Pa. Zeta '23; George E. Olewine, jr., Pa. Zeta '22

Chicago Alumni Association Rushing Dinner

ASHTON T. SOLLARS, Kan. Alpha '22, Contributor

A new idea, formulated by Donald S. Egbert, Ill. Delta '19, was developed in the form of a rushing dinner, held at the University Club of Chicago September 8th.

A rushing dinner was originated for rushees of Illinois Delta, but in order to make it a greater success, Brother Egbert called on the Chicago Alumni Association for a combined rushing dinner. The dinner from a standpoint of available rushing material was above exaggerated expectations, as seventy rushees were banqueted.

The middle west universities received the majority of benefit, but the association feels that all chapters derived their share. Rushees from Chicago, suburban and nearby high schools and academies were invited, regardless of what university they were to attend. In this way, the association believed it would be the instigator of a universal Phi Psi association of helpfulness, for all active chapters.

The writer would like to emphasize one complete thought. If this movement, to the readers of THE SHIELD, is taken enthusiastically, a request is made that helpful suggestions be written in to the Editor of THE SHIELD from time to time, and by next summer other banquets for rushees can be developed in cities throughout the country.

Reservations were made for one hundred twenty-five men, but an overflow crowd of two hundred eighteen attended, composed of seventy-two rushees, fifty-five undergraduate members and the balance loyal alumni. The chapters represented were scattered. There was at least one representative from each chapter, as well as a number of rushing chairmen.

The speaker of the evening was Judge Fred Rush, Mich. Alpha '86, who talked on the history of the Fraternity. Other entertainment consisted of music by an orchestra composed of Wisconsin Alpha alumni, selections rendered

by a male quartet of Advertising Men's Post of the American Legion, a short talk by Nels Norgren, Illinois Beta '11, assistant coach of football, head coach of basketball and baseball at the University of Chicago, on Sportsmanship in the Big Ten Conference. Other prominent alumni were introduced, and, after a half hour of general get-together, the banquet ended about ten thirty.





EDITORIAL

LLOYD L. CHENEY, *Editor* Albany, N. Y.

Loaning the Badge

The recent Grand Arch Council, as well as the Executive Council, went definitely on record as to the duty of the Fraternity in reference to cases where members violate their obligation to the Fraternity by loaning the badge. This action should not be regarded as merely a play, but should be considered as a serious matter to be handled in a firm way. It is always difficult to understand how a gentleman can violate an oath, although, unfortunately, some of our members do so in regard to loaning or giving the badge. The fraternity badge is not merely a piece of jewelry, like a stick pin, to be passed around among one's friends; it is a personal emblem, signifying that its wearer has assumed certain obligations and is identified, as a member, with a certain select group. It should not require unusual resourcefulness for a Phi Psi to discover some method of announcing to the world his engagement to some girl other than by giving or loaning to her his fraternity badge. It should be remembered that the jeweled badge, as well as the plain, standard badge, falls within the meaning of the obligation. It is hoped that the chapters and the Executive Council will take stringent action, if necessary, to see that this provision of our law is rigidly enforced.

Alumni Rushing Dinners

The Chicago Alumni Association has given the Fraternity another answer to the frequent query as to what alumni associations can do to help the Fraternity. This question has apparently not troubled the Chicago asso-

ciation very seriously, for that group continually finds worth-while things to do to help the nearby chapters, its own organization and the Fraternity generally.

This fall the Chicago brothers arranged a dinner at which were invited a large number of boys who expected this year to enter colleges where the Fraternity has chapters. It proved most successful, both as to the number of alumni, undergraduates and rushees present and as to the results accomplished. Other alumni associations seeking reasons to justify their existence might well follow this and other examples set by the Chicago brothers.





PHI KAPPA PSI
NOTES



Kent Pearre, Ill. Alpha, has recently accepted a position in the passenger department of the Missouri Pacific railroad.

Walter C. Longstreth, Mass. Alpha '97, was married on June 15th, at Mount Airy, Philadelphia, to Miss Emily Corson Poley.

William H. Best, Mass. Alpha '98, who has been in ill-health for some time, has returned to his home and business in Oak Park, Ill.

George F. Brown, Iowa Alpha '17, is selling advertising for the Chicago Evening American and resides at 7638 Bosworth av., Chicago.

Frederic H. Atwood, Mass. Alpha '96, formerly of Philadelphia, is now with the E. Murdock Company, 363 River st., Winchendon, Mass.

S. W. Kesler, N. Y. Beta '08, is operating a successful chicken farm near Klamath Falls, Ore. He has one of the finest country homes in the county.

Lieut. R. E. S. Williamson, Mass. Alpha '13, has left his position as instructor in economics at West Point and is now located at Fort Riley, Kansas.

Daniel Hunt, Miss. Alpha '06, of the Medical Corps of the U. S. Navy, is now assigned to the U. S. S. Holland at the Bremerton, Washington, Navy Yard.

Howard H. Smith, N. Y. Beta '11, for a long time affiliated with the Syracuse Herald, is now with the staff of the United Press in New York City.

Richard Barton Lincoln, nine-year-old son of Rev. and Mrs. C. Arthur Lincoln, Mass. Alpha '99, of Daytona, Florida, was drowned in Halifax river on April 24th.

Frank L. Boyden, Mass. Alpha '00, principal of Deerfield Academy, Deerfield, Mass., received the honorary degree of master of arts from Yale University in June.

Ralph H. Beaman, Mass. Alpha '06, has moved to 121 West High st., Bound Brook, N. J., where he has taken

the position of superintendent of the Ruberoid Company's flooring plant.

Auld's, Inc., and Burr, Patterson & Co., one-time official jewelers of Phi Kappa Psi, have been merged under the new name of Burr, Patterson & Auld Co., with headquarters in Detroit, Mich.

Robert B. Talley, Wis. Alpha '25, of Terre Haute, Ind., was married recently to Miss Vesta Thorpe of Chicago. After a wedding trip to Europe, Brother and Mrs. Talley are to reside in Boston, Mass.

Paul F. Ziegler, Pa. Eta '17, was married June 18th to Miss Charlotte Smith of Chicago. Brother Ziegler is a chemist for the Calumet Baking Powder Co. and lives at 2729 Garrison av., Evanston, Ill.

Gilbert J. Brown and Wallace Sedgwick, two Phi Psi sons, have been pledged by California Gamma. Their fathers are Ernest J. Brown and Allen E. Sedgwick, both of whom are alumni of Nebraska Alpha.

William Glascock, Kan. Alpha '25, recently moved to Chicago from Hutchison, Kan., and is with the Chicago Mill and Lumber Co., 508 N. Dearborn st. He is living at the Allerton House, 701 N. Michigan av.

George R. Bayard, Ind. Beta '15, is associated with the well-known financial advertising firm of William Elliott Graves, 30 N. Michigan av., Chicago. Brother Bayard is vice president of this firm and resides with his family in Deerfield, Ill.

Interior scenes of beautiful Chicago homes have been appearing each Saturday afternoon in the Chicago Daily News. In the August 7th issue three interior scenes of Brother Lawrence Whiting's home at 1524 Lake Shore Drive were printed.

Dr. E. C. Elliott, Neb. Alpha '88, president of Purdue University, was the principal speaker at a gathering of several hundred university administrative officers on the Midway of the University of Chicago, attending a five-day session in Chicago.

Paul Renshaw, Miss. Alpha '08, advertising manager of the Memphis Power and Light Company, Memphis, Tenn., has recently been appointed chairman of the committee on public relations for the southeastern division of the National Electric Light Association.

Tom Farr, Ill. Beta, according to baseball writers, is one of the most-finished players in the country and has recently been sold to the Pittsburgh baseball club. Brother Farr is now a catcher for the Burlington, Iowa, baseball club. His home is in Oak Park, Ill.

Albon Holden, Ill. Beta '16, publisher of the Big Ten Weekly and one of the country's foremost authorities on athletics, was recently a speaker over the radio of WLS of the Chicago Daily Journal. He will broadcast this fall the principal games of the gridiron season.

Mr. and Mrs. Robin B. Stiles of Chicago announce the marriage of their daughter, Marion, to Hilbert K. Browning, N. Y. Alpha. Brother Browning is in charge of the Kansas City, Mo., office of the A. M. Byers Pipe Co. and Bro. and Mrs. Browning are living in Kansas City.

Harold Poe Swartwood, Col. Alpha '15, is Publishers Advertisers' representative for a number of the country's leading magazines, including the Kiwanis, Crescent, Farmers, New Ideas and Heart of the Home Magazines. Brother Swartwood's offices are located at 123 W. Madison st., Chicago.

William Ganong, Tenn. Delta '11, has resigned as district attorney of Klamath county, Oregon, because of ill health. He is now in the United States Veterans Hospital at Walla Walla, Wash. He had the distinction of being the youngest man to hold the office of district attorney in that county.

At the primary elections held September 14th, George K. Pond, Mass. Alpha '00, of Greenfield, Mass., received the Republican nomination for state senator from his district. His election is practically assured. Brother Pond has been a member of the Massachusetts lower house for six years.

George C. Bunge, Wis. Alpha '17, is associated with the prominent law firm of Cassels, Potter and Bentley, the Rookery Building, Chicago. Brother Bunge was manager of the alumni dinner September 8th, given at the University Club for rushees attending the various colleges throughout the country.

William V. Carroll jr, Ill. Alpha '19, and W. B. McMillan, N. Y. Alpha '18, recently opened an office for their new investment security business and are located in the Otis Building, Chicago. Brother McMillan is a resident of

Evanston and Bro. Carroll of Oak Park, Ill. The firm name is W. B. McMillan & Co.

Robert M. Crawford, Ohio Epsilon '20, is now head of the Princeton Conservatory of Music. Brother Crawford was recently married and is honeymooning in France. He was president of the Princeton Triangle Club last year and has contributed most of the music for the Princeton Triangle shows the last three years.

Kenneth Huber, Ind. Alpha '24, is a sales representative for Whiting & Co. in Chicago. Brother Huber and George Dietrich, Wis. Alpha, were both residents at the Oak Park Club until just recently, when Bro. Dietrich married Miss Elizabeth Ball of Oak Park, Ill., and a member of Gamma Phi Beta from University of Wisconsin.

Ward H. Hilton, N. H. Alpha '20, is sales representative for the Hartford Accident and Indemnity Co., 175 W. Jackson blvd., Chicago, and his residence address is 204 Davis st., Evanston, Ill. The engagement of Miss Sally Donahue to Brother Hilton was recently announced. Miss Donahue attends Northwestern University.

The State Bank of Chicago is well represented with Phi Psis. Charles Haugan, Wis. Alpha '10, is a vice president, Fred Carpenter, Wis. Alpha '98, recently joined the executive staff, and Howard Knight, Ill. Alpha '19, is with this bank. A new 22-story home is being erected for the State Bank at La Salle and Monroe streets.

The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Croft Dent of Chicago announce the engagement of their daughter, Grace Emily, to Judson S. Tyley, Ill. Beta '15. Brother Tyley is salesman for the insurance firm of Faltysek and Lininger, 33 S. Clark st., Chicago, and has been very active in the affairs of the alumni association.

Elliott Nugent, Ohio Delta '20, is acting in his own play, "The Poor Nut," at the Cort Theater in Chicago. The play had great success in New York for nearly a year. This is the second contribution to the American stage by the House of Nugent. The first play was "Kempy." The new play has been received in Chicago very enthusiastically.

Dr. Theodore Soares, Minn. Beta '88, chaplain of the University of Chicago, read the ceremony at the wedding of Miss Claire Dux and Mr. Charles Swift. The marriage was one of international interest and the ceremony was

read in the Joseph Bond Chapel at the University of Chicago. Charles Hosmer Morse jr, Mich. Alpha '91, was one of the ushers.

A wedding of great interest in Chicago society took place July 24th, when Miss Martha Morse, the daughter of Charles Hosmer Morse, Mich. Alpha '91, was wed to C. B. Stibolt of Davenport, Iowa. The wedding took place in the gardens of Bro. Morse's palatial Lake Forest, Ill., home. Brother Morse is president of Fairbanks, Morse and Co. of Chicago.

Wilbur Helm, Ind. Alpha '96, vice president and secretary of R. E. Wilsey & Co., investment bankers, 76 W. Monroe st., Chicago, was recently appointed a member of the Chicago Association of Commerce committee, formed for the purpose of giving suitable recognition to the Citizens Military Training Camp at Fort Sheridan. Brother Helm is also a member of the association's coordinating committee between the senior and junior associations of commerce.

Marvin Berry, Mich. Alpha '23, is a salesman for the well-known Phi Psi organization, the American Bond and Mortgage Co. of Chicago. Brother Berry is married and resides in Oak Park, Ill. Valdemar Larsen jr, Ill. Delta '21, and Wallace Woehler, Ill. Delta '22, are also new salesmen for this company and are residents of Oak Park and Austin, Ill., respectively. Brother Larsen was married August 29th to Miss Ellen Holton of Bloomington, Ill., and a member of Pi Beta Phi, University of Illinois. They are residing in Joliet, Ill.

Charles (Bud) Rogers, Kan. Alpha, of Olathe, Kan., most promising graduate of Paramount Motion Picture School, was a recent visitor in Chicago on his way from Hollywood to New York. Brother Rogers' first screen work was in "Facinating Youth," a picture employing all of the school's students. He just completed work in "More Work—Less Play" and his next role will be with W. C. Fields and Alice Joyce in "So's Your Old Man." Brother Rogers is under a five-year contract with Paramount Pictures.

W. W. De Berard, Wis. Gamma '94, is editor of the Engineering News Record, 7 S. Dearborn st., Chicago. Brother De Berard was recently appointed a member of the Chicago Regional Planning Association by Governor Len Small. This committee is composed of the best architects and civil engineers in Chicago and is for the purpose

of relieving the city's traffic congestion by widening and improving state and county pavements. Brother De Bernard is a resident of Wilmette, Ill., and very active in civic affairs of that beautiful North Shore suburb.

Paul Kinnare, Ill. Delta, with three other former University of Illinois students, was rescued from a sinking yacht in the middle of Lake Michigan August 20th. They had battled forty-eight hours with the storm when his vessel, the Seboomok of the Columbia Yacht Club, was caught and sprang a leak. The steamer Samuel Mitchell finally noticed the signal of distress, picked them up and the yacht was towed to Milwaukee. Brother Kinnare is associated with the Toledo Wheelbarrow Co. in Chicago. The story of the rescue was featured in all the Chicago Sunday papers August 22d.





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CORRESPONDENCE

Pittsburgh Alumni Association

Summer holidays have failed to check or curtail activities of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association. True, many of the old guard have been hither and yon since inauguration of the 1926 vacation season in June. Younger men, men just out of college or still enjoying undergraduate days, have taken the places of brothers touring or gallivanting about this and foreign lands. As a result, luncheon attendance has just about held its own.

Attorney General Sion B. Smith, Pa. Beta, George D. McIlvaine, Pa. Theta, both former national Presidents, Thomas W. Pomeroy, Pa. Theta, Shirley P. Austin, Pa. Beta, and Paul C. McKnight, Pa. Alpha, were among those who spent considerable time in Canada, as has been their annual custom even B. P. Each has informed THE SHIELD correspondent, confidentially, that he caught the most and biggest fish in Canada this summer.

The brown derby, so far as fishin' honors go, still rests upon the noble head of D. R. Davis, Pa. Lambda, who personally conducted a pilgrimage last spring to the old swimming hole near Pine Creek Mills, Pa., where Brother D. R., as a boy, used to fish for trout. He employed with great success and skill, he says, about 40 yards of Roebling's cable, heat-treated and annealed, for a line, and half of an old ship's anchor for a hook. Quarters of beef were used for bait. Bait, hook and line, D. R. explains, were attached to the end of a 5-ton jib crane; this explanation, in our judgment, makes an otherwise fishy yarn sound plausible and feasible.

In veritable language of a poet, Greer McIlvain, Pa. Theta, chairman of our entertainment committee, today tells anxious Phi Psis in Western Pennsylvania that the annual golf tournament will be held September 9th at the Highland Country Club, followed by a bang-up supper. Speaking of golf, Rhode Island Phi Psis, as well as brothers in the bonds generally, will be glad to learn that K. R. Todd, N. Y. Alpha, has become a member of the famous Hole-in-One Club. He negotiated No. 3 hole at the Pittsburgh Country Club in one, last June. He drove the elusive pill 180 yards to the green, and the ball just trickled into the cup, the thing balls seem to do every time this unusual feat is accomplished. Brother Ken, by the way, is just about in line for such honors as those enjoyed by Greer McIlvain and James W. Crookston, Pa. Lambda, golfers par excellence.

For some unknown reason, we have failed to report previously that our good friend, B. M. Johnson, Ohio Delta, now is vice president of the Whitaker Paper Co., 101 Ninth st., with which he has been identified as Pittsburgh manager since leaving the Central Ohio Paper Co. a few years ago.

One reason why Brown & Bigelow, advertising experts with offices in the Park Building, have become so well known of late is because E. W. Knapp, Minn. Beta '18, has been pushing their wares so successfully. Brother Knapp lives at 1400 Severan street, and has become a luncheon regular.

"It's a girl," Lloyd A. Rust, Ind. Beta, our treasurer, telegraphed his side-kick, Charlie Curtis, also of Indiana Beta, on August 3d, shortly after the arrival of Miss Julia Anne Rust, born somewhere in the interior of Indiana. Julia Anne, an eight-pounder, and her mother are doing nicely, thank you. Rust and Curtis, you'll recall, are interested in the partnership of the Walter Boswell Co. A short time ago they entertained A. F. Wasmuth, Ind. Beta '18, vice president of the Wasmuth-Endicott Co., Andrews, Ind., which has no less than a half dozen Phi Psis in its organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Parker of Aspinwall, Pa., a suburb, have announced the marriage, September 1st, of their daughter, Miss Etta Duff Parker, to C. R. Texter, Pa. Lambda, president of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association.

George Sellers Smith, Pa. Theta '13, reared in Latrobe, Pa., has moved from Buffalo to Pittsburgh and is engaged in the bond business, with headquarters in the Union Bank building. Robert P. Crawford and L. M. Hague, both of Pennsylvania Theta, have promised to enroll Brother Smith as a regular. In giving us a line on Brother Smith, Hague reminded us that John Follansbee, Pa. Theta, is city salesman for Follansbee Bros., high-finished steel sheet manufacturers; and that William J. Strimmel, of Oakmont, also of Pennsylvania Theta, is in the insurance business in Pittsburgh.

Fred W. Young, another Theta man, and a brother of Willard A. Young, Pa. Lambda, is connected with the trust department of the Union Trust Co. If you happen to know the Young brothers, it's not necessary to say they're active members of the alumni association here.

Among new names on our luncheon register are those of: Charles Severn jr, Pa. Beta; James H. Gregg, Pa. Theta; W. F. Tannehill, Pa. Beta; and A. J. Ingham, who represented Pennsylvania Lambda at the Kansas City G. A. C. D. E. Leland, N. Y. Epsilon, of Rochester, N. Y., and B. R. Beisel, Pa. Beta, of Ithaca, N. Y., had lunch with us this summer.

In closing, we wish to ask the cooperation of all Phi Psis in lining up men entering Carnegie Institute of Technology this fall, so that all prospects may be turned over to the Woodlawn Club, on the accredited list of Phi Kappa Psi, through action taken at the Kansas City G. A. C. Secretary C. F. Williams, 2119 Oliver Building, Pittsburgh, will act as clearing house for this information.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.
September 4, 1926*

C. F. WILLIAMS
Correspondent

Southern California Alumni Association

In the latter part of July Brother Hewlings Mumper, Pa. Zeta, was host at the Belmont Beach Club to the Southern California brothers and to the active members of Zeta Kappa Epsilon, local fraternity of the University of Southern California, which was placed on the accredited list at the recent G. A. C. An afternoon of swimming in the surf and games on the beach was followed by a buffet supper and an evening of dancing. The ZKE's turned out en masse and, together with some hundred or more Phi Psis, their wives, sweethearts, and families, made the club the scene of a merry gathering.

On the evening of August 20th the ZKEs held an informal smoker and garden party for Phi Psis and rushees at their house on West 28th street. This local is endeavoring in every way to get acquainted with the Phi Psi alumni and has issued urgent invitations to all local and visiting brothers to call around at the fraternity house and meet the boys.

Rushing at the University of Southern California starts with the opening of the fall term and the ZKEs have announced that all new men will be given a thorough introduction among Phi Psi alumni before being pledged. It is planned to bring these rushees to Thursday luncheons at the University Club and it behooves us to be on hand and get acquainted.

Very enthusiastic reports of the successful rushing just completed by California Gamma have been brought in by all the traveling brothers. California Gamma is to be congratuated upon this splendid work and the Southern California Alumni Association appreciates the cooperation exercised by California Gamma in following suggestions made by local alumni.

Leslie Cummins, Cal. Gamma, and Miriam Hanson of the University of California at Los Angeles were married July 24th. Brother Cummins is at present with J. A. Meyers and Co., fraternity jewelers, and is completing a law course at the University of Southern California.

On July 7th Eveline Townsend was married to Allison G. James, Mich. Alpha. Having recently completed a dental course at the University of Southern California and passed the state examinations, Brother James is about to possess himself of the customary soothing equipment and hang out the shingle for the practice of dentistry.

Jim Bequette, Cal. Gamma, has recently become a regular at luncheons. Brother Bequette is on a three months' leave from the U. S. naval destroyer base at San Diego and has been renewing old acquaintances.

John Hanna, Tenn. Delta '25, younger brother of Herman J. Hanna, Cal. Gamma '20, is a recent arrival in Los Angeles and plans to complete his college course at the University of Southern California.

Kappa Psi, local petitioners at the Southern Branch of the University of California, are at the height of rushing season. Several prominent national fraternities have recently granted charters at this growing institution and the competition in rushing has become very keen. In the face of this condition, Kappa Psi has, with the help of several of the local Phi Psis, pledged some excellent material.

Los Angeles, Cal.
September 10, 1926

LYLE CALDWELL
Correspondent

Western New York Alumni Association

The Grand Arch Council of 1928! If you think that is an event only to be considered through the dim vista of two years hence, you should see the warm interest and sudden reawakening of the Western New York Alumni Association.

Before the adjournment of the Kansas City convention, which is now a happy memory in the mind of each brother there present, the general Fraternity, in response to the cordial and earnest invitation of Western New York, has designated Buffalo as the city to be honored by the 75th anniversary of Phi Kappa Psi. The brothers of this association, fully realizing the privilege and responsibility invested in them by our Fraternity, have been enthused with energy to make this the greatest convention ever held.

The challenge of this objective appears all the more difficult because of the unusual success attending the convention just held under the good auspices of our brothers in Kansas City. Our delegates were eager to report on their very enjoyable visit with the brothers in the city and the good work accomplished by the convention. In fact, it seems well understood that some of the New York brethren were also entertained, and in some instances detained, by the apostles of law

and order and the universal guardians of liberty. However, our hosts had even prepared for such contingencies, and those brothers so detained were very shortly dismissed upon giving the pass-word and sign of recognition.

With the memory of the 1926 convention now receding, appeals have been made to the interest and cooperation of every brother in this vicinity. The response has been immediate; already an executive committee has been formed, and the general chairmanship is held by one of Buffalo's most prominent citizens and also one of the Fraternity's most loyal members, Harry R. Templeton, N. Y. Beta '99. Western New York has the warmest confidence in Harry, who has earned the highest esteem and wide reputation as a man who puts big things across.

The weekly luncheons have been resumed and are now being held every Thursday at the Chamber of Commerce dining room. The hour is 12.30. We hope all brothers visiting in this city at that hour will try to be with us.

A recent benedict is Willard J. Magavern, N. Y. Epsilon '20, who was married to Miss Mildred McClurg. They are now at home at 29 Knox av., Buffalo.

Walter Baker, Pa. Kappa '04, has turned dirt farmer, having purchased a 10-acre farm near East Aurora, N. Y., although he is still actively connected with the Turner Construction Co. in the capacity of purchasing agent.

John Barnes, N. Y. Epsilon '25, is now catching for the Buffalo baseball team in the International League. His record to date has been excellent and brothers watching him have every confidence that he will be returned to the big leagues.

John N. Garver, Ohio Alpha '16, after spending the winter in Florida as manager of the Better Business Bureau, has resigned to accept a position with the Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. of Buffalo as assistant secretary in charge of advertising and publicity. At present his address is the Buffalo Athletic Club.

Coming as a new resident of Buffalo, Charlie Radigan, N. Y. Beta '24, has been of immense value to the other Syracuse brethren in this association who needed greater numbers to combat the very disturbing influence of the Colgate delegation who very nearly control association opinion by reason of their majority membership.

Another brother, receiving the hearty congratulations of all knowing him, is Vic Swenson, Pa. Gamma '11, who was married on June 30th to Miss Anne Fleischman of Buffalo. Vic and his bride are living at 64 Tremaine st., Kenmore, N. Y. Bro. Swenson is connected with the Ontario Biscuit Co., which is owned and operated by our good brother, Harry Templeton.

The 1906 class of New York Epsilon may well be proud in hearing of the election of Walter C. Newcomb to the presidency of the Buffalo Fly Casting Association. A familiar sight is Walter practising his art in true Izaak Walton style at the old mill pond in Delaware Park.

Bob Zehring, Pa. Iota '25, is in the general accounting department of the Pratt & Letchworth Co. of Buffalo. His residence address is 327 W. Ferry st.

Phi Psis in Niagara Falls have been quick to respond in offering cooperation for the work connected with the 1928 G. A. C. program and are cordially invited to attend the weekly luncheons now being held in Buffalo.

Detailed plans of the next G. A. C. will be disclosed in subsequent letters to **THE SHIELD**, and Western New York cordially solicits suggestions, cooperation and the friendly interest of Phi Psis everywhere.

1928 signifies the 75th anniversary of a Great Fraternity! Let's all plan now to make the G. A. C. a fitting tribute to our founders and our brotherhood.

Buffalo, N. Y.
August 18, 1926

F. E. SNYDER
Correspondent





CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE



Letters for the next issue of *THE SHIELD*, to insure publication, must reach the Editor by November 10th

FIRST DISTRICT

New Hampshire Alpha—Dartmouth College

No LETTER RECEIVED

Massachusetts Alpha—Amherst College

Rushing and preparations for the opening of college are the chief interests of the chapter at the time of writing. In two weeks the actual rushing begins, and we shall be able to discover just how effective have been the calls and letters with which we gathered "dope" on the incoming class. The next issue of *THE SHIELD* will contain a list of the pledges and their qualifications.

During August, many of the chapter thought of Mulloy, who was elected this spring to represent Amherst at Doshisha University in Japan. He left the latter part of July, and by now is established in his quarters for the next two years where he will act as a teacher and adviser to the Japanese students.

We are pleased to announce that Joseph Reeve has been elected to the student board after winning the spring competition.

The chapter has recently been overcome with a realization of its esthetic limitations, at least on the exterior. When the house was built three years ago, the interior was beautifully furnished, but there was a very noticeable bareness outside the house. It was this defect which the chapter tried to overcome by a free-for-all shrubbery planting on Memorial day. The entire chapter became landscapers, and some of the bareness was hidden. It remains to be seen whether the shrubs will last through the winter. During the vacation period, the corporation has painted the house, and there is now talk of making the ravine into a sunken garden, or "at least a tennis court" as one of the brothers remarked. With this sudden interest, we shall probably see more improvements in the future.

Amherst, Mass.
September 8, 1926

FREDERICK L. TAFT JR
Correspondent

Rhode Island Alpha—Brown University

No LETTER RECEIVED

New York Alpha—Cornell University

No LETTER RECEIVED

New York Beta—Syracuse University

With vacation over and most of the boys back to the house again, preparations are being made for the fall rushing season, which starts this week. Each is putting forth his best efforts to clean up the house and put things in shipshape order.

It is with regret that we mention the loss of Robinson and Prescott to the chapter this year. Robinson is moving to Nebraska, probably to take up law there, while Prescott, also heading westward, will study osteopathy at Chicago.

Conversation is ever turning to, "What did you do this summer?" and great interest is shown in all the stories told by different brothers. Keese and Prescott were both members of a party of six Syracuse students who joined with Professor Struthers and spent the summer on some wild isle in the Carribean Sea gathering specimens for the college museum. Many of the boys were employed at various other tasks, while a few made good use of the summer school sessions.

With the first football game of the season coming September 25th, a great deal of enthusiasm is being awakened and high hopes are held for a successful year. Carr and Frawley are both at the training camp taking in the advice of Coach Reynolds and quite certain of positions on the regular eleven. To any visiting brothers who may be in town during the fall, especially the football season, we hope they will favor us with a visit; they surely are most welcome.

Syracuse, N. Y.
September 9, 1926

FREDERICK N. MARTY
Correspondent

New York Gamma—Columbia University

A report of two members of the supervising committee of New York Gamma to the alumni association, printed this summer, read in part:

"New York Gamma has just passed a very successful year. According to an officer of the university, she was probably the best fraternity upon the campus, according to the dean of the college, among the first three. In personnel she had as fine a lot of men as could be found anywhere. In scholarship she was 6th among 21 Christian fraternities and out of 23 men in the entire university who made honorary fraternities she had four, two of whom were Phi Beta Kappa. In athletics and other activities she was well represented. In morals and general behavior there was little to criticize. In finances she did better than in the preceding year."

Probably too much has already been said about the financial burden of the modern fraternity. But here is another bit of data I would add. Last college year, New York Gamma paid out over \$6800. This amount includes no dining room expense, nor was the house open during the summer. This seems to be a case in point for those arguing against the fraternity system. Yet New York Gamma has met the challenge and is carrying the burden successfully.

Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.
September 12, 1926

E. T. BAILEY
Correspondent

New York Epsilon—Colgate University

NO LETTER RECEIVED

SECOND DISTRICT

Pennsylvania Gamma—Bucknell University

Now that our extensive rushing program has been completed, and the various college duties have called the brothers into diversified lines of activity, we feel sure that the just rewards of cooperation cannot be denied Pennsylvania Gamma this year. We firmly believe that "to the victor belong the spoils," and are therefore proud to boast the most successful and even unprecedented rushing season in our history.

We are pleased to introduce to the Fraternity the following as pledges: Marlin Stephens, Johnstown, Pa.; Lee Wilson, Harrisburg, Pa.; William Leisher, Greenville, Pa.; Charles Stanbaugh, Lewistown, Pa.; Alvin Williams, Camden, N. J.; Winton Bennett, Bath, N. Y.; George James, Harrisburg, Pa.; Ralph Dunkle, Sistersville, W. Va.; James S. Hurlburt, Bridgeport, Conn.; Fred Moody, Youngstown, Ohio; Roy Albright, Ephrata, Pa.; E. J. Gilmore, Coatesville, Pa.; E. Woerner, Newark, N. J.; Richard Clark, Iilon, N. Y.; Ralph Keller, Quakertown, Pa.

In athletics, the varsity this year claims four Phi Psis: William Stephens, Vernon Tuck, Albert Bihl and James Hulick, Stephens being captain. The spirit of the freshmen is already manifest in that they are representing Pennsylvania Gamma admirably in various activities. On the freshman squad we are represented by Woerner, Clark, Stephens, Albright and James, all of whom are reasonably sure of positions on the varsity in years to come. Basketball claims Hurlbert, Woerner, Wilson, Bennett, Albright, Clark and Leisner. Last but not least, Lee Wilson is president of the class of '30, and Charles Stanbaugh is vice president. All in all, the coming year looks very favorable for Pennsylvania Gamma.

The fall dance is to be held at the chapter house on October 30th, and is being looked forward to with a great deal of preparation and enthusiasm. According to the reports of the committee, in way of entertainments, it should be one of the most successful social functions of the year.

Lewisburg, Pa.

R. F. PEDEN
Correspondent

 Pennsylvania Epsilon—Gettysburg College

Only at widely separated points has the writer been able to pick up any news of the brothers, but very shortly things will open with a bang and the members of Pennsylvania Epsilon will plunge into this year's work with their usual vim and vigor.

Ivory unofficially reports a wonderful time at the G. A. C., and we are all on our toes awaiting the formal report from him, Wachob and Stover.

Football practice is called for the 15th of this month and, of course, we expect Spangler and Hall to star as usual. In addition the following brothers will be out on the gridiron: Wachob, Cockley, Hanson and Drawbaugh.

News is scarce but when Gettysburg College opens again the Phi Psis there certainly do mean to make things hum.

Gettysburg, Pa.
September 8, 1926

HENRY M. HENSEN
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Zeta—Dickinson College

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Pennsylvania Eta—Franklin and Marshall College

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Pennsylvania Theta—Lafayette College

Now that the college term is beginning to draw near, we are thinking of the reunion at the chapter house. During the summer Brooks, Fairchild and Wright were in Europe. Collins is with the commissary at the Haddon Hall. Ward has been in Florida, living at Palm Beach. Gregg has left college to enter the insurance business in Pittsburgh; we wish Jimmie every success. Dawes has transferred to Swarthmore, a loss which we will mourn along with Gregg. All the remaining men are planning to return by September 19th, at which time we will open the commissary for the reception of the incoming class.

Since the Sesquicentennial is being held in Philadelphia this fall many of the brothers will doubtless pass through Easton en route to the exposition. We hope any such will visit the chapter. You will always be welcome and your visit will be appreciated.

Cotran's fractured knee is rapidly improving. He and Marsh are with the football team at Saylor's Lake in training for our rather heavy schedule. Brinson will no doubt make the cross-country team and we will have candidates for all the assistant managerships as well as the publication boards.

Chapter elections for the fall term were held on May 12th. The newly elected officers are: G. P., E. E. Fairchild; V. G. P., Ernest Cauffiel; P., Meredith C. Hooker; A. G., Edward D. Ashcraft; B. G., Thomas W. Pomeroy; S. G., Richard Bole; Ph., R. G. Wright; H., Robert Brooks; Hi., Charles A. Godcharles; House Manager, Rabe Marsh.

The chapter scholarship has been rather low but the results of our hard work on the books should show up when the faculty posts the new scholastic standings.

The flag pole, which was a victim of the wind during the first Lehigh baseball game, has been replaced. A new section was added and placed in a concrete base, thanks to the help given us by the brothers in Easton.

Dr. John C. Crawford, Pa. Beta, our faculty adviser last year, is on a leave of absence to complete his work at the American Academy in Rome. Professor Allen will be the chapter adviser this year and we are very grateful to him for his help to the rushing committee.

M. C. Hooker and Rabe Marsh, our delegates at the G. A. C., reported Kansas City to be a truly Phi Psi town and were greatly inspired by the convention. I wish to thank the brothers in Kansas City as well as the people of the city, on behalf of the chapter for the fine treatment accorded our delegates.

Easton, Pa.
September 2, 1926

EDWARD D. ASHCRAFT
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Iota—University of Pennsylvania

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Pennsylvania Kappa—Swarthmore College

Once again we find ourselves lending our shoulders to the college wheel, initiating verdant freshmen to college customs and gleaming from the new class a fine group of pledges. Turner, Parrish, Bishop, Lippincott, Nicely, Passmore, Wagner and Ferris are now all proud wearers of the pledge button. We are also taking steps to affiliate Brother Dawes, who came to us this year from Pennsylvania Theta.

Ward, Unger, Maxwell, Clothier and Barnes are doing the honors on the football field and Brown is striving earnestly to succeed Bishop as manager. Jack Lippincott is whipping his soccer aspirants into shape, not the least of whom are Bush, R. Clothier and Wood.

Pennsylvania Kappa has quite suddenly blossomed out in a musical way. One of our alumni brothers, who does not want his name known, had an orthophonic victrola installed in the lodge this summer. In addition to this, we quite unknowingly pledged several harmoniously inclined freshmen, so now you can hear sweet strains (classical and otherwise) issuing from the lodge almost any time of the day or night. R. Clothier and Maxwell, who are caretakers this year, say that the only thing they can see to do is to major in music.

We are buckling down on the books and with six honor students we should be well up on the list at the next ratings.

Swarthmore, Pa.

THEODORE FETTER
Correspondent

Maryland Alpha—Johns Hopkins University

With the summer steadily drawing to a close, the various brothers are beginning to return from their summer vacations and prepare for the coming college year. O'Dunne and McNeal have started to work on the college paper, of which they are business manager and advertising manager, respectively. Devereux and Kegan left for training camp with the football team. Devereux is going to try to fill the vacancy left by the graduation of Brother Walker Taylor. This is going to be difficult as Taylor was captain of the team and all-state quarterback for two years.

We are glad to say that Dr. Goodnow's plan of eliminating the first two years has caused no apprehension, as the incoming freshman class is larger than last year's and the following freshman class is to be even larger than this. I think that there need be no fear of this for the present as Dr. Goodnow has promised us several years' warning and as yet no such warning has been sent out. A committee from the chapter to the dean was informed that the present generation would not live to see the change.

O'Dunne was very much elated when he was informed that his letter to THE SHIELD had won the prize. In fact, he was so elated that he donated the proceeds to the chapter. In the June issue of THE SHIELD I noticed that the letter was criticized for not containing sufficient chapter news. If I remember correctly, that particular letter was a reply to an article by an alumnus who complained that these letters, ours in particular, contained nothing but chapter news.

Kidd and Talbott have recently returned from a motor trip through the west. After the G. A. C. they went out to Oregon where they worked for a while in a lumber mill. Then they proceeded home via Yellowstone National Park and other points of interest.

When prizes and honors were being read out at Camp Meade, all four Phi Psis from Hopkins were given exceptional grades for military efficiency. This was very good as no other fraternity or college stood forth 100 per cent as did the four Phi Psis from Maryland Alpha.

Baltimore, Md.
September 7, 1926

THOMAS F. MCNEAL
Correspondent

Virginia Alpha—University of Virginia

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Virginia Beta—Washington and Lee University

NO LETTER RECEIVED

THIRD DISTRICT

Pennsylvania Alpha—Washington and Jefferson College

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Pennsylvania Beta—Allegheny College

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Pennsylvania Lambda—Pennsylvania State College

The brothers have just returned to college; the preliminary "freshman week" has begun. Rushing will begin in a few days. The house is in splendid shape from top to bottom. No pledging can be done until the early part of next week.

Freshman football practice starts today; the brothers will be on hand to view the "prospects". Many good recommendations have been received.

Today opens the drive for subscriptions to the college publications. Several brothers, stationed at various points on the campus, are trying to impress upon others the virtues and economy of a year's subscription.

There are twenty-five brothers ready and anxious to make this a big year, and the addition of some outstanding yearlings will be of great assistance.

State College, Pa.
September 9, 1926

J. RANDALL THOMAS
Correspondent

West Virginia Alpha—West Virginia University

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Ohio Alpha—Ohio Wesleyan University

Ohio Alpha will open the year with the largest number of members in the history of the chapter. In past years membership has been set at approximately twenty; this year, if the desired number of freshmen are pledged, the chapter roll will be doubled and the classes will be

unified. Also, in the past, initiation has been held on Washington's birthday at the end of the first semester. The Panhellenic Council voted to do away with this system and in the future initiation will be held after a year of pledgeship.

Phi Psi will be represented in football by Captain Ray Bowers, Gris Campbell and Bob Helwig, all lettermen. Last year, members of our freshman class were awarded ten numeral sweaters. All these men promise to receive much attention in the selection of the various varsity teams.

Paul Harlow, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident last spring, has recovered and will return to college this year.

Formal initiation was held June 7th for Edward Cawood, Harlan, Ky., and Wilbur Seiter, Cleveland, Ohio.

Delaware, Ohio
September 7, 1926

WALTER L. KYLE
Correspondent

Ohio Beta—Wittenberg College

The opening of freshman week on September 10th finds the chapter in the midst of the rushing season. Ohio Beta takes pleasure in introducing the following pledges: Gordon Root and Donald Smith, Springfield, Ohio; Arthur Trautwein, Dayton, Ohio; Harold Wilkins, Urbana, Ohio; John Rauch, Lancaster, Ohio; Howard Halderman-Brandt, Ohio. Prospective rushees give assurance of a later presentation of additional pledges. The enrolment of the freshman class is the largest in the history of the college.

Work on the new Chemistry and Academy Buildings is progressing rapidly and they will probably be ready for occupation by the opening of the second semester. The chapter house presents an entirely new appearance this fall. Exterior and interior decorating have added much to its attractiveness.

Football prospects at Wittenberg seem especially brilliant this year. After a session in training camp the squad appears in excellent condition and enthusiasm is high. Brant and Theisen will again represent Phi Psi on the team and great things are expected of Beaumont. Raff will execute the managerial duties for the team. He is the first sophomore ever to occupy this position.

The chapter is starting the year with a determination to make it a successful one for Phi Psi.

Springfield, Ohio
September 10, 1926

EARL P. SCHNEIDER
Correspondent

Ohio Delta—Ohio State University

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Ohio Epsilon—Case School of Applied Science

We come to that famous old song, "The Last Rose of Summer"; in other words, vacation time is over and school has begun. We shall be forced to give up the dances, picnics, beach parties, and good times. Another month and the old golf clubs will play hide and seek in the dust of some back room and we will climb into the heavy sheepskins and high boots. Still, we are rewarded by seeing old pals and some new faces and listening to the various experiences of the brothers.

We welcome the return of G. W. Upp and W. R. Gray, both having been absent from school the past year.

The new Mechanical building is nearing completion and will be ready to use about midsemester. The men in other courses envy them, but with the extensive building program mapped out for Case, others will have new homes in the near future.

The chapter house has been full all summer with a few resident brothers and many guests. In fact, Ohio Epsilon has seen more brothers from other chapters this summer than ever before. We are glad they came and they are always welcome, the more the merrier. It keeps up the old Phi Psi spirit.

The rushing season has been very good. Ohio Epsilon has gathered into her folds much material which will be Phi Psi material in a short time. The reunion party was held September 18th, and we will let the neighbors tell you how jolly it was.

Coach Fletcher has plenty of new material for football this fall and, with the week before school started as an extra tough workout, the boys are in fine shape and are just ready to eat their opponents, bone and all.

We wish every organization of Phi Kappa Psi a very prosperous year. We have a full set of dishes and the knives and forks are in abundance, to say nothing of the cook's ability. Any brother passing our way is invited to drop in on us, and we will try to surpass the old southern style; you'll feel at home. Our address is 2114 Stearns road; ask the nearest policeman.

Cleveland, Ohio

September 7, 1926

H. A. GRUNDLER

Correspondent

FOURTH DISTRICT

Michigan Alpha—University of Michigan

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Indiana Alpha—DePauw University

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Indiana Beta—University of Indiana

Well, the brethren have returned to the fold but such a fold! Following the all-summer sojourn of a battalion of masons, carpenters, plumbers, painters, etc., the old mansion looks like a young cyclone had made a square hit of it, or, rather, the house did look that way before order was restored by the united efforts of all the returned men, regardless of rating. Liberal applications of elbow grease, smeared on with a will by senior, junior and sophomore, have now made the house presentable, showing off to advantage the many improvements made this summer.

From the four corners of the earth almost, the brothers have hastened back to a happy reunion, bringing plans and suggestions to make this one of Indiana Beta's greatest years. From varied occupations during the summer the men have returned with a common purpose swaying each and that common purpose to bring to Phi Psi the cream of the freshmen on the campus. With rush just starting, three men have donned the pledge button already and prospects are rosy for obtaining several more good men. In the next issue of THE SHIELD we hope to be able to announce the pledging of one of the strongest and most representative classes ever taken.

Notwithstanding the fact that new organization houses, both fraternity and sorority, are springing up like toadstools about the campus, the chapter house continues to be one of the most imposing of them all. The summer improvements mentioned before have put the house in good shape inside and out. All the outside woodwork was painted a dark green, a more serviceable color than the white of former times. Improvements in the kitchen include the installation of an electric refrigerator, which stops a huge ice bill and lightens the cook's worries. All the study rooms have been retinted and the woodwork has been refinished, following the addition of closets to each. The tilework of the roof has been repaired and the masonry repointed. The drive has been paved and a retaining wall built at one end.

John Stempel has returned to Bloomington and will make his home here this year. He will be an instructor in advertising.

Other than the loss of the seniors, which cannot be avoided, the chapter has suffered from the withdrawal of only two men. Berget Blockson will enter the University of Michigan this fall, while Fred Ballweg will not be back until the second semester. Russel Clift, formerly of Swarthmore, will enter the university this fall.

With four grid games of interest to be played here during the season, we expect a large number of old grads back, as well as visiting brothers from other chapters. We urge you all to make 1022 East Third street your headquarters and home while you are here. You will find that the old-time Phi Psi spirit of true brotherhood prevails.

Bloomington, Ind.
September 9, 1926

H. DIXON TRUEBLOOD
Correspondent

Indiana Delta—Purdue University

Knee deep in rush and head over heels in a new, unfurnished home—the way we started our new year. The house is finished throughout, but, with exception of the lounge room in the basement, lacks any interior decorations or furnishings. Brothers were all supposed to be back at 6 o'clock on September 7th, and, at time of writing, only two actives have not returned.

There is much keen competition in rush this fall, but we feel that when the actual college work begins, we can boast of a superior freshman class. The university's new system of initiating all freshmen to customs and regulations of the university and campus, with a week's time spent in lectures by prominent faculty members, makes it rather irregular, so far as keeping the rushees in the house. Indiana Delta has pledged several men thus far, but a complete list will be presented in the next issue.

Our new kitchen is uniquely set off with out old cook, Mrs. Russel, and Charley Croom. There was discussion on having all outside help in the dining room but this plan was finally abandoned, and such places were reserved for athletes needing help.

We were surprised to learn, per university schedule, that homecoming this year is to be with Wisconsin, and not the old rival, Indiana; but, notwithstanding, we sincerely hope to see many alumni back for both games, and as many other games as can be made.

West Lafayette, Ind.
September 9, 1926

JOHN F. KOEPPEN
Correspondent

Illinois Alpha—Northwestern University

Illinois Alpha Phi Psis will soon be returning to N. U. to take up another year's work for Phi Psi. Rushing begins September 12th and will continue for about two weeks. Our rushing chairman, Dave Kempf, who has spent the summer near Luther, Mich., has been working hard and we are assured of a fine freshman class this year.

The brothers have been engaged in many various activities this vacation. Paul Ware, G. P. of the chapter during the past year, has spent the summer as director of aquatics at Camp Manitowish in northern Wisconsin. Ware will enter the Northwestern Law School this fall. Charles Daly has been at the same camp as assistant physical director. Lyman Moore is working for the Michigan Transit Co. on the S. S. Manitou. Richard Ainsworth worked for Wolf & Co., public accountants, Oklahoma City. Bud Grafke and Doug Robinson enrolled in the R. O. T. C. at Fort Sheridan. Henry Bassett worked for Swift & Co., at Sioux City, Iowa. Frank Casey has been traveling in Indiana. Al Barney, who attended summer school, has gone on a geological trip to Canada for a month.

Charles Crowe of Iowa Alpha and Richard Porterfield of Illinois Delta lived at the chapter house this summer while attending summer school. Crowe worked on the new stadium and Porterfield worked for the Standard Oil Co.

Our alumni have given us a desk, two office chairs, a four-section bookcase, and a four-drawer filing cabinet, all of mahogany, to be used in a new chapter office.

The house is being thoroughly cleaned and polished and we are putting in some new furniture. With this work completed, we will have one of the best-kept and best-furnished houses on the campus.

All of us are returning with enthusiasm and we expect to make this a great year for Phi Psi at Northwestern.

Sioux City, Iowa

September 6, 1926

HENRY N. BASSETT

Correspondent

Illinois Beta—University of Chicago

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Illinois Delta—University of Illinois

Having led a secluded life from the rest of the chapter during the past three months, I cannot give the brothers of other chapters and alumni of Phi Kappa Psi much information concerning Illinois Delta and its members. Bill Donahue is expected to return to Champaign with his orchestra most any time now, after a successful tour of France since the close of college last June. Bill Kennedy, retiring G. P., celebrated his commencement by journeying to the old continent and dropping in on Brother Donahue at one of the French summer resorts. Hall Adams also felt inclined to view the battlefields of the World War and accompanied Kennedy on the trip. Hall will be back in college this year, but Bill will join his father in the insurance business in New York City.

The other brothers have been engaged in various capacities throughout the country, leaving only Eddie Shoaff, ex-Illini tennis captain, in charge of the house and all the girls in summer school. We feel sure he fulfilled the latter charge. George McEldowney informed the brothers last June that he was going to enter summer school to make up

the work he missed last winter on account of illness. We hope he was successful, as it would enable him to graduate at the end of the summer session, but we have not heard whether he did or not.

We got a letter from rushing chairman, Chuck Hall, the other day, inquiring about rushees for the coming year; which reminds us that every chapter must have a lot of rushees to be a good chapter. So we are going to congregate at old 911 about September 13th and commence the annual task of putting the house in shape to entertain the largest number of rushees in the history of Illinois Delta. According to the new rules passed by the university, which will take effect this year, all freshmen will register September 17-18, and the upperclassmen will enroll September 20-21. This means we must have ten or more pledges in the fold by the 17th, so hope us luck.

Champaign, Ill.
September 8, 1926

J. EDWARD SHAW
Correspondent

Tennessee Delta—Vanderbilt University

It is still a week and a half before Tennessee Delta finishes its vacation. We are opening our final rushing season this year nearly a week earlier than ever before. This we hope will get us some of the best freshmen entering college this year. We have prospects for a very good year and we are starting with the determination to hold those prospects as our goal.

Leland Johnston is out for an end position and is at the varsity camp. John Johnston is also at camp, as he is out for manager of the team. Duncan Milliken is out for assistant manager.

Tennessee Delta is hit hard by the loss of men that should still be with us. P. J. Langan enters Harvard, John Hanna, Southern California, and Jimmie Gallagher, Notre Dame. Glenn Doyle will also be out, due to severe illness. Even though we do have these hard losses other than by graduation, we expect to return about 20 men.

September 8, 1926

RALPH B. DANGLER
Correspondent

Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin

On September 13th members of the chapter will return to college to begin rushing under the capable direction of Dick McKee, rushing chairman. McKee has worked strenuously all summer and at this time has a likely-looking set of new men lined up for rushing. Before the return to college a big rushing party will be held in Chicago in conjunction with several other chapters of the district. Similar rushing parties are to be held in Duluth and other Phi Psi centers. Competition this fall will be stronger than ever and a strenuous period of rushing is looked for.

We regret the loss of Gordy Aller, Art Morsell, Bob Guy, William Landschulz, Frank Weeks and Felix Tomei. Aller, Landschulz and Guy were graduated in June, and to them we wish the best of luck in their life's work. Morsell, who will be inactive this year, will be back to complete his course in the law school, while "Doc" Weeks has transferred to another medical school to complete his course in medicine. Tomei, who announced his engagement at the close of college to Hortense Schurman, Kappa Alpha Theta, has left college and entered the real estate business in Chicago. John McCarter, who has been working in Europe during the summer, may not be back but may continue his work there for at least the first semester.

Football of course will be the big center of interest during the fall months. Stanley McGiveran, who played halfback on the 1924 team and who will be out in uniform again this year, will be Phi Psi's representative on the team. With the big homecoming game against Iowa on November 13th, plans will probably be made for a general chapter homecoming similar to the one held last fall at the Michigan game, when over sixty alumni returned.

Madison, Wis.

September 5, 1926

SAM H. BOYER JR

Correspondent

Wisconsin Gamma—Beloit College

September 9th found most of the men on hand to prepare for rushing, which opened with freshman day, September 12th. During an exceptionally strenuous rushing season, we pledged ten new men. These are: William Arndt, Sheboygan, Wis.; Eugene Beck, Harvey, Ill.; John A. Dupee jr, Freeport, Ill.; Clarence Goelzer, Milwaukee, Wis.; Forrest Herbert, La Crosse, Wis.; Stuart McIntyre, Chicago, Ill.; William McDonough, La Crosse, Wis.; Edward Vaughn, Danville, Ill.; Kenneth Williams, Sparta, Wis.; and Abel McAllister, '29, Morgan Park, Ill. Louis Bottino, Gardner, Ill., and Everett Dickerman, Creston, Ill., who were pledged during the second semester of last year, are with us again.

Our first informal party will be held at the house October 9th. As usual, this first dance will be a "hard times" party, and the house will be decorated to resemble an old-fashioned hotel.

Homecoming will be held October 6th, and we are preparing for a large number of alumni. There will be a football game with Lawrence, which should attract a large attendance.

As Eugene Newburg was unable to return to college the first semester, it was necessary to fill his place as V. G. P. Bernard Darling was elected to the position.

Lester Beck was recently elected to Phi Beta Kappa, being one of the three who were selected this fall. Regular elections to this group are usually held later in the second semester, but this year several students were so outstanding that earlier selections were made. Beck is also a member of the football squad, president of the Beloit Players, and G. P. of this chapter.

Beloit, Wis.

KENNETH J. DUPEE

Correspondent

Minnesota Beta—University of Minnesota

With the opening of college September 27th, activities at Minnesota Beta will again be renewed. Although we must begin the year without several fine men who were graduated in June, we are nevertheless well prepared.

Our rushing season does not begin until January, so our work along those lines is mostly in formulating plans and in putting things in shape so that when rushing does begin we will once more pledge the best class on the campus.

Kopplin and Peplaw are out for football and we know they will both make their letters. The chapter is proud of Crowley for earning his letter in track last spring in his first year of competition.

In a few days all the brothers will be returning to the chapter house, and with the publishing of this letter things will be in full swing at Minnesota Beta.

Minneapolis, Minn.

September 3, 1926

FRED BYERS

Correspondent

FIFTH DISTRICT

Iowa Alpha—University of Iowa

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Iowa Beta—Iowa State College

Although college does not begin for three weeks, the brothers are beginning to return to Iowa Beta in anticipation of a strenuous rushing season. Rushing will start in two weeks and we would appreciate it very much if any brothers would let us know about any men who are planning to enter Iowa State College during the fall quarter.

"Tiny" Kollmansperger made an unexpected visit to Ames this week, much to the surprise and pleasure of the brothers who are staying in Ames for the summer. Fay Barney and Ralph Prunty have also visited Ames several times this summer. We wish that more of the brothers would drop in and give us the once over.

Ames, Iowa
September 6, 1926

JOHN CRARY
Correspondent

Missouri Alpha—University of Missouri

At this time the chief interest of the brothers of Missouri Alpha is in rushing. After a summer scattered all through the state, and in Oklahoma and Texas, lining up rushees, the brothers will collect in Columbia about September 11th to get the house into shape to meet the new prospects. Rushing starts with first dates on September 13th. We do not care to make any predictions at this time, but we feel confident that Phi Psi will pick one of the best freshman classes on the campus this year.

During the summer Mrs. Woodward, Clem Beele, Hilary Lee, and Marshall Seibel stayed in the house, keeping it in much better condition than it has been kept in past summers. Lee was working on the new stadium, which will be completed this fall, and Seibel and Beels attended summer school. The rest of the brothers were scattered in various places: Johnnie Martin in Boonville; Dulaney, our G. P., in Slater; Board, who had charge of rushing for the summer, in Joplin; Ross at home in Tulsa, Okla.; Taylor in Sherman, Texas; Marbut in St. Louis; and other brothers scattered throughout the Middle West.

Brothers Peck, Wenkle, Paddock, Beels and Settle were graduated in June but they are expected back for rush week. The usual large delegation from the St. Louis Alumni Association will no doubt go up, with a delegation also from Kansas City and other towns.

Over half the chapter attended the G. A. C. in Kansas City and reported a large time. They were unanimous in the opinion that it was the best ever.

Brother Norton Shepard, treasurer of the house corporation, had some needed repair work done on the house during the summer.

St. Louis, Mo.
September 9, 1926

FREDERICK B. MARBUT
Correspondent

Texas Alpha—University of Texas

Texas Alpha has just started what promises to be one of the most successful years in the history of the chapter. Although few old men are back, the prospects for the future are exceptionally good.

It is with pleasure that the chapter introduces the following pledges; Theron Wilbanks, Greenville; John Jeter, Cameron; Perry Meredith, Longview; Albert Hill Smith, Crockett; Sam Harwell, Greenville; Henry Lee Borden, Houston; Carlos Wagner, Fort Worth; Ben Connally, Marlin; Griffin Cornell, Minden, La.; Gerald Scott, Brownwood; Claud Cook, Lufkin; John Dysart, Clarksville. The chapter also welcomes the return of Melvin Feagin, a pledge of 1923, after an absence of two years.

Don Mayborn of Colorado Alpha is again with us this year and has consented to affiliate with Texas Alpha. Of this we are exceedingly glad, for Mayborn has taken a great interest in the affairs of our chapter.

In the scholarship report for last year published by the university, Texas Alpha stands fourth in the list of fraternities. The three fraternities which surpassed us are locals, thus placing the chapter ahead of all other national fraternities on the campus. Of this we feel justly proud, for more than half of the national fraternities failed to make even the university average and are thus ineligible to initiate before the end of the fall term.

When we returned this year, we were welcomed into a home improved almost beyond recognition. The house has been refurbished throughout.

In college activities, Texas is well represented this year. Football season has already opened, and the prospects look fine. Irvan Ward is on the varsity squad, and on the freshman team we are represented by five pledges, Wilbanks, Meredith, Connell, Wienrich and Jeter. All of these men are showing up well. Nelson Green has been placed on the Texas cross-country team and also has fine prospects for the varsity track team. Preston Oliver is assistant manager of the football team, and Pledge Gerald Scott is assistant manager of the baseball team. Willard Perkins is the managing editor of the *Cactus*, the year book. John Cox has been elected to the *Texas Law Review*, and Preston Oglesby has been elected to Skull and Bones, a social organization. Thus we feel that we are well represented in the various activities.

Initiation was held October 9th. The new brothers now wearing the badge are Irvan Ward, Greenville; Nelson Green, Cameron; Albert Daniels, Crockett; and Robert Oglesby, Mertzon.

Austin, Texas

FRED P. HAMILL

Correspondent

Kansas Alpha—University of Kansas

After getting the usual two and one-half months' vacation, the chapter returned this fall determined to keep Kansas Alpha on top for another fifty years. Of course, not all the brothers had a vacation. The majority of us worked, or at least drew a pay check from some concern or other, while three remained for the summer session.

Before college closed last spring, Lud Grady made his "K" in track. Lud runs the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes and is also a member of the Kansas 440-yard championship relay team.

Kansas Alpha lost, through graduation last spring, eight members. These men have all proved their worth in college activities and should be able to weather the school of hard knocks with flying colors. Kansas Alpha wishes to extend to John Alden, Francis Baty, Wilferd Belgard, George Carver, Vic Matthews, Bob Meisenheimer, Ernest Robinson and Jack Thompson its wishes for the best of luck.

The chapter had a very successful rushing season and acquired a strong and large frosh class. We wish to introduce as our new pledges Mac Bascom, Hutchison; Ralph Wallace, Larned; Wilferd Okerburg, Newton; Charles McCurdy, San Diego, Cal.; Tom Woodard, Topeka; Hubert Floersh, Topeka; Lawrence Olson, Atchison; Howard Nash, Guyman, Okla.; Orville Nash, Guyman, Okla.; Lloyd Wheeler, Kansas City, Mo.; Kenneth Duncan, Kansas City, Mo.; Lyle Gibbon, Lawrence; Bob Grimes, Kansas City, Mo.; Bob Young, Lawrence; Ed Lodge, Eureka; Van White, Seattle, Wash.; Ed Ash, Kansas City, Kan. These men started the year right by all going into some activity or other on the hill. Howard and Orville Nash are members of the Kansas band, Lawrence Olson made the dramatic club, and several of the pledges are out for frosh football. Bob Young made the college orchestra.

With football started, Kansas Alpha has seven men on the squad, Wilbur Starr, Frank Taylor, Joe Wellman and Barrett Hamilton being letter men. The three others, Harold Hauser, Herbert Hadley and Stan Lindley, are showing up well and should earn their letters this fall. The Kansas team is exceptionally strong this fall and should be with the leaders of the Missouri Valley, if not on top, when the season closes.

As a whole the chapter is very active, with members in the professional and honorary societies, in the journalism department and out for minor sports.

The chapter entertained the new pledges with a party on September 25th. We plan to hold a homecoming party October 23d, and hope many members of Nebraska Alpha will be present.

All Phi Psis are cordially invited to visit Kansas Alpha at any time. We are very glad to have members of other chapters stop at the house when they are in Lawrence.

Lawrence, Kan.

F. RAYMOND WHEELER

Correspondent

Nebraska Alpha—University of Nebraska

Nebraska Alpha has started this year with a very successful rush-week and we take great pleasure in announcing the pledging of Robert Britton, Edward Cahow, Joshua Cox, Hunt Davis, Byron Francis, George Haecker, George Martin, Charles Martin, Marshal Pitzer, Edward Radzuweit, George Ray, LeRoy Snyder, Herbert Spencer, Harold Swenson, Charles Swett, Herbert Tanner, Douglas Timmerman, Hugh Tolland, Richard Tagg, Keith Walker, Joe Wells and Collins Weston.

On October 2d, in the game with Drake, Nebraska had a chance and did show the powerful material it has for football this year. And in the game with Missouri Nebraska showed her strength but was not so fortunate as to come out with the long end of the score as she did in the Drake game. Elmer Holm played his first varsity game against Drake and proved his worth as a backfield man and repeated in the game with Missouri. Joe Hunt and Joe Reeves are out for their first year on the varsity but were not so fortunate as to get into either game. George Ray and Keith Walker are our two promising candidates for the team next year and are out every night plugging away at the old grind with the yearlings.

In publications this year we have Victor Haeckler as editor of the *Daily Nebraskan*, a student paper; Arthur Sweet is assistant managing

editor and T. Simpson Morton is business manager of the same. Joe Hunt is editor of the student directory, that is put out under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. Wilbur Mead and LeRoy Snyder are on the staff of the directory. Emerson Mead is editor of an engineer publication called the *Blue Torch*.

Douglas Timmerman was recently elected and initiated into Green Goblins, honorary organization for freshmen.

Lincoln, Neb.

HORACE V. NOLUND
Correspondent

Oklahoma Alpha—University of Oklahoma

As college does not open until September 20th, we cannot be sure of the number of men who will return, but expect most of those who were not graduated and a few who were not in college last year.

Prospects for rushees seem very promising and Oklahoma Alpha looks forward to a banner freshman class this fall.

Work on our new house is progressing in fine shape, and if such good progress continues we should be living in it by November 1st.

Oklahoma Alpha will endeavor to do its utmost to put Phi Psi on top of the list in scholarship this fall, as well as in the numerous activities on the campus. Everyone realizes the value of scholarship, so, with this in mind, results should follow.

It is hoped that a large number of alumni will be in Norman this fall for the football games and especially the homecoming contest, which is November 6th. When any brothers from other chapters are in Norman or close by, we shall be only too glad to have you visit us. Whether you stay a day or a month, there is always a warm welcome for you.

We extend to the chapters our heartiest wishes for a most successful year.

Norman, Okla.
September 7, 1926

JOSEPH L. MYERS
Correspondent

Colorado Alpha—University of Colorado

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Washington Alpha—University of Washington

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Oregon Alpha—University of Oregon

September 10th is usually a nemesis for the chapter correspondent, especially when his chapter is at a university whose opening is two weeks hence, to be exact, September 27th. The boys are still working at their summer jobs or lolling around the beaches, drawing rooms, or what not, depending on their respective financial situations, the point being that they are all hidden safely away until suddenly, on the date set to be back for rush week, they descend like a swarm of bees into the old chapter house, seemingly out of a clear sky like a spring shower. Then a week of severest trials, disappointments and pleasures follows.

First of all, thanks to the Oregon Alumni Association and many of the Phi Psi parents, the entire lower floor of the chapter house, excluding the dining room and kitchen, has been completely refinished from floor to ceiling. New carpets, draperies and furniture have been added, and all are of the best, both in quality and design, as no expense has been spared to bring about the most desirable results to be obtained. Philip T. Bergh, who has been in charge of the chapter house all summer, has supervised all this work, as well as many improvements in the study rooms, baths and halls in the upper part of the house which the chapter is doing itself along with the improving of the lower part of the house by the alumni association. Many improvements have been made in the yard during the summer in the way of lawn, walks and shrubbery, which have added a great deal in making the Phi Kappa Psi house one of the most beautiful and homiest places on the campus.

It is needless to say that this is going to help Oregon Alpha a great deal in putting over a successful rush week, September 17th to 24th. The brothers have all been working very hard on rushing this summer and from all reports prospects are favorable for obtaining a very fine group of pledges. There will be a big Phi Psi dance in Portland the week-end before rush week starts at the university, for all our Portland rushees, which will go a long way toward helping Oregon Alpha when the big week starts.

One of the biggest honors that can be given to a man on the Oregon campus in the way of activities is homecoming chairman. Philip T. Bergh is the man to receive the honor this year, having been appointed by the Student Body president. The position holds an unusually high place this year as a tribute to executive ability, as homecoming, which comes the week-end of October 22-23, is at the close of the semicentennial celebration of the University of Oregon, October 16-23. The homecoming chairmanship will place Bergh in charge of appointing and directing the biggest student body committee of the year. The work will entail all the publicity of homecoming to the alumni and students, the actual homecoming celebration, which includes a monstrous rally and bonfire, campus luncheon, alumni entertainment, football game, dances, and similar other big tasks. The homecoming game this year will be with Stanford, which will shatter all attendance records for such an event in the state.

Bergh has been prominent in activities and scholastic endeavors during his three years on the Oregon campus and this appointment comes as a fitting culmination of all his past work and loyal service to his university. He is a member of the following honorary fraternities on the campus: Beta Gamma Sigma, national scholastic commerce; Hammer and Coffin, national humorist; Pan Zenia, national foreign trade; To-Ko-Lo, campus sophomore; and Alpha Kappa Psi, national commerce, of which he was president last year. He was on the football squad and art editor of the *Oregana*, university yearbook, his freshman year. He was at the head of the junior prom last spring and one of the five men on the junior week-end directorate. Besides these prominent campus activities, he has maintained a scholastic average of about 1.2, equivalent to about 98 average in grades during his three years of college; he has been house manager for the past two terms and will continue in that capacity for the next term; also we might add that he is earning his entire way through the university and also managed to make a trip to the Orient last summer by working his way on a ship, taking it as an aid to his study of foreign trade.

The semicentennial commemoration of the University of Oregon, October 16-13, will be the biggest event that has ever taken place at the university and we might say one of the biggest events that has

taken place at any university in this country. The event will bring to the state hundreds of representatives of educational institutions from all over the world. On October 19, 20 and 21 educational conferences designed to focus public attention upon various fields of the university's work will be held. There will be concerts, recitations, dances, banquets and informal gatherings, for which elaborate preparations are being made. At this time the inauguration of Oregon's new president, Arnold Bennett Hall, will take place. The cornerstone of the new Fine Arts Building will be laid, the building being erected in memory of the late President Lucian Campbell. A memorial ceremony will also take place in honor of President John W. Johnson, the first president of the university. The celebration will culminate in homecoming on October 22-23, which will give all the alumni of the university a chance to partake.

The faculty has been working on the plans for this big semicentennial commemoration since the first of the year to make it the big success it is going to be. The Greater Oregon Committee, composed of students of the university appointed at the close of every school year to talk with every high school graduate in the state about the University of Oregon, has also taken on its shoulders this summer to help in the publicity about the semicentennial. Donald McCook, Jack Hempstead and James Manning are on the directorate of eleven that is handling this work. Hempstead has also been broadcasting from KGW. Hempstead delivered his oration, "Shadows of Truth," with which he won second prize in the State Universities oratorical contest last spring.

Before closing, we must mention Oregon's football prospects for the coming year; football is in the blood of every undergraduate now and is getting thicker as the season approaches, so it certainly would be an error to overlook it. Oregon's prospects are brighter than they have been since Hugo Bezdec left Oregon and went to Penn State. The reason for this is that we have John J. McKewan, of West Point, as our coach for the next five years and Oregon is expecting big things from him. Albert Sinclair will captain Oregon's team this fall, and not only because he is Oregon Alpha's first football captain but because he is "Al" to all the boys, the brothers can think of nothing but football.

Eugene, Ore.
September 7, 1926

JAMES W. MANNING
Correspondent

California Beta—Leland Stanford University

NO LETTER RECEIVED

California Gamma—University of California

The house opened for the fall rushing on August 9th. Sophomore pledges were kept busy cleaning and keeping the house in order while the upperclassmen were staging a hard-fought game of nugget gathering. "Bones" Cantley, as chairman of the rushing committee, directed the activities with all the vigor of a Napoleon. He was out making a name for himself and he not only did it but was instrumental in helping us to obtain twelve fine boys. Both the San Francisco and Southern California Alumni Associations were a big help to us in obtaining men for our approval. Brothers Meserve, Bequette and Sedgwick made a special journey from the South to lend us their assistance.

Our pledges are twelve in number and 100 per cent in ambition, so far. They are as follows: Morrey Stimson, Gilbert Brown, Harold McNee, Emmett Sullivan, Warren Shultz, James Logan, Jake Murray, John Rust, Wallace Sedgwick, Merrill Reynolds, Norman Donant and Thomas Coakley.

By way of introducing our new class to the campus we have seen to it that eight frosh are out every afternoon striving hard for a position on the freshman football squad. Three others are trying out for a chance to pull oars with the freshman crew.

California Gamma gave the night of August 27th over to the light fantastic and terpsichorean maneuvers. The dance was informal and served to introduce the yearlings to a choice few of the fair sex in and about college. With "Web" Webster booming things up and acting as master of ceremonies, the evening was a very successful one.

During the summer the Mothers' Club purchased a new dining room table for us and furnished the house with new drapes and curtains. Things around here look as near homelike as it is possible to make them; thanks to the Mothers' Club.

Five sophomores, pledges of last semester, will be initiated before this issue goes to press. They are as follows: Alexander Murray of Long Beach, Walter Lawrence of Pasadena, Richard Gray of San Francisco, and Robert Nittenger of Santa Monica. A formal initiation will be held September 12th. We are counting on a good representation of alumni.

Interclass football has started and with it a little friendly rivalry has sprung up in the house. Neal Duckles is playing at tackle for the seniors, while Fred Coltrin and Dennie Evans are coaching the juniors. Evans and Coltrin will probably be playing on the varsity squad by the time you read this. Coltrin plays tackle and Evans is working hard for a steady position at quarter.

Walt Lawrence is out for sophomore football manager and as a consequence he is getting a good line on all the class teams. Bob Gray is working out as a sophomore tennis manager under the guidance of Ted Burnett, who made his junior appointment last year. Bob Nittenger has been doing his duty as a sophomore crew manager and reports that the job is good for at least one year of hard labor.

We have now twenty-six men living in the house and nine outside men. With such a large crew we should go booming through the year.

Berkeley, Cal.

September 4, 1926

ROSS E. LANG

Correspondent

Obituary

James T. Lester, Miss. Alpha '57

James Todd Lester, a charter member of Mississippi Alpha established in 1857, died in Jackson, Miss., July 2, 1926, aged 86 years. Brother Lester at the time of his death was the oldest resident of the city of Jackson, where he had lived continuously for the past 76 years. He enlisted in the Confederate Army at the outbreak of the Civil War and served until the end of the war in 1865, having been promoted to the rank of captain. Some years ago he was the nominee of the Socialist party for governor of the state.

William G. Raymond, Kar. Alpha '78

William Galt Raymond, Kan. Alpha '78, dean of the School of Applied Science at Iowa University, died June 17th at the age of 67 years, leaving behind him a record of useful service equalled by few men. Bro. Raymond's life work took him into the field of practical engineering and at one time he was in charge of mountain location for one railway and later in charge of construction on another. He was chiefly interested in engineering education, however, and with the exception of three years' engagement in practical work (1890-93), he was identified regularly with school work from 1884 to the time of his death. He was a recognized authority on public utilities problems and his writings on that subject have been read widely by engineers. In the societies of his profession he was a leader. In his home and civic life he was an active, benevolent and greatly loved character.

Bro. Raymond entered the University of Kansas in 1877 and after taking three years' work left to enter the employ of the Union Pacific Railway. After two years of service for that company he entered Washington University and was graduated there in 1884. From that year until 1890 he was an instructor in the University of California, at which time he left to do mountain location work for the Santa Fe Railway. In two years he was given the job of building the Troy and New England Electric Railway and, that being completed, he was called to act as chief engineer for the Troy, N. Y., water works. The fall of 1893 found him taking up educational work again, this time as professor of geodesy at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. After eleven years' service there, Iowa University made him professor of civil engineering in 1904 and the following year placed him in the position as

dean of the School of Applied Science. He remained in that office until his death.

At his death the deans of the schools of engineering of the Universities of Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa were appointed by the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education as a committee to draft a resolution concerning Dean Raymond, which resolution was adopted by the society.

Albert Y. Woodward, Miss. Alpha '99

Albert Y. Woodward, Miss. Alpha '99, died at his home in Louisville, Miss., February 6, 1925. At the time of his death Brother Woodward was a member of the House of Representatives of Mississippi from Winston county. His widow, Mrs. Ellen S. Woodward, was elected to fill his unexpired term in the Legislature, and was a member of the committee on universities and colleges, and supported the bill which repealed the ban against fraternities in the state of Mississippi.





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RAYMOND A. JACKSON, Minn. Beta '96

Who reentered college after twenty-five years of business life, and relates his impressions in a most interesting article in this issue.



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College at Forty-five

RAYMOND A. JACKSON, Minn. Beta '96, Contributor

IT is perhaps natural that a man who returns to college after twenty-five years of business life should be more impressed by that which is new in modern education than is the undergraduate of the present day. His memory of the educational methods of his own time survives, and with these, there is an unconscious and involuntary comparison with those of the present. Added to this is the result of twenty-five years of experience in the world of practical affairs and the unconscious development of the faculty of discerning the useful and necessary and separating them from the superfluous and unimportant.

My experience of a year in the university after twenty-five years of business life was not a disappointment. I got from it all that I expected to get, but in getting it I had to use the faculty of discernment and selection. I could not have gotten it by accepting everything that was offered to me. Perhaps this is true of all education but I mention it to dispel the impression which might be gained from reading this that some of the things I have to say of modern education proceed from the disillusionment of a man of forty-five who returned to college in the vain hope of reclaiming his youth. I was prepared to find things as I found them and there was no friction in making the adjustments between age and youth.

The highest desideratum of education should be to teach to do. Why learning and doing are classified as separate activities is somewhat of a mystery. The ideal education

would be to learn by doing. Schools seem to be the best places thus far devised by man in which to give youth the preparation for life which must precede life itself. The place in which this preparation is made should reproduce as nearly as possible the conditions of the place for which the preparation is made. Such a preparation would obviously make the transition from the one place to the other easier and it would also shorten the apprenticeship after the transition. There should be a conception and understanding of what life in its broadest meaning requires of men and an adaptation of the things taught in the place of preparation to those requirements. After the transition from learning to doing one should not find himself in a new and strange world in which much of what he has learned is useless and must be replaced by a new stock of knowledge laboriously acquired. The transition should not be change but continuation.

In other words, our teaching and learning should end in the ability to do. That much of it does not thus end is alike the conclusion of many observers and the experience of a majority of those who are yearly making the transition from college life to real life. Too much of what has been laboriously learned is never used and much of what is needed to get on successfully is left to be acquired in the new environment for the first time. Much of our learning and teaching does not end in doing, nor in the ability to do.

Just why this is true is one of the things I have tried hardest to discover in a belated return to college. As an employer I have seen many young men well educated in school and college fail in industry. However long and arduous their education, it had apparently lacked what would acquaint them with the forces which they would encounter later on in a life of work. These new forces they met with a bewilderment which ended in a retreat; they seemed not to be willing to pay the price of success.

Before any great thing can be done there must exist somewhere the desire to do it. Teaching to end in doing must create or develop that desire, it must quicken and inspire it.

My conclusion after a year in the lecture halls of a modern university is that much of our teaching and learning does not end in doing because it has first failed to produce any desire to do. If I were asked what feature of modern teaching has impressed me most I would say that it is its utter lack of inspirational quality.

In the tile mosaic of the Blake Room in the Tait Gallery, London, is a reproduction of one of the mottos from the poet's great work, "The Marriage of Heaven and Hell." "The cistern contains — but the fountain overflows."

After a year of modern education I feel that it is overwhelmingly addressed to the cistern type of mind. I tremble for the effect on those rare and God-sent fountain minds which find their way into the modern educational curriculum.

I have a friend who had in his garden a beautiful little lake. This lake was clear and cold as its source was in the springs which flowed into it from the bottom. Thinking to accelerate the flow of these springs and thus enlarge his lake, my friend undertook an expensive dredging project. This ended in the sad result of blocking the springs which have never resumed their flow. Instead of a spring-fed lake he now has a stagnant pool—instead of a fountain—a cistern. I fear that the effect of modern education upon a fountain mind would be comparable to this.

Were not the experiences of such as Byron and Shelley examples of the revolt of the fountain mind at the attempt of prescription and curriculum to convert them into cisterns? But how many such minds succumb to the process instead of rebelling against it? How many fountains cease their flow, content to become cisterns?

The next feature of modern education which has impressed me most is its quantity. Torrent hardly describes it, as a rushing stream passes through confined between its banks. Rather is this an inundation submerging everything. Each professor regards his subject as the most important in the curriculum. Each is a competitor for the undergraduate's time, not only in the overwhelming mass

of material offered in his lectures, but also in the collateral reading he assigns which would occupy a student's entire time if there were no other reading whatever to be done. I have heard a professor of political economy ask an undergraduate of twenty-one whether he had read the complete works of David Ricardo and follow that question with another—whether he had read the works of Adam Smith. The technique of modern teaching seems not so much designed to draw out some individual thought or expression from the student as to tell him what someone else has said or thought about the subject; to suppress the current of initiative thought and to convert the mind into a storehouse for the opinions of others; to depend upon the cisterns of memory instead of upon the fountains of mind. There is too little encouragement of resourcefulness and inventiveness. No statement is safe without the authority for it—what does Mr. So-and-So say about it in his book? Too rarely is the undergraduate asked “What do *you* think about it yourself?” — “What would *you* do?”

This is the academic atmosphere in which original thought is stifled and individuality and initiative destroyed. There is no free play of the mind. Groping through a paralytic effort of memory the young man tries desperately to remember what the learned Mr. So-and-So said about it, instead of thinking out a conclusion for himself.

Thus is formed the habit of depending overmuch on books. A professor I knew entertained me with a narrative of wrens nesting in a tree in his garden. I asked him whether Mr. and Mrs. Wren left the nest at the same time. He hesitated; “I must look that up,” he said. His habit of depending on the authority of books led him involuntarily to confess his preference for that authority to his own observation. Such methods breed a timidity of thought and an enervation of courage. Every reform, every revolution, every innovation, was in the beginning led by one who lacked precedent, who had no authority for his conviction save reason and conscience. It is all right to know one's authorities and references, but to fear to ex-

press a conviction for want of them is to make a coward of the mind.

I have seen the same methods at work in the teaching of literature. From the cafeteria of time their intellectual trays are loaded, and a bite hastily snatched from every dish. The quantity is so vast that all that can be done is to taste. There is no regard for the mental and spiritual limitations of possession which exist just as truly as the limitations of the content of the human stomach. How would a mind like Lincoln's with its mastery of three great books survive such treatment? Isn't it better to eat bread and milk and get the good of it?

Most of the professors I have met do not read for inspiration in literature. They do not seek a stimulus, an uplift, or the material for a philosophy of life. To their students they do not point to literature as a source of consolation in life's bitterness, or a staff on which to lean their weight in a time of adversity. Literature is read and studied as another specimen. They read everything lest there should be something they have not read which would be a failure of their scholarship. Literature is approached as though it were written for the critics and not for humanity. A beautiful poem is captured—a needle thrust through its now perfectly dead body, it is studied for form and technique—put into a glass case and labelled with its Latin name. Its lustrous wings will beat no more.

I have listened for hours to what the critics say about the great poets, story tellers, and dramatists, but seldom to a sympathetic interpretation of what the great ones have said for themselves. Education is more to the end that one may talk glibly and superficially and critically of the masterpieces than that he should know the spiritual content of these masterpieces. There is a greater facility in telling what the critics have said about an author than in knowing what the author has said for himself. There is more of looking for the fault, the defect, the shortcoming, than for the inspiration and the content of faith in literature. There is no intimation that in a few good books a man may make the friends of a lifetime—and in them find

the source of the impetus which keeps him going when everything else seems to say stop. There is none of the talk of books as from men who have loved them and found them to be genuine helps over the hard spots of life's journey. Most of the men I have met who are teaching literature today do not accept books after this manner, nor do they undertake to impart to those who sit in their lectures an adequate conception of the uses to which books and literature can be put in the affairs of life. Professors set the example and teach others to read in the same way that they do. Books—many books—hundreds of books are tasted; cisterns are filled, they run over with things forgotten.

Where is there a creation of the desire to do something in all of this? Be cold, be more cold, be too cold. Let nothing move us; let scholarship and equanimity prevail. I have heard a learned don read even as immortal a thing as Collins' "Ode to the Brave," in a dead monotone, with so little interest in it himself that he could not possibly have imparted any to anyone else. Their reading is the pumping out of the cistern; not the sparkling rush of the fountain. Can such blasé boredom inspire in youth an attempt to try something for himself? Is there any appeal to the growing feeling that perhaps he can do something worthwhile?

There comes to mind a professor of my own time of blessed memory—the memory of an hour spent while he pictured the wealth of the material in the history of my native state for a great romance of western American pioneer life. Then when he had finished he came round in front of his desk "And," he said, "there is no reason why that story should not come out of this class." Well, it hasn't come yet, but there are those who have tried it and that's something.

I have heard no such appeal as that this past year.

No doubt somewhere there are still great teachers who breathe life into their subjects. Someone has written that there are two classes of mankind; those who make history, and those who write it. There is a third class; those who

inspire the great ones to make history. For most of the strong, successful men I know, in enumerating the forces which have carried them on and the influences which in their youth fixed their ideals and ambitions, after paying their tribute to a mother or a father have had something to say about some great teacher who touched the spark of intellectual awakening at a critical time in their lives.

Another day comes back in memory when that same professor who appealed to his class for a great story of our native state, was reading from "The Ring and the Book." Suddenly overcome he exclaimed, "I can go no further," and disappeared through the door behind him. It was not defeat; it was not even failure, for we, knowing what manner of man he was, were by his example impelled to search the scripture for the content which had so deeply moved him, knowing that if we failed to find it we would be prevented by a limitation of our own, and not of the text.

And now still another scene is recalled. A teacher whose eager face shone like a burning torch prefaced her reading of the great scene between Macbeth and Lady Macbeth with the exclamation "Listen to this, it is five minutes of pure genius." I dare say that no one who was there has ever forgotten that incident, or the passage itself.

I have recently attended a course of lectures on Shakespeare, but I heard but little of Shakespeare read. There was much of what the critics have said about Shakespeare, but the few passages which were read were offered with the same interest and expression as one would read the label on a package of Battle Creek bran and with about the same effect on those who heard them. Shakespeare himself was relegated to a position secondary in importance to the things which the critics had said about him. Evidence of his laziness, anachronisms in the text, what became of the fool in *King Lear*, and a few geographical blunders were seized upon as opportunities for the perspicacity of the critical mind and the genius of the world's greatest poet thus subordinated to the performance of the critics in catching him in a few inconsequential errors. As if the best way were not to strip him of criticism, commentaries

and concordance and dig into the solid gold of Shakespeare himself—pouring out the glittering yellow metal every time one sinks his shovel into those rich treasures. Critics and commentaries afterward, yes; but Shakespeare first, always Shakespeare first.

Now there is no doubt about the scholarship of the teaching profession. They have learning, but it takes more than learning to impart learning. It takes the precious quality of enthusiasm. There is too perfunctory an appeal to the intellect and too little appeal to the imagination. The appeal is too often impersonal and indifferent.

Oliver Cromwell was once Chancellor of Oxford University and had something to say about education in his fifth speech to the House of Commons. His commission for the approval of ministers of the Gospel was at work and for their consideration the Protector offered them this, "God hath for the ministry a very great seed in the youth now in the universities who instead of studying books study their own hearts." The heart and the imagination can never be left out of education if education is to be truly a preparation for life.

In my business life I have talked to salesmen at their weekly meetings when the energy and enthusiasm for the next week's sales had to be generated. Enthusiasm is contagious, but it cannot be caught from a man who hasn't got it and neither can he communicate it. I know that the boredom, the monotony of the college classroom would never ignite a staff of salesmen or recharge their depleted batteries for the strife and competition of another week's work. It takes enthusiasm to make such a group of men eager for Monday morning. It takes the same dynamic quality in the classroom to make youth eager for the effort of life. The teacher must believe in himself and his subject. He must believe it is important and live his conviction. He must teach with enthusiasm and inspiration or youth will never catch from him the urge to try something for himself and do the best he can with it. A dull subject can be taught as living truth. There is too much restraint, indifference and fear. Is there so much danger then in

abandoning the dead level of convention, even at the risk of a little emotion in the classroom?

I am aware of the attitude of faculties of robes and degrees toward the teacher who dares the reputation of injecting enthusiasm and inspiration into his lectures. He is under the grave suspicion of substituting something for learning—the inference seems to be that if he was of high scholarship he would need nothing more than abstract learning on which to base his appeal. Such a contention has its place where speaker and audience meet as equals in learning—at the Romanes lectures or before the Sorbonne, but the undergraduate is of different stuff. He needs something more than abstract learning—he needs the ingredients of life. Those out in the world beyond the day of degrees know that he will need courage, hope, and contagious enthusiasm if he is to come off victorious in his grip with the forces of that world and here in his preparation he should be getting these things.

We have approached the ultimate in education but we have not arrived. There is still too much of the book in it and too little of the heart and the hand. A turn to the right has been made in those institutions which combine the learning of a trade with the study of books. Here the natural desire for action can express itself; there is better balance in the joint activities of mind and hand. Instead of cramming in preparation for a dread examination there is a truer preparation for the work of after life, when every day is examination day.

The best education—the right education would stimulate and accelerate the flow of the fountain mind into its highest possibilities. It would not demand the authority for every thought and statement as though everything worthwhile had already been expressed and is to be found in the books. It would not send the “educated” out into a world bewildered—groping for some place where he could use his vast store of knowledge but into a world of vast and wonderful opportunities for the use of that most perfect instrument yet given to man—his mind.

Stars of an Earlier Day

BY publication in its September number of a picture of the Kansas Alpha Chapter of 1879, the Graduate Magazine of the University of Kansas called attention to the rather remarkable personnel of that chapter, as proved by the records later made by its members. An article accompanying the picture said:

“The group shown is the annual picture of one of the Greek-letter fraternities, Phi Kappa Psi, taken in one of the very early 80’s. So many of the individuals have become outstanding in the world after leaving school that the picture should prove interesting to many K. U. alumni.

“The alumni office does not have the record of the first man, Modine. The next one, Spangler, became acting chancellor of the university on two different occasions; Sterling has been for more than forty years and still is a professor of Greek in the university; Davidson was at one time mayor of Wichita and now lives at Melbourne, Fla.; no record of Ed G. Brown is available; Little was nationally known in politics, was a military leader and at one time consul-general at Cairo, Egypt,—he died two years ago; Marvin was a son of Chancellor Marvin and was himself head of the School of Engineering,—his death occurred several years ago; Gleed is just retiring from an active life of teaching in the university, general law practice, and corporation attorneyship, having been general counselor for the Southwest Bell Telephone Co. for twenty-one years; Ed Brown was at one time a Unitarian minister in Colorado; Hutchings is and has been for many years a judge of the district court in Kansas City, Kan.; Stocks was a banker and held a high position in the treasury department at Washington, D. C., but is now dead; Raymond was an eminent engineer, dean of the School of Applied Science at Iowa University, but is now dead, his death being reported in this magazine; Meservey is a prominent lawyer and civic leader in Kansas City; Twitchell, at the time of his death a year ago, was one of the outstanding figures



THE KANSAS ALPHA CHAPTER OF 1879

Top row, left to right: John E. Modine, William C. Spangler, Miles W. Sterling, Charles L. Davidson, Edward G. Brown; Second row: Edward G. Little, Frank O. Marvin, James Wilks Glead, Edward A. Brown, Frank D. Hutchins; Bottom rows: Fred A. Stokes, William G. Raymond, Edwin C. Meservey, Ralph E. Twitchell, Solon T. Williams, George C. Smith, Frank L. Webster

in the Southwest—attorney for the Union Pacific Ry. Co., state historian of New Mexico, U. S. solicitor in charge of Indian affairs and generally a leader and builder; Williams is a prominent attorney in Seattle; Smith died early in life while editor of a paper in St. Joseph, Mo.; Webster is editor of the Denver Evening Post.”

In a subsequent issue of the Graduate Magazine, the president of the Kansas University alumni association had this to say in reference to the picture of the Phi Kappi Psi chapter:

“I wonder how many of the ‘Old Grads’ noticed with as much interest as I did the picture published in the September number of the Magazine of the Phi Kappa Psi chapter of 1879? I knew them all and have kept in touch with nearly all of them since they left the university. And what a fine record they have made on the whole! There was W. C. Spangler, twice acting chancellor of the university, a man of almost infallible judgment, who died too soon; Wilson Sterling who has taught Greek in the university for nearly half a century and looks good for another half; Charlie Davidson who got rich in the banking business at Wichita, serving his state and his country well while he amassed his fortune; Ed. Little who was minister to Egypt while yet a boy and was a member of Congress serving his third term when he died; Willis Gleed who is about to retire after a long and brilliant career as a lawyer; Frank Hutchings who has been judge of the district court in Kansas City, Kansas, for years and doubtless will stay on the bench as long as he likes; Fred. Stocks whose lamented death found him at the very beginning of a most promising business career; Will Raymond who died only last June after a life of energetic and scholarly effort that has given him a reputation in three states; E. C. Meservey who has long been one of the conspicuous citizens of Kansas City, noted for his civic usefulness as well as for his professional ability; Ralph Twitchell who made a place for himself in the life of New Mexico as a lawyer and historian and antiquarian, a leader and a builder; George Smith who was the first tenor in the old Arion Quartette,

of blessed memory, and who was editor of an important daily paper when he died in his early youth; Frank Webster, who has been one of the leading newspaper writers of Denver for more than thirty years; Solon Williams who is one of the leaders of the bar at Seattle;—all these along with Prof. Frank Marvin who holds a place with his revered father in the hearts of all the older K. U. people. Certainly this particular bunch of Phi Psis have given a good account of themselves and have reflected glory upon their Alma Mater.”

Webster Succeeds McCorkle as Endowment Fund Trustee

Henry H. McCorkle, N. Y. Gamma '01, of New York City, who has served many years as one of the trustees of the Endowment Fund, and more recently as chairman of that body, has resigned, and the Executive Council has appointed as his successor John W. Webster, Ind. Alpha '95, of Danville, Ill. Brother McCorkle had been reelected at the recent Grand Arch Council for a six-year term, expiring in 1932, and Brother Webster's appointment is for that period.

Brother McCorkle, formerly President and Secretary of the Fraternity, manifested keen interest in the Endowment Fund from the time of its inception in 1914, and has devoted much time and thought to its development. He felt, however, that a younger man might now carry on the work to greater advantage to the Fraternity, and therefore asked to be relieved of these duties.

Brother Webster has maintained an active interest in the Fraternity ever since his initiation, and particularly in his own chapter and the Illinois Delta Chapter. He was largely instrumental in securing the new chapter house for Indiana Alpha. He has always been interested in helping poor boys to obtain an education, and has assisted several through various colleges. Brother Webster derives real pleasure through service of this kind. Some twenty-seven years ago he became interested in a Chinaman who was



JOHN W. WEBSTER, Ind. Alpha '95



HENRY H. McCORKLE, N. Y. Gamma '01

unable even to write his own name; through Brother Webster's help, he has since received degrees from Kansas University and from Harvard, and a doctor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania. He is now back in China as a railroad engineer.

Brother Webster has been very active in civic affairs in his city, and devotes about half his time to such interests. He has been particularly active in work for the Salvation Army, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A. and Lakeview Hospital. He is secretary of the Fidelity Investment and Building Association of Danville, and also has an extensive insurance business.

The other trustees of the Endowment Fund are Dan G. Swannell of Champaign, Ill., and George A. Moore of Detroit, Mich.

The twenty-second convention of Phi Sigma Kappa was held in Philadelphia in August, with the two surviving founders of the fraternity as honored guests. Five petitions for new charters were granted to locals at the following institutions: University of North Carolina, University of Kentucky, Washington State College, University of Oregon, and Carnegie Institute of Technology. The constitution was amended to provide for the initiation of faculty members on recommendation of the chapter.

Phi Delta Theta has revived its chapter at Duke University. Other fraternities now represented at Duke are Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Sigma, Kappa Alpha (S), Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Pi Kappa Phi, Delta Sigma Phi, Chi Tau and Lambda Chi Alpha.

Kappa Sigma has installed a chapter at Ohio Wesleyan. Beta Theta Pi was the first fraternity to enter Ohio Wesleyan, in 1853. Other fraternities to place chapters there, in order of entrance, are Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Gamma Delta, Chi Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Sigma Phi and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

In eighteen years—from its founding in 1909 to 1926—Lambda Chi Alpha installed seventy-two chapters, which stands as a record for fraternity expansion, except in the case of Theta Kappa Nu which, since its organization in 1924, has granted forty charters.

Friendship Makes the Alumni Association

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Alumni Association, Contributor

MARK TWAIN'S sage observation on the weather—that everybody talked about it but that nobody ever did anything about it—applies by analogy to the question of alumni associations. It is conceded without argument that they are a good thing, that the Fraternity must have them, and that it's too bad that there isn't more alumni activity.

Perhaps this lack of argument, or opposition, is the very germ of the trouble. Perhaps what is needed is a "prohibition amendment" doing away with the alumni association entirely, with a by-law directing the Archons to search out and punish any alumni who meet together in defiance of the edict.

One can imagine the call to arms that would result. The hot letters to the Editor of *THE SHIELD*. The indignant crowd in the anteroom of the Attorney General. And finally the "bootleg" A. A.'s, with a total membership of 15,000.

But no such impetus to alumni association growth is imminent. Any group of fifteen Phi Psis can obtain alumni association dignity at a cost that is only nominal, and with the cordial assistance of the Fraternity officers. Why don't more of them do it? The real value of Phi Kappa Psi has of course nothing to do with the roof it puts over the heads of a group of men during their college course. If Phi Psi is a good thing for undergraduates it must be of equal value to alumni.

There must be a difference, it is true, between a chapter and an alumni association, inasmuch as there is a difference between college life and life thereafter. The college man has plenty of time for friendship. The alumnus would probably live more abundantly if he gave more time to it. And friendship is the essence of a good Phi Psi organization, whether chapter or alumni association.

As an organization existing only for purposes of entertainment an alumni association is strung on a slender thread. In this world no additional means for providing entertainment are required. There's a radio going, a movie around the corner, a car waiting at the curb wherever you go. There's no need of meeting with the brothers as a pastime alone. If we are going to meet, it must be because we enjoy seeing one another, because we know one another well and are sincerely interested in one another's joys and sorrows.

Anyone who has worked in the organization of an alumni association must have envied the older strongly established groups where the simple ties of close acquaintance are enough to weld the men into a strong body. The mechanics of organization, a list of officers and committees, a well-written constitution and by-laws mean nothing in themselves. A meeting, luncheon or formal dinner where no one man knows another is a travesty on Phi Psi and even good oratory on loyalty to the Fraternity adds only insult to the injury.

The diamond jubilee of the Fraternity will soon be celebrated. The example of the founders is a good one to the possible founder of an alumni association. Brothers Moore and Letterman did not call a meeting. They invited others, one or two at a time, to share their friendship. Their invitation was accepted and seventy-five years later it is still being given and accepted by several hundred young men in forty-eight colleges and universities.

The successful alumni association is noted for the friendship of its members. It also usually shows signs of having some definite purpose. Most frequently this purpose has to do with the welfare of some undergraduate chapter in the city or close at hand. The Pittsburgh A. A., for example, must have left the mark of its influence upon thousands of Phi Psis. It has been close to several Pennsylvania chapters and since sponsoring the petitioners at Carnegie Tech it has redoubled its activity. The Boston A. A., in fathering the three New England chapters has never found itself without some good work to be done and as a result

it has made itself strong. Situated as it is on the outer rim of the Phi Psi population its growth and its energy are reason for pride.

Here in Buffalo the Western New York A. A. is growing stronger daily as the result of healthy doses of "G. A. C. tonic." This was first administered, probably unconsciously, by President H. C. Williams, who after joining us at dinner once last winter dropped the remark, "You fellows could run a G. A. C. here." The effect was electrical. The association, previously satisfied with mere existence, had been shown how it could be of some use to the Fraternity.

Reaction to this new stimulant was moderate at first, but increasing in intensity and cumulative in effect. Members said, "We'll work on this idea, and maybe, in about six or eight years we can do it." A month later, some one suggested, "Why can't we do it right away?" In another month it was, "Say, how can we get this committee in Kansas City to pay some attention to our invitation?"

Now, after six months it looks as though the drug had taken hold for life. And it certainly has made a difference in the association. The monthly dinners of the association had been enjoyable affairs, but it developed that they weren't enough. There was a demand for weekly luncheons. Attendance at these equals the attendance at dinners. The secretary is kept busy answering phone calls from members who want to tell him about some new Phi Psi in town. Sometimes these rumored Phi Psis turn out to be Betas or something else, but the activity is there. Everybody is now anxious to do something for the Fraternity, and the next G. A. C. will be the better for it.

Yes, it's a good thing for an alumni association to have some object of service.

A good association has a welcome for the new-comer. You know the importance of this if, when you were just out of college, you started to work in a strange town, a bigger town perhaps than you were used to, several steps below the bottom of the ladder in your business, and entirely surrounded by the most complete indifference.

Popular superstition to the contrary, the recent ex-collegian does not want people to make a fuss over him. Neither does he want a hand-out. He is generally competent to make his own way according to his inclinations. But he will usually appreciate an opportunity to drop in on a crowd who will accept him as a man and a brother, who speak his language and who have some common interests. This the A. A. can give him, and the A. A. will get most of the benefit in so doing.

About five hundred new Phi Psi alumni are graduated from college each year. They are then strong in their enthusiasm for the Fraternity, firm in their faith in its worth. What a fraternity Phi Psi would be if there were a place in an alumni association for each one of them!

One other thing that the organized alumni associations can give the Fraternity—a thing that is perhaps difficult for the undergraduate chapters to contribute—is a certain sense of the national unity of Phi Psi. The average undergraduate has comparatively little contact with his fraternity brothers in other chapters. His impression of a chapter in a college a thousand miles away is vague. Sometimes his enthusiasm for his own college makes him feel that a chapter he doesn't know anything about may not be up to the standard of his own.

That sort of impression is corrected by attendance at a Grand Arch Council and by alumni activities. In the alumni association, Phi Psis from many chapters meet, and as they come to learn the fine qualities of men from all parts of the country, they acquire a new loyalty to Phi Kappa Psi. They learn that the same things make a good Phi Psi in New England as in California, and that the brotherhood founded in Pennsylvania is unchanged though it has grown to Oregon. The A. A. alumnus has a real message to take back to his chapter when he revisits it.

If every Phi Psi knew the value of being a part of an alumni group that, founded of friendship, had the aim of service and loyalty to the Fraternity as the object of its existence, there would be no "alumni association problem."

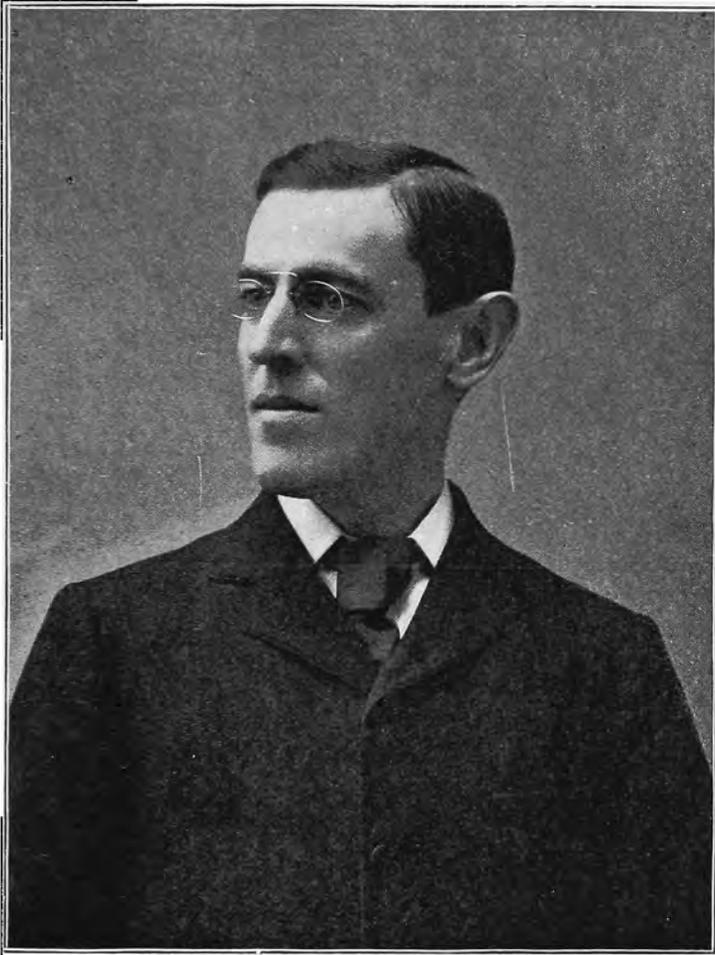
Woodrow Wilson, Football Strategist and College Cheerleader

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WOODROW WILSON, Va. Alpha '79, war-time President of the United States, and one of the most outstanding figures in American history since Abraham Lincoln, left a record in the annals of college football that will link his name closely with this sport down through the ages. It has recently been brought to light that Brother Wilson not only was a close student of the gridiron game, but a capable coach, strategist, inventor of deceptive plays and formations, and a pioneer in developing the game as it exists today. Moreover, those who have dug into the dusty archives of the dim past have found that President Wilson, while acting as professor of history at Wesleyan College, Connecticut, often assumed the role of cheerleader, particularly at critical times when he felt that the Wesleyan eleven needed greater moral support.

A recent number of *The Argus*, graduate organ of Wesleyan, is devoted exclusively to Brother Wilson's football career. This tribute, for such it is, indicates clearly that his influence in athletics generally, and in football particularly, is as firm as that of such famous pioneers as Walter Camp of Yale, Loren Deland of Harvard, Alexander Moffatt of Princeton, Amos Alonzo Stagg of the University of Chicago, Peyton March of Lafayette and John C. Bell of the University of Pennsylvania.

A special study of the football records at Princeton shows that Brother Wilson coached the football team at that institution in 1878; that team won the first Big Three championship by defeating Yale and Harvard. Two years later, in 1880, Wilson accepted a call from Wesleyan as professor of history, and was immediately made a member of the football advisory board. In the late eighties, when knock-'em-down and drag-'em-off tactics threatened the existence of college football, Brother Wilson, of Wesleyan,



WOODROW WILSON, Va. Alpha '79

Photograph taken at the time he was a professor at Wesleyan and was greatly interested in the football team at that college.

and Camp, of Yale, worked together and formulated a set of rigid eligibility rules, the first drawn up for college athletics. The Intercollegiate Football Association at first declined to accept the proposed rules and regulations, at that time considered radical, unsound and impracticable. However, it did not take long to see that the eligibility question must be settled for the good of the game and college football was saved from wreckage.

According to the New York Times, Frank W. Nicolson, dean at Wesleyan for a quarter of a century, says he regards Woodrow Wilson's most valuable football services at that university to have been his action in "minimizing the fraternity influence in choice of players for teams." Unfavorable activity and influence of fraternities at Wesleyan undoubtedly were responsible for the stand taken against fraternities by Wilson at Princeton a decade or so later. Brother Wilson, we are told, often demonstrated football plays on the blackboard to Captain Slayback of Wesleyan, whose team in 1889 defeated the University of Pennsylvania. Just before the gay nineties, Wesleyan occupied a position in the football world similar to that enjoyed today by such colorful teams as Notre Dame, Lafayette or Brown.

Phi Psis will be interested in the following, offered by *The Argus*:

"Professor Wilson was active in Wesleyan life in more ways than in the classroom and in stimulating undergraduate debating. By most of the undergraduates of his day, he is largely remembered for his services as a coach of the football team, and his keen interest in the athletics of the college was one of the greatest factors in warming the undergraduates' hearts. While a student at Princeton, he had taken a prominent part in athletic affairs, and was referee and one of the directors of the Princeton football team in the days when football championship resided with that institution.

"On his arrival in Middletown, he was made one of three members of the advisory board of the Wesleyan Football Association. Football tactics underwent a change at that

time, and these men mapped out a plan whereby the rush line was contracted so that the men stood side by side, about as today, while the backs were brought nearer to the rush line. Quick line plunges and double criss-cross passes were also worked out.

“ . . . Great importance was attached in the football world to the Wesleyan-Lehigh game that was played at Hampden Park, at Springfield, Mass., of that year. The day of the game brought a hard storm and the day's battle was fought in a sea of mud. Twice Lehigh scored easy touchdowns, and it seemed as though Wesleyan faced certain defeat.

“Then, suddenly, from the Wesleyan bleachers a man walked out in front, clad in heavy rubber boots and a rain coat. He shouted to the Wesleyan contingent, reproaching them for not cheering for their team, and at once began to lead them in the Wesleyan yell, beating time for them with his umbrella. He continued this violently until the Wesleyan cheers heartened Slayback's men in spite of their handicap and the tide of the game turned for two touchdowns. (This tied the score.)

“After the game, the Lehigh players inquiring about the magnetic cheerleader, were informed that he was Wesleyan's professor of history, Dr. Woodrow Wilson.

“‘Well,’ returned the Lehigh men, ‘he is all right, for he saved you.’”

Wabash Valley Alumni Organize

The Wabash Valley Alumni Association of Phi Kappa Psi was organized at a dinner meeting of alumni from over the valley at the Deming Hotel, Terre Haute, Ind., on November 10, 1926. Seven Indiana counties and five Illinois counties are included in this territory. From seventy-five to one hundred Phi Psis live in this region, and many of them will be active members of the new association. The association expects to petition the Executive Council for a charter. Its headquarters will be in Terre Haute.

The following officers were elected: president, Linnaeus Neal Hines, Ind. Beta '89, president of the Indiana State Normal School, Terre Haute, Ind.; vice president, W. T. Hartley, Ind. Gamma '82, Paris, Ill.; secretary-treasurer, Fred Powell, Ind. Alpha '09, Terre Haute, Ind.

Dr. L. H. Murlin, Ind. Alpha, president of DePauw University, was the principal speaker at the dinner at which the association was organized. Robert N. Parrish, Pa. Alpha '99, president of the Edgar County National Bank, Paris, Ill., and Russell H. Allen, Ind. Alpha '06, Terre Haute, were other speakers.

The following brothers were in attendance: W. T. Hartley, Paris, Ill.; Charles D. Hunt, Sullivan, Ind.; Carl A. Newlin, Hutsonville, Ill.; Howard McFaddin, Rockville, Ind.; R. N. Parrish, Paris, Ill.; George H. James, Brazil, Ind.; L. H. Murlin, Greencastle, Ind.; Joseph Holiday, Brazil, Ind.; Charles W. Culbertson, Brazil, Ind.; Wood Blackburn, Robert S. Emison and Harold Klemeyer, of Indiana Alpha, DePauw University; L. N. Hines, Walter W. Talley, B. M. Hutchings, Lee Black, Russell H. Allen, Cedrick C. Gran, Delbert Talley, Ben Blumberg, John E. Talley, Phillip McAllister, Fred Powell and J. H. Black jr of Terre Haute.

The next meeting of the association will be on or about Founders' Day.

Messages of good will for the new association were received from Thomas A. Cookson, Secretary of the Fraternity; Edward H. Knight, former Treasurer; and Dan G. Swannell, one of the trustees of the Endowment Fund, and former President.

The annual convention of Delta Upsilon was held with its chapter at McGill University, Montreal, in September. Charters were granted to petitioners at Dartmouth College and the University of Oklahoma.

Theta Xi, founded at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1864, now has twenty-seven active chapters, twenty-two of which have been established since 1900.

Southern California Has High Standards

ALLAN E. SEDGWICK, Neb. Alpha '99, Contributor

ALL loyal Phi Psis who could not go to the Grand Arch Council at Kansas City probably want to know more about Zeta Kappa Epsilon, local at the University of Southern California, which was placed upon the accredited list by the convention.

As a member of the Southern California Alumni Association of Phi Kappa Psi, I was particularly pleased to hear of the action of the Grand Arch Council in placing Zeta Kappa Epsilon upon the accredited list.

I have been faculty adviser for this splendid group of boys for several years and have had occasion in other connections to study the university rather carefully during that time and I have watched its development along with other institutions here in the western part of the United States.

One of the factors in guaranteeing the calibre of the student bodies of institutions in this vicinity is the number of splendidly equipped secondary institutions graduating college material every year. Within a radius of one hundred and fifty miles of the University of Southern California over nine thousand graduates are equipped for college each year from the secondary schools. The university this year enrolled one thousand five hundred freshmen. This represents an increase of 12 per cent in the freshman enrollment over last year.

The three big universities in California have an agreement that they will not admit any student who does not have at least fifteen Carnegie units and twelve of them must be above 85 per cent in addition to a recommendation from his high school principal in regard to his character and integrity. This means that a man must be more than merely a high school graduate to be admitted to any of the three big institutions and this requirement consequently makes for a high type of student body.

Last year the University of Southern California enrolled nearly eleven thousand students. There are thirteen

schools or colleges in the university with a faculty of four hundred eighty, in addition to the executives and administrative staff.

The university is governed by a board of thirty trustees. They are elected regardless of their religious or political inclinations. The university is organized on a basis where admittance to professional schools is based upon work completed in Liberal Arts subjects before professional courses may be taken. This is in line with the development of high standards in the interest of academic life.

The rule of the board of trustees is that professors and associate professors must have their Ph.D. degrees or their equivalent. Assistant professors are required to have their M.A. degrees with work toward Ph.D. Instructors must have M.A. degrees. Here and there are exceptions to the rule based upon unusual experience, travel or private instruction.

Some of the men on the staff who are preeminent in their respective fields are as follows: Emory S. Bogardus, director of the School of Social Welfare; William C. Smith, associate professor of sociology; H. Wildon Carr, formerly professor of philosophy at the University of London; F. C. S. Schiller, formerly professor of philosophy and head of Corpus Christi College, Oxford; Ralph Tyler Flewelling, head of the department of philosophy; James Main Dixon, professor of comparative literature; Wilfred W. Scott, professor of chemistry; Frank C. Touton, professor of education; Louis Wann, professor of English, Owen Coy, professor of history; W. D. Moriarty, professor of economics; Reuel Leslie Olson, professor of law; John Eugene Hartley, associate professor of political science and Rockwell D. Hunt, dean of the Graduate School.

The university is on private foundation and receives no aid from the state. Its assets run into the millions. Its building program has resulted in the building of a new Science building, new residence hall for women, new School of Law and new School of Architecture, within the last two years. The university is adjacent to the Ex-

position Park and its buildings and grounds are used for university purposes in exchange for facilities offered the park department in connection with university buildings. The Coliseum, seating seventy-five thousand, located across the street from the university, has been declared the home ground for the "Trojans," the name under which university teams compete. Plans for a men's dormitory and additional buildings for engineering are now being perfected. A new library is also contemplated by the board. The administration has always been very friendly to national fraternities. President von KleinSmid is a national fraternity man and other officers of the administration also have national affiliations, so national fraternities have been received and treated courteously.

National fraternities on the campus are: Sigma Chi, Delta Chi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Pi Kappa Alpha, Phi Kappa Tau, Delta Sigma Phi, Kappa Sigma, Kappa Alpha, Phi Beta Delta and Zeta Beta Tau. National sororities on the campus are: Alpha Chi Omega, Zeta Tau Alpha, Phi Mu, Pi Beta Phi, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Delta, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Alpha Gamma Delta, Delta Zeta and Alpha Delta Pi.

The "Zekes," as the petitioning group is known locally, have a large building fund *in the bank*, and will build a fine new home soon. There are forty-five active men in the chapter representative of the prominent families in southern California, and themselves leaders in the various campus activities.

The Southern California Alumni Association is intensely interested in the success of Zeta Kappa Epsilon and is looking anxiously to the time when it can help install that fraternity into the fold of Phi Kappa Psi.

A feature of the convention of Alpha Phi, held at Swampscott, Mass., last summer, was the presence of Clara Bradley Burdette, one of the founders of the fraternity, widow of Robert J. Burdette, Ind. Gamma.

At each of the last three biennial conventions of Phi Sigma Kappa five new charters have been authorized.

Walter S. Greenough, Banker-Poet

THERE is an erroneous idea going the rounds (probably fostered by the Babbitry themselves) that business men live and breathe for business only. Nothing else matters, according to the general idea. When a business man, especially a banker, who thinks in terms of cold cash, goes out of the beaten path and writes poetry—good poetry, that is—it usually comes as a sort of shock to most people. But after all, why not?

Walter S. Greenough, Ind. Beta '06, of the Fletcher Savings and Trust Company of Indianapolis, has for years been writing short stories, poems and articles for various magazines, and writing them successfully. His "Jethro Boggs," the biggest liar in seven states, is one of the best known poem-characters in the country. Banking institutions will remember his splendid article on community trusts that appeared in Scribner's Magazine two years ago as one of the finest monographs on the subject ever written. He has written on banking and business subjects for several of the larger financial publications. Brother Greenough's family advised him to take up newspaper work, which he did, working on several papers. Later he entered the banking business, though he never quite relinquished his touch with printer's ink.

His first volume of poems is just being published, entitled "Three Skallywags." These three lovable Hoosiers called Johnny, Lije and Harrison Tate, are forever into some kind of mischief; full of fun and devilment from the time they sit in a poker game till they celebrate on home-brew the visit of the stork to their three brides. And those three had vowed to eternal celibacy! Easy-going, lackadaisical good-for-nothings, they had, at last, to buckle down to a practical world, but at that they retained in large measure their naturally bubbling spirits that even contemplation of fatherhood could never quite subdue! These verse tales of the Hoosier countryside are like a fresh breeze. There is a perfect riot of fun in them.



WALTER S. GREENOUGH, Ind. Beta '06

Brother Greenough, a well-known figure in the banking and newspaper worlds, is married and the father of two husky boys. He is a direct descendant, he says, of Adam and Dan Webster, having been born in Brazil, Indiana, in 1887. He is an alumnus of Indiana University, 1910. Meet the "Three Skallywags" and Walter Greenough!

Alumnus Advisers

Alumnus advisers chosen by the chapters for the current college year are as follows:

New Hampshire Alpha.....	Robert Marsden
Massachusetts Alpha.....	Dr. Ralph Beebe
Rhode Island Alpha.....	J. Nelson Alexander
New York Alpha.....	Edward Dixon
New York Beta.....	Prof. William J. Gorse
New York Gamma.....	H. L. Roberts
New York Epsilon.....	Gerald Wheaton
Pennsylvania Gamma.....	William Owens
Pennsylvania Epsilon.....	Dr. C. G. Crist
Pennsylvania Zeta.....	Abram Bosler
Pennsylvania Eta.....	Robert Zecher
Pennsylvania Theta.....	Prof. W. O. Allen
Pennsylvania Iota.....	Livingston Smith
Pennsylvania Kappa.....	Hugh F. Denworth
Maryland Alpha.....	Douglas C. Turnbull
Virginia Alpha.....	George B. Eager
Virginia Beta.....	Hale Houston
Pennsylvania Alpha.....	Lane Blackburn
Pennsylvania Beta.....	C. C. McKinney
Pennsylvania Lambda.....	Dr. W. S. Glenn
West Virginia Alpha.....	Harlan B. Selby
Ohio Alpha.....	Dr. Allen C. Conger
Ohio Beta.....	Robert M. Young
Ohio Delta.....	Edmund Kelly
Ohio Epsilon.....	W. P. Sykes
Michigan Alpha.....	Dean John R. Effinger
Indiana Alpha.....	Willis B. Conner, jr.
Indiana Beta.....	Thomas A. Cookson

Indiana Delta.....	J. R. Wiley
Illinois Alpha.....	J. F. Oates
Illinois Beta.....	William Boal
Illinois Delta.....	Dan G. Swannell
Tennessee Delta.....	Phil Harrison
Wisconsin Alpha.....	B. M. Palmer
Wisconsin Gamma.....	Lyle K. Munn
Minnesota Beta.....	Arnold Oss
Iowa Alpha.....	Walter M. Davis
Iowa Beta.....	Dr. D. H. Soper
Missouri Alpha.....	Dr. O. M. Stewart
Texas Alpha.....	Clifton Blake
Kansas Alpha.....	Dorman O'Leary
Nebraska Alpha.....	Merle C. Rathburn
Oklahoma Alpha.....	C. C. Steinberger
Colorado Alpha.....	Prof. Harry M. Barrett
Washington Alpha.....	Beryl Davis
Oregon Alpha.....	Webster A. Ruble
California Beta.....	C. S. Davis
California Gamma.....	Dr. Edgar H. Howell

A Helpful Idea

A simple plan used this fall by the Massachusetts Alpha Chapter indicates that the chapter is "on its toes," and at the same time may offer a suggestion for other chapters. With the October issue of the chapter paper, *The Massalphan*, there was inclosed a self-addressed stamped post card, reading as follows:

<p>Massalphan received:</p> <p>I am returning for the initiation banquet November 12, 1926.</p> <p>I will try to persuade Brother, who has not been back for some time, to come with me.</p> <p>I shall count upon accommodations at the chapter house, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.</p> <p>My card in the chapter files should read as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 100px;">Name Class</p> <p style="padding-left: 100px;">Address</p>
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Alumni and Alumni Associations to Celebrate Seventy-fifth Anniversary

SHIRLEY E. MESERVE, Cal. Gamma '08, Contributor

FEBRUARY 19, 1927, marks the seventy-fifth milestone of the progress and growth of our Fraternity.

It is fitting that when we have accomplished seventy-five years of fraternity life a special effort should be made to commemorate this event. At the 1924 Grand Arch Council, held at Boston, a resolution was adopted appointing the President of the Fraternity elected at that convention and the Vice President and a committee which they should select and appoint, to be known as the "75th Anniversary Committee," to arrange suitable exercises to commemorate our 75th anniversary or "Diamond Jubilee," as it has been so aptly named.

In response to that direction a committee was appointed, with the then President of the Fraternity, the writer, and Howard C. Williams, the then Vice President and now President of the Fraternity, as chairman and vice chairman, respectively. After thought and consideration, this committee presented a report to the 1926 Grand Arch Council at Kansas City, which was adopted and confirmed. It provided, in substance, that at each celebration of the various alumni associations throughout our Fraternity, to be held on February 19th, an address suitable to the occasion should be delivered as prepared and submitted by the committee; that, in addition, on the meeting night nearest to February 19th, suitable exercises should be conducted in each chapter in commemoration of this date and year of our existence.

The committee drafted and called upon the Reverend William Wallace Youngson, Pa. Beta, a resident of Portland, Oregon, to prepare the address for the alumni, and upon Walter Lee Sheppard, Pa. Iota, to prepare the exercises for the undergraduates. In their never-failing loyalty and with the enthusiasm of their love for Phi Kappa Psi and with the ability that needs no comment,

each responded and accepted the task, and each has fulfilled his labor. Brother Youngson's address, which is the one selected by the committee to be given at each alumni function, has, with the authority of the Executive Council, been printed and made ready for distribution to each association. In addition to the rendition of this splendid chronicle of our Fraternity, it is the wish of the Anniversary Committee and of the Executive Council that each brother in attendance at Founders' Day celebrations shall be furnished a copy of the address as given as a memento of the occasion.

Now here is where you come into the picture, brother alumnus. Right now get out the new diary that came complimentary from your insurance broker, the date book, the dirty cuff, the back of last month's bills or on whatever you keep your most cherished notes of coming events, and put down the date February 19th. Watch for the announcement of the alumni association in your district and if you don't get one find out why and from where it should come—maybe they think you're dead—maybe you are—who knows—wake up—but get one—sign the card "YES" and GO. You are here, by the Supreme Authority of the 75th Anniversary Committee, appointed a committee of one to bring as many brothers as you can.

Let's demonstrate our fraternity allegiance, not cogitate about it. Invite friend wife and family, whether past, present or future, to a Peace Conference with you—present her with tickets to the best show in town on February 19th—have the day set aside as "Dads' Day" for Founders' Day. The Seventy-fifth Anniversary Committee wants the largest united attendance ever held by this or any other Fraternity. If you still can't remember the grip, or where the alumni association meets, or where to park the car, or where New York or Los Angeles is (or even Chicago), inquire of the brother member of the committee nearest your residence, whose name appears below. But be one of the diamonds in the "Diamond Jubilee." *Wake yourself up—wake your association up—*

rekindle the old spirit—renew old friends—make new ones—prove the rule, "*Once a Phi Psi always a Phi Psi!*"

Seventy-fifth Anniversary Committee

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C. F. WILLIAMS	Oliver Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Pi Kappa Alpha in establishing a chapter at the University of Southern California in June, brought its chapter roll up to seventy. Alpha Sigma Phi has entered the southern branch of the University of California.

Sigma Chi has installed a chapter in Utah State College. The initiates numbered eighty-eight.





EDITORIAL

LLOYD L. CHENEY, *Editor* Albany, N. Y.

The Training of Pledges

The perpetuation of fraternities is of course dependent upon the selection of new members to carry on the work of the chapters. The choice of such members is the first duty of the chapter, and one to which it is impossible to give too much attention. But after the new delegation has been selected, the duty of the chapter is by no means finished. The necessity of properly training the pledges, and the new initiates, in the many phases of college and fraternity work is too often neglected. This question was so well discussed by Dr. O. M. Stewart, our able Scholarship Director, in a communication sent to the president of each chapter this fall, that excerpts are printed below:

“It has been pointed out repeatedly that there are two very important things which must be handled properly in order to maintain a strong chapter. The first of these is the matter of choosing your pledges. The second of these is the training of these pledges so that they will develop into strong men. Without good men to start with you can do little. But even the best of men require help in making the change from a secondary school to college, in adapting themselves to a new life.

“On many college campuses it is easy to find the difference in the way pledges of a chapter with a strong internal organization develop compared to those of a chapter with a loose internal organization. So noticeable is the difference that it is usually assumed one chapter picked better men to start with. This is often a questionable assumption.

“Compare the history of these two pledges—a history which is not overdrawn.

“1. Pledge trained by a well-organized chapter

He learns the proper division of time between study and outside activities.

He learns the spirit of Fraternity.

He learns how to study.

He makes good grades and is initiated.

He makes good on the campus and probably stays four years.

He gives the Fraternity credit for help rendered and becomes an enthusiastic alumnus.

“2. Pledge training neglected

He becomes distracted by the lure of outside activities.

He does not learn how to study.

He has a hard and unhappy time over his grades.

Even if initiated, he does not develop that confidence in his own ability which is necessary for success.

His campus career is mediocre.

Usually he does not graduate.

As he knows the Fraternity did not help him much he becomes an indifferent alumnus.

“Nowadays we hear much about training, especially in athletics. Should not the training of a man in those things which are necessary for his success receive far more attention? Certainly the proper training of freshmen is the most important administrative problem of every chapter.

“Please make it your most important duty to see that your chapter does everything in its power to make your pledges better students, and better fraternity and campus men.”





Bartlett E. Cushing, Mass. Alpha '08, is now located at Marion, Mass.

Adrian Smith, Okla. Alpha '22, is attending Yale University this year.

Clark Steinberger, Okla. Alpha '23, is working for the Pure Oil Company at El Dorado, Ark.

Edwin Dawson, Okla. Alpha '24, is connected with the Carter Oil Company, Seminole, Okla.

Burch Foraker, N. Y. Alpha '91, has been chosen president of the Michigan Bell Telephone Co.

J. E. Carothers, N. Y. Beta '10, is in the insurance business at 506 Onondaga Bank building, Syracuse, N. Y.

The new home address of Lloyd M. Clark, Mass. Alpha '13, is 57 Maple Drive, Great Neck, Long Island, N. Y.

Lewellyn Leavitt, Okla. Alpha '23, is working at Shawnee, Okla., for the Oklahoma state highway department.

J. R. Wylie, N. H. Alpha '16, is an oil and gas well expert, and has offices at 505 Frick building, Pittsburgh.

Wilbur Funderburk, Okla. Alpha '22, is head bookkeeper for the Commercial National Bank, Shreveport, La.

A son, John Robert, was born on October 16th to Bro. and Mrs. John F. Swalley, Mass. Alpha '10, of Toledo, Ohio.

Leo N. Densmore, Okla. Alpha '23, is employed as chief geologist by the Lyons Independent Oil Company at Okmulgee, Okla.

Joseph W. Eaton, Ill. Beta '17, was married September 15th to Miss Eleanor Gray Greenwood at St. Peter's, Eaton Square, London, England.

Jerome Nelp, Ill. Beta '20, is associated with the well-known Evanston real estate firm, Hokanson & Jenks, and resides at 609 Hinman av.

W. Russell Cunningham, Ill. Beta '23, has become a real estate salesman for Hinkamp & Co. in the Woodlawn offices, 1229 E. 63d st., Chicago.

Henry C. Armstrong, Pa. Alpha '04, is head of the Armstrong Co., automobile repairs, Pittsburgh, and resides at 1224 S. Negley av., that city.

R. J. Boatman, Mo. Alpha '24, and Donald Beisel, Ind. Delta '19, are sales representatives for the Vacuum Oil Co., 343 S. Dearborn st., Chicago.

John Schirmer, Iowa Alpha '23, is assistant freshman football coach at Iowa and also sells the Dodge motor car during his spare time in Iowa City.

Warren Daniels, Ill. Alpha '24, has accepted a position in the passenger traffic department of the Missouri Pacific Railway, 112 W. Adams st., Chicago.

Lynn K. Lee, Okla. Alpha '22, Archon of the fifth district, who is connected with the Pure Oil Company, was recently transferred to El Dorado, Ark.

Ralph H. Oatley, Mass. Alpha '17, of Springfield, Mass., is coaching the glee clubs of Amherst College, Deerfield Academy, and Eagle Brook Lodge, Deerfield.

Alden White, N. Y. Alpha '24, is with the Inland Steel Co. in Indiana Harbor, Ind. Bro. White will return to Cornell in the fall of 1927 to resume his studies.

George Whiteside, N. H. Alpha '20, was recently selected as an advertising sales representative for the Curtis Publishing Co. in their Chicago offices, 231 S. LaSalle st.

George D. Baker, Ind. Beta '87, formerly of Cleveland, Ohio, has become associated with Curtis, Stephenson & Co., investment securities, 50 Federal st., Boston, Mass.

Ralph Holmes, Ill. Alpha '96, has had the honor of having one of his paintings hung in the public galleries at Palos Verde, Cal., which is supported by the friends of art.

John L. Porter, Pa. Beta '86, is the author of a treatise entitled "A Plan for Improving Refrigeration." Brother Porter is president of the Union Storage Co. of Pittsburgh.

Ray Hardesty, Col. Alpha '23, has been transferred to the Chicago offices of the Illinois Steel Co., 208 S. LaSalle st. Bro. Hardesty is living at 1585 Ridge av., Evanston, Ill.

William Harsin, Ill. Alpha '23, has resigned his position with John Burnham & Co. and accepted a sales position with H. M. Byllesby Co., utilities securities, 231 S. LaSalle st., Chicago.

Leverett S. Lyon, Ill. Beta '10, has recently published two new books, entitled, "Salesmen in Marketing Strategy"

and "Making a Living," both through the Macmillan Co. Brother Lyon is this year a professor in the Robert Brookings Graduate School of Economics and Government, Washington, D. C.

Fred Henderson, Ill. Beta '23, is assistant line coach at the University of Chicago and also in the law college. Bro. Henderson was captain of the football team last fall and an all-American tackle.

Hinkey Haines, Pa. Lambda, is again one of the great players in the professional football leagues. Bro. Haines was a stellar player while at Penn State. He is a member of the New York Giants.

Clinton H. Collester, Mass. Alpha '98, is at present engaged in editorial work on Winston's Simplified Dictionary, published by the John C. Winston Company. His address is 1421 Arch st., Philadelphia.

Karl Ostrum, Ill. Delta '21, is a sales representative for the insurance firm Rollins, Burdick & Hunter, 175 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago. Bro. Ostrum is a resident of the famous Phi Psi town, Hinsdale, Ill.

Cornelius M. Smith, Ind. Beta '02, has resigned his position with the American Locomotive Co. in New York, to accept the position of purchasing agent for the Morse Dry Dock and Repair Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.

George K. Pond, Mass. Alpha '00, of Greenfield, Mass., was elected in November to the Massachusetts state senate from the Hampshire-Franklin district, polling nearly twice as many votes as his Democratic opponent.

Among the pledges of Pennsylvania Alpha this fall is Albert Adam Heunisch, who is the son of Albert G. Heunisch, Cal. Beta '03, and the first son of a Stanford Phi Psi to be pledged to his father's fraternity.

Willys Gamron, Ill. Alpha '25, is now associated with the Nash Motor Co. in Evanston, Ill., as salesman. While with Chrysler Motor Sales, Bro. Gamron was high man of all the salesmen in the entire middle west. His home is in Wilmette, Ill.

Malcolm MacHarg, Mich. Alpha '05, was reelected as director of the Western Advertising Golf Association at their annual meeting November 4th. Brother MacHarg is associated with the Consolidated Magazine Corp., 36 S. State st., Chicago.

John Tull Baker, Md. Alpha '21, is this year a graduate student at Johns Hopkins and has been appointed an assistant in the undergraduate department of philosophy. Brother Baker is a son of J. Henry Baker, Pa. Zeta '89, a prominent attorney of Baltimore.

Former President George Bramwell Baker, Ind. Alpha '83, and Mrs. Baker have recently returned from a trip through England, Scotland, Brittany and Normandy. Brother Baker has retired from active partnership in the firm of Baker, Young & Co., of Boston.

Wilfred Belgard, Kan. Alpha '22, was recently selected as head basketball coach at Kemper Military Academy, Boonville, Mo. Bro. Belgard was captain last year of the University of Kansas basketball team and all-Missouri valley and all-western guard the last two seasons.

At the dedication of the Central Library Building of the Los Angeles Public Library on July 15th, Orra E. Monnette, Ohio Alpha '91, former President of the Fraternity, delivered the dedicatory address. Brother Monnette is president of the Los Angeles Library Commission.

The Edison medal for 1925 was presented to Dr. Harris J. Ryan, N. Y. Alpha '85, past president of the Institute of Electrical Engineers and professor of electrical engineering at Stanford University, at the annual dinner of the association held in Salt Lake City in September.

Phillip Porterfield, Ill. Delta '25, is now starring with the Four Marx Bros. in their new show, The Cocoanuts. This show recently opened an unlimited time engagement at the Palace Theatre in Chicago. Bro. Porterfield is residing at the Sheldrake Hotel while playing in Chicago.

M. J. Warnock, Ore. Alpha '23, a chapter delegate to the 1926 Grand Arch Council, now lives at Lancaster, Pa., where he is employed by the Armstrong Cork Co. In November, he visited the Pittsburgh Alumni Association and the Woodlawn Club at Carnegie Institute of Technology.

John L. Porter, Pa. Beta '86, is secretary-treasurer and a member of the executive committee of One Hundred Friends of Pittsburgh Art. During the past ten years the association has purchased and presented to the public schools of Pittsburgh 49 outstanding paintings by Pittsburgh artists.

Francis Worcester, N. H. Alpha '11, is assistant sales manager of Spang Chalfant & Co., Inc., manufacturers of pipe and oil country supplies, with headquarters in the Union Bank building, Pittsburgh. Brother Worcester is married and lives at 233 Dalzell pl., Ben Avon, a suburb of Pittsburgh.

It will be interesting to Phi Psis to know that "Whippet" Carr, N. Y. Beta '24, led the Eastern football players in scoring until injured in the Syracuse-Army game, October 16th. Bro. Carr will not be able to play football any more this year but will probably be in condition for basketball and baseball, in both of which he also stars.

According to newspaper reports at Pittsburgh, Henry Hood, Pa. Alpha '21, graduate manager of athletics at Washington and Jefferson College, his alma mater, has tendered his resignation to become effective at the close of college in June. Brother Hood has handled the managerial position with a remarkable degree of success.

Olin S. Hunt, N. Y. Epsilon '17, was recently transferred to the Milwaukee office of the Club Aluminum Co. of America. Bro. Hunt has been located in New York City the last year and will now travel the Middle West out of the Milwaukee office. While at Colgate, Bro. Hunt was a track star and manager of the football team his senior year.

One of the world's largest stores will be occupied by Carson, Pirie Scott & Co. in Chicago when their new Wabash-Monroe building is completed May 1, 1927. The new addition will give the company practically a whole block in the loop. William Carson, Ill. Alpha '13, and Gordon L. Pirie, N. Y. Zeta '03, are both associated with this world famous department store.

George W. Dixon, Ill. Alpha '85, president of the Arthur Dixon Transfer Co., Chicago, was recently reelected president of the Chicago Extension Society of the Methodist Church at the society's annual meeting in the Chicago Temple. Brother Dixon was also selected by the mayor as a delegate to Philadelphia for Chicago Day, October 9th, at the Sesquicentennial Exposition.

Charles M. Pepper, Ohio Gamma '80, is director of the Chile-American Association, with American offices at 32 Broadway, New York. The association, organized for the promotion of a greater knowledge of the South American republic, has recently issued a very interesting bulletin on

“Mutual Trade and Resources of Chile and the United States,” in both English and Spanish.

A gold medal valued at \$25,000, said to be the largest in the world, was presented September 28th to Fred L. Maytag, founder of the Maytag Washing Machine of Newton, Iowa, at the annual banquet of Maytag dealers in Des Moines, Iowa. The medal was presented by Governor John Hammill of Iowa. Merrill C. Meigs, Ill. Beta '03, was one of the speakers of the evening. Bro. Meigs is publisher of the Chicago Herald and Examiner.

Richard Rooney, Iowa Alpha '23, one of University of Iowa's greatest football ends—all-western selection and selected by Liberty Magazine last fall as all-American end—is a sales representative for Angell-Showers Co., investment bonds, 10 S. LaSalle st., Chicago. Brother Rooney is also playing left end on the Chicago Bulls, professional football team, and has been starring at his position. He is temporarily residing at the Harvard Hotel and after the football season he will move to the Evanston Hotel, Evanston, Ill.





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CORRESPONDENCE

St. Louis Alumni Association

On October 25th the Sigma Tau Omega local petitioning body of Washington University gave its annual founders day banquet at the Coronado Hotel. This affair was attended by Brothers Herb and Gene DeStaebler, Phil Abell, Dr. Phil Schaffer, Went Wilder, Bob Leonard, Dick Chomeau and Walter Condie. The local has made rapid gains this year and announces the pledging of eleven fine freshmen. S. T. O. has more than its share of campus honors and every pledge is engaged in some campus activity. The banquet was a great success and enjoyed by all.

The marriage of Lem Showell, Ohio Alpha, to Miss Lucille Howard took place July 17th at the home of the bride's parents in St. Louis county. Mrs. Showell is a graduate of Smith College. Lem is southern Illinois representative for the First National Bank bond department of this city.

On November 10th Miss Laura Louise Price of this city will become the wife of Samuel Tucker Gay, Mo. Alpha '21. Brother Gay is also connected with the bond department of the First National Bank. Miss Price is a graduate of Mary Institute of this city and Miss Wright's School, Bryn Mawr, Pa.

"Nick" Barnes, Pa. Alpha '19, is the proud father of a baby son, Arthur Edward II, born May 3d. Nick is a Phi Psi son and brother and claims that Arthur Edward is "sewed" Phi Psi.

Another good Phi Psi prospect was born September 17th, to Brother and Mrs. "Bill" Brown, Mo. Alpha. Bill is now vice president of the Continental Supply Company.

Bob McCormack, Ill. Beta '21, has resigned his position with the Bell Telephone Company and has joined the legal department of the Roxana Petroleum Company. Fred Marbut, Mo. Alpha '22, is a reporter with the St. Louis Globe Democrat. Dick Chomeau, Mo. Alpha '20, has returned from Seattle, Wash., and has entered the radio business with Bro. Herb De Staebler. Gene De Staebler, Ill. Delta '25, is connected with the bond department of the National Bank of Commerce.

Adolph B. Hill jr, Tenn. Delta '06, has started another factory to manufacture printers ink in Dallas, Texas, known as the Texas Printing Ink Company.

Lloyd Thomas, Tenn. Delta '21, was a guest of the local alumni association at the weekly luncheon on November 3d. Allen Wilder is completing his chain of travellers and tourists hotels from coast to coast. These hotels are to be known as "The Wilder National Tavern System."

We wish to announce that the \$10 prize, offered by the St. Louis A. A. for the best SHIELD chapter letter in the April issue, has been awarded to Eugene Dunne jr, correspondent of Maryland Alpha.

St. Louis, Mo.
November 1, 1926

PHIL G. ABELL
Correspondent

Indiana Alumni Association

Since our worthy Brother "Red" Lowther left us last spring for the green hills of Connecticut, the new secretary has been very derelict in his duties, and this is the first letter since Brother Lowther's departure. He does write to us once in a while from his hiding place in New Haven, mostly to the effect that the coal business is progressing, and the family likewise.

As is our custom, we have been continuing the regular monthly meeting on the last Tuesday of every month—with the single exception of the month of October. A pig roast was scheduled for the October meeting (pig to be donated by Hal White, Pa. Alpha '92—to be caught by whichever one of the brothers proved most agile) but that was postponed on account of the death of Mrs. S. W. Guthrie, wife of Speer Guthrie, Pa. Theta '79. Hal is still keeping the pig and it will be consumed amidst much hilarity and mirth at the regular November meeting.

The meetings have been rather well attended, attendance averaging around twenty. We were forced to abandon the annual picnic held in collaboration with the Pittsburgh and Johnstown associations, due to the very inclement weather, much to the sorrow of every brother that attended last year's "shindig."

Bob Fisher, Mass. Alpha '13, is receiving congratulations on the overwhelming victory given his father in the recent election, Mr. John S. Fisher being chosen the next governor of the state of Pennsylvania by the largest majority ever given a gubernatorial candidate.

In the early fall, Alexander Wallace Mabon, Pa. Theta '18, finally succumbed to cupid's arrows—much to the amazement of the local brothers—and successfully bamboozled a fair maiden of Lynchburg, Va., into listening to his pleas. The former Miss Elizabeth Hester has our sincere condolences, and Brother Mabon our hearty congratulations.

John B. Lowry, Pa. Theta '19, is connected with the McCreary Tire & Rubber Company in a sales capacity. John's well-known line should stand him in good stead, and the boys all wish him the best of luck.

Lindley Murray Pelor, Pa. Alpha '14, is the proud father of a bouncing baby girl, Kathryn Jane. Here's hoping that the young lady favors the mother.

(Secretarial note): See the next issue of this letter for further developments in this department.

Herbert Greenlee and Milton Wachob are pursuing their undergraduate studies at Gettysburg, will graduate in June, and then be eligible for membership in this august body. Likewise, the same holds true for Murray Buterbaugh, at Dickinson, John Richards and "Scrubby" Wells at Allegheny.

Indiana, Pa.
November 10, 1926

R. W. MCCREARY
Correspondent

Rhode Island Alumni Association

The Rhode Island Alumni Association opened its fall session with a rousing meeting, bubbling over with enthusiasm and pep. The entertainment was excellent and the boys in the active chapter had as good a time as the "old grads."

The brothers were pretty well scattered during the summer at various times, so that aside from a few informal meetings, the summer has been a quiet one.

Chet Beard spent the summer in Europe and reported a very interesting trip. He and Ed Aldrich can spend the winter comparing notes.

Fred Gabbi represented Brown University at the inauguration of Dr. H. S. Boardman as president of the University of Maine at Orono last June.

Joe Wheeler has left Youngstown, Ohio, and is now librarian of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md. He was librarian of the Reuben McMillan Free Library at Youngstown for ten years, and they were very sorry to have him leave.

Frank Wightman has left the farming industry to struggle along as best it can and returned to his old love, the railroad. He is now inspector of motive power at the Readville, Mass., shops of the New Haven Railroad. His home address is 520 Centre st., Jamaica Plain, Mass.

The stork stopped long enough at Chet Files' domicile to leave him a daughter on June 1st.

Ned Holmes is secretary of the Rochester Brown Club and this uses up his spare time when not shining among the other legal luminaries.

Roy Benton has been promoted to the position of assistant superintendent of the Providence City Hospital.

Pret McDonald is with the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company of Boston. He says that he misses being used for a football this year.

Harvey Denham has returned from China for his triennial vacation and has been a constant attendant at the football games. He was married on November 1st to the lady of his choice at Ann Arbor, Michigan. He is as enthusiastic as ever about China and plans to return there shortly.

"Army" Carson married Miss Adrienne L. Fontaine at Fall River, Mass., on July 6th and is located in Brookline, Mass. He is now at the Massachusetts Ear and Eye Infirmary.

Fred Sweet, John Spellman and Sam Young are carrying on in yeoman style for the Providence Steam Rollers again this fall. Fred helps Pick Chace sell insurance for the Equitable and John is building roads for Lawton & Company. Sam, who is a salesman for Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company, has announced his engagement.

Henry Marsh was married to Miss B. Alta Goodspeed on October 12th and will live at 24 Rhode Island av., Providence. Insurance business must be picking up. We thought that Heinie was a confirmed bachelor, but now that he has gone, we expect to hear that Ed Aldrich and Mac Edinger have fallen victims to Cupid's darts.

Ralph Kettner is travelling for Geo. L. Clafin Company and makes his headquarters in Worcester.

Charley Holt was reelected mayor of Pawtucket and will start on his third term January 1st. Henry Fowler has been elected to the state assembly as representative from Barrington. This is his first venture into state politics. Arthur Phetteplace was re-

elected as state senator from Gloucester and will start on his second term in January.

Nelson Alexander is manager for the Lions Club in the local district.

Pawtucket, R. I.

CARLETON H. PARKER
Correspondent

Pittsburgh Alumni Association

Cigar store Indians, daguerreotypes, negro-boy hitching posts, flat razors, cast iron stags and other almost-forgotten essentials of yester-year will flip flop in their mausoleums when the Pittsburgh Alumni Association celebrates the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of Phi Kappa Psi. The noise and din of this coming event even promise to awaken a few of the brothers-in-the-bonds who have been in a semi or quasi-comatose condition, fraternally speaking, these many years.

Just when our silver-tongued orators will go on the air in connection with this stupendous, gigantic and record-breaking celebration, we can't say just now. It may be on or about February 19th; then again, President C. R. Texter and other powers-that-be around these parts may defer the oratorical pyrotechnics until the Woodlawn Club of Carnegie Institute of Technology, on the accredited list as you of course know, receives official word from National Secretary Tommy Cookson, or whoever it is that tends to such matters, to get ready for a prolonged initiatory ceremony.

At any rate, the whole gang is on its toes, collectively and individually speaking, ready for the crack of the pistol. If the Golden Jubilee and initiatory celebrations are scheduled for the same week we'll guarantee (money refunded if we don't make good) to stage a party that will make the Democratic national convention look like a Methodist church quartette, minus the tenor.

That's that; and, them's them.

News and personal gossip about this and that fellow is plentiful, but it seemed mighty scarce until we got in touch with our corps of well-trained and ever-alert news-hounds: Robert P. (Bob) Crawford, who, by the way, is in position to furnish the finest grades of oils and greases in the world for hot and cold rolled strip steel mills; Thomas W. Pomeroy, who keeps an eagle-eye on Phi Psis near and far; Louis M. Hague, one of the sons of Walter E. Hague & Sons, Inc., electroplaters, 100 Liberty avenue (in no way connected with the internal electroplaters, Haig & Haig); John L. Porter, who has been breaking into print so much of late we can't begin to keep track of his honors; and others who keep us posted from time to time. If you ever get the job of secretary for the Pittsburgh association, just call up one of the aforementioned brothers and he'll give you enough dope to make a stick of marijuana, not infrequently referred to as hashish, act like a lolly-pop or an all-day sucker.

Well, mates, here goes. This is Station P. A. A. broadcasting the news, for no particular reason whatsoever.

If you want more information about Brother John L. Porter, just pick up a 1926 edition of Who's Who in America, and read his pedigree; the 1927 year-book will tell you, in addition to the honors listed this year, that he is vice president of the board of trustees of Carnegie Institute; vice chairman of the board of trustees of Carnegie Institute of Technology; a member of the

finance committee of the Frick Educational Commission; author of a treatise on "A Plan for Improved Refrigeration"; chairman of the trustees committee of the Carnegie Institute, and the edition should include the fact that Brother Porter continues to act as chairman of our archives and library committee, a position that would keep most of us busy twelve hours a day, without anything else to worry about.

Phi Psi brides and fiances have been giving society editors in Pittsburgh something worth-while to talk about the last few weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Kredel, 1012 Mellon st., East End, have announced the marriage on October 23d of their daughter, Miss Helen, to Paul C. McKnight, Pa. Alpha. On October 28th Miss Naomi Fellabom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Fellabom, Herberton av., East End, was married to Charles D. Wilcox, Pa. Alpha, of Wilkinsburg, a suburb; the engagement of Miss Josephine C. Dowling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dowling of Bigelow boulevard, and Greer McIlvain, Pa. Theta, was announced October 27th.

The professional card of A. P. Reed, Pa. Alpha, known from coast to coast as "Doc," tells us he's with the National Publishing Co., 239 American st., Philadelphia, selling such commendable lines of merchandise as Bibles, albums of all kinds and books. Doc lives at 619 Tenth av., Moore, Delaware county, a suburb of Philadelphia, but it won't do the secretary of our sister alumni organization any good to jot down this address; Doc promises to remain loyal to his first love, the old P. A. A., so we are informed.

The Western Pennsylvania Alumni Association of Lafayette College has fallen into safe hands. James E. Hindman, Pa. Eta '96, is president, and Louis M. Hague, Pa. Theta '19, is handling the finances, if any, of this society.

Norval R. Daugherty, W. Va. Alpha, has been the living personification of "that grand and glorious feeling" ever since his son, William Robert (Bill) Daugherty, was pledged by Pennsylvania Theta. Brother Daugherty was principal speaker September 12th at a meeting commemorating the 139th anniversary of the adoption of the constitution of the United States, held under the auspices of the All-American Alliance, the American Flag Day Association and affiliated patriotic, educational and civic groups.

L. J. Robb, W. Va. Alpha, chief engineer of Heyl & Patterson, Inc., has been showing up at luncheons frequently of late. M. J. Warnock, Ore. Alpha, dropped in November 3d and asked us to point out McCreery's so that he might attend luncheon the following day. Brother Warnock, a Kay-See Gee-A-Seer, is with the Armstrong Cork Co., at Lancaster, Pa. He tells us that the linoleum department of the Armstrong company has no less than fourteen Phi Psis on its pay roll.

Sion B. Smith, Pa. Beta, yes, the Attorney General, former President and general war-horse of the national Fraternity, spent a fortnight at State College, Pa., teaching the law as it pertains to mining to embryo mining engineers at State College. The Lambda chapter, Brother Sion reports, is in ship-shape. With John H. Frizzell, Mass. Alpha '98, back on the faculty at State College, the chapter should feel extremely fortunate. Brother Frizzell, it will be recalled, was instrumental in placing Lambda chapter at the Nittany institution and is one of the Phi Psi-ing-est Phi Psis in this or any other state of the union.

A. J. Ingham, Pa. Lambda, who recently joined our ranks, lives at 917 Bellefonte st. He and G. Lorimer Brown, Pa. Beta '21, have become regular luncheon attendants. Another Beta initiate rapidly becoming a dyed-in-the-wool regular is Robert L. Moore, who is with the Thermatomic Carbon Co., 108 Ferry st., and lives at 1300 Arkansas av., Dormont, a suburb.

John A. Wragg, Pa. Alpha, is with the Thompson Body Co., 214 Lexington av., and resides at 1133 Lancaster st., Regent Square.

Bob Crawford just told us on the 'phone that Charles W. St. Clair, Pa. Lambda '19, is with the Johnson Service Co., East Diamond st., North Side, dealing in automatic heating appliances. Bob also is authority for the statement that P. D. McElfish, Pa. Lambda, is identified with the Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., at Woodlawn, Pa. Our memory tells us that it was at this plant that John D. Gold, also of Pa. Lambda, now chief metallurgist for the Weirton Steel Co., Weirton, W. Va., got his start some years ago.

Pittsburgh, Pa.
November 3, 1926

C. F. WILLIAMS
Correspondent





CHAPTER

CORRESPONDENCE



Letters for the next issue of THE SHIELD, to insure publication, must reach the Editor by January 10th

FIRST DISTRICT

New Hampshire Alpha—Dartmouth College

New Hampshire Alpha wishes to announce the pledging of the following men: James William Hodson, Waterbury, Conn.; Richard Johnson, Winthrop, Mass.; Christian E. Born, Columbus, Ohio; Herbert P. Simpson, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Kenneth E. Sentney, Hutchinson, Kan.; Gustave E. Weidenmeyer, Newark, N. J.; Richard S. Burke, Winnetka, Ill.; John H. Calver, Newton Center, Mass.; F. H. Corrigan, Sarasota, Fla.; Jack D. Gunther, Nyack on the Hudson, N. Y.; Charles M. Dudley, Hanover, N. H.; Jack Ackley, Long Island, N. Y.; Bob Waterman, New Haven, Conn.; Edward McGibbon, Wilmette, Ill.; Theodore Gurney, Long Island, N. Y.; George Chase, Cleveland, Ohio. We are all very proud of the new delegation and hope that they will live up to our high expectations. We feel that we have a true Phi Psi delegation in that there is no predominance of any one activity. They are a well-rounded group with great possibilities in many fields, and they already show that spirit which is characteristic of Phi Psi.

The '28 delegation is greatly weakened by the loss of three men who failed to return to college. George Brush is at Columbia business school. The whereabouts of "Ted" Baehr and "Adie" Zellars are uncertain.

We added another feather to our caps when Lew Beyer was recently taken into the Dragon senior society. There are at present five men who are members of this honorary fraternity and we are mighty proud of them all.

Our fall athletic report shows that Stone and Meyercord are playing on the varsity soccer team. Meyercord is a veteran, and Stone should receive his letter. Gow has been playing second string center on the football team and has played in several games. Next year ought to be a brilliant one for Art. Si Morand had an unfortunate injury after the Hobart game, and lost his place as a first-string end.

"Howie" Serrell has been recently initiated into Green Key, the honorary junior society.

The house had a big blow-out over the Brown game by turning the week-end into one big party at the house. There were big dances here on Friday and Saturday nights and great festivities despite the fact that we lost the game. A large number of the brothers were here from Brown for the game and were guests at all the parties. It is needless to say that the get-together was a great success.

The fall term so far has been one of the happiest ones that any of the present brothers can recall. Everything has run very smoothly, and very evident fraternal spirit has made the year one to be remembered by us all.

*Hanover, N. H.
November 7, 1926*

PAUL S. KNOWLES
Correspondent

Massachusetts Alpha—Amherst College

Massachusetts Alpha takes great pleasure in the announcement of its twelve new pledges, eleven freshmen and one sophomore. John Tennant Adams of Duluth, Minn., is a transfer from Carleton College. The freshmen are: Walter Breede jr, White Plains, N. Y.; Leonard Prescott Brickett, Swampscott, Mass.; Allen Malcolm Hill, Elizabeth, N. J.; Robert Burnett Howe, Newark, N. J.; Henry T. Johnston, New York City; Willard Maxwell Kellogg, West Hartford, Conn.; Albert Nichols, West Hartford, Conn.; Hubert L. Perry, Buffalo, N. Y.; Alan Taylor Prigge, White Plains, N. Y.; Harold Cunningham Smith, Kingston, Pa.; and Ellsworth Morton Tracy, Waterbury, Conn.

In accordance with the custom at Amherst, initiations take place the week-end of the Williams game scheduled this year for November 13th. Massachusetts Alpha will initiate on the night of November 11 and the following night will be held the banquet, at which President Williams has promised to be present.

Since the last chapter letter, Mackey has been elected to the chairmanship of the sophomore hop committee, Newton has been chosen a member of the senior hop committee and Wilber a member of the junior prom committee.

Hooker and Taft were recently elected members of the editorial board of *Lord Jeff*, the college humorous magazine.

Cowan was recently chosen president of the glee club. Meneely, J. Ward, Mackey, Wilber, Cowan, Hill, Kells and Brickett have been retained after tryouts for the club.

Don Smith is playing guard on the varsity eleven, and Wilber, M. Kellogg and Kells are on the squad. Schnepel is competing for the managership in this sport. On the freshman team, Perry and Brickett have played regularly, while Bill Kellogg and H. Smith are members of the squad.

Hadley and Richardson recently received letters for their work on the varsity tennis team last spring.

Howe and Joos are out for swimming at present, and Bill and Marty Kellogg will probably go out after football is over.

Ted Ward is president of Delta Sigma Rho, national honorary debating society.

Amherst, Mass.

November 8, 1926

FREDERICK L. TAFT JR

Correspondent

Rhode Island Alpha—Brown University

Rhode Island Alpha returned to college in September to find that "Hi" Myers, captain-elect of the Brown track team, had been married during the summer to Miss Florence Hines of Providence. Hi and Mrs. Myers are enjoying their married life and have a small apartment a short distance from the campus.

Six brothers did not return to college this fall. The rest of the chapter, however, are working hard to prepare for the annual rushing season, the first week in December. Dick Spellman is chairman of the rushing committee and is busy making his plans for the entertaining of freshmen.

For the first time in some years, the alumni and undergraduates held a joint smoker at the chapter house on November 1st. Musical numbers were rendered by members of the Doric quarter and a luncheon was served.

This year Rhode Island Alpha has two candidates for football, Bob Stetson and Charlie Mulligen being the candidates for the varsity eleven. Jim Edwards, from Illinois Delta, is a member of the Pollywog squad, being ineligible for varsity this year.

Nat Keith and Warren Francis are working on the *Brown Daily Herald*, Keith covering freshman football and Francis handling the varsity. Al Clark and Roger Shattuck are on the business board of the paper.

Fred Tisdell is scutting for the managerial positions of the athletic council while Al Clark, Ken Demarest and Ken Carpenter are spending much time with the band and dance teams. Demarest leads the "Brown and White orchestra."

Tim Nelson represents the chapter on the *Brown Jug* while Ed Perry is scutting for the same publication.

"Tillie" Kennerson is one of the cheer leaders this year, being on the celebration committee. Jess Eddy is assistant manager-elect for the lacrosse team while Bill Horn has been elected manager of the varsity basketball team. Bucky Wright will be one of the Phi Psi candidates for the quintet when practice starts late this month. Jack Heffernan and Bill Kolle, substitutes last year, also intend to go out for the team.

Rhode Island Alpha is making progress in the effort to raise the scholastic standing of the fraternity, having moved up from seventeenth to tenth place in the standing of the nineteen fraternities on the campus. Hi Myers was awarded a prize for excellence in advanced biology this fall.

Dick Spellman, Phi Psi's third varsity wrestling captain, plans to get going on his mat work in a short time when the grapplers start training. Dick is the third Phi Psi of his family to lead the Brown grapplers and the second to captain the team in his junior year.

Rhode Island Alpha plans to hold its first dance of the season the night before the Thanksgiving day football game with Colgate. Over the week-end of the Dartmouth game, the greater part of the chapter visited the house at Hanover and attended the dances.

Before long we expect to be able to announce that the chapter has obtained a new house. Ever since the opening of college the house committee has been working steadily on this task and the chapter hopes to be in new headquarters when rushing season opens.

Providence, R. I.

W. B. FRANCIS

Correspondent

New York Alpha—Cornell University

New York Alpha takes pleasure in announcing the affiliation of Joseph Emil Wiedenmayer jr, of Newark, N. J., from Pennsylvania Theta, and John Boyd Atwood, of Pittsburgh, Pa., from Pennsylvania Alpha, and in announcing the pledging of the following six freshmen: Theodore Woodbridge Brooks, Columbus, Ohio; Frederick Traver Elder, Yonkers, N. Y.; George Brooks Emeny, Salem, Ohio; Albert Robert Erda, Brooklyn, N. Y.; William Hartman Harder, Buffalo, N. Y.; and Samuel Greer Tiemann, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The chapter is well represented in activities on the Hill. Shaw is captain of the varsity soccer team and A. Thompson and S. Thompson are regulars on that team. Mann, one of last year's regulars, broke a leg in practice early in the season. Jarvis, Abell,

E. Joyce and A. Quick are on the crew squad. Roberts is on the track squad. Pledges Erda and Elder are with freshman track squad, and Tiemann is a sub on the freshman football team.

Shaw won his letter in baseball last season and is captain of that team for the coming season. Jarvis won his "J-V" letter in crew last spring. Barthen was awarded a tennis "C." Six members of the class of 1929 won numerals in various sports last year.

W. Joyce is manager of basketball, Secor is assistant manager of soccer, Crogan is assistant manager of baseball, and Krusen is an associate editor the *Sun*. Merrill is on the track competition and Macomber is on the crew competition. Parks and Atwood are competing for the business managerships of the *Graphic* and the annuals, respectively. R. Quick is on the *Sun* editorial competition. Kellogg is competing for the managership of the musical clubs.

Shaw is a member of the Student Council for the fourth consecutive year. Crogan and Krusen are members of Aleph Samach, junior society, Shaw and Ohl are members of Tau Beta Pi, and Shaw was recently elected to Phi Kappa Phi. Walker is a member of Scabbard and Blade, military society. Six members of the senior class are members of Sphinx Head, senior society. Kellogg and Ruckelshaus were elected to the Savage Club. Secor is a member of Red Key, junior society.

We expect a record-breaking crowd back for the Dartmouth game on November 13th, and plans are completed for the largest alumni reunion ever held in the chapter house.

Ithaca, N. Y.

November 8, 1926

ROBERT D. HOBBIE

Correspondent

New York Beta—Syracuse University

New York Beta takes pleasure in announcing the pledging of the following men: Kenneth P. Abbe, Longmeadow, Mass.; George Albrecht, Middle Village, N. Y.; Edwin Allen, Trumansburg, N. Y.; Ralph S. Barlow, Springfield, Mass.; Alton Bartholomew, Whitehall, N. Y.; Henry C. Boschert, Syracuse; Lisle D. Caldwell, Fulton, N. Y.; Frank Fitton, Richmond Hill, N. Y.; Charles V. Flagg, Littleton, Mass.; Herbert L. Gregory, Syracuse; Melosh D. Kiddon, Passaic, N. J.; Fletcher A. Newberry, Canastota, N. Y.; Edward S. Prescott, Syracuse; Donald K. Templeton, Buffalo; C. Richmond Van Nostrand, Richmond Hill, N. Y.; Julio Vizcarrondo, San Juan, P. R.

Carr was performing better than ever in football early this fall but was unfortunately removed from further service to the team when injured in the Army game. His title of "Whippet" seems to have been well earned; last year it was his honor to receive the cup awarded to the most valuable man on the football team. Frawley is also with the squad and is frequently called to action.

Dad's Day was appropriately celebrated Sunday, November 7th, when twelve of the brothers were fortunate enough to have their fathers guests at dinner. It was a happy affair for the fathers, as well as the brothers, and we hope the custom will be continued.

It is rather difficult to put into print how much the appearance of our living room and hall has been improved since a loyal alumnus has removed the old furniture and rugs, to replace it with oriental carpets and numbers of easy chairs and other pieces, which help to give the room an appearance of homelike comfort. With several

other improvements by the alumni, we often feel as though our return this year has been to a different house.

Plans have matured for an alumni smoker to be given at the house on the eve of the Colgate game, and an informal dance following the game, on November 13th. New York Beta is expecting the Colgate chapter to be present at this affair and aid us in winding up the social events of the week.

Carr was recently elected president of the senior class. DeTar is on the Senior Council, the student governing board, Lohr was elected to membership in Scabbard and Blade, an honorary military society, and Parmalee is manager of golf.

To any brothers who may happen to be in town, we hope they will accept the cordial invitation to visit us, which we extend to them at this time.

Syracuse, N. Y.
November 8, 1926

FREDERICK N. MARTY
Correspondent

New York Gamma—Columbia University

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New York Epsilon—Colgate University

The year has started out very auspiciously for the chapter. The close of the rushing season found us with the best delegation of pledges of any house on the campus. Fifteen men were pledged: two sophomores, one transferring from Yale and the other from Ohio State, and thirteen freshmen. The two sophomores are "Pike" Sloan and Don Wilson, both from Cleveland. "Pike" is not doing anything in the way of activities now, but when the spring rolls around he will be one of Scholtz's understudies on the baseball diamond. Don Wilson earned his numerals as manager of freshman basketball at State and will probably try out for managership of the varsity sport here. Jean Caspar from Pittsburgh has all the makings of a good basketball and baseball man. He played regularly on both the foregoing teams at Shadyside Academy where he "prepped." Jack Galloway of Cambridge, N. Y., is the marvel of the freshman football team. He is hailed over the campus as a second Eddie Tryon. Frank Frazier, also from Cambridge, and Jack's side-kick, is also working out with the freshman squad. Joe Dudley from Greenfield, Mass., had a place all sewed up on the freshman squad but has been inactive due to a broken wrist in one of the earlier games. Clifford Slaght, a Buffalo boy, bids fair to win a berth on the freshman baseball team. He is reputed to be an excellent boxman. George Winslow, the smallest man in the delegation, is one of the most likeable of the boys. He plays a very good saxophone and is a great addition to the house orchestra. George hails from Brooklyn.

Bus Boyle, "Stewie" North and Ralph Waite all come from White Plains, N. Y. "Bus" has already won his letter as a cross-country man and is sure to develop into one of the best in the university. Ralph Waite has a berth on the freshman football team and is likely to follow in the footsteps of his famous brother at Georgetown. When the spring rolls around we will see "Stewie" North, the third of the White Plains boys, out on the field pole-vauling. "Bud" Clark from Cleveland has been busy ever since

college started scrubbing track. He is doing very well in one of the hardest scrubs that there is and ought to have a better than even chance at the end of the season. Paul Graves, from Gouverneur, has not had a chance to show his ability. He has been home for the last three weeks with a bad leg, but when spring comes we hope to see Paul out on the baseball diamond holding down a regular position on the freshman squad. "Bill" Doer, a Watertown boy, is the other musician in the delegation. He is very good on the piano and next year ought to hold that position regularly with the house orchestra. "Bud" Haff, from Rockville Center, prepped at St. Paul's and was one of the mainstays of the basketball team, being captain in his senior year on the team that beat Princeton frosh. We are looking forward to "Bud" holding down the position of forward on the freshman squad this year.

The house is very proud of its scholastic record for the past year. We have raised our standing from thirteenth on the scholarship list to sixth.

We have more than our share of honors in the house. Scholtz is captain of baseball; Gurney is manager of varsity football and Mitchell is an assistant manager with an excellent chance to be elected manager for 1928. Kaufmann is assistant manager of track; Ray Van Horn is manager of Masque and Triangle, the dramatic club on the campus. He is also manager of the *Willow Path*, the literary magazine of Colgate. Carl Kent is captain of the tennis team for next spring. Scott Long is captain of the golf team and manager of cross-country.

Gartman is manager of the symphony and president of the Masque and Triangle. Simmonds is substituting at halfback on the varsity football team and is the best forward passer on the squad.

November 12th is the annual alumni day. We are looking forward to a general reunion. We have had word from many alumni that they will be back for the big game, which of course is with Syracuse. We are making all preparations to welcome back the alumni with open arms.

Fall house party took place last week-end and was a huge success. About twenty-five of the boys had the "one and only" up to enjoy the festivities. As usual Phi Psi ranked first in popularity open house night.

October 30th was homecoming day. It was featured by the Michigan State football game, the first major game to be played at Hamilton in many seasons. There were many of the alumni back and a very enjoyable week-end was spent.

We are looking forward this year to doing big things in all activities of the campus. We are ever striving to raise our scholarship to within one or two of the top and are holding our own in extracurricular activities on the campus. The year holds great promise for the chapter.

Hamilton, N. Y.
November 9, 1926

PAUL H. FOLWELL
Correspondent

SECOND DISTRICT

Pennsylvania Gamma—Bucknell University

With conventionality thrown to the winds, and an air of ease and jollity reigning supreme, the farmers in the county of Pennsylvania Gamma gathered 'round for their annual hornpipe jig. The silent motto of the party seemed to be, "No More Chores! They Can Go to the Dickens. We Know Our Oats, So Bring on the Chickens."

The program was greatly enhanced by several specialties and novelties; the feature of the evening being preceded by a monstrous hayride which took us through the winding and lonely country lanes (ain't nature gr-r-r-and!) and eventually to the scene of the "big rassel." Several times we passed the "Sem"itary, and, it being Hallowe'en, not a few of the spooks sat up in their everlasting beds and shrieked and wailed so, that all were inoculated with the "spirits" of the occasion.

At seven thirty sharp, Noble's Southern Darkies blasted forth with such weird and ghostly strains that the bristles on the pig's' back stood out like goose flesh on a summer's morning. Did we have a good time? Well—we just "cut loose"! You know the rest.

Just a few words to let all Phi Psis know that one of the top-notch chapters of the Fraternity is Kansas Alpha. Tuck, Bihl, Hulick and Captain Stephens of the Bucknell varsity football team were recent guests of this fine chapter situated in Lawrence, Kan. Lawrence is also the home of Haskell Institute, to which these same four brothers can testify.

Since the publication of the last SHIELD, we were honored by visits from our older brothers and others now actively engaged with their own particular chapters. May we say that it was indeed a pleasure to hear from them, and hope that others will avail themselves of the same opportunity to test our hospitality.

Lewisburg, Pa.

November 9, 1926

R. F. PEDEN

Correspondent

 Pennsylvania Epsilon—Gettysburg College

Pennsylvania Epsilon started things moving the minute college opened and as yet there has not been any let up.

Spangler, Drawbaugh, Wachob, Hall and Cockley are on the football squad, and all have participated in varsity games. Spangler of course, is starring; Hall has a bad knee that needs much watching, while Wachob, Cockley and Drawbaugh, practically new to college football, are making good names for themselves.

Ivory and Stover starred in the Dramatic Club's first play of the year, "A Pair of Sixes." Stover, Hall, Drawbaugh and Heller are in the cast of "Captain Appeljack" which will be presented on Fathers' Day.

Deferred pledging held back rushing for seven weeks but now we are pleased to announce the pledging of seven men. Grier Graff, Worthington, Pa.; James Kennerdell and George Griggs, Kittanning; Clarence Bachman, Harrisburg; David Rakestraw and William Zufall, Mechanicsburg; and Donald Clare, Baltimore, Md. They are a fine bunch with every evidence of making good Phi Psis. Griggs is freshman cheerleader and an assistant football manager.

Wachob has been elected Kappa Phi Kappa and is stage manager of the Owl and Nightingale Dramatic Club. Ivory is president of both the Dramatic Club and the Historical Society and is a member of the glee club. Nixdorf is editor of our humorous publication, the *Cannon Bawl*, president of the debating council, on the varsity debating team, the Y. M. C. A. cabinet and associate editor of the *Gettysburgian*. He is also assistant to the director of the Dramatic Club. Stover is the scenic artist of the *Owl and Nightingales* and art editor of the *Cannon Bawl*.

Heller is drum major of the band. Hall and Bachman are in the glee club. Thomas is on the varsity debating squad, chairman of the sophomore play committee, manager of the Gettysburg College publicity bureau, assistant editor of the *G-Book*, and a reporter for the *Gettysburgian*. Hilbert is assistant property manager of the Dramatic Club and will land a place on the circulation staff of the *Cannon Bawl*.

Cockley is vice president of the sophomore class. Hanson is on the junior varsity debating squad and the sophomore football team. Bell is chairman of decorations for the junior prom. Hensen is chairman of the sophomore vigilance committee, vice president of the Rifle Club, business manager of the college publicity bureau, and out for the sophomore football team. Ensminger, Slabaugh and Zufall are out for the sophomore football team.

Both of our houses have been newly painted and look better than ever. Stover, the artist of our chapter, gave us two tapestries and an oil painting of his own workmanship which are a credit to any drawing room.

An interfraternity dance was given on October 23d and we led the campus for a good time. This was the day of our game with Bucknell, and it was our pleasure to have several brothers from Pennsylvania Gamma with us on that occasion.

Our new pledges gave a smoker for the pledges of the other national fraternities on the campus and did much to improve the goodfellowship and feeling existing between the fraternities.

We are looking for a most successful year, and are always ready to welcome any brother who may come our way.

Gettysburg, Pa.
November 8, 1926

HENRY M. HENSEN
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Zeta—Dickinson College

As far as we can determine, all seems well along the banks of the P. R. R.

Daugherty and Irwin displayed Caledonian tendencies by waiting until last summer to announce their respective weddings, but both returned to the exacting duties of the college and Law School. Irwin is a professor in the Law School, while Daugherty is continuing his studies at college.

Either the real estate or the beaches at Florida lured Reddy away, but he says he'll be back next year. Norm Robertson is playing football in Ridley Park.

An entirely new system of football and a new conference have resulted in a rather poor season for Dickinson. From our house, Sweeley, Harner, Geibel, Bowes and Mentzer have been showing up well. Sweeley and Harner have shown football ability that has been commented upon widely. Mentzer has played varsity end in every game.

Skull and Key, the honorary junior fraternity, chose Fred Sweeley as its member from this house.

By the time this letter is published, our social activities will have been swelled by three dances and the rushing stunts to come off during the first weeks of December. The dances have been, as usual, brilliant, particularly the masquerade on Hallowe'en night.

As to rushing, we have great expectations. The alumni, both from this chapter and others, have been most helpful in replying to correspondence requesting dope on the men.

Scholarship aspects are bright. Our sophomore grades, which are the only ones in, lack but one point of equalling those of the highest ranking fraternity last year. Two of the boys were A students.

The officers of the chapter are: G. P., J. Murray Buterbaugh; V. G. P., Albert W. James; P, James H. G. Buchanan; A. G., R. C. Cameron; B. G., Blaine Capehart; S. G., James Strite; Hi., L. H. Sheldon; Hod., George M. Ammermann; Ph., Lynn Corson.

Carlisle, Pa.

November 10, 1926

R. C. CAMERON

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Eta—Franklin and Marshall College

This year we have enjoyed a very successful rushing season. Scholastically, socially and athletically, we pledged the "pick of the campus." Already the good qualities of our freshmen are manifesting themselves in the way they "snap-to" in the house. Pennsylvania Eta takes pleasure in introducing the following pledges: Arthur Whelan and Forrest Blose, Ridgeway, Pa.; Ivan Bear, York, Pa.; Charles Appel, Lancaster, Pa.; Joseph Homesher, Strasburg, Pa.; Leslie Cole and Tyler Baker, Summit, N. J.; and Samuel Hauenstein, Ephrata, Pa.

All brothers are actively engaged in various campus activities. Lehman, Hewes, Zimmerman and McCune are upholding Phi Psi honor on the gridiron. Bachman is out for football managership. We are also well represented on the glee club, the *Weekly*, tennis team, debating, and honorary societies.

Our chapter has inaugurated a plan of cooperation between alumni and undergraduates. Each week finds more interest growing and a better fraternal spirit developing between them. It is hoped to have all resident alumni participating in our good times before next spring.

Any Phi Psi wandering near our place of abode will greatly honor us by paying us a visit. We are always glad to welcome them; I'm sure they'll feel at home.

Lancaster, Pa.

November 9, 1926

QUAY A. McCUNE

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Theta—Lafayette College

We are proud to introduce the following men to our brothers in Phi Kappa Psi: Edward M. Tierney, Bridgeport, Conn.; Frederick L. Grant, Ben Avon Heights, Pa.; Joseph O. Wilson, South Bend, Ind.; William R. Daugherty, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Arthur Dale, Scranton, Pa.; Richard A. Hartje, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Henry Schreyer, Milton, Pa.; John E. Keith, New Haven, Conn.; Clifton Cox, Cranford, N. J.; Donald M. Keller, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Pledges Tierney, Grant and Wilson were initiated on October

27, 1926. The remaining men are freshmen and will be initiated on Founders' Day. Tierney is a transfer from Colby College and was prominent in baseball. Grant is a transfer from the Woodlawn Club of Carnegie Tech. He is an ardent golfer and we hope he is successful in making the golf team. Wilson is from the University of Wisconsin; he is a talented musician, and active in dramatics. Dale and Schreyer are trying for places on the wrestling team, along with Borden. Hartje is on the swimming squad, doing good work every day. Keller is anxiously awaiting the arrival of the basketball season.

Lafayette has one of the few undefeated football teams in the country. The team ranks fourth in high scoring honors for the country as a whole. Phi Psi is well represented on this team, having Cothran playing right tackle and Marsh the quarterback. Cothran has played commendable ball all season, starring in the games with Pitt and W & J. Marsh also played a great game all season and especially well against our old rivals Pitt and W & J.

Pomeroy is a candidate for assistant manager of the football team. Addams is on the business staff of the *Lafayette*. Brinson is running on the cross-country team. Hooker is a member of the interfraternity council, and is active in dramatics. Fairchild is treasurer of the interfraternity council, chairman of the entertainment committee of the Brainard Society and is taking a prominent part in college dramatics. Pomeroy and Brinson are striving for places on the debating team. Pomeroy is a member of the honorary debating society Tau Kappa Alpha. Bauer is trying for a place on the freshman football team.

We are pleased to announce that our scholarship was raised from fifteenth place to sixth place during the past semester. We do not feel that we have done as well as possible and this semester are striving further to raise our scholastic standing on the campus.

Our alumni were a great help to us during the rushing season. We wish to take this opportunity to thank them for their great assistance to the chapter.

We held a tea-dance on October 16th, at which time many of the younger alumni visited the chapter. We are holding open house before the Lehigh game, so be sure to pay the chapter a visit and meet your old classmates.

Easton, Pa.
November 1, 1926

EDWARD D. ASHCRAFT
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Iota—University of Pennsylvania

The university's so-far successful football season has kept us busy entertaining returning alumni brothers, and we look forward to the culmination of the season at our annual Thanksgiving Day tea after the battle with Cornell. An elaborate program is being carried out in the way of some much-needed repairs on the exterior of the chapter house and refinishing the interior; the work will be complete by the end of November.

We have every reason to look forward to a most excellent year. The losses we suffered by graduation last spring are well set off by prospects of a successful rushing season. The season does not open until the middle of December, but the general character of this year's freshman class, though smaller, is more promising than

usual, by reason of the greater severity of the university's entrance requirements this year.

The chapter takes pleasure in announcing that James Edward Dudit, of Ohio Alpha, has consented to his affiliation with Pennsylvania Iota in view of his recent transfer from Ohio Wesleyan; we look forward with great pleasure to having him with us.

Taylor has been elected president of his class in the Dental School, and Wright president of his in the School of Architecture. In the way of activities, Stevens is assistant football manager, and Gittens is out for the soccer managership; Monk is on the varsity football squad, and White has been made chairman of the university vigilance committee, for the detection of wayward freshmen.

We wish every kind of success to each Phi Kappa Psi organization, and hope that all brothers, old and young, who find themselves in town any time during the coming winter will stop in at the house to see us.

Philadelphia, Pa.

November 7, 1926

JOHN STOKES ADAMS JR

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Kappa—Swarthmore College

As the winter draws near we feel assured that the successful year we predicted for Pennsylvania Kappa is a concrete fact. We feel that we are justified in being proud of our showing so far this year and are determined to continue along these lines.

Football finds Degroot, Unger, Ward, Maxwell, Barnes and Clothier all playing a fine brand of game while Pledge Wagner is one of the few freshmen who have gotten into a varsity game this season. Jack Lippincott's soccer team, though suffering two early defeats, is now staging a most praiseworthy comeback due in part, we feel sure, to the fine playing of Bush. All the athletic brothers have been handicapped by injuries of one sort or another but the end of the season finds them all in good condition.

Scholarship, under the careful guidance of Smith, is fast coming into its own. At this writing the midsemester marks have not been issued but we feel sure that Smith will have good cause to be proud of himself as will all the brothers.

The fall dance draws near. The date is November 24th, the place the Merion Tribute House at Merion. This bids fair to be one of the best dances that Pennsylvania Kappa has ever enjoyed. We are hoping for a large alumni representation. We'll tell you all about it in our next letter.

Swarthmore, Pa.

November 9, 1926

TED FETTER

Correspondent

Maryland Alpha—Johns Hopkins University

After the close of one of the most successful rushing seasons ever experienced by Maryland Alpha we take this opportunity to introduce to the Fraternity the following pledges: Edward Deveaux, Washington, D. C.; William Swope, Baltimore, Md.; Gordon Pepion, Hartford, Conn.; John Lotz, Baltimore, Md.; Arthur Varela, Washington, D. C.; John Waaser, Mauchunk, N. J.; Judson Dimling, Baltimore, Md.; Gordon Coy, Baltimore, Md.; John Deets, Waterloo, Iowa; Morton Dukehart, Baltimore, Md. Eleven bids were given and of those ten were accepted. Quite an enviable record.

Fourteen members of Maryland Alpha returned to Hopkins this fall and extensive plans for the operation of the chapter have been put into effect. We regret that Talbott was unable to be with us this year; he was junior manager of the lacrosse team, and would have undoubtedly been elected manager in the spring. This makes the loss doubly hard, as the managership of lacrosse has been one of the old Phi Psi traditions at Hopkins. Mahool also was unable to return, having been in the hospital for the last two months. Wyatt has returned after a year spent in travelling about the world. Ashbury was transferred to Virginia Alpha, after being with us only one year. Thurston Taylor, although he was graduated last year, is still at Hopkins, taking graduate work in the English department.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of Phi Kappa Psi who wrote to us recommending men entering Hopkins this fall. We can assure them that those men were favorably looked over by us.

Baltimore, Md.

November 10, 1926

ADDISON CAMPBELL

Correspondent

Virginia Alpha—University of Virginia

Virginia Alpha takes great pleasure in announcing the following initiates: Edmund Fontaine Broun jr, Charleston, W. Va.; John Dale Clothier jr, Natural Bridge, Va.; James Potts Hart jr, Roanoke, Va.; Morgan Macy, Caledonia, N. Y.; Julien Jaquelin Mason, Washington, D. C.; Charles Brelsford McCoy, Wilmington, Del.; and Edward Julian Moseley III, Richmond, Va.

The pledging came as a climax to a rushing season of unusual intensity and success on the afternoon of October 3d. The formal initiation was held by the chapter October 20th, followed by the annual banquet, presided over by Brother McClanahan as toastmaster. The presence of Brother Davis of the faculty, Brother Boyd of the alumni, and their addresses of welcome to the new brothers made the occasion especially enjoyable and memorable.

The chapter has proceeded well into a session that gives promise of constant progress and unprecedented achievement. Though a severe loss has been sustained in the graduation of several of the chapter's most valuable members last June and the failure to return to the university of several others, eighteen reported present in September, augmented shortly afterwards by the seven initiates recorded above. The brothers have set out determinedly to better all previous scholarship records of the chapter, while maintaining an interest and participation in the extracurricular activities of the university. In athletics, Gammon is showing up well on the varsity football squad, Crosby has been playing on the golf team. Macy and Nelson have been training with the boxing squad for the opening meets in January, Hart and Clothier have been contending for positions on the first year wrestling and track teams respectively, and Gilmer is on the cross-country squad. On the staff of *Corks and Curls*, the university annual, Virginia Alpha is represented by McEachern, the assistant editor, Morrison and Gilmer, departmental editors, and Williams, Turner and Cocke, associate editors. Moseley and Broun are competing for positions on the literary staff and McCoy is working in the business department of the organization. Gilmer is news editor of *College Topics*, the

university semiweekly publication, and Mason is active in the competition for the reportorial staff.

At the annual convocation exercises of the university, intermediate honors were conferred on three members of the chapter, Williams, Nelson and Gilmer. Ritchie, who is on the board of editors of the *Virginia Law Review*, was elected recently to membership in the Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity, while Morrison was similarly honored by the Phi Rho Sigma medical fraternity. McClanahan has been initiated into IMP and Gammon has been included among the new members of the T. I. L. K. A. ribbon society. As a result of the annual bidding of the two university dance organizations, Williams joined the P. K. Society and Morrison and Gilmer, the German Club, of which latter Abney has been elected president for the present session.

Over recent week-ends the chapter has been favored with visits from many of the alumni, including Brothers Jamison, Adams, Foster, Stone, Showalter, Thompson, Putney, Wertenbaker, Hudgins, Galleher, Kavanaugh and Chichester, who, it is hoped, may be welcomed back on frequent occasions in the future.

University, Va.

November 7, 1926

L. A. DAFFAN GILMER

Correspondent

Virginia Beta—Washington and Lee University

Virginia Beta takes pleasure in announcing the pledging of six new men this fall. The pledges are: Pete Justis, Charlotte, N. C.; James Twist, Chicago, Ill.; Roby Southerland, Pulaski, Va.; John Little, Louisville, Ky.; Walter Sikes, Clemson College, S. C.; and James Adamson, Terre Haute, Ind. The new men are taking an active interest in university activities and all of them are working for places on either the football squad or the basketball team. Southerland has played in every freshman game of the season and has proved himself one of the best men on the "Little Generals" outfit.

A large number of old men returned to Virginia Beta this year and are playing an active role in university affairs. Hollis "Babe" Spotts is playing regular end on the football team, with Gene White, his running mate, at quarterback. Billie Lott has seen considerable action in a halfback position, and Francis "Count" Barclay and Edward Smith are both out, waiting for their turns.

Fanning Hearon was elected president of final dances last spring, and already has plans under way toward making "finals" this year one of the best set of dances ever held at Washington and Lee.

Si Preston is training daily for the boxing team which begins its schedule shortly after the Christmas holidays, and Pete Kelley is working out on the mat, preparatory to the approaching wrestling season.

On university publications, Virginia Beta is unusually well represented. Jairus Collins is editor of the *Mink*, humorous magazine, and Guindon Olson is assisting him in the capacity of managing editor. Preston is a member of the business staff on the circulation end. On the *Ring Tum Phi*, student paper, we are represented by Olson, who is news editor, and has charge of the make-up, and Preston, a reporter. Several new men are trying out for positions on both these publications. On the *Calyx*, annual book, O. J. Wilkinson is society editor.

Paeton Bush is sophomore manager of the football team, and looks like a good prospect for junior manager next year.

Taken all in all, it looks like a pretty successful year for Virginia Beta. We moved into a new, and much better, house this year, and everyone is entering into the spirit with great interest. We wish to take this chance to invite any brothers travelling in this part of the country, to drop in, see our new place, and say "hello."

Lexington, Va.

November 3, 1926

WILLIAM B. LOTT

Correspondent

THIRD DISTRICT

Pennsylvania Alpha—Washington and Jefferson College

Pennsylvania Alpha takes pleasure in announcing the pledging of the following men: William Eastburn, Philadelphia; Albert Huenisch, San Francisco, Cal.; William Davison, Brookline, Pa.; Frank Walton, Wilkensburg, Pa.; and John Blair, Indiana, Pa. We are pleased to welcome into our midst again Reggie Davis, Bud Langgans and Lewie Sturbois, all of the class of '28. Also we are to welcome William Sanders, of Pittsburgh, to W & J. Bill spent last year at Lafayette College.

We have three men on the football teams this year, John Aiken being on the varsity and Pledges Eastburn and Davison on the freshman squad.

Many of the boys have been practising for the bowling team try-outs, as the season is about to begin. Some are also working out in preparation for the coming basketball season. In the interfraternity league last year we finished second, but we will never be satisfied with that place this year.

Sturbois brought a beautiful meat hound from the wilds of West Virginia when he arrived at college this year. He seems to be our only plaything except a few studies occasionally. Everybody seems to have been inflicted with the idea that they come to college for knowledge and are trying to get all that they possibly can.

Yours 'til the dog learns to do tricks.

Washington, Pa.

November 5, 1926

PAUL H. FERGUSON

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Beta—Allegheny College

Rushing at Allegheny was over by the close of the first week of college, and Pennsylvania Beta came out of the fray with fifteen new men pledged to her ranks: J. M. Beebe, Meadville; R. A. Clark, Cleveland; W. Gornall, Cambridge Springs; S. B. Harbaugh, Victoria; D. J. Hillman, Meadville; W. B. Leffingwell, Sharon; T. W. Moss, Indiana; T. B. Moltrop, Beaver Falls; L. W. Myers, Warren, Ohio; G. M. Shiely, Albion; W. C. Shidemantle, Parkers Landing; H. C. Wilson and C. D. White, Greenville; and W. C. Wycoff and B. A. Booth, Pittsburgh.

We have made a good showing in all the activities of the college so far this year. J. Hicks Baldwin is president of the History and Political Science Club and track manager. Frank Wicks has been chosen manager of the glee club. In the last two cross-country meets, Wycoff, a freshman, has led the field. In debate, Lindsey

and Baldwin are likely candidates for the varsity team, Mook is on the sophomore, and Wycoff on the freshman team.

Allegheny met the University of Pittsburgh at Pittsburgh September 25th, and Pitt, although generally admitted to have been outplayed, managed to nose out a 9-7 victory. Slaven and Pledges Blackburn and White were in the game. Richards, Wells, Baldwin and Wicks were recently initiated into Duzer-Du, the dramatics club of the college.

Our aim in scholarship this year is the top, and, with the rules about going out when down in any subject, being enforced, everything looks auspicious for the realization of our aim.

Meadville, Pa.

November 9, 1926

HUGH K. LONG

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Lambda—Pennsylvania State College

Everything has been going along splendidly since the writing of the last letter. The first grades of the sophomores and freshmen have been given out, and promise a good year in scholarship. The fraternity rating has not yet been compiled; the chapter is anxious to learn whether it has maintained the same advanced position. We have been fortunate in having Sion B. Smith with us; he is giving a special course in the School of Mines.

The chapter house is undergoing repairs; nearly all the rooms are being repapered. The washrooms and kitchen have been painted, and new linoleum is to be laid in both. These improvements will add greatly to the appearance of the house. The work is nearly completed so the house will be at its best for annual house party which takes place within a week's time. The first floor is to be decorated, and a popular Pittsburgh dance orchestra has been obtained. A plentiful supply of girls is also promised.

The brothers have returned from their trip to Philadelphia where the State football team met defeat at the close score of 3-0. Nevertheless, we are proud of the excellent playing of the team and the spirit manifested by the Nittany Lion. Nearly thirty Phi Psis were able to make the trip.

Wilkes, Stevens, Elliot and McClure are still working hard on the gridiron while Ball and Pledge Kirkpatrick are busy with managerial positions. Pledge Batdorf is making a splendid showing on the freshman outfit. McLean is playing in the Blue band. In spite of stiff opposition, House was elected to the Student Council; Shinnerer, another representative to the Student Council, has been appointed to the junior prom committee.

We extend the usual invitation to any who are in a position to visit us.

State College, Pa.

November 8, 1926

J. RANDALL THOMAS

Correspondent

West Virginia Alpha—West Virginia University

After the most hotly contested rushing season of the last four years, West Virginia Alpha takes great pleasure in announcing the pledging of the following men: Matt Warren, Beckley, W. Va.; Raymond Maurey, New Cumberland, W. Va.; Preston Mitchell, Morgantown, W. Va.; Lyall Jones, Bridgeport, W. Va.; Warren Williams, Morgantown, W. Va.; Wilton Davis, Morgantown,

W. Va.; Charles Hart, Wheeling, W. Va.; James Squibbs, Wheeling, W. Va.; John Tyler, Huntington, W. Va.; William Winfield, Clarkesburg, W. Va.; Frank Maynard, Bluefield, W. Va.; Boyd Horner, Clarkesburg, W. Va.; James Tierney, Weston, W. Va.; Charles Jones, Beckley, W. Va.; James Porter, New Cumberland, W. Va.

In addition to these newcomers we again welcome Brown Higbee, Mass. Alpha, John Phillips, Va. Beta, and Robert Burke, Pa. Alpha. All three have made formal application for transfer to West Virginia Alpha.

Phi Psi is well represented in campus activities this year in spite of the fact that we have been for the last two years numbered among the victims of smoothly working political machines, which have functioned with telling effect in student elections. Steps have been taken to remedy this situation, and it is thought that the next election will tell a happier story.

News of the death in California of Brother Joe Dawson came as a distinct shock to Phi Psis of West Virginia. Although the state of his health has prevented his taking an active interest in fraternity affairs for the past several years, his loss is keenly felt by alumni and members of the active chapter alike.

We learn with profound regret of the continued ill health of one of the staunchest and truest friends the chapter has ever had—Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran, of Dawson, Pa., and all join in wishing for her a complete and speedy recovery. Her companionship and the hospitality of her home have been for many years among the brightest spots of chapter life.

Sydney Ballam left last June to spend the summer in California, and according to authentic reports has fallen prey to the lure of Hollywood. We are momentarily expecting to hear that he has been signed up, at a fabulous salary, to take the place of Valentino.

The famous West Virginia Mountaineers have not been setting the football world on fire this season, due mostly to the graduation of six of last year's regulars, including Phil Hill. George Jackson is the only Phi Psi on the varsity squad this year, but several of the pledges are looking good on the freshman team.

Alumni and undergraduate members of West Virginia Alpha are working vigorously on the proposed new chapter house, and our efforts are being rewarded by the steady increase of the building fund. We hope to be able to present the most modern and comfortable of lodges before many seasons roll by. In the meantime we can always find accommodations for any brothers who visit Morgantown, and we cordially invite them to make the chapter house their headquarters.

Morgantown, W. Va.
November 10, 1926

ERNEST H. GILBERT JR
Correspondent

Ohio Alpha—Ohio Wesleyan University

Ohio Alpha wishes to announce the pledging of the following men: Crass, Stern, Greenough, Heffrin and McMillan of Cleveland; Beane, Warsaw, Ind.; Raugh, Altoona, Pa.; Owens, Muncie, Ind.; Frank Thompson, Lakeside, Ohio; and John Smith, Marion, Ohio. Of this group, Crass is playing freshman football, Beane has made the frosh debate squad, Raugh and Owens are respectively business and editorial try-outs on the *Transcript* staff, Smith is a

freshman football manager, McMillan made Freshman Players, a dramatic squad, and Stern is out for freshman track.

Green football material has been molded by Coach Gauthier into a team which is an active contender for the Buckeye Athletic Association championship this fall. Phi Psi is represented on the varsity by Captain Ray Bowers, guard, Griz Campbell, end, Bob Helwig, quarterback, all regulars, and by Bob Kyle, who was forced out for the season with an injured ankle, and MacFarland and Walt Kyle on the second team. In the game of November 6th against Wittenberg, Captain Bowers received a broken leg and dislocated ankle which will end his collegiate career as a football player. Captain Bowers' injury has caused a serious vacancy which will be difficult to fill, for he was headed for his second year of being an All-Ohio selection for guard.

There has been formed a new senior honorary fraternity, Alpha Kappa Alpha, to which Ohio Alpha has had three of its seniors elected—Dowds, Parker and Bowers.

Will Seiter has won his cross-country letter through his successful participation in numerous meets this fall.

On Ohio Wesleyan's rejuvenated cheering squad Phi Psi is represented by Dowds, senior leader, Carroll, one of the junior leaders, and Holtz, one of the sophomore leaders.

Alva G. Donkin, Ohio Epsilon '25, is registered at Ohio Wesleyan this fall, making the chapter house his home.

During the first semester of last year Phi Psi at Wesleyan made a remarkable increase in its scholarship standing among groups, coming from last among twelve national fraternities to fifth. During the second semester of last year she continued by coming into third place, where she now stands. This semester the Wesleyan Phi Psis are making special efforts to strengthen their scholastic standing still more.

Delaware, Ohio
November 10, 1926

A. ATKINSON
Correspondent

Ohio Beta—Wittenberg College

In an article which appeared in an issue of *THE SHIELD* last year, the brothers of Ohio Beta read with genuine interest the appeal of Brother Porterfield for a more variable type of chapter letter, devoid of the hackneyed phrases and trite expressions which have heretofore characterized chapter letters. We have taken this sage advice to heart and will attempt in the present epistle to include a resume of the more intimate and human interest occurrences at our house during the past month. With this prelude here goes—

The past month has witnessed an alteration in our plumbing system which cannot fail to be of tremendous import. The pipe over the reception hall has been so modified that it no longer impairs the appearance of the wallpaper through incessant leakage. It is with great pleasure that we announce the addition of a new pair of genuine Wingfoot heels to Cummings's Sunday shoes. We are also pleased to report that Teichmoeller's extra pair of trousers promises to hold out until the Christmas vacation. The new paint job on Raff's Chevrolet is progressing rapidly and will be completed within the next few days. This will add inestimably to the chapter's prestige on the campus. .

Although Evans is continuing his mad rush toward academic distinction by flunking calculus, the chapter average has been increased and we seem certain of retaining the interfraternity scholarship cup. Enck has applied his Hebrew-like salesmanship ability to the canvassing of unsuspecting collegians and has amassed a small fortune in disposing of his father's line of high class overcoats and slickers. Al Brant, veteran tackle of the varsity squad, has succeeded in eradicating the numerous infringements on the traditional tranquility of the dormitory after his profound manifesto that "he would take out" any offender who disturbed his slumbers prior to a big game. The individual members of the chapter are in a rather precarious financial condition induced by a lamentable lack of judgment concerning the outcome of the annual Wittenberg-Wesleyan classic.

After an earnest petition by the chapter, the aspirants for positions on the varsity debate squad have been forced to retire to the solitude of a clothes press in the most remote study-room where they are at liberty to exercise their forensic abilities.

Our pledge roll now includes thirteen men, the following having been added since the last letter: Wiles, Routzahn, Ritter, Merickel, Trembly and Meiling. Pledge Root was recently selected for the frosh debate team and Ritter, Routzahn and Merickel are working with the freshman football squad. Phi Psi continues to lead the groups in varsity debate, four men representing the chapter in that activity. Theisen has been directing the football team since an injury took the regular captain from the game for the season. Preliminary plans for a new house have been presented to the chapter and a financial scheme is being formulated.

Oh yes—we almost forgot—the chapter will continue its depredations on the satin slippers of the co-eds at the annual Thanksgiving house dance. All alumni and visiting brothers are cordially invited to assist in the maelstrom.

Springfield, Ohio

EARL P. SCHNEIDER
Correspondent

Ohio Delta—Ohio State University

We announce with great sorrow the passing of our beloved brother and president, Benjamin Kibler. Nowhere could be found a brother more loved and more respected. His sudden death resulted from an automobile accident October 9th.

We are looking forward to a very promising year for Ohio Delta. Nine initiates have joined our ranks, including David Carter, Springfield, Ohio; Richard Hollington, Findlay, Ohio; Randolph Darnell, Covington, Ky.; Robert Brunson, Toledo, Ohio; William Weaver, Cleveland, Ohio; Franklin Shone, Gordon Walker, Raymond Kilbourne and David Morgan, all of Columbus, Ohio.

Ohio's football team has been very successful, winning every game so far. We have an optimistic outlook for our next two which we expect to be our hardest. They are with the University of Michigan and Illinois. We are represented on the varsity by four lettermen and one sophomore.

The officers for the year are: G. P., Keith Wilson; V. G. P., Donald Shifflette; P. Mulin DuBois; A. G., Robert C. Brunson; B. G., John Zuber; S. G., Charles Fredericks; H., John Franel; Hi., William Hunt; Ph., Albert Hughes; house manager, Fred Ginn; steward, Jack Nelery.

We have pledged twenty-two this year, a number heretofore unknown in Ohio Delta, but we feel that there has been no mistake since each man has been chosen after much careful consideration. The pledges are: Elmer J. Meyers, Columbus; John B. Hatcher, Columbus; James R. Abermathy, Columbus; Fred H. Kramer, Millersport; Fred Strothers, Beaver, Pa.; Joseph J. O'Shaughnessy, Columbus; J. E. Williams, Greenville; Wendell King, Findlay; Howard Park, Cleveland; Fred Shultz, Columbus; Wm. Holoday jr, Columbus; Arthur J. Huston, Findlay; John Rockaway, Cincinnati; Kenneth W. Perkins, Bedford; Bob Snypp, Columbus; Leo E. Holmes, Arlington; Richard Rockaway, Cincinnati; Barney Balt, Columbus; Vance Rogers, Cincinnati; James Brashear, Columbus; Robert Starr, Greenville; Allen Loop, Columbus.

Columbus, Ohio

November 9, 1926

ROBERT P. BRUNSON

Correspondent

Ohio Epsilon—Case School of Applied Science

Flying fists and shredded clothes were the orders for the day; our annual freshman-sophomore bag rush resulted in a few but not serious casualties and a victory for the sophomores.

In our last letter we promised new Phi Psi material. After the din and smoke of battle had cleared we found ten subdued, but smiling freshmen each wearing the little gold and black button. Do not say that we have not warned you, for here they are: H. L. Hopkins, Copley, Ohio; W. R. Johnston and H. L. Snead, both of Lakewood, Ohio; W. C. Styerwalt, Greenfield, Ohio; F. Camp, L. W. Fraser, F. W. Kimble, E. D. Lawson, F. P. Whalen and H. L. Allen, all of Cleveland; and D. A. Aitken, Wickliffe, Ohio, class of 1928.

Of course the pledge dance was held in due time and we've had a few more dances to keep the echoes ringing through the house.

We have been honored by many visiting alumni in the past month, and we hope that they will continue to drop in on us. They carry with them an inspiration which no one else can bring. We are proud of our alumni and may they always be proud of us.

The football season will soon be over and with four victories, two losses and one tie, Case is preparing for her annual grudge game with Reserve, the school on the other side of the fence. The boys are full of fight and are in good condition; by playing heads up football we hope to repeat last year's victory.

Grades were posted for the first six weeks period and the fraternity ratings will be published shortly. Every man is doing his best for we want the President's cup and we want it badly. The pledges have shown that they are masters of their subjects and hard work can not scare them in the least.

A mother and son's night was tried as an experiment on November 4th. The wives and mothers of the undergraduates enjoyed a hearty dinner, at least they said that they did; the boys will vouch for the meal anyway. After dinner the singing of Phi Psi songs started a general get-acquainted party. From now on it will be an annual affair and the fathers will be on a par with the mothers.

We've painted the chapter hall, repaired our chairs, cleaned the windows, and "George" is still with us. What! you mean to say

that you do not know George. Why, he is the chef; pay us a visit and we will introduce him to you. Our address is 2114 Stearns road and the phone number, by the way, is Garfield 735; give us a ring.

Cleveland, Ohio
November 6, 1926

H. A. GRUNDLER
Correspondent

FOURTH DISTRICT

Michigan Alpha—University of Michigan

Michigan Alpha has started the college year with a roar. We are pleased to announce the pledging of a class of thirteen freshmen and one sophomore, which we are confident will keep up the name of the chapter in every respect. The following are now wearing the button: Lowell Alstrin, Oak Park, Ill.; Owsley Vose, Evanston, Ill.; Frank Phillipps, Toledo; John Effinger, Ann Arbor; Fred Gregory, Detroit; Allen Owen, Toledo; Gilford Hartley, Duluth; William Kirn, Detroit; Donald Magill, Wilmette, Ill.; Harry Wallace, Detroit; Samuel Atkins, Detroit; Jack Watling, Detroit; Paul Kelly, Duluth; and William Seitz, Los Angeles. Several of these boys are already out for freshman football, which is the only field open to them in their first semester, and the others have their plans made so the class and the chapter will be amply represented in all fields of campus activity.

We are also pleased to announce the appointment of three of our seniors to the three business managers' positions on the student publications. Frank Graham is now presiding over the business office of this year's *Michiganensian*, John Halsted rules the *Gargoyle*, and Tom Olmstead is making the *Michigan Daily* the best college paper in the country. Also, Frank Graham and John Halsted were chosen for Michiguama, the all-campus senior honor society.

Frank Graham, our illustrious president, had been chosen as one of the two delegates to represent Michigan's Interfraternity Council in the coming national convention in Washington. This is an extremely high honor and we are proud to know that the ability that we knew Frank possesses has been recognized in larger fields.

Entertainment this fall has been abundant, thanks to the diligent work of an ambitious entertainment committee. We have had three dances after the home games, namely, those with Minnesota, Illinois and Wisconsin, that have been in every respect complete successes. We have enjoyed having the brothers from other chapters as our guests.

We wish to thank the alumni for their generous donation in support of our week-end open houses and hope they had as good a time being here as we did having them here.

Ann Arbor, Mich.
November 1, 1926

ROBERT N. PRENTISS
Correspondent

Indiana Alpha—DePauw University

With a fine contempt for Dame Superstition, Indiana Alpha once more pledged thirteen, confident that the quality of the men would overcome any evil influence of their number. Ed and Guernsey VanRiper, sons of Brother Guernsey VanRiper of Indianapolis,

were pledged last spring; they bid fair to make numerals in football and are excellent students. Kennon Renfro, a saxophone player of Carbondale, Ill., and John Rupe of Muskegon, Mich., a cartoonist, also donned their buttons last spring. The others are: Daniel Wentworth, interested in journalism, from Chicago; J. Cannon Watson, son of Senator Watson, Washington, D. C.; Walter Marlatt, another Phi Psi son who is quite a swimmer, is from Kenosha, Wis.; Urban Fowle of Mountain Lakes, N. J.; is a possessor of musical ability; Robert Kimberlin hails from South Bend, Ind., and has made a name for himself as an orator and the president of the freshman class; George Mountz of Garrett, Ind., is a track man; Charles Matthews, Terre Haute, is a hardwood artist; Herman King, Marion, Ind., is capable along dramatic and oratorical lines; Edward Young, La Grange, Ill., is a sophomore in the university and made an outstanding record his first year here. The first six weeks shows them to be making better grades than most of the brothers and every man has at least one activity.

Smith, Scott, Fisher, Marshall and Gunn should all make letters in football since they have played in most of the games this fall. Scott led Indiana gridders in scoring for some time. Puckett, last year's net captain, will be at the running guard position again this winter and the chances are that Marshall will be the other guard. There are ten men in the house with the major "D" award and there promises to be at least four more by spring. Lamphear is head yell leader for the year. Both of the VanRiper boys and Wentworth should make football numerals. Puckett is president of the student body and Kimberlin heads the freshmen. The chapter won the cup awarded for best original sketch given by the fraternities at the Old Gold Day Show-Down.

The university has forced all the fraternities to get a house mother. We have made no permanent arrangement as yet, but Mrs. Lockwood, a mother of two of the brothers, is acting as a temporary chaperone. The idea of having a Freshmen Week which is so popular in many colleges has been adopted here and will in all probability be continued in the future. Second year pledging is being seriously contemplated and the question will no doubt be decided in the near future. Longden Hall, the new dormitory for men that the late Edward Rector provided, is being rapidly constructed and will be ready for occupancy next fall. Another new addition to the college is a modern heating plant recently erected at a cost of \$80,000. Dean Dirks, the new dean of men, took up his duties this fall. He comes from Indianapolis and is making a fine impression here. Brother Post continues as dean of the college.

November 6th the brothers enjoyed the first dinner-dance to be given in the chapter house. One hundred twenty were present, including representatives of the other fraternities on the campus. Several alumni were also on hand to enjoy the initial dance ever to be permitted in the chapter home. The house was cleverly decorated to imitate a pirate ship.

Indiana Alpha was disappointed in the small number of brothers that returned for Old Gold Day and sincerely hopes that they will plan to return for a visit sometime during the year at least.

Greencastle, Ind.

November 8, 1926

ROBERT S. EMISON

Correspondent

Indiana Beta—Indiana University

Only seven weeks of the year have passed, but indications are that Indiana Beta will experience a year of unusual progress. About twenty brothers were back to take part in rush, and we feel very much elated about our fine group of freshmen. The following men were pledged: Noland Wright and Louis Mitchell, Anderson; Carl Rinne and Tom Hubbard, Indianapolis; Robert Blount, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Byron Brenton, Petersburg; John Bundy and Leo Metsker, Vincennes; Neal Hines, Terre Haute; H. Conrad Burris, Muncie; Scott Chambers, Newcastle; Donald Hansen, Bedford; Cecil Simmen, Pittsburgh, Pa.; William Dice, Covington; James Tucker, Salem; Robert Charles, Marion; and John Volderaur, Evansville. Hansen, Bundy and Metsker are doing well at freshman football, and should each earn a numeral this fall. Tucker is on the varsity debating squad, Y. M. C. A. cabinet and glee club. Bundy is also on the glee club. Charles and Dice are in the band. Also, several of the freshmen are planning to make strong bids for berths on the freshman basketball team.

Indiana Beta is being well represented on the campus this year. Kidd has been pledged to the Aeons; Romey and Way were pledged to Sphinx Club; Johnson was pledged to Delta Sigma Pi, commerce fraternity; Cochran was elected vice president of the Indiana Union. Several brothers are active in organizations to which they were elected last year, so altogether the chapter has not failed to gain campus prominence.

Basketball is only a few weeks off and Indiana feels sure that the Big Ten championship will come to her. Krueger is captain of the team this year, and Starr and Scheid will be strong contenders for positions.

Homecoming was held the week-end of October 30th and many alumni were back for the festivities. The annual freshmen fights were held on Friday night and were true to form. On Saturday night a banquet was held at the house and the old Phi Psi spirit prevailed.

On the night of October 8th initiation was held for the following men: Robert Wasmuth, Huntington; Charles Racey, Vincennes; Neg Shirts, Indianapolis; and David Findley, Noblesville. A beautiful ceremony was held and we are sorry that more of the alumni were not here to become again impressed with the meaning of Phi Psi.

The annual faculty smoker was held last Thursday night and about fifty professors attended. It might be well to add here that we fell a little below our usual standing at or near the top in scholarship rating last semester, but we are determined to climb back to our rightful position this year. The other social affairs of the chapter held this year have been the usual fall dance and several dinner parties, including a formal Hallowe'en party on last Sunday evening. The entertainment for the brothers themselves has been in the form of several "dorm parties" with the usual amount of success(?).

I will close with the following command, "come around and visit us." We have lots of bread and we're having a hard time breaking it by ourselves, so we want all of you to come down and break some with us.

*Bloomington, Ind.
November 8, 1926*

WILLIAM B. SHATTUCK
Correspondent

Indiana Delta—Purdue University

With Christmas in view, Indiana Delta is bidding with a full house, and cleaning up on tricks before the midsemester hits us. The chapter house, with a maximum capacity for 36 men, has one over; and our tricks are activities. The house at this time is completely furnished and finished, with exception of our guest room and our yard, but the latter is being set in shape for the warm spring sunshine. We have been visited by several of the alumni, but sincerely hope to be honored with many more as the year progresses.

The seniors have a strong class of eight men. All the last year sophomores are back to compose an active junior class, and with the exception of Warne, the entire freshman class of last year has returned. The frosh speak for themselves—with all the emperious advice metted them. At this time we introduce as pledges: John Baker, Brazil, Ind.; G. G. Beemer, Lafayette, Ind., and brother to D. R. Beemer; Herman Boots, Frankfort, Ind.; K. Brelsford, Lafayette, and brother to J. O. Brelsford; Alan Burnett, Lafayette; James Campbell, Bowling Green, Ind.; J. I. Cox, Miami, Fla.; E. G. Gerhart, Kokomo, Ind.; R. K. Hodgkin, son of R. Hodgkin, Richmond, Ind.; Andrew Hubbeling, Platte, S. D.; W. M. Jackson, Indianapolis, Ind.; Robert Lewis, Indianapolis; J. B. Roark, son of the late Dr. Roark, Ind. Beta; F. D. Robertson, Chicago, Ill.; J. Stevenson, Portland, Ind.; J. R. Stone, Detroit, Mich.; and R. W. Schwartz, brother of Heine Schwartz, Vincennes, Ind. There they are—and green as they be, we hope to hear from every one of them in years to come. We can boast of present indications regarding the dramatic ability in the house, and there should be a good representation in the Harlequin cast when the time arrives.

At present there are eight men in the cast of the All Men's Revue, which is presenting for this year a musical comedy known as "Assorted Nuts" (no dangerous insinuation that all the house is composed of such fruit). Fridlin and Pinckard have leads, while Koeppen, Stoever and Pledges Lewis, Robertson, Brelsford and Beemer are in the chorus.

Denny and Koeppen are the only men in the house pursuing deeper science courses in military tactics. Denny is on the military ball committee for this season. Politics play as strong a part as ever on the campus, but above results indicate that Phi Psi is there, with her vaunting politicians, in Fridlin, Lester, Johnson and Pledge Jackson.

If diversity of activities constitutes a well-balanced chapter, Indiana Delta could hardly be found wanting in the balance. Our new freshmen activities policy should tend to make the chapter much stronger in future years, and toward that end we are striving.

The chapter opened its social year with a fall festival dinner dance on October 9th. From the crowd present for this occasion we judge it was successful. On November 7th the chapter held open house for all faculty members, sororities, fraternities and interested residents. The social committee has set forth a very good program, and it will undoubtedly add to the chapter's prestige.

There have been some interesting football games this fall, and several alumni returned for some of these events, but we invite you back anytime—do not wait for a football game. Remember,

alumni, we always welcome you back, and offer our warmest hospitality, and hope you may find time to drop in and honor us with a visit.

West Lafayette, Ind.
November 4, 1926

JOHN F. KOEPPEN
Correspondent

Illinois Alpha—Northwestern University

After a very successful rushing season, Illinois Alpha wishes to introduce the new pledges. There are fourteen as follows: Curtis Bellamy, Benton, Ill.; Robert Bereman, Montgomery, Ill.; Gordon Bullock, Evanston, Ill.; Seymour Dexter, Galesburg, Ill.; Samuel Givens, Oak Park, Ill.; Harry Lowry, Shelburne, Ind.; Phil Mates, Chicago, Ill.; Horace Neill, Highland Park, Ill.; William Nims, Norfolk, Neb.; Howard Noonan, Lima, Ohio; Harry Pearson, Altona, Ill.; Lewis Smith, Chicago, Ill. These boys are all good students and we feel that in this class we have a well-rounded group who will make good Phi Psis.

We are pleased to announce that our scholarship was raised from ninth to sixth place during the past semester. Furthermore, we led the national fraternities on the campus. In addition to this, Dixon, Wienke and Singleton were placed on the university's honor roll for excellency in scholarship.

Northwestern's football season has thus far been highly successful. We have scored victories over South Dakota, Carleton, Indiana twice, and Purdue. We lost to Notre Dame 6-0, which, however, does not affect our conference rating. We are proud to say that Ralph "Moon" Baker is captain of the "Fighting Wildcats," Northwestern's greatest football team. Our new stadium is fast nearing completion and now has a seating capacity of approximately 50,000.

The members of the chapter are engaged in various activities this year. Jackson is senior football manager, Kellogg is president of the Y. M. C. A., Kempf and Daly are on the varsity football squad, Dixon is sophomore football manager, Wienke is on the cross-country team, and Trefz is a member of the band.

The pledges are getting a fine start in activities also. Noonan and Mates are on the frosh football squad, Nims, Bullock and Givens are working on the *Daily Northwestern*, Lowry is in the glee club, Bullock is frosh swimming manager, Dexter looks like a winner in the fall golf tournament, Givens is trying out for dramatics, and Longaker has a position on the business staff of the Campus Players.

Homecoming was a great success this year. After the game we held open house which was attended by a large number of the alumni. The evening before, following dinner, a parade was held after which a huge bonfire made a fitting climax to the pre-game celebration.

Evanston, Ill.
November 9, 1926

HENRY N. BASSETT
Correspondent

Illinois Beta—University of Chicago

Illinois Beta is extremely proud to announce the pledging of William Budd, Chicago; Wilson Eikenberry, Peru, Ind.; William Hadfield, Oak Park, Ill.; Marvin Hintz, Elgin, Ill.; Edward Kennedy, Chicago; Carroll Marshall, Chicago; Donald Morrison, Oak

Park, Ill.; George Ray, Downer's Grove, Ill.; John Read, Chicago; Frederick Sass, Denver, Colo.; Thomas R. Trowbridge jr, Milwaukee, Wis.; and Charles Yager, Oak Park, Ill. These twelve form a well-balanced class. We are sure that each of these young fellows will prove to be great material for Phi Psi. Already each is doing something responsible on campus, as well as being up in studies. In freshman football, Pledges Eikenberry, Morrison and Marshall are certain of numerals: "Ed" Kennedy is a noted track star, and Bill Budd holds many high school championships in tennis and plays clever basketball. In swimming, Trowbridge, Hadfield and Read are coming along nicely. Hadfield and Sass claim "frosh" jobs in the intramural department. Trowbridge and Hadfield are working on the *Daily Maroon*. Yager holds a freshman position on the *Cap and Gown*. Practically all the men will make the freshman organization of Green Cap Club. With these men successfully doing all these things, it looks very bright for the future of Phi Psi at Chicago.

Although we lost five letter men in football last year, we find Jack Cusack, Macklind and Jim Cusack on the field this year. Coach Stagg has kept Jim out of the game because he wishes to avoid any possibility of Jim injuring his legs, Jim being a star performer upon the cinder path. Henderson, last year's football captain, is now assistant coach. Illinois Beta is surely proud of its standing in basketball this year. In pre-season practice the floor seems covered with Phi Psis. Captain Sackett heads the list. Supporting him are Farwell, Macklind, Laverty, Gist, Forkel and Stephenson. Each man plays well and has an excellent chance to win a varsity letter. Our interfraternity touchball team ranks very high toward a possible championship. Yager, Budd, Farwell, Ale-shire, Gist and Kennedy are the stars. We are also hoping to "cop" the cross-country race soon, as we have Weddell, Peale, Farwell, Gist, Budd, Trowbridge, Yager, Ray and Sass entered, who are very confident of victory. As for cheerleaders, yes, we have plenty. "Bill" Weddell is head cheer leader in his junior year. This is an unusual distinction, as it is very seldom that such a position is obtained before the senior year. Assisting him is Mundy Peale.

"Hank" Sackett has been elected head marshal and will have the honor of personally conducting Queen Marie of Roumania through the campus. "Hank" is also a member of Owl and Serpent, senior honor society. Jim Cusack is an Owl and Serpent also and president of the Interfraternity Council. In Iron Mask, junior honor society, Phi Psi is fortunate in having three men in the order which selects only fourteen men from the entire junior class. These men are Farwell, Weddell and Harris. Skull and Crescent, sophomore society, have elected Gist vice president and also claim Forkel. Score Club, sophomore society, is headed by Bob Harman (president) and Thomas.

Our class officers, Sackett and Thomas, hold the purse-strings of the senior and junior classes respectively, while Harris is a member of the junior class council. Thomas is also a sophomore editor of *Cap and Gown*. Harris is an advertising manager of the *Daily Maroon* and business manager of Blackfriars. Stephenson is sports editor of the *Daily Maroon* while Harman is a sophomore news editor. Gist holds a very important position in the Settlement Night program. Settlement Night is one of the greatest

events of the year. Money is collected for helping the poor families of Chicago.

We surely enjoyed the presence of the men from Ohio Delta, Indiana Delta and Illinois Delta, who were our guests during the football season. We hope that they will honor us with frequent visits in the near future.

Social features of our football season were the weekly tea dances at the Phi Psi house. As many as 250 brothers gathered at these affairs after the games for impromptu reunions. The freshmen gave a very enjoyable pledge dance on October 28th to which they invited two pledges from each fraternity. On December 10th the chapter will give its annual father's and mother's banquet, an event which we are eagerly anticipating. Perhaps the greatest event of the quarter will be the alumni dinner which will be held at the chapter house the night before the Chicago-Wisconsin football game. We are proud of our active alumni association and we are sure that the dinner, as in all other things in which they have taken so active a part, will be a huge success.

Chicago, Ill.
November 8, 1926

CHARLES J. HARRIS
Correspondent

Illinois Delta—University of Illinois

Once more the rushing period has faded into the past. We take great pleasure in announcing the pledging of John D. Gehl, Mattoon, Ill.; James P. Stewart, Western Springs, Ill.; Charles H. Greenlee, Oak Park, Ill.; Richard W. Wilde, Chicago; Kenneth A. Stixrud, Winnetka, Ill.; Albert E. Kremer, Wilmette, Ill.; Melville M. Smith, Syracuse, Ind.; C. Everett Wells, Oak Park, Ill.; Nathan D. Pancoast, Wilmette, Ill.; John R. Stengel, Rock Island, Ill.; Kenneth L. Burroughs, Oak Park, Ill.; Richard R. Tyson, Danville, Ill.; and William A. Lange, Lake City, Minn. Thirteen in all, who have taken the pledge, and are now undergoing the trials and tribulations of freshman life. They are a fine bunch and we are all mighty proud of them.

With college in full swing, the boys are all "hitting the books," in one way or another, and those interested in activities are extremely busy. Among the freshmen, Johnny Gehl is tossing baskets in great style. Kenny Stixrud, Al Kremer and Ken Burroughs are diving and splashing for the coveted numerals in swimming. Johnny Stengel is tearing off long runs in freshman football. Jimmy Stewart is bidding for fame on the *Illio* staff, while in between splashes, Al Kremer is also drawing fine cartoons for the *Daily Illini*.

Not to be outdone by the pledges, the brothers are doing a little in this line themselves. Marsh Spies, Jack Fix and Hal Smith are entering their first year of varsity swimming, and unless something unforeseen happens are destined to create a big splurge in the nautical world. "Punch" Boling is working hard every day as sophomore baseball manager and he seems to be the logical choice for junior manager. "Fritz" Ongley is playing tackle on the football team and is without doubt destined to be a whirlwind within the next two years. Larry Guthrie is working out with the wrestling team and appears to be very good material at this early stage. Our law students are no longer among the social outcasts, for Adams and Scott have pledged Phi Delta Phi, and Jones is a pledge of Phi Alpha Delta.

Homecoming, with the Iowa game, and Dad's Day, with Pennsylvania as visitors, are both past. We were very pleased to have so many alumni and visiting brothers with us at those times. However, it is our earnest desire that brothers, whether from this chapter or not, would not wait for such momentous occasions to visit us. We always want it understood that our house is not merely an Illinois Delta house, but that it is a Phi Psi house, and all Phi Psis are always welcome.

Champaign, Ill.

November 8, 1926

CHARLES M. HALL

Correspondent

Tennessee Delta - Vanderbilt University

We take pleasure in presenting the pick of Vanderbilt's campus this fall—Tennessee Delta's new pledges: Murray Anderson, Howard Curry, John Elliot, George Gaffney, White Graves, Robert Moore, Clint Parkes, James Prather, Ernest Rice, Woodard Tipton, Frank Fort True, Howell Warner, J. C. West, William Schneider; all good men, and judging from their favorable midterm grades, all good students. They made their debut at a tea-dance given in their honor by the upperclassmen October 2d. The chapter house fairly shook as the youngsters glided their way into Vanderbilt society.

Besides scholastic ability the freshman roster contains a wealth of athletic material. Warner has cinched a berth on the frosh football team; True, West and Curry are speeding it up on the track; and Gaffney, Anderson, Graves, Warner and Prather are all striving for places on frosh and fraternity basketball teams.

Speaking of fraternity basketball, Tennessee Delta promises fair to be in the running this year. Luten has again been elected captain, and his squad contains all of last year's team besides the freshman material. Practice has already begun, and when we step out with our new uniforms and old-time pep things are bound to start happening.

The chapter set a record when every member followed the varsity to Atlanta and helped them bring the football season to a successful climax by beating Georgia Tech. The old house was as deserted as Goldsmith's village while all of its inhabitants were marching through Georgia.

Kerr, Lokey, Radebaugh, Gallagher and Pledge Prather are members of the glee club, and the melodious wails of this quintet make us despair of ever hearing true harmony again.

Visiting brothers are becoming more numerous, but not as numerous as we would like. We urge all brothers in or near Nashville to drop in and see us whenever they happen to be down this way. Our nearest Phi Psi neighbors are at a great distance and it is a great pleasure for us to be able to extend our hospitality to any brother.

Nashville, Tenn.

November 7, 1926

T. A. GRIMES

Correspondent

Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin

On September 13th the members of Wisconsin Alpha returned to find the house completely redecorated and everything in readiness for active rushing. After two weeks of hectic rushing we secured fifteen pledges. Thus we take great pleasure in announcing

the pledging of the following men: Walter Alexander, Aurora, Ill.; Marshall Almer, Homewood, Ill.; Fred Barrett, Chicago; Richard Heather, Kenosha, Wis.; Robert Buell, Watertown, Wis.; Joseph Kennedy, Tulsa, Okla.; Dewitt Vrooman, Kansas City, Mo.; Claus Anderson, Santa Monica, Cal.; John Wymond, Oak Park, Ill.; Donald Reeke, Green Bay, Wis.; Holden Moran, Madison, Wis.; Donald McDermid, Rockford, Ill.; Ralph Smith, Moline, Ill.; Wade Boardman, New Richmond, Wis.; and John Gant, Delavan, Wis. These men have already become interested in college activities and give promise of making names for themselves before they are graduated.

We also take great pleasure in announcing the affiliation of Frank R. Shugrue, who transferred here this year from Michigan Alpha. Frank hails from Chicago.

Activities, although usually of little interest in the fall, are already claiming the attention of several actives and pledges. Stanley McGiveran is our representative on the football team where he is trying for a halfback position. Russell Winnie is very busy with Haresfoot, the Wisconsin musical comedy club, of which he is president. William Schroeder is business manager of the same organization; while to top matters in that line, it has recently been announced that John Moran has written a play which the club has selected and will present in its annual show next spring. In addition to these, Ralph Schuetz and Leonard Hicks are busy on the Haresfoot production staff. Not satisfied with musical comedy, Edwin Larkin and Richard McKee dabbled in politics and successfully managed the campaign of Jack Wilson, Delta Upsilon, for the Wisconsin prom chairmanship. The credit for the success of this election goes largely to these two men. McKee is also chairman of the Mass Meeting committee for homecoming, and has also been out for the cross-country team. John Geib is drawing for *Octopus*, the Wisconsin comic magazine, and is also out for Haresfoot. Don Hinderliter is again out for the varsity gym team and gives promise of making his letter this year. He is one of the best men on the squad and should repeat his success this year.

The chapter has had the pleasure of entertaining many of the brothers from other chapters this fall, as well as many alumni. On October 30th, when Minnesota played Wisconsin, all but three members of the Minnesota chapter attended the game and stayed with us over the week-end. Earlier in the fall, we had as a guest the past president of the Fraternity, Brother C. F. M. Niles, Ohio Gamma and Michigan Alpha, and his wife, who visited with us for an evening.

Plans are now on foot for our homecoming day, when the varsity football team plays the University of Iowa. The alumni are all urged to come back and see the chapter again, as well as the newly decorated house. There will be a dance immediately after the game, and plenty of amusement can be promised the alumni who return.

Madison, Wis.
November 5, 1926

SAM BOYER JR
Correspondent

Wisconsin Gamma—Beloit College
NO LETTER RECEIVED

Minnesota Beta—University of Minnesota

With the approach of winter quarter the thoughts of the chapter turn again to rushing. Under our present system of deferred rushing very little can be accomplished before the actual rushing period. Although our present list of prospects is relatively small we are working to have a sizeable number of good men when rushing begins right after Christmas vacation.

The annual scholarship report of the university finds Minnesota Beta raised from nineteenth to eleventh among academic fraternities. This record we are proud of and we hope to maintain our rating and better it if possible.

Philip Burger recently made Sigma Delta Chi, honorary professional journalistic fraternity. The chapter congratulates him on his fine work.

William A. Telfer, Ind. Beta, is now a member of the faculty in the English department at the University of Minnesota. During the past three years he has attended Oxford University in England and the year previous he taught at Culver Academy. We enjoy his friendship and already he has established himself with all of us as a good advisor and a true brother.

Last week almost the entire chapter attended the Minnesota-Wisconsin football game at Madison. We appreciate the hospitality extended us by the brothers of Wisconsin Alpha while we were there.

Minneapolis, Minn.
November 1, 1926

FRED BYERS
Correspondent

FIFTH DISTRICT

Iowa Alpha—University of Iowa

The pleasant memories of a series of happy events are lingering in the minds of the brothers of Iowa Alpha at this time. Among the outstanding ones was the "hard times" party given at the chapter house October 31st. The only feature lacking to make it resemble a true "hard time" affair was the hilarity and care-free enthusiasm displayed by the brothers and their guests. Already we are looking forward to the similar party planned for next year.

Our next party is scheduled for November 20th and is being given for the sole benefit of our football representatives who will break training at this time. Among those for whom this party will be given are Young, Brown, Cahel and Chatterton, holders of berths on Iowa's varsity, and Pledges Johnstone, Odes and Criswell, numeral men on Iowa's "crack" freshman team.

Practically every man in the chapter is assisting Iowa Alpha to maintain her high position in the various campus activities. We are represented at the present time in the offices of all student publications, debating, forensics, the band, dramatics, track, football, basketball, swimming, tennis, golf, and class and university government.

Iowa's "homecoming," November 6th, was an eventful one for Phi Psi. We enjoyed the return of several alumni and in addition we feel that we have made new friends among several visitors who were our guests. Next year we hope that even more of our "alums" will be able to return to Iowa Alpha for an enjoyable visit with the brothers.

Iowa City, Iowa
November 8, 1926

FRANKLIN KEMP
Correspondent

Iowa Beta—Iowa State College

Iowa Beta takes great pleasure in introducing Clifford P. Houghland, who was initiated November 7th.

Pledging is over and Iowa Beta is justly proud of her success in pledging the following men: Robert Rosebrough, Guerdon Archer, Ernest McFarland, Paul Howe, Harley Wilcox, Dudley Baldrige, Gilbert Dufour, George Leiser, Earl Smith, Jack Graves, Melvin Elliot and Hilbert Andrews.

Already the pledges are striving to keep Phi Psi on top of the campus. Howe, Wilcox, Graves and Andrews are on the freshman swimming team. McFarland is quarterback on the prep football team, while Leiser is a fixture at guard. Smith is out for fall track, and is already showing signs of developing into a crack hurdler; he is also a reporter on the *Iowa State Student*. Baldrige plays the piano and drums, and Rosebrough is working for a position on the *Green Gander*, the college joke magazine. The others are putting their best licks on everything that comes up.

The brothers are all engaged in various activities, of which I will mention a few. Myers is playing an end on the football squad. Keefer is on the cross-country squad. Wrestling draws its usual quota in Sweeney. Casey is business manager of the *Student*, and is ably assisted by Lessnich, who is national advertising manager. Houghland plays a mean trumpet in the college band, which is one of the premier bands in the country.

Many of the brothers have been pledged to, or initiated into, the various honoraries on the campus. Thornburg is pledged to Scabbard and Blade, military fraternity. Lessnich was initiated into T. L. B., a social fraternity for tall men. Jones and Putnam were initiated into Pebul, an honorary for short men. Kelly was initiated into Pi Epsilon Pi, pep fraternity.

Homecoming is only a week away and Iowa Beta is preparing to welcome the returning brothers. One week after homecoming the chapter will hold its first dance of the fall quarter, on November 20th.

Ames, Iowa
November 7, 1926 ·

JOHN CRARY
Correspondent

Missouri Alpha—University of Missouri

Missouri Alpha is pleased to announce as pledges: Eugene Baca, Santa Fe, N. M.; Robert N. Blackmore, Tulsa, Okla.; W. Wright Bryan, Clemson, S. C.; Robert Burdick, Kansas City; Marshall Geisecke, Jefferson City; Robert Hackett, Oakland, Ill.; J. David Paisley, St. Louis; F. Wood Phiifer, Wheatland, Wyo.; Robert Ramsey, Joplin; Jean S. Spencer, Houston, Texas; George Swearingen, Nevada; Lewis B. Taylor, Sherman, Texas; and George Waddell, Frankford, Mo.

Initiation was held on October 4th for John H. Simmons jr, and Tom W. Maxey, both of Tulsa, Okla.

The chapter has been honored with an unusual number of returning alumni during the present college year. They have dropped in to help us with rush week, to see the football games, and to attend social functions. Homecoming this year is expected to bring a record number back, because of the formal dedication of the new Memorial Stadium and Memorial Tower at the time of the Kansas game.

The chapter is well represented in the various campus activities. Among honors received this fall are the following: Ross has been elected treasurer of the Panhellenic; Maxey and Gill have been elected as Razzers; Carter has been chosen as drum major of the university band; and Lee is making a name for himself as a dependable Tiger forward.

The pledges have started out well in activities. Bryan heads the junior journalists, and was recently initiated into Sigma Delta Chi, honorary journalism fraternity. Phifer was elected vice president of the premedics; Paisley was elected vice president of the freshman arts and science class; and Blackmore was initiated into Tomb and Key, honorary interfraternity. Burdick, Ramsey, Swearingen and Waddell are on the freshman basketball squad; Paisley is on the staff of the *Outlaw* and freshman assistant on the *Savitar*; Geisecke is warbling as a second tenor in the glee club; and Waddell is working in debating.

The chapter has held two dances so far, one of them being the annual Hallowe'en formal on October 30th. A scholarship banquet is planned for the near future on the occasion of the annual presentation of the William Gordon Letterman freshman scholarship cup. The chapter attained the highest scholastic average it has ever had during the past semester and is hopeful of maintaining such standards.

Leslie J. Reardon, Ohio Epsilon, was a visitor at the house during the recent national convention of Tau Beta Pi held in Columbia. Brother Bellgarde, Kan. Alpha, now assistant coach at Kemper Military Academy in Boonville, is an occasional visitor.

Columbia, Mo.

JOE A. KEITH
Correspondent

Texas Alpha—University of Texas

Texas Alpha is feeling more enthusiastic all of the time with the progress which the men are making in the various campus activities. Fred McKie was recently elected to Alpha Rho Chi, an honorary architecture fraternity. Preston Oliver and Robert Oglesby have been elected to the Texas Cowboys, a pep organization of the university, of which Denny Dallas has been chosen foreman. Fred Hamill has recently been initiated into Alpha Kappa Psi, a national commercial fraternity.

Plans are being further perfected for the homecoming at Thanksgiving. The house is being put in the very best of condition by the planting of shrubbery on the premises and the installing of a new automatic heating system, and other things that will add to the comfort of our visitors.

John Bullington has recently been awarded the Sterling fellowship, which carries an annual stipend of \$2000 for two years. This fellowship is awarded the most promising young lawyer from the South, and Brother Bullington was selected after one year of study in Europe. At present he is taking advantage of this award by attendance at the Law School of Yale University.

The chapter has been very fortunate in having had several visitors lately. Those of our alumni who spent the past week-end with us were Arthur M. Allen, Wallace Houston, Kimball Dunbar and Jimmie Pitts. Eddie Sterns, Pa. Iota, who is now located in Houston, Texas, was up for the Texas-S. M. U. game. Dick Mason, Okla. Alpha, paid us a short visit during his stay for

the tennis tournament between Oklahoma and Texas Universities. Charles Rogers, Kan. Alpha, took time out from his movie making in San Antonio long enough to enjoy a couple of days at the chapter house. Both the brothers and the pledges were intensely interested in some of the tales told by our talented brother from the Kansas chapter. We always enjoy having with us such fascinating persons as Brother Rogers proved to be.

Austin, Texas

November 2, 1926

FRED P. HAMILL

Correspondent

Kansas Alpha—Kansas University

This letter finds the chapter well into what seems to be a very successful year. Wilbur Starr has been nominated for the presidency of the senior class, and William Scales is busily running back and forth behind the scenes, pulling wires and doing all those mysterious things that politicians evolve.

Robert Belisle has been made business manager for the K. U. Players, a semiprofessional dramatic organization of some prominence in this part of the country. He has been very active in the K. U. Dramatic Club for the past three years. Pledge Wallace has pledged to Mac Dowell, an honorary artistic fraternity.

The annual race for the Panhellenic cup is on. At present the indoor baseball tournament is taking place. The chapter is making a strong bid for the cup. Several brothers and pledges are working out in the boxing class. The chapter hopes to win its fourth consecutive boxing cup this year.

The chapter recently enjoyed the pleasure of entertaining Brothers Gulick, Beal and Stephens of Bucknell. The Bucknell football team was here to play the Haskell Indians. We were very sorry that Brother Tuck, due to injuries, was unable to visit our house.

Kansas Alpha wishes to announce that we have three brothers busily training for the 1928 G. A. C. cantaloupe throwing contest.

Lawrence, Kan.

November 4, 1926

F. RAYMOND WHEELER

Correspondent

Oklahoma Alpha—University of Oklahoma

With the exception of last year's graduating class, and Carl Adams, Reeve Holmes and Harold Gilbert, Oklahoma Alpha returned intact September 13th to prepare for the rushing season which was held September 16-18, and to uphold the honor and good name of Phi Psi. Reeve Holmes is working for the Pace Mills at Hugo, Harold Gilbert is attending Tulsa University, and Carl Adams is connected with the Wentz Oil Company, Tonkawa, Okla. However, we have hopes that they will return next semester.

Rushing season proved to be most successful for Oklahoma Alpha, and we take pleasure in presenting one of the best freshman classes in its history: Fountain Works, Amarillo, Texas; W. H. Jones, Tulsa, Okla.; Eugene Minshall, Tulsa, Okla.; Wendle Smith, Tulsa, Okla.; Ralph Garnett, Elk City, Okla.; Clancy Warren, Tulsa, Okla.; Eugene Mitchell, Muskogee, Okla.; Ralph Strader, Amarillo, Texas; J. C. Fast, Muskogee, Okla.; Felix Tapp, Dallas, Texas; Bill Jackson, Tulsa, Okla.; Bob Smith, Norman, Okla.; Bob Browne, Amarillo, Texas; Francis Drake, Muskogee, Okla.; John Lamb, Lawton, Okla.; John Laughney, Muskogee,

Okla.; Milton Thomas, Tulsa, Okla.; and Sloan Jackson, Perry, Okla. They are a well-rounded group of men, and we feel certain that they will prove themselves worthy of the high standards of Phi Psi. Each pledge has taken an interest in activities, and is enthusiastic in his endeavors to make a name for himself on the campus as well as for the Fraternity. Pledge Mitchell is going out for football, and if he continues to show such good work, is practically assured of a freshman letter. Pledge Warren was appointed captain in the R. O. T. C., and was pledged to Scabbard and Blade; Pledges Minshall, Loughney and Works were initiated to Battle Axe; Pledges Lamb and J. Loughney are in the glee club; Pledges Browne, Works and J. Loughney are in the Websterian Literary Society; Pledge Tapp was appointed second lieutenant in the R. O. T. C.; Pledges Jones and Minshall will try out for the chess team; and Pledges Tapp and Lamb will be out for basketball as soon as the season opens.

With many honors and activities obtained by the returning members in past years, the opening of the fall term finds Oklahoma Alpha represented in many new ones. Henry Mugler was chosen as assistant editor of the *Sooner*, Richard Mason was chosen as one of the six representatives on the athletic council, Henry Griffing has been chosen as circulating manager of the *Whirlwind*, Earle Miller was pledged to Sigma Gamma Epsilon, Ed. Loughney and Henry Griffing were initiated to Ruf-Neks (honorary pep organization), and Ralph Bemis and Joseph Putnam were initiated to Mystic Keys.

In the recently published fraternity scholastic standing for the second semester of last year, Oklahoma Alpha stood second in a list of sixteen fraternities. We were beaten out of first place by only one-hundredth of a point.

Homecoming, which was November 6th, proved to be a big event for Oklahoma Alpha. A large number of alumni from this chapter and other chapters visited Oklahoma Alpha and enjoyed once more a real football game Saturday afternoon, and a dance Saturday evening given by the chapter in their honor.

At a special election of officers held at the beginning of the term, Bob Moore was elected recording secretary; Ralph Bemis, messenger; Bob Catlett, steward; and Bill Coe, assistant steward.

Our new house is nearing completion rapidly, and if no ill luck befalls us we should be living in it by December. This is a fact well taken in by the brothers and pledges for we are rather anxious to be living in a real Phi Psi home.

Lee Hamilton, Kan. Alpha, and George Collum, Texas Alpha, are attending college here this year, and have become associated with us.

We extend to all visiting brothers a most cordial invitation.

Norman, Okla.

November 6, 1926

JOSEPH L. MYERS

Correspondent

Colorado Alpha—Colorado University

A perfect night, a full moon, a handsomely decorated house, and lots of pretty young girls—such was the setting for the fall dance which Colorado Alpha gave on the eve of October 15th in honor of her pledges and all the alumni who were able to attend. We take great pleasure in introducing as pledges Arthur Bailey, Robert Osborne, Tyler Davis, Clyde Thatch, Donald Robinson and Charles

Fletcher of Denver; James Ewing and James McDowell of Greeley, Col.; Foster Fritchle and Francis Kibler of Colorado Springs; **Henry Anderson** of Georgetown, Col.; Russell Campbell of Florence, Col.; Ashford Jones of Nacogdoches, Texas; George Reilly of Indianapolis, Ind.; Thomas Younge of Chicago; and Sam Roebuck of Scottsbluff, Neb.

The chapter is fortunate in having seven seniors, six juniors, and seven sophomores to return this year. This is a larger enrollment than is usual; and, as the result, the chapter is represented in more activities than has been the case heretofore. McKee has been initiated in Sigma Tau, is a member of the band, and has a role in the Little Theatre plays; Philpott is vice president of the sophomore class; Tuft is chairman of the junior prom committee; Reilly has won a berth on the *Silver and Gold* and is out for basketball; Aitken has been initiated into the Adelphi Society, Nevin and Philpott have ben pledged to Scimitar; Humes is the representative in the Yellow Jackets; and Wendell Scott is one of the yell-leaders. Pledge Campbell is on the freshman football team; Pledges Reilly, Kibler, Fritchle and Anderson are out for basketball; Pledges Roebuck and McDowell have tried out for the Players Club; Pledge Reilly is on the *Dodo* staff; Pledge Davis is on the *Silver and Gold* staff; and Pledges Thatch and Bailey are practically assured of places on the boxing team.

Despite the increase in activities, the scholarship of chapter is at a higher point than in previous years in the average computed immediately following the midsemester grades. We are looking forward to a banner year.

Boulder, Col.
November 7, 1926

PETER C. REILLY JR
Correspondent

SIXTH DISTRICT

Washington Alpha—University of Washington

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Oregon Alpha—University of Oregon

We shall endeavor to start this letter in a different form than the usual chapter letter that appears in the December SHIELD; we include ourselves amongst past offenders. By this we mean announcing, in the first few lines, that the brothers have returned to college, and after a most successful rush week have the best group of pledges on the campus, envy of all the "Greeks." We will do this if in no other manner than in starting the letter as we have.

It is indeed true that the brothers have returned to college, they usually do in the fall, but inasmuch as this is published in December it is hardly news. The number of brothers may be of interest, twenty-four, who are all endeavoring to do their best for themselves, their Fraternity and college, as shown by their scholarship and activities.

As to our pledges we are saying neither "pro nor con"; that they are the "cream of rush week" or the pick and envy of the campus. However we consider them ten very promising men, constituting a well-balanced and representative freshman class. They are: Kenneth Weiser, Bellingham, Wash.; Robert Frantz, Long

Beach, Cal.; Joe Erkenbrecher, Pasadena, Cal.; Lawrence Shaw, Klamath Falls; James Raley, Pendleton; Wilbur Shannon, Helix; Darold Elkins, Eugene; and James Rogers, Walter Browne and Richard Harper, of Portland.

Herndon won the honor of having his name engraved on the chapter scholarship cup. This cup was presented to the house by the Oregon Alumni Association at the installation of Oregon Alpha in February 1923. Every year the freshman having the highest grade average among his classmates has his name engraved on the cup. Oregon Alpha finished third among men's national fraternities on the campus in scholarship for the spring term. This was a keen disappointment to Oregon Alpha since she had led all men's nationals for the fall and winter terms and had set her heart on winning the scholarship placque which is presented by the national Fraternity to the chapter leading all men's national fraternities in scholarship for the entire year.

Oregon's homecoming was a success in every way except the defeat of Oregon's football team by Stanford, for which Philip Bergh as homecoming chairman cannot be held responsible. As a recognition of his admirable work in handling homecoming and his past activities on the campus, Bergh was elected to Friars, senior men's honorary organization on the campus.

Fred West, who was elected to the two-year position on the executive council of the Associated Students last spring, was elected as secretary-treasurer of the Order of the "O," letterman's organization. Donald McCook was also elected to an office in the Order of the "O," being chosen as a vice president to represent varsity swimming.

W. E. Hempstead jr was one of the four Oregon men to meet the University of Sydney, Australia, in two international radio debates, October 15th and 16th. Hempstead upheld prohibition in the debate given over KGW at Portland. He also spoke at various times this fall over radio stations in Portland in behalf of the University of Oregon's semicentennial celebration which was held on the campus October 18-23.

Fred West has just been appointed on the directorate in charge of the high school conference to be held at the university, January 9th and 10th. West is also a member of the finance and athletic committees of the Associated Students.

Pledges James Rogers and Kenneth Weiser have both earned appointments to the staff of the 1927 *Oregana*, year book of the Associated Students. Pledge Rogers is on the art staff of the book and is also doing cartoon work for the humor section and circulation department. Pledge Rogers is also on the staff of the *Webfoot*, campus humor publication, doing both art and cartoon work. Pledge Weiser is one of the assistant advertising managers of the book.

Pledges Shannon, Frantz and Erkenbrecher are all freshman assistant athletic managers.

Francis McKenna, who is circulation manager of the *Oregon Emerald*, publication of the associated students, has been elected to Alpha Delta Sigma, national honorary advertising fraternity.

The Oregon football team turned in its first conference victory of the season on October 30th, when it defeated the University of California at Berkeley. Sinclair, captain, was mentioned as one of the stellar players for Oregon in the game. It is interesting to note that Sinclair, left tackle, played against Fred Coltrin, right

tackle, of California; also that Jack Evans, substituting at quarter for California, made six of California's thirteen points by intercepting an Oregon pass and running for a touchdown.

Many of the other brothers and pledges have been on minor committees and have received minor honors but it is our policy to concentrate on the most important activities and honors in our letters to THE SHIELD.

An underclass dance given at the chapter house on October 30th was the first social function of the year for the chapter. The dance was very successful, the haunted house motif being used for decoration. Many high school guests from Portland and cities around Eugene were entertained. The upperclassmen are giving a dance at the house on November 10th, to wind up the social activities of Oregon Alpha for the quarter.

Humboldt Greig and Paul Boutcher have returned this fall after their absence during spring quarter.

Eugene, Ore.

November 5, 1926

JAMES W. MANNING

Correspondent

California Beta—Stanford University

California Beta regrets that there was no letter in the last issue of THE SHIELD, but college was not in session and the brothers were scattered in various parts of the state.

College opened October 3d, and all the brothers returned except Genereaux and Smith. Genereaux is taking postgraduate work at Columbia University, and Smith is working in the vicinity of Seattle, Wash.

Initiation was held October 10th, and was attended by a number of alumni. The new initiates were: Dietrich, Berry, Syer, Jardine, Nelson, Prince, Artman. Pledges Pabst and Kern were not initiated because of scholarship.

John Stanton of Wisconsin Alpha was affiliated, and Joe Burton of San Francisco was pledged.

Artman is being carried on the varsity football squad, and Pabst, Maguire, Jardine and Price are playing on the junior interclass football team. Maguire has just returned from a trip to Japan with the baseball team, and Kern is out for varsity baseball also. Syer, Berry, Speer and Nelson are out for varsity track. Larson is out for dramatics manager and has a good chance of getting the position.

The brothers have been putting in a great deal of time on their studies in order that we may maintain our scholarship standing. With this auspicious start, California Beta is looking forward to a banner year in all lines of activity.

Stanford University, Cal.

November 6, 1926

J. E. MUNHOLLAND

Correspondent

California Gamma—University of California

California Gamma takes pleasure in introducing six new brothers. They are as follows: Alexander Murray, Tom Coakley, Richard Paterson, Robert Nittenger, Robert Gray and Walter Lawrence. The initiation was held September 12, 1926, followed by a formal banquet at which a number of the alumni participated.

On the day of the California and University of Southern California game we held an open house for alumni and friends. The

Zeta Kappa Epsilon, petitioning body of the University of Southern California, were also entertained at that time.

The Phi Psi Mother's Club of this chapter held a bridge party at the chapter house recently. The attendance was much better than expected and the house was packed. There were about one hundred couples vieing for bridge honors at the same time.

Fred Coltrin and Jack Evans are both playing varsity football this year. Coltrin is playing the tackle position while Evans is still working hard to cinch the quarter position. Dennie has had plenty of competition this year but he is not the kind that gives up easily and will, without a doubt, make his letter. Merrill Reynolds is playing quarterback on the freshman team while Norman Donant, Harold McNee, Emmett Sullivan and John Rust are playing on the "goof" squad.

We still have four freshmen out for crew. They seem to like the water sport and should be a great help in the freshman shell this year. Jimmy Logan, Warren Schultz, Morris Stimson and Fred Ducato are all working hard for positions in the first boat.

Fred Ducato is a recent pledge and comes from San Francisco. Besides being out for crew, he plays water polo with the Olympic Club team of that city.

A few of the boys have set their eyes on managers' positions. Ted Burnett is keeping busy as a junior tennis manager and stands a good chance for the senior manager's job next year. Bill Plant has started out to become a sophomore basketball manager. He has plenty of hard work ahead of him, but he seems to like it and that, with his initiative ability should net him the junior position for next semester. It is our misfortune to lose Walter Lawrence who was a sophomore football manager. Walt recently took out a leave of absence in order that he might undergo an operation.

Berkeley, Cal.
November 3, 1926

ROSS E. LANG
Correspondent

Obituary

Robert J. Grier, Ill. Gamma '71

Judge Robert J. Grier, Ill. Gamma '71, died at his home in Monmouth, Ill., on October 15th, after a long illness. He was born on his father's farm in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, October 26, 1850, but three years later the family moved to Illinois. He was graduated from Monmouth College in 1874 and then began the study of law, being admitted to the bar in 1876. In 1903 he was elected a judge of the ninth judicial circuit, and was twice reelected, retiring in 1921. He was always deeply interested in Monmouth College, his Alma Mater, his home being a rendezvous for students. In recent years he had been particularly interested in the movement to revive his old chapter at Monmouth College.

J. Willis Gleed, Kan. Alpha '76

James Willis Gleed, Kan. Alpha '76, general counsel of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., died in a hospital in Topeka, Kan., on October 12th. He had gone to the hospital for a rest rather than medical attention, and his sudden death was attributed to heart failure. He was born in Morrisville, Vt., March 8, 1859, but removed to Kansas in 1866. He was graduated from the University of Kansas with honors in 1879, and taught there for several years. Later he attended the Columbia University Law School; graduating in 1884. In the legal profession he established a record that is outstanding in the middle west. He held many positions of prominence and trust and had a part in the trial of some of the most noted cases in that section of the country. He always devoted much time and interest to educational matters, lecturing at various colleges and writing for the magazines. He served four years as a member of the board of regents of Kansas University. He was a brother of Charles S. Gleed, Kan. Alpha '76, a prominent attorney and railroad director, who died in 1920.

Henry H. Bonnell, Pa. Iota '77

Henry Houston Bonnell, Pa. Iota '77, one of the charter members of his chapter, died at his home in Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pa., November 7, 1926. After his graduation from the University of Pennsylvania he became associated with Dodd, Mead & Co., publishers, and later was appointed secretary of the Christian Literature Co. of New York, where he remained until he retired from business. He was the author of "Charlotte Bronte" and "George Eliot." Brother Bonnell was a man of strong literary tastes and gifts. He was always interested in the chapter which he helped to start on its creditable career, and had recently consented to compile and edit a chapter history, for which the necessary prepara-

tory measures have already been inaugurated. He was a man of delightful personality, beloved by all who knew him, and his loss to Phi Psis in Philadelphia, and especially to his chapter, will be keenly felt.

Carl Hering, Pa. Iota '78

Carl Hering, Pa. Iota '78, pioneer leader in electrochemical activities, for forty years a prominent consulting engineer in Philadelphia, a scientist of signal achievement, an author, editor and distinguished contributor to technical literature, died suddenly in Philadelphia on May 10th. He was born in Philadelphia March 29, 1860. After graduation from the University of Pennsylvania, he studied in Germany, but returned to this country in 1886.

Robert G. Reese, Va. Alpha '89

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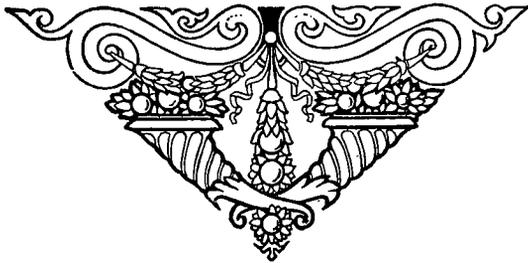
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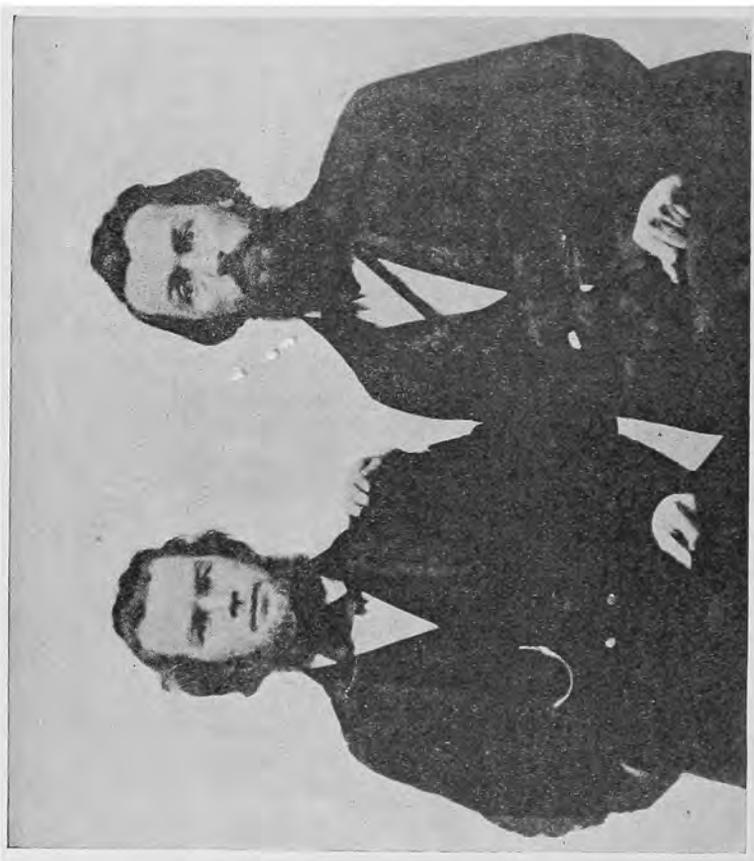
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Seventy-five Years of Growth

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COMPREHENSIVE study, interpretation and analysis of the history of Phi Kappa Psi show conclusively that it took virtually two scores of years to put into partial effect the motives, ideals, aims and purposes of William H. Letterman and Charles P. T. Moore, the illustrious founders of our Fraternity. Even now, three-quarters of a century after the founding, we wonder, while paying tribute and homage to our fraternal forebears, if we have failed to grasp the true significance of their joint undertaking. Recognition of our frailties and imperfections undoubtedly provide the stimulus and impetus to carry on in our efforts to approach the ultimate goal, which perhaps fortunately can not be actually reached by all until we are enrolled in the Chapter Eternal.

Did Moore and Letterman, in their plans for a fraternal structure that would offer continuous service down through the ages, build on a plane too high for the generations of college men that were to follow? We think not. Nearly all alumni who have entered actively into general fraternity work voice the same opinion. Members of active chapters who have studied our ritual and truly understand the meaning of Phi and of Kappa and of Psi believe that the shrine of our Fraternity is open always to those who wish to enter. Phi Kappa Psi was founded not upon the esthetic nor upon the impractical. Its origin, rather, was

based upon lofty ideals, wholly possible of attainment, but not within easy reach of selfish or mentally improvident men. To meet his duty to Phi Kappa Psi, to carry out his obligations to Phi Kappa Psi, one must constantly reach upward, mentally and physically and morally. This requisite is equally as immutable as the laws of the ancient Medes and Persians.

Conditions over which no one had control, for many years threatened the successful existence of Greek-letter fraternities. Serious minded members of our early organization, of fine intellectual development, frequently feared it impossible to instil the spirit of Moore and Letterman into a sufficient number of initiates to carry the torch. College students, in the "old days," lacked much of the surface refinement of today. Life was rough, personal encounters were common, and certain practices were accepted which today would be considered decidedly unethical. College life reflected the general social standards of the day.

"Believing that by an association governed by certain fixed laws and regulations they can advance and promote each other's interests and improve each other morally and intellectually," wrote the founders, our records show, on that memorable evening in February in a little room under the roof of Widow Letherman's home in Canonsburg, Pa. And nothing better explains the purposes and ideals of the organization they started. It was a desire for a college association with higher ideals and loftier aims that led Moore and Letterman to indite that preamble, and it is a tradition that the thought was developed while one watched at the bedside of the other through a serious illness and its convalescence. It took almost forty years for Phi Kappa Psi as a unit really to appreciate the significance of this preamble.

The early membership of the Fraternity was of that warm, free, generous, large-hearted, open-minded type of Southern gentlemen which, alas, was well-nigh obliterated by the disasters of the Civil War. Yet its impress is still

discernible in the ideals, as well as the ritual, of today. But, that high plane of fraternal love and affection was strictly for home consumption. No act was too mean, no epithet too vile to be applied to a rival. For years one's first duty to his fraternity was to steal the constitutions, grips and secrets of its rivals, to be used to their undoing. As late as the 1900's the return to us by the president of another fraternity of a copy of our constitution which he had found among the papers of one of his chapters, produced a distinct shock. And it was current rumor that there was an exchange where the secrets of any fraternity could be purchased. Today we would work as hard to help another fraternity as once we did to injure it. The fraternity spirit has simply enfolded a larger group. We have begun to realize that the good of one is the good of all, and an injury to one injures all. How much of that enlarged horizon is due to the influence of that upper room in the little home in Canonsburg, none may say; but it was not small.

The form of government in those early years of the Fraternity was exceedingly loose and noncentralized. The individual chapter had little contact with other chapters and recognized little, if any, disciplinary authority. The earliest form of supervision was in a Grand Chapter, which was simply one of the coordinate chapters chosen for this post of honor by the Grand Arch Council, a convention of all the chapters, in which supreme authority was vested. No one submitted to the authority of the Grand Chapter or paid much heed to its orders, and it is doubtful if any Grand Chapter really knew enough to act as an executive if it tried.

The principal business of Grand Arch Councils was to amend the constitution, or fabricate a new one, to keep ahead of the stealings. And it is rather a striking commentary on the inherent strength of the fraternal tie that the Fraternity survived this sort of government—or lack of government—for thirty-five years; for it was not until 1886 that a representative form of government was adopted imposing centralized and effective authority.

This new form of government arose very largely from the increasing interest and participation of the alumni in fraternity affairs. The alumni were given a part in the newly created Executive Council, but the policy was early adopted, and has been consistently maintained, of retaining the potential control in the hands of the undergraduates. The majority of the Executive Council have always been elected as undergraduates, first as members of the Executive Council, and later vested with supervisory duties as District Archons.

For the first few years under the new constitution an honored and outstanding alumnus was chosen President, the luster of whose name would reflect glory upon the Fraternity—and who did little else than reflect. It soon became evident that there was real work for a President to do, and in 1892 the practice was inaugurated of electing as chief executive a young alumnus, in touch with the general Fraternity, who would work as well as shine, and very appropriately the author of the new constitution and the first Secretary elected under it, William C. Wilson, was elected the first working President.

The degree of supervision exercised by the executive body over the chapters has gradually grown from substantial zero to a point where a high degree of control is exercised over not only finances but morals and scholarship, as well. Especially since the chapter house has become a fraternity institution, has the degree of paternalism increased. With a chapter house representing an investment of \$50,000 to \$100,000, and with a monthly expense bill running into the thousands, haphazard financing and "dirty cuff" accounting led straight toward the rocks at a pace that was disconcerting. And the freedom of chapter house life with no outside influence to curb manners or morals became a serious menace.

The effort to instill business principles into chapter management began soon after the adoption of the new constitution, but the credit of bringing it to a full rounded and effective system should go largely to Dan G. Swannell in

the days when he was Treasurer. The system now involves a uniform method of accounting, with monthly trial balance to the Executive Council, the budgeting system of expenses, an audit by an outside expert accountant, and an alumnus adviser in touch with the chapter all the time.

As the chapter house is a home, not a boarding house, the effort was early made to surround it as far as possible with the home atmosphere. Very elaborate chapter house rules have grown up, requiring all that care, neatness and consideration in both life and manners which would characterize a gentleman in the highest type of home life. And these rules are no joke. Trust a young fellow when the responsibility is squarely on his shoulders, to enforce the rules with a strictness which his elders would not dare assert.

Early in the twentieth century organized opposition to the whole fraternity system began to spring up all over the country, bringing forth much proposed antifraternity legislation and the actual passage of a few such laws. Our Mississippi chapter was killed by such legislation. The most vulnerable spot in the fraternity armor was scholarship. The average grades of the fraternity members were distinctly below the average of the nonfraternity group. This was partly due to the diversity of college activities required of fraternity members, but in large measure to their laxness. In self-defense the fraternities were compelled to institute scholastic supervision. This was done in our Fraternity by the Executive Council, and particularly the Archons, but more or less intermittently, as scholarship slumps would develop in various chapters. Along about 1910 George Smart, who made a particular hobby of this sort of thing, combined the work under a Committee on Scholarship, Morality and Democracy. Later this committee was divided, the scholarship portion being entrusted to a separate committee. In 1924 this committee was abolished, and the entire supervision of scholarship put in charge of a Scholarship Director. The first Scholarship Director, Dr. Oscar M. Stewart, earned his



MRS. LAURA LETTERMAN BOYER

The widow of one of the founders and well known to many Phi Psas.



EDGAR F. SMITH, Pa. Epsilon

One of the founders and first Editor of THE SHIELD.

promotion by the character of work he had done as chairman of the scholarship committee for some years previous. This work is carried on continuously, periodic reports of scholastic standing are obtained from college faculties, comparative averages are worked out for individual chapters in relation to other chapters of our Fraternity, to other fraternities at the same college, and to the general college average. When a weakness starts it is detected promptly, instead of after the crash, and immediate measures are taken to learn the cause and counteract the slump. While it is an endless task, a new body of students coming in every year, and largely a thankless task, yet there has been a steady, though slow, upward movement in scholarship in our Fraternity which is due to no one so much as Dr. Stewart.

The earliest publication of the Fraternity was naturally a catalog. The first one was written with a quill pen in a large record book, about 1854, and is now in the possession of John L. Porter in the Pittsburgh Alumni Association collection of fraternity memorabilia. The first printed catalog was issued in 1860, and volumes were supposed to be issued every ten years. Subsequent editions were issued in 1870, 1880, 1894, 1910, and 1922, and pocket editions were issued about 1905 and 1915. A complete file of the Fraternity Catalogs is in the Porter collection.

Fraternity journalism first took the form of a sort of chapter paper written for the edification of the brothers at chapter meetings, and rarely circulated outside the chapter. The first attempt at a real Fraternity journal was the *Phi Kappa Psi Monthly*, the first issue of which appeared in October, 1875. It was edited and published by George U. Porter, of Pennsylvania Epsilon, in Baltimore, Md. It was a private venture and lasted through but seven issues. It was succeeded by the *Phi Kappa Psi Quarterly*, authorized by the Grand Arch Council of 1876, but as the fraternity authorization carried with it no financial support, it died with the fourth issue.

THE SHIELD, like its predecessors, was born of individual enthusiasm and financial recklessness. Edgar Fahs Smith,

now emeritus provost, and for many years provost, of the University of Pennsylvania, and still a most active and enthusiastic Phi Psi, and Otis H. Kendall, issued the first number in September, 1879. Dr. Smith gave it its distinctive Phi Psi character as "a magazine for Phi Kappa Psi," and today it is still planned to meet the needs and desires of Phi Psis and none other. The thorny crown of financial martyrdom did not rest on this venture for nearly three years, but it suspended publication in April, 1882.

At the next Grand Arch Council, held in Pittsburgh in February, 1883, the need of a fraternity journal was so clearly recognized, also the futility of private financing, that subscription was made obligatory upon all undergraduates, and the editing and publishing was put in charge of a chapter. Charles L. VanCleve, of Ohio Alpha, later the editor of our History, was the first Editor in Chief. With financial support assured, the success of THE SHIELD was immediate. After two years the responsibility for THE SHIELD was turned over to Kansas Alpha, and Edward C. Little became Editor in Chief. In 1886, largely through the efforts of Brother Little, chapter control was abandoned and the entire editing and management was placed in the hands of one person, and an assured, if modest, compensation paid him for his work. And Brother VanCleve was brought back as the first salaried Editor. The list of Editors from that time to the present is a diadem of stars: G. Fred Rush, William C. Gretzinger, Frank Chapin Bray, George B. Lockwood, Lloyd L. Cheney, all names to con-jure with in Phi Kappa Psi.

In musical publication the Phi Psi output has not been so voluminous. There have been quite a number of more or less fugitive songs and instrumental compositions, and four creditable Song Books have been issued: in 1893, largely the work of Robert Lowry; in 1903, by Francis H. Robertson; in 1914, by Norman C. Raff; and in 1924, another edition by Francis H. Robertson. In the preparation of the last Song Book a contest was held and sub-

stantial prizes awarded for the best original songs, words and music, and this resulted in a valuable addition to our distinctly fraternity music.

"They can promote each other's interests . . ." Leterman and Moore believed in 1852, but it was not until 1912 that any definite steps were taken to offer financial aid to undergraduates in need of additional funds to complete their education through means of what is known as an endowment fund. Since 1915 more than \$30,000 has been loaned to students and more than \$4,400 has been loaned to chapters. The endowment fund was first proposed by Brother Dan G. Swannell at the Chicago Grand Arch Council in 1912, and he has since directed the activities of the committee in charge of this fund. The endowment fund was made possible through the sagacious investment of securities and the pledging of more than \$13,000 at the Cleveland G. A. C. in 1914. Members of forty different chapters have been benefitted by loans from the fund since its establishment.

In spite of the principle of undergraduate control of fraternity affairs, the alumni have had the predominate influence in every substantial advance. Even so distinctly an undergraduate function as a fraternity yell was the contribution of an alumnus, now a dignified and mighty Bishop — and he still knows how to give the yell. The new constitution was of course the work of alumni, as was also every periodical publication of the Fraternity, Catalog, Song Book, and SHIELD since the Fraternity assumed financial responsibility for it. The Endowment Fund — a distinct misnomer, for it is a student help fund — was the brain child of an alumnus, who has nursed it ever since its birth. Chapter houses could not exist without alumni contribution in their erection, and alumni advice and supervision in their administration. The comprehensive supervision of chapter scholarships, as well as finances, could not have been either conceived or carried out without the alumni.

All this has been a gratuitous contribution to a common cause. But in 1920 the alumni came into their own. A

mysterious organization known simply as the order of the S. C. appeared at the Minneapolis Grand Arch Council, and was evidenced by a scarlet carnation in the button hole of certain old war-horses of the Fraternity, an air of mystery and a decided disinclination to divulge any information as to its meaning. News has leaked out that eligibility to members in this inner circle is based on attendance at seven or more Grand Arch Councils, and this bars all undergraduates beyond peradventure, for it implies, at the very least, fourteen years of active interest. The mysterious initials have been variously interpreted as Scarlet Carnation, Seven Conventions, Some Comers, as one newspaperman put it, and one is at liberty to apply any interpretation that pleases him, for he gets neither help nor criticism from the "elect." At the organization of "S. C." there were present seventeen who could qualify for membership, and who became charter members. Today about forty-five brothers are eligible, and thirty-nine have been initiated into its mysteries.

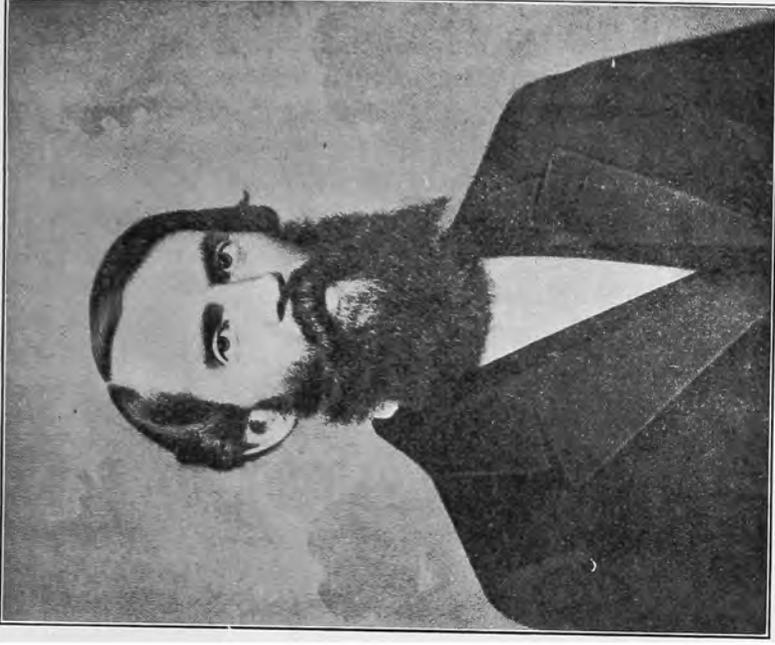
This article is not intended as in any sense a chronological record of Phi Kappa Psi history. It is hoped that it may bring into relief some of the more important events and developments of our common fraternity heritage, and that it may serve to inspire the undergraduates, the younger generation to whom the torch must be handed, to carry it on and up, ever forward, toward the goal of that lofty idealism penned by the founders on that memorable birthnight of Phi Kappa Psi.

Moore, Letterman and Campbell

THE great triumvirate in the first years of the history of Phi Kappa Psi consisted of Founders Charles P. T. Moore and William H. Letterman and Thomas C. Campbell. It is to these three outstanding brothers that the Fraternity is probably indebted to a greater degree than to any others. The first two founded the Fraternity, and Tom Campbell was the enthusiast who contributed so much toward its development.



CHARLES P. T. MOORE



WILLIAM H. LETTERMAN

THE FOUNDERS OF THE FRATERNITY

"No circumstance of the early years of Phi Kappa Psi is so significant," wrote Charles L. Van Cleve, "as the influence of Charles Moore. His following in the new society was not dependent upon the mere fact of being the founder of a new order whose high ideals bade fair to inspire such wholesome life in the organization as to give it lively hopes of a large future, but was securely based upon a warm, genuine deep affection. This feeling for the revered founder of our beloved Fraternity found expression in many ways. When important anniversary meetings of any sort were to be arranged for, his was the name first proposed for orator or historian, and hundreds of letters bear testimony to the fact that not only in his own chapter, but for several years throughout the whole Fraternity, no matter of any moment was undertaken or even discussed without respectful reference to him. His was a warm, generous, impulsive, sympathetic nature, which took its friends as the birds take empyrean, because made for them and thus adapted to their life conditions. He had friends because he was friendly; his love for his companions begat a love in them for him; he did no calculating to see whether a man were worthy, he simply trusted; if betrayed, he just as richly hated as he formerly loved; charged with the sacrest confidences of his friends, he was not even suspected of being untrue.

"The education of Judge Moore was the generous gift of his Uncle George, a fine type of the Virginia gentleman, finely educated, cultivated of thought, chaste and elegant of speech, living in rural magnificence upon the broad acres of a large plantation in the rich, alluvial valley of the Ohio. From the beginning, Charles Moore had money, which no doubt, added to his popularity, since it afforded him many opportunities for doing kindly, generous deeds, and these, too, without ostentation or hope of return in kind."

In 1852 Founder Letterman spelled his name "Letherman," but the spelling was legally changed two years later. Of Brother Letterman, a discriminating friend gave this testimony: "Letherman, while not a brilliant scholar, was

very much of a gentleman in his manners, and was very popular among his fellow students. His father was a very distinguished physician and stood high socially in an exclusive community. Letherman showed his social culture in all his manners. He was tall, six feet or a little more in height, and an Adonis of physical beauty. Letherman sympathized with the South in the Civil War."

On January 27th, 1853, was initiated Thomas Cochran Campbell, *facile princeps*, the fraternity man of his time. Tom Campbell lived for Phi Kappa Psi. His active waking hours were devoted mainly to planning for her welfare; much of the time he should have given to sleep he devoted to labor on the *Amicus Mysticus*, a paper written for the chapter and read at its meetings, and to letter writing to distant chapters and fraternity friends.

"To this one boy," wrote W. G. Keady in an article for THE SHIELD, referring to Campbell, "our Fraternity owes more than to any other, excepting its founders. And one reason why I so willingly enter upon the task of fixing the traditions of Phi Kappa Psi is that I may lead the Fraternity into knowing one they ought to know, and secure for him a high place in our history. When it is disposed to bestow honors of love and gratitude, I beseech a big show for Tom Campbell, just such a show as Morse gets in connection with the telegraph which he did not invent. Tom did not *found* the Fraternity, but he made it a working power. All his desire for fame and remembrance was in connection with Phi Kappa Psi, to which he gave the best part of the working years of a short life. At the time I speak of he was nineteen years old.

"My first knowledge of him goes back some five or six years before I entered college. In '47, I think, Rev. J. R. Campbell, a missionary to India, came to Philadelphia on a visit, bringing his children, of whom Tom was the oldest, and whom he left to be educated, when he went back. Tom was then about twelve. He had been born at sea. My first view of him was of a wild-looking boy, with piercing eyes and restless limbs, with a look as if he was on the



THOMAS C. CAMPBELL

watch. He could not speak much, if any, English, had no knowledge, apparently, of civilized life, and for a good reason. His parents were necessarily forced to leave him almost altogether to Hindoo servants, from whom his early impressions all came. From that intercourse his mind took a cast that gave character ever after to all his mental operations. He had learned to speak and read Hindoostance, but his reading had indirectly left no impression, if it had been in the Bible. He had no idea of God, or one warped out of all recognition by what he had absorbed in the atmosphere of the half-heathen mission servants and the wholly-heathen of the neighborhood.

“His guardians soon found out that they had a young elephant on their hands. They could not understand him, and he looked on them as his natural enemies. They found him not amenable to any ordinary moral motive, and not to be influenced by ordinary incentives. His seemingly incurable moral obliquities demanded severe treatment, so he was placed in the house of refuge, as a peculiar case. This proved the wisest course in the end, for it brought to bear a power that the oriental mind can only understand — unbending force. Tom regarded his two years' stay there as a blessing. He was there tamed and civilized, partially, at least; there he realized what morality is, and there he learned of God, and made his first acquaintance with the Bible. After attending school for a year or two he was sent to college.

“A few more words about Tom Campbell. He was of a slight but well-formed figure, about five feet six inches in height; olive complexion, very clear; fine black hair and eyes; with a nose inclined to spread at the nostrils and point downward; a mouth with a thin upper and full under lip. He paid little attention to his studies. His one college ambition was to excell in declamation and to be contest orator in '56. All his care, thought and energy were for the Fraternity. As he was disposed to do the work, we let the bulk of it fall into his willing hands. Tom had literary talents, yet 'in the raw,' and never fully de-

veloped at college, for he had much to unlearn — a part of one's education to be accomplished only by contact with the world. I think his entire devotion to fraternity interests really kept him back. As I try to read the workings of Providence in the past, I have no hesitation in saying that the one work God had for T. C. Campbell to do was to build up and set in order the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. It is his monument. If our Fraternity has faith in its symbol of the 'All-seeing eye,' it should honor the instrument He has used.

"All honor to the founders — I would not detract a whit therefrom; but to Tom is due an honor *sui generis*. Almost *everything* that is distinctive or peculiar in the character and working of the Fraternity had its origin in Tom's brain. Even the phrases in addresses delivered afterwards by others, which I have heard or read, were those to which he gave currency. All the ceremonies, amid all changes, keep to his models. The cryptograms of the officers were his invention. The seals were of his design. The rude Greek of the pass-words, etc., is his. In fact all the machinery came from his workshop — the very work most needed and least thought of. He was voluminous in letter-writing, and all the correspondence, copying, etc., were exclusively in his hands.

"The first attempt to plant our standard in other colleges was made by him. It was his agency that stirred up Charlie Moore to inaugurate a chapter at the University of Virginia, where Moore was a law student, and Russ Kennedy at Meadville. I think the Lewisburg chapter grew out of a conversation Tom had with a student on the cars. He was unflagging in energy, and supplied all deficiency on the part of the rest. He kept on his way in spite of rebuffs, ridicule, hindrances, and opposition, unthanked and not caring for thanks. He would never recognize defeat or impossibility in anything that concerned the Fraternity he loved as the apple of his eye. It was not an abstraction to him; it was as much a personality as Brahma to the Hindoo.

“He kept at the work till he graduated. His life after that was a beginning again. His work as a Presbyterian minister was short; his peculiarities, which he had learned to accept as matter of course, for a time stood in the way of his usefulness; and just as he was overcoming them, gaining the confidence of his people, and reaching a position where he could do good work in his new sphere, the Master called him away.”

“Fraternity to these young men,” says Van Cleve, “was no academic theme, no wild dreaming of the doctrinaire, infused with the hollow phrases of the French revolution, whose malevolent sophistries still did service in the early fifties to phrase the ambitious vaporings of flamboyant oratory, but a real, pulsating, living reality, with heart enough in it to comprehend a world of need. One of the most interesting and pathetic illustrations of this intense, vital faith in brotherhood is an account of the pain and distress the parent chapter of Phi Kappa Psi had in the prospect that one of its loved circle would be compelled to discontinue his studies because of failing funds. As spontaneously as if the affair were one concerning brothers in the flesh, a handsome sum was promptly raised to keep the circle unbroken, and the honored brother remained.”

Old Jefferson College

SEVENTY-FIVE years ago this month Phi Kappa Psi was founded at Jefferson College, Canonsburg, Pa. The college was then almost exactly fifty years old and was one of the leading small nonsectarian institutions of the country. Phi Kappa Psi — now celebrating its seventy-fifth anniversary — has been in existence longer than the total life of the old college which gave it birth, as in 1865 Jefferson College was united with the neighboring Washington College under the name of Washington and Jefferson.

The pioneers who crossed the Alleghenies and made their homes in the wilderness near the Ohio River brought with

them a militant faith in education. Promptly they set about to open new schools and within ten years after the arrival of the first colonists two clergymen had each established a classical school, and a little later, in 1785, another minister added a third. These schools were all within ten miles of Washington. They were not rival schools, but were conducted in turn, the students being required to attend one academy for a time and then to go to another.

The academy at Canonsburg was chartered by the supreme court of Pennsylvania in 1794, and by another charter became Jefferson College, January 15, 1802. By a similar legal process, Washington Academy, chartered in 1787, became Washington College, March 28, 1806. Why the new college at Canonsburg was called Jefferson is not known, nor is it known whether the name was selected by the trustees or the legislature. It has seemed strange to many that a college founded and controlled by deeply religious men should bear the name of one whose general attitude toward Christianity was one of hostility. Dr. Smith, in his history of Jefferson College, remarks that Mr. Jefferson "had been inducted into the office of President of the United States in March, 1801. His administration, for some time, was like a continued ovation. The party who had borne him triumphantly forward to this high station were in the utmost state of exultation. To call this first college in the West, the first seat of science in the valley of the Mississippi, after the idol of the people would be thought on all sides most felicitous. It might have been sincerely thought by the trustees a compliment to Mr. Jefferson which he deserved."

The measures taken by the board in organizing the college faculty indicate the poverty of the institution. They resolved that the faculty should consist of a president or principal, a professor of divinity, and a professor of mathematics. The principal was authorized to teach moral philosophy, logic, rhetoric, geography and languages, on a salary of £150 a year, and provide his tutors at his own expense. The professor of mathematics and natural phil-

osophy had a salary of £100. These two, the president and one professor, continued to constitute the college faculty (the professor of divinity not doing college work) until 1818. The first principal was the Rev. John Watson. The president in 1852, when Phi Kappa Psi was founded, was the Rev. Alexander B. Brown, an alumnus of the college.

There was scarcely a year during the sixty years of the existence of the two neighboring colleges when their union was not discussed and earnestly desired. Efforts to negotiate a union were made by one college or the other in 1807, 1815, 1817, 1843 and 1852. The chief difficulty was in agreeing upon a location of the united college. Neither Washington or Canonsburg was willing to lose a college, and a majority of the trustees was interested in one place or the other. By 1865, however, the financial condition of each college had become such as to force upon their boards the alternative of union or death. In 1864 the floating debt of Jefferson College amounted to \$10,000 and that of Washington to \$3,000.

At this crisis the Rev. Dr. C. C. Beatty, of Steubenville, Ohio, in no way connected with either college, offered \$50,000 on condition of union. A plan of union was arranged under the present title of Washington and Jefferson College, and according to a compromise measure, it was decided to have a part of the college work done at Canonsburg and a part at Washington, but both to be under one board and one faculty. A new charter authorizing the union was dated March 4, 1865. The sophomore, junior and senior classes were to be at Canonsburg, the freshmen class and the preparatory and scientific departments at Washington.

During four years of thorough trial, this dual form of management, with some of its students living in each town, had proved quite unsatisfactory. In 1869 the trustees were authorized to select for the college a site in Pennsylvania where all the work could proceed without interruption or moving back and forth. On April 20, 1869, the requisite two-thirds majority of the board of trustees cast the vote for Washington. The question of consolidation was tested

in the state courts and in the Supreme Court of the United States, and in each case its legality was affirmed.

Jefferson College was always nonsectarian; Washington for twelve years prior to the union of the two colleges had been under the control of the synod of Wheeling. Jefferson College had been the larger institution; in 1859, for example, the graduating class of Jefferson numbered fifty-seven, while that of Washington was only nineteen in number. Each institution had a long list of distinguished presidents, professors and alumni. Litigation and the disturbances of the Civil War greatly reduced the attendance of each institution so that when the colleges were at last beyond controversy, legally united, the class graduated in 1870 contained but ten members.

Wabash Valley A. A. Chartered

The Executive Council at its recent meeting in Atlantic City received and acted favorably upon a petition for a charter for the Wabash Valley Alumni Association. The territory of the new association will include the counties of Vigo, Vermillion, Parke, Clay, Sullivan and Knox in the state of Indiana, and the counties of Edgar, Clay and Crawford in the state of Illinois. The headquarters of the association will be in Terre Haute, Ind.

Those signing the petition, and thus becoming the charter members, were: Russell H. Allen, Terre Haute, Ind.; James H. Black jr., Terre Haute, Ind.; George V. Dole, Paris, Ill.; Walter S. Ferguson, Rockville, Ind.; W. T. Hartley, Paris, Ill.; L. N. Hines, Terre Haute, Ind.; Charles D. Hunt, Sullivan, Ind.; B. M. Hutchings, Terre Haute, Ind.; John S. McFaddin, Rockville, Ind.; John M. McFaddin, Rockville, Ind.; Howard C. McFaddin, Rockville, Ind.; Robert N. Parish, Paris, Ill.; Fred M. Powell, Terre Haute, Ind.; Wallace Springer, Sullivan, Ind.; Homer B. Talley, Terre Haute, Ind.; Walter W. Talley, Terre Haute, Ind.; Delbert H. Talley, Terre Haute, Ind.; John E. Talley, Terre Haute, Ind. L. N. Hines is president and Fred M. Powell is secretary of the new association.

Why Celebrate ?

HOWARD C. WILLIAMS, Ill. Delta, National President

IF anyone should happen to ask you to name the greatest event in your life, you would answer, truthfully and unhesitatingly, "my birthday, of course." Correct! The days of joy and sorrow that followed, the days of achievement and misfortune, the days of success and failure, the days of fun and suffering, the days of real sport, the thrills of vigorous health and the pains of toothache, earache, headache, stomach ache and heartache all pale into insignificance compared with that day of days, that event of great events, that unequaled millennium of a lifetime when some kindly old nurse or a perspiring doctor broke the news to your dad, pacing up and down in the hall or the front parlor, that "it's a boy," and the boy is you.

We have not all been founders of a great fraternity; maybe we'll never amount to anything much, but, when the subject works down to the whyfores of a birthday celebration, we stand on common ground. We were all babies once. Unless you happened to have started yelling on February 29th, you've been celebrating your birthday annually ever since. Why? Because the day of your birth was the greatest event of your life.

And, likewise, the greatest event in the life of Phi Kappa Psi — the greatest date in the histories of Masonry, the B'nai B'rith, the Knights of Columbus, the Elks, the Moose, the Eagles and the rest of the animals of the earth and the birds of the air, to say nothing of the Sons and Daughters of I Will Arise, was a birthday.

When William Letterman and Charles Moore met on the night of February 19, 1852, in that little second-story bedroom of the Widow Letherman's home at Canonsburg, Pa., they founded a society on the rock-firm foundation of friendship. Emerson once wrote "Happy is the home that shelters a friend!" It was the friendship of kindred spirits between those two boys that culminated in



THE HOUSE IN WHICH THE FRATERNITY WAS FOUNDED
Widow Letherman's home in Canonsburg, Pa.

the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity—an organization that began in a small way, in a small college, in a small town and has grown into a two million dollar brotherhood of nearly 20,000 men, owning forty-eight chapter houses and boasting forty alumni associations. Happy is the home that welded a friendship into a power for good like this!

Phi Kappa Psi is about to celebrate its seventy-fifth anniversary—its Diamond Jubilee. The “Binnacle of Phi Kappa Psi” is the title of an able address that is to be given at all Founders’ Day celebrations of our alumni associations. Sufficient copies have been printed so that every brother who attends an alumni banquet will be handed a copy as a souvenir. Its author is Rev. William Wallace Youngson, Pa. Beta, of Portland, Ore., one of the foremost orators of the Fraternity.

In our chapter houses on Founders’ Day, or on the meeting night closest to Founders’ Day, there will be read an article prepared especially by Walter Lee Sheppard, Pa. Iota, a former President of the Fraternity. Copies of this address will be distributed to undergraduates.

To add to the significance of our Diamond Jubilee, the Grand Arch Council, in its wisdom, placed Zeta Kappa Epsilon of the University of Southern California and the Woodlawn Club of the Carnegie Institute of Technology upon the accredited list and the Executive Council, under the power bestowed upon it by the national by-laws, has seen fit to grant charters to these two organizations.

The Los Angeles petitioners will be installed on Founders’ Day, as California Delta. The Pittsburgh petitioners will be installed one month later on March 19th, as Pennsylvania Mu. At each installation there will be present at least three former Presidents of the Fraternity. These events, occurring during our Diamond Jubilee, probably will be the most largely attended installations in the history of the Fraternity. We will then have attained a chapter roll of fifty.

Why celebrate? If you’ve read this far, Brother, you know the answer.

In the joy of our celebration it is meet and proper that we should pause to pay respect and reverence to the memories of those two boys to whom we owe this organization of brotherly love. In more able articles than this you will read of our gratitude and appreciation of their splendid works.

Within the past few weeks it has been my privilege and good fortune to receive a letter from Brother Charles N. Bland, W. Va. Alpha '21, a grandson of Founder Charles Moore, who has advised me of the finding of an old daguerreotype of our honored founders, believed to be the only likeness of these men taken together. This bit of treasure was found in an old trunk, unopened for twenty-five years or longer, in the Bland home at Weston, W. Va. Through the courtesy of Brother John L. Porter of Pittsburgh, this daguerreotype has been reproduced and appears elsewhere in this issue.

In a little village churchyard at Duffan, Erath County, Texas, there rests all that is mortal of Dr. William H. Letterman. At Bruce Chapel, Mason County, W. Va., rests the body of Judge Moore. Simplicity marks their epitaphs.

WILLIAM H. LETTERMAN

Born August 12, 1832

Died May 23, 1881

CHARLES P. T. MOORE

Born February 8, 1831

Died July 7, 1904

They have left behind them a great, silent, unseen inscription — carved not on the sturdy granite or marble of New Hampshire or Vermont, not on the sands of time, to be washed away by forgetfulness, but on the imperish-

able memories of this and succeeding generations of Phi Kappa Psi. This monument bears a birthmark only; its subject will live ever. It reads like this:

PHI KAPPA PSI FRATERNITY
FOUNDED FEBRUARY 19, 1852

Why celebrate? There's the answer.

Anniversary Celebrations

CHAPTERS and alumni associations throughout the Fraternity are making special plans for observing the seventy-fifth anniversary. Most of the celebrations have been arranged for Founders' Day, February 19th. Special addresses suitable for the occasion have been prepared for delivery at both chapter and alumni gatherings, through the efforts of the special anniversary committee. The committee urges all members to take part in this memorable occasion by attending some one of the functions.

The chapter observances will in most cases be held on February 19th. The following notices indicate in a brief way something of the celebrations by the alumni associations so far as reported to **THE SHIELD**:

New York. Dinner, 6:30 p. m., February 19th, at the Fraternity Clubs Building, with a nationally known Phi Psi as principal speaker. An interesting feature will be the showing of a film depicting the history of the Fraternity.

Syracuse. Celebration on February 18th, in conjunction with the New York Beta Chapter, at the local chapter house. An entertainment to be given by the undergraduates for the alumni and their wives.

Rochester. Banquet on February 16th.

Buffalo. Dinner, 7 p. m., February 19th, at the University of Buffalo Alumni Club, North street. John L. Porter of Pittsburgh will be the principal speaker. Discussion of plans for the Diamond Jubilee G. A. C. to be held in Buffalo in 1928.

Philadelphia. Banquet, 7 p. m., February 19th, at the Union League. Former Governor William C. Sproul will preside. Ex-president E. Lawrence Fell is chairman of the committee on arrangements.

Altoona. Banquet, 6:30 p. m., February 19th, at the Blairmont Country Club.

Washington. Dinner, February 17th, at the Carlton Hotel. Speakers include U. S. Senators Watson, Smith and Stephens, and General Mitchell.

Pittsburgh. Founders' Day banquet to be held March 19th, in conjunction with the installation of the Pennsylvania Mu Chapter at Carnegie Institute.

Indiana, Pa. Dinner, 6:30 p. m., February 22d, at the Indiana Country Club.

Morgantown. Dinner, 6:15 p. m., February 3d, at the West Virginia Alpha chapter house.

Cincinnati. Banquet, 6 p. m., February 19th, at the University Club.

Cleveland. Banquet, in conjunction with the Ohio Epsilon Chapter, on March 12th at the University Club, followed by a formal dance.

Detroit. Banquet, 7 p. m., February 18th, in the Abbey Room of the Detroit Athletic Club.

Indianapolis. Dinner, 6:30 p. m., February 18th, at the Columbia Club.

Chicago. Banquet, 6 p. m., February 19th, at the University Club. The presidents of Northwestern, Chicago and Illinois Universities are expected to attend.

Minneapolis. Banquet, February 19th, in the Gold Room of the Hotel Raddison.

Kansas City. Banquet, 6:30 p. m., February 19th, at the University Club.

Los Angeles. Banquet, February 19th, at the Elks Club, to be held in connection with the installation of California Delta Chapter on that afternoon.

Portland. Banquet, February 19th, 7 p. m.



PRESIDENTS OF THE FRATERNITY

1886-1916

Landmarks in Phi Kappa Psi

- 1852 *Fraternity founded at Jefferson College, Canonsburg, Pa.*
- 1853 *Second chapter (Virginia Alpha) established.*
- 1855 *First Grand Arch Council, Washington, D. C.*
- 1855 *Proposal for union with Delta Phi definitely rejected.*
- 1855 *Badge, substantially the same as now in use, designed and adopted.*
- 1860 *First printed Catalog issued.*
- 1865 *Jefferson College united with Washington College.*
- 1867 *First chapter established west of the Mississippi river (Iowa Alpha).*
- 1875 *The Fraternity's first magazine — The Phi Kappa Psi Monthly — established.*
- 1877 *Pink and lavender adopted as the fraternity colors.*
- 1877 *The Phi Kappa Psi Quarterly published.*
- 1879 *The Shield established, with Edgar Fahs Smith and Otis H. Kendall as first editors.*
- 1880 *First chapter established on Pacific coast (California Alpha).*
- 1882 *First chapter house built, that of Pennsylvania Epsilon.*
- 1883 *Rule adopted prohibiting the initiation of honorary members.*
- 1886 *Revised constitution providing radical changes in the form of government, adopted at Indianapolis Grand Arch Council.*
- 1886 *Executive Council organized, and Joseph B. Foraker chosen first President.*
- 1886 *Beginning of the holding of biennial Grand Arch Councils.*
- 1887 *First District Councils held, and first Archons elected.*
- 1890 *The fraternity yell adopted.*
- 1893 *The first Song Book published.*
- 1894 *The "accredited list" authorized.*

- 1895 *First chapter established in New England (Massachusetts Alpha).*
- 1897 *The pledge button adopted.*
- 1898 *Position of Vice President created with Walter S. Holden as first incumbent.*
- 1898 *Burial ritual adopted at Philadelphia Grand Arch Council.*
- 1898 *Number of districts increased from four to five.*
- 1900 *Office of Attorney General created, and Henry Pegram chosen for the position.*
- 1902 *Semicentennial Grand Arch Council held at Pittsburgh, Pa.*
- 1902 *Publication of the Fraternity's only history, edited by Charles L. Van Cleve.*
- 1910 *The Mystic Friend established.*
- 1913 *Woodrow Wilson inaugurated President of the United States — the first Phi Psi to occupy the White House.*
- 1914 *The Endowment Fund established.*
- 1914 *Present standard badge adopted at Cleveland Grand Arch Council.*
- 1915 *The recognition button adopted.*
- 1916 *Largest registration at any Phi Psi gathering — the Pittsburgh Grand Arch Council.*
- 1918 *Fraternity colors changed to deep red and dark green.*
- 1920 *S. C. Society formed at Minneapolis Grand Arch Council.*
- 1922 *Number of districts increased from five to six.*
- 1922 *Requirement adopted that pledges must pass satisfactorily all their college work before becoming eligible for initiation.*
- 1924 *Constitution amended to permit the establishment of chapters in Canada.*
- 1925 *Position of Scholarship Director created.*

Our History Visualized

JOHN L. PORTER, Pa. Beta '86, Contributor

WHAT a feeling of regret we must experience every time we think of all the valuable data, photographs, books, letters, seals, etc., etc., which have unwittingly been allowed to go to ash barrels, rubbish heaps, bon fires and into the furnaces of our chapter houses, because every now and then the freshmen were told to "clean house and make things look more ship-shape." Poor "freshies," they did exactly as they were commanded, and today all Phi Kappa Psi mourns the results.

What would we not give for the copy of the "Constitution" as drawn by Brothers Letterman and Moore in their own handwriting?

What would we not give for the minute books of Pennsylvania Alpha's first ten years' meetings, when "brotherhood" was the key-note ever present, when pride in one another's success was the bond of companionship, when "man-making" was the outstanding object of the organization and scholarship its hall-mark.

What would we not give for the manuscripts of the essays, the notes of the orations, the arguments set forth in debate and the other evidences of scholarship and high intellectual attainments?

What would we not give for the "Mystic Friends"; the "Parthenons"; the "Ramblers" and the "Areopagus," written by such men as W. H. Letterman, C. P. T. Moore, "Tom" Campbell, "Rus" Kennedy, Isaac Vanmeter, James Y. Metzger, William G. Keady, James McMaster, Josiah Miller, S. C. T. Dodd, Frank A. Arter, Dr. Robert Lowry, W. C. Gretzinger, "Billy" Wilson, Woodrow Wilson, Edgar Fahs Smith, John Marshall, J. B. Foraker, A. E. Dolbear, C. C. McCabe, Theodore P. Shonts, James Thoburn, John G. Woolley, and others, and as read in chapter meetings by our revered founders and their contemporaries in the Fraternity?

Fortunately, the members of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association recognized, about the year 1908, the fact that our memorabilia were fast disappearing, and a determined effort was inaugurated to collect as quickly and completely as possible, all items having to do with our inception and growth, to the end that today this association is the proud possessor of about 95 per cent of all the really valuable items, the other 5 per cent being scattered among four or five chapters.

When you realize that this association has the only complete file of the Grand Catalogues of the Fraternity; a complete file of THE SHIELD (lacking only a few numbers of volume III); number 1 of volume 1 of *The Mystic Friend* (manuscript dated December 18, 1855); volumes I to XIV, inclusive, of *The Mystic Friend* (present style); an almost complete file of the *Phi Kappa Psi Quarterly Magazine*; Constitutions in manuscript; edicts; petitions; Grand Chapter correspondence; letters from our founders to various brothers; items of interest from Grand Arch Councils as early as 1890; souvenirs of all kinds from alumni association banquets; historical notations by chapter historians for the compilation of the Van Cleve History; Secretary's reports; specimens of early publications, etc., etc.—some little idea of our abilities as “discoverers” may be formed.

This work of searching every probable or possible hiding place among chapters and alumni has, as before mentioned, required years of hunting and unrelenting effort, and if there still remain any old chests, trunks, boxes, files or other likely places of concealment in chapter houses or in the homes of “oldest living alumni” which have not been attacked by these sleuths of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association, you may rest assured that they exist only because their whereabouts are unknown to this association and its band of prospectors.

Can you imagine the joy each brother experiences when he unearths some rare bit of our memorabilia? No miner ever exults more over a new ore pocket, no pearl diver over

a brilliant find, no deliver for diamonds over a sparkler, than the finder of one of our unduplicatable items.

An incident of the 1916 G. A. C. will explain the reticence of the association in permitting any of these archives to leave Pittsburgh for any purpose. The G. A. C. was notable for many things, but none more interesting than the display of archives which occupied two rooms adjoining the convention hall and which was guarded day and night. Space had been left in these rooms for a large boxful of items from the Pennsylvania Alpha Chapter which had been expressed to the association, but which, up to the time of the opening of the convention, had not arrived. Imagine the consternation and later the scare prevalent as each day passed and no trace of this box was revealed. It contained items which could never be replaced at *any cost*, and when one realizes that *any cost* means *millions*, the loss is more clearly defined and realized.

About six months after the G. A. C. had adjourned the American Railway Express Company called a member of the association and said that they were about to sell their "unclaimed packages" and in preparing their sale lists, had opened the various packages for identification purposes and had found one answering closely to the lost G. A. C. box. Such it proved to be, and the history of its journeyings would take too much space to describe. Suffice it to say: Then and there the association decided not to permit any of our collection to be taken from Pittsburgh for any purpose unless a duplicate copy be made or unless the borrower made the removal and return a matter of personal responsibility, care and handling.

Not possible of duplication and perhaps equally valuable is the library of nearly seven hundred books, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc., which has been assembled by the association and which is only awaiting a secure and, at the same time, accessible depository.

Now that the Pennsylvania Mu Chapter is to be installed in the immediate future at the Carnegie Institute of Technology, there seems an opportunity for the asso-

ciation to arrange some permanent abiding-place for the library and possibly some of the archives.

We have had, and have, many prolific writers in Phi Kappa Psi, and the writings of many have been reported long since as "out-of-print," but a search for these items provokes quite as keen interest as does that for the more general items we have mentioned above as "archives."

Let us all be proud of the possession of such items as: the complete Writings and Speeches of the Hon. Charles Sumner (autographed by the author); the complete Writings and Speeches of the Hon. Carl Schurz; the complete works of James Whitcomb Riley; the complete works of Robert J. Burdette; the complete works of Gen. J. Warren Keifer; the complete writings of Hon. Woodrow Wilson (some autographed); and the further productions of Winthrop E. Scarritt, Jackson Boyd, Herman K. Viele, Prof. A. E. Dolbear, Dr. Camden M. Cobern, Dr. James Thoburn, Dr. Eugene W. Caldwell, Dr. James Riley Weaver, Dr. Edwin A. Schell, Dr. Charles A. White, Aaron N. Skinner, Stuart Henry, Dr. F. Homer Curtiss, Dr. William H. Crawford, and many other illustrious brothers. Try to secure any of the above if you want a demonstration of their scarcity, value, and the time necessary to the acquisition of even a few of them.

Last, but by no means least, the association is the proud possessor of over one hundred seventy framed pictures. Most of them are of our distinguished government officers, statesmen, governors, judges, college presidents and the officers of our Fraternity. Others show the attendants at nearly every G. A. C. *since 1894*, and the balance are of chapter houses, District Council groups, Phi Kappa Psi landmarks, etc., etc.

It seems most fitting that these three great collections should have been undertaken by, and be today in the possession of, the Pittsburgh Alumni Association, because it has been the pioneer in so many things looking to the up-building of everything pertaining to Phi Kappa Psi, and has seen to it that the watchfires of the Fraternity have

been kept burning brightly for many, many years in the district so intimately associated with our birth, childhood, youth and early manhood.

Of course the thought back of all this endeavor has been the benefit which we, of this generation, and our successors, should derive from a realization of the spirit which actuated our honored predecessors during their college years, and of the fellowship which has been always in evidence since their graduation.

Grand Arch Councils Began in 1855

RECOGNIZING the importance of free and open discussion of fraternity problems by representatives of the entire membership, the founders and early leaders of the Fraternity provided for national conventions shortly after its founding. From the very beginning this gathering has been known as the Grand Arch Council. The first such convention was called in 1854—two years after the Fraternity was founded—but was not held until August of the following year.

When the time came for this first Grand Arch Council there were but five chapters in the Fraternity, namely, Pennsylvania Alpha, Pennsylvania Beta, Pennsylvania Gamma, Virginia Alpha and Virginia Beta. The convention was held at Washington, D. C., with James W. Morgan presiding. Little is definitely known about this convention, except that a new constitution was adopted. Of the second Grand Arch Council, held at Canonsburg, Pa., the following August, Historian Charles L. VanCleve discovered among the effects of Judge Moore the original minutes in the handwriting of Thomas C. Campbell, who served as recording secretary of that convention. Delegates were present from every chapter, the roll then numbering eight, Pennsylvania Delta, Pennsylvania Epsilon and Virginia Gamma having been added during the year. "We worked five days," wrote Tom Campbell, "at the rate of fifteen hours a day and have put business through."

Grand Arch Councils have been held regularly, except during the years of the Civil War, almost from the beginning of the Fraternity's history. The dates and places of all the conventions are as follows:

August 1855, Washington, D. C.	April 1894, New York, N. Y.
August 1856, Canonsburg, Pa.	April 1896, Cleveland, Ohio.
August 1858, Washington, D. C.	April 1898, Philadelphia, Pa.
August 1860, Washington, D. C.	April 1900, Columbus, Ohio.
August 1865, Pittsburgh, Pa.	April 1902, Pittsburgh, Pa.
August 1868, Cincinnati, Ohio.	April 1904, Indianapolis, Ind.
August 1871, Wheeling, W. Va.	April 1906, Washington, D. C.
August 1874, Columbus, Ohio.	July 1908, Denver, Col.
July 1876, Philadelphia, Pa.	June 1910, Toledo, Ohio.
August 1878, Indianapolis, Ind.	June 1912, Chicago, Ill.
February 1880, Washington, D. C.	June 1914, Cleveland, Ohio.
February 1883, Pittsburgh, Pa.	June 1916, Pittsburgh, Pa.
February 1885, Columbus, Ohio.	June 1918, Detroit, Mich.
May 1886, Indianapolis, Ind.	June 1920, Minneapolis, Minn.
April 1888, Washington, D. C.	June 1922, Springfield, Ohio.
April 1890, Chicago, Ill.	June 1924, Boston, Mass.
April 1892, Cincinnati, Ohio.	June 1926, Kansas City, Mo.

G. A. C. Attendance

Phi Kappa Psi has always been noted for the loyalty of its alumni. Among other ways, this has been particularly evidenced by their attendance at Grand Arch Councils, and by their earnest participation in the business of these gatherings. The total attendance of Phi Psis at the last ten conventions, as shown by the official registration book, has been as follows:

Denver (1908)	225
Toledo (1910)	332
Chicago (1912)	532
Cleveland (1914)	438
Pittsburgh (1916)	586
Detroit (1918)	170
Minneapolis (1920)	356
Springfield (1922)	488
Boston (1924)	327
Kansas City (1926)	354

The Grand Chapters

WITH the Fraternity, through the chapter delegates, meeting in Grand Arch Council only once every two or three years, it was found necessary from the first to provide some means for conducting the routine business of the Fraternity between sessions of the G. A. C., and to set up some authority vested with power to settle such questions as might arise. This authority was given to some one chapter which, while so serving, was known as the Grand Chapter.

Some students have thought that the loose, decentralized form of Grand Chapter government merely reflected the prevailing political sentiment of those days immediately preceding the Civil War. The membership of Psi Kappa Psi during the first few years was distinctly southern, and it is perhaps not strange that this type of government should have been created; it is more difficult to understand, however, how it could have prevailed until 1886. "The persistence with which an indefensible, irresponsible and entirely ineffective form of government," says Van Cleve's History, "held a place in Phi Psi economy is a fine tribute to its stability and conservatism. That anyone should ever have thought that government which put into power during successive trienniums an entirely new and inexperienced body to rule similar and co-equal bodies, seems to the present generation of Phi Psis impossible, but Phi Kappa Psi lived through such a government for 34 years, and prospered in spite of its inconsistencies and absurdities."

The chapters which served as Grand Chapters were:

- 1852-56 Pennsylvania Alpha
- 1856-61 Virginia Alpha
- 1861-66 Pennsylvania Delta
- 1866-69 Virginia Delta.
- 1969-75 Pennsylvania Zeta
- 1875-78 Ohio Alpha
- 1878-81 Pennsylvania Theta
- 1881-84 District of Columbia Alpha
- 1884-86 Pennsylvania Epsilon

National Officers of the Fraternity

PREVIOUS to 1886 the administrative work of the Fraternity was performed by the Grand Chapter, but the new constitution adopted that year made a complete change and set up an Executive Council, with a President, Treasurer and Secretary, and an Archon representing each of the four districts. In 1908 the position of Vice President was created.

Presidents

The first President of the Fraternity was Joseph Benson Foraker of Ohio Alpha and New York Alpha, who later became governor of Ohio and outstanding member of the United States Senate. Robert Lowry, the second President, was the great hymn writer and Phi Psi's "Grand Old Man." The complete list of those who have served as President, with their terms of office, follows:

- 1886-88 Joseph B. Foraker, N. Y. Alpha.
- 1888-90 Robert Lowry, Pa. Gamma.
- 1890-92 John P. Rea, Ohio Alpha.
- 1892-94 William C. Wilson, Pa. Beta.
- 1894-96 Walter L. McCorkle, Va. Beta.
- 1896-98 Walter L. McCorkle, Va. Beta.
- 1898-00 George W. Dun, Ohio Delta.
- 1900-02 Ernest M. Stires, Va. Alpha.
- 1902-04 E. Lawrence Fell, Pa. Kappa.
- 1904-06 George Bramwell Baker, Ind. Alpha.
- 1906-08 C. F. M. Niles, Ohio Gamma.
- 1908-10 David Halstead, Pa. Iota.
- 1910-12 George Smart, Ohio Delta.
- 1912-14 Orra E. Monnette, Ohio Alpha.
- 1914-16 Sion B. Smith, Pa. Beta.
- 1916-18 Henry H. McCorkle, N. Y. Gamma.
- 1918-20 Walter Lee Sheppard, Pa. Iota.
- 1920-22 Dan G. Swannell, Mich. Alpha.
- 1922-24 George D. McIlvaine, Pa. Theta.
- 1924-26 Shirley E. Meserve, Cal. Gamma.
- 1926- Howard C. Williams, Ill. Delta.

Vice Presidents

The Philadelphia Grand Arch Council of 1898 added the position of Vice President to the Executive Council, and chose as its first incumbent Walter S. Holden. The following brothers have filled this position :

- 1898-00 Walter S. Holden, Mich. Alpha.
- 1900-02 E. Lawrence Fell, Pa. Kappa.
- 1902-04 William C. Alexander, Pa. Theta.
- 1904-06 William C. Alexander, Pa. Theta.
- 1906-08 David Halstead, Pa. Iota.
- 1908-10 Charles L. Van Cleve, Ohio Alpha.
- 1910-12 Sion B. Smith, Pa. Beta.
- 1912-14 Sion B. Smith, Pa. Beta.
- 1914-16 Henry H. McCorkle, N. Y. Gamma.
- 1916-18 Walter Lee Sheppard, Pa. Iota.
- 1918-20 Dan G. Swannell, Mich. Alpha.
- 1920-22 William G. Letterman, Pa. Alpha.
- 1922-24 Shirley E. Meserve, Cal. Gamma.
- 1924-26 Howard C. Williams, Ill. Delta.
- 1926- George A. Moore, Ill. Alpha.

Treasurers

The convention of 1886 selected George W. Dun as the first Treasurer, and he was reelected three times. The Treasurers of the Fraternity have been :

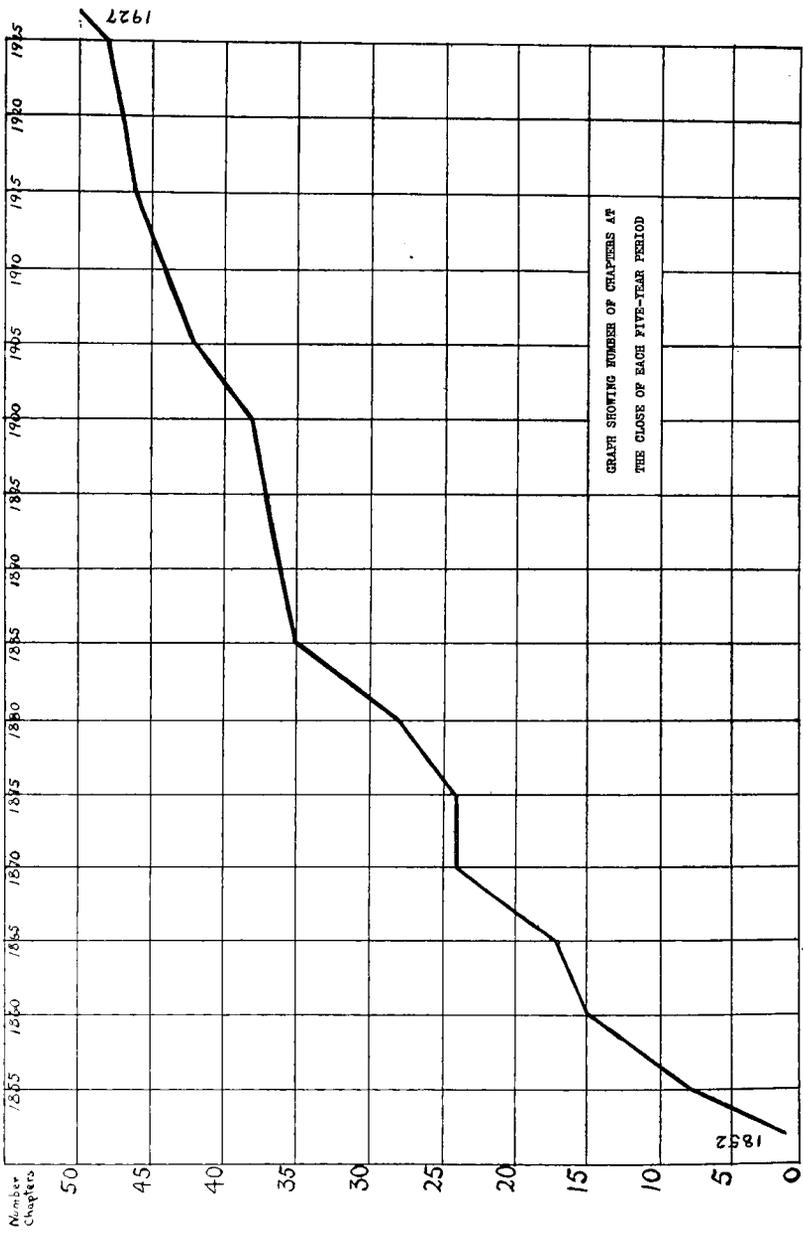
- 1886-88 George W. Dun, Ohio Delta.
- 1888-90 George W. Dun, Ohio Delta.
- 1890-92 George W. Dun, Ohio Delta.
- 1892-94 George W. Dun, Ohio Delta.
- 1894-96 William C. Sproul, Pa. Kappa.
- 1896-98 George Bramwell Baker, Ind. Alpha.
- 1898-00 George Bramwell Baker, Ind. Alpha.
- 1900-02 C. F. M. Niles, Ohio Gamma.
- 1902-04 C. F. M. Niles, Ohio Gamma.
- 1904-06 Lincoln M. Coy, Ill. Beta.
- 1906-08 Lincoln M. Coy, Ill. Beta.
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- 1916-18 Dan G. Swannell, Mich. Alpha.
- 1918-20 George A. Moore, Ill. Alpha.
- 1920-22 George A. Moore, Ill. Alpha.
- 1922-24 Edward H. Knight, Ind. Gamma.
- 1924-26 Edward H. Knight, Ind. Gamma.
- 1926- Edward M. Bassett, Pa. Kappa.

Secretaries

Very much of the work connected with the writing of the new constitution of 1886 was performed by the late William C. Wilson, and it was natural that he should have been chosen the Fraternity's first Secretary. Upon him devolved a large part of the work of putting the new machinery into operation. The complete list of Secretaries is as follows:

- 1886-88 William C. Wilson, Pa. Beta.
- 1888-90 William C. Wilson, Pa. Beta.
- 1890-92 George Smart, Ohio Delta.
- 1892-94 George Smart, Ohio Delta.
- 1894-96 Walter S. Holden, Mich. Alpha.
- 1896-98 Walter S. Holden, Mich. Alpha.
- 1898-00 Orra E. Monnette, Ohio Alpha.
- 1900-02 Orra E. Monnette, Ohio Alpha.
- 1902-04 Orra E. Monnette, Ohio Alpha.
- 1904-06 Orra E. Monnette, Ohio Alpha.
- 1906-08 Henry H. McCorkle, N. Y. Gamma.
- 1908-10 Henry H. McCorkle, N. Y. Gamma.
- 1910-12 Henry H. McCorkle, N. Y. Gamma.
- 1912-14 Harold G. Townsend, Wis. Gamma.
- 1914-16 Howard C. Williams, Ill. Delta.
- 1916-18 Howard C. Williams, Ill. Delta.
- 1918-20 Howard C. Williams, Ill. Delta.
- 1920-21 Howard C. Williams, Ill. Delta.
- 1921-22 Thomas A. Cookson, Ind. Beta.
- 1922-24 Thomas A. Cookson, Ind. Beta.
- 1924-26 Thomas A. Cookson, Ind. Beta.
- 1926- Thomas A. Cookson, Ind. Beta.



THE GROWTH OF THE FRATERNITY

Showing the number of active chapters at the close of each five-year period.



The First Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity House

HENRY M. HENSEN, Pa. Epsilon '26, Contributor

AT Pennsylvania Epsilon, Gettysburg College, is located the oldest fraternity house of any chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, it being as well the oldest house in Pennsylvania of any fraternity. The house is used by the members of Pennsylvania Epsilon for initiation and meeting purposes, admittance to the hall being granted only to brothers of the Fraternity.

The house is built along the Queen Anne style of architecture, the walls being of blue granite with pressed brick trimmings. There are five gables, three in front and one on each side of the building. They extend over the walls of the house, and are ornamented with the Greek letters ϕ κ ψ , each of which is one foot in height. The windows are arranged in triple sets on either side and in back of the house, and the glass in them is stained to insure absolute secrecy as to the interior.

The interior of the house consists of a vestibule, ante-room and the hall, in which is located a fireplace with a finely carved oak mantel placed there in memory of Charles W. Carl. It is worthy of note that when the crystal chandelier, which is still in use, was put in the hall in 1888

there was a great deal of interest aroused throughout the campus and town because this chandelier was the most elaborate affair of its kind to be seen around Gettysburg.

The cornerstone was laid June 28, 1882, and the first meeting held September 23, 1883. In the year 1882 Pennsylvania Epsilon was the Grand Chapter of the Fraternity. The dedication at nine o'clock on the evening of June 24, 1884, was private for members of the Fraternity only, and at that time Judge Adam Hoy, class of 1856 and founder of Pennsylvania Epsilon Chapter, delivered the dedicatory address. Upon a motion of Brother Hoy the house was named Miller Hall in honor of Daniel R. Miller '56 who contributed over one-half of the original cost of \$2500.

The house was the result of hard and earnest work of which Edgar Fahs Smith '74, H. M. Claybaugh '77 and Rev. D. G. Gotwald '57 were the initiators. These brothers most thoroughly felt the need of a house for Pennsylvania Epsilon, especially after the chapter had passed through a strenuous sub-rosa period when Greek-letter fraternities were frowned upon at Gettysburg.

It is interesting to note that in September, 1888, a Mr. J. Addison Porter published an article in the Century magazine on the "College Fraternity." This article was illustrated, and of the twenty-nine houses of various fraternities mentioned, Miller Hall was the only fraternity house of any college or university in the state of Pennsylvania given space.

Last October Miller Hall was repainted both inside and outside. Pennsylvania Epsilon is more than glad to welcome visiting brothers, and exceedingly proud to show them Miller Hall, the first house of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

Two New Charters Granted

At the meeting of the Executive Council held at Atlantic City in January, charters were granted to the Woodlawn Club at Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa., and to the Zeta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles. Both local organizations had petitioned Phi Kappa Psi for several years, and at the Kansas City Grand Arch Council last June, the two institutions were placed upon the accredited list by unanimous vote of all the chapters and alumni associations. The chapter at Carnegie will be known as Pennsylvania Mu and that at Southern California as California Delta.

The Executive Council authorized President Williams to appoint the two installation committees and make the necessary arrangements for the installation ceremonies. At the time of going to press detailed plans had not been completed, although it had been decided to hold the Southern California installation on Founders' Day, February 19th, and the Carnegie ceremonies on March 19th. President Williams will have charge of both installations. The alumni associations at Los Angeles and Pittsburgh are making elaborate plans, and both events will be noteworthy in Phi Kappa Psi history. It is already assured that at the California Delta installation there will be present, in addition to President Williams, four former Presidents of the Fraternity, namely, Brothers Niles, Monnette, Swanell and Meserve.

New Deputy Archon for Sixth District

Frederick E. Engstrum, chosen in 1925 as Deputy Archon Hubert P. Lewis of the sixth district, the Executive Council and being unable to perform any duties of the office, found it necessary to resign last fall. Upon nomination of Archon Hubert P. Lewis of the sixth district, the Executive Council has elected Wallace W. Knox, Cal. Beta '23, as Deputy Archon.



CARNEGIE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BUILDINGS

Carnegie and the Woodlawn Club

M. T. HOLLINSHEAD, WOODLAWN CLUB, Contributor

FRATERNAL sons and grandsons of Charles P. T. Moore and William H. Letterman will return from all sections of the country to western Pennsylvania March 19th, when the Pennsylvania Mu Chapter will be formally installed at Carnegie Institute of Technology, located at one extremity of Schenley Park, Pittsburgh. The initiatory and installation exercises will be combined with the annual Founders' Day meeting and banquet and the Golden Jubilee celebration of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association. Plans for this triple joint celebration, already well under way, are in charge of members of the alumni association at Pittsburgh and representatives of the Woodlawn Club, the petitioning body.

The Executive Council has this day granted a charter to the Woodlawn Club. The Council welcomes you to the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, and desires to convey individual and unanimous felicitations. Trusting that Pennsylvania Mu may occupy a high place in the Fraternity.

[Signed] HOWARD C. WILLIAMS, *President*.
THOMAS A. COOKSON, *Secretary*.

The above telegram was received at the Woodlawn Club, Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, on Sunday, January 2d, and its arrival ended the seven years of petitioning to the Grand Arch Council of Phi Kappa Psi for a charter. The installation ceremonies will take place on Saturday, March 19th, of this year.

The Woodlawn Club was founded at Carnegie at the time that the doors were first opened to students—early in 1906. It was first known as the Woodlawn Cottage Club; the name was taken from the name of the street on the campus on which the club took up residence during the first ten years of its existence. On March 14, 1910, the name was changed to the Woodlawn Club. In the fall of 1924 the present home of the fraternity was purchased by the Woodlawn Club Alumni Association for

the use of the active chapter. It is one of the finest houses on the campus.

The pin of the Woodlawn Club is in the form of a shield, in back of which is a sword, and on which is a small crescent, a star, and a key, the symbols of the fraternity.

Carnegie Institute of Technology stands today as a pioneer among the few institutions whose curriculums point toward an education in the fine arts as well as a technical knowledge in the accepted scientific branches of study. On this campus, then, as perhaps on no other, are to be found the highest in research science side by side with the best in college drama; a delving into experimental engineering hand in hand with the study of Bach; in short, a passion for facts, but not to the extinction of a respect for nor an attempt at their evaluation.

Pittsburgh, the "World's Workshop," has always appealed to the imagination of those seeking a technical knowledge of the sciences, because of the unrivaled opportunities for the students to observe engineering and manufacturing on an extensive scale. Her industrial prestige is everywhere admitted—colossal steel, iron, electrical machinery loom up preeminently in a complete manufacturing independence. These facts have often caused the casually interested person to overlook another and im-



Science Building, College of Engineering, Carnegie Institute of Technology

portant side of Pittsburgh, as a city of opportunity. Her museums, theaters, and concert halls provide artistic activities of interest and permanence. And so of more recent years, Carnegie has had as a background a city with not only a magnetic industrial appeal, but also a city of definite artistic ideals.

These facts are important when considering Carnegie. Extra curriculums have provided a broadening influence on this campus that has affected noticeably the type of men who migrate here annually. Varied interests tend to make school life more interesting, tend to add to the school's prestige and greatness.

The Woodlawn Club has always maintained a high standard at Carnegie, and as a local fraternity, has been able to compete successfully with the many national groups on the campus. And now, with the Phi Kappa Psi charter a reality, her prestige will increase, her supremacy is assured. Woodlawn men are known on the campus through their work in school activities. Her men are prominent in the honoraries, in the class offices, and as leaders in special activities; the positions of editor in chief of the *Carnegie Tartan*, and manager of the musical clubs, two of the most important campus positions, are held by Woodlawn men.

This fraternity looks forward to its installation as the most thrilling event that could happen to any local fraternity. The chapter is making plans to welcome and entertain all the Phi Psis who can migrate to Pittsburgh for the ceremonies.



NEW CHAPTER TO BE INSTALLED FOUNDERS' DAY
The Zeta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, University of Southern California.

Southern California and Zeta Kappa Epsilon

IN response to the general feeling that the interests of higher education and Christian precept demanded the establishment of an institution of higher learning in Southern California, plans were matured by a number of progressive members of the Methodist Church, which resulted in the founding in Los Angeles of the University of Southern California.

On July 29, 1879, the original deed of trust was executed, and in July, 1880, the first board of directors was elected. It was this group that completed the incorporation of the university on August 8, 1880, and on September 3d, M. M. Bovard was chosen as the first president. The following day over two thousand persons — the population at that date was little more than 11,000 — were present to witness this formal beginning of an institution destined to become a dominant educational factor in the great Southwest.

Although at this time it was stipulated that the fifteen members of the board of directors should be Methodists, about fifteen years ago this was changed, the charter being amended to read "The University of Southern California shall be governed by a board of thirty trustees." In other words, there has not been for a number of years any regulation as to any particular denomination for a member of the board; hence, the present members represent all denominations, thus eliminating any dictation of policies by a predominating religious influence. Southern California has always been nonsectarian, has no compulsory chapel, and, an interesting fact, its first piece of land was given to it by a Methodist, a Jew and a Catholic.

On October 4, 1880, the first building was completed at a total cost of \$7,260, and on October 8th it was officially opened to the public, its initial semester beginning with 55 students. In 1881 this enrollment had increased to 103, but it was not until 1894 that the 300 mark was reached.

From this time on the growth, while rapid, was steady and sure.

In 1903 George Finley Bovard, Indiana Alpha of Phi Kappa Psi, now president emeritus, was elected to the presidency, a position he held until the board of directors, in 1921, acting reluctantly upon his resignation had appointed Dr. Rufus B. von Kleinsmid, the present incumbent, as his successor.

In two decades, from a small farming town, Los Angeles grew to be the largest city west of St. Louis and in proportion to the city's really phenomenal growth Southern California has kept pace.

On October 14, 1919, Southern California laid the cornerstone for an \$800,000 administration building, since completed. In 1924 one-third of the new science building was finished at a total cost of \$275,000. The remaining two-thirds will be erected this year, costing approximately \$750,000. In 1925 a new building to house the school of law, costing \$250,000, was dedicated, and also a woman's dormitory costing \$200,000. Tennis courts, a practice quarter mile track and a double gridiron athletic field, as well as a men's gymnasium, with a seating capacity at a basketball game of 4000, have been completed at a total cost of \$75,000. The College of Dentistry is to build a new clinic this summer with an estimated cost of \$400,000. A men's dormitory, capable of housing 150, will cost, when completed, about \$250,000. This, too, is to start at once. Plans are also under consideration for a Student Union and a library. The former is to be financed by alumni and students, the land to be donated by the university; the second is provided by special endowment.

From year to year the university has grown gradually until it is now composed of the following schools and colleges: Liberal Arts, Graduate, Education, Social Welfare, Pharmacy, Speech, Commerce, Law, Dentistry, Religion, Music, Engineering and Architecture. Enrollment in all departments of the university is 11,781. If the enrollment in the summer session be added to this, there will

be a grand total of nearly 15,000 attending the university.

There are nearly 500 men and women on the faculty, representing in many instances the best talent that can be obtained in the United States.

The president of the university, Dr. Rufus B. von Kleinsmid, is an educator of international note and an able administrator. He is under contract to serve the university for eight years more, and under his leadership, together with the tremendous support of the people of the Southwest, the university is bound to develop into one of the greatest educational institutions in the country.

In 1910 there came to the University of Southern California, seven men, who, having attended Long Beach High School together, because of their friendship, decided rather than to join any existing group they would live together as a group of their own. At this time it was not contemplated to admit any others, the group dying a natural death with their graduation.

In 1911 two men, however, from the same town, were asked to join them and the next year they decided to form a house club. Thus, when college began in September, 1912, the authorities had already sanctioned the formation of the El Ciervo Club. At this time the first freshman class, consisting of ten men, was initiated.

In 1913 the president of the university, Dr. George Finley Bovard, Indiana Alpha of Phi Kappa Psi, requested the house club to change its name so as to belong to the Interfraternity Council. This was done, and Zeta Kappa Epsilon came into being.

From this date until the participation of the United States in the World War the fraternity enjoyed steady progress, although it was preponderately athletic in its personnel.

With the call to arms, out of the 90 men then comprising the active and alumni bodies, 85 were in the service, 75 of whom joined before the draft. In the active chapter, all except two, who were under age, joined before the draft, and these two joined the following year when their

age permitted. The Zeta Kappa Epsilon house responded to the call one hundred per cent and the house was broken up.

In the February term, 1919, Zeta Kappa Epsilon again resumed its activities on the campus, seven men being initiated. The following year some of the men returned from the war. This nucleus initiated an excellent freshman class of 15 members and the fraternity was again up to its standard. The present chapter roll includes 31 active men, which will be increased in February by the initiation of 13 pledges. There are 97 living alumni; 4 deceased.

In 1920, the greatest single step ever taken by Z. K. E. was its unanimous decision to petition for California Delta of Phi Kappa Psi, and following this announcement, within the next two years, a complete reorganization of the fraternity was effected, both active and alumni, with the view of establishing a successful house fund.

At this time Zeta Kappa Epsilon was incorporated as a non-profit producing corporation, with a board of directors consisting of the five alumni chapter officers and the four active chapter officers. In this manner there is created an efficient governing board, having full charge of all financial matters, both in the active and alumni bodies as well as control of the house fund.

Zeta Kappa Epsilon ranks high in college activities and scholarship attainments. We have had in the chapter: 6 varsity football captains, 6 varsity basketball captains, 4 varsity track captains, 4 varsity baseball captains, 3 varsity tennis captains, 4 presidents of the Student Body, 80 officers in the classes over this period, four of which were presidents of their senior class, and one of which is permanent president following graduation, 4 editors of the *Daily Trojan*, 4 editors of the *El Rodeo*, the college manual, 3 editors of the *Wampus*, the university fun-monthly founded by a Z. K. E.; as well as having on the average from 1914 to the present writing, 4 men elected annually to Skull and Dagger, senior men's honorary society, 5 men

annually to Sphinx and Snakes, junior men's society, and 6 men annually into the Varsity Club, the lettermen's honor organization.

The chapter is well represented in campus activities this semester. A partial list of the more important positions held by the boys will give an idea of our interest in campus affairs: president of the sophomore class, treasurer of the junior class, president of the Trojan Squires, captain of the varsity tennis team and seven men on the football squad, captain of the baseball team and three men on the squad, five men on the varsity track squad, three men on the varsity baseball squad, manager of swimming team, assistant manager of football, and representatives in other minor activities.

The scholastic standing of the chapter is very jealously guarded. Last semester the chapter stood second out of the sixteen men's fraternities on the campus.

1927 District Councils

This is the year in which the biennial District Councils are held. In the schedule given below, some of the dates have not been definitely determined at the time of going to press. Chapters and alumni associations will, however, be notified sufficiently early to enable them to send full delegations.

<i>District</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Date</i>
First	N. Y. Alpha, Ithaca	April 14-16
Second	Pa. Zeta, Carlisle	
Third	W. Va. Alpha, Morgantown	April 21-23
Fourth	Ind. Alpha, Greencastle	April 21-23
Fifth	Iowa Beta, Ames	April 14-16
Sixth	Cal. Beta, Stanford Univ.	

At least one representative of the Executive Council will be in attendance at each District Council.

Executive Council Meeting

THE regular semiannual meeting of the Executive Council was held at the Hotel Chalfonte, Atlantic City, N. J., December 31, 1926, and January 1 and 2, 1927. The following officers were present throughout the meeting: President Howard C. Williams, Vice President George A. Moore, Treasurer Edward M. Bassett, Secretary Thomas A. Cookson, Archons Harold Hobday, Harry L. Snyder and Edward T. Lockwood, Deputy Archons J. Kenneth Ivory of the second district and Orville V. Vaughan of the fourth district, Attorney General Sion B. Smith, Scholarship Director O. M. Stewart and Lloyd L. Cheney. Archons John Geesey of the second district, Lynn Lee of the fifth district, and Hubert P. Lewis of the sixth district were unable to be present.

Following reports by the general officers, each of the Archons reported upon the condition of the chapters in his district, all of which were carefully reviewed by the entire Council. In general, the condition of the chapters appeared to be satisfactory, although in some cases there appeared to be weaknesses which the Executive Council will undertake to correct.

In accordance with the new constitutional amendment providing that the Burial Ritual may be printed separately from other parts of the Ritual, the Secretary was directed to have a limited supply prepared for such distribution among our members as may be necessary to meet requests.

The Attorney General reported that he was engaged in the preparation of a digest of all opinions of the Attorney General now recorded and in force, with a comprehensive index.

The Scholarship Director rendered a report showing the scholastic standing of the chapters during the past college year, pointing out those chapters which have consistently been too low in scholarship. The Council awarded scholarship plaques to Oregon Alpha, Ohio Beta and Ohio Epsilon for having ranked first in scholarship at their respective colleges for the college year 1925-26.

The Council voted to issue THE SHIELD five times annually hereafter, the usual August number to be omitted. Plans were approved for making more funds available for the magazine, and thus to increase its scope and usefulness.

The resignation of C. F. Lyman as Editor of the History was presented to the Council and accepted. Brother Lyman has done considerable preliminary work toward the preparation of the new History, but is no longer in a position to continue the work. His successor has not yet been appointed.

The Editor of the Catalog, C. Kenneth Barnard, was authorized to proceed with plans looking toward the publication of a new edition of the Catalog as soon as it can be accomplished.

A charter was granted to petitioners for the Wabash Valley Alumni Association, as reported more fully on another page. The charter of the alumni club at Edgar County, Illinois, was revoked, as the new Wabash Valley A. A. includes that county in its territory.

A motion to approve the petition of a local society at Monmouth College for a charter in Phi Kappa Psi and submit the same to the chapters for an *ad interim* vote, failed to receive the unanimous vote of the Council as required by the constitution, and was therefore lost.

By unanimous vote of the Executive Council, charters were granted to the Woodlawn Club at Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa., and to the Zeta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, these two institutions having been placed on the accredited list by the last Grand Arch Council. The Council had before it comprehensive reports as to the conditions of the two local societies and the institutions in which they are located; such reports indicated continued progress and the maintenance of high standards. After thoroughly reviewing all the information available, the Council decided that it should at this time grant the charters, as authorized by the unanimous vote of the last Grand Arch Council.

The Interfraternity Conference

FIFTY-FIVE of the 58 member fraternities sent representatives to the eighteenth annual session of the Interfraternity Conference held at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, November 26th and 27th. There was a total attendance of 272, of whom 165 were delegates or alternates, 40 were visitors, 10 were educators and 57 were representatives of undergraduate interfraternity councils sent to the conference from all sections of the country.

The delegates of Phi Kappa Psi were President Howard C. Williams, former President Henry H. McCorkle, and Lloyd L. Cheney. Treasurer Edward M. Bassett, alternate, also attended the sessions. Among the delegates from undergraduate interfraternity councils were the following Phi Psis: Frank Graham, Michigan; L. S. Pierce, Iowa State; James Cusack, Chicago; Lester Beck, Beloit; C. C. Fridlin, Purdue; John K. DeGroot, Swarthmore; L. F. Parker, Ohio Wesleyan. Carl Rach, N. Y. Gamma, assisted at the registration desk.

In his annual report as chairman of the conference, Mr. Henry R. Johnston, D. K. E., reviewed briefly the work of his administration, stressing particularly the spiritual side of fraternity life, the sectional organization of fraternity alumni, and the scholastic activities of fraternities.

"We are confident," said Mr. Johnston at the conclusion of his report, "that the interfraternity movement, the foundations of which were so firmly laid seventeen years ago, will continue to grow and expand in such fashion that the fraternities will more and more do their part with the colleges and universities of the country in turning out as citizens of the United States men of high capacity, lofty ideals and devoted patriotism."

Report of the Committee on Scholarship

The committee on scholarship made one of the most important contributions to the conference. The committee reported on its progress since the last plenary meeting,

when its appointment was authorized to make a survey of the scholarship of fraternities at all institutions in the United States and Canada at which fraternities were generally represented. With two exceptions the committee heard at least once from every dean approached and four institutions — Alabama, Duke, New York University and Virginia — for the first time compiled official scholarship reports of their fraternities because they deemed the efforts of the Interfraternity Conference worthy.

The committee found 118 institutions with five or more fraternities. However, reports from them were difficult to tabulate because of a great variety of marking systems. Therefore the committee found it virtually impossible to interpret fairly the material it received, and the executive committee of the conference concluded to withhold all findings until such time as they could be harmonized sufficiently to justify the belief that comparisons based on them were fundamentally fair.

“I do not believe,” reported the chairman, “that many fraternities are interested in scholarship as a mere academic performance. But they are vitally interested to know that they are bringing into their ranks men who can finish successfully a given job, whether it be in the classroom, on the athletic field, or along executive lines, that their men are developing a power of sustained effort and a capacity for straight-thinking, so that they may give some promise of rising above the level of their fellows when they get out into the world. Fraternity men are in theory high-minded and serious-purposed; they are not merely aggregations of congenial and socially-minded men. Nor are our ideals purely social.

“Unless we can be of definite value to our members during their college days in inspiring them to something better than they might achieve unaided, we cannot hope to hold their interest and to command their loyalty in later days when they begin to assess the value of what they got in college.

"American ideas of the value and purpose of college training are changing. Colleges are becoming unsympathetically unwilling to keep a man who merely adorns the landscape. Business men are likewise losing interest in paying good salaries to men who have never learned to work, who have no sense of responsibility, and who are unable to think straight.

"There is considerable antagonism to fraternities in certain political and college centers. It would seem easy to remove such antagonism by the simple expedient of making fraternity men, more than any other group, stand for something a bit nearer to the legitimate purposes of a college education as viewed by men who evaluate such training from every possible angle.

"Looking at the matter purely and simply from our own selfish point of view . . . it would be foolish for us to ignore the question of scholarship.

"What we need is not regulations, or even recommendations, but a better understanding of the purposes of a college education. If we admit that classroom work has any legitimate part in the scheme, then let us do the job as though we meant it. Let us create such a spirit in our chapters and our fraternities that the mental drone cannot survive, that every man will count it a test of his loyalty to his chapter to perform every task as well as he has it in him to do. Let us prove to the world at large that when college trained men are needed in any emergency, the best will be found in the ranks of our fraternities."

Dr. Stewart's Paper on Scholarship

A paper on scholarship was offered to the conference by Prof. O. M. Stewart of the University of Missouri, one of the members of the committee on scholarship and the Scholarship Director of Phi Kappa Psi.

Doctor Stewart maintained that the scholarship of a chapter is a good barometer of most other conditions and that the method of raising scholarship is not as important as the spirit; rules, he said, are inclined to befog the issue. His specific suggestions for raising scholarship might be

summarized as follows: Let the fraternities publish annually the scholastic standing of their chapters; let every fraternity have an active officer in charge of its scholarship campaign; give publicity to matters affecting scholarship; award medals or prizes for scholastic achievements; require reports on failures; penalize those chapters which are consistently low in scholarship; defer initiation of men whose scholarship is not satisfactory; give special attention to the training of freshmen; keep loafers out; build up a belief that good scholarship pays.

The committee on extension reported that there has been no hostile legislation in any state during the past year. It warned, however, that as long as horseplay remains there will be an incentive for unwelcome laws. The committee asked the assistance of active chapters in this important matter.

Chapter House Architecture

The committee on chapter house architecture reported that it is gathering plans and photographs of chapter houses throughout the country in order to furnish planners with the best ideas available. To date, the showing of chapter houses is rather a sorry one, according to the report, showing rather strikingly the need of enlightened guidance in the designing and building of chapter houses. At the next conference the committee hopes to present at least a dummy of the proposed book on chapter house architecture.

Inspecting Fraternity Houses

Dean S. H. Goodnight of the University of Wisconsin offered the conference a paper on the inspection of fraternity and sorority houses, an annual event considered necessary by some college officials after having seen the inside of Wisconsin fraternity houses during the war. Such inspections, he reported, were not popular with fraternity men at first. Now, however, since they are the established thing, he said, they are well received and quite valuable. (Incidentally, the Wisconsin inspector is a woman.)

These inspections are concentrated on five matters: (1) cleanliness, especially of kitchens, pantries and basements; (2) adequacy of toilet facilities; (3) condition of all plumbing; (4) lighting and ventilation of sleeping and study rooms; (5) means of exit from upper floors in case of fire.

Historical Records

The report of a special committee held that the preservation of historical records is important beyond measure. It advised every fraternity to busy itself with the systematic and complete organization of its history and materials, and warned that the task might involve years of work. Active chapters were admonished to have their early records photographed, with the originals stored away in fireproof vaults.

"The great reason for our written histories," the report said, "is that we may perpetuate the ideals for which we stand. Not for the sake of our triumph as organizations, but because these same ideals and principles are vital for the welfare of our land and the life of the world today. . . . The modern problem of Greek-letter work is that the ideals shall not be lost in the midst of the many things among which chapter life must fight for its share of recognition and attention. Surely, there is no other one thing more important than that every ideal for which we stand should be made the common possession of our chapter men."

Addresses by Educators

Dr. William Mather Lewis, president of George Washington University, addressed the conference, discussing various phases of educational problems with sympathy, understanding and a keen wit.

"I think," he said, "we can stand in our fraternities for a greater simplicity in the social affairs of the institution. I don't know but that we have gone to too great an extreme in the luxury of our college life. I think one of the social problems of a fraternity is that while it is a wonderful

thing to be a member, it is a tragedy for the boy who is not in one. I think the fraternity which is known for its democratic spirit is a wonderful thing on the American campus. That active chapter is on the road to weakness where the men who represent it vote for their own men for positions of honor, rather than for the best man to fill the position."

As to conduct, Dr. Lewis said that he believed thoroughly that the average fraternity today is holding standards which the university or college could not possibly hold for the conduct of its men. He said he knew that the fraternities at George Washington are an element for good which cannot be over-estimated.

"Anyone who is discouraged about the youth of today," he concluded, "knows nothing about what is going on in our colleges and universities. I hope pretty soon we will declare a closed season on this discussion of the youth problem."

Dean Floyd Field of the Georgia Institute of Technology addressed the conference on his experiences as dean of men. The Rev. Boyd Edwards, headmaster of Hill School, was a third inspiring speaker at the conference.

The New Officers

Officers for the Interfraternity Conference for next year were selected as follows: chairman, Judge William R. Bayes, Phi Delta Theta, New York City; vice chairman, Harold Riegelman, Zeta Beta Tau, New York City; secretary, Robert H. Neilson, Delta Phi, New York City; treasurer, Clifford M. Swan, Delta Upsilon, New York City.

Phi Psis on the Gridiron

DURING the past football season members of the Fraternity were conspicuous on college gridirons from coast to coast. Their names were found among all-American, all-eastern, all-western and other mythical selections. There were numerous coaches, captains and managers, and others who held gridiron records of one kind or another.

Many chapters have not sent in the requested records, but several of them are given below, with pictures of many members who played on varsity teams.

Massachusetts Alpha

D. C. Smith played on the varsity football team regularly all fall. Recently he was awarded the Tom Ashley memorial trophy, which is given each year to the man considered most valuable to the team. Smith has played in every game since he joined the squad his sophomore year, and made the All-Little-Three champion team chosen this year by the Springfield Republican. His record at guard is therefore noteworthy.

Besides Brother Smith, Brothers Kells '25 and Wilber '24 were members of the squad this year and barely missed getting their letters. Brother M. Kellogg was also out, but saw less service than the other two.

Rhode Island Alpha

No Brown Phi Psis were members of the far-famed "Iron Men" this fall although Stetson and Mulliken were members of the squad. Jim Edwards, from Illinois Delta, an ineligible this year, was one of the best backs on the field this season and startled fans with his kicking and passing when he worked out with the team before the game in the Yale Bowl.

Brother Edwards has definitely decided to remain at Brown and should fill the vacancy in the backfield of the "Iron Eleven" next year. Coaches have marvelled at his all-round playing this season as he looks to be one of

the most versatile backs the Bruins have had in years. Jim has kicked 60 to 65 yards repeatedly in scrimmage and can whip forward passes with unerring accuracy 50 yards consistently. His end running as well as line bucking was responsible for the showing of the Pollywog team in scrimmage sessions with the varsity teams all season.

New York Beta

Harlan B. Carr has played on the varsity football team for the past three seasons and this year for his speed and dash as a lightweight player earned the title of "Whippet" Carr. His record until the time of his injury at the West Point game in October in both high scoring and performance was outstanding, not alone at Syracuse, but in intercollegiate football circles. The value he might have been to the team later in the season is one of conjecture. Not alone football, but also in basketball and in baseball he has earned the block "S" in seasons past and promises to repeat the record again this year. His pleasant smile and geniality has repaid him in the office of president of the class in both his senior and junior years.

Pennsylvania Gamma

In this age the finding of anyone whose life is motivated by the highest ideals and who is willing to give more than he receives, is something worthy of attention. William Stephens, better known as "Stud," is just such an individual. The unusual thing about "Stud's" career is that his football training in high school was a minus quantity. To him the "pigskin" might have meant nothing more than the remnants of the culmination of a Jewish holiday after a slaughter of the "fatted hog." At any rate, he at least knew that the fundamental principle of learning was to start at the bottom and work up. His freshman year saw him plugging away with the "scrubs" putting every ounce he had into the game hoping that soon he'd be able to make the varsity. But to his own disappointment, to say nothing of the others, "Stud" was unable to return to college in his second year. However, the following



PHI PSI GRIDIRON STARS AT BUCKNELL

J. E. HULICK, A. W. BIHL, WILLIAM STEPHENS, V. L. TUCK

year he again resumed his old position on the gridiron and in the community, this time winning his position on the varsity squad and also as president of his class. In his senior year he was elected to pilot the squad through what proved to be a stormy year. His fraternity brothers saw his true worth and unanimously bestowed upon him the honor of presidency of the chapter.

With a combination of versatility and an unsurpassable equanimity, Vernon Tuck's ability in athletics, and in other fields of endeavor, has culminated in a wealth of friends from coast to coast. He engaged in several sports in high school at Sherman, Texas, being especially interested in track. Upon entering college, however, he centered his energies upon football, playing quarterback. Here he received widespread recognition as a passer, and it was due to his extraordinary ability that Bucknell won many a hard-fought contest. Not only could he hurl the pigskin with uncanny precision, but he could also receive equally as well. In the memorable game with Georgetown in 1924 he caught a 60-yard pass for a touchdown

during the second quarter with only one minute to play. The resultant score was 14-7, with Bucknell victorious. In the game with the University of Detroit in 1925 he was called into action during the last few minutes of the game, and completed, successfully, four forward passes, covering a total distance of 70 yards. Bucknell again emerged the victor with a final score of 7-0. Tuck is also a member of the baseball team, and has played as steady a game in that field as he has in football.

Towering high above the line of scrimmage, "High-pockets" Hulick, through perseverance and much hard work has risen to great heights during his college career. Before entering Bucknell, he had an extensive athletic preparation in both the Easton and Catasauqua High Schools. There he played in all the major sports, and under the tutelage of George Bellas was selected as a member of the "all-eastern" basketball team. In the course of his freshman year at Bucknell he participated in every interclass game, playing football, basketball and baseball. In the fall of 1923 he was unsuccessful in making the varsity, but was placed among the reserves. During his third year he was given his opportunity on the varsity, showing up especially well in the game with Holy Cross. From then on his position as tackle was undisputed, and in his last year completed the season having played every quarter of every game with the exception of the Dickinson contest, when he could not play because of injuries received at Penn State. Outside of athletics some of the various positions he has held are memberships in the interclass, interfraternity, and student councils, and he is now presiding officer of the chapter.

Eight years ago Albert W. Bihl's brother "Vic" came to Bucknell and chose Phi Psi for his home. During his stay in college he won worldwide recognition in being named "All-American" center. Four years later "Abbie" took "Vic's" place on the squad, thereby giving Pennsylvania Gamma for a period of eight years the position of varsity center, all in the Bihl family. "Abbie" has been



G. W. DRAWBAUGH
Pa. Epsilon

R. F. MARSH
Pa. Theta
H. D. COTHRAN
Pa. Theta

C. M. SPANGLER
Pa. Epsilon

one of Bucknell's most consistent players and deserves any praise that may be bestowed upon him. As a "bench-warmer" "Abbie" made an excellent "Frigidaire" having indulged in only one such pastime during his entire college football career, and this was because of a badly maimed knee. From the beginning he set out with determination to let nothing hinder him from giving his best to the team. Many of his summer months were appropriately spent in building up a physique that could readily withstand any and all opponents. Yale realized this, for he was one of the four who starred in that memorable game of 1923.

Pennsylvania Theta

Rabe F. Marsh was the varsity quarterback on the championship Lafayette team, and was also all-state quarterback, and selected for a berth on several all-eastern teams. Harold D. Cothran was all-state tackle and was

also mentioned on several all-American teams. He was selected as an all-Franklin field tackle, and played sterling football throughout the season. Cothran was the leading field goal kicker in the country, making many long and difficult kicks.

Virginia Beta

Hollis (Babe) Spotts played end throughout the season. He starred consistently as a forward pass receiver. This was his second year on the team, but he was picked as all-south Atlantic end. He suffered a broken jaw in the Georgia Tech game, but played the remainder of the season with his jaw in a cast. He also plays basketball, baseball, and boxes. He is probably the best all-round athlete Washington and Lee ever produced.

E. H. White played his first year on the varsity and his work as a defensive halfback was especially noteworthy. He is not only an athlete, but is also a very good student.

Pennsylvania Lambda

Pennsylvania Lambda was represented on the Penn State football squad by Brothers Wilkes, Elliot, McClure and Stevens. All worked hard throughout the season, and each succeeded in getting in at least one game.

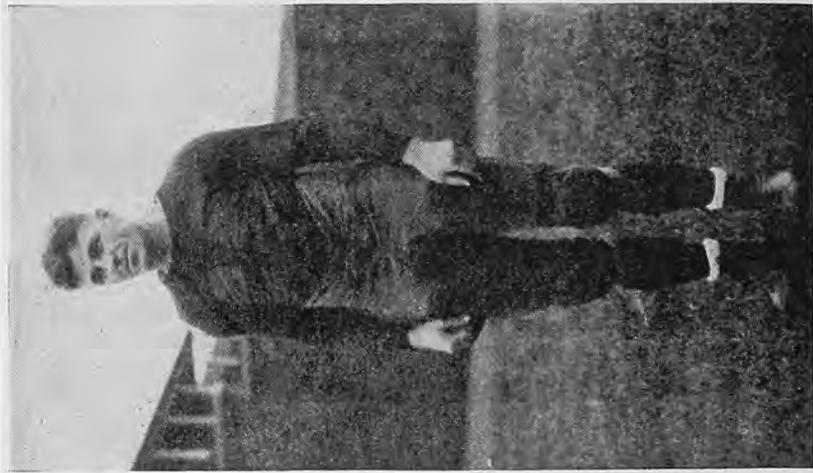
Indiana Alpha

Five out of eighteen varsity awards at DePauw went to Phi Psis last fall. It is believed that the chapter had more men on the varsity grid team this year than she ever had before. It is hoped that the record will be even better next fall since every man to receive an award will be back next year.

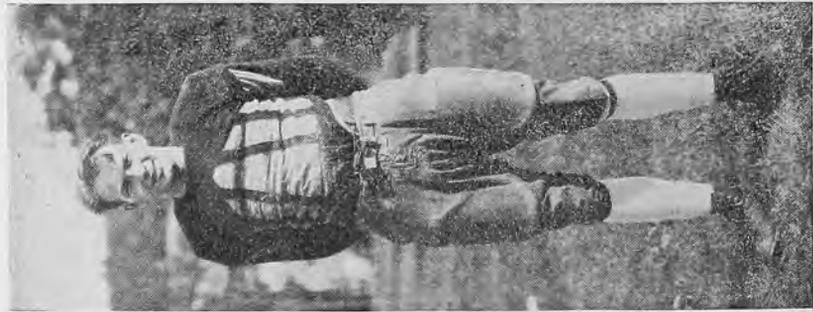
There are two juniors who wear the "D"—John Marshall, a guard, and Stuart Smith, full back. The sophomore class boasts of Vaughn Scott, halfback; Charles Fisher, fullback; and Cyrus Gunn, quarter. While all of these men played in nearly every contest Scott, in particular, made a name for himself as one of the best offensive men in the state. He was barely outdistanced in the number of points scored by any individual in the state. Scott was given honorable mention in all-state selections.



HILARY LEE
Mo. Alpha



ROBERT PEPLAW
Minn. Beta



STANLEY J. MCGIVERAN
Wis. Alpha

Wisconsin Alpha

Stanley McGiveran was Wisconsin Alpha's representative on the Wisconsin football team during the recent season. He played two years ago when he earned his first "W." In that season he was the star in the Notre Dame game, playing a stellar role against the Four Horsemen. Last year he was unable to play, and this year, owing largely to injuries, he did not get many opportunities to get in games. He graduates in February.

Minnesota Beta

Handicapped by injuries during his first two years, Robert Peplaw vindicated himself the past season by stellar playing which reached a climax in the closing game of his career—the Minnesota-Michigan contest. He was fifth in the Big Ten in scoring honors, he kicked the first successful drop kick made by a Minnesota man in the new Memorial Stadium, and he was the fastest running back that any Minnesota team has had in recent years. Doc Spears, the coach, in commenting on the Minnesota-Michigan game, said that Peplaw played closer to 100 per cent of his ability in that game than any man on the team. Peplaw made more yards around the end of Flora, famous Michigan player, than any other opposing backfield performer.

Missouri Alpha

Hilary Lee of Charleston, Mo., represented Missouri Alpha on the gridiron last fall, making his letter as a tackle. Brother Lee weighs 227 pounds and is only 18 years old, being one of the youngest members on the varsity squad. This is his first year of varsity competition, though he captained the freshman team last year. The Tigers were well supplied with first-rate tackles, including one man of last year who was prominently mentioned for an all-American berth, and it was this that Lee contended with. He started the season as a regular in the absence of a former tackle, who was forced out of the game temporarily because of injuries. Later on in the season, when

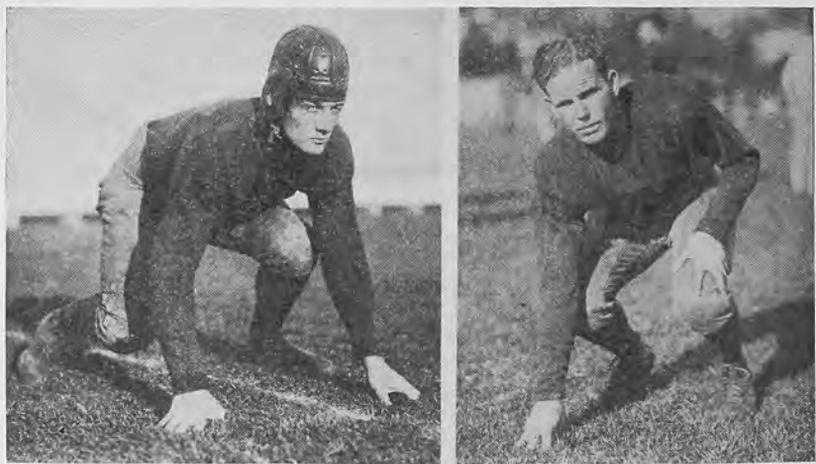


ON OHIO WESLEYAN'S VARSITY

ROBERT HELWIG
Quarterback

RAYMOND BOWERS
Captain, 1927

GRISWOLD CAMPBELL
End



UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

FRED COLTRIN
Captain 1927

JACK EVANS
Quarterback

this former forward came back, Hilary was used as a reserve. He was a most dependable man, being particularly good on the offense. His most outstanding game was against Nebraska, and no small share of the honor of winning from the Cornhuskers is attributed to him. When in the game Lee was used for kicking off and place kicking.

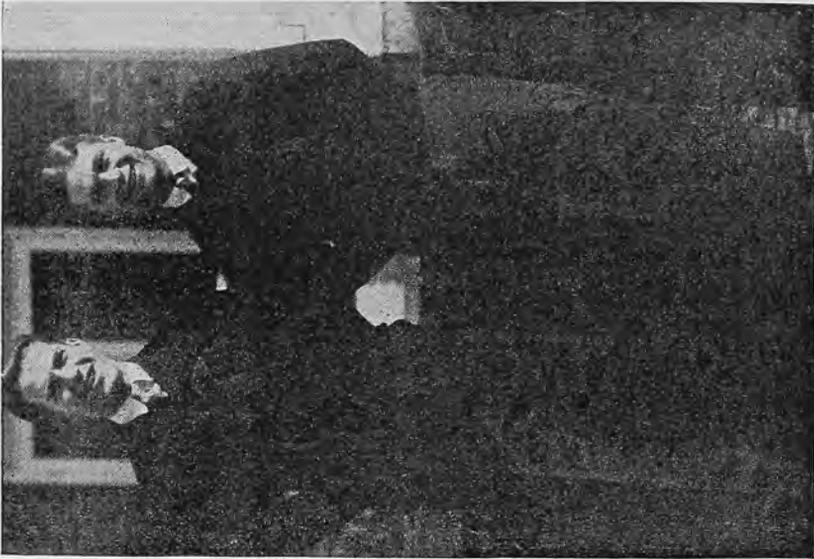
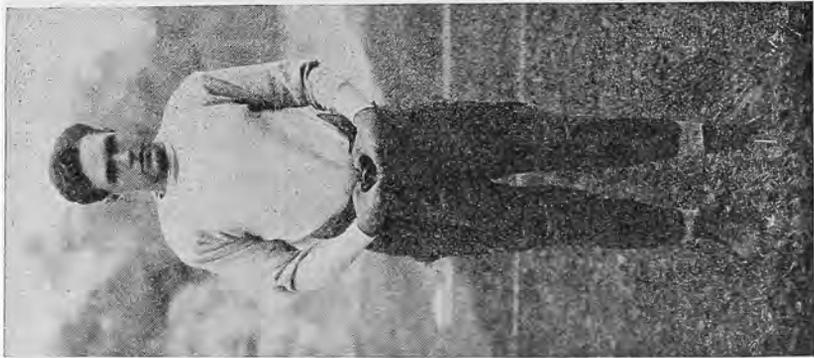
California Gamma

California Gamma is justly proud of Fred Coltrin, captain-elect of the 1927 varsity football squad. "Fritz" is a 200-pound tackle and when he hits them they stop. He comes from Chicago with a good high school record. This is not his first attempt at the captain job, for he held the same position in his freshman year. "Fritz" plays a consistent game and is fast on his feet when it comes to getting down on the punts. You will undoubtedly hear a lot about him next year and Phi Psis can be proud to claim a man of his calibre. "Fritz" has also been elected chapter president for the coming semester.

Jack Evans, known as "Dinnie," has brought more laurels to California Gamma by making his Big C this year. "Dinnie" weighs 185, plays the quarter position and is plenty fast. He comes from Long Beach. He backs up the line and uses his head to good advantage in calling signals. Besides being a consistently good football man he is a good student and well thought of at California.

Phi Psi on Carnegie Team

William H. Manby jr, Pa. Zeta '22, was one of the outstanding stars on the famous 1926 football eleven of Carnegie Institute of Technology. He played center, and performed brilliantly against the University of Pittsburgh, Washington and Jefferson College and the University of Notre Dame. The 19-0 defeat of Notre Dame's forty horsemen surprised everyone except members of Judge Steffen's Tech squad. Nonpartisan observers say Manby had the shade the better of the argument against Mr. Boer-



Left—WILLIAM H. MANBY, Pa. Zeta '22, star center for Carnegie Institute of Technology.
Right—ALBERT PETERSON, Kan. Alpha, center on K. U. basketball team and president of Men's Student Council; WILBUR STARR, Kan. Alpha, varsity halfback and president of senior class.

linger, Knute Rockne's all-American center. Brother Manby entered Tech from Dickinson College and played two seasons on the varsity. His identification numeral each year was "52." It is quite natural for a Phi Psi to choose that numeral, Brother Bill explained in speaking before the Pittsburgh Alumni Association on December 2d.

Brown Phi Psis in Athletics

Several prominent Brown and Phi Psi athletes of more recent years are still commanding space in the sport pages. Freddy Sweet, star of the Brown team of 1924 which whipped Harvard for the third straight time, has been playing with the Providence Steam Rollers.

John Spellman, captain of Brown wrestling and football teams two years ago, played one of the tackles all season for the Rollers and is at present engaged in coaching the Brown freshman wrestling team. Brother Spellman, one of three of the family to captain Brown mat teams, is 191-pound Olympic champion.

Irving "Bump" Hadley '25 is expecting to go South with Bucky Harris's Washington Senators in the spring. Hadley left college a year ago to sign with the then world's champions and played in several games last season before being farmed out for additional experience. Walter Johnson took "Bump" under his wing while the former Brown freshman team star was with the club and thinks that he has the goods.

Sam Young is another Brown Phi Psi to be playing with the Providence Steam Roller football team while Jim Laird, a Phi Psi from Colgate, is coach and regular full-back of the eleven.



EDITORIAL

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Seventy-five Years

Three-quarters of a century is not a long period as the world counts history; in the record of college Greek-letter fraternities, however, it covers a major part of their existence. About a year ago the oldest of the college fraternities, not counting Phi Beta Kappa, observed its centennial, so Phi Kappa Psi may properly be considered among the pioneers.

Very many college fraternities founded both before and after Phi Kappa Psi lived only for brief periods, and then disappeared from the sea of college life. With these organizations, as with all things, the rule of the survival of the fittest prevailed. The early days of all such societies were surrounded by innumerable obstacles and difficulties, and only those built on firm foundations and guided by able and unselfish men were able to live and prosper.

Phi Kappa Psi was fortunate in having such a beginning; it has been fortunate in maintaining for seventy-five years the principles which Moore, Letterman and Campbell set up as standards at the first. The Fraternity was founded during the strenuous days in the political history of the country, just before the outbreak of the Civil War. And when this great conflict broke out the Fraternity was still under ten years of age, yet it lived through it all, as it has through two great wars since then, each time emerging with added strength and renewed energy to carry on. There must be some abiding power in the ideals and spirit of such an organization, and a great, inspired, driving

force back of those noble men who have guided her destinies from 1852 right down to 1927. There have been mistakes — probably many of them — but in spite of them all the Fraternity has never gone backward. It has at times been confronted with serious problems, but they have always been solved and progress has not been retarded.

In evaluating a record of seventy-five years, it is difficult to estimate the influence which Phi Kappa Psi has exerted upon over nineteen thousand members. There are hosts of men, speaking many years after they had first taken the vows, who have testified again and again to the marked impress the Fraternity has made upon their lives. It has contributed something toward true friendship, toward a better college life, toward good citizenship, toward sound scholarship, toward a higher level of moral and spiritual life, toward real democracy, and toward universal brotherhood.

Its material growth has been sound and steady. It has been neither ultraconservative nor ultraradical. In spite of occasional thoughtless remarks that the Fraternity fails to grow — thinking only of the granting of new charters — a study of the record will indicate that there has been a consistent development, without any particular periods of mushroom growth at such a rapid rate as to diminish the strength of the organization as a whole. The machinery of government and administration has been considerably changed and improved since the early fifties, as it must be to keep pace with changing conditions, but it is indicative of the strength of the Fraternity to know that throughout its entire history the badge, the ritual, the insignia, and the ideals and fundamental principles have remained essentially the same.

For this continued progress during the seventy-five years there are two outstanding reasons — the ideals and fundamental principles of the Fraternity, and the men of high ability and character who have so willingly and loyally served her during all her history. So long as the Fra-

ternity does not deviate from these principles, and so long as she can command the services of men of the same type, she can look with confidence toward a future of even greater achievement.

Anniversary Number

As one of the many events which will have a part in the observance of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Fraternity, this number of *THE SHIELD* is offered, with several special articles and photographs. It is not the function of the magazine to give a detailed history of the past three-quarters of a century, but an effort has been made to review briefly some of the outstanding things that have contributed to the development of Phi Kappa Psi. It is to be regretted that this diamond jubilee can not be marked by the issuance of a complete new history, but perhaps the occasion may prove to be a further incentive for the early completion of such a record.

The contributors of articles appearing in this number are well known in the Fraternity. Sion B. Smith and C. F. Williams, the co-authors of the historical review, are members of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association. Brother Smith, whose father and uncle were also members of the same chapter, is one of the "reliable war horses" of the Fraternity. He has acted as recording secretary at seventeen Grand Arch Councils, including that of 1902 at which he presided as S. W. G. P. He served as Vice President for four years, 1910-14; as President in 1914-16; as Historian for six years; as Mystagogue, or supervisor of the ritualistic work, for six years; and as Attorney General for the past ten years. He has been active in the revision of the Constitution and in the preparation of many constitutional amendments. One of his chief Fraternity hobbies for the last six years has been the S. C. Society, of which he is President. He holds the record for attendance at Grand Arch Councils.

Brother Williams, an able writer and ever active Phi Psi, and a frequent contributor of interesting articles in THE SHIELD, is Secretary of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association, and a brother of Howard C. Williams, national President.

The Fraternity is greatly indebted to the Pittsburgh Alumni Association for the collection of fraternity memorabilia of many kinds. This important work has been made possible through the untiring efforts of John L. Porter, who tells something of the Pittsburgh collection in an interesting article. Brother Porter has devoted many years to this work and has lost no opportunity to make the unique collection as complete as possible.

Every reader should note the article by President Williams, who needs no word of introduction. To him and his administration there came a threefold series of unusual events and opportunities this year: the observance of the Diamond Jubilee, and the installation of two new chapters.

The interesting story of the Fraternity's first chapter house, which was also the first in the state of Pennsylvania, has been prepared by an undergraduate of Pennsylvania Epsilon, after careful inquiry among the chapter's older alumni.

College at Forty-five

There have been so many requests for copies of the December number of The Shield containing Brother Raymond Jackson's article "College at Forty-five," that the edition has been entirely exhausted. In order to meet these requests, a special reprint of this noteworthy article has been issued, copies of which may be had singly or in quantities at 10 cents each.





PHI KAPPA PSI
NOTES



Milt Mulloy, Mass. Alpha '22, is teaching at Doshisha University, Japan.

Ford T. Lehman, Pa. Epsilon '97, is manager for the Community Chest at Albany, N. Y.

Leonard Parker, Mass. Alpha '22, is teaching English and studying law at Syracuse University.

R. E. Goewey, N. Y. Epsilon '15, is now living at 840 Bronx River rd., Fleetwood, Yonkers, N. Y.

W. F. Baum, Pa. Beta, is connected with the legal department of the Philadelphia Co., Pittsburgh.

Col. W. F. Pearson, Ohio Alpha '99, is now on duty at Headquarters, Fourth Corps Area, Atlanta, Ga.

Harris Allen, Cal. Beta '94, is a successful architect in Oakland, Cal., and is editor of the Pacific Coast Architect.

H. Schuyler Foster, N. Y. Epsilon '96, has recently become pastor of the First Baptist Church, Delaware, Ohio.

Rex Cherryman, N. Y. Epsilon '15, is now playing in "The Noose" at the Century Theatre, New York City.

J. H. McDaniel, Ohio Beta '22, is head of the English department in the Collegiate Institute, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.

Dr. J. H. Rindlaub, D. C. Alpha '91, and Mrs. Rindlaub, of Fargo, N. D., are spending the winter in Hollywood, Cal.

Chapter papers recently received include *Spilled Ink* (Ohio Epsilon), *The Allegheny Phi Psi*, *The Washington Alphan*.

Hayden Weller, Pa. Alpha '22, is connected with Tamblin & Brown, publicity managers, with headquarters in New York.

Miller Hamilton, Ind. Beta '08, has recently become director of publicity for the Marmon Motor Car Co. at Indianapolis, Ind.

Clarence L. Marsh, N. Y. Epsilon '16, is connected with the Orient Co., Ltd., 2 Findlayson Green, Singapore, Straits Settlement.

Brother and Mrs. J. Melvin Evans, Kan. Alpha '13, announce the arrival of J. Melvin jr on December 21st. They reside at Powell, Wyo.

John Mugler, Okla. Alpha, is cashier, and Milton Jackson, Tenn. Delta, is sales manager for the Perry Mill & Elevator Co., Perry, Okla.

Dr. Frank C. Beaumont, Va. Beta '18, is a dentist, and is located in the Prince Theater Building, Ambridge, Pa., a short distance from Pittsburgh.

H. Adrian Smith, Okla. Alpha, is this year at Yale studying for a master's degree. He was graduated from the University of Oklahoma last spring.

Hamilton Wilson, Ind. Delta '09, is assistant vice president of the Guaranty Company of New York, with offices at 1614 Union Trust Building, Cleveland, Ohio.

Vernon Love, Okla. Alpha, is managing a chain of grocery stores in Los Angeles, or, as he calls it, is a "Big breakfast food and bean man from Hollywood."

T. J. Moloney, F. E. McMahan, and H. S. Snow, all N. Y. Epsilon, are with the Aetna Life Insurance Company, 2222 First National Bank Bldg., Detroit, Mich.

Richard Plummer, N. H. Alpha, is located in Great Falls, Mont., where he is doing some special work in the general laboratory of the Anaconda Copper Mining Co.

Bartow Griffiss, Md. Alpha, is head of the economics department at Carnegie Institute of Technology. He is married and lives at the Terrace Court apartments, Pittsburgh.

William H. Mayhew, Cal. Beta '95, has recently concluded a year as president of the chamber of commerce at Oakland, Cal. Brother Mayhew is president and manager of the Western Casket Co.

M. J. Kiley, N. Y. Epsilon '05, is clinical assistant in the department of gynecology at Northwestern University Medical School. Brother Kiley is also a practicing physician at 400 Ashland Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

According to the Chicago Tribune, Ralph (Moon) Baker, Ill. Alpha, famous Northwestern football star,

saved the life of an eight-year-old girl who had fallen into Lake Michigan from a pier near the Phi Psi house.

John Rabb Emison, Ind. Alpha '19, has gone to Indianapolis to enter law practice with the firm of Elliott, Weyl and Jewett. Emison's term as judge of the Knox county superior court at Vincennes, Ind., recently expired.

Walter S. Deffenbaugh, W. Va. Alpha '96, is chief of the city schools division of the United States Bureau of Education at Washington. He has published several bulletins on various phases of city school administration.

At the annual meeting of the Academy of Medicine of Kalamazoo, Mich., Dr. Rush McNair, Ill. Alpha '81, delivered an address on "The Truth, the Whole Truth, and Nothing but the Truth," being a discussion of the doctor on the witness stand.

Owing to the disbanding of the Northampton Repertory Company in January, F. Curtis Canfield, Mass. Alpha '21, is devoting his attention to teaching classes in the drama at Amherst College and coaching the Masquers, the college dramatic organization.

H. K. Browning, N. Y. Alpha, is district sales representative for A. M. Byers Co., manufacturer of wrought iron pipe and oil country goods, with offices in the Pioneer Trust Building, Kansas City, Mo. Brother Browning resides at 216 Brush Creek Blvd., Kansas City.

Merton L. Ferson, Iowa Alpha '00, has been called to the University of Cincinnati as dean of the College of Law, coming from the University of North Carolina. Dean Ferson assumes his new duties just as the College of Law is housed in its fine new building, Taft Hall.

Norman Pike, Mass. Alpha '20, was married September 4, 1926, in St. John's Episcopal Church, Ashfield, Mass., to Miss Merle Bronson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hunt Bronson. His brother, Stuart Pike, Mass. Alpha '24, acted as best man and Gordon MacKay, Mass. Alpha '20, was one of the ushers.

Greer McIlvain, Pa. Theta, was married last autumn to Miss Josephine C. Dowling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Dowling, 4154 Bigelow boulevard, Pittsburgh, and a sister of J. M. Dowling, Pa. Theta. Brother and Mrs. McIlvain live at 6608 Ridgeville st., Pittsburgh, where he is engaged in the practice of law.

Walter A. Dyer, Mass. Alpha '96, is the author of a series of "Chronicles of a Countryman" which will appear in *Country Life* throughout 1927, beginning with the January number. Brother Dyer is also the author of a novel entitled "The Breakwater" which will be published in April by Doubleday, Page & Co.

Donald H. Norton, Col. Alpha '18, has been confined to his home, 246 N. Worth av., Elgin, Ill., for many months suffering from rheumatism. By means of a radio Brother Norton "attended" most of the important football games last fall. His chapter brothers undoubtedly will be glad to communicate with him by letter at the above address.

Herman Yager, Ind. Alpha '19, was married in October to Elizabeth Johnston, daughter of a former Indiana University professor. Herm is studying for the ministry at the Union Theological Seminary in New York City. He is also working in the educational department of the West Side Y. M. C. A. He and his wife plan to conduct an European tour this summer.

Frank M. Keffer, Pa. Epsilon '92, editor of the Van Nuys (Cal.) News, has been appointed by the governor of California as a member of the sixth district agricultural board. The honor was bestowed upon Brother Keffer as president of the Southern California Editorial Association and because of his comprehensive knowledge of the agricultural situation in the Los Angeles area.

Dr. A. M. Largey, Pa. Lambda, is company physician for the Jewel Ridge Coal Co., Jewel Ridge, Va. His engagement to Miss Cornelia Poole, of Philadelphia, was announced recently. His brother, Hugh D. Largey, also of Pa. Lambda, is Pittsburgh sales manager of the Colonial Steel Co., manufacturer of high grade tool steels, with headquarters in the Keystone Bank Building, Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Laura Letterman Boyer, widow of one of one of our founders, makes her home with her son, Dr. W. Gordon Letterman, Pa. Alpha, and family at 5506 Maple av., St. Louis, Mo. Mrs. Laura Letterman Lynott, daughter of William H. Letterman, is an instructor of music at Hardin College, Mexico, Mo. Mrs. Boyer, it is gratifying to know, continues to enjoy remarkably good health, and is as ardent as ever in her love for the Fraternity founded by her husband and Charles P. T. Moore.



ALUMNI CORRESPONDENCE

Kansas City Alumni Association

We hope that you will pardon this letter but we have been very severely criticized by Cactus Pete, who recently dropped into our office, and upon the statement that he could do much better, we took him up and are submitting his effort.

DERE EDITER :

in Looking the SHEELD over for the last 2 isues i seen that there werent no letter from this here Kay See outfit which i helped so much to put on there Gee A see and so i droped in on them to see what was the matter and may be help them out again as was done in the past and i was took up on it so i am doing same, whitch you can see for yourselfs without no 2 glanct and i am a going to tell you all a bout them altho i aint been here and dont no 1 thing a bout what has been going on but of course whatever i tell you why you wont no whether it is the trooth or aint sos i gess i am safe to say the utmost.

Well first of all the guys here seem to be perty buzy rounding up for this here DimondJewB Lee or what ever it is and they aint had much time to tell me what is a goin on this same Jew B Lee is suposed to be 75 ante versity of there frat and they think they has got to do the thing up brown whitch i gess they will do as they sure has plenty of comittes to do it with but i gess maybe they has done that sos they will be sure to sell a lot of tikets to the guys on the comitte any ways and have sum for sure at the doins. Then i see by the maggie zine that there is several boys in trainin for the cant a lope throwin game at Buffalo and if the same thinks they is to get in practise at this a fare why they is sure off the track cauze this is to be rele serious and there aint goin to be much fun a goin on a tall so the yerlins at the Kans. skool neednt cum here x pectin to do it.

I ast some of the boys if they wasnt some prospecttive Fi Si materel like that which Road lland boasts about and am informed in the negative but that they probably will be sum by the time this gets into the print but of coarse they aint no names piked out for them as yet thet is nod about, anyways that will leave sum thing for the regular riter to tell you a bout in his next letter. He sez that he aint a going to rite no next letter any way as he is going out of his office and sum body elst will haff to do it and i gess thay is the reson that he is letting me rite this one so that he can get out of it to.

I here that sum of the boys got to gether one day not long a go and de sided that sumthing had to be dun about getting these here athletes to go to there skool at Kans. and so they put thereselfs on some comittes and got a big bunch of sevral hunderd K. U. guys to kick in two bucks to get sum food and here what the koaches had to say and at the same time why they lined up some perty good lookin yearlin materel whitch i think was there idea in the 1 place.

They tell me that Bill Stevenson that has been runnin a bank or two as well as sevral coal mines at various times and places sense he left his skool has joined up with Arthur Anderson & Co. and is doing some a counting now and he tells me that perty nere all the guys in the office is old skool mates of his so that it makes it perty plesent. Then one of my side kicks in the cow bisness Flintom by name and other wise nown as LB has left his ranch for the winter and returned to the big city and that Ralph Brigham is managing the Kirkwood reel estate holdings which same gentleman is the owner of this here Kay See Star and that Ashley Benson has took on a life partner and Bart Stevenson that was runin a automobile agency has started selling these here Perce Arrers and his bruther Bud is now trust officer of the Atlantic National Bank a way down in Jacksonville, Fla. Ernie Clark has got into the insurance bisness and is now tryin to sell some of insurance between the hours of his courtin and maybe perty soon he will take in a life pertner too if he sells enuff. Lefty Farrell done it too and his war dept is a young lady that he courted while he was in skool.

Well i aint been able to pick up no more gore so i gess i will have to cut this here epistel kind a short and call it a day and stop so here goes and at the same time a wishin you a prosperous new year and hoping that you are all abel to be up and a tendin to your bisness as usual by this time which i think is the reson why the regular riter has let me do this for him.

*Kansas City, Mo.
January 4, 1927*

*Yores truley
CACTUS PETE*

Western New York Alumni Association

Early plans for the 1928 G. A. C. are now occupying the brothers in Buffalo. General Chairman Harry R. Templeton and his executive committee are working on the slate of the various committees that will assume the work of the convention when the time comes.

To lay a solid foundation for the finest G. A. C. the Fraternity has ever had — one that will fittingly mark the Diamond Jubilee of Phi Kappa Psi — arrangements are being made to underwrite the financing. John Garver, Ohio Alpha '15, has been appointed chairman of the finance committee, which is at this time obtaining pledges from the association members. The entire financing will be completed early in 1928.

On December 28th, the association gave a stag bowling and supper party at the University Club, to which were invited the undergraduate Phi Psis and pledges who were home for the holidays. It was a real old-fashioned Phi Psi time and thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Charlie Epes proved himself champion on the alleys and Jimmy Jones ran away with the other events. At a date to be decided later, the association is planning to give a supper dance. This will be a forerunner to a number of occasions at which the association will entertain the ladies.

Recent vital statistics in this region seem rather discouraging to the future growth of the Fraternity, but hopeful for the women's colleges. Fay Snyder, Pa. Lambda '16, E. Felt, N. H. Alpha '16, and H. H. Turner, N. Y. Epsilon '15, are recent fathers of daughters.

Floyd C. Fay, R. I. Alpha '14, has moved from Franklinville, N. Y., to Denver, Col., where he is representing Haskins & Sells. He recently announced the birth of a son, Floyd C. Fay, 3d.

"Tom" Bissell, N. Y. Alpha '19, who has been living in Akron, Ohio, for the past year, spent the holidays in Buffalo.

A. J. Purdy, Mich. Alpha '92, who has been pastor of the West Avenue Presbyterian Church for several years, was recently called by the North Park Presbyterian Church of Buffalo, one of the largest congregations in the city.

Elliot Hall, N. H. Alpha '22, is teaching at the Nichols Preparatory School in Buffalo.

New arrivals in Buffalo are, "Bill" Witkop, N. Y. Epsilon, who is with the Witkop-Holmes Co., O. I. Stevens, N. Y. Beta, with Hayes & Collins, investment bankers, and L. Martyn, N. Y. Beta, who is with the Easy Washing Machine Co.

Lawrence Sparfeld, N. Y. Beta '17, is now with the Travelers Insurance Co. in Buffalo.

At the last monthly dinner of the association, held December 8th, tribute was paid to "Daddy" Lonergon (Brother C. A. Lonergon, N. Y. Beta '84) who is leaving for Syracuse. Brother Lonergon, who is one of the founders of the Syracuse chapter, is now returning to be chapter "daddy" officially.

"Charlie" Epes, Pa. Lambda '12, is chairman of the annual ball of the Greater Buffalo Advertising Club.

The association has been holding weekly luncheons at the Chamber of Commerce each Thursday noon, in addition to the monthly dinners, which take place the first Wednesday of each month, at the University of Buffalo Alumni Club.

*Buffalo, N. Y.
January 10, 1927*

F. E. SNYDER
Correspondent

Indiana Alumni Association

Since our last SHIELD letter we've had two splendid dinners—one in November and the other on December 28th. The last was worth mentioning for several reasons. It was Ladies Night and we had twelve couples around the table at the Country Club. And it was Pig Night. Now don't misunderstand—that's not intended to cast a reflection on the ladies. The explanation is that our loved and loving brother, Hal White, Pa. Alpha '92, gave us another of those pet piggies of his for the piece d' resistance. Real pedigreed stuff, that pig. And he looked his fine breeding as he made the grand tour of the table on a big platter, before passing under the carving knife. It was some feed, and we are grateful to Brother Hal.

Five Indiana boys who went to college in the fall of '23 and became Phi Psis, are due to graduate this June. Wachob and Greenlee at Pennsylvania Epsilon, Gettysburg; Richards and Wells at Pennsylvania Beta, Meadville, and Buterbaugh at Pennsylvania Zeta, Dickinson. This association is proud of these boys for they have stood out above the average in their college life and work.

The graduation of these five will not leave us without any Indiana undergraduate Phi Psis, for John Blair, son of David Blair, Pa. Alpha '93, is pledged at his father's Alma Mater. There may be one of two others to report later.

Harry C. McCreary, Pa. Epsilon '17, bought a hat two sizes larger, on November 13th last, because of the arrival of Harry C. jr. Some of the boys, home from college at Thanksgiving, made efforts to pledge the young man but could find no means of attaching the button, so will wait till later.

We eat again January 25th and will make our plans then for our Founders' Day celebration, which we will hold on February 22d. We will probably attend the Founders' Day doings of the Pittsburgh A. A. in a body — no, no, — not in self-protection, but because we all want to go.

Indiana, Pa.
January 8, 1927

RALPH MCCREARY
Correspondent

Boston Alumni Association

The year 1926-27 has started with what appears to be new life for the Boston Alumni Association.

We have held two very sizeable Friday evening dinners, and have the nucleus of a live organization. Our new blood is mainly Harvard Graduate School talent, and we are doing our best to induce them from the "yard." R. L. Ryder, Pa. Kappa '02, our past president has been a most enthusiastic advisor and has done much to give us a right start.

E. R. Anderson, Ill. Beta, has been appointed head of New England Phi Psis for the Founders' Day banquet, and we are hoping to have a great celebration.

From Brothers Phil M. Chase, N. H. Alpha, president; Paul L. Chipman, R. I. Alpha, vice president; Theodore B. Hanna, Mich. Alpha, secretary and treasurer; R. L. Ryder, Pa. Kappa, and Edward T. Lockwood, Ind. Alpha, advisory committee, our new officers, we have assurances of success in future activities.

Boston, Mass.
January 11, 1927

T. B. HANNA
Correspondent

Pittsburgh Alumni Association

Telegraphic messages from Atlantic City telling of the Executive Council's unanimous vote to grant Pennsylvania Mu charter to the Woodlawn Club of Carnegie Institute of Technology (put on the accredited list at the Kay-See Gee-A-See), furnished the Pittsburgh Alumni Association with the finest news received in these parts for many a blue moon. National President, Howard C. Williams agrees to swing the initiatory and inaugural ceremony on Saturday, March 19, exactly one month after the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of Phi Kappa Psi. Just before that date we will scour and scrub the Woodlawn neophytes, including necks and ears, and everything will be in ship-shape for what promises to be a hip pocket edition of a national G. A. C.

Our local president, C. R. Texter, today told us the celebration will start off with a bang-up smoker, Friday night, March 18th. A banquet Saturday night will follow the installation program. Committees, composed for the most part of veteran Phi Psis who have seen service on one or more convention fronts, and of members of the Woodlawn Club, have been named officially by Brother Texter. Committees will begin to function actively next week.

Our annual Founders' Day banquet, the annual meeting and election of officers, and the Diamond Jubilee celebration will be consolidated with the Woodlawn Club installation. Phi Psis within Big

Bertha range will receive complete details of our program, just as soon as it is completed. Committee heads are as follows: general chairman, C. R. Texter; vice chairman, L. W. Voigt; secretary, F. D. Graf; treasurer, D. R. Davis; banquet, Robert P. Crawford; publicity, C. F. Williams; printing, B. M. Johnson; gowns and insignia, Sion B. Smith; smoker, F. D. Glover; speakers, John L. Porter; hotels and meeting place, Thomas W. Pomeroy; active chapters and alumni associations, Earle V. Braden; registration, J. B. Marlin; reception, George D. McIlvaine.

Knowing that it will be impossible for every Phi Psi, who has manifested interest in the petition sponsored by the P. A. A., to be on hand March 19th, we take this means of thanking the Fraternity at large for the honor extended Carnegie Tech and the Woodlawn Club. We renew our pledges to support Pennsylvania Mu in every way. Incidentally, fraternity wags and others are requested to use the original Greek spelling and pronunciation of this letter; *meow*, generally connected with the feline of the species, or *moo*, the official call of the bovine fraternity, will not do.

Our record in pedagogical fields here is a splendid one. Louis K. Manley, Ohio Alpha, is head of the department of economics at the University of Pittsburgh. James H. Greene, Ill. Delta, is head director of the research bureau for retail training, endowed by twenty-five of the leading department stores of the country, also at Pitt. Bartow Griffiss, Md. Alpha, is head of the economics department, and S. B. Ross, Pa. Lambda, is an instructor of political science at Carnegie Tech. Louis E. Endsley, Ind. Delta, and Miles H. Jones, Pa. Alpha, are members of the faculty at Pitt. Robert Arthur, Pa. Lambda, and William G. Fixel, Pa. Beta, are instructors at the South Hills High and Allegheny High Schools, respectively. Dr. Hugo Kahl, Kan. Alpha, is head entomologist at Carnegie museum. These men are all active in our association; we rate 'em all A plus.

In the Carnegie Tech-Notre Dame battle, which the former won, 19-0, William H. Manby, Pa. Zeta '22, played the outstanding game of his career at Tech, where he is completing his third year. Mr. Boerlinger, Notre Dame's All-American center, was just about at the mercy of our Bill. He was the honor guest at our luncheon, December 2d.

C. A. Russell, Pa. Epsilon '06, is recovering from a rather prolonged illness, but comes in almost every Thursday from his home, 5530 Center street, to attend luncheon. One of our members, Dr. A. M. Largey, Pa. Lambda '16, brother of Hugh D. Largey, also of Lambda, is engaged to Miss Cornelia Poole, of Philadelphia. Dr. Largey now lives at Jewel Ridge, Va. The wedding, we are informed, will take place in March. J. H. Heberling, Ohio Beta, connected with the First National Bank at Ellwood City, and Dr. Frank C. Beaumont, Va. Beta, of Ambridge, attended luncheon November 11th. Earl W. Deputy, Ohio Alpha, president of the Tulsa (Oklahoma) Alumni Association, was a guest December 2d.

H. K. Browning, N. Y. Alpha, district sales representative at Kansas City, Mo., of the A. M. Byers Co., Pittsburgh, attended one of our holiday luncheons. D. Carter List, of Wheeling, W. Va., one of the old guard of Ohio Gamma, dropped in at one of our November luncheons. We also are glad to report that Harry J. Nesbit, Pa. Alpha, has been showing up regularly of late.

Numerous active chapter representatives signed the register December 23d and 30th. This list included: William L. McClure, Pa. Lambda, of Altoona; R. A. Hartje, a pledge, Thomas W. Pomeroy Jr, and Frederick L. Grant, of Pa. Theta; John S. Walker and Edward G. Hartje, of Pa. Iota; George W. Provost jr, N. H. Alpha; Robert W. Richards, member of Alpha Tau Omega at Lehigh, and brother of Louis C. Richards, Pa. Lambda; R. C. Grim, Pa. Alpha, now attending Harvard; Hayden Weller, Pa. Alpha, of New York City, and Joseph W. Beale, a student at the University of Pennsylvania, and John H. Wells, of New Brighton.

The real high-light of the Christmas-week luncheon was the father-and-son feature, furnished by the presence of Thomas W. Pomeroy and his son, Thomas W. Pomeroy jr, both of Pa. Theta; Norval R. Daugherty, W. Va. Alpha, and son, William R. Daugherty, a pledge at Pa. Theta, and Albert J. Walker, Pa. Alpha and son, William Way Walker, N. Y. Alpha.

Pittsburgh, Pa.
January 6, 1927

C. F. WILLIAMS
Correspondent





CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE



Letters for the next issue of *THE SHIELD*, to insure publication, must reach the Editor by March 10th

FIRST DISTRICT

New Hampshire Alpha—Dartmouth College

We are again making plans for the winter carnival party, which will take place February 11-13. The chapter plans to have a party without the cooperation of any other house, which will be an innovation as heretofore we have been compelled to join with another house in order to help defray expenses. The large number of girls expected enables us to branch off on our own, which we feel will enable us not only to have a better party, but will also create closer contact among the brothers, and will bring the new delegation still closer into the spirit of the chapter. We feel that certain traditions have gradually been building up around our parties of which we are very proud, and we feel sure that this experiment will be so successful that we will be able to continue with the same program at future parties.

We are quite sure that "Art" Gow will represent the chapter at the Triangular meet in Boston next month in the shot put event. In addition he and "Jerry" Covert are limbering up their arms for the javelin throwing in the spring meets. "Howie" Serrel is also limbering up for track work in the spring.

Harry Stone and "Ken" Meyercord received their letters this fall for soccer.

The chapter entered whole heartedly into a campaign to raise money to help to refurnish one of our living rooms, with the result that we are planning on almost entire new furniture before the carnival parties begin. We feel that the more homelike the house is, the more it will attract the brothers to spend as much of their time as possible in it.

*Hanover, N. H.
January 7, 1927*

PAUL S. KNOWLES
Correspondent

Massachusetts Alpha—Amherst College

As the fall term becomes history Massachusetts Alpha can look with pleasure at a season well spent. Undoubtedly the high mark was the initiation banquet and alumni reunion which occurred on the week-end of November 13th. An unusual number of alumni returned to attend the banquet Friday night and the successful Williams football game the following afternoon. Brother Lyon '11 presided at the banquet at which we were favored by the presence of President Williams, Ill. Delta, and R. L. Ryder, Pa. Kappa, now president of the Boston Alumni Association. Another noteworthy feature was that everyone of the twelve pledges had won the right to initiation by passing every subject, a record seldom equalled on

the Amherst campus. The twelve new members of Phi Kappa Psi are: John T. Adams of the class of 1929 and Walter Breede jr, Leonard P. Brickett, Allen M. Hill, Robert B. Howe, Henry T. Johnston, Willard M. Kellogg, Albert J. Nichols, Hubert L. Perry, Alan T. Prigge, Harold C. Smith, and Ellsworth M. Tracy, of the class of 1930.

Since the last chapter letter nearly every member has participated in one or more college activities only a portion of which can be listed. Freshmen especially are showing up well. Perry and Prigge won places in the underclass track meet while Howe and Bill Kellogg represented their delegation in the interclass swimming meet. On the varsity hockey squad Perry and Nichols already seem assured of letters. In other fields the initiates also are prominent with Tracy a member of the freshman debating team and Johnston competing for the managership of the *Olio*, the college annual.

Don Smith was the recipient of an unusual honor in the award of the Ashley memorial trophy for having "best played the game" for his four years of college. He was chosen as an All-Little Three guard by newspaper critics, while the college eleven was declared the best small college football team in New England. Ed Gately, whose injuries from freshman football two years ago have prevented him from playing, was granted a letter in recognition of his services in coaching this year.

Under Mackey's leadership the most successful sophomore hop of recent years was given on December 4th, 125 couples and 200 stags set new attendance records; all the brothers turned out en masse for the festivities. Socially the chapter was also honored by the election of Gillis, Meneely, Pike, Taft and Wilber to the Sphinx Club, premier honorary social organization of the college.

Schnepel was chosen assistant manager of soccer after a strenuous competition which began last spring. Murphy was elected to the business board of *Lord Jeff*, the college humorous publication. A spring trip from March 23d to April 4th is planned with an itinerary probably including New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Hot Springs, Va., Indianapolis, and Chicago.

Ted Ward, head of the debating council, was a member of the team which debated against Harvard in December. Reeve constituted the Amherst delegation at the National Student Conference in Milwaukee during Christmas vacation.

A new set of chapter officers has been elected for the winter term, as follows: Don Smith, G. P.; Wilber, V. G. P.; Reeve, A. G.; Pike, B. G.; Jones, S. G.; Kells, I.; Perry, Ph.; and Tracy, H.

Amherst, Mass.
January 8, 1927

JOSEPH E. REEVE
Correspondent

Rhode Island Alpha—Brown University

Rhode Island Alpha pledged nine freshmen at the end of the annual rushing season on December 13th. The delegation is, as usual, "one of the best on the campus" and is a well-balanced group. The men who are wearing the pledge pin are: Charles S. (Bud) Edwards, Chicago; Edmund H. Howard, Providence; John R. Laadt, Chicago; John E. MacFadden, Chicago; Frank B. (Fig) Newton, Milton, Mass.; George O. Kruse, White Plains, N. Y.; E. V. (Jack) Peterson, Rochester, N. Y.; C. F. (Rebel) Russell, Lynn, Mass.; and T. H. McGowan 3d, White Plains, N. Y.

"Bud" Edwards, a brother of Jim Edwards of Illinois Delta and now a student at Brown; "Reb" Russell, and "Fig" Newton are football men while Russell and Newton are fine all-round track men. MacFadden is a golfer, the holder of several trophies and records; Kruse is a track man; Peterson is out for basketball; Laadt is among the candidates for the yearling swimming team.

In Ed Howard, the chapter has pledged her first Rhode Island Alpha legacy, Ed's father having been one of the charter members of the chapter.

The first formal dance of the year was held at the Wannamoisset Country Club on Thanksgiving eve, brothers from Colgate being in attendance as guests of the chapter. One of the most enjoyable dances in years, a large number of brothers and friends attributed part of their pleasing holiday to the party.

A rush dance was held at the chapter house on December 11th, many of the pledges and other members of the freshman class being the guests of the chapter. The house orchestra, composed of Irv Crossman, Ken Demarest, Ken Carpenter, Bucky Wright, San Bidle and Hi Myers, furnished the music. Phi Psi songs were sung during the intermission, providing a very impressive entertainment for the freshmen.

Captain Dick Spellman, of the varsity wrestling team was chairman of the rushing committee and the efficient work of the committee under his direction resulted in the chapter's obtaining a promising group of pledges.

Captain Spellman is one of two letter men available for the Brown wrestling team. He wrestles in the 158-pound class. Among the most promising members of the basketball squad is Jack Heffernan who has played as first choice guard in the games to date. His work in the B. U. game was outstanding while he caged three baskets from the floor and five from free throws in the New Bedford Textile contest. Since the team is without a captain and Jack's work has been of good quality, the chapter is hoping that the red-headed Lynn lad will be the choice for the leader. Bill Horn is managing the team while Bill Faddis, Bill Kolle and Charlie Mulliwen are members of the squad.

Several brothers are out for the swimming team but none of them made good enough time in the trials to compete in the first meet against the combined team from Toronto and McGill. Irv Crossman, a letter man two years ago, is a free style candidate and Alva Cuddeback is out for the team.

Two brothers played on the Herald-Jug football game between teams representing the two college publications. Tim Nelson was one of the husky tackles on the Jugglers' eleven while Warren Francis filled the snapper-back's post for the reporters.

Verne Chase and "Peanuts" Weaver are among the candidates for the hockey team, the first rink team Brown has put on the ice. Chase suffered an injury on the first day of practice and was forced to give up work for nearly two weeks.

Baseball practice is slated to start soon after vacation and will find "Bucky" Wright and Al Burgess, members of the cub nine last spring, Verne Chase, and Jack Heffernan out for the team.

The house committee is still working on a new home for Rhode Island Alpha, but is faced with the difficulty of overcoming zoning laws which have so far proved a barrier to successful efforts.

Brother Perry is working toward having the law changed with regard to the block in which our prospective house is located and if successful, the committee will be able to purchase the building with little trouble.

Providence, R. I.

WARREN B. FRANCIS
Correspondent

New York Alpha—Cornell University

The Christmas recess is over, and all the brothers have returned to college. Midyears are but two weeks away so that the usual eleventh hour preparation for finals is holding everyone's attention at present.

Immediately following exam week is Junior Week. Plans are completed for our annual party at this time. We are giving four dances in collaboration with Phi Delta Theta.

Shaw, A. Thompson and S. Thompson were awarded varsity letters in soccer at the close of the season, and A. Thompson was elected captain of that sport for the 1927 season. Barthen is playing on the varsity hockey team.

R. Quick has been elected to the editorial board of the *Sun*, as the result of winning his competition. Kellogg and Ruckelshaus were the Savage Club performers at the alumni banquet in Philadelphia, the week-end of the Cornell-Penn game.

The Student Council recently appointed Kirk as chairman of the senior class day committee and Krusen and Macomber to junior and sophomore smoker committees, respectively.

Ithaca, N. Y.
January 8, 1927

R. D. HOBBIIE
Correspondent

New York Beta—Syracuse University

With vacation over and a short two weeks before final examinations for the first semester, the usual hush has fallen upon the chapter house and everyone is working his utmost to keep up the scholarship of the chapter. Pledges are given daily admonition and help to have them eligible for initiation in February.

A very enjoyable Christmas formal was held at the chapter house December 18th. With garlands of cedar and trees of spruce gaily decorated in the holiday manner, the real spirit of Christmastide prevailed. We were pleased to have present quite a few of the alumni and their wives and hope they received as much pleasure at the dance as we did in having them present.

C. A. Lonergon, a charter member of our chapter and one who has maintained an undying interest in old Phi Psi through 43 years, arrived at the house December 19th to take up his duties as house father. Already his smiling face and sunny character have been a decided influence in helping the chapter solve its problems. While his office is comparatively new in the chapter, with our cooperation high hopes are held for the success of the experiment. Older alumni will find great pleasure and inspiration in returning to the house and meeting Daddy Lonergon.

Carr, who has sufficiently recovered from his injured knee, which was dislocated during the football season, is again with the basketball team and helps considerably in running up the high scores

against our opponents. Frawley and Wright will answer Coach Ten Eyck's call for crew the latter part of this month, and several freshmen will probably join them in practice.

Amid the bustle of Senior Week comes the annual senior formal. The committee is at present racking their brains for a new and original idea to be carried out in decoration of the house for this affair.

Syracuse, N. Y.
January 5, 1927

FREDERICK N. MARTY
Correspondent

New York Gamma—Columbia University

Due to the deferred system of rushing here at Columbia, we were unable to announce our pledges in the December letter and we now take pleasure in introducing the following men to our brothers: Frank J. Gaffney, Newark, N. J.; Aubrey W. Stewart, New York City; George Raddin, Pittsburgh, Pa.; John A. Thomas, New York City; James D. Guy, Albany, N. Y.; John O. Johnsen, Brooklyn, N. Y., and William B. Sanford, Bronxville, N. Y. Every man in this group is active on the campus either in athletics or in some other extracurricular activity.

We also take pleasure in announcing the initiation of Cyrus Weeks jr, of Hackensack, N. J., and of William B. Bunn, of Richmond Hill, N. Y.

Fred Rieger distinguished himself during the football season and broke many a Cornell brother's heart by his 70-yard dash to victory. Larry Smith was also a member of the squad.

The fall crew season saw George Donaldson back in his old position, with Phillips as coxswain. In the Bangs cup regatta, Phillips' crew succeeded in winning the coveted trophy by three lengths. Pledge Sanford rowed in the winning freshman boat.

With the opening of the basketball season Rieger reported to Coach Meenan who is doing his best to turn out another five which will retain the intercollegiate title. Howard Riley a member of last year's frosh quintet, has succeeded in landing a substitute's berth.

The cross-country season was fairly successful and Em Jones, assistant manager of that sport, also ran in several meets. Pledges Johnsen and Thomas were on the frosh team and are considered excellent varsity material. Incidentally, Jones is the secretary of the Intercollegiate Association of the Amateur Athletes of America and the secretary of the Columbia chapter of Spiked Shoe.

Training for the track team has been under way for quite some time and we pin our hopes on Dave Bouton and Ed Myers. Bus Lockwood, our pole vaulter, has married and left college but drops in occasionally as he lives only a few doors away. The wrestling squad is fortified by our diminutive Johnnie Domenech and by Carl Rach, our "flying Dutchman," who, during the summer, won the national air races at Philly. Pledge Gaffney has reported for practice and will no doubt secure a place on the freshman team.

Prospects for a good swimming team have been brightened by last year's strong freshman squad. Al Forsyth, who starred as a frosh, has already succeeded in securing a place for himself on the varsity. Fred Dassori is the assistant manager of the team. Pledge Sanford, at the close of the crew season, reported for water polo and hopes to get a berth on the freshman team. In Blue Key, the newly or-

ganized managerial society, we are represented by Bill Imhof and he will loom large on the horizon when the elections take place in the spring.

On *Spectator*, the campus daily, Dave Millar is in line for the much coveted position of editor in chief. Pledge Guy is confident of a position on the managing board. Guy is also on the business board of *Varsity*, the literary magazine of the college. On the business board of *Jester*, the comic magazine, we have Phillips and Dassori, while Pledge Stewart is a candidate for a position.

For our annual varsity show, Bill Bunn and Cy Weeks are candidates for managerial positions while Stew Chambers, the vice president of the junior class, is assistant manager of the show.

John Jay, our new students hall, was opened in September, and during the holidays all the activities moved into separate quarters far surpassing our expectations. The college dining hall will be opened at the beginning of the next term.

At the beginning of the year we held a smoker in honor of the alumni and were visited by not only our own alumni but also by the alumni of other chapters. During the rushing season we held two more smokers and were again honored by a large turnout of brothers from all over the country.

After the Ohio State football game we held an informal dance and had the pleasure of the company of quite a few Ohio brothers over the week-end. We also held an affair after the Cornell victory. Our annual pledge dance was held on the Friday before the Christmas holidays and was a success.

With examinations not very far off, the brothers have knuckled down in order that we may better our scholastic standing. While our rating at present is pretty fair it must be remembered that our college standards are much higher than those of most institutions of learning.

We hope that any brother who is near us will drop in and be our guest. We are open for inspection and invite criticism for it is only by such criticism that our particular problems may be solved and understood by every brother in the Fraternity. While in this vein, we wish to thank every man in the Fraternity who assisted us at the beginning of the year and during the rushing season and again ask that the brothers of every chapter call on us whenever possible.

New York, N. Y.
January 8, 1927

FREDERIC D. DASSORI
Correspondent

New York Epsilon—Colgate University

The chapter takes pleasure in introducing two more pledges, namely, Jack Harris and "Bunny" Stenger. Jack was, along with Jack Galloway, the outstanding star of the freshman football squad this year, and is practically sure of a berth on the varsity first string next year. He has humor, too. When he and Ralph Waite get together, there is a young riot. Bunny Stenger is a transfer from Princeton and rates as a junior on the campus. He has acquired that smooth way about him that is usually acquired by the Princeton boys. Just now he is scrubbing song leader and bids fair to be an assistant, and eventually, we hope, the leader.

Winter has set in in regular Hamilton fashion. Snow as far as the eye can reach and cold as long as the ears and nose can feel. A new toboggan slide was built for us while we were away during

vacation and the "Phi Psi Outing Club," composed of the athletically inclined and big outdoor men of the house, has been working out with toboggan and skis regularly, much to the delight of the spectators who certainly do enjoy a good spill.

At present the house is all worked up over the midyears, which are rumored to be bigger and better than ever, but we are all pretty well prepared for them and don't expect any trouble. We have worked hard in preparation and have reached the point where we can look forward to the day when they begin with little or no dread.

The next item of importance that occupies our minds is winter carnival. Since the general trend is to have things "bigger and better," Wain claims that it is going to be the biggest and best winter carnival that has ever taken place on the Colgate campus. A fancy dress ball will be a new feature of our party, but one that will meet with approval I think.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Brother Gibbs for his letter. It is very much appreciated and is most certainly an inspiration to the boys to do even better than they have.

I hope that any and all Phi Psis who chance to pass through our out-of-the-way town in the Chenango valley will stop in at the house for a meal or a night or a week if possible. We are always glad to have any of the good brothers with us.

*Hamilton, N. Y.
January 9, 1927*

PAUL H. FOLWELL
Correspondent

SECOND DISTRICT

Pennsylvania Gamma—Bucknell University

At the outset of the year scholastic results of the various fraternities of the campus were published, revealing the fact that we had experienced an appreciable change and had moved up-grade. We now rank fifth among the others, and hope that during the coming semester even better results will be evidenced. The pledges, too, have come to learn certain meanings placed upon the term "scholastic standing," having received a "little reminder" from the actives just before the Christmas holidays. This event ushered in their much needed and longed-for vacation.

With accounts of the various achievements of some of our men elsewhere presented in the SHIELD, it is needless to say that Pennsylvania Gamma is well represented in athletics. But there is still another whose versatility deserves unlimited commendation. "Stan" McCaskey has earnestly set forth his best efforts to give Phi Psi the name she justly deserves. In the spring of 1926 he was elected captain of the tennis team. During that year the team underwent a series of successful engagements finishing with an enviable record of an almost unbeaten team. As a member of Symphonia, honorary musical fraternity, and of the glee club, he very admirably held down the position of vocal soloist. Here his popularity did not end, for the activities of the "cage" were too alluring for him to be a mere spectator, and after several years of conscientious work, was justly rewarded in gaining another distinction, that of captaining the varsity basketball quintet.

Equally well are we represented in the field of varsity managerships. Johnson has prepared a schedule of contests for the tennis

team, some of the most prominent engagements being with Swarthmore, Syracuse, Lafayette, Pitt, State, Gettysburg, and Dickinson, Gring was recently elected manager of the football team. Huffman is ably managing the track team; while Wood hopes to cinch a similar position, in the baseball field.

Lewisburg, Pa.
January 9, 1927

R. F. PEDEN
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Epsilon—Gettysburg College

The football season was a success, and five men from our house contributed greatly to make it so. Charlie Spangler the greatest athlete here since "Snaps" Emmanuel, also a Phi Psi, won for himself and the Fraternity much glory. He is the backfield man par-excellence. Spangler is the second highest scorer in Pennsylvania and ranks eleventh in the East with 60 points to his credit. He was selected all-conference quarterback of the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Association.

Milton Wachob, our only senior on the squad, made a name for himself through persistent effort and fight. Mostly in the backfield where his combined weight and speed made him the ideal line plunger, but occasionally at end we could always count on his success.

Charlie Hall working under the handicap of a bad knee not yet recovered from a severe injury sustained during spring practice, showed that a leg which may cease to function upon occasion cannot stop a man who means business.

The great surprise to the college, but not to us for we know him too well, was George Drawbaugh. This 150 pound marvel was the outstanding sophomore on the varsity. His whirling off-tackles, broken field running but especially his superb running back of punts combined with his hard tackling made for him his reputation as well as his letter. With two more seasons ahead of him we cannot but prophesy almost any star in stardom.

Donald Cockley, our other sophomore on the squad, held his position at end with bulldog tenacity. There is more than one opponent back who wishes he had not tried to get around the red-haired boy's end.

Due to unavoidable conditions we were not able to hold our pledge dance until after Thanksgiving, but on December 3d our pledges were entertained with a splendid dance that served to give them an insight of Pennsylvania Epsilon's entertainment.

December 16th was the date of our Christmas banquet. Dr. and Mrs. Louis E. Weaver, Dr. and Mrs. Charles H. May and Brothers Weiser and Wolfe were our guests at that time.

The two new college buildings which are the Eddie Plank Memorial Gymnasium and the Breidenbaugh Science Hall are nearing completion. These buildings are a credit to any college and we are justly proud of them and what they mean to Gettysburg. Another feature of great importance is that Gettysburg College has been admitted to a straight "A" rating on the list of the American Association of Colleges and Universities. This rating with the University of Illinois rating given last spring puts Gettysburg on the highest possible academic standing of colleges in the country.

We are pleased to announce the pledging of David Harper of Montgomery, Pa., and John C. DeCray jr of Philadelphia.

Kenneth Ivory, our G. P. and Deputy Archon of the second district, attended the sessions of the E. C. in Atlantic City.

Between the coming exams and planning for the enlightenment of our pledges our time is very much filled up.

Gettysburg, Pa.
January 7, 1927

HENRY M. HENSEN
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Zeta—Dickinson College

It is the concensus of campus opinion that Phi Psi took the thirteen best frosh on the campus when the rushing season closed on December 12th. For this coup, Pennsylvania Zeta feels in a large measure indebted to the alumni who answered so promptly and fully letters requesting information on rushing. Although it was impossible to take all the men recommended, or, indeed, all those who wanted to come our way, we thank our alumni for their help and solicit it again for future rushing seasons.

Harold Kline, valedictorian of Lock Haven High School and a member of its victorious football team of 1925, came to Dickinson this fall and became president of the freshman class, guard on the fresh football team, a member of the debate squad, and a Phi Psi pledge. We might add that he knocked the faculty for a flock of A's. A basketball, track and football man from the same high school, none other than Hiram Erza Pursley, girt him about and made the frosh team at Dickinson and later donned the pledge button. The brothers from Jersey Shore assure us that Hi was enjoying the Christmas vacation like one born to the badge.

From Woolrich, Pa. the home of the brothers Rich of this chapter, comes Willis W. Willard, a straight "A" student and an active man in religious activities on the campus. "Jess" prepped at Dickinson Seminary and plans to enter the ministry. We are pleased to find Willis is a pianist, since the present Paderewski of the house, Timmy Buterbaugh, graduates in the spring.

Behold now William Angle, hailed by some as a second Sweely, who bears on his freshman tag the mystic letters, Jersey Shore. What with Bowes, Sweeley, Carter, Carpenter, Macklem and Pfeiffer, all residents in Jersey Shore, and several brothers near by, we were put to it to guess which way Bill would go when he reached Carlisle. This enterprising youth became captain of the freshman football team before many moons had passed and is planning to do things in basketball.

Out of the sunshine of Hagerstown, Md., came Byron C. Grimes. His early election as vice president of the freshman class and treasurer of the freshman Y. M. C. A. cabinet attest his popularity among his classmates.

C. Wesley Ruffel, of Drexel Hill, Pa., starred in the Christmas cantata given by the glee clubs. "Wes." has shown marked ability along musical lines and intends to try out for dramatics and orchestra.

Bill Schultz, an amiable young man from Scranton, who served with distinction on the freshman football eleven and shows possibilities as a Charlesburg performer, is prominent among the "intelligent lads."

Two boys who were with Brothers James, Evans, Parrish and Amerman at Camp Moosilauke, Raymond Hartshorn and Cornelius Scholl, arrived in our midst this fall. Both played freshman foot-

ball, and Corney holds the money bags for the yearlings. Gus was a B student last roll call and is out for dramatics. He hails from New York City, while Scholl is a native of Llanarch, Pa.

Jimmy Nevling, the son of Brother Reuben Nevling, of Clearfield, Pa., is carrying on with the family name at Dickinson. Jimmy was a "big gun" in the class and did much toward holding the Phi Psi aggregation together.

Paul Smith and Ray Hoffman followed the brothers Green from Altoona to Dickinson. They are active in the Y. M. C. A. and play freshman basketball.

New fraternity officers were elected after Christmas vacation. They are: G. P., Albert James; V. G. P., Fred Sweeley; P., C. Rudolph Macklem; A. G., Robertson C. Cameron; B. G., Lynn Corson; S. G., James A. Strife; Hi., L. Harlan Sheldon; Ho., Frank B. Geibel; Ph., Oliver James.

Sweeley was elected captain of football for the ensuing year, and in honor of this distinction was entertained at a dinner of the West Branch Association held at Jersey Shore during vacation. Pledge Angel was entertained as a guest of honor at the same dinner.

Two dances have been held since our last letter. One following the Bucknell game at Thanksgiving time and the pledge dance January 8th.

Lee Bowes is managing basketball this year, with Reese Hitchens assisting him. Fred Sweeley is playing his usual good game.

Strite and Horner are on the *Dickinsonian* as sport writer and columnist, respectively. Cameron is assistant editor of the *Microcosm*, with Hitchens as business manager.

Thompson is vice president of the Senate, Sweeley is on the tribunal, and Cameron is in the Y. M. C. A. cabinet.

The glee club has a good aggregation of Phi Psi songsters in Macklem, its vice president, Buchanan, Green, Ruffel, Mentzer, Harner and Cameron. Buterbaugh is accompanist.

We have both manager and captain of track in Ed. Stayton and Fred Sweeley.

In closing may we remind the brothers of the D. C. to be held here in May. President Williams, Brother Sheppard and Brother Bassett are expected to be present and a large time is in the process of preparation.

Ed. Kronenberg, who was president of his class in Carlisle High School last year and was active in journalistic work, was our only pledge from town. Bud plans to try out for the *Dickinsonian* and possibly to make a stab at the tennis team.

It is interesting to note that our pledging was one hundred per cent efficient, thirteen bids being given and thirteen accepted.

Carlisle, Pa.

January 10, 1927

R. C. CAMERON

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Theta—Lafayette College

The success of our championship football team was made possible to a great extent by the sterling work of Cothran and Marsh. They both played varsity the whole season, Cothran leading the collegiate scorers in field goals. The team is now the only one in the country which has gone through the season neither tied nor defeated.

Pomeroy has been elected assistant manager of the football team. Bauer ended a successful season on the freshman football team. Keller is playing on the freshman basketball team along with Cox. Coddington is secretary of the Circle Francais. Hartje is making a name for himself with the swimming team. Dale and Schreyer are handling the light weights for the wrestling team, of which Ashcraft is the assistant manager and Borden is in the competition for assistant manager for next year. Addams is on the business staff of the *Lafayette*, the college weekly. Fairchild was elected to the senior honorary society Knights of the Round Table. Pomeroy has received much commendation for his brilliant work with the debating team, having successfully led the team to victory. Brinson finished a very creditable season with the cross-country squad and is now conditioning on the indoor track for the indoor season. Armstrong has received the appointment of first alternate for the district to be sent to West Point.

The first event on our social calendar for the chapter for the winter term was a very successful dance and we were pleased to entertain several of our alumni and visiting brothers from the neighboring chapters.

The scholarship for the chapter has noticeably improved in the last month, particularly among the freshman pledges. The great consumption of midnight oil is fairly indicative of the approaching midyear examinations.

We are pleased to introduce Robert G. Sutliff of Bloomsburg, Pa. Sutliff's alacrity on the basketball floor bodes well for a position on the freshman team along with the aforementioned candidates for the squad.

Some unprecedented wit came to the fore at our Christmas dinner at which the freshman entertained the brothers with Christmas letters revealing many of their ludicrous affairs

Easton, Pa.

January 4, 1927

EDWARD D. ASHCRAFT

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Eta—Franklin and Marshall College

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Pennsylvania Iota—University of Pennsylvania

The members of the chapter have returned from vacations, with many good resolutions for the final effort of the term, the last three weeks before the midyear exams. Although we are expecting to give a preliminary rushing smoker on January 21st, the rushing season will not begin until the new term, in the second week of February; the length of the season will be shortened this year, by vote of the Interfraternity Council, to eleven days. Pledge night will take place with us on February 18th.

We are glad to announce the recent initiation of John Keith, of the class of '29, into this chapter, and look forward with pleasure at having him among us.

The line-up for campus activities remains the same, with the addition of Peck's efforts on the rifle team, of which Wood is captain this year, and Wampler's candidacy for track manager. Button's accomplishments in lacrosse are sure to win him a place soon.

The local alumni association and the chapter will unite in the celebration of Founders' Day on February 19th. A cordial invitation is extended to every Phi Psi who can be with us.

Philadelphia, Pa.
January 9, 1927

JOHN STOKES ADAMS JR.
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Kappa—Swarthmore College

"The old order changeth, yielding place to new." First of all we have the new year, then a new group of men who are nearing, faster than they know, a new experience. We are planning to initiate early in February. We shall of course notify all our alumni of the event and are looking forward to a large group of the older men to return at that time and help us to get our initiates safely and sympathetically started to a full and beneficial understanding of our Fraternity.

Our freshman were given a foretaste of what Phi Psi means at our annual banquet held January 8th at the Bellvue-Stratford Hotel in Philadelphia. This occasion was, as always, a great success and will serve as an inspiration to alumni and undergraduates alike during the coming year. Newton Tarble was the symposiarch, while Brothers Bronk, Rider and Degroot were the principal speakers, the latter substituting for Jack Lippincott who was representing the Fraternity on the basketball floor. There were many informal speeches not the least of which was one by Fred Price '05 who recited some original poetry. Brother Price has recently published a book of verse which the chapter is not alone in enjoying and appreciating.

It is hardly possible or necessary to enumerate again the campus activities in which the brothers are interested. Let it suffice to say that we are well represented in every sort of extracurricular work and that each brother is helping to further our collegiate honors. As for scholarship, we hope and believe that the final marks will find us even further up the list.

Swarthmore, Pa.
January 9, 1927

TED FETTER
Correspondent

Maryland Alpha—Johns Hopkins University

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Virginia Alpha—University of Virginia

The second term of the session has just commenced and finds the brothers of Virginia Alpha gradually reassembling, having sought convalescence after the periodic siege of examinations by more or less tranquil Christmas vacations at their respective homes. The usual post-holiday apathy has not yet suffered rude disturbance; the majority of exam results have not to date been reported, so penitential resolves are not quite in order. It is to be hoped, however, that the chapter, appreciating the futility of remorse as well as the senselessness of resting on past laurels, will awaken to the opportunities of the new term and set forth from the very beginning to better all previous scholastic records.

The university's football season was brought to a glorious close with a 3 to 0 victory over our traditional rivals, North Carolina, on Thanksgiving Day, when it was our pleasure to welcome back many of our alumni. Virginia Alpha's policy of holding open house between the halves and immediately following the games on Lambeth Field this year proved a most satisfactory and enjoyable one, and, it is hoped, will be continued next season.

Virginia Alpha takes this occasion to extend to all the chapters of Phi Kappa Psi heartiest New Year greetings and best wishes for a session of continuous progress and achievement.

University, Va.
January 9, 1927

L. A. DAFFAN GILMER
Correspondent

Virginia Beta—Washington and Lee University

On Thanksgiving day Washington and Lee closed a rather successful football season. Virginia Beta is proud of the records of Spatts and White. Hollis "Babe" Spatts starred at end and was voted all-south Atlantic end. Gene White also played a splendid game at quarterback.

Basketball season is under way, and Spatts and White are again in the limelight. Spatts is playing center on the varsity, and White is playing forward on the second team.

Fanning Hearon, who is president of final dances, has launched his campaign for the June dances.

At present everyone is working hard to get ready for midterm examinations. Judging by the grades made at midsemester Virginia Beta should come through with a very good standing among the other fraternities.

Immediately after the midterm examinations Washington and Lee will have her winter dances, including fancy dress ball. At this time Virginia Beta plans to have a dinner dance at Natural Bridge Inn.

Lexington, Va.
January 5, 1927

WILLIAM B. LATT
Correspondent

THIRD DISTRICT

Pennsylvania Alpha—Washington and Jefferson College

All the brothers reported back for duty on the 4th and are working hard in order to be ready for the finals which come in about three weeks. The brothers have been impressed with the idea of study and are really trying to bring up the average.

We are glad to announce that Biddy Aiken has again won his letter in football. Lewie Sturbois has made the varsity squad for the coming basketball season which opens on Tuesday night with Allegheny. Brother Henry H. Hood has just resigned from the position of graduate manager of athletics and has since been asked to act as the chapter's big brother, as an assistant to Lane Blackburn, who is out of town much of the time and for that reason cannot attend the meetings.

L. McK. Crumrine '09 has just completed a successful term as the district head of the American Legion.

Our bowling team is right up in the lead, being tied with the

Phi Gams for the first honors. Pledge Walton is on the top in the individual averages, too. We are sorry to announce that our basketball team is dying a slow death.

Wally Johnson has recently been initiated into the Druids.

Washington, Pa.
January 8, 1927

PAUL H. FERGUSON
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Beta—Allegheny College

The new year finds all the boys of Pennsylvania Beta back from the Christmas holidays bearing evidence, in the way of new sox and ties, that old Kris Kringle is still on the job.

On December 11th, the fall party was held at Saegertown Inn. The ball room was decorated to represent a pine woods scene with a canopy of artificial snow flakes. Entire plans for the party were in the hands of J. Hicks Baldwin. A surprise in the form of a cotillion broke the formality which always prevails at a formal dinner-dance and helped to make the night a record one for a good time.

On Thursday evening before vacation we held a little Christmas party for the pledges and brothers. After a delightful chicken dinner, gifts were exchanged and letters to Santa Claus were read by the freshmen.

The basketball season opens tonight with Lebanon Valley, which of the two games played have been won. The second game, on January 6th, with the University of Pittsburgh, resulted in a 22-18 victory. Slaven and Pledges Blackburn and Myers are on the squad.

Already plans for Founders' Day, February 19th, are under way. Since this year marks the seventy-fifth anniversary of Phi Kappa Psi, we want to celebrate the occasion in a fitting manner. We can make the day a big one only with the help of our alumni, so we urge you to be with us at that time.

Meadville, Pa.
January 6, 1927

HUGH K. LONG
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Lambda—Pennsylvania State College

Pennsylvania Lambda has experienced another rushing season. It would not be exaggeration to state that it was most successful. Every one of the seven freshmen who accepted a Phi Psi pledge button is of real Phi Psi calibre and much should be heard from our 1930 delegation before a college generation passes. Here they are: Malcolm Kirkpatrick, Philadelphia; Henry Runyon Dowdy, Philadelphia; Paul Spencer Williams, Pittsburgh; Carl Buck, Pittsburgh; John William Batdorf, Philadelphia; Calvin Elwood Barwis, Warren; and Charles Drawbaugh, Mechanicsburg.

A new Orthophonic has been added since our return from the Christmas vacation; the cabinet is an attractive piece of furniture; the tone is perfect. Brother Hurrell presented the chapter with the choicest new records. It is almost needless to say that the new "Ortho" is being exercised abundantly. Brother Martin gave us a handsome clock which has found a permanent resting place upon the club room mantel. Brother Frizzell made a very kind contribution to the piano fund.

The annual banquet and party, which precedes the holidays, was the most successful of all times. The dining hall was crowded to full capacity; the feast received the approval of the most discriminating. The customary freshman play followed; our young comedians displayed unsuspected ability. Several times the sympathetic (?) audience was thrown into hysterical laughter.

The basketball season opens tonight with Lebanon Valley, which is represented by a veteran team. However, the Nittany Lions promise a good year. Page, at center, will start. Brooks, first assistant manager, is striving for the honored position. House is also in the field for a first assistant managership. Payne holds a place on the soph hop committee. Ingham is aspiring to the position of boxing manager. Stevens is struggling for varsity wrestling and Batdorf for frosh wrestling. Buck has been training for the yearling boxing team. Dodge has made a splendid showing on the debating team which has enjoyed a triumphant season.

We expect several brothers to join us at the beginning of the second semester; it will be a pleasure to have these brothers with us again. We all feel sure that the new year will be most prosperous for every chapter of Phi Psi and extend the heartiest greeting to all.

State College, Pa.
January 7, 1927

J. RANDALL THOMAS
Correspondent

West Virginia Alpha—West Virginia University

With semester examinations only two weeks distant, the lull before the storm has settled over West Virginia Alpha. The brothers are imbued with that "do or die" spirit which always strikes at the last minute. The only distraction offered is the party to be given the chapter by the preps on January 14th, which gives promise of being the well-known howling success.

The last event on our social calendar was a Christmas smoker given just before the holidays, when all the brothers received gifts of a more or less questionable and useless nature. Needless to say, mirth reigned supreme.

Joe Dawson, whose death was announced in our last letter has perpetuated his interest in the Fraternity by bequeathing five hundred dollars to the Endowment Fund of the national organization, and one thousand dollars to the building fund of West Virginia Alpha. It is impossible to try to express our appreciation in mere words.

Basketball season has opened with two victories for West Virginia. Truehart Taylor is working out with the varsity squad, and is practically certain of stepping into one of the forward positions when he becomes eligible at the start of the second semester. One of our freshmen is out for manager of basketball, and another for manager of the wrestling team.

West Virginia Alpha will have the honor this year of entertaining the Third District Council. Details are not yet worked out, but the plans as they stand call for a three day session beginning April 28th. High spots will be a smoker on the first day, a dance on the second, and a banquet the third. If hard work and cooperation mean anything, we should have a meeting long to be remembered.

Morgantown, W. Va.
January 10, 1927

ERNEST H. GILBERT, JR
Correspondent

Ohio Alpha—Ohio Wesleyan University

Without doubt the most notable event which has occurred since the last letter and certainly one of the most pleasurable for us, was the official visit of our esteemed Archon, Harry L. Snyder, who dropped in on us the week-end of November 27th. We trust that in some small degree he enjoyed his visit as it would indeed be helpful if we might frequently have the benefit of his presence and counsel.

Our first semester formal was held early in December. It turned out to be one of the best and most successful in recent years. Every feature made the affair a really splendid affair.

Ohio Wesleyan's basketball team captured its first Ohio conference game from Reserve last night. There seems to be an exceptionally bright outlook for the coming season. With our new Coach Detrick, former star of Wittenberg, who is instilling pep and speed with real success, we can't help believing that we have a winning combination. We have "Bob" Helwig, one of the stars of last year's varsity, playing regular at guard. "Bob" has one more year. Oram Magly, one of the finds of the freshman team of last year, is showing real ability as varsity center.

Wesleyan's track team has been getting a good start indoors for the past few weeks. We are represented by "Dick" Dowds and "Wink" Parker, both seniors. Both have wone their "W"s for the past two seasons. "Bob" Pettibone is by far the best man on the freshman squad.

Delaware, Ohio
January 7, 1927

JOHN KLINE BARTRAM
Correspondent

Ohio Beta—Wittenberg College

Aftry a moste merrie Yuletide season ye goode and worthi brothers and pledges have returned, rejoycing to ye olden Ward-Street hostelrie. Alle compared nottes on oure divers escapades in ye olden home townes and followed with a serenade on which we sange ful meriely and lowde. We alle resolved to retyre to oure cloystres and studie much in ye newe yeare.

The plans for a new house, started early in the fall, are becoming more promising as we approach Founders' Day. At this time we plan to have them in shape for presentation to the alumni. A valuable supplement is the proposed organization of a Phi Psi mothers' club, now being sponsored by Teichmoeller. The next edition of the chapter paper, to be published under the editorship of Larimer, will devote special emphasis to this project. We are now in possession of a beautiful scholarship plaque, the gift of the Executive Council, awarded to Ohio Beta for first ranking in scholarship among national fraternities at Wittenberg. Notice is hereby given that the chapter accepts no responsibility for serious mental derangements incurred by visiting alumni, incident to espying this most recent acquisition. The gift of Pledge Hankins to the house, a mangy, odoriferous airedale, whose habitat thus far has been limited to the furnace room, has been retained notwithstanding numerous blackballs cast against him.

Early season defeats of Cornell and Georgia Tech by Wittenberg indicate a decided improvement over last year's quintet and a successful season in the Buckeye Athletic Association is being anticipated.

At the close of the chapter dance on November 26th, Brother Hiller, faculty chaperone, announced the arrival of a "new Phi Psi" in town, Rees Edgar Tulloss II, son of Brother Prexy Tulloss. The membership committee immediately convened in executive session and entered his name on the files as a prospective rushee.

Springfield, Ohio
January 6, 1927

EARL P. SCHNEIDER
Correspondent

Ohio Delta—Ohio State University

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Ohio Epsilon—Case School of Applied Science

The team representing Phi Psi this year in the intramural basketball league is undefeated to date, and the boys are out to run the third leg on the trophy, which will clinch permanent possession of the cup.

After much discussion, House Manager Fellows donned his old clothes and painted the ceiling of the sun porch. It seems as though the plumbers are here all the time, and oh, how they do plumb! Our trusty steward ordered a new set of chinaware and we initiated the set at breakfast at the Christmas party. The Ladies Auxiliary presented the house with a new davenport, table runner, a dozen blankets, spreads, two dozen sheets, bath towels and hand towels. They are forever doing something nice for the boys and we sure appreciate their generosity.

The annual Christmas formal was held on the evening of December 23d, immediately after everyone enjoyed an eleven-day vacation. An impromptu New Year's eve party was held at the house by the brothers in town during the vacation. It is reported that there were no headaches on the following morn.

Two jolly weeks remain, and then the undergraduates' skeleton will start its travels trying to find solace during "finals." We hope that we will be able to shanghai this spectre and put him away until May when he will sally forth once more.

Social functions will be postponed until February and the date of the first one is uncertain at the present time. As a rule they fall on Saturday evening, so if you are in town you might check up on us. We sure would like to have you try our new chinaware, and there are at least several thousand reasons why you should drop in and see the boys whenever you are in Cleveland. We will try our hardest to make you feel at home.

Cleveland, Ohio
January 9, 1927

H. A. GRUNDLER
Correspondent

FOURTH DISTRICT

Michigan Alpha—University of Michigan

The last spurt to final examinations in February has begun, and all the brothers are again hard at the books after variously spent Christmas holidays. We are out to bring the house average to the place that Phi Psi should hold.

Elaborate plans are being made for a proper celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Fraternity that falls, this year, on our regular initiation night. We hope to have a larger representation of alumni attend than even for our own big fiftieth anniversary last year. We want to see all of you that were here then, and sincerely look forward to seeing others that have stayed away longer. This year's initiation is sure to be one of the best and largest in years. We have thirteen pledges working hard for their necessary eleven hours of "C" credits, and we hope to initiate them all. They are a fine bunch of boys, and every one is worthy of the pin they will soon wear.

The tennis court, as in previous years, has been flooded, and forms an excellent skating rink for the members of the chapter. Hardly an afternoon passes that either a hockey game is not started or that some of the more talented brothers cannot be found exhibiting their skill and grace on its frozen surface. "Bill" Maney has graduated from this, though, and is making a strong bid for a permanent wing position on the hockey team. Kelly and Tarbill are working every afternoon on the track while the illustrious Halsted brothers are again practicing to fill their old positions as two of the best swimmers in the conference.

Initiation will be on February 19th. We want every alumnus that can, to come and help us make it the best anniversary and initiation this chapter has ever had.

Ann Arbor, Mich.
January 7, 1927

ROBERT N. PRENTISS
Correspondent

Indiana Alpha—DePauw University

We think that we are going to be able to initiate all the freshmen next month, but perhaps we had better wait until the grades come out before we brag about that! However, the class is really strong scholastically and it will make a different showing than that made last year.

Orville Vaughan, Deputy Archon of the district, visited us a short time prior to the holidays. He was a welcome visitor here and the boys were all glad to make his acquaintance. In a recent letter he reported he found the chapter in first class shape.

Glenn Wilkinson '05, of Wabash, Ind., recently presented us with a three-piece suite of furniture that has been a much needed addition to the front room. It is upholstered in red leather and is very fitting for a chapter house. Indiana Alpha is deeply indebted to Glenn for the handsome gift.

Five of the eighteen football awards went to Scott, Fisher, Gunn, Marshall and Smith. In addition to their letters they were presented with gold footballs as a special award for the excellent showing that DePauw made in football last fall. Pledges Wentworth, Ed VanRiper, Guernsey VanRiper, and Brother Evans received their numerals for work on the freshman squad. Puckett, Marshall and Gunn compose one-fourth of the university net squad. Murdoch, Scott, Marlatt and Fowle have played major parts in the swimming contests this winter. Gunn was elected assistant business manager for the *Mirage*, college year book, with the prospect of becoming the manager next year. Puckett was the university representative to the National Student Federation of America conference at Ann Arbor, Mich., in December.

Alumni will be interested to know that the Music School will be moved from its old location this spring to the corner diagonally opposite so that the Lucy Roland Rector Dormitory for women can be erected adjacent to Rector Hall. A Fine Arts building will also be built this spring next to the new location of the Music School. The Methodist Church will also be erected in the spring according to present plans. The \$250,000 structure will stand directly to the rear of the Library.

Morrison, head coach of baseball, will leave DePauw in February to go with the Pittsburg Pirates. Prof. Carson, head of the history department, has been granted a leave of absence for the next semester in order to do some research work. Delta Delta Delta will move into its new home the first of February.

The first spike party of the year is to be held this month. There will be another in the near future. If you know of any good men it would be a big favor to us if you would send in the names. Plans are being made for the District Council to be held here in April. It is hoped that some of the alumni will return for the event and help us extend true hospitality.

Greencastle, Ind.
January 9, 1927

ROBERT S. EMISON
Correspondent

Indiana Beta—University of Indiana

The entire chapter has returned after a fine Christmas vacation, and each brother has firmly resolved to "get on the books" and pull up our slightly low scholarship. Finals are only two weeks away, but we hope to be ready for them when the day arrives.

Attention to activities has not been lacking since our last SHIELD letter. Richardson was initiated Sigma Delta Chi; Shirts was pledged Alpha Chi Sigma; Johnson was initiated Delta Sigma Pi; and Krueger was pledged Sphinx Club. Indiana's basketball team is off to a whirlwind start, and hasn't lost a game. Krueger is captain and is playing his usual stellar game at forward. Starr has played in most of the games so far and will probably win his letter. Scheid, after a week's illness, is back with the squad and will no doubt be playing in every game soon. We all hope that Phi Psi will be represented by these three brothers on a conference championship basketball team this season. Pledges Brenton and Hines survived the final cut of the freshman squad and are lining up with the best on the floor. We are represented in the other sports by Luther on the swimming team, and Pledge Hubbard out for freshman boxing. Pledges Bundy and Hansen received their numerals in football.

The annual Christmas formal was held at the chapter house on December 4th, and proved, as usual, to be the big event of the fall. Then the night before vacation the freshmen put on their annual Christmas party for the upperclassmen. After their offering of entertainment, all the brothers gathered around the fireplace for the great sessions of poetry, stories and songs. Tom Longfellow's recitations again were the greater part of the entertainment.

As soon as possible after initiation we will start our spring rushing. Recommendations from any of the brothers will be gladly received and acted upon. We are expecting all the brothers who possibly can to return for our seventy-fifth anniversary program which will accompany the initiation and Founders' Day banquet.

The exact date has not been set at the time of this writing, but it will probably be near the date of February 18th. Find out for sure just when it will be, for we are expecting you to be with us.

Bloomington, Ind.
January 9, 1927

WILLIAM B. SHATTUCK
Correspondent

Indiana Delta—Purdue University

With final examinations a mere two weeks away, the new year descended on a rather quiet house full of worried students at Indiana Delta. Christmas holidays left no apparent bad marks on any of the men.

The chapter renewed an ancient custom this year in way of a Christmas banquet on the eve of our vacation period. Only active members were present, and so successful was the affair that all present expressed a sincere desire to continue this old custom. The steward endeavored to have two pigs, with all the time-honored trimmings (substituting water for such liquids as are no longer legal) served on great platters before the royal crowd, but pigs this year had conceived some sort of disease that barred this intended fete. However, the father of "Willy" Willcutts presented the chapter with three large hams; the same being cooked and served so deliciously that the remainder of friend pig was nearly wholly unnoticed. And what side dishes went with it! Scalloped oysters, mashed potatoes, preserves, pickles, rolls, jellies and marmalades, all topped off with fancy little sweet cakes and fruits of all description. Following the feast, all participants ascended amid gorged groans, to the first floor where our black porter did Santa's act and distributed the gifts. Said gifts being the season's remuneration to recipients for unaccounted actions during the year. The freshmen brought the revelry to a close by getting their poke at upperclassmen as set forth in letters to the red-knickered fellow.

The chapter's activities are good so far this year, and should be better. Stoever was pledged and initiated into Tau Beta Pi (national honorary engineering fraternity) and Pi Tau Sigma (national honorary mechanical engineering fraternity) and was awarded the Wilbur scholar. The general house average in scholarship shows promise, and from grade cards recently turned in, the freshmen are eligible for the university scholarship trophy.

Hook and Galletch were awarded major letters in football, and were among the few to receive solid gold footballs for participation in select games. Cutter was late in getting started in football, due to ineligibility, but took part in some of the postseason games.

In minor sports, Fridlin was elected golf captain, and together with Thomas, should turn in a couple of letters in the spring. Stoever was elected water polo captain and Hook is on the swimming team. There will probably be two more letters here. Milfor is playing tennis and Pettitt and Willcutts are hard at work with the mask and foil.

In Union work, McMahan and Koeppen received important committee chairmanships, while Johnson is on the financial end of the *Debris*. Along with Johnson, Thomas is bidding for a place on the art staff. Molt and Koeppen are members of the Purdue Harlequin board, and when time is ripe, there should be a goodly representation from the house in the cast for the 1927 show.

Herman Boots and Andrew Hubbeling won their freshman numerals in football, and Boots will doubtlessly add strength to the freshman-varsity basketball squad, when it is chosen.

Fridlin represented Purdue University at the National Interfraternity convention in New York at Thanksgiving time.

They are still teaching the same things up here, and we are still trying to learn them and keep house bills down. There is no new or startling news. Once again, we extend our welcome to the alumni and brothers and pledges, but notice, please, that if you try to gain entrance to the house, it will be necessary to ring the bell, call up beforehand or raise Cain in general so we will know somebody is without, because we have to carry keys now and do not hang them out any place. The house is locked at eleven on week nights and from one o'clock on Saturdays.

Lafayette, Ind.
January 10, 1927

J. F. KOEPPEN
Correspondent

Illinois Alpha—Northwestern University

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Illinois Beta—University of Chicago

A new quarter is just beginning and it looks as though Phi Psi were going to continue to do big things throughout the next term. Practically every Phi Psi came through last quarter's final exams in great shape, and practically the entire class of pledges will be eligible for initiation this winter. Two of the freshmen in particular, Yager and Marshall, did exceptionally well, getting 16 out of a possible 18 grade points.

All the freshmen were successful in establishing themselves in the major activities of the university last quarter. Eikenberry, Marshall, Morrison and Meigs won football numerals. Trowbridge and Read are working on the *Daily Maroon*, Yager is working on the *Year Book*, while Sass and Hadfield have positions in the intramural department. Yager, Sass, Hadfield, Ray, Read, Budd and Kennedy were elected to membership in Green Cap Club, the freshman honorary society, and Hadfield was elected to a position on the executive council of the organization. The frosh are also going fine in winter sports. Budd, Marshall and Hadfield are working for numerals in basketball. Kennedy and Trowbridge are in line for their numerals in track, while Yager and Eikenberry have more than a good chance at getting numerals in wrestling in addition to the usual bumps and sore spots.

Another auspicious movement was the election of Jim Cusack to the office of G. P. for the ensuing quarter. Jimmy was last year's track captain and is this year president of the interfraternity council, and is just the man to keep Phi Psi at her present high level on the campus.

Phi Psi will be well in evidence on the basketball floor this season. "Hank" Sackett is captain of the Maroon quintet, and it looks as though his team will be one of the best Maroon outfits in recent years. Virgil Gist, a sophomore star, holds a forward position, and Macklind and Farwell are guards on the varsity.

Aside from the fact that members of Phi Psi more than held their own in campus activities last quarter there were several events which deserve special mention. On November 19th the annual intramural cross-country run was held, and Trowbridge, Yager and Farwell, running under Phi Psi colors, succeeded in copping first place. The award was a beautiful gold figure.

Again on December 3d the university wide swimming meet was held, and this time Weddell, Peale, Trowbridge, Thomas and Hadfield carried Phi Psi colors to victory. The award to the winners was a bronze figure. Weddell was the individual star of the meet. In the wrestling tournament Ray, Yager and Eikenberry, freshmen, won third place medals.

The great event of the quarter was a parents' banquet held on December 4th. Over fifty parents were present and spent a very enjoyable evening. The greater business of the evening was the mutual business of getting acquainted. Through this banquet much is accomplished, for the parents learn what a fraternity really is, and the brothers greatly enjoy meeting one another's parents and explaining to them just why Phi Psi is the greatest fraternity. In the course of the banquet scholarship medals awarded by the alumni association were presented to the men making the best grades in each of three lower classes. Thomas, Farwell and Sackett were the recipients of the medals which are a composite of a Phi Psi shield and a Phi Beta Kappa key. These awards are a fine stimulus to fraternity scholarship.

Members of Illinois Beta are anxious to see visiting brothers. We want to show you our house, tell you about what we have done, and of course, eat a lot and sing the good old Phi Psi songs. The basketball season is a good time for this sort of thing so let's get together.

Chicago, Ill.
January 5, 1927

PERRY R. THOMAS
Correspondent

Illinois Delta—University of Illinois

With a wonderful Christmas vacation behind us, the brothers and pledges have returned for the final stretch of the semester with the avowed intention of hitting the books hard these final three weeks before exams. Everyone was given a great send-off for the holidays at a dinner-dance held in the chapter house on December 21st, with Brother Bill Donahue's orchestra furnishing the necessary music. With a Christmas tree all decorated with lights, plenty of mistletoe hanging around, and oceans of holly, all the brothers agreed it was the best dance ever held at "911."

Although the chapter was sufficiently large at the first of the semester, several brothers have dropped out since, leaving the chapter roll rather small. The last two to leave us were Pledge Miles Smith who was called to South America by illness in the family, and Charles Hall who failed to return following the Christmas holidays, having accepted a position in Chicago.

Those brothers who are athletically inclined are engaged in all manner of sports. Ongley, although failing to make a letter, showed up very well on the football squad and was inserted into the line in a couple of games during the past season. He has two more years of competition and should develop into a valuable man before he hangs up the moleskins for good. At present he is trying

his skill at the wrestling game and stands a good chance of working in the light heavyweight division. Spies, Smith and Fix are working out regularly with the swimming team and all have made the squad. Spies is one of the best back stroke swimmers in college and will receive his first test in intercollegiate competition next Saturday. Boling is still toiling long and hard as sophomore baseball manager and is seeing real service now that baseball practice has started in the Armory. McNeill is trying out for varsity cheerleader and his antics and gyrations seem to equal those of any other candidate for the position. Bennett enjoyed his Christmas vacation on a tour of the state with the glee club and has as yet shown no ill effects of the trip. He is also engaged in various literary activities about the campus, which do not seem to affect seriously his drive for a Phi Beta Kappa key. Spies has been honored with the presidency of the Antioch Club, a newly organized society which is rapidly springing into prominence on the Illinois campus. Scott was recently pledged and initiated into the TuMas organization, the honorary junior society on the campus.

Many of the pledges are also showing their aptitude at various forms of activities. Ken Stixrud is draping himself gracefully about the diving board of the new pool, while Al Kremer and Ken Burroughs are trying out for the team in the longer distances. Kremer is also getting into print by his own labors, drawing cartoons for several campus publications, including the *Daily Illini*. Jimmy Stewart survived all cuts on the editorial staff of the *Illio*, yearly publication, while Bill Lange has been elected secretary of the French Club.

Visiting brothers are becoming more numerous, but not as numerous as we would like. All Phi Psis are cordially invited to accept the humble hospitality of Illinois Delta at any time they are near Champaign.

Champaign, Ill.
January 7, 1927

J. EDWARD SHAW
Correspondent

Tennessee Delta—Vanderbilt University

Freshmen, looking forward to "hell week," feel just like the dog as he watched the man get ready to bob his tail—"It won't be long now." By the time this is published most of them will be true brothers and hard working members of old Phi Psi. Initiation will be held January 16th and, judging by the grades already in, Tennessee Delta will have a goodly number of new brothers.

A social function crowned with the greatest success was our dinner-dance given immediately after classes resumed following Christmas vacation. Everything and everybody were just right, and a better party is yet to be given. Our next attempt at entertaining will be Founders' Day banquet for which preparations are already being made, and to which all brothers, undergraduates and alumni, who happen to be in our part of the country, are hereby cordially invited.

Due to practice before the holidays, our basketball team is thoroughly organized and ready for all comers. If we do not come out on top in the fraternity tournament this winter it will be a big upset and great surprise to all who have seen us in action.

Johnston is practically sure of a berth on the varsity baseball squad this spring; Pledge Warner upheld freshman honor and now

proudly struts his big football sweater; Morris is striving for track manager; Milliken was recently elected assistant manager of football; and the five or six out for spring track work keep athletics as a constant part of midterm life.

Of great interest to our alumni, near and far, was the marriage of Winston ("Winkie") Clarke and Miss Bonnie Owsley. The wedding took place during the early part of the winter and they are now receiving congratulations at their home in Nashville.

We recently had as our visitor Brother Weiner of Texas Alpha. The only fault we can find with our guests is that they are too few.

Many years ago, just after our chapter house was completed, a christening ceremony was held. After dinner a parade was formed which wended its way to the Woodland Street bridge. There the key to the front door was solemnly thrown into the muddy waters of the Cumberland. Since that day the door has never been locked—so it stands today, open to all visitors. Drop around and help us wear out the new "Welcome" mat.

Nashville, Tenn.

T. A. GRIMES

Correspondent

Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin

With less than a month remaining before final examinations take place, everybody is settling down to hard study in an endeavor to bring Phi Psi nearer the top in scholarship.

Activities have increased quite a bit since the last letter to THE SHIELD. Edwin Larkin has been named assistant prom chairman, Richard McKee has been appointed chairman of the pre-prom dance committee, and Lee Shriver has been named a member of the art committee in connection with prom. In addition to these activities several others have occupied the attention of the chapter. McKee is out for track; Mitchell, Drummond and Boyer are out for hockey.

Among the pledges, MacDermaid was the first to win numerals, getting them as frosh cross-country manager. Hobart has been named junior cross-country manager for next year. Almer is out for frosh hockey, and Vroman is a likely candidate for the frosh gym team. Don Reeke is working hard as frosh intramural manager and will probably get his numerals. Ralph Smith is singing with the glee club and will go out for Haresfoot later on.

The Christmas formal was held at the chapter house on December 10th, and was without doubt the best party of the year. Plans are being made for the party to be held at the house in connection with prom, and it already gives promise of being one of the biggest and best ever held. The chapter track team took third place in the interfraternity track meet held just before Christmas vacation, and it is expected that before long the basketball team will get into action.

Madison, Wis.
January 6, 1927

SAM BOYER JR
Correspondent

Wisconsin Gamma—Beloit College

Our informal Christmas dance was held December 11th. The decorations were simple but very attractive, due largely to the unique lighting effect conceived by "Pete" Kesler. Les Kellog and several of the brothers from Illinois Alpha attended the party.

December 11th Phi Kappa Psi defeated the toughest team in the intramural cage league, beating T K E 21-18. The game was close throughout, with a 15-15 tie at the end. In the overtime period Bottino made three baskets, winning for Phi Psi. Phi Psi is now in a triple tie for first place.

Three Phi Psis survived the final cut in varsity basketball, "Boob" Darling, Mort Balch and Ken Dupee being included in the nine selected by Coach Bohler. Darling and Balch were also letter men in football this season. Bottino is sure of a regular position on the varsity when he becomes eligible in February.

The Beloit College Panhellenic formal dance will be held early in February. "Doc" Surensen is the Phi Psi representative on the committee.

Beloit, Wis.
January 7, 1927

KENNETH J. DUPEE
Correspondent

Minnesota Beta—University of Minnesota

NO LETTER RECEIVED

FIFTH DISTRICT

Iowa Alpha—University of Iowa

With semester exams but two weeks away, the brothers of Iowa Alpha are devoting the greater part of their attention to the problem of assimilating some of the important points of their courses. In our spare moments, however, we have been giving much time to outside activities. Philips, next years' tennis captain, and incidentally the player who made it possible for Iowa to tie for the "Big Ten" title last year by his uncanny basket shooting, has resumed his duties as forward. Pledges Johnstone, Kunan and Ades, all-state basketball players, have been holding down berths on the fastest freshman quintet Iowa has seen for years. Coach Breshnahan's call for track material has been responded to by Bob Cuhel, conference low hurdle champion and crack quarter-miler, and Pledges Kittle and Jerrel who are sure point-winners in the jumps. Turner, a speedy sophomore swimmer, has enhanced the power of the varsity in that sport by his sensational efforts.

Every university play witnesses the debut of one or more Phi Psis into dramatics. So far Damour, Davis, Dutcher, Cox and Pledge Bowman have taken leading parts in the plays.

The next social event on the program of Iowa Alpha is to take form in the midsemester party which will be given at the chapter house January 29th. A novelty waffle breakfast will take the place of refreshments at the close of the party. We will be especially honored at this time by the presence of several alumni and we sincerely hope that those who are unable to attend this party will find it convenient to visit us later.

Iowa City, Iowa
January 9, 1927

F. KEMP
Correspondent

Iowa Beta—Iowa State College

Iowa Beta takes great pleasure in announcing the pledging of Harold Dawes of Trinidad, Col. He is a student of exceptional ability.

Claude McBroom was initiated into Tau Beta Pi, national engineering fraternity. He is the first man from Iowa Beta who has made "Tau Bete" in the last ten or twelve years. He was graduated at the end of the fall quarter, and he left a very big place to fill. During his four years on the campus he has worked hard for Phi Psi and the results he achieved would do honor to any man.

Pierce, who is president of the Interfraternity Council, made the trip to New York City to the national convention, where he was elected treasurer of the National Interfraternity Council. He is also manager of the wrestling team for the coming season, and will play a big part in the coming National A. A. U. wrestling tournament to be held the latter part of March at Ames. Sweeney is working hard for a position on the team and if he continues to improve he should have no trouble.

Myers made the trip to California with the football team, when it decisively defeated the California team. Lomax was elected manager of the football team for the coming year. Pledge Leiser was awarded a numeral for his excellent work on the football squad of the preps. Pledge MacFarland was given honorable mention.

Thornburg was general chairman of all the committees that staged the junior trot, the last of November, and it was largely through his efforts that the dance was a marked success. He is also on the track team and should win his letter with little trouble.

Other Phi Psis are holding up their end in track circles. Keefer placed fourth in the intramural cross-country race held this fall. Pledges Smith and MacFarland are showing the way to the freshman track aspirants. Smith is a hurdler while MacFarland is a dash man.

Pledge Howe is assured of a place on the swimming team by his showing in the tryouts.

Putnam was elected to the vice presidency of the sophomore class, and will take office the coming quarter.

R. A. Nichols returned to college last quarter after an absence of almost two years. C. K. Hill is expected to return this winter quarter to finish his work. He has only two quarters more before he graduates.

The remainder of the brothers and pledges are working hard to keep Phi Psi on the top.

Ames, Iowa
December 30, 1926

JOHN S. CRARY
Correspondent

Missouri Alpha—University of Missouri

Missouri Alpha is looking forward with much interest to the seventy-fifth celebration of Founders' Day. A large program has been prepared and many of the alumni from both Kansas City and St. Louis, as well as from the lesser lights of our state, are expected down for the festivities.

A new delegation has taken over the chapter for the next semester and many good things are looked forward to by the chapter as the

outcome. John Scott from Joplin has taken over the office of G. P. Don Ross was chosen to second him in the office of V. G. P. Our old and faithful P. stays on the job. John Martin prepares too good menus for us to let him go. The rest of the offices are filled with worthy men even though some of them are comparatively young in the chapter.

Ross now has charge of the finances of the Panhellenic of the university as well as being on several committees of that organization. Consequently Missouri Alpha has the jump on the rest of the fraternities of the campus in many affairs. He also heads the committee for the Panhellenic dance that will be given in the gym between semesters. The rest of the brothers have not been idle as far as activities are concerned, and even our pledges are still sitting high and mighty in the freshman world. Our tall man from Clemson, S. C., Pledge Wright Bryan, took the lead in the journalism show this winter, and there are many other promising thespians on our roll.

The Panhellenic basketball tournament starts in a few days and with Tom Maxey at the helm we expect to have the cup reposing on the mantel before the season is entirely past history. We are even going into a shooting match with the other fraternities on the campus and if the bulls-eyes hold out we'll romp home with the cup in that, too.

The social program for the next semester has not been compiled yet, but with a big Panhellenic dance to start affairs off it should be a good season. Our formal will very probably come during the latter part of March. The Mother's week-end may be put at the same time, thus giving the mothers a very interesting time, we hope.

In closing we want to remind the brothers that go visiting at times not to forget that Missouri Alpha is still located at Columbia, Mo., and always ready to welcome you.

Columbia, Mo.

STANTON AGNEW
Correspondent

Texas Alpha—University of Texas

Texas Alpha has experienced one of the most successful homecomings in its history. From all parts of the greatest state in the Union came brothers, many of whom had not seen the chapter for years. But our guests were not limited to these from Texas alone. Brother Schmidt came down from New York and spent the entire week-end with us, and others drifted in from the neighboring states. We also had with us numerous brothers from other chapters, among whom were Charles (Buddy) Rogers from Kansas Alpha, Brother Stearns from Pennsylvania Lambda, Brother Kenney from New Hampshire Alpha, and Brother Van Epps from Wisconsin Gamma. In fact, the entire day was spent in welcoming the many alumni, both brothers and pledges, who were able to be with us.

Not only will this Thanksgiving be remembered for this great homecoming, but also for the football game that was played that afternoon between Texas University and Texas A. and M. This has always been the greatest game in the conference, and the game this year proved no disappointment to the thousands of spectators that visited Austin this day. Coming from behind a five

point lead which A. and M. was unable to pick up in the first quarter, Texas University completely outplayed and outmaneuvered the Aggies to win 14 to 5. So ended one of the best days of the year.

Brother Van Epps, Wis. Gamma, is here on a visit and is planning to enter the university after Christmas. We are certainly glad to have him with us and only hope that he will be here permanently.

As the fall term draws to an end and with final examinations less than two weeks off, the chapter as well as the entire university has settled down to hard study. The brothers and pledges both seem to be very well prepared for the coming examinations, and we hope to have the entire chapter back after Christmas to round out the year with the two other terms as pleasant as this has been.

Austin, Texas
December 5, 1926

FRED P. HAMILL
Correspondent

Kansas Alpha—University of Kansas

After the excitement of the football season had died down five of the brothers were awarded "K's" for their services on the varsity. The men winning the letters are Wilbur Starr, Barrett Hamilton, Frank Taylor, Joe Wellman and Harold Hauser. Besides the honor of a second letter to his credit, Barrett Hamilton was elected captain of next year's football team. Pledge Grimes won his numeral on the frosh squad.

Within two weeks after the close of football, Coach "Phog" Allen started his basketball machine to functioning. Albert Petersen, two year all-valley center, is playing at his regular position and "Dutch" Hauser is expected to take the guard position left open by "Frenchy" Belgard, captain and all-valley guard of last year. Prospects of a sixth consecutive valley championship are very bright for Kansas. The only one of the first five of last year lost to the team is Belgard.

Besides being interested in the varsity team all the brothers are watching the intramural basketball race. Kansas Alpha won the championship last year and stands a fair chance of repeating. We have the same team as last year with the exception of Hauser, who is now out for varsity.

The track men are warming up for the indoor meets. Lud Grady, member of the record-holding 440-yard relay team, is getting in shape. Pledges Woodward, Ash and Young are out for frosh track.

The last letter to THE SHIELD found the chapter in the throes of a violent political campaign with Bill Scales doing the mysterious work behind the scenes. The final outcome found Wilbur Starr elected president of the senior class. That gives Kansas Alpha quite an honor and reputation, two senior presidents in two successive years. Wilferd Belgard was president of the graduating class of last year. Albert Petersen is president of the Men's Student Council.

With Business Manager Bob Belisle at the helm, the K. U. Dramatic Club staged its first production of the year, "Dover Road." Pledge Olson played a leading part.

Bob Durand and Wilbur Starr are on the men's glee club. Starr is also a member of the glee club quartet.

Bret Waller won the Kansas Alpha frosh scholarship cup for last year, an honor given to the freshman having the highest average of the year.

The fifty-first Xmas dinner-dance, an annual affair given by the actives, was held at the chapter house on December 17th.

Lawrence Kan.

January 3, 1927

F. RAYMOND WHEELER

Correspondent

Nebraska Alpha—University of Nebraska

This has been a very successful year for Nebraska Alpha. We have raised our scholarship and have not lost any of the brothers through scholastic difficulties. We are especially proud of the men we pledged this fall, in the interest they have taken not only in their studies, but in entering campus activities, and working in the Fraternity. We feel that we have selected the strongest class of freshmen this chapter has had for several years.

The Nebraska football team made as good a record this year as it has in preceding ones, dropping but two games, one to Missouri and the other to Washington State at Seattle. The strong New York University eleven journeyed to Lincoln to be turned back for their only defeat of the season. A very interesting schedule has been arranged for next year. Beside the Missouri Valley games, there will be three intersectional games with Syracuse, New York University, and Pittsburgh. Elmer Holm, our only representative on the team had an unusual record in that he played in every game and during the season was used in every position but center, finally being placed at guard. He will be back next season and there will be two freshmen—George Ray and Keith Walker—ready to put on the “varsity clothes” with him. Walker has also been doing some wrestling.

Allan Wilson was made senior manager of the track team.

Wilbur Mead and Elmer Holm have won scholarship medals in the College of Business Administration. They were among the ten highest in the class.

Paul Robinson, from New York Beta, recently affiliated with the chapter. He has been made a member of the Kosmet Klub. This is a dramatic club that recently produced a play in which men filled all the roles. It was produced in several towns during the Christmas vacation and Victor Hackleer was in charge of the publicity.

Our formal was held on December 18th at the Lincoln Hotel.

Lincoln, Neb.

January 8, 1927

HORACE V. NOLAND

Correspondent

Oklahoma Alpha—University of Oklahoma

Oklahoma Alpha returned from the Christmas recess 100 per cent strong, and enthusiastic to make the remainder of the college year a glorious one for Phi Psi at Oklahoma.

Thanksgiving saw us moved into our new home at 720 Elm avenue, and during the holidays most of our furniture and equipment was installed. It is quite needless to say how pleasant it is to be living, at last, in the so-called “Phantom Elephant” which has for the past three years so successfully eluded us. But there is still much work to be done in and around the place before we can say it is completed. We are very happy to announce the initiation of

Wilhelm Stewart of Muskogee, Edward Cook of Los Angeles, Paul K. Frost of Oklahoma City, and Joseph Trigg of St. Louis, who joined the ranks of Phi Psi on December 5th.

Phi Psi on the campus at Oklahoma continues to hold its own in customary Phi Psi fashion. We are pleased to announce that Henry Mugler has been elected editor of next year's *Year Book*, and that Eugene Ames is a strong candidate in the race for election to presidency of the Student Council.

We wish here to correct on oversight in the previous letter, and announce the pledging of Francis Drake of Muskogee, who was pledged on October 22d.

We have the good news that Reeve Holmes and "Sonny" Adams will be back with us at the beginning of the second semester. But we feel a great loss at Bob Catlett's having to leave college at the close of this semester. He has been our treasurer this year, and has been of great service to our chapter.

The pressure of the coming election and the subsequent midyear examinations fill each of us with extraordinary anxiety to see the flag of old Phi Psi through the smoke of the battle and proudly flying when the last gun is heard. Let not this serious vein, however, belie the warm welcome in each of us to each of you to come and see us whenever, if ever, you can.

Norman, Okla.
January 5, 1927

WILLIAM O. COE
Correspondent

Colorado Alpha—University of Colorado

The coming of a new year also ushered in a new quarter for which some of us were very thankful as it gave us a chance to start off 1927 with none of our characteristic football work to hold back our average. And with the coming of another quarter, Keegan, Mathis and Wyatt all reentered college while we lost only Pledge Jones from our number because of scholastic reasons. This is a good forecast that our average is steadily climbing up to the level at which it should be.

Along with our increase in our average comes an increase in the activities in which we are participating. George Tuft has complete charge of the arrangements for the junior prom—the one gala social event of the year in which the whole university participates. Nevin has won a berth on the gym team and bids to capture firsts in two events. Pledge Campbell won his letter in freshman football and now, along with Pledges Kilber and Reilly, is a member of the varsity basketball squad. Pledges Bailey, Ewing and Roebuck won leads in the operetta while Tuft and Pledge Anderson are in the select chorus. McKee has taken part in the Little Theatre plays. And now we are putting a team in the intramural basketball league which bids fair to cop the cup when the smoke of the battle has cleared. Humes has been pledged to Scimitar, sophomore fraternity, while Pledge Reilly has won a place on the *Dodo*, the comic magazine.

On New Year's eve the chapter sponsored a party that was given in Denver to be sure that 1927 was welcomed in the proper and correct manner. The next event of interest is the junior prom which will be followed by our formal winter dance on February 26th. We are sincerely hoping that our alumni will be able to make us a visit then even if they cannot come to see us oftener.

Formal initiation will be held at the chapter house at ten in the morning of February 19th to be followed by our annual Founders' Day banquet in Denver that evening.

Boulder, Colo.
January 7, 1927

PETER C. REILLY JR
Correspondent

SIXTH DISTRICT

Washington Alpha—University of Washington

We take pleasure in announcing the pledging of the following men: Anthony Arntson of Tacoma; Walter Campbell, Allan Pardee, George Merkle, Charles Stephens, Jack Ferguson, Meritt Conger, all of California; Ruble Nickols of Wapato; Roy Armstrong of Coupeville; Glen Hanson of Wapato; Julius Ramsteadt of Wallace, Idaho; Tom Williams, Ron Lamping and Elwood Rankin of Seattle.

The freshman roster fairly bursts with athletic ability. Ruble Nickols and Roy Armstrong are wearing the numerals they have earned on the gridiron. Charley Stephens and Roy Armstrong are rowing on the first crew while Tommy Williams is out for coxswain.

Track claims Jack Ferguson and Merritt Conger, both of whom come to college with enviable high school records. Charley Stephens was elected chairman of the Frosh Vigilantes committee while Crip Conger is one of his cohorts. Glen Hanson is a member of the frosh glee club and Elwood Rankin is an aspirant along the same lines.

Not to be outdone by the frosh, the brothers are showing spirit along many lines. Engstrum was pledged Phi Alpha Delta, professional law fraternity. He makes the fourth member of P. A. D. in our house at the present time. Rickard, varsity yell king, performed his work efficiently and succeeded in obtaining a reputation as one of the best kings that Washington has ever had.

Flea May is making a strong bid for coxswain on the varsity crew. He has had frosh experience and is a very likely looking candidate. Don Lauder, Elton Engstrum and Polly Parrott will heed the call for track men and will be strong contenders for varsity places. Rose has been named on the junior prom committee and Bob Bundy was serving on the homecoming committee.

We are pleased to have Powell, Knudtson, Brooks and MacEwan with us again this quarter after an absence of some little time.

And last but not least the chapter is the proud possessor of another loving cup which was awarded us for having the best homecoming sign of the thirty-eight fraternity houses on this campus.

Very few visiting brothers ever get our way and we will be pleased to have all those visiting in the vicinity drop in to see us.

Seattle, Wash.
January 4, 1927

JOHN ROGERS
Correspondent

Oregon Alpha—University of Oregon

At present the brothers are returning from Christmas vacations spent in various parts of Oregon, Washington and California, and all seem to be in good spirits and ready for another successful term's work. They are returning to be pleasantly surprised by finding that we have received one of the beautiful plaques awarded

by the Executive Council to the chapter for leading all national fraternities on the campus in scholarship last year.

At the end of the fall term Oregon Alpha lost by graduation Albert Sinclair, captain of the 1926 varsity eleven. The loss of Al will be greatly felt by the chapter as he was, besides a football player and varsity swimmer, an excellent student and a real Phi Psi in every sense of the term.

An examination of the "scandal sheet" reveals the fact that Oregon Alpha fared very well in scholarship for the past term, most of the men making very satisfactory grades. It is pleasing to find that eight of our eleven pledges made grades satisfactory for initiation.

On December 20th a very successful rushing party was held in Portland attended by about fifteen of the active men, a number of Portland alumni, and ten guests. After an informal dinner the party enjoyed a very good bill at the Orpheum. It is the opinion of practically all the men that this sort of entertainment is much more satisfactory for rushing purposes than a dance, because it affords a better opportunity to get acquainted with the prospective pledges.

This term promises to be a busy one for the men of Oregon Alpha, first because practically everyone has expressed his determination to raise his scholarship, and second, because there will be a large number of men engaged in athletics and campus activities.

On the college publications five brothers will do intensive work this term. James Manning has the responsible job of managing the college year book, the *Oregana*; Vernon McGee is both sports editor and advertising manager of the *Oregana*; Pledge Jim Rogers is on the staffs of the *Oregana* and the *Webfoot*, doing art work for both publications, and Francis McKenna will continue his work as circulation manager of the *Oregon Daily Emerald*.

The debating season begins this term with several contests scheduled. Jack Hempstead, general forensics manager, and Roy Herridon will represent Oregon Alpha in this activity, as both are members of the varsity debate squad. Hempstead received word on November 23d that he had been awarded first prize in a national contest for his oration "Shadows of Truth." In this contest, sponsored by the National Intercollegiate Peace Association, his paper was entered in competition with those of students in universities from all over the country.

The swimming season will begin in earnest this term with McCook, Boutcher, Hoblitt and Newbegin in competition for aquatic honors. McCook is a letter-man in swimming, and Newbegin hopes to take Al Sinclair's place on the varsity as breast-stroker. Boutcher is starring on the water polo team, and Hoblitt is making good as a fancy diver. Newbegin is also manager of swimming.

Oregon looks forward to another great basketball season with three regulars back from last year's championship quintet and with plenty of high-calibre material from last year's frosh team. The team is just completing a very successful barnstorming tour in the south, having won every game played by a decisive score. The new \$200,000 basketball pavilion, capable of seating 7,000 people, is now practically completed. Bill Brown is making a great showing on the varsity while Pledge Darold Elkins is out for the frosh team.

The date for the Founders' Day banquet, which is to be held in Portland, has been set for February 19th. The chapter is considering postponing initiation and making it a part of the ceremonies in connection with the celebration of the Diamond Jubilee in Portland. It is expected that every man in the chapter will go to Portland for this occasion.

Eugene, Ore.
January 3, 1927

ROY L. HERNDON
Correspondent

California Beta—Leland Stanford University

December 17th saw a very successful quarter close for California Beta. The 27 men living in the house all made such good grades that our chapter is now about second in scholastic ranking on the campus. The report of the registrar has not appeared yet.

Stanford won the Pacific Coast conference and received the right to play Alabama for the national football title. None of our brothers were actual players in any of the games but we have Corwin Artman, a sophomore, whom "Foxy Pop" Warner purposely kept out of the games to have him eligible for three more years. "Tiny" has been ranked by many coaches who have seen him in scrimmage as one of the greatest tackles in the game today. G. P. "Chile" Mack and Pledge Joe Burton showed up well on the goof squad. Joe was ineligible for varsity competition but by next year his scholarship ought to be such as to make him a strong contender for the fullback berth.

John Long received a junior football manager's appointment at the end of the season. Gifford Le Roy Trayer is this year's basketball manager and early got his squad together so that by now we have a very good team. Dietrich is Giff's understudy in the capacity of sophomore manager.

Two rather serious automobile accidents occurred to mar the quarter. Johnny Munholland, "Three Star" Hanify, and Jack Speer turned completely over in Johnny's car but he was the only one hurt, receiving a deep gash on his right hand. On the night of the "big game" with California the two Beard brothers were returning to the campus and hit a telephone pole. Jack Beard received a number of deep cuts on the head but Bill was luckier, escaping with only two.

While on such topics I might state that Wallace Knox is still in the hospital resting to help heal an ulcer. Wally is Deputy Archon of this district and has been working hard on the D. C. to be held here at Stanford the first week in April. Wally expects to register for college again some time next week.

During the holidays we gave two informal rushing parties. One was for three young fellows living in San Francisco and the other was for nine boys from the southern part of the state. On December 26th we spent a full afternoon and evening at the Pacific Coast Club in Long Beach and from all accounts everyone had a good time. Stanford's open season on freshmen doesn't start until about the third week in April so between now and then we would appreciate, as always, any information on good material that may be at Stanford.

We will need a fairly good sized class to keep up our house. At the end of last quarter we lost two juniors, Jack Beard and Pledge Bill Pabst, while "Ham" Perrin finished his college career via the graduation route.

During the quarter we added two men. John Stanton transferred from Wisconsin Alpha and we pledged Joe Burton who has been out of college for a year and a half.

Under treasurer and house manager Dar Bryan we have started a sinking fund with which to paint our house next spring. The looks of the grounds were improved a hundred per cent by the removal of some old rose bushes in the front yard, but a couple of coats of paint will add a great deal more.

Stanford University, Cal.

January 4, 1927

JOHN LONG

Correspondent

California Gamma—University of California

This semester has been a bright and prosperous one for California Gamma. Many of our men have represented us in various activities on the campus. Two men have made their big "C"s in football, namely, Fred Coltrin and Jack Evans. Coltrin, a 200-pound tackle hailing from Chicago, was elected captain of the 1927 varsity and well deserved the honor. Evans, a quarterback from Long Beach, made his letter for the first time. Dennie displayed marked ability as a field general. Although the basketball season has not actually started we should be represented by three men in that field of activity. Ted Burnet is already playing on the 145-pound squad and Lloyd Donant should make the varsity squad if he is not declared ineligible. Lloyd's brother, Norman, stands a good chance to make the frosh team as he is reported to be an excellent guard.

Next semester we will be represented in crew, track, and water polo. Three of our frosh are going to keep mighty busy pulling oars when the next call comes. Jimmy Logan is out for cox while Warren Schultz and Morris Stimson are working for positions in the frosh shell. Fred Ducato, who plays water polo with the Olympic Club of San Francisco, plans to join the freshman water babies in the spring. Fred tried his hand at crew but forsook it in favor of water polo. Besides the water sport he is a wonder on the ivories and also made the highest average in the freshman class.

For a number of years California Gamma has held a reputation for its hospitality. During the last semester we held several functions at which alumni and friends were given a chance to partake of our friendship, food and whatever we had to offer. The first of these functions was a bridge party at which we entertained about 400 guests. We played bridge, served food and indulged in a brief informal dance. Open house was held on the day of our U. S. C. game and also during our big game with Stanford. The guests were too numerous to count. No one went away hungry and everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves.

Scholarship at California has been rather in the minus quantity lately but we have tried as never before to raise our average this past semester. The report has not come out yet so it cannot be given to you at this time. In spite of our bad record we managed to get rid of two fine boys by graduation this midsemester. Sol Moncure and Jerry Baumgartner are our two near alumni. Sol is going in with the Harris Trust Co. and is back at their school in Chicago where he will study the bond game. Jerry has not stated anything definite yet, but he will probably rest up a bit before facing the cold business world. He is now taking a trip back east with his brother.

Obituary

Junius B. Remensnyder, Pa. Epsilon '64

The Rev. Dr. Junius B. Remensnyder, Pa. Epsilon '64, theologian, author and Civil War veteran, died of pneumonia at his home in New York City on January 2d, in his eighty-sixth year. He served 42 years as pastor of St. James Lutheran Church in New York, three years ago retiring to become pastor emeritus. Dr. Remensnyder was born in Staunton, Va., February 24, 1841. He was graduated from Gettysburg College and from the Gettysburg Lutheran Theological Seminary. While a student in the seminary in 1863 he heard Lincoln deliver the address dedicating the cemetery at Gettysburg battlefield. He interrupted his studies to go to war, serving in the 131st Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was graduated from the seminary in 1865 and began his pastoral work in Philadelphia. He was the author of fourteen books.

John M. Lewis, Cal. Beta '91

John Mellgrew Lewis, Cal. Beta '91, a charter member of his chapter, died in his home in San Mateo, Cal., on January 4th. He was a member of the first class to be graduated from Stanford University. He had traveled extensively, and at one time practiced law in the Philippines. He held large interests in California real estate.

Howard B. Ligget jr, Pa. Iota '03

Howard B. Ligget jr, Pa. Iota '03, died at his home at Laverock, Philadelphia, Pa., on January 6th, following a long illness. He was in the bond brokerage business. While in college he achieved prominence as an athlete.

Edgar B. Washburn, Wis. Alpha '05

Edgar B. Washburn, Wis. Alpha '05, died November 2, 1926. His home was in Pasadena, Cal.

John A. Lahey, N. Y. Epsilon '06

John A. Lahey, N. Y. Epsilon '06, died on January 12th, following an operation in the Rahway, N. J., Hospital. He was outstanding in his devotion to the Fraternity and to his chapter, at the time of his death being vice president of the New York Epsilon Phi Kappa Psi Corporation.

Robert P. Reese, N. H. Alpha '15

Robert Price Reese, N. H. Alpha '15, captain of the Dartmouth baseball team in 1916 and coach of the freshman baseball nine the following year, died at Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, December 11th, following an operation for pancreatitis. Except for some time with the 211th Corps of Engineers at Camp Meade in the capacity of sergeant of headquarters company, Brother Reese had been identified with the United States Secret Servic department since leaving college in 1917. He was the youngest operative in the department in charge of a district, having been head of the western Pennsylvania district, with headquarters at Pittsburgh, since 1922. In 1924 he won wide fame, breaking up a national plot for the distribution of bogus war savings stamps. In the summer of that year he was chosen chief personal guard for President Coolidge, during his vacation. Brother Reese accompanied General Foch through western Pennsylvania at the time of his visit a few years ago, and was chosen to accompany the body of President Harding from Ohio to Washington, at the time of Harding's death. Brother Reese, an active member of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association, and prominent in the affairs of Dartmouth College alumni, is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mae Moorehead Reese.

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DISTRICT III

Pennsylvania Alpha—Washington and Jefferson College (1852)
127 LeMoyné Avenue, Washington, Pa.
Pennsylvania Beta—Allegheny College (1855)
543 N. Main St., Meadville, Pa.
Pennsylvania Lambda—State College of Pennsylvania (1912)
State College, Pa.
West Virginia Alpha—West Virginia University (1890)
James Cochran House, 480 Spruce Street, Morgantown, W. Va.
Ohio Alpha—Ohio Wesleyan University (1861)
67 West William Street, Delaware, Ohio
Ohio Beta—Wittenberg College (1866)
134 West Ward Street, Springfield, Ohio
Ohio Delta—Ohio State University (1880)
124 Fourteenth Avenue, Columbus, Ohio
Ohio Epsilon—Case School of Applied Science (1906)
2114 Stearns Road, Cleveland, Ohio

Alumni Associations

Johnstown, Pa. James Y. Piper, First Nat. Bank Bldg.
Pittsburgh, Pa. C. F. Williams, 2119 Oliver Bldg.
Indiana, Pa. R. W. McCreary, Box 330
Fairmont, W. Va. Charles E. Wayman
Morgantown, W. Va. B. B. Laidley, 417 High St.
Cincinnati, Ohio E. S. Smith, 1 Hedgerow Lane
Cleveland, Ohio Lee Dautel, 5710 Hough Ave.
Columbus, Ohio R. S. Hamilton, 16 E. Broad St.
Springfield, Ohio Francis Edwards, 259 Arlington Av.
Toledo, Ohio John F. Swalley, 335 Erie St.
Findlay, Ohio Paul Grose, Donnell Bldg.

DISTRICT IV

Michigan Alpha—University of Michigan (1876)
1550 Washtenaw Avenue, Ann Arbor, Mich.
Indiana Alpha—DePauw University (1865)
Greencastle, Ind.
Indiana Beta—Indiana University (1869)
East Third Street, Bloomington, Ind.
Indiana Delta—Purdue University (1901)
West Lafayette, Ind.
Illinois Alpha—Northwestern University (1864)
Noyes and Sheridan Road, Evanston, Ill.
Illinois Beta—University of Chicago (1865)
5555 Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Ill.
Illinois Delta—University of Illinois (1904)
911 South Fourth Street, Champaign, Ill.
Tennessee Delta—Vanderbilt University (1901)
2016 Terrace Place, Nashville, Tenn.
Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin (1875)
811 State Street, Madison, Wis.
Wisconsin Gamma—Beloit College (1881)
1125 Chapin Street, Beloit, Wis.
Minnesota Beta—University of Minnesota (1888)
1609 University Avenue S. E., Minneapolis, Minn.

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Indianapolis, Ind.....W. B. Conner, jr., 1013 Merchants Bank Bldg.
Wabash Valley....Fred M. Powell, 140 N. 6th St., Terre Haute, Ind.
Chicago, Ill.....Charles S. Hardy, 400 N. Michigan
Minneapolis, Minn.....W. C. Coffee, 1033 Metropolitan Life Bldg.

Alumni Clubs

Kokomo, Ind.....C. J. Thorne, 120 E. Taylor St.

DISTRICT V

Iowa Alpha—University of Iowa (1867)
830 North Dubuque Street, Iowa City, Iowa
Iowa Beta—Iowa State College (1867)
316 Lynn Avenue, Ames, Iowa
Missouri Alpha—University of Missouri (1869)
820 Providence Road, Columbia, Mo.
Texas Alpha—University of Texas (1904)
1710 Colorado Street, Austin, Texas
Kansas Alpha—University of Kansas (1876)
1100 Indiana Avenue, Lawrence, Kan.
Nebraska Alpha—University of Nebraska (1895)
1548 S Street, Lincoln, Neb.
Oklahoma Alpha—University of Oklahoma (1920)
720 Elm Avenue, Norman, Okla.
Colorado Alpha—University of Colorado (1914)
620 12th Street, Boulder, Col.

Alumni Associations

Kansas City, Mo.....W. R. Tate, Commerce Trust Co.
St. Louis, Mo.....Phil. G. Abel, 1425 Boatmans Bank Bldg.
Eastern Oklahoma.....Jack Erickson, Pure Oil Co., Tulsa
Western Oklahoma.....
Rocky Mountain.....W. M. Owen, 720 Emerson St., Denver, Col.

Alumni Club

Des Moines, Iowa.....V. F. Tinsley, 601 Hubbell Bldg.

DISTRICT VI

Washington Alpha—University of Washington (1914)
2120 E. 47th Street, Seattle, Wash.
Oregon Alpha—University of Oregon (1923)
729 Eleventh Av. E., Eugene, Ore.
California Beta—Leland Stanford University (1891)
Stanford University, Cal.
California Gamma—University of California (1899)
2625 Hearst Avenue, Berkeley, Cal.

Alumni Associations

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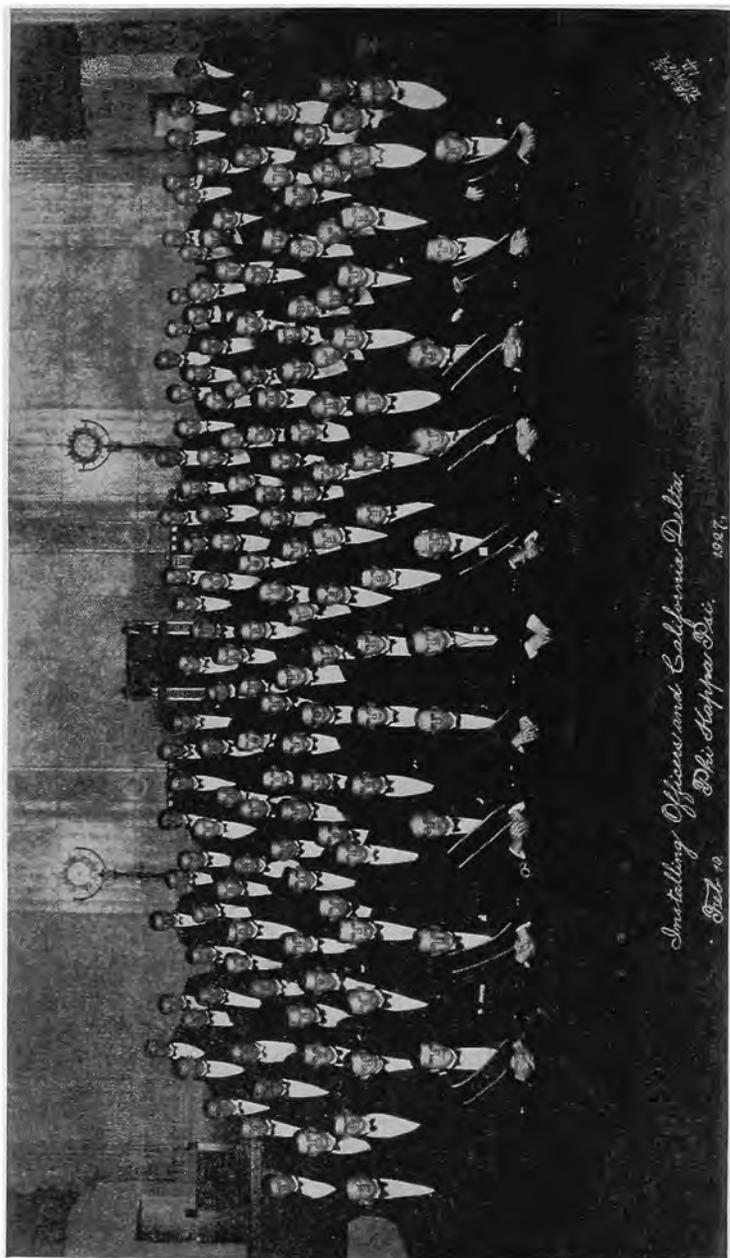
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Door plate designed and presented to California Delta by former President Shirley E. Meserve

Installation of California Delta

MORGAN B. COX, Cal. Delta '27, Contributor

WHEN William H. Letterman and Charles P. T. Moore, the one convalescent, the other tired and worn from his long and faithful vigil, saw in the eyes of his friend something so beautiful that desire arose in each to perpetuate this spiritual understanding, they accomplished their purpose by creating Phi Kappa Psi.

On the seventy-fifth anniversary of that long ago day, Zeta Kappa Epsilon, local at the University of Southern California, in the magnificent new Elks' Club, preeminent of lodge rooms in the United States, was installed as California Delta, the forty-ninth chapter of the Fraternity which these two men had founded.

The preliminary declaration and oath was administered to the 148 candidates from five stations, two initiates at one time to each station. These men were then seated

according to their seniority, which had previously been determined, in a room specially prepared for this purpose. Final instructions were given by former President Meserve. The men were then taken into the lodge room in groups of twenty. After being blindfolded, the bud of a red *Jacques* rose, our flower, wrapped in a green leaf, was pinned on the lapel of each candidate.

The first sound heard was music issuing from the hidden orifice of a pipe organ. With the majestic tones of *Noble Fraternity* swelling into a crescendo of triumph or diminishing into a soft, distant echo of *Amici*, the candidates, enveloped in a mood the spiritual quality of which only a brother in Phi Kappa Psi is privileged to understand, took their oath and received the charge and were presented their long-coveted badges.

In the dim half-light, the classical simplicity of the beautiful lodge room emerged to the eyesight like a dream that, coming from nowhere only presently to return thence, leaves behind an ineradicable memory. Tall pillars rise upward at regular intervals along the plain, unornamented walls, from whose capitals great beams, fifty feet above, cross and recross. Between every other pillar a dull light, behind an arabesque of brass, glows softly.

The apse, illuminated only by the wavering flames of the two lamps upon the altar, and the indirect light high up on the wall, back of which is a bas-relief, is approached by a flight of steps extending its entire width.

Along the sides and the other end steps also arise from the thickly carpeted rectangle of lodge room floor to the same level as that of the apse, but on these steps are comfortable seats. On the south side sat 200 brothers in Phi Kappa Psi; on the north, after the oath had been taken, the candidates.

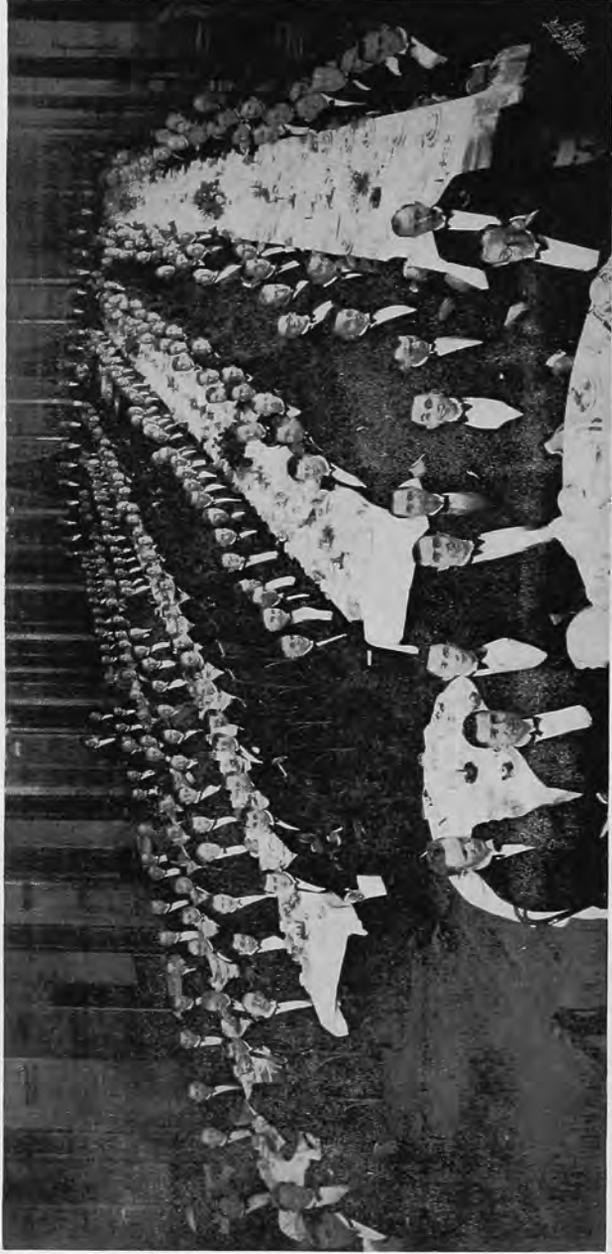
Then I felt like some watcher of the skies
 When a new planet swims into his ken;
 Or like stout Cortez when with eagle eyes
 He star'd at the Pacific—and all his men
 Looked at each other with a wild surmise—
 Silent, upon a peak in Darien.

When Keats wrote those lines he had just experienced an emotional response to a beauty which he had only discovered that very night; and of all the words ever combined in the English language, to the writer at least, these seem best able to express that vista which is opened to the mind as it hears those sentences which, in their entirety, are the Being of Phi Kappa Psi.

Brother Youngson in his address, "The Binnacle of Phi Kappa Psi," refers to the "peak of Darien" as that vantage point of the soul from which Letterman and Moore discovered the Spirit of the Fraternity they founded. On February 19, 1927, one hundred forty-eight men were privileged, from the same place, to realize the same message.

Howard C. Williams, Ill. Delta, National President, presided as G. P. Shirley E. Meserve, Cal. Gamma, administered the oath. John A. Rush, Kan. Alpha, gave the charge. Dan G. Swannell, Mich. Alpha, explained the mysteries. The charter was presented by Allan E. Sedgwick, Neb. Alpha, and received by Kennedy Ellsworth, alumni president of the California Delta alumni. The seal was presented by Henry W. Williams, Mich. Alpha, and received by Scott Thompson, V. G. P. of California Delta. The constitution and ritual were presented by Orra E. Monnette, Ohio Alpha, and received by Ellis A. Eagan, past president of the California Delta alumni. The remainder of the initiation officers included Sam E. Gates, Ind. Delta, Frank Storment, Cal. Gamma and chairman of the entertainment committee, Lyle Caldwell, R. I. Alpha, Robert Leebrick, Cal. Gamma, and Texas E. Schramm, president of the Southern California A. A. and general chairman. Lovell Swisher, Iowa Alpha, and chairman of the decorations and flowers committee, assisted Brother Gates. Each of the officers of the installing committee was in the official regalia of his office.

The following were installed as the officers of the new chapter: Morris L. Moore, G. P.; Scott Thompson, V. G. P.; John Stevens, P.; James Stewart, A. G.; George Stewart, B. G.; Albert Bowen, S. G.; Paul McFadyen, Phul.; Herbert Spencer, H.; and Curtis Barnes, Hi.



FOUNDERS' DAY BANQUET OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA A. A.

After the singing of *Amici* officially ended the ceremonies, a flashlight was taken of the new brothers and a watch chain pendant bearing the crest was given to each of them. The installation, which had begun at two, ended at seven. The banquet, with 425 occupying seats, commenced at eight.

California Delta was honored in having the national President, Howard C. Williams, as well as three past Presidents, Shirley E. Meserve, Dan G. Swannell and Orra E. Monnette, as active participants in its installation. Another past President, C. F. M. Niles, who had also planned to be present, was unable to attend due to sudden illness.

The banquet was opened with the singing of *To Old Phi Psi*, led by Howard Deems, Cal. Beta, and immediately following this another flashlight was taken. Both this and the picture of the initiates may be found in these pages.

Then the speeches. Brother Schramm as president presented the toastmaster, Brother Meserve, who introduced Sam Gates. Brother Gates read Brother Youngson's address, "The Binnacle of Phi Kappa Psi." Dr. Edwin A. Schell, Ill. Alpha, delivered a splendid oration upon "The Mystic Tie That Binds Us." National President Williams gave a most interesting address upon the subject, "Our Fraternity," in which, very much as Brother Schell had done, he emphasized the cardinal elements of Phi Kappa Psi and demonstrated how, by service and hard work, these can be made to further the welfare of both the individual and the organization.

Next, Toastmaster Meserve introduced the veterans of Phi Kappa Psi: C. F. M. Niles, for whom all arose in a moment of silent tribute; Dan Swannell, who gave a short talk on the Endowment Fund; John A. Rush, whose invitation to come to Los Angeles was received by Brother Williams just five minutes before that of the Pittsburgh A. A.; Lovell Swisher, past president of the Southern California A. A.; and Orra E. Monnette.

Charles A. Gummere, financial secretary to President Von Klein Smid of Southern California, responded for

California Delta to the toast, "The Common Cause That Binds Us." His remarks were inspiring, the applause spontaneous and sustained.

Congratulations were then tendered by Charles E. Mack, G. P. of California Beta; Frederick Coltrin, G. P. of California Gamma and varsity football captain-elect; and from Wallace Knox, California Beta, Deputy Archon, acting in place of Archon Hubert P. Lewis, who, unfortunately, was unable to attend. Many telegrams and letters were received and some of them read, among these one from the Woodlawn Club, now Pennsylvania Mu, and one from Brother John Porter and the Pittsburgh A. A., Brothers Bassett, Cookson and Knight.

The banquet closed with the presentation of gifts to the new chapter. A handsome cardinal red velvet altar cloth, 20 by 6 feet, with a green velour and gold braid border and Phi Kappa Psi in green letters across its center, was presented by the Phi Psi luncheon brothers. The altar lamps, two antiques, suitably engraved, with a raised crest upon each, were the gifts of President Howard Williams. The crest of the Fraternity, cast bronze on an ebony shield, was given by Lovell Swisher. The name plate, a picture of which heads this article, was designed and presented by Shirley Meserve. Texas Schramm gave a beautiful red table runner. The gavel was given by the Long Beach brothers. A wrought-iron standing lamp with a parchment shade upon which the crest is embossed was presented by the Phi Psis connected with Blair and Company in Los Angeles, Harold B. Reed, Richard Millar, William Stewart, Richard Griggs and Earl Didricksen. A chapter room emblem—a green crest with green lettering upon a large red felt banner—was presented by Frank Storment. The vestments or officers' regalia were the gift of the Southern California A. A. Arthur Storment, in conjunction with the Morgan Lufer Co., issued insurance covering all of the new furniture, and Allan Sedgwick gave a typewriter.

But California Delta alumni also gave some fine presents. Clarence Fuller presented the chapter with a beau-



CALIFORNIA DELTA INITIATES

The entire group of initiates, just prior to the installation ceremonies on February 19th. The Elks Temple, in which the ceremonies were held, appears in the background.

tiful brass-bound Spanish treasure chest, the crest upon its cover, its lining hammered brass. It is 4 feet by 5 feet and will be used as the repository for the vestments. A. C. Platt presented a safe for the office and had an electric sign installed above the entrance. A fine desk was the gift of Richard Walker of the active chapter. George L. Eastman contributed to a baby grand piano, while a large marine painting in oils was presented by James L. Woodward. Through the effort of A. C. Platt, James Woodward and Mrs. Woodward, several other splendid paintings were obtained. These, it was announced, were given by the alumni of California Delta who also refurnished the downstairs of the chapter home with new rugs, Spanish red leather and green mohair overstuffed divans and chairs, new light fixtures and ten wrought-iron, art work ash trays as well as hall carpets, stair runners, drapes and, for the sleeping quarters, fifteen additional single Symonds steel beds. Paul Schmitz gave a steel filing cabinet. Hugo Bergwald gave complete hearth equipment of hammered brass, as well as two 5-foot, hammered brass candle sticks, upon which the crest is worked, holding heavy, ceremonial candles. Brothers Edwards, Bray and Broomfield of the active chapter gave a new vacuum cleaner. Brother Hunter, collegiate director of athletics in the university, gave one dozen straight back, oak chairs, with red leather seats, to be used at the card tables in the den.

President Schramm again took charge of the meeting and upon motion the recommendations of the nominating committee, Harold Reed as chairman, were accepted unanimously, the new officers for 1927-28 being: Frank Storument, president; Allan Sedgwick, vice president; Lyle Caldwell, secretary; and Herman J. Hanna, treasurer. Brothers Caldwell and Hanna are serving a second term. It was also moved by John A. Rush to send a word of cheer to Brother C. F. M. Niles, the motion passing with loud acclamation.

To Shirley E. Meserve a great deal of the credit should be given for the splendid manner in which the entire day was managed.

And now there is but one thing to say. In olden times they cried: "The king is dead! Long live the king!" Today it is: *Zeta Kappa Epsilon is dead! May California Delta of Phi Kappa Psi live long and prosper: may it remain worthy of its trust forever!*

PRESENTED BY THE ALUMNI
TO CALIFORNIA DELTA
OF
PHI KAPPA PSI
TO STIMULATE EXCELENCIE IN SCHOLARSHIP
February, 1927



The above inscription, engraved on the base of the cup shown in the accompanying picture, speaks for itself. California Delta alumni, desiring to stimulate their chapter to make a greater effort as it begins its new career in the membership of Phi Kappa Psi, voted an appropriation which resulted in this purchase.

Upon this trophy each semester the name of the man who has led the chapter in scholarship, with his grade, will be engraved. However, there are two important restrictions; the grade must be above 85 per cent, and no man may win this honor more than once.

It is hoped that no semester will find the highest member below such average, but

if such should ever occur no name for that semester will be accorded a place. In this way, it should stimulate those men who approach this average to top it, if for no other reason, for the sake of their chapter's record; and, further, by recording the individual's grade, act as a competitive urge to make better grades than those of his predecessor.

The trophy was chosen with the idea of blending with the furniture of the chapter, and upon a dark, hardwood table it is very handsome. Of bronze, laid over brass, the bronze is cut away to form the lettering, thus exposing the brass. The letters thus stand out clearly.

The first name to be placed upon this will be chosen from the records that are now being compiled by the registrar from the grades of the semester that ended on January 21st, and therefore cannot be announced at this time.

Dates for District Councils

At the time the February issue of THE SHIELD went to press the dates for the holding of all the District Councils this spring had not been decided. Since that time, some of the dates as then announced have been changed. The final plans, as reported by the various Archons, call for the holding of the various Councils as follows:

<i>District</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Date</i>
1	N. Y. Alpha, Ithaca	May 5-7
2	Pa. Zeta, Carlisle	April 21-23
3	W. Va. Alpha, Morgantown	April 28-30
4	Ind. Alpha, Greencastle	April 21-23
5	Iowa Beta, Ames	May 5-7
6	Cal. Beta, Stanford Univ.	April 7-9

An Undergraduate's Impression of the California Delta Installation

ROBERT P. MYERS, Cal. Beta '22, Contributor

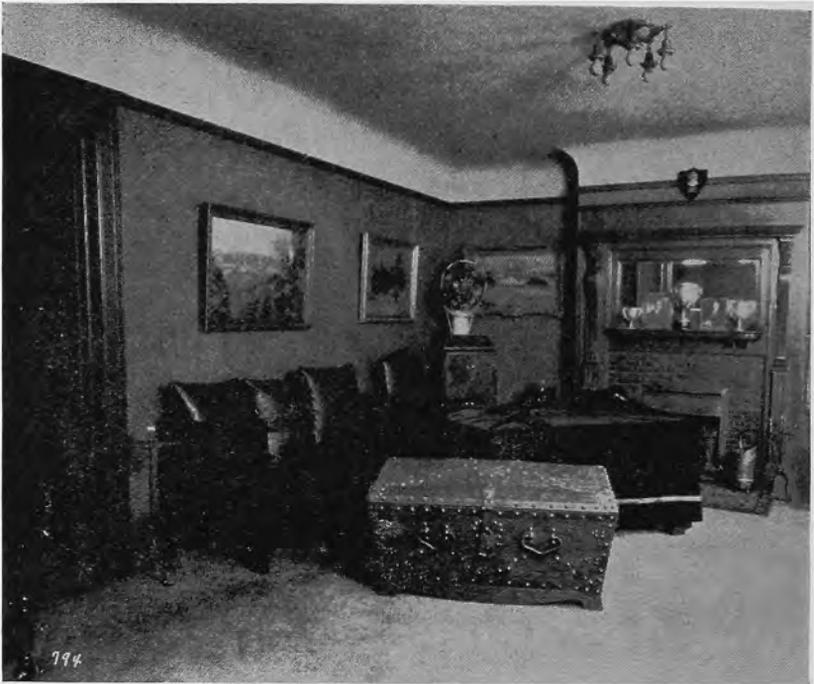
THE committee in charge could not have picked a more appropriate place for the ceremonies than the new Los Angeles Elks' Club. The beauties of the richly appointed lodge room, with its subdued lights, and resonant pipe organ which played "Noble Fraternity" as the charge was read, served to instil into all of the assembled brothers and candidates a real spirit of fraternal love and brotherhood.

Under the direction of Brother Shirley E. Meserve, the preliminaries, initiation and banquet went off with clock-like smoothness. Every brother present could not help but realize that without Shirley's tireless efforts and unquenchable enthusiasm the initiation could not have reached such a state of perfection. The Fraternity will not be able easily to repay him for this service.

It was indeed gratifying to us who have attempted to give the ritual in our chapter initiations to see the way in which President Williams, and his assistants, explained the mysteries of our bond.

The banquet, which followed the initiation, was to my mind one of the greatest gatherings Phi Kappa Psi will ever see. It is seldom, if ever, that 450 brothers have been together at one time, but that is just what happened in Los Angeles. Four Presidents were on hand—Brothers Monnette, Swannell, Meserve and Williams. A clever program was provided by the Southern California Alumni Association, the speakers were splendid, and everything was as it should be—although for a few minutes the chorus provided for entertainment threatened to break up the party, on the urgent request of Brother Frank Storment.

The chapters on the Pacific coast realize that a strong chapter at U. S. C., coupled with the alumni association at Los Angeles, will be a great power for our Fraternity in the West. We feel that California Delta is in a position to assume this position. More power to you!



CALIFORNIA DELTA CHAPTER HOUSE

Two rooms, showing some of the gifts made to the chapter at the time of its installation.

California Delta Alumni

The following alumni of Zeta Kappa Epsilon were initiated on February 19th, becoming the first alumni of California Delta:

John L. Abbott, Otto K. Anderson, Norman Anderson, George P. Benson, George E. Bettinger, Linus W. Brown, Stephen A. Black, George H. Boeck, Frederick H. Breylinger, Sanford Ballou, Robert R. Bradshaw, Edwin W. Blaine, Kenneth Becker, Hugo M. Burgwald, Stuart D. Cooper, Willard J. Curry, Morgan B. Cox, Leo B. Calland, Ralph S. Cummings, Thomas H. Davis, Arthur R. Dutcher, Karl A. Dedricksen, George Dyer, Alton J. Emery, Ellis A. Eagan, Kennedy Ellsworth, George L. Eastman, Bernard J. Fitzpatrick, Joseph M. Foss, Clarence M. Fuller, Noel F. George, Lewis I. George, Charles E. Graham, Paul V. Greene, E. Walter Guthrie, Charles A. Gummere.

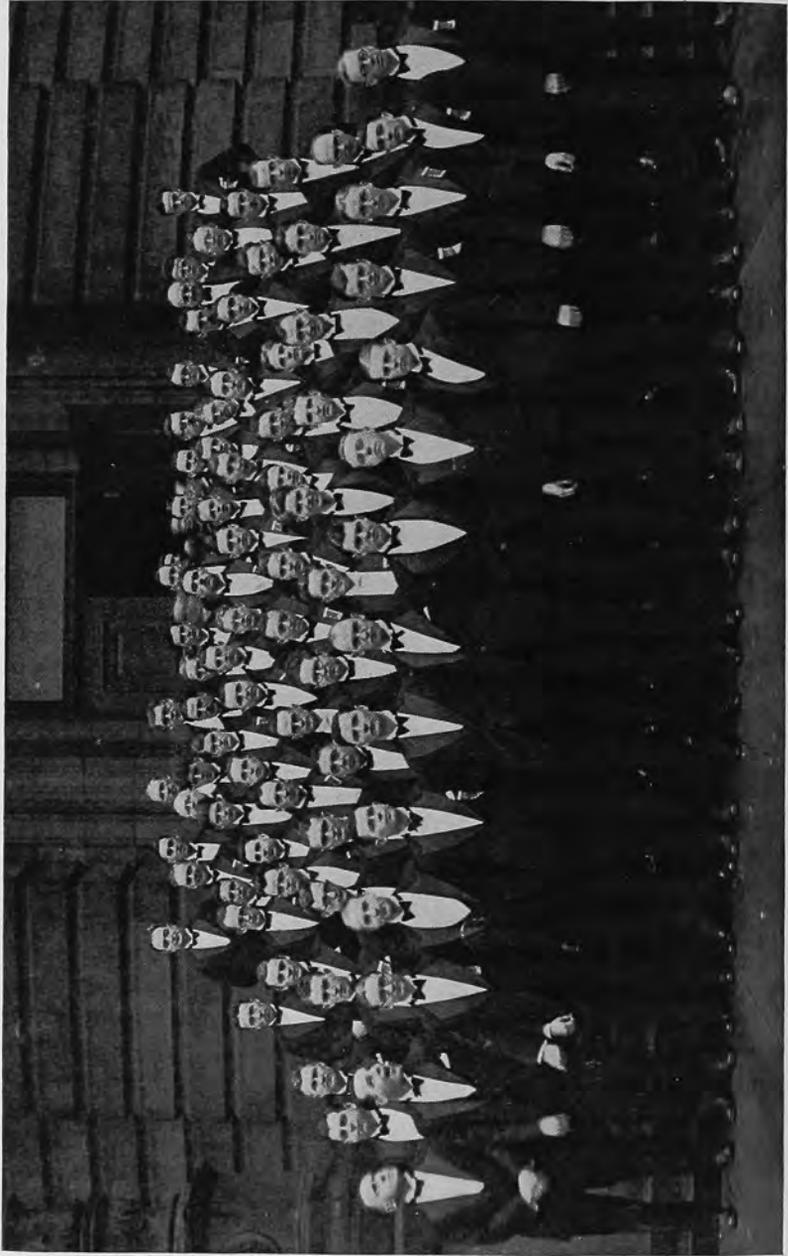
Clayton E. Holloway, Harold P. Huntington, Earl Haskins, William E. Haney, Ralph R. Haney, Orie C. Hester, Simeon Hanes, Frederick C. Hinrichs, Donald W. Hitchcock, Leslie I. Hitchcock, Ernest L. Henderson, Donald B. Hichborn, Bernard L. Hoyt, Alfred H. Hunt, J. Barton Hutchins, Karl V. Haney, Willis O. Hunter, William Isenhouer, Milton M. Inman, Arthur T. King, Oscar H. King, Theodore B. Kuchel, Jack G. Kuhrts, G. Paul Kirman, J. Burke Long, Hubert F. Lucas, Lawrence W. Lester.

Dwight S. McFadyen, Phillips W. Murray, Corliss C. Moseley, Scott Moon, Chester Mitchell, Dean M. Metcalf, Andrew M. Morrow, Charles Morrow, Albert L. Nichols, Arthur L. Nichols, Philip C. Orth, Arthur C. Platt, Edward Purtell, Thomas Quarton, Leland V. Rebber, Vivian Rapp, Charles Swiggett, Paul G. Schmitz, Albert L. Sheldon, Ronald F. Stannard, Arthur W. Stephens, George S. Schiller, Ronald E. Stever, Robert Sides.

Leonard W. Townner, Harold O. Taft, Dewitt E. Taylor, George A. Turner, R. Wilson Turner, William C. Thomas, Loren F. Vander Horck, Frederick A. Watkins, Homer K. Watson, Clarence R. Welfer, Eugene A. Warren, James L. Woodward, Lynn B. Wallace, Kenneth G. White, Paul Whittier.

Hamlin Appointed Civil Service Commissioner

Oliver D. Hamlin jr, Cal. Gamma '11, in January received an appointment as one of the three members of the civil service commission of Alameda county, California. The position is one of much importance in the civic advance of the county, which includes within its boundaries the cities of Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley. Of the three appointments, Brother Hamlin received the long term, running for six years. Brother Hamlin is only 34 years old, and his appointment thus comes as an unusual recognition.



PENNSYLVANIA MU INITIATES

Installation of Pennsylvania Mu

THE fiftieth chapter of the Fraternity—Pennsylvania Mu at Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa.—came into existence on March 19th under most auspicious circumstances. Like the California Delta Chapter, installed just a month previously, Pennsylvania Mu has the distinction of being installed in the Diamond Jubilee year and in a city where there is an unusually active alumni association. The Pittsburgh Alumni Association made plans for a combined installation, Diamond Jubilee and Founders' Day celebration, extending over two days. The officers of the Fraternity were in attendance and assumed immediate charge of the installation ceremonies.

The first event in connection with the triple celebration was a smoker at the University Club on Friday night, March 18th. Over two hundred fifty Phi Psis and members of the Woodlawn Club enjoyed the opportunity to meet old friends and to make new acquaintances. The large room was decorated with flags of the various chapters, and special badges, programs and song books gave the event a G. A. C. atmosphere. The smoker had been planned by a committee of the Pittsburgh A. A., headed by Frank D. Glover, and included several songs, monologs and dances which drew hearty applause. The singing was led by Bob Crawford and announcements were made by L. W. Voigt. Following the entertainment a very appetizing lunch was served.

The installation ceremonies, by which the Woodlawn Club of Carnegie Institute of Technology became the Pennsylvania Mu Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, were held Saturday afternoon in the lecture hall of Carnegie Institute, adjoining the campus of Carnegie Institute of Technology. The hall itself, in the beautiful building which houses one of America's foremost museums, was well adapted for the ceremonies. In the pit immediately in front of the platform were seated the initiates, and the elevated seats in the rear were filled by over one hun-



FIRST OFFICERS OF PENNSYLVANIA MU CHAPTER

Top row, left to right: J. H. Dowling, C. McInnis, G. W. Van Vechtin, J. E. Chamberlain, R. B. Goehring, A. D. Studybaker.

Bottom row, left to right: D. L. Horner, Allen V. Nern, C. R. McGrail (G. P.), W. P. Murdock, M. T. Hollinshead.

dred members of the Fraternity. Anterooms and lighting arrangements were well adapted for making the room an excellent chapter hall. The initiates, totaling eighty-four undergraduates and alumni, received the obligation in groups of twelve.

The officers of the installation were as follows: G. P., Howard C. Williams, Ill. Delta; V. G. P., George A. Moore, Ill. Alpha; Ass't V. G. P., John L. Porter, Pa. Beta; Ass't V. G. P., Harry L. Snyder, W. Va. Alpha; P., Edward M. Bassett, Pa. Kappa; Ass't P., Thomas W. Pomeroy, Pa. Theta; Ass't P., L. W. Voigt, N. Y. Alpha; Ass't P., D. R. Davis, Pa. Lambda; Ass't P., James H. Greene, Ill. Beta; Ass't P., C. F. Williams, Ill. Delta; Ass't P., F. D. Worcester, N. H. Alpha; A. G., Thomas A. Cookson, Ind. Beta; B. G., Lloyd L. Cheney, N. Y. Beta; S. G., Sion B. Smith, Pa. Beta; H., W. G. Letterman, Pa. Alpha; Ass't H., F. D. Graf, Pa. Alpha; Ass't H., J. B. Marlin, Pa. Gamma; Ass't H., Walter A. Reinoehl, Pa. Eta; Ass't H., Earle V. Braden, Pa. Alpha; Ass't H., Albert T. Smith, N. Y. Beta; Ass't H., D. Carter List, Ohio Gamma; Hi., George D. McIlvaine, Pa. Theta; Ph., Robert P. Crawford, Pa. Theta; Ass't Ph., B. M. Johnson, Ohio Delta; Challenger, N. R. Daugherty, W. Va. Alpha.

Following the formal initiation, the charter of the new chapter was presented by C. F. Williams, Ill. Delta, and accepted by Charles R. McGrail. The constitution, by-laws and ritual were presented by Sion B. Smith, Pa. Beta, and accepted by A. D. Studybaker. C. R. Texter, Pa. Lambda, presented the seal, which was accepted by Allan V. Nern. The gavel was presented by Frank D. Glover, Ohio Gamma, and accepted by G. W. Van Vechten. John L. Porter, Pa. Beta, presented the badges, which were pinned on the initiates by him and several assisting brothers. All those who made the various presentations were former presidents of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association.

During the ceremonies, which were most impressive throughout, the officers wore the prescribed regalia. At

the close, the new officers of Pennsylvania Mu were summoned to the altar, given the oath of office by President Williams, and received from the installing officers the official sashes, which were presented to the new chapter by the Pittsburgh Alumni Association. The installation occupied the entire afternoon.

The concluding event was the banquet held at the University Club on Saturday evening. The three hundred sixty-four Phi Psis present taxed the capacity of the large banquet hall. The yells and songs of the various chapter groups (including old Ohio Gamma), the contagious enthusiasm, and the large number of well-known Phi Psis in attendance, gave the banquet a decided G. A. C. appearance. C. R. Texter, president of the Pittsburgh A. A., introduced Dr. Louis K. Manley, Ohio Alpha '05, a member of the faculty of the University of Pittsburgh, who presided most capably as toastmaster. Extracts from Dr. Youngson's Diamond Jubilee address, "The Binnacle of Phi Kappa Psi," were read by Norval R. Daugherty, W. Va. Alpha. Remarks in behalf of the new Pennsylvania Mu Chapter were made by Walter Wolfe. The banquet was noteworthy in having present two blood descendants of our two founders—Dr. W. Gordon Letterman, Pa. Alpha, son of Founder William H. Letterman, and Robert L. Bland, W. Va. Alpha, grandson of Founder C. P. T. Moore, both of whom made brief addresses. A letter of greeting from Mrs. Laura Letterman Boyer, widow of Founder Letterman, was also read by the toastmaster.

The banquet was likewise noteworthy in the attendance of five former Presidents of the Fraternity—Walter L. McCorkle, E. Lawrence Fell, Sion B. Smith, Walter Lee Sheppard and George D. McIlvaine—each of whom extended greetings and expressed his delight to take part in the installation program. The toastmaster also called upon Dr. A. E. Truxal, Pa. Eta '67, and Dr. Richard T. Bang, N. Y. Gamma '72, who spoke briefly of their long experiences in the Fraternity. The two main addresses of the evening were delivered by Dr. Allen W. Porterfield, W. Va. Alpha, of the faculty of West Virginia University, and President Howard C. Williams.

The Altar of Phi Kappa Psi

DIAMOND JUBILEE ADDRESS FOR CHAPTERS, PREPARED BY
WALTER LEE SHEPPARD, Pa. Iota '98.

We are gathered today about the Altar of our Fraternity to renew our allegiance to the things for which it stands, and to pay our homage to those who first set it up three-quarters of a century ago.

On Feb. 19th, 1852, two youthful students at Jefferson College joined hands in a brotherhood pact. They were resolved to put to proof their conviction that each could promote the interest of the other, and improve the other morally and intellectually. To this proposition they bound themselves in their articles of association. A brotherhood such as this was not new to the college world, but none then existing seemed to these young men to measure up to the lofty conception of human relationship which had taken form in their minds.

Letterman was a man of unusual intellectual power. Moore was a man of measureless human sympathies. Each had come to realize the reciprocal value of the other's friendship. Both were devout believers in a loving God, who had a Father's concern for the welfare of his children. In the brotherhood which they established, they sought to link this human tie with the divine, confident in the belief that love of God and love of neighbor embrace the whole duty of man. And because they exemplified these beliefs in their daily living, they speedily drew others of their choice into their association, and the Alpha Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi became a reality.

The outstanding character of this newly-formed local attracted the favorable notice of established national fraternities; but all suggestions of affiliation with any other organization were rejected. A burning zeal for expansion into other colleges took possession of the early members. Soon the vision of the founders began to take form and character under the nurturing care of such men as Tom Campbell, whose name will always stand first among the architects and builders of Phi Kappa Psi. The caution with which they picked material is emphasized in the letter of instructions which was sent to those to whom the first charter was entrusted. "Let your choice be select," they wrote, "as numbers is not our aim, but men of

sound talent and the true stamp." They saw the folly of receiving into their Fraternity men who possessed none of her attributes or aspirations. Their admonition has been reiterated by the governing bodies of our Fraternity throughout the succeeding years. The last G. A. C. cautioned the chapters to "pay greater attention than ever before to the selection of their pledges. Men who have the qualifications for leadership, mental ability and industry, are the men we want."

Good workmen, good material and a good plan, invariably assure good results. Our Fraternity had all three. Dominant in the plan has always been the principle of undergraduate control. Conceived, organized and established by undergraduates, a faithful adherence to this system of government has given to our Fraternity a marked individuality that distinguishes her from all others. Though seventy-five years old, our Fraternity reflects today, as truly as in the year of her birth, the desires, the ambitions, and the idealism of her undergraduates, to whom she renders her greatest service.

There are always those to whom all fraternities look alike. Size and degrees of administrative efficiency supply their only distinguishing characteristics. Yet, in fact they differ from each other as only brothers in the same family can differ, however much they may resemble each other in appearance. That which constitutes personality in a man likewise makes for individuality in a fraternity. Its aims and ideals, as expressed in its ritual, find their counterparts in those spiritual endowments with which every man is born into the world. Its manner of development and self-discipline correspond to the environment and training peculiar to every man who grows to maturity. Our Fraternity is like no other fraternity, and will prosper, as the man will prosper, insofar as she seeks to use and develop those characteristics and capabilities which are peculiar to herself.

The motto from which our Fraternity derives her name was not chosen as a matter of chance, but because it closely embodied the lofty aspirations of the founders. The Ritual and Insignia, which came later, were evolved from the fruits of experience. In the putting of precept into practice, the symbols, which are now so familiar, gradually suggested themselves. Some are incorporated in the badge which we now wear. But there was much that defied suggestion by symbol. All such are comprehended among the

“mysteries,” a term employed by the Greeks to designate the rites and benefits of their religion, to which the initiate only had access. In like manner, the “Mysteries” of our Fraternity are not matters that lie beyond our understanding, but are the progressive revelations that follow admission into membership.

The worshipper in the old Greek temple, who was content to come and go without venturing within the inner chamber, behind the veil, learned little of the mysteries that were hidden there. So the initiate in our Fraternity, who stops at the altar, without seeking to discover the meaning of its perpetual flame, has gained little, and missed much, that is his for the asking. The mere intellectual comprehension of the aims and ideals of Phi Kappa Psi amounts to nothing, unless it finds expression in the life of the member. Not all who understand a game are able to play it. Knowing how a machine works will not alone enable one to operate it. Proper use of anything requires practice. And practice alone makes perfect.

The greatest of the mysteries of our Fraternity are those which create the powerful affinity that draws one member to another in immediate companionship. Age interposes no barrier to her intimacies. Nothing can resist her magic influence. Weakness gathers strength. Folly yields to wisdom. Enterprise tempers caution. Mirth vanquishes depression. Cheered, enthused, with vision clear, each member turns again to face the world, with confidence renewed, eager to render a like service to another when the chance is offered. Such have been the qualities of fellowship that have distinguished our Fraternity from her birth to the present. As the iron receives the virtue of the magnet, and the fabric receives the fragrance of the rose, so are these qualities inculcated through frequent contact about the altar of Phi Kappa Psi.

Over that altar has been erected a spiritual edifice, where we dwell together as brothers in one household. On every hand are the furnishings of by-gone years, the grateful reminders of loyal and devoted ones who have gone before. High over head there floats a banner, raised upon a standard of gold. Blended in its rippling folds are the glowing red of man's love for man, and the tranquil green of God's instrument of harmony in nature. Here the Phi Psi is at home. Here he begins and ends his career in the company of understanding friends. Here the dream of his youth may come true, if he will.

The dream of youth is like the vision of Jacob, who pillowed his head upon the stones of the mountainside, as he started upon his journey to seek his fortune in a far country. He saw the heavens opened, and a stairway leading upward into dazzling glory. He heard the voice of God promising him the rewards of success if he held himself steadfast and true. He saw on either hand celestial messengers, ready to guard his footsteps during the long journey that lay before him. When he awoke, he resolved to obey the heavenly vision, and from the fruits of his life came a new and better order into the world.

So every youthful Phi Psi girds himself for the journey of life. So he dreams of the upward way that leads to fame and fortune. And as the vision fades upon the brightness of the opening day, and weariness and disappointment begin to dull its memory and challenge its reality, he finds at hand, on either side of the way, the daily companionship of other Phi Psis, always ready to guard him from pitfalls, and point him to his goal.

Thus has Phi Kappa Psi served thousands in the past. Thus will she serve countless thousands in the future. So should we likewise pay her our tribute in service as in song:

*"All hail to thee, whose love is tried and true!
May thy glory never die! High
May thy colors ever fly, high!"*

The Binnacle of Phi Kappa Psi

DIAMOND JUBILEE ADDRESS FOR ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS, PREPARED BY
DR. WILLIAM WALLACE YOUNGSON, Pa. Beta '89.

The Binnacle is the main instrument which houses the compass on a ship, keeps it steady and in balance. It is the most important single unit in navigation. On many ships it is the altar at which the captain prays. It is of primary importance in charting, sighting and steering, and the quartermaster never lets his eye stray from it.

As I write these words I am sailing from Havana, Cuba, to Colon, soon to pass through the Panama canal on the first "University World Cruise." Phi Kappa Psi, on Founders' Day, February 19, 1927, will celebrate its Diamond Jubilee. Let us have our eyes on the binnacle housing the compass by which, through these seventy-

five years, Phi Kappa Psi has been piloted. On this great anniversary occasion let the true meaning of the binnacle be symbolic. Let us think of Letterman and Moore, captains of that small fraternity ship of seventy-five years ago, steering the little bark through the troubled waters of those early years.

The compass then pointed to the North, emphasizing the importance of *Education and Religion*; to the East, unfolding the beauties of *Friendship and Brotherly Love*; to the South, stressing the vital need of *Morality*, and to the West showing forth the *Glory of Service*.

The compass in the binnacle of Phi Kappa Psi points the same way today. With increasing emphasis, in this day of larger opportunity, sailing the Leviathan of college fraternities, with President Williams as our captain and the Executive Council as his officers, let us look at our compass and, with renewed devotion, let us pledge ourselves to those same principles which inspired the lives of Letterman and Moore and the long line of other brothers good and true, who have succeeded them in princely leadership through the years.

I. THE NORTH—EDUCATION AND RELIGION.

When the young traveler, who was also a hero-worshipper, asked the Scotch banker the way to the home of Thomas Carlyle, he replied: "Thomas Carlyle—what do you want Thomas Carlyle for? He is a poor, foolish, good-for-nothing fellow. He is only a writer of books, but James, ah, James Carlyle is a fine fellow. He drives more swine to Ecclefechan market than any other man in the country." That Scotch banker is not the only man who thinks that the modern hero is the man, who, in a single year, has manufactured a hundred thousand coats or five million hose or made money hand over fist raising red-haired hogs. To build a tunnel across New York City one corporation is prepared to spend \$60,000,000! To make a single subway from the Battery to Harlem, New York City is spending over \$100,000,000! To span the East River with another bridge \$20,000,000 is voted from the municipal treasury. We have plenty of money for factories, clubhouses, business blocks, dwellings, parks and theaters, but we must remember that everything that our nation has it owes to *Education and Religion*. Without these there would be no tunnel or subway or Brooklyn Bridge; no bank or factory or business block! We have hundreds of millions of dollars to spend on brick and mortar and stone and iron,

but society must not forget the men who have never entered the "maddening crowd" and who, in silence and solitude, have done their work; for all the publicity of modern commerce begins with the privacy of some scholar. The man of commerce and affairs often looks down upon some Emerson, living for thirty years in solitude, brooding over his books in the morning, and, in the afternoon, walking through the fields with note-book in hand; but it shouts its plaudits to the man who can drive the most swine to some Ecclefechan market!

Our generation needs something to bring back the freshness and joy, the bloom and beauty of life. For some reason the soul now has dust on its wings. The din of the street, the roar and rattle of wagons, the honk of the autos have drowned out the still, small voice of God. In this age of commercialism, with its practical phase and utilitarian tendency, jaded, weary and disgusted, men run fussily about, sickened with life's excitements, yet ever seeking new pleasures. Society looks suspiciously upon solitude and the poet, the seer, and the student who broods and dreams and meditates, is thought to be guilty of a foolish waste of time.

For years the English shopkeepers spoke contemptuously of Charles Darwin—a man who, they said, built no barn, reaped no harvest, made no fortune; a man who for twenty years never once appeared in the world of politics or trade or commerce but watched buds and leaves unroll; noted the development of the earthworm, analyzed flowers, butterflies and birds. Yet that simple, meditative man gave a new impulse to commerce and his age and developed within his generation a power to invent tools and instruments that made Darwin to be the indirect creator of as much material wealth as any merchant or manufacturer of his generation.

"There is one society alone on earth;
The noble living and the noble dead."

Through books as through gates of pearl we enter into that society—that high fellowship of the immortals. Books are the ships of thought that sail across the sea of time and make of all generations one human fellowship.

"Books! books! books!
And we thank Thee, God,
For Thy gift of them;
For the glorious reach
And the lift of them;

For the gleam in them
 And the dream in them;
 For the things they teach
 And the souls they reach!
 For the maze of them
 And the blaze of them;
 For the ways they open to us
 And the rays that they shoot through us."

Carlyle, Emerson and Darwin were writers of books and taught us that there is an everlasting difference between making a living and making a life. Life is not a goblet to be drained; life is a cup to be filled! Horace Mann chose as the motto for his college "Orient Yourself." That is the true ideal for Phi Kappa Psi,—mental development. Find your true *North* point—*Education and Religion*.

II. THE EAST—*Friendship and Brotherly Love!*

Homer's "Iliad" finds its eloquent peroration in the grief of Achilles over the tragic decease of his friend Patroclus. Achilles was the chief of the Greek warriors, the terror of the Trojans and the pride of the Greek Army. He was not a coward but he was a shirk. Because of a feud between him and Agamemnon, Achilles sulked in his tent and refused to fight. Many efforts were made to induce him to be reconciled to his commander and join the forces before the walls of Troy, but without avail. Seven hard battles were fought, the Greeks were pushed back to the water's edge and the Trojans came near setting fire to their ships. Still Achilles held back. At last a messenger ran into his tent and cried: "Oh, Achilles, Achilles, thy friend Patroclus lies dead upon the field of battle." To that one influence the hero responded after all else had failed and went forth to victory and glory. But not until his friend was slain did Achilles buckle on the armor. When he did the Trojans were driven back with great slaughter and the mighty Priam fell at his hands.

Phi Kappa Psi gives us the spirit of real friendship—not a friendship weak and ephemeral—dependent upon circumstances, but a friendship typified by the oak upon the mountainside which laughs at the storm and lifts its proud head in defiance to all the forces that rage against it. Friendship is to be valued for what there is in it—not for what can be gotten out of it. When two people appreciate each other because each has found the other convenient to

have around, they are not friends; they are simply acquaintances with a business understanding. To seek friendship for its utility is as futile as to seek the end of the rainbow for its bag of gold. A true friend is always helpful and useful in the highest sense and we must beware of thinking of our friends as brother members of a mutual benefit association, with its periodical demands and threats of suspension for non-payment of dues. We cannot live a self-centered life without feeling that we are missing the true glory of life. Friendship gives strength to character. When men face the world together and are ready to stand shoulder to shoulder the sense of comradeship makes each strong. Friendship calls out our utmost strength and endeavor, therefore have noble friendships and keep them in repair.

“We may build more splendid habitations,
Fill our rooms with paintings and with sculptures,
But we cannot buy with gold the old associations.”

In the words of Robert Burns in his “Lament for James, the Earl of Glencairn,” I place my tribute to the institutions of learning I have been privileged to attend, the professors at whose feet I have sat and the many dear brothers I have known in Pennsylvania Beta and throughout the whole land whose loving interest has nerved me for the battle of life.

“The bridegroom may forget the bride
Was made his wife yestereen;
The monarch may forget the crown
That on his brow an hour has been;
The mother may forget the child
That smiles sae sweetly on her knee;
But I’ll remember thee, Phi Kappa Psi,
And a’ that thou hast done for me.”

Here you find the *Heart* of Phi Kappa Psi! May I bid you keep the old friends with the new!

III. THE SOUTH—*Morality*.

In the suburbs of Boston—in Wellesley Hills—lives a man whose name has become well known throughout America. He is the man who puts his finger on the economic barometer and reads the signs of the times in the realm of finance. Many a man would like to know what Babson thinks about economic values. Recently he has made an essay into the realm of literature and given us a series of volumes on “Investments,” “Religion and Business,” and

one even on "The Future of the Churches." Now! you would not be surprised were I to tell you that the great need of America today is a good old-fashioned revival of religion. That wouldn't jar you an instant. That is just what you would expect a preacher to say. But when this man who moves in the marts of trade comes back from a world survey and tells us that the outstanding need of America today is a good, old-fashioned revival of religion, it is time for the men and women of America to sit up and take notice. And this he says not in any narrow or sectarian sense. Babson tells us that "The need of the hour is not more factories or materials, not more railroads or steamships, not more armies or navies but rather more *Religious Education*."

The prosperity of our country depends on the motives and purposes of the people. These motives and purposes are directed in the right course only through religious education. Legislation, bounties or force are of no avail in determining man's attitude toward life. Harmony at home and peace with the world will only be determined in the same way. Religion, like everything else of value, must be taught. It is possible to get more religion in industry and business only through the development of religious education and leadership. With the forces of evil backed by men and money, so systematically organized to destroy, we must back with men and money all campaigns for religious education.

One dollar spent for a lunch lasts five hours;
One dollar spent for a necktie lasts five weeks;
One dollar spent for a cap lasts five months;
One dollar spent for an automobile lasts five years;
One dollar spent for a water-power or railroad grade lasts for five generations but! one dollar spent in the service of God lasts for eternity!

My home city is exceedingly fortunate in the high character of its press. Not long since, editorially, the Morning Oregonian said: "What this country needs isn't more young men making speed but more young men planting spuds. What this country needs is more paint on the old place and less paint on the young face. What this country needs isn't a lower rate of interest on money but a higher rate of interest in work."

The Portland Telegram, editorially, said: "We must have a spiritual awakening—not a religious revival by this or that Evangelist—not a subscription to one or another man-made creed, but the quickening of the God-given spirit, the full recognition of the Unseen Power in whom we live and move and have our being, fresh resolution to practice the Golden Rule with the intention of keep-

ing it, a new, stronger desire to live the higher life, and whatever our station to contribute our share toward the finer national life. We must consecrate ourselves to things of the Spirit. Thus we will be certain to recover the lost strength of the nation's moral fiber."

The need of America today is not for men who can lift great blocks of marble to the fortieth story of some new office building, but men who will lift the level of character; not men who will dot the seas with the white sails of commerce, but men who in their every-day living will exemplify those homely virtues—those fundamental verities—which in the final analysis are the chief defense of any nation or any people. Reverence for God and sacred things and places; respect for law and authority; prudence, thrift, sobriety, common sense, which Calvin Coolidge, the Benjamin Franklin of our generation, is acclaiming with vigor. The hour has struck when we must not only call for the enforcement of law but when we men of privilege must observe all law. It is not a question of the "Volstead Act" and the "Prohibition Amendment." The permanence of our American Institutions is in the balance. Our Democratic form of government is at stake. The question now is "are we as a people able to enforce the laws which we ourselves make." We must also have greater respect for old age! Where are those dear grandmothers of the days ago, who sat at the twilight hour, with face circled by white-fringed bonnet, with the far look, a benediction at evening time, and her very presence a very rebuke to sin!

No! No! the great need of America today is not men who will add to the *quantity* of our *materials*, but men who will add to the *quality* of our *living*. Look well to the *South*! Retain the strength of *Moral Fiber*! Restore the evening lamp and the sweet hours with which it is associated. Do not substitute undue excitement, canned music and screened imagination for the self-entertaining power of the old-fashioned American Home! Education is a potent agency; organized ethical instruction is indispensable; applied altruism vitally essential, but something more powerful is needed. We must have a *Soul Awakening*!

IV. THE WEST—*Service!*

In his exploration of the New World, Cortez came upon his Darien, with the Pacific of the unknown, his "Treasure Island." I have just stood upon that peak of Darien, on the prow of our good ship, as we passed through the Panama Canal—but the "Treasure Island" of the world navigator today is incomparably beyond the dreams of a Columbus, a Cortez or a Balboa!

What was the "Treasure Island" of Letterman and Moore as they stood upon their "Peak of Darien" seventy-five years ago with the Pacific of the unknown before them? Excelsior? Self Exaltation? Economic Self-Interest? No! No! the spirit of Phi Kappa Psi has always impelled its neophytes and novitiates to play a *Master Game* everywhere and has always inspired a *Spirit of Social Service, Humanitarian Interest and International Good-will*. The French failed to build the Panama Canal because of graft and greed and political corruption. We can never carry to completion any great national enterprise, we can never have our Republic safe, unless we can raise up not only *trained* men but *Master Men*, men of moral fiber, true men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog of public office and in matters of public trust can everywhere be taken for their face value.

The Canal strip was a great miasmatic swamp, a breeding place for the mosquito which propagated yellow-fever. We have built the canal because when we undertook to do it we took over the plans of the French Government, paying them a large sum for them, and we lost not a dollar on that investment. So thorough was the engineering work, so accurate the scholarship, that there has never needed to be the supplanting of a single item on the plan. France had not the *Moral Fiber* essential to real greatness. We built the canal because men were found who exposed themselves to death to pave the way for the solution of the great problem of sanitation. By their death they made it possible for medical skill and culture in this country to clean up the Canal Zone until it is now as healthful as the environs of Portland, Oregon, or Portland, Maine.

The spirit of Phi Kappa Psi is an incentive to that Kind of *Social Service*. It has the ethics of sacrifice. It teaches us how to invest life. It gives men the moral energy which enables them to live by good ethical standards. Therefore the Panama Canal is a fact and a factor in the development of the Pacific Coast and world relations.

The spirit of Phi Kappa Psi incites us to fidelity in the discharge of every duty. When a Phi Psi deals with another in any other manner than that in which he himself would be dealt by, even though he be not guilty of an offense involving moral turpitude, he violates the Spirit at least, if not the letter, of his obligation. He not only renders himself unworthy to be taken by the hand as a Brother, but he forfeits the right to be known as a Phi Psi. I care not how prominent he may be or with what speed he may have progressed in the Fraternity, if he be a grocer and sell sand for sugar, he is not a Phi Psi; if he be a tailor, and for wool sells shoddy, he is not a Phi Psi; if he be a lawyer, and instigate and

encourage litigation, or otherwise attempts to obtain a benefit for himself at the expense of his client, or by improper methods a benefit for his client to which, under the law, he is not entitled, he is not a Phi Psi; if he be an employer of labor, and take an unfair advantage of the poverty and distress of those who must hire to him, he is not a Phi Psi; if he be an employee and fail in his duty to his employer, he is not a Phi Psi.

Whatever be his trade, occupation or profession, if he does not in his business transactions deal fairly, honestly and justly with all men, he is as much an imposter as though he had never been received into a Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi. Upon the individual Phi Psi depends the reputation of the Fraternity. If those in the community who are not of our number discover from their daily intercourse with us, from their business dealings with us, that we are after all, as other men; that although we are Phi Psis, our Fraternity is something apart from our business, and that we are under no obligation as business men, because we are Phi Psis to deal honestly and fairly, even with each other, they will believe, and they will have a right to believe, that we are only pretenders. If our Fraternity ever ceases to be, in all things, that which it was designed to be, it will be because we talk and write and think too much of Phi Kappa Psi in the abstract and not enough of Phi Kappa Psi in the concrete; too much of Phi Kappa Psi collectively and too little of the individual Phi Psi. As you honor yourself you honor your Fraternity; should you disgrace yourself you will disgrace her; your character is the criterion of hers.

Before this University World Cruise shall end it will be my high privilege to stand upon the summit of the great Pyramid yonder in Egypt. Stand with me now, in imagination, on that high point of vantage. As you look to the west you discover the great Desert of Sahara—a dry, barren waste. Through all the years nor man nor beast has been fed or nurtured there. Looking to the east you behold the Delta of the Nile—that wonderful river which has its rise in the uplands of the Dark Continent. Twice every year it overflows its banks—a great irrigation project. For centuries it has been the granary for the Mediterranean basin. Do you see? The life that lives for *Self* will be a *Desert!* The life that lives for *Others* will be a *Delta!*

Desert or Delta—Which?

On this Diamond Jubilee of our beloved Fraternity may these high principles scintillate with Diamond brilliance from the lives of all of us privileged to be called by that endearing word "Brother!"

Forced Feeding of Pledged Men

W. M. SMALLWOOD, N. Y. Beta '92, Contributor

THE glutinous Roman emperor, Catullus, had his oysters placed in fresh-water ponds for three days to fatten them. This changing of the habitat from salt to fresh water caused the more concentrated fluids in the body of the oyster to absorb water and the resulting distention of the tissues was thought to be fattening. Poor old Catullus was being fooled for it takes more than three days for oyster protoplasm to manufacture fat; and it might be added, in passing, that oysters contain hardly one per cent of fat, so that our ancient friend was trying to do the impossible

This same notion has engaged the minds of thousands of the followers of Catullus who were not willing to accept the limitations which the facts about oysters and other matters imposed upon them. In many instances the limitations were not real and it was well that they were rejected, but we have come to a state of mind where we are trying to convince ourselves that these limitations can be removed by simply denying their existence or providing some regulations that will enable the individual to give a better report of himself—a report that suggests the prize stock on exhibition. Where “hot-house” care and forced-feeding seem to have produced an extra fine animal but too many of these prize animals are for show purposes only; for, when they are placed under normal conditions, they lose their exhibition appearance.

Some of this same notion has entered into our thinking about pledged men. Alumni, anxious to do a friendly turn and who classify themselves in the group who shout “My country, right or wrong, my country,” have become prominent in our fraternity councils with the result that there has spread through the fraternity system of both men and women the scheme of forced-feeding of the pledges.

Editor's Note—For many years Doctor Smallwood has been chairman of the fraternity committee of the faculty of Syracuse University, and has devoted much time to a study of scholastic conditions among fraternity members.

This consists of a variety of regulations devised by both the local chapter and authoritatively issued by national executive committees. They run something like this: "Freshmen can have but one night out;" "All the pledges receiving low grades must come to the chapter house to study from 7 to 10 o'clock five nights in the week;" "Each pledge shall have a special adviser who shall see that he is advised how to get by;" "Special tutors should be arranged for from the upperclassmen who are sharks in the subject that the frosh is having trouble with." Admirable as this scheme was in its inception, it has degenerated very largely into a cramming process to get pledges who are *really weak intellectually* eligible for initiation.

I have been interested in fraternity averages for a number of years. Each time that I have taken the trouble to compare the scholastic rating of the freshmen of the first semester before initiation when they were being subjected to forced-feeding, with their record after initiation, I have found the work of the semester following initiation to be lower. I am aware that this is not an isolated observation for I have frequently discussed this problem with visiting fraternity officials. It has been suggested that the ambition to do good work has been removed by initiation. If that is the correct answer, then fraternities are a menace to scholarship.

But I find my thought taking a different turn. This special coaching and artificial regulation of study in a certain room at a certain time, this using the shark upperclassmen to show the frosh how to get by, is a species of spoon-feeding that results too often in forcing the intellectually weak to take on "oyster fat" or the superior appearance of the "hot-house" prize stock. As soon as the pressure is taken off, such students drop back to their *real intellectual level* and the fraternity that imagined that it was initiating a prized man has simply taken in another dub.

There is a further reason why this forced-feeding is pernicious. The colleges are requiring a general average for graduation which shall express quality as contrasted with

quantity. Thus a student may pass all of his work with what is commonly known as the "D" grade and be sent home because the quality of his work has too much "oyster fat" in it. Each year seniors fail to come through because of this regulation.

This same "D" grade man in a fraternity has to be computed in all fraternity averages and it takes a "B" grade student to offset his low record, so that no credit comes to a fraternity from its good students as long as their high grades are absorbed by "D" men. Poor old fraternity, you have been deluding yourself too long. Forced-feeding and special coaching will not give you even average students.

I take it that the argument need not be extended although it easily might be for what I have aimed to do is to call into question the almost unqualified indorsement among fraternities of trying to force pledges to measure up to what they are not for the sake of meeting eligibility requirements for initiation. I believe that this attitude on the part of fraternities is one of the important factors in explaining their present low scholastic standing.

Work Begun on New Catalog

The Executive Council has set in motion the machinery looking toward the compilation of a new edition of the Catalog. Kenneth Barnard, editor of the Catalog, and Secretary Thomas A. Cookson have made arrangements whereby the preliminary part of the work will be done in the Secretary's office. All chapters have been notified to send to the Secretary before May 1st a directory of all members, alumni and undergraduate. Similar lists will also be requested from the alumni associations. These lists will be used as the working basis for the new Catalog. All alumni are urged to cooperate with their own chapters and with the fraternity officers in an effort to make the new edition of the Catalog as accurate as possible.

New Badges for S. C. Members

AT the various Founders' Day, Diamond Jubilee and chapter installations held throughout the country in February, the members of S. C. wore for the first times the new badges of that order. A committee of S. C. has been studying for several years designs for an appropriate badge, the one finally selected being chosen at the meeting of the order held in connection with the Kansas City Grand Arch Council last June. The badge was designed and manufactured by the Fraternity's official jewelers, the L. G. Balfour Co.

The badge consists of a gold bar at the top, bearing the letters "G. A. C's," from which is suspended a black ribbon, symbolizing the secrecy of the order. Below the ribbon is a seven-pointed gold star, signifying the minimum number of Grand Arch Councils a member must have attended to be eligible for membership in S. C. On this star is the standard badge of the Fraternity, and upon the lower points, in black enamel, are the letters "S. C."

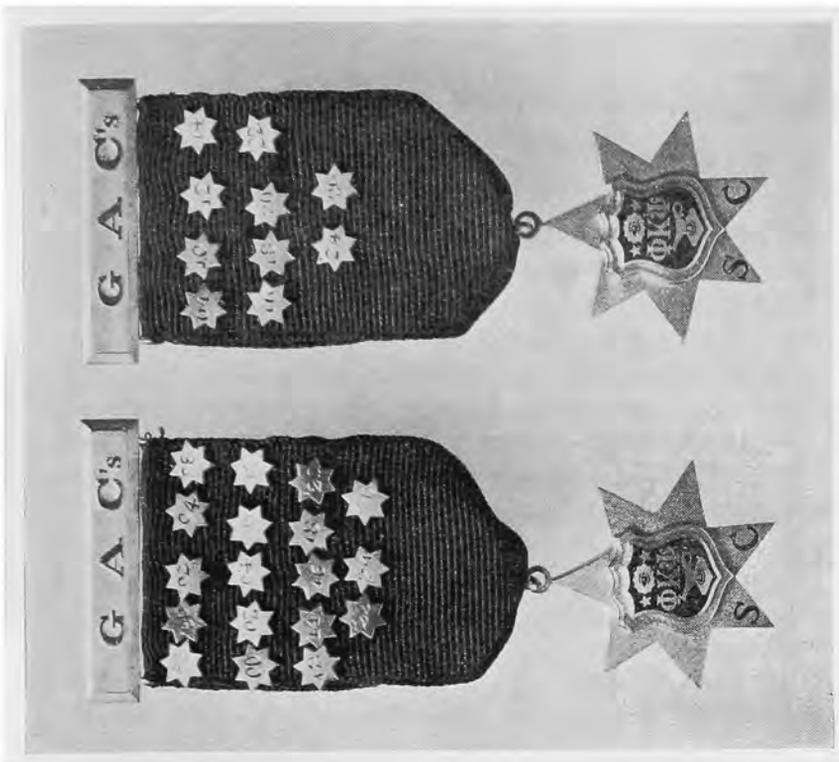
The black ribbon bears seven-pointed stars, one representing each Grand Arch Council which the member has attended. The date of the Grand Arch Council is engraved upon each of these stars, a new star being added for each G. A. C. the member may attend. The badge at present containing the largest number of stars is that of Sion B. Smith, who has attended eighteen Grand Arch Councils and who is president of S. C. The minimum number of stars on any badge is seven.

The badges will be worn only on the occasion of major fraternity events, such as Grand Arch Councils, District Councils, Founders' Day, chapter initiations and chapter installations. It was peculiarly appropriate that these service badges should have been first used on Founders' Day in our Diamond Jubilee year. There are now forty members of S. C., nearly all members of the Fraternity who are at present eligible having been initiated. Several additional brothers will become eligible, however, if they are in attendance at the Buffalo convention next year.



SCHOLARSHIP PLAQUE

Scholarship plaque awarded by the Executive Council to chapters that lead in scholarship.



THE NEW S. C. BADGE

The badge at the left is that of Sion B. Smith, which has more stars than that of any other member.

The Executive Council Scholarship Trophy

At the Kansas City meeting of the Executive Council in June 1926, it was decided to award as a permanent possession a trophy to each chapter which shall rank first in scholarship among national fraternities on its campus for any entire college year beginning with the year 1924-25. A wall plaque designed by Balfour, the official jewelers, was accepted as the official trophy. This plaque is a very beautiful piece of work. Mounted on a mahogany base is our coat-of-arms in high relief made in government bronze. This is surrounded by a wreath and below is a plate containing the inscription. Its artistic merit alone will make it prized by any chapter to which it is awarded.

But it is not the beauty of the plaque which makes the most powerful appeal. Its greatest value lies in what it represents. The greatest pleasure in life comes as a result of the accomplishment of worth-while things. High achievements always bring their reward. To rank first in scholarship on its campus is one of the highest, if not the highest, honor that any chapter can attain. One of these plaques is valuable because it reminds us of a great achievement.

Plaques were awarded for the year 1924-25 to Ohio Delta and to Ohio Epsilon, each of these chapters having ranked first on the campus. For highest rank for the year 1925-26 plaques have been awarded to Ohio Beta, Ohio Epsilon and Oregon Alpha.

Ohio Epsilon ranked first scholastically among all fraternities at Case School 1925-16. This is the second year in succession that Ohio Epsilon has ranked first among all the fraternities at Case.

Ohio Beta ranked first among all national fraternities at Wittenberg both semesters of 1925-26.

Oregon Alpha ranked first scholastically among all nationals on the Oregon campus the first term of 1925-26. For the second term the chapter again ranked first, but for the third term it ranked third. However, on the average for the entire year it ranked first. This is a fine record for a chapter so recently organized.

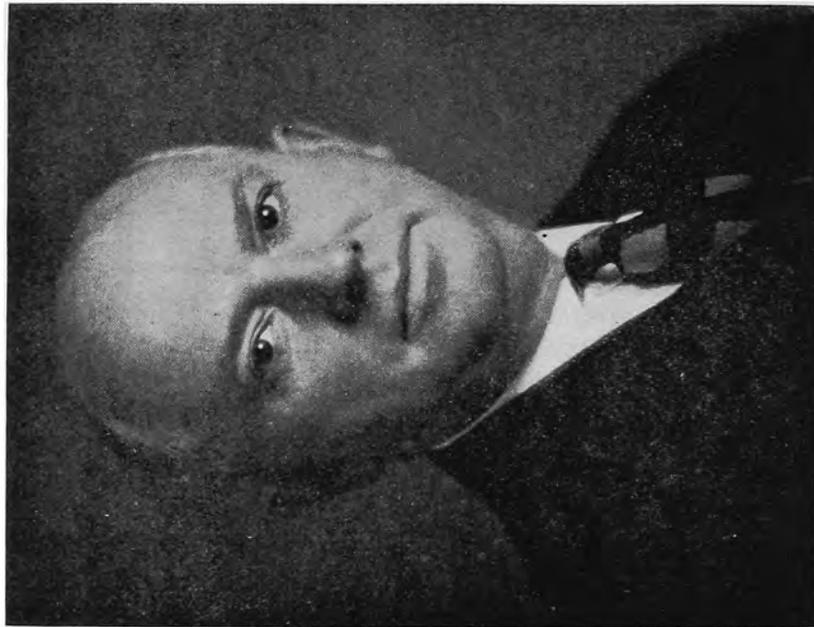
Harry R. Templeton General Chairman for Diamond Jubilee G. A. C.

HARRY R. TEMPLETON, N. Y. Beta '99, who is chairman of the committee of arrangements for the Grand Arch Council meeting to be held in Buffalo next year, is one of those captains of industry who has worked his way up from the bottom until today, at 47, he is not only an authority on baking problems but head of the Ontario Biscuit Company of Buffalo, N. Y., and the Famous Biscuit Company of Pittsburgh, Pa.

He was born in Buffalo, N. Y., attended old Central High School in that city and on graduation had an experience which has helped to make many another successful man. He taught a country school for a year and learned to know country life as well as that of the city. He entered Syracuse University in 1899 and was initiated into the New York Beta Chapter the same year. Like many other college boys of those days, he worked his way through college; part of the time teaching in a private preparatory school and part of the time acting as steward at the chapter house. Possibly it was in this latter position that he became interested in cakes, cookies and crackers. But, in any event, his college days were filled with good hard work as well as play and study.

He has always taken a keen interest in his chapter and this year had the pleasure of seeing his son, Donald, pledged to New York Beta. He has two brothers who are also members of the same chapter.

On leaving college, his first position was with the Ontario Biscuit Company where he began work in the cost department and gradually worked into the production field. The Ontario Biscuit Company was later taken over by the General Baking Company which also acquired the Collins Baking Co. and the Faxon Bakery in Buffalo, N. Y. Brother Templeton was in charge of the production department in all three plants. During the war his plants furnished more biscuits for the army than any other plant in America.



HARRY R. TEMPLETON, N. Y. Beta

General chairman of committee on arrangements for the 1928 Grand Arch Council at Buffalo.



C. R. TEXTER, Pa. Lambda

President of the Pittsburgh A. A. and chairman of Diamond Jubilee Celebration in Pittsburgh.

In 1923, he decided that he wanted to have a plant of his own and finally purchased from the General Baking Company the Ontario Baking Company where he began work. His success since he took over the Ontario Biscuit Company has been phenomenal. He and those associated with him have recently acquired the Famous Baking Co. of Pittsburgh, Pa., and his success in that company has already attracted attention.

Harry Templeton is another illustration of the fact that there are real leaders in industry in this country who have come up through the ranks. The training which he received in all branches of his work has enabled him to understand not only the problems of cost but all of the industrial problems involved in the baking industry, and his advice and counsel have been sought by men throughout the country.

He is putting the same zeal and enthusiasm into the plans for the next Grand Arch Council that he has shown in his business life and the Fraternity can depend on it that when the members arrive in Buffalo in 1928 there will be something doing every minute and that the Grand Arch Council of that year will be one long to be remembered.

S. C. Initiates Walter McCorkle

A special meeting of the S. C. Order was convened in Pittsburgh on March 19th, in connection with the installation of the Pennsylvania Mu Chapter, for the purpose of receiving into membership former President Walter L. McCorkle, Va. Beta '77. Brother McCorkle has attended eleven Grand Arch Councils, as follows: 1892, 1894, 1896, 1898, 1900, 1902, 1904, 1906, 1910, 1912, 1914. Fourteen members of S. C. were present at the installation of the new chapter and wore, for the first time in Pittsburgh, the new badge of the order.

Czechs Honor Phi Kappa Psi

The following article, illustrated by several photographs, appeared in the Pittsburgh Gazette Times of February 20, 1927:

THE Pittsburgh Alumni Association of Phi Kappa Psi, of which Greek-letter fraternity former President Woodrow Wilson was a member, has been signally honored by Thomas Garrigue Masaryk, President of Czecho-Slovakia.

John L. Porter, past president and keeper of archives for the association, is the recipient of a handsomely bound album picturing memorials erected as tributes to Wilson in Prague.

For years the alumni association, through Mr. Porter, has been collecting interesting memorabilia pertaining to the wartime President. Hearing that Czecho-Slovakia, whose creation as an independent republic is closely interwoven with the name of Woodrow Wilson, had erected memorials in his honor, Mr. Porter wrote President Masaryk at Prague, asking how he could obtain photographs of the tributes.

In response President Masaryk had the album sent Mr. Porter through the Czecho-Slovak legation at Washington.

Wilson Station is a thoroughly modern structure covering two city blocks. Views contained in the album show it to be a very busy place. Hung over the entrance to the station platforms is a large medallion of the likeness of President Wilson.

Jaroslav Lipa, counselor of the Washington legation, in a letter to Mr. Porter gave assurance that a monument to the late President Wilson will be erected and unveiled in 1928 when the tenth anniversary of the constitution of the republic will be celebrated.

"More memorials have been erected in Europe to the memory of Woodrow Wilson than to any other President of the United States within 50 years after their terms of office," Mr. Porter said yesterday. While in France, Mr. Porter had a photograph taken of Place Wilson in Nice. This is the only known picture of the scene, he said.

Among Mr. Porter's prized possessions is a set of Woodrow Wilson's "History of the United States," autographed by the former President.

The Phi Kappa Psi fraternity was founded 75 years ago yesterday. Its diamond jubilee will be celebrated in Pittsburgh on March 19, when a chapter will be founded at the Carnegie Institute of Technology as a part of Founders' Day exercises, Mr. Porter said.

Cactus Pete Inspires Tobasco

February 26, 1927

*Mr. Lead Cheney,
Capitale Albany Federale Districta New York,
La Editorio El Shield Magazina,
Fraternidad Los Phi Kappa Psi*

DEAR LEAD:—

I was take a look at it, the magazina El Shieldo oven mine nice fraternidad and I was seen somethings you print it in there from one of the hermanos (which is in Espanol for brothers) from El Ciudad Kansas Moe, who sign it his name "Cactus Peter" and to myself I was think outloud how comes des Shield give permissioné to make letters to nestros brothers in such nice magazina when the Hinglish language they make so much butcher. Well deer Lead I saposé that all this magazina is do it is to the hermanos to speak to each other so I feel absoluté that maybe you will permit myself to tell it the brothers somethings. Yo no sabe who this fellow from such Kansas City Moe think it that he comes from the open wide spaces where is it the cactus and such caballeros and where it is what they say "Where west the commences." Caramba! Lead! You do it not find cactus in Estado Kansas, No! No! No! Neveré. High collars and long weskers and cornfields was all. But, deer Lead, in California. Ah! mon dio! dulcé California! Where the sun shines it so much and where are la naranjas, maybe you call it the orangees, and those olivos and El Rancheros, Fandangos and La Cinema Estrellas in Hollywood. Ah! Hermano Lead, and these tamales and ze bull

fight. Ha! Cactus Peter he is nothing but what you call it "Countre Jake." Excuse it me Lead, I forgot to myself introduce me. I was call it Flores Tomasso Allesandro Huenemé Pimiento, a Spanish boy from Mission Santa Rosalia, California, from El Dorado Alpha you call it, for to make it short call it me Tobasco. Did you know it, Yes! We was put here in California just now some new broth-ners, California Delta, with big noise and much fine things at the Helks Lodge. Oh Boy, Lead! Beeg time they make it. And our Presidenté "Harmy," he come from way back up at Clevelander, Ohoo, to make the big impressioné. And did he done it, Ho Babé I'll did so said! Now Lead I was like just here to tell it the brothers about our Presi-denté "Harmy," before we take it in the Babe California Delta he was write it to me hat the Mission for some bibles and I will to you tell it hees letter hexactly:

*Flores Tomasso Allexandro Huenemé Pimiento,
Mission Santa Rosalia,
El Dorado, California*

DEAR TOBASCO:

Here I am in the office all alone with troubles on my mind without end. In the foist place I have to run this machine myself as all the damed stenographers and pressmen have gone home to evening woiship. Here is what's troubling me; you'll be surprised.

It's the question of Bibles. For two weeks I have been a-gathering all the appurtenances and accessories for the installation of the Zekes and have everything in readiness as follows, to wit, as you attoineys say:

Constitution
By Laws
Ritual
Gavel
Lamps
Seal
Charter
Hoodwinks

But I'm having a heluva time getting a Bible. In fact we will need ten of them. That is if'n we have ten men at a time to initiate into the mysteries of the Phi Captain Psi fraternity. It never occurred to me, Tobasco, what trouble there was ahead of us.

In the foist place, I looked for my old family Bible at home and couldn't find it. After describing it fully to all the family including our one maid she said she had come across it once while cleaning the attic where it was hid behind the rafters and all covered with dust and cobwebs and not knowing what it was or its value she threw it in the ash can or the garbage pail; she didn't know which or much. She said she kinda hated to throw it away as it seemed like a new book as it was not even fingermarked or damaged at all but she looked at the title page and it said something about a present to me in 1887

so she decided it was too old for any further use although it apparently never had been used.

Then I inquired around the neighborhood for a Bible but all the neighbors bragged about having all the late fiction but none of them seemed to know that the Bible was out yet; anyway they said they had not seen it advertised.

So then I got a new idea and went to the Public Liberry but the liberrian said they only had one copy and it was a relic and was kept in a glass case so people could look at it. I then asked if it were possible to get a Bible in Los Angeles and the liberrian said 'Hell No; they never had a Bible in Los Angeles yet or Hollywood either.'

Now it so happens that acrossst the street from around the corner of our shop is the Old Stone Church and many a time I have passed there, early and late, and have noticed a sign out in front of the back which said Sabbath School for Foreigners: Orientals, Greeks, and Manhatteans.

I just come back from there disappointed again. They had big stacks of Bibles but every one I looked at I couldn't read. Not even the Greeks. I couldn't find the woids Phi Kappa Psi anywhere. And the Chinese Bibles looked like a laundryman's note book. So I gave them all up.

For several days I gave up the idea of getting Bibles until I took a trip down to Youngstown, Ohio, and stayed in a hotel where I found a Bible left by the Gideons. But the thing was chained and on the cover was the admonition "Thou shalt not steal." However that gave me an idea and when I got back I went to the Hotel Statler and asked him if he couldn't loan me about 1 doz. Gideon Bibles and what do you think he said. This is what. He said nobody ever used the Gideon Bibles so he had them all sold to the rag man.

Gosh, can you beat that one! From all that pulp they make newspaper print and the funny part of it is that we're reading the Bible everyday and nobody even suspects it. Can you imagine reading about Charlie Chaplain and Lita and Aimee Temple McPherson and Peaches Browning and Jane Gibson, the Pig Woman, in the Bible. Well that's where it is. See Geniuses XII, beginning at the foist and ending with the twenty-thoid Psalm.

Oh Hell. I give it up. The next president we elect has got to have Bibbles of his own before we elect him. That's one qualification the GAC should insist upon. Religiously.

Love to Dan,
"ARMY" WILLIAMS

Now, Lead, we make it the big scrambeled Heggs thru all of the Missions and find for to use ten Bibles for sure, and therefore now we have it in our nice fraternidad California Delta, but Lead it was ze close squeek. Ho Boy! Hif you don't believe me hask it to Brother Moore, our Vice Presidenté.

I so am thankful to tell you all of these things without hesitation on the reservation or evading my mind whatsoever.

Please to Gobernardor Smith make my perfumed regards with great pleasure from a grape grower, Sacre Vino Zin-

fendel, Hoopee! And, Lead, to the brothers for much enjoyment with a come to California, the land of the Poppies and California Delta. Do you not think I was have a bueno vocolábrarry with just a leetel trouble with the axcent on the wrong sillábill. Cactus Peter, Bah!

TOBASCO OF CALIFORNIA

Indiana Delta's New Home

JOHN F. KOEPPEN, Ind. Delta '25, Contributor

INDIANA DELTA Chapter at Purdue University moved into a new home when the university opened for the fall term on September 6, 1926. Through the efforts of the house association the new house was ready for occupancy when the brothers returned in the fall. Several pieces of furniture and a few of the fixtures were installed for temporary use, but at present the house is complete throughout.

The new home is located on a large triangular lot formed by the intersection of Northwestern avenue with Grant street, in West Lafayette. Through the foresight of our predecessors, who purchased the lot several years ago, the present chapter enjoys, perhaps, the choicest of fraternity locations any where about the campus. Across Grant street, to the west, is the campus. It is rumored that the new university Memorial Gateway is to be built at the entrance road turning into Grant street and across the street from our back door. Northwestern avenue is one of the main thoroughfares running from the main street to Ross-Ade Bowl. The house is of genuine old Italian architecture and built in the shape of a long "L," with the main entrance facing on Northwestern avenue so that the bottom of the "L" runs east and west at the south end of the lot. The end of the house faces the point of the lot formed by the intersection.

The ground has been graded and the outside edges of the banks sodded. The remainder is to be landscaped in the spring, with hardy grass and hedges on the point, to

break the barren end and to keep trespassers off the grass. At the rear of the house a cement drive enters from the Grant street side and runs across the rear of the lot to the east end of the house. It is hoped to have this drive extended to Northwestern avenue in the future.

The house is built of a dark, varicolored red brick set on a concrete foundation. It is three stories, with a basement, in which is located the dining room, kitchen, butler's pantry, furnace room with overhead, reinforced concrete coal storage (underneath the driveway), trunk room, lounge room and several other pantries and a lavatory. The roof is typical Italian covered with medium dark-green tile. Around all windows, big doors and entrances the brick is supplanted with generous borders of white Indiana limestone. A border of the same material goes around the entire house between the second and third floors. Facing east is a large uncovered cement plaza with iron grating around it. This grating embodies, in each section, the "gravy bowl" of the Fraternity. Over the main entrance on Northwestern avenue the crest of the Fraternity is chipped in limestone, and is exceedingly well done.

The dining room is finished in sand-colored plaster and paneled in light gray woodwork. Three sets of small windows furnish the light from the west side of the house. There are six tables finished in black duco (each table seats eight men), with clever dining room chairs finished in bright red. Bright-colored striped curtains add a very lively touch to the room. At the end of the dining room, adjoining with wide swinging doors, is the chapter room. Where occasion demands, this chapter room can be turned into an extended dining room.

Mr. Henry, father of C. L. Henry, presented the chapter forty-eight sets of beautiful silver, with the fraternity crest engraved on each piece.

All trophies and pictures are placed in the lounge room. The old furniture is also kept in this room, together with a new orthophonic victrola. A small brick fireplace makes this room one of the most popular in the house. Brother



NEW INDIANA DELTA CHAPTER HOUSE AT PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Sherin of Indianapolis presented the chapter with two large brass "goobies" for this fireplace, and also enough small brass ash trays for every initiated man in the house.

The kitchen is furnished with a new electric dishwasher, two large gas ranges and ample pantry room for the supplies. The porter's room has a shower, toilet and lavatory. A new heating plant with water tank promises to keep the house warm in the most bitter of wind and assures an abundance of hot water. No trunks are permitted to be taken into study rooms, so that our trunk room is crowded.

The first floor is really beautiful. The long part of the "L" comprises one large, low-raftered living room with a large stone fireplace at the north end. To the east, opening on the terrace, there are three enormous French windows (the middle one is a door) draped in dark Italian red. There are the same number on the west and two small windows at the north, on each side of the fireplace. Miss Catherine McMahan, interior decorator, matched all the draperies, furniture and lighting fixtures with nearly flawless precision. This big room is finished in natural sand plaster, and furnished in Italian red and dark green, with three large and striking rugs to blend the color harmony perfectly. A leather fire-bench finished in red leather adds to the attractiveness of the large fireplace. Four large tapestry chairs, three luxurious davenports, five big armchairs, red footbenches, tables and the player piano comprise the furniture in this room. Above the mantle, over the big fireplace, there is an electrically lighted shield. Between the French doors are placed wall lights with metal ships on each fixture, and set off by inlaid red and green tiles. Each light carries a parchment cover with the crest engraved thereon. Three sets of old-metal supported light fixtures break the plainness of the white ceilings. In the hallway two artistic metal cage lights with orange bulbs lend a striking color to the room. On the terrace, and on either side of the west entrance, small cage lights of green metal finish carry pale blue bulbs. From without, when these blue lights are going,



LIVING ROOM



MUSIC ROOM

NEW INDIANA DELTA CHAPTER HOUSE

together with the dull yellow from the orange bulbs within, the house presents a very inviting attractiveness.

On the south of the hall is the music room, with fireplace, and furnished in green leather furniture and brightly colored draw curtains. With a delicate stand lamp in one corner and the little music chairs, enforced with heavy, green leather armchairs and davenport, the room finds no end of admirers and is probably next to the lounge room in popularity.

The hallways and these two rooms are pleasantly set off with curved arches rather than the ordinary square doorways. Just off the hallway is a telephone booth and cloak closet. There are two sets of telephones in the house, the basement and second floor being on one line and the first and third floors on another line. This method has relieved the congestion of traffic to and from the telephone. From a small door leading away from the hall there is the chapter office, guest room, maid's quarters, back stairway and rear entrance. Mr. C. C. Fridlin, father of "Bud" Fridlin, has offered to furnish our guest room.

Entering from the east entrance and going straight through the hall, down two steps and out through a swinging door to the west entrance, is found the stairway leading to the basement. A wide, railed stairway from the hall leads to the rooms on the second and third floors. The second and third floors consist of study rooms on each floor, one dorm, toilet and telephone booth and linen closets. The five study rooms north of the stairway have sleeping rooms adjacent, and hold two students to the room. The other four rooms have no bedrooms, but occupants have access to small dormitories on the southeast side of the house. The bathrooms have four lavatories, two showers, two toilets, one urinal, and lavatory to wash the teeth. There are drinking fountains on the first, second and third floors, in the hallways. Each room is furnished with a double-deck bed and chiffonier and two closets with locks. Each man carries a key to his closets

and one to the house, which is locked every evening except Saturday at eleven o'clock.

The house is as nearly fireproof as houses are built. The basement has concrete walls, terrazzo floor and the frame is built of hollow tile and double brick throughout. Over the dining room and big living room, heavy steel "I" beams have been used and smaller steel beams have been used over the windows and doorways.

We feel justly proud of our new home, the more so because of the fact that Phi Kappa Psi is the first fraternity on the Purdue campus to have built their second home. From outside comment our new house is unparalleled on the campus today—inside or outside.

And to those untiring, patient alumni and house association members, we owe and give our deepest thanks and appreciation for what they have done for both local chapter and national Fraternity.





LLOYD L. CHENEY, *Editor* Albany, N. Y.

Welcome Two New Chapters

When two universities were placed on the accredited list at the Kansas City Grand Arch Council last summer, and the establishment of two new chapters thus made likely, the action was not taken with any thought of making such installations part of the Diamond Jubilee observances. But it has been particularly appropriate that this important milestone in the Fraternity's history could be emphasized by the establishment of two chapters. Installations of new chapters are always outstanding events in Phi Kappa Psi, and have unusual significance; in connection with both installations this year, which occurred on or near Founders' Day, the Diamond Jubilee played an important part. In our twenty-fifth anniversary year Pennsylvania Iota was established, and in our semicentennial year Rhode Island Alpha began its career.

All members, chapters and alumni associations of the Fraternity most heartily and fraternally welcome California Delta and Pennsylvania Mu into our brotherhood. Both entered Phi Kappa Psi under the most auspicious circumstances. It is doubtful if any installations have ever been conducted with so much dignity and impressiveness, and with so much preparation and enthusiasm, as were these two. Large numbers of brothers were present to assist in the ceremonies and to welcome the new chapters.

Both chapters are particularly fortunate in being located in cities where there are unusually active alumni associations. An alumni association like Southern California or Pittsburgh is of immeasurable value to a chapter, as the

two new chapters, even in their brief existence, can well testify. The chapter that is so situated that it can have the counsel, advice and assistance of such organized groups of Phi Psis has an advantage which a more isolated chapter may well envy. Then, too, both chapters begin their careers in Phi Kappa Psi with substantial groups of their own alumni. It is hoped that the lack of undergraduate life in Phi Kappa Psi may only be an additional incentive for these alumni to learn more of the Fraternity and to keep in close touch with it and with their own chapters.

The new chapters have the further advantage of being located in two of the great and growing universities of the country, which are attracting young men of high character and ability. This means that there will likely continue to be ample resources from which to select men of Phi Psi standards, and no chapter can look confidently into the future without such prospects.

The two Diamond Jubilee chapters come into the Fraternity with worthy records, with auspicious installations, and with a unanimous welcome. Under such circumstances the Fraternity confidently expects much from them, feeling assured that they are strengthening links in the chain which was first forged three-quarters of a century ago.





PHI KAPPA PSI NOTES



F. P. Smith, Mass. Alpha '22, is doing graduate work at Harvard.

L. Earle Stephenson is assistant buyer at Nugents, St. Louis, Mo.

J. C. Brooke, a charter member of Texas Alpha, has been elected president of the El Paso Bar Association.

Lieutenant Commander W. W. Davies, Ohio Alpha '09, is stationed at the Naval Medical School, Washington, D. C.

Prof. John H. Frizzell, Mass. Alpha '98, has returned to his former position on the faculty of Pennsylvania State College.

Lewis F. Garrison, N. H. Alpha '16, is with the Wilbert Garrison Co., printers and lithographers, 82 Beekman St., New York City.

Albert C. Finney, Minn. Alpha '83, is serving as judge of the superior court of Imperial county, California, having been elected last fall.

Principal Frank L. Boyden of Deerfield Academy, Mass. Alpha '00, has been elected president of the Massachusetts State Board of Public Welfare.

The Rev. John Martin Canse, Ind. Alpha '91, has recently been inducted into the post of president of the Kimball School of Theology, Salem, Ore.

Dr. Thomas J. Wertenbaker, Va. Alpha '99, professor of history in Princeton University, is the author of a new book entitled "The American People, a History."

Raymond S. Pruitt, Ill. Alpha '05, was married February 24th to Miss Florence Clara Hemingway of Gary, Ind. They are living at the Shore Crest Hotel, Chicago.

William J. Harvie, N. Y. Beta '96, has been recently appointed assistant general manager of the United Traction Company, Albany, N. Y., and is in charge of personnel and safety work.

Dr. George Clark Mosher, Ohio Delta '78, of Kansas City, Mo., was a speaker before the fourth annual con-

ference of directors of state boards of health of the United States, held in Washington in January.

Ralph W. Hemenway, Mass. Alpha '01, President Coolidge's law partner, has been made second vice president of the Hampshire County Trust Company of Northampton, Mass. He is also a director and junior counsel.

Harold B. Reed, Cal. Gamma '14, who has been the manager of the Los Angeles office of Blair & Company, investment bankers of New York, has recently been elected a vice president of this well-known financial house.

State Senator George K. Pond, Mass Alpha '00, is chairman of the Massachusetts water supply committee in charge of legislative matters involved in the proposed metropolitan system. He is also chairman of the Republican town committee of Greenfield, Mass.

Karl B. Kyle, W. Va. Alpha '17, of Clarksburg, and William Woodyard, W. Va. Alpha '12, of Spencer, were among the newly elected members of the West Virginia house of delegates and began their new duties when the legislature convened last January.

Dr. Alfred S. Romer, Mass. Alpha '13, is one of the sixteen authors of "The Nature of the World and of Man," a general survey of physical and biological science published by the University of Chicago. Brother Romer contributes the chapter on paleontology.

Among the Phi Psis occupying places of distinction in the government are George H. Carter, Iowa Alpha, Public Printer, Col. John Hull, Iowa Alpha, Judge Advocate General of the Army, and Col. William J. Donovan, N. Y. Gamma, Assistant Attorney General.

Sidney D. Kline, Pa. Zeta '23, was recently admitted to the bars of Berks and Philadelphia counties and the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. At present he is engaged as assistant to the vice president and trust officer of the Mutual Trust Company of Philadelphia.

The Liberty Bank of San Francisco and the Bank of America of Los Angeles have recently been consolidated under the name of the Liberty Bank of America, with Orra E. Monnette, Ohio Alpha '91, as president. The new bank has 136 branches in California.

Rev. Hugh Hubbard, Mass. Alpha '04, of the North China Mission at Paotingfu, reports numerous difficulties in connection with the present civil war. His house has

been hit by bullets. His youngest child, Hugh Bennett, died last December at the age of ten days.

L. Dick Keys, Ohio Delta '17, has resigned as assistant sales manager of the Victor Safe & Lock Co., Marietta, Ohio, to accept a position as field investigator for Barrington Associates, Inc., New York City, engaged in conducting a service of sales and economic research.

One of the first persons to make a transatlantic telephone call was Arthur B. Witherell, Mass. Alpha '18, treasurer of the Hampshire County Trust Co. of Northampton, Mass., who on January 24th talked with the chief accountant of a bank in Northampton, England.

William S. Boal, Ill. Beta, is one of the directors and chairman of the membership committee of the Interfraternity Club of Chicago, which was organized in March. This club has engaged permanent headquarters in the Congress Hotel, with an executive secretary in charge.

Curtis Canfield, Mass. Alpha '21, who is teaching spoken English and coaching dramatics at Amherst College, is engaged to Miss Katherine Newbold of Northampton, Mass. Both Miss Newbold and Brother Canfield have been members of the Northampton Repertory Company and of His Majesty's Players of Montreal.

THE SHIELD acknowledges receipt of the following chapter papers: *The Ohio Betan*, *Le Gamma Cri* (Pennsylvania Gamma), *The Indiana Alphan*, *The Nehalphan* (New Hampshire Alpha), *The Sooner Phi Psi* (Oklahoma Alpha), *Alumni News Letter* (Illinois Beta); *Alumni News* (Chicago A. A.); *The Webfoot Alphan* (Oregon Alpha).

The Chicago Alumni Association has issued a new edition of the directory of Phi Psis living in Chicago and vicinity. The book is of convenient pocket size, with 96 pages of names arranged alphabetically. The information given includes the member's name, chapter, year of initiation, business and residence addresses, and telephones.

Prey Savoy, Mass. Alpha '16, was married last October to Miss Suzanne A. Stone of New York, whom he met while in Paris, where he studied law at the Sarbonne and where he earned his doctor's degree by writing a book in French on the Japanese question. Brother Savoy is attached to the office of the Secretary of State in Washington.

Will W. Lockwood, Ind. Alpha '94, international secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in charge of the association's

activities at Shanghai, China, father of three members of the Indiana Alpha Chapter and brother of five Phi Psis, is recuperating at the Clifton Springs Sanatorium, Clifton Springs, N. Y., from an attack of sprue, a tropical disease contracted in the orient.

At the Lincoln Day dinner of the Union League of Philadelphia the principal speakers were William J. Donovan, N. Y. Gamma '03, first assistant attorney general of the United States, and Governor Fisher of Pennsylvania, who is the father of Robert M. Fisher, Mass. Alpha '13. The president of the Union League is William C. Sproul, Pa. Kappa '89, former governor of Pennsylvania.

Edward H. Lockwood, Ind. Alpha '92, recently sailed for Canton, China, with his wife and two children to resume work as an international secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Canton, from which he returned several years ago on account of the death of his first wife. For the last three years Edward has been in New York supervising the foreign student activities of the International Y. M. C. A. in New York City.

Masonic bodies of Manila, P. I., gave a banquet on November 27th at which were present the Masons who were passengers on the S. S. Ryndam, "The Floating University." The principal address was delivered by Dr. William Wallace Youngson, Pa. Beta '89. Dr. Youngson made three other speeches while in Manila, including the Sunday sermon at the Central Student Church at the University of Manila.

Paul R. Renn, Pa. Zeta '09, was elected vice president and trust officer of the Mutual Trust Company of Philadelphia at a meeting of the directors of that bank held in January. Brother Renn has served the Mutual Trust Company in the capacity of trust officer for the last three years. At present, he holds a commission as captain of ordnance reserve corps and is a member of the Merion Cricket Club, Haverford, Pa., and the University Club of Philadelphia.



ALUMNI CORRESPONDENCE

Rhode Island Alumni Association

The Rhode Island A. A. celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of Founders' Day with a well-attended and enthusiastic dinner and meeting at the Metacomet Country Club on February 19th. The dinner was an excellent one, thanks to Brother Sinclair, and all felt well repaid for coming out on that stormy night. Brother Youngson's address, which was very ably read by Brother Comstock, was received with the closest attention and much appreciation of the sentiments expressed in it.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: president, James Sinclair; vice president, M. L. Edinger; secretary, C. H. Parker; treasurer, J. B. T. Coop.

Following the elections, we listened to some very inspiring talks by Fred Gabbi, who came down from Portland, Maine, for the celebration, Dick Sanders, Al Coop, Pick Chace and Nelson Alexander. The celebration broke up at a late hour with everybody agreeing that it was one of the best Founders' Day dinners in years.

The local chapter celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary with an initiation banquet on February 19th and many of the brothers were on hand to hear Fred Gabbi hold forth in an eloquent manner as symposiarch. The old timers were conspicuous by their presence and many were learning local Phi Psi history when they heard Charlie Holt give the real inside story of the founding of Rhode Island Alpha.

The brothers mixed quite successfully in politics last fall and as a result Charlie Holt was reelected as mayor of Pawtucket, Henry Fowler began his first term as state representative from Harrington and Arthur Phetteplace was reelected as state senator from Gloucester.

Fred Rohlfs is in New York with the Fisk Teachers Agencies, 225 Fifth avenue.

Lloyd Josselyn has moved from the sunny South, where he was in Birmingham Public Library, to Buffalo, N. Y., to be assistant librarian of the public library there.

Albert "Cy" Farnsworth has been elected to the school committee in Worcester, Mass., as well as being master in history at Worcester Academy.

Duffy Myers left his football coaching at Delaware to go into the tourist agency business.

Harvey Denham and Miss Joanna O. Holbrook were married in Ann Arbor, Mich., on November 1, 1926. They sailed for China about November 30th and expect to make their home in Shanghai, where Harvey is employed by the Standard Oil Company.

Pick Chace spent a week at Pinehurst, brushing up on his golf and recuperating from a strenuous insurance season.

Fred Baurenfiend is married and lives at Sylvia street, Glen Head, Long Island, N. Y. He is a traffic manager for the New York Telephone Company.

Bob Spellman is selling silk for Cheney Bros. of New York by day and studying law evenings.

John Spellman is coaching the freshman wrestlers on the hill again and he is having a very successful season.

Al Coop came over from Hartford for the dinner and reported that the town was alive; also that he sold an oil burner now and then.

Lieut. Elmer Barnes was down from Boston for the initiation banquet and renewing acquaintances in Providence. He and George Waterman spent a lot of time together in the cloak room.

Ralph Kettner broke away from Worcester long enough to be on hand for the alumni dinner.

The boys have several new ideas on tap that are going to be given a thorough tryout in order to increase attendance at meetings and to get in still closer touch with the local chapter.

Providence, R. I.

March 9, 1927

CARLETON H. PARKER

Correspondent

Chicago Alumni Association

If the *next* Founders' Day banquet is held at the University Club, the latter institution will have to remove a lot of partitions or replace the present solid walls with some make of very pliable rubber. Three hundred ten well-assorted Phi Psis living in and around these parts assaulted this aforesaid University Club on the night of February 19th, and attempted to push, jam and jimmy or squeeze themselves into the banquet hall where the festivities were going on, but it couldn't be done.

The room hired for the occasion was reputed to hold only two hundred human beings, and when you include a few mastodons like Babe and Jimmy Meigs, "Chuck" McGuire, Charley Redmon, "Turk" Madigan, Hays McFarland, "Slooe" Chapman and W. C. Gorgas in this two hundred, something gives way. As a result emergency tables were set in every available vacant space of the club and when all were seated it was found that Phi Psis were occupying some part of practically every floor in the club. But they all "et," and lavishly so. Food and drink does tend to expand the equatorial sections, and when the three hundred and ten attempted the second time to crowd into the room of two hundred capacity for the speeches and entertainment, the crush condition was that much more exaggerated. Harold sat on Babe's lap, and a few other adaptable couples did likewise. Finally, they all got in and by breathing in turn rather than in unison all lived through the evening.

There was entertainment, plenty and high grade. Outsiders who may have peeked through the creaking, crammed portals would have been amused at e'en the sight of the huddled brothers trying to be comfortable standing on one foot for two hours. But the paid and unpaid frivolitors did their bit. Paul Ash, famed orchestral leader, sent over one of his gangs of syncopaters, and they were hot—they sizzled! Paul himself put in appearance personally later in the eve., and 'tis the first time we ever had a close-up of this guy. His long flowing hair would make him a charter member of a Phi Psi chapter at any school of music, if we ever install a chapter at such an institution. But aside from his Phi Psi qualifications we must state right out that Paul knows his delicatessen when it comes to coaxing jazz music out of an "ork." He plays the piano fair, but is smart enough to hook up with a singer of loud voice to drown him out.

The Overseas Trio, composed of one S A E, a Delt and a piano player, got a big hand, but the double quartet from the "Vagabond King" seemed to please the "gasping" throng most. Ross Himes did

an eccentric dance or two, and 'twas good! George Chandler did his best.

G. Fred Rush, batting for "Doc" Keehn, read part of the seventy-fifth anniversary message, and he read it well. Keehn was elected major general of the 33d Division earlier in the day and had to stay home that eve and try and figure out some kind of a war or something.

The speakers were President Scott of Northwestern University, President Murlin of De Pauw, Acting Prevost Babcock of Illinois and Doc Wieland, representative of Chicago Interfraternity Association. Last, but most rhetorical, was Frank Willard, creator of Moon Mullins.

Then, of course, we elected officers for 1927. After careful consideration and much balloting, W. C. Gorgas of Illinois Beta was unanimously voted into the president's chair. F. H. Haviland of Illinois Alpha was made vice president. E. E. Enoch of Illinois Beta grabbed off the secretary's job because he knew a guy who would do all the writing for him. A. K. McMasters of Illinois Delta was made assistant secretary, and Walter Massey, Wisconsin Gamma, treasurer, with G. C. Bunge to help him out occasionally.

Thus endeth the Chicago banquet celebrating the seventy-fifth anniversary of Founders' Day of Phi Kappa Psi.

Now for a few notes regarding some of the personnel of the Chicago A. A. Some of these are important and some not so necessary, but some of the guys mentioned herein are entitled to a little publicity, and we're going to see that they get it.

1 Lawrence H. Whiting, president of the Boulevard Bridge Bank, and several other large institutions in Chicago, has given unto the world, via his wife, a brand-new seven and three-quarter pound baby. Lawrence was not present at the Founders' Day banquet, and we are told authoritatively that the baby's bottle got mislaid or something, and he was ransacking the house in search of it. Not finding it he was obliged to go to the nearest dairy and purchase a part interest in a Jersey cow, do his own milking, and take the contents home to the new-born in a pail.

2 The employment committee of the Chicago A. A. is now being supervised by F. H. Haviland, who holds forth at 122 S. Michigan av.

3 Carl Birdsall, who, according to his own story, has been working day and night for the past ten years at the Continental & Commercial Bank, has been made assistant vice president of that institution. Carl was also absent at the Founders' Day banquet for no reason at all, or if he has a reason he isn't on record with it yet.

4 T. R. Crawford, N. Y. Beta '19, is one of the leading lights in the advertising department of the Celotex Company of Chicago.

5 William Glascock, Kan. Alpha '22, is now connected with the Chicago Mill & Lumber Company at 508 N. Dearborn st.

6 Ralph Chapman, better known as "Slooeey," Ill. Delta '11, and famed as all-American tackle, has been in the bond business for himself for the past few years, and is now located at 208 S. LaSalle st., where is doing most well—most well!

7 George Swain, Col. Alpha '14, is right-hand adviser to his other associates in the law business, namely, Scott, Bancroft, Martin and McLeish. George bought a house at 1364 E. 58th st., remodeled it so that it looks almost new, and therein he has housed himself, his wife and four children. His home telephone number is Hyde Park 3936, in case any of you guys want to call him up when you are in the city.

8 Walter Royce is now connected with Crandall Pearson & Company of Chicago. Brother Royce does well wherever he is, and the condition is no different in his present connection.

Chicago, Ill.

March 5, 1927

ROY J. MADDIGAN

Correspondent

Baltimore Alumni Association

The annual meeting of the Baltimore A. A. was held at the chapter house, 2644 N. Charles st., on February 18th. There was a large and enthusiastic attendance, brought about no doubt by the ceremonies in connection with the celebrating of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Fraternity.

After the routine business had been gotten out of the way, Thomas Taylor read Brother Youngson's address, which was much appreciated by all. The meeting then adjourned for refreshments.

In addition to the alumni attendance, practically all the active chapter attended as the guests of the association.

Baltimore, Md.
February 28, 1927

C. E. ELLICOTT, JR.
Correspondent

Wabash Valley Alumni Association

The first regular meeting of the Wabash Valley A. A. was held February 18th at a noon luncheon at the Hotel Deming in Terre Haute. Twelve of the eighteen members were present. An unusually lively and profitable discussion was had as to just how this new association could be of greatest service to Phi Kappa Psi. As a result, a definite committee of organization was formed to increase our membership from among the brothers in the Wabash Valley and to keep informed of graduates in the several high schools locally who might be going to colleges where there is a Phi Kappa Psi chapter.

Brother Hines attended the initiation of his son in Indiana Beta. Brothers Powell, Seeburger, Walter Talley, J. Edward Talley, Hutcens, Blumberg and Allen attended the initiation and Founders' Day banquet at Indiana Alpha.

It was decided to have an informal luncheon bi-monthly to which all the brothers 'round about could come in and get acquainted.

The next meeting will be in June at Sullivan, to which it is hoped a large number of the brothers in the southern part of the valley can come and bring their wives and sweethearts.

Terre Haute, Ind.
March 7, 1927

RUSSEL H. ALLEN
Correspondent

Central New York Alumni Association

The Central New York A. A. celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary at the New York Beta house on February 18th. About fifty brothers were present and the alumni brought their wives or sweethearts along to enjoy the entertainment which was presented by the chapter in the form of a semi-minstrel show, led by Brothers DeTar and Matanlie.

The show went over with a bang and was featured by an original song written especially for the occasion. A buffet lunch was served by the chapter and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening. The ladies especially were much pleased that they were permitted to celebrate with us.

The Baldwinsville delegation was present 100 per cent, five families from that town being represented. We had the pleasure of adding a new Phi Psi to our band, Henry F. Little, Ill. Alpha, who is now residing in Baldwinsville. Among the other brothers whom we had not seen very often were Harry Clark, N. Y. Alpha, Brother Wilkinson, N. H. Alpha, Perry B. Jenkins, Mass. Alpha, and a number of New York Beta brethren.

Please note that we are revising our list of brothers living in Syracuse and vicinity and any chapter that knows of any of their alumni living near here will confer a great favor by writing us.

Brother Monie, whom you all know as one of the best sprinters ever graduated from Syracuse, is now traveling for Kohler of Kohler, Wis., manufacturers of enamelware, with headquarters at Syracuse.

Henry Brewster, N. Y. Alpha, recently made the principal address at the banquet held by the Democratic Women's Association and rumor has it that Hank made quite a hit. He certainly did make a hit with New York Beta recently when he attended a dinner with them at the house. We cannot understand how he still remains a bachelor.

Dan O'Brien, Ind. Delta, is one of the firm of O'Brien Bros., located at 104 Madison st., Syracuse.

Martin Linihan, N. H. Alpha, has removed to Syracuse from Buffalo and is located on Warren street.

H. Earle Halstead and his brother, W. E. Halstead, both of N. Y. Beta, recently attended the Syracuse-Penn State basketball game here and were guests of the local chapter.

Syracuse, N. Y.

March 7, 1927

C. A. LONERGAN

Correspondent

Pittsburgh Alumni Association

The roll of drums and the roar of musketry, in connection with the installation of Pennsylvania Mu Chapter at Carnegie Institute of Technology, have combined to keep officers and members of the Pitts-Alumni Association extremely busy the last few weeks. Since details of this undertaking and a description of our Diamond Jubilee celebration will appear in THE SHIELD, the secretary sees fit to make our letter extremely short.

A half dozen alumni attended the initiation and Diamond Jubilee banquet, February 19th, of Pennsylvania Alpha, at Washington, Pa. Earle V. Braden acted as symposiarch and got away in excellent shape. The Alpha chapter, we all agree, reflects a genuine sincerity of purpose and should enjoy a remarkably good year in all lines of endeavor.

Dr. Hugo Kahl, Kan. Alpha, for many years chief entomologist at Carnegie Museum, has received the degree of doctor of science from the University of Pittsburgh, in recognition of his work in entomology.

Miss Rose McClellan Jamison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Jamison of Grennsburg, Pa., has chosen April 30th for her marriage to Frederick D. Humphrey, Pa. Theta, of Edgewood, a suburb.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

March 5, 1927

C. F. WILLIAMS

Correspondent

Kansas City Alumni Association

The newly elected secretary disclaims acquaintanceship with Cactus Pete. If you wish to be consoled, we will state that, on occasion, we spell worse accidentally than Cactus Pete does intentionally. FINIS: Cactus Pete.

The appended clipping from the Kansas City Star of February 17th tells a brief story of Phi Kappa Psi and something of our Diamond Jubilee. Some of the celebrities failed to appear, but the occasion was appropriately and enjoyably observed by 106 Kansas City Phi Psis. John A. Prescott was elected president; Ben Seward, vice president; W. R. Tate, secretary; Charles H. Griesa, treasurer; Frank Bolin,

corresponding secretary. George H. (Dumphy) Bowles, of song-writing fame, is our press agent. The clipping follows:

"The Kansas City Alumni Association of Phi Kappa Psi will observe the diamond jubilee with a banquet Saturday night at the University Club. More than 100 reservations have been made, according to E. C. Jacques, president.

"Morris Alden will be toastmaster. Those who will be at the speakers' table: Herbert S. Hadley, former governor of Missouri and now president of Washington University, St. Louis; E. C. Meservey, Cyrus Crane, Rees Turpin, Judge Frank P. Sebree, Judge E. E. Porterfield, John A. Prescott, Judge Frank D. Hutchings, Dr. Ernest Robinson, Dr. George C. Mosher, Frank W. Blackmar, dean of the graduate school of the University of Kansas; George Neff, Fred M. Harris of Ottawa, Kan., and the Rev. Fred Loos of Liberty."

Next issue we will tell you of our 1927 program. We are working out plans which we believe will excuse our existence, as an organization.

Kansas City, Mo.

March 4, 1927

FRANK BOLIN

Correspondent

Southern California Alumni Association

What with the breathless anticipation of the installation of California Delta and the inspiring grandeur of that glorious event itself, there has sprung up a brisk luncheon attendance and enthusiasm among the brothers.

The association hopes that the new brothers of this baby chapter and its alumni will get into the regular luncheon habit; and if our present inclosure at the University Club becomes too crowded—a condition to which we look forward with pleasure—we will beseech Brother Meserve to rent Aimee's temple.

The interesting details of the installation and the banquet have been ably set forth elsewhere in this issue.

Los Angeles, Cal.

March 9, 1927

LYLE CALDWELL

Correspondent

Cincinnati Alumni Association

The seventy-fifth anniversary—Diamond Jubilee—Founders' Day was celebrated by the Cincinnati Alumni Association by our annual meeting and dinner at the University Club February 19th. Reservations were made for the following brothers: H. E. Bail, Ind. Gamma '71; Paul C. Bode, Pa. Iota '25; L. S. Colter, Ohio Alpha '80; M. C. Ferson, Iowa Alpha '06; A. H. Hodges, Ill. Beta '11; E. W. Mitchell, Ohio Alpha '75; Province M. Pogue, Pa. Alpha '85; T. A. Ratliff, Pa. Iota '11; Stanley S. Roettinger, Ohio Alpha '00; H. W. Sibert, N. Y. Alpha '10; E. O. Smith, Ind. Alpha '91; Ed. S. Smith, R. I. Alpha '02; M. S. Trueblood, Ind. Beta '20; and N. R. Whitney, Pa. Epsilon '07.

Unfortunately our copies of the address of Brother William Wallace Youngson did not reach us. However, our president, Dr. E. O. Smith, made us overlook this loss by giving a very excellent history of Phi Kappa Psi. We have sent out a tracer for the lost address and hope to receive our copies soon.

It was reported that one of our number, Dr. W. A. Robinson, Ohio Alpha '66, had died in December. Obituary notice will be found in THE SHIELD. We were further saddened by the report that ill health kept two of our number away—Rev. J. R. Conner, Ohio Alpha '67, and William M. Kemper, Ohio Gamma '72, being unable to attend.

The officers elected were: E. O. Smith, president, T. A. Ratliff, vice president, and Ed. S. Smith, secretary-treasurer.

Sigma Phi Eta, the fraternity of the University of Cincinnati which has petitioned our last three G. A. C.'s for a charter, submitted a report to the association. Our association voted unanimously to indorse the petition of Sigma Phi Eta and pledged our support to the petitioners in their efforts to secure a charter. This support was given because we feel that the University of Cincinnati is ready for a chapter of Phi Kappa Psi and because we believe that the boys of Sigma Phi Eta have demonstrated their worthiness. The Sigma Phi Eta fraternity has shown a steady, healthy growth, they have a good standing on the campus, and they have established the permanence of their organization. The local alumni of Phi Kappa Psi believe that a charter granted to Sigma Phi Eta would strengthen our Fraternity.

Many laudatory comments were made about the 75th Anniversary issue of *THE SHIELD*. Everyone had read it and everyone was loud in his praises of Brother Cheney and the contributors.

The letter of February 16th from C. R. Texter and C. F. Williams of the Pittsburgh A. A. inviting Phi Psis to the Founders' Day celebration and the installation of Pennsylvania Mu Chapter at Carnegie Institute of Technology was read and met with much interest. All expressed a desire to attend and many said that they expected to do so.

Wish some of the Pittsburgh enthusiasm would flow down the river and help us here in Cincinnati. As all that we drink comes from the river, just pour your receipt for Phi Psi pep in the river at Pittsburgh and we will get it. If you know of any Phi Psi who is coming to Cincinnati to live, tell him to look us up, or, better still, send his name to the secretary and he will look him up.

Cincinnati, Ohio
February 27, 1927

ED. S. SMITH
Correspondent

Cleveland Alumni Association

The feature events on the Diamond Jubilee program of the Cleveland A. A. were:

The presence of Frank A. Arter, Pa. Beta '62, on his eighty-sixth birth anniversary.

The address of Mayor John D. Marshall, Ohio Alpha, by way of introducing the national President of the Fraternity.

The homecoming of Howard C. Williams, Ill. Delta, national President, from a western visitation trip on which he presided at the installation of California Delta and attended the Founders' Day banquets at half a dozen alumni associations and visited all the chapters of the sixth district and Texas Alpha besides.

As a matter of fact, Founders' Day in Cleveland was pretty much a Brother Williams affair. It was his presence as a national officer that brought out all the "old-timers" in vast numbers to congratulate him on his election to the presidency. Approximately 150 were present. Because of his absence from the city in February our celebration was postponed until March 12th and the festivities were considerable of a surprise to him.

An eight-page souvenir program, containing menu, songs and an extract from "The Binnacle of Phi Kappa Psi," bore this inscription in large type:

"On this occasion we are proud to honor our national President who has brought this distinction to a Clevelander and to Cleveland. Welcome home, 'Army,' we all bear testimony to the recognition which has been shown your loyalty, ability and years of devotion to Phi Kappa Psi. Here's to you, Prince of Good Fellows, Brother Howard C. Williams."

Louis B. Gregoire, retiring president, acted as symposiarch in a most capable manner. For five-minute talks he introduced in turn Brother Arter, one of Phi Psi's most venerable and most loved alumni, who said that he was initiated when the Fraternity was only ten years old and that his faith in it had grown stronger and stronger as his experience of 65 years in the Fraternity have passed. Next came Harry L. Snyder, third district Archon, of Charleston, W. Va., Robert K. Beach, Ohio Delta; L. W. Voight, N. Y. Alpha, representing the Pittsburgh Alumni Association, who invited the brothers to the installation of Pennsylvania Mu. Mayor Marshall then eulogized the work of Brother Williams who was then presented as President of the Fraternity. The President's address was followed by dancing, the Phi Psi ladies having been invited to join in the celebration.

Music was furnished during the banquet and for dancing by Bro. Emerson Gill's orchestra, one of Cleveland's leading professional and radio entertainers.

A brief business session resulted in the election of the following officers: president, Dan V. Hoyt, Ohio Delta, former Archon; vice president, C. J. Stark, Ohio Delta; secretary-treasurer, John A. Dawson, Pa. Iota, whose address, let it be known, is 1835 Garfield rd., East Cleveland, Ohio.

Cleveland, Ohio

March 15, 1927

LEE DAUTEL

Correspondent

Western Washington Alumni Association

The Western Washington A. A. celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of Founders' Day with a banquet in the L. C. Smith Building, Seattle, on February 19th. A very entertaining and pleasing program was arranged by Brother Powell for the ninety brothers who gathered there. Dr. William Youngson's address was read to the brothers by Ralph S. Hawley, Ill. Delta, the other speakers of the evening being Lewis C. Conner, George E. Matthieu, Vernon A. Bellman, Robert E. Bundy and Anthony Arnston, the latter two speaking for the local chapter.

The officers for the new year were elected and installed in office as follows: Vernon A. Bellman, president; Myron L. Davies, vice president; and Hubert P. Lewis, secretary and treasurer. It is the one hope of the new officers to establish an association that will have recognition by the national Fraternity for more than one year. If any readers know of any brothers whom they would like to have drawn into the Western Washington A. A., please notify the secretary at 703 Central Building.

President Williams honored us with his attendance at a luncheon given at the College Club on February 28th. For those attending the luncheon it was a pleasure to hear him tell about the installation of California Delta. It was also our pleasure to learn about the earlier life of our President through Ralph S. Hawley, also of Illinois Delta. If you think that Brother Williams did not come back with a few choice remarks about Hawley's past you just were not at the luncheon, that's all. This is sort of telling tales, but as a matter of traveler's information we wish to refer all prospective Seattle visitors to Brother Williams, as we feel that he will vouch for the splendid boat trip to Vancouver. That is the one sea voyage where there is no sting in the wind.

To those Washingtonians that are a long way from home it will be of interest to hear that the campus now has the new Henry Art Museum, a Women's Building under construction on old Denny field and has broken ground for the new gym down by the stadium.

Seattle, Wash.

March 15, 1927

HUBERT P. LEWIS

Correspondent



CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE



Letters for the next issue of **THE SHIELD**, to insure publication, must reach the Editor by May 10th

FIRST DISTRICT

New Hampshire Alpha—Dartmouth College

The winter carnival party this year was one of the most successful in our history. Our experiment of having the party without the aid of another house proved to be very successful. Thirty-one girls made the party one to be remembered. George Brush, John Gardner and Harry Dwyer came back from their respective duties in the world to help us enjoy the party. Ted Baehr was here for almost a week during all the festivities. It seemed quite like old times to have them all back with us again. All the furniture which Brother Ham picked out for one of our living rooms arrived in time for the event, and we were much pleased at the change in the appearance of the house.

The *Nehalphan* was sent to as many of the alumni as possible but since we have only a limited number of the addresses of the alumni we would appreciate any who did not receive them sending their addresses to the chapter as soon as possible.

The election to the senior societies drew five men from the 1928 delegation. Arthur Gow, Howard Serrel and Walter McKee were elected to the Casque and Gauntlet society, while Charles Hazzard and Paul Knowles were elected to the Dragon society.

There were two men in the house this semester who received an average of 4 points, which is equivalent to A in each subject. One of these was Walt McKee, a junior, and the other was Jack Gunther, a sophomore. Ken Meyercord received an average of 3.8 and received his Phi Beta Kappa key. The average of the chapter rose to 2.16 this semester, which is a decided improvement over the same semester last year. We are striving to make an even better showing this semester.

Hanover, N. H.
March 8, 1927

PAUL S. KNOWLES
Correspondent

Massachusetts Alpha—Amherst College

As the second and longest term of the college year draws to its close signs of spring appear in the air. These are evident not only in the apparition of grass, birds and other rare phenomena, but also by the presence of the well-known spring fever. Term exams and papers in increasing numbers are also unfortunately at hand, but the scholarship committee is confident that the ensuing results will better even last year's excellent record. Two very successful faculty smokers in the past month, supervised by Phi Beta Ward and his committee, are expected to help achieve this end.

As to activities, Schnepel, in charge of this phase of chapter life, is proving a good shepherd in more ways than one. Setting the ex-

ample, he recently startled the brothers by appearing in one of the plays given in February by the Masquers, the college dramatic organization. Abetting his efforts were four Phi Psis: Hooker, stage manager, Weber, electrician, who served as insulation for a few of the warmer wires, and Reeve and Stewart, competitors for these respective positions, who helped fill up the backstage areaway. Canfield '21, coach of the organization, has been receiving much praise for the excellence of the performances.

Along athletic lines, freshmen have been supplying much of the winter activity. Nichols and Perry received letters for playing regularly on one of the best hockey teams Amherst has boasted in recent years. M. Kellogg and W. Kellogg were also on the squad. Howe was one of the varsity divers in most of the swimming meets of the past season. In the baseball practice, which has been going on for a month in the cage, Nichols and M. Kellogg are likely candidates for varsity pitching berths. Joos and W. Kellogg are trying out for other positions, the latter on the freshman squad. Kibbe is competing in the spring athletic competition.

In interfraternity competition Phi Psi is among the leaders. After winning its first four games the basketball team, composed of Captain Hadley, Brickett, Cowan, Joos, Mackey and Wilber, finished second in its league and will soon play to determine whether third or fourth place among the two leagues is theirs. Captain Stewart's relay team has thus far bested all comers and has an excellent chance to win the college championship. Kells and M. Kellogg, sophomores, and Perry, Prigge and Nichols, freshmen, have run in one or more of the races. Interfraternity swimming also promises to see Phi Psi well represented, due to the zealous efforts of M. Kellogg, in putting the clock on nearly every brother who has passed the college swimming requirement.

Taft was recently elected one of the associate editors of the *Student*, the college paper, an honor which means that he will receive one of the two major editorships next year. H. C. Smith, of the freshman delegation, is competing for the business board of the same paper. Brickett, also of the freshman delegation, has been elected choregus of his class, one of the most important offices to be awarded.

The musical clubs, of which Cowan, Kells, Mackey, Meneely, J. Ward and Wilber are members, have been unusually active this year. Cowan is president of the glee club and he and Wilber compose two-thirds of the Do-Do trio. Wilber is also a member of the quartet. Contrary to the impression given by a typographical error in the last letter, it is this organization, instead of the *Lord Jeff*, which is taking a spring tour this year through the Middle West.

Socially speaking, the past two months have also been full. The senior hop, which Newton helped to engineer, was well attended by the brothers. A smoker for twenty-five of the boys from Deerfield Academy who are planning to enter Amherst next year will be held soon.

Amherst, Mass.
March 8, 1927

JOSEPH E. REEVE
Correspondent

Rhode Island Alpha—Brown University

Members of the chapter have been kept busy since the return from examinations with winter sports and other college activities. The week of scutting for freshmen, followed by initiation, banquet and dance, rounded out the time for the brothers during the past two months.

Prominent in campus activities are Captain Heffernan of the basketball team and Captain Spellman of the wrestling team. Heffernan has led the Bruin quintet through a fairly successful season, being the high scorer of the combination; Spellman is at present the only member of the undefeated Brown mat team who has not lost a single bout this winter.

"Hi" Meyers, captain of track, gave the chapter its first Phi Beta in some time and earned election to Sigma Xi as well. Active in all campus activities and chairman of the house scholarship committee, "Hi" has contributed a great deal toward the success of the chapter this year.

The annual election of the junior class resulted in Spellman being chosen to head his class. Dick is now one of the outstanding members of the class, being one of the interfraternity governing board, a member of Pi Kappa, and leader of the wrestling team.

Six brothers were initiated into the chapter on February 16th after a week of intensive scuttling. They are: C. H. Edwards, Chicago; J. R. Laadt, Chicago; C. T. Russell, Lynn, Mass.; J. E. McFadden, Chicago; E. H. Howard, Providence; and George Kruse, White Plains, N. Y. The annual banquet, which was also the 25th anniversary of the founding of the chapter, was held at the Turk's Head Club on the night succeeding the initiation. Many of the alumni were present to renew their acquaintances and to meet their new brothers. Frederick H. Gabbi '02, one of the founders of the chapter, was symposiarch; N. O. Howard, also a charter member, spoke on "Idealism and Scholarship;" Dick Saunders '07, Bill Shupert '17, and Les Byrne, G. P. of the chapter, were the other speakers, while delegates from the other chapters delivered short messages to the brothers.

"Rebel" Russell has already shown his prowess as a high jumper by breaking an indoor college record of over 25 years in the Freshman-Moses Brown meet, while Kruse broke the indoor record in the 300 at Andover.

Rhode Island Alpha is one of the five teams to compete in the finals in interfraternity swimming, having won every event in our league, and the brothers are confident that the championship will come to us. We have prepared a place for the cup which we hope will rest on our mantel for the coming year. The basketball team broke even in its contests but forced its two conquerors to display fine basketball to take the decisions.

Cuddeback and Edwards, as well as Crosman, have all participated in intercollegiate swimming. Cuddie swam the 200 against B. U.; Crosman competed in the breast stroke against Yale; and Bud Edwards has been entered in freshman meets as a diver.

Baseball is claiming the attention of several of the brothers at present and if preseason showing is any criterion, there will be at least four Phi Psis on the Brown nine this year. Burgess is sure to make the pitching staff, being a capable left-hander; Wright has been working out on the slab although he is naturally an infielder; Verne Chase, who has been occupied with hockey during the winter, looks to be the best of the catchers in the cage; and Heffernan, outfielder last spring, will be with the team as soon as the basketball season is finished. Pledge Peterson is waiting for the call for freshman candidates before going out for the cub nine. Jim Edwards, although ineligible, has been working out with the pitchers and is apparently the best twirler in college with the exception of one other ineligible.

In the intramural athletic standing, Jim Edwards is second in the standing for the upperclass cup for the highest all-round scorer, having

piled up 19½ points, while the leader is two points ahead of him. Since he will compete in interfraternity swimming and track finals, he has a fine chance of winning the trophy.

Weaver and Kennerson will be working out on the cinders very soon when track starts. Meyers has been working out on the boards in anticipation of the start of the outdoor season. Weaver ran in one meet on the relay team.

Providence, R. I.
March 9, 1927

WARREN B. FRANCIS
Correspondent

New York Alpha—Cornell University

New York Alpha held her fifty-eighth annual initiation on February 24th. The following pledges were initiated into the mysteries of Phi Kappa Psi: Theodore Woodbridge Brooks, Columbus, Ohio; Frederick Travers Elder, Yonkers, N. Y.; George Brooks Emeny, Salem, Ohio; Albert Robert Erda, New York City; William Hartman Harder, Buffalo, N. Y.; Stanley Christopher Miller, Buffalo, N. Y.; Samuel Greer Tieman, Brooklyn, N. Y. The following night the chapter held its initiation banquet in the Savings Bank Building. "Eddie" Dixon '15 acted as symposiarch, delighting all those present with the scintillating gems of his ever-present sparkling wit and good humor. Retiring G. P., "Bob" Jarvis, welcomed the initiates on behalf of the chapter, Emeny responding for the initiates. We were also pleased to have with us "Dad" Lonergon, N. Y. Beta, who gave good advice to the initiates along with many pleasant reminiscences of Phi Psi. Brother Brooks, Ohio Delta, father of one of the initiates, made a few well-chosen remarks. All chapters of the first district were well represented, in most cases by several delegates.

New York Alpha is making elaborate plans for the entertainment of the District Council May 5, 6 and 7. G. E. Crogan jr, chairman of the District Council committee, is expending every effort to make the three days which the delegates will spend in Ithaca long to be remembered. The present plans call for a smoker Friday evening and a banquet Saturday night. In the day time there will be plenty to occupy the delegates' time, besides the usual business sessions. Some of these will be a baseball game with Princeton, Saturday afternoon, and auto trips through the scenic Finger Lakes region. New York Alpha takes this opportunity to extend a most cordial invitation to all Phi Psi undergraduates and alumni, within easy walking, riding, or flying distance of Ithaca, to be here at that time. The chapter is counting on the attendance of many well-known alumni and several national officers of the Fraternity.

New York Alpha is more than holding her own in activities. G. E. Howard has been recently elected to Red Key; G. E. Crogan was elected to Aleph Samach; Erda to the freshman banquet committee; Hobbie to the Officers Club of R. O. T. C. R. D. Quick was recently elected to the *Cornell Daily Sun* board, having won his competition; F. D. Shaw is a member of Tau Beta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi; D. E. Ohl is a member of Tau Beta Pi; J. H. Patterson is a member of Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Beta Kappa.

The chapter successfully survived the midterm examinations, and no one was lost by "busting." New York Alpha established a scholastic record by passing 205 subjects out of 213 subjects taken this past term.

Foremost among the athletic individuals stands F. D. Shaw, captain of varsity baseball. Shaw also captained the varsity soccer team this

past fall. At the close of the soccer season A. W. Thompson was elected captain of the 1927 "ballbooters." Kellog and Rowand are on the baseball squad and are making strong bids for varsity positions. Barthen and Burnett played several games on the varsity hockey team this winter. Jarvis, who rowed on the junior-varsity last year, is pulling bow on the varsity bow this spring. Abell is rowing bow on the junior-varsity. A. D. Quick is also out for crew. Barthen has been showing up well on the varsity tennis team, having played in all the matches. J. S. Thompson of last year's freshman lacrosse team is once again with the stick wielders. Thompson also won a berth on the varsity soccer team this past fall.

We are well represented on the freshman track squad by Erda, Elder and Harder. Brooks and Tieman held down regular positions on the freshman basketball team. Tieman also won his numerals in football. Macomber is on the crew competition, and E. G. Joyce, the diminutive coxswain, is trying for a place on one of the varsity boats. Krusen is diligently working on the junior competition for editor in chief of the *Cornell Daily Sun*. Atwood is competing on the Annuals. Crogan is assistant manager of baseball; Secor is assistant manager of soccer. The end of basketball season will bring to a close the regime of W. J. Joyce jr, who has had a successful year as manager of the team.

We are glad to welcome back Chadeayne, Mann and Whitridge. Mann was injured while playing soccer last fall and was compelled to leave college. We regret the loss of Merrill, who transferred to M. I. T. the second term to take industrial chemistry. Bissel, Hunter, O'Leary and Patterson are holding down much-coveted instructorships while working for their doctor's degree. We are glad to have with us E. W. MacCorkle, Va. Beta '23, who entered Cornell this past fall.

The following officers were elected at the beginning of the second term: A. W. Thompson, G. P.; G. E. Grogan, V. G. P.; H. S. Krusen, P.; L. L. Voigt jr, corresponding secretary; G. E. Howard, recording secretary; D. T. Secor, historian; W. H. Howard, doorkeeper; J. F. Macomber, messenger; J. S. Thompson, chaplain.

The chapter held its annual house party during junior week, February 3d to 6th, having twenty guests present. Besides the junior prom the chapter gave a tea-dance, cabaret, and two formal dances in collaboration with Phi Delta Theta. All those present voted the party a success in every respect.

Make your plans to be present at the District Council May 5-7. New York Alpha is expending every effort to make the stay of the delegates in Ithaca both profitable and enjoyable. The chapter is counting on many of her alumni and other Phi Psis to be present at that time. We can not put enough stress on the fact that we want this District Council at Ithaca to be a success, and it is up to you to be there. Address all communications to G. E. Crogan jr, chairman of the District Council committee.

Ithaca, N. Y.

March 7, 1927

L. L. VOIGT JR

Correspondent

New York Beta—Syracuse University

New York Beta takes pleasure in announcing the pledging of the following men who entered college in January: Howard E. Eades, Rome, N. Y.; Richard A. Kredel, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Edward A. McNasser, East Onondaga, N. Y.; George T. Rahm, West Brighton,

N. Y.; Hugo Thomson, Springfield, Mass.; Alson E. Woodruff, Seattle, Wash. Due to the fact that the reports of the university eligibility committee are somewhat later this year than usual, initiation will of necessity be held the later part of March.

Founders' Day was appropriately celebrated at the chapter house on February 18th when about sixty loyal alumni and their wives were present at the festivities. Several skits were presented by the chapter, and Matanle and DeTar entertained us with several excellent musical numbers.

The senior ball this year was well attended by the brothers; they were drawn by the fact that the prize song of the dance was composed by DeTar, who was supported in his presentation of it with vocal aid from Matanle.

The senior week formal was in the form of an oriental fete, with a very novel effect produced in the draping of walls and ceiling of the downstairs as to lend the appearance of an Arabian tent. With the worry of exams over, the whole affair had a very gay air. Ed Beadel and his decorating corps deserve much credit for its success.

DeTar and Holzworth were elected to membership in Phi Kappa Phi, honorary scholastic society. Carr is one of the mainstays on the varsity basketball team. Deming and Sibus are showing promise for positions with the baseball team, while Carr is assured of a regular berth. Carpenter is scrubbing for a managerial position with the baseball team. Rubado is starring with the track team. Coach Ten Eyck found Frawley and Wright out again this year when the call was sounded for crew. They are already rowing on the lake, a snowstorm being considered no handicap in this summer sport. The freshmen are unusually active in college activities, and are found in many of its various phases.

The Tambourine and Bones "Spanish Moon" play, presented March 18th, found Matanle in the male lead, while several of DeTar's musical successes have been given prominence in the musical scores.

House Daddy Lonergon is daily finding his niche in the chapter, and much benefit is being derived from his presence. Through his efforts and his geniality we have been favored by visits from many of the alumni. We hope they will continue to drop in and see us when they are in town. Active brothers of other chapters are also extended a cordial welcome to be our guests when in Syracuse.

Syracuse, N. Y.

FREDERICK N. MARTY

March 9, 1927

Correspondent

New York Gamma—Columbia University

New York Gamma takes pleasure in announcing the pledging of three more men. We have pinned the button on William Gaynor, Riverdale, N. Y.; Samuel Mansour, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; and William Lancaster, Brooklyn, N. Y. All of these men are very active on the campus.

In celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Fraternity, the chapter turned out "en masse" and attended the banquet of the New York Alumni Association. Old acquaintances were renewed and many old Phi Psis entertained.

The chapter plans to hold its formal initiation on the 18th of March and the banquet on the 19th. According to our present plans a private dining room will be set aside for our particular use in John Jay, our new students' hall. The hall is just one block away from the house and will afford a real collegiate atmosphere.

Junior week saw practically every house on the campus holding a tea-dance. After a week of festivities, the prom was held at the Ritz-Carleton Hotel. On the junior week committees the chapter was represented by Rieger, Chambers and Millar.

Varsity show quickly followed and is enjoying a week's run at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. Millar is doing his bit as a show girl, while "Stew" Chambers is the stage manager and bids fair to secure the managership of next year's show.

With a victory over Princeton as a parting thrust, the Columbia team closed its season far from last year's championship position. Fred Rieger, after starring in the center position all season, has shifted his interests to track and baseball. Riley also is out for baseball.

The crew succeeded in getting out on the river this year the earliest in the history of the sport at the college. George Donaldson is still rowing number three position in the varsity boat, while Pledge Sanford has secured a place in the freshman-varsity. Phillips is coxing the junior-varsity and Domenech is taking out the 150-pound shell.

While the prospects for a good swimming season looked rosy in the early part of the year, to date the varsity has fared poorly in most of its meets. The team will be strengthened next year by Pledges Gaynor and Lancaster, who have stood out in the frosh meets and will make excellent varsity material.

The Intercollegiate Association of the Amateur Athletes of America held its annual indoor track meet on March 5th. Dave Bouton was the assistant manager of the meet and will manage it next year as well as the Columbia interscholastics. Em Jones, manager of the cross-country team, was reelected secretary of the I. A. A. A.

The other pledges are very active on the campus. Mansour, Thomas, Guy and Stewart are out for the "Spec" board. Stewart is also in the *Jester* competition.

We would also like to announce at this time the officers of the chapter. They are as follows: G. P., Alaric Hansen; V. G. P., T. Embury Jones; P., E. Tomlin Bailey; A. G., Frederick D. Dassori; B. G., Cyrus Weeks; S. G., Edwin Clay Meyers; Ph., Alfred Forsythe; Hod., George Donaldson; Hier., William H. Imhof.

During the past month we have had the pleasure of entertaining a number of visiting brothers from other chapters. We would like to have many more men stop in and see us as we always welcome visitors. Drop in and see our chapter for yourself.

New York, N. Y.

FREDERICK D. DASSORI

March 8, 1927

Correspondent

New York Epsilon—Colgate University

New York Epsilon held its thirty-eighth initiation banquet on March 5th. We take great pleasure in introducing the following brothers: Edward Sloan jr, Elbert D. Stenger, Don B. Wilson, Charles J. Caspar jr, Harold K. Clark, William L. Dorr, Joseph C. Dudley, Frank W. Frazier jr, John E. Galloway, Stewart S. North, Charles C. Slaght jr, George B. Winslow. Lynn Houseman, of the class of 1908, was symposiarch. The banquet was a great success and we were very glad indeed to see so many of our alumni back. Eighteen of the old grads were present.

Kaufmann and Geddes were two of the leading characters in a series of plays presented by Masque and Triangle last week.

Founders' Day was celebrated with a special meeting of the chapter and a banquet with talks on the Fraternity, its history and its meaning by Brothers Scott Long and Earl Wheaton.

The annual winter carnival that took place on the campus the weekend of February 4th was a huge success. Wain's idea of a fancy dress night turned out to be well conceived. All the brothers said that it was the best party that was ever held on a Colgate campus. We owe a debt of thanks to Wain and his entertainment committee.

Gene Long is the logical man to uphold Colgate in the high hurdle department of the track team. Redmond for the second year is holding down a position on the varsity basketball squad. Caspar is working out daily with the freshman squad. We expect much of Scholtz this year as captain and veteran pitcher of the baseball team, and also of Bridges, who is due to hold down the third sack for his second year of varsity ball. Gumaer, one of the catchers on the freshman squad last year, hopes to have a chance as back-stop for the varsity. Redmond, also of last year's freshman team, will try hard to hold down the position of center field. The following freshmen have signed up for early practice with the freshman squad: Caspar, Slaght, Sloan and Stenger.

In the past year or two the chapter has been favored with visits from Brothers "Pat" Mason, "Doc" Little and Bob "Chuck" Maynard, Webb MacKelvey, "Honey" Barnes, Joe Connors, "Jerry" Wheaton, Hugh Bryan, George Hughes, Bob Crane, Fay Gould, Freddie Brewer, Duf Clark and Rush Carrier. We hope to see more of these men and others, too, in the future. We are always glad to welcome back any of our old alumni that find it convenient to drop in for a visit.

Hamilton, N. Y.
March 8, 1927

PAUL H. FOLWELL
Correspondent

SECOND DISTRICT

Pennsylvania Gamma—Bucknell University

January the 28th plunged the entire student body into a veritable maelstrom of affairs, culminating in a battle royal between the students and the faculty. In a mad effort to demonstrate the true worth of the old saying, "The pen is mightier than the sword," the students armed themselves with the latest and most up-to-date leaden missiles as manufactured by the Eversharp Company. For nine days the battle raged hot and heavy, with many decisive victories swinging ever to the ranks of the common people. Unfortunately, however, several brave lads found the force of the sword too great to overcome, and were ultimately "chopped loose."

The honor roll of Pennsylvania Gamma showed all participants returning to wives, mothers and sweethearts with only minor casualties. For some of the brothers, the conflict meant honorable discharges, they having served their four-year term within the collegiate ranks. We were indeed sorry to see "Stud" Stephens leave, and hope that his new venture at Camp Blacklick will take on the characteristics of as big a success as he enjoyed while here at college. Leshner also triumphantly carried away the sheepskin, and several days later surprised the boys by sending a little informal announcement in the form of a huge layer cake baked by "the" Mrs. S. T. L. We appreciated the remembrance especially because it had none of the earmarks so frequently noticed in the home-made pastry of Mrs. Newlywed. "Lew" Kesler also left college, and has landed a job in New York City. "Cholly" Springer has once again graced the chapter with his congeniality, having traveled from Brownsville to put the final touches on his career as a lawyer.

The Philadelphia A. A. threw a "mean" Founders' Day banquet on the 19th as several of the brothers can testify. The program alone was enough to induce them to tear away from the books, especially when the fellowship of such men as "Billy" Mitchell, Dr. Edgar F. Smith, Dr. Penniman, Rev. McCrea and Rev. Burleigh Cruikshank could be had for the asking. It is with great regret that the rest of Pennsylvania Gamma was unable to attend.

Since the entire chapter couldn't be at Philadelphia, we did our utmost to make our own celebration what it ought to be. The after-dinner speeches embraced a wide field of subjects, beginning with a report of the chapter's present financial standing which, we believe, is now in the best condition it has been for some time, and due largely to the untiring work of "Chaucey." After a resume of the chapter's activities had been reported, the speeches terminated in a "free-for-all" discussion of our plans for a new house. Both undergraduates and alumni readily expressed their opinions with no thoughts of restraint. Isaac E. Norris, Ind. Alpha, was master of ceremonies, and he surely put the affair over in a royal fashion. The discussion showed that the chapter is determined to see a new home erected in the near future, and would like to be able to celebrate its seventy-fifth anniversary (three years from now) by announcing the grand house opening in 1931. We believe it can be done, and have therefore taken it upon ourselves to start the ball rolling.

To engender a greater fraternal spirit, our present administration is very effectively carrying on an extensive program of after-dinner singing, which is resulting in the addition of many new songs to the old repertoire. By symposium, the chapter's music appreciation should be raised 100 per cent.

Our social calendar up to date has not been published, and it is with great regret that we were unable to notify the rest of the boys about our sem formal that was held on March 5th. Noble furnished the rhythmical sensations of the evening, and it's needless to say that a good time was had by all. The schedule of our coming events promises a store of good times. Red Hitchens will furnish the music for the informal town dance on April 9th. The following month brings with it the big event of the year—the annual week-end party—which is slated for May 13th and 14th. The affair on Friday the 13th will be typically "soup and fish," while the 14th will be freed from all formality and subject to less conventionality.

Brothers Corson and Poust from Gettysburg visited the chapter recently, and everything was done to give them a taste of Pennsylvania Gamma's hospitality. We hope they come again, and also wish to express every sincere desire that others will give us another such opportunity to extend the glad hand.

Lewisburg, Pa.
February 26, 1927

R. F. PEDEN
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Epsilon—Gettysburg College

We are delighted to write that Sion B. Smith, the Attorney General of our Fraternity, was our guest on February 17th and 18th, and that on the night of the 17th we held our initiation ceremonies followed by a banquet. It is also pleasing that we were able to initiate all our pledges. The new brothers, eight in number, are: Grier Graff, Worthington, Pa.; George Griggs and James H. Kennerdell, Kittanning; Clarence Bachman, Harrisburg; William Zufall, Mechanicsburg; Donald Clare, Baltimore, Md.; David Harper, Montgomery, Pa.; and John C. DeCray jr, Philadelphia.

The junior prom was held in February and was quite a success but in order to make it a more memorable affair the seniors and juniors of Pennsylvania Epsilon gave a formal dinner-dance on the night of the 6th. Needless to say it was an excellent affair.

This year is the first at Gettysburg College when a combined dance has been given by the sophomore and freshman classes, but this combination gave a splendid hop on February 25th. The sophomore and freshman brothers, following in the footsteps of their senior brothers, also gave a formal dinner-dance on the night of the 26th, and it was declared an equal success with that of the upperclassmen.

Charlie Spangler and Don Cockley starred throughout the season on the varsity basketball team, Charlie at guard and Don at center. Both have played in every game, and are therefore entitled to their letters.

In the freshman-sophomore basketball scrap, Slaybaugh starred for the sophomores, scoring the majority of the second-year men's points, much to the chagrin of our new brother, Griggs, who worked valiantly at center for the freshmen.

As far as the social outlook on events is concerned, there will not be much doing at Gettysburg until after Easter, but the brothers have unanimously resolved to hit the books with an ever-watchful eye on the scholarship cup.

*Gettysburg, Pa.
March 8, 1927*

HENRY M. HENSEN
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Zeta—Dickinson College

Let there be jubilation among the alumni! Phi Psi at Dickinson rose in the past semester from a place in scholarship next to the last on the list, to third among the national fraternities on the campus. A mere fraction of a point separated us from the winners. Competition for the Founders' Day scholarship prize to the man gaining most in marks during the semester was keen, but Mark Lee Carter took the honors with an increase of 14 points. We attribute our success, brothers, to a firm determination on the part of every man to sock the faculty for a row, and no small part of this determination was sponsored by the vigilant Strite—"Joe Scholarship."

The Diamond Jubilee, as far as we were concerned, was a gem. Twenty undergraduates and a large crowd of alumni attended the banquet at Philadelphia, despite blizzards and cold. The Philadelphia A. A. deserves all sorts of commendation for the success of the banquet.

The week following the Philadelphia celebration, Pennsylvania Zeta held her Founders' Day dance at the house. Ted Brownagle's band furnished the music. We were glad to be able to count a number of alumni among those present.

On February 11th, following a banquet and several speeches, a formal initiation was held for Angle, Hartshorn, Hoffman, Kline, Kronenberg, Ruffel and Willard. Dr. Morgan, president of the college, delivered two most inspiring talks.

Basketball season closed last week when our winning team defeated Gettysburg. Temple, Muhlenberg, Pennsylvania, F. and M., all fell before the onslaught of the Red and White team. Sweeley and Bowes were high scorers in most of the games. Bowes, who had been ineligible up until the end of the semester, played a brilliant game for the rest of the year and, assisted by Hitchens, managed the team.

Track season is upon us now, and Captain Sweeley (by the way, did you know that Phi Psi has had the captaincy of track for three consecutive years?) is confident of a winning squad. Angle, Hoffman,

Smith and Ruffell, and Pledges Grimes and Schultz are out for the team.

Baseball will find Huey, Sheldon, Reed, Scholl and Bowes all on their toes for a chance at Mac's famous nine.

Apart from athletics, we find a number of the brothers busying themselves in general activities. Harner and Capehart have gone in heavily for d-r-r-ammer and trod the boards for the first time before this audience in "Icebound." The boys acquitted themselves with customary Phi Psi ability. Brother Hertzler, of Penn State, is taking special work in higher mathematics at Dickinson and brightening the life of the college by playing the clarinet in the college orchestra. Journalism presents an attractive field, apparently, for a bunch of the freshmen are trying out for the *Dickinsonian*.

Now to the *real* news. The D. C. is to be a general, all-round wow! General Mitchel of air service fame is to speak, as are Ruby Vale, Dr. Morgan, Walter Lee Sheppard, and other prominent alumni. A tour of the army post and review of the troops is scheduled. An enormous banquet and a soul-satisfying smoker are arranged for. All sorts of entertainment and comforts are being planned for the delegates and visitors. We want to see every alumnus of this chapter or any other chapter in the second district come back and help us make this a real D. C. See how it measure's up to the D. C.'s of your time and renew old acquaintances; if you can't successfully dodge the treasurer or look him in the eye, pay up your back alumni dues. But, anyway, there's a good time, a big time, in store for the D. C. attendants.

Carlisle, Pa.

March 10, 1927

R. C. CAMERON

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Eta—Franklin and Marshall College

Semester examinations are past, and all the brothers have come through with flying colors. We are exceedingly glad to announce that our scholarship rating is once more on the upward trend—so much, in fact, that we expect to take the college scholarship cup.

On March 2d our formal initiation took place with many alumni present. The newly initiated brothers are: Charles R. Appel, Lancaster, Pa.; J. Tyler Baker, Summit, N. J.; E. Leslie Cole, Summit, N. J.; Ivin S. Bear, York, Pa.; Forrest E. Blose, Ridgway, Pa.; Arthur L. Whelan, Ridgway, Pa.; and J. Harold Budd, Williamstown, Pa. Following initiation a luncheon was served by T. Roberts Appel '98.

The chapter basketball team is well on the way to the intramural championship. The competition is keen, but Phi Psi is holding her own at the top of the list.

Bishop, Lehman and Whelan have been important factors in a very successful wrestling season, wrestling in the 115, 158, and unlimited classes, respectively. Bishop has lost but one match in four years and will be a contender for the next Olympic team. Lehman and Whelan have amassed points for the team that has defeated C. C. N. Y., Temple, Army, Tufts, Brooklyn Polytechnic, and Washington and Lee, losing only to M. I. T. and V. M. I.

Dick Roberts has captained the basketball team to the most successful season in ten years, while McCune has held down the position of guard. Roberts' playing has been an inspiration to all who have watched him and his graduation will leave a great void in an otherwise intact team.

Roberts Appel is a member of the debating team and an associate editor of the *Oriflamme*. Klein is news editor of the *Student Weekly*

and an associate editor of the *Ori-flamme*. Ness is president of the glee club and Bear is a member of the quartet.

Cole and Blöse have numerals for freshman football and basketball, besides a very creditable record scholastically. In Sloan, Grosh and Montgomery, we have three stellar track performers. Sloan and Montgomery, high-point men last year, run everything but the marathon. It is possible that three Phi Psis will be among the first five in tennis. Feagley and Charles Appel are assured places, and Roberts Appel is a potential candidate.

The social prestige of the chapter is being upheld by Zimmerman, Lehman, Sloan and Boyd, with Zimmerman taking the lead. It wouldn't be ethical to divulge all of his encounters, so I'll have to leave that to your imagination.

Lancaster, Pa.

March 8, 1927

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Theta—Lafayette College

Spring has evidently imbued the members with a complacency, but not to the exclusion of the proverbial spring house cleaning. Several gray-green rugs have been bought to harmonize with the dining and card rooms; our living room furniture has been reupholstered in leather, and plans are under way for the purchase of a radio to supplement the new orthophonic victrola. Assessments for our annual billiard tournament brighten the pecuniary aspects for recovering the billiard table.

We are pleased to announce the pledging of Arthur Edward Scholtz, who, with Coddington, Daugherty and Keller, is out for early baseball practice. Hooker, Cox and Ashcraft are doing well in spring lacrosse training. Hartje has been through a very successful season with the varsity swimming team, and will undoubtedly come through in the Middle Atlantic Association aquatic meet, to be held at Lafayette this year.

Pomeroy bears the distinction of membership in the debating trio that has not yet been defeated, and, with only two more debates on the schedule, the prospects for a clean slate for the entire season are bright.

We announce with a deal of satisfaction that our scholarship has risen from sixth to fifth ranking among fifteen national fraternities on the campus. These results are in accord with our present scholarship policy, which has been instrumental in bringing us from fifteenth rank to fifth within a year. Dick Hartje led the freshmen in winning the scholarship cup, and Wilson's perspicuity placed him on the dean's list with a high rating.

William R. Daugherty, John C. Gleason, Richard A. Hartje, Donald M. Keller, Clifton H. Cox and Robert G. Sutliff were initiated into the Fraternity, and we are proud to introduce them. Many alumni groups returned for the banquet that followed the formal initiation.

The newly elected officers of the chapter are: Rabe F. Marsh, G. P.; Meredith C. Hooker, V. G. P.; Thomas W. Pomeroy, P.; Fred L. Grant, A. G.; Edward D. Ashcraft, B. G.; Edward M. Tierney, S. G.; Robert E. Bauer, Ho.; Delafield S. Borden, Ph.; Eugene Brinson, Hi.

Tentative plans for the annual spring formal dance indicate a rather pretentious affair. We hope that many alumni are able to attend on May 6th. Interfraternity bridge has been started at Lafayette; Hooker and Cothran, our bridge team, say the cards are not falling right, but the season is still young.

Easton, Pa.

March 8, 1927

FREDERICK L. GRANT

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Iota—University of Pennsylvania

The chapter was in 100 per cent attendance at the Founders' Day banquet held at the Union League in Philadelphia by the chapters and alumni associations of this district. This is an exceptional year with us, as we are celebrating our own fiftieth anniversary along with the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Fraternity. The evening was a memorable occasion, affording not only an inspiring event in itself, but also an opportunity for those hundreds of personal reunions so dear to the heart of the members of a great Fraternity.

The final fraction of the mortgage upon our house and property has recently been erased through the generosity of Brother Morris Clothier of the class of '89 at Swarthmore.

We initiated sixteen freshmen on March 1st—a group of which we have reason to be exceedingly proud, both individually and collectively. They are Joseph Donald Amelia, Philadelphia; Wilbert S. Beaumont, Atlantic City; Lester Conly Bosler jr, Philadelphia; James Barry Diven jr, Narberth, Pa.; Phillip Donald Hartley, Muncie, Ind.; Louis McD. Huesmann, Indianapolis; Dillon R. Huder, Indianapolis; Ford Gray Keeler, East Orange; Edward H. A. Kertscher jr, New York; Robert Edward Kissel, Hartford, Wis.; Henry Ashton Little jr, Overbrook, Pa.; William P. Lytle, Cleveland; James W. Speaker, Utica; Stanley Matthew Stewart, Covington, Ky.; Wilbur R. Trowbridge, Maplewood, N. J.; and George L. Whyel, Uniontown, Pa. Each one of them is busily engaged in campus activities, and we look forward with great promise to the years ahead.

Among upperclassmen, Duduit is strenuously out for football and Soars for track, while the baseball and track managerships are respectively the goals of Peck and Wampler.

Ralph Wood has left us high and dry, having graduated with the February class; we miss him very decidedly.

Philadelphia, Pa.
March 9, 1927

JOHN STOKES ADAMS JR
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Kappa—Swarthmore College

Second only to development and cherishing high ideals within the Fraternity is the acquiring of new blood, in whom to instil a spirit of Phi Psi. Pennsylvania Kappa recently initiated eight such men. Brothers Turner, Nicely, R. Bishop, Ferris, N. Lippincott, Wagner, Passmore and Parrish have exchanged the "gravy bowl" for the badge and are at present resisting the impulse to pull their coats back and throw out their chests at all public affairs. The initiation was an unparalleled success. Many alumni were back to see the new men go through the ceremony and to recapture in part their own first thrill of the Fraternity. Brother Walter Clothier '95 furnished a supper which proved a fitting and peculiarly propitious ending to the eventful evening. We have pledged another freshman since the initiations; Julian D. Cornell '30 will soon be one of us.

The jubilee banquet, celebrating the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Fraternity, was a great success. It was held at the Union League in Philadelphia on February 19th. Pennsylvania Kappa was well represented both by alumni and undergraduates. Pusey Passmore '93 was symposiarch and E. Lawrence Fell '96 was one of the chief organizers. To Frank Ralston '24, however, most of the credit is due. He handled the publicity and was without doubt the chief factor in the success of the affair. It was one of those never-

to-be-forgotten evenings that occurs only at rare intervals in the history of any organization.

Athletically we are still represented in all fields. Ward is captaining one of the most successful basketball teams in years and Jack Lippincott is serving as no mean guard. Maxwell is running on the indoor track team, which has made an excellent showing this season. Bush manages the swimming team in a masterly fashion.

E. Bishop is busy now getting the *Halcyon* ready for publication. He is ably assisted by Bush and they both promise us the paragon of collegiate year books.

Due to the generosity of our alumni, the entire debt on the lodge has now been paid off and over a thousand dollars has been subscribed for new furnishings. In the eyes of the undergraduate brothers this is a step in the right direction. R. Clothier is sitting up nights trying to figure out how to spend it all. From all accounts he has plenty of potent ideas. We hope plenty of the alumni will come back to enjoy them when they materialize.

Swarthmore, Pa.
March 5, 1927

THEODORE H. FETTER
Correspondent

Maryland Alpha—Johns Hopkins University

The ending of the midyear examinations found Maryland Alpha still intact, all the brothers having passed with better grades than usual; none of the men out for campus activities even approached the "black list."

On the evening of February 12th we held our formal initiation for eight of our ten freshmen, the other two having been held over until their conditions have been absolved. The new brothers are Gordon Coy, Edward Devereux, Judson Dimling, John Lotz, Gordon Pepon, William Swope, Arthur Varela and John Waaser. At the initiation we had the pleasure of entertaining as our guests John R. Devereux, Pa. Iota, father of one of the initiates, and Brother Heraty, Pa. Iota, a relative of John Waaser.

The initiation was followed by a typical Phi Psi dance. It was a fine affair and many of our alumni who were unable to attend the initiation came out to lend a hand to the party.

Acting on the suggestion of several of the mothers at a tea held in their honor in the fall, there was formed the nucleus of a mothers' club, known as the Women of Phi Kappa Psi of Maryland Alpha. The interest which the mothers have manifested through this club has done much to add to the comfort and beauty of the chapter house.

Founders' Day was celebrated by a meeting in conjunction with the alumni at which time a paper was read appropriate to the occasion. After this we all joined in a "feed" on the alumni—and a big evening was had by all. Several of the brothers had planned to go up to the Philadelphia A. A.'s jubilee banquet but the inclemency of the weather prevented the trip.

Baltimore, Md.
March 3, 1927

WILLIAM A. KEGAN
Correspondent

Virginia Alpha—University of Virginia

As the winter term draws to a close, the attention of Virginia Alpha, collectively and individually, is gradually being concentrated on examinations; collectively, on the review of the chapter's activity and

progress during the last year, to be submitted in the annual report and to be the point of departure, it is hoped, for constant progress in the ensuing year; and individually, on the scholastic inquisitions with which the faculty have a thrice-annual habit of probing our interest and progress in the term's work. The results of the Christmas set of exams, while gratifying in some particulars, revealed very little improvement in the chapter's average over the time before. Every effort is being exerted to raise the level of our scholastic standing on this occasion and restore Virginia Alpha to her former ranking position among sister chapters and among the other houses at Virginia.

The outstanding events of an otherwise fairly dismal winter season in the life of the chapter and the university together have been the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of Phi Kappa Psi on February 19th, the midwinter Germans of the university, and the recent Southern Conference boxing tournament at the Memorial gymnasium, wherein the Virginia fighters clearly demonstrated their superiority over visiting opponents and captured the conference title. On each occasion it was the pleasure of Virginia Alpha to receive the visit of a number of alumni and brothers of other chapters, whose return in the near future we take this opportunity to urge and to assure them a most cordial welcome.

At the recent annual convention of Omicron Delta Kappa, held at the university, Risher and Gilmer were initiated into that fraternity. McClanahan, McEachern and Ritchie had previously been honored by election to membership.

With the conclusion of basketball season and the selection of the managerial staff for next year, Williams became assistant manager and Turner, alternate assistant.

The shadow of exams must soon depart and in its stead come the glorious days of spring. To our mind, the season can nowhere be more fully appreciated than from the porch of Virginia Alpha's home, with its commanding and entrancing view of the Blue Ridges to the west. To brothers who may happen our way in the course of their travels, we extend a fraternal invitation to drop in upon us and share that prospect and whatever else the chapter may claim its own. They will ever find Virginia Alpha happy to receive them and loath to see them depart.

*University, Va.
March 8, 1927*

L. A. DAFFAN GILMER
Correspondent

Virginia Beta—Washington and Lee University

At this time Virginia Beta is pleased to announce the initiation of six new men. Immediately after the ceremonies the whole chapter enjoyed a banquet at Lexington's new hotel, the Robert E. Lee. Among the many after-dinner speeches was that of Fitzgerald Flornouy '22. Brother Flornouy is now an associate professor of English at Washington and Lee, having spent the last three years at Oxford and in Paris.

With the close of the basketball season it was found that Spotts and White were the high-point scorers of the Generals' quintet.

The fraternity averages have just been received from the registrar's office. It is interesting to note that Virginia Beta has moved from seventeenth to seventh place with an average of 74.24.

*Lexington, Va.
March 1, 1927*

WILLIAM B. LOTT
Correspondent

THIRD DISTRICT

Pennsylvania Alpha—Washington and Jefferson College

Pennsylvania Alpha is pleased to announce the initiation of John P. Blair, Indiana, Pa.; William Davison, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Frank T. Walton, Homestead, Pa.; and William Eastburn, Philadelphia, Pa. The initiation took place at the chapter house and was followed by a banquet at the George Washington Hotel on Founders' Day. The banquet was attended by about twenty alumni from Washington and Pittsburgh. Earl Braden of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association acted as toastmaster and showed himself as capable in this duty as in all others.

Also we are pleased to announce the pledging of George Wilson and Clayton Ross, both of Pittsburgh. Both of these pledges went to Penn State College the first semester of this year and transferred to W. and J. at the beginning of the second semester. John H. Donnan and Franklin T. Schultz have also been pledged. These two pledges live in Washington.

Between semesters Johnson and Gates motored into Pittsburgh and on the way home, about 15 miles from Washington as they were rounding a sharp bend in the road, the Ford overturned and threw both of the brothers out. The car then rolled over on top of Johnson and broke his jaw bone; Gates escaped with a few minor injuries.

Washington, Pa.
March 9, 1927

PAUL H. FERGUSON
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Beta—Allegheny College

On February 18th Pennsylvania Beta added to her membership roll twelve men, the largest initiatory group to be brought in for several years. We take pleasure in announcing the initiation of Alan L. Bentley, Beaver Falls; Philip S. Corbin, Warren, Ohio; Wendell G. Blackburn, Yonkers, N. Y.; William C. Wycoff, Pittsburgh; J. Merton Beebe, Meadville; W. Bruce Leffingwell, Sharon; Bradford A. Booth jr, Pittsburgh; Oliver W. Gornall, Cambridge Springs; Gerald M. Shiely, Albion; C. Dothard White, Altoona; Robert A. Clark, Cleveland, Ohio; and T. Willmont Moss, Indiana. Saturday night following initiation, Founders' Day, a banquet was given in honor of the newly initiated brothers. Although the number of alumni present failed to come up to expectations, no one allowed that to prevent him from enjoying the delightful dinner and the general get-together which followed.

The basketball season at Allegheny this year has been very successful. The tri-state championship for class B colleges now lies between Allegheny and Washington and Jefferson College. Only one game remains to be played (with the University of Pittsburgh) and, if this is won, the pennant will come to Meadville.

Several new activities have been entered upon by the brothers. Wicks was recently elected editor in chief of the *Alligator*, the humorous publication of the college. Wells was made publicity manager and Wicks, production manager of *Duzer Du*, the college dramatics club. Laffer has taken over the managership of the glee club. Blair was voted membership in *Le Petit Salon*. In debate we are well represented, having three men on the varsity team, Baldwin and Lindsey regulars and Wycoff alternate. At the interfraternity indoor track meet held recently, we took first place and, by virtue of that fact, have possession of a plaque with our name engraved upon it.

A new orthophonic victrola has been placed in the living room partly through the generosity of several men from the house. This purchase adds greatly to the appearance of the living room, and, when the new dining room chairs, already ordered, arrive, there will be a marked improvement in the looks of that room also.

Through the kindness of Brother John L. Porter of Pittsburgh, who visited the chapter the latter part of February and who has always been a generous supporter and reliable counsel of Pennsylvania Beta, a bus has been chartered to convey the entire chapter to the installation of Pennsylvania Mu at Pittsburgh on March 19th.

Meadville, Pa.
March 7, 1927

HUGH K. LONG
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Lambda—Pennsylvania State College

For the past four years, possibly more, co-eds at Penn State, attractive as they are (sic!), never seemed to enter the thoughts of the brothers of Pennsylvania Lambda. This semester radical changes are taking place. An epidemic of co-ed fussers has broken out in the chapter house. And here (at the time this letter is being typed) the none too gentle zephyrs of winter are still holding sway! *Correspondent's note*—Whatever the above may or may not prove, it gives us the satisfaction of getting away from the stereotyped beginning that is found in nearly every chapter letter to THE SHIELD.

Plans will soon be completed for the annual junior prom on April 29th. The recognized premier social function of the college year, the 1927 formal will surpass all other affairs that have ever been held here. Jean Goldkette and Jan Garber, prominent Victor recording artists, have both been signed to provide the syncopation, and for the first time in history the prom will have continuous music. Vic Schinnerer is a member of the junior prom committee.

Out-of-town guests for the senior hop are expected to add to the gayety of the coming week-end when Penn State basketball, wrestling and boxing teams conclude their season in the last of the indoor athletic events. Phil "Lefty" Page, who will play the final basketball game of his college career at center, is hoping to close his court days in brilliant order against a formidable Pitt quintet. On the evening before, Abby Payne will be fulfilling his duties as a member of the soph hop committee.

Although the loss of Captain Clark Wilson will be keenly felt, the Nittany Lion baseball team is facing the brightest prospects in years, with only three lettermen lost from last year's squad. Lefty Page, in the running for the captaincy of the nine, has started to get the "kinks" out of his hurling arm in expectation of his best season on the mound. Bill Elliott has been working out daily with the pitchers but will turn his attention to an outfield post when regular practice gets under way next week.

Aspirants to managerial positions for the indoor athletic teams are anxiously awaiting elections. Ben Brooks hopes to attain the managerial reins of the basketball team with its subsequent glory, while Walt Morgan and Al Ingham are in line for first-assistant honors in wrestling and boxing. Weedy Lord covets the editorship of the *Collegian*, after becoming a member of Pi Delta Epsilon, national journalistic fraternity. These elections will take place within two weeks.

Malc Kirkpatrick is one of the five trial presidents of the freshman class and by the next letter we hope to announce his election to the permanent yearling executive post. Charley Drawbaugh is using his

journalistic ability on the editorial staff of the *Collegian*, while Cal Barwis and Harry Dowdy are freshman brothers who are striving for a place on the business staff of that publication.

Bud Ulf, Bill McClure and Zez Nagle left for New York with the glee club that will compete in the national glee club contest with representatives of fourteen other universities. Payne was unable to make the trip on account of his soph hop activities. Ulf is president of the songsters. Al McLean has been initiated into Delta Sigma Pi, international honorary commerce and finance fraternity. Ran Thomas is a class editor of the *La Vie*, junior class yearbook. Schinnerer and Thomas have been elected to represent Pennsylvania Lambda at the District Council at Morgantown on April 21st.

What is considered one of the most remarkable records that has ever been established in the chapter house is the fact that scholastic reports of the entire chapter show that only two brothers received below grades for the first semester. When it is considered that the college is reported to have mailed out four thousand such grades, the highest in years, this record is all the more noteworthy. Although the fraternity scholarship ratings will not be announced for three weeks, the brothers are confident that the present position of twenty-second among the thirty-seven national fraternities here, will be enhanced by a comfortable margin.

A truly inspiring Founders' Day initiation and banquet was held at the chapter house on February 19th and eight more brothers were added to the chapter roll. At the banquet "John Henry" Frizzell, Mass. Alpha '98, whose oratorical ability has long been known, delivered the Diamond Jubilee address that left a lasting impression on his fraternal hearers. The new brothers are: Malcolm Kirkpatrick, Philadelphia; Henry Runyon Dowdy, Philadelphia; Paul Spencer Williams, Pittsburgh; Carl Buck, Pittsburgh; John William Batdorf, Philadelphia; Calvin Elwood Barwis, Warren; Charles William Drawbaugh, Mechanicsburg; and Thomas Samuel Fannin, Bradford.

Second semester elections resulted as follows: President, P. R. Page; vice president, W. F. Sterling; corresponding secretary, Wheeler Lord jr; recording secretary, J. R. Thomas; historian, F. W. Nickel; doorkeeper, L. C. Stevens; messenger, Walter Morgan; chaplain, A. S. Payne.

The entire chapter is preparing for the pilgrimage to Pittsburgh to witness the installation of the Woodlawn Club of the Carnegie Institute of Technology that will soon become the Pennsylvania Mu chapter. Pennsylvania Lambda welcomes the new chapter and extends hearty greetings and best wishes for its future success.

State College, Pa.
March 8, 1927

WHEELER LORD JR
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Mu—Carnegie Institute of Technology

This is the season of midsemester examinations at Carnegie, and the members of Pennsylvania Mu are trying to settle down after the installation and to prepare for the examinations.

Our chapter is well represented on the Carnegie glee club, eight of our brothers being members of this organization. Nern is manager of the musical clubs, and Hollinshead, student director of the glee club.

The brothers are also active in publication work. Hollinshead is editor in chief of the *Tartan*, the campus news weekly, and Stump is one of the junior editors of this publication. Two of our freshmen, Droste and Maze, have been awarded positions on the *Tartan* staff of

reporters. Murdoch, a sophomore, is an assistant on the business staff of the *Puppet*, the humorous publication, and also the *Thistle*, the campus year-book.

Van Vechten is vice president of the senior class in the College of Industries, and is also a member of Alpha Tau, a scholastic honorary fraternity. McInnes is manager of the swimming team. Maze is president of the freshman class.

Pennsylvania Mu held a reception on Sunday afternoon, March 20th, for the faculty and student body of Carnegie Tech and the many Phi Psis who were in Pittsburgh to attend the installation. More than three hundred guests were present.

As the newest chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, we are especially anxious to receive visits from our new brothers, and we extend to you a hearty welcome and request that you come to visit us whenever you can.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

ROBERT B. GOEHRING

March 26, 1927

Correspondent

West Virginia Alpha—West Virginia University

West Virginia Alpha takes great pride in announcing the initiation of the following men: James Tierney, Weston, W. Va.; Mathew Warren, Beckley, W. Va.; Wilton Davis, Morgantown, W. Va.; William Winfield, Clarksburg, W. Va.; John Tyler, Huntington, W. Va.; and Lyall Jones, Bridgeport, W. Va.

After a strenuous tussle with the other fraternities of the campus, we succeeded in pledging at the beginning of the second semester Malcolm Lowe, Parkersburg, W. Va.; Sidney Davis, Charleston, W. Va.; and James Brewster, Weston, W. Va. Great things are expected of these men before their collegiate careers are finished.

As predicted in our last letter, Truhart Taylor came through with a bang to make the varsity basketball team when he became eligible at the start of the second semester. He has the rare combination of weight, aggressiveness and speed, and with more experience should prove to be one of West Virginia's greatest stars in this sport.

Many Phi Psis of this section, both alumni and undergraduates, are planning to attend the installation of the chapter at Carnegie Tech next week. We understand an interesting time is promised for all comers.

Morgantown, W. Va.

ERNEST H. GILBERT JR

March 9, 1927

Correspondent

Ohio Alpha—Ohio Wesleyan University

Four new brothers were added to the fold of Ohio Alpha on February 22d, when formal initiation took place before a number of alumni, whose presence added much to the pleasure and success of the occasion. The men thus honored are: Horace Beane, Warsaw, Ind.; Richard Crass, Shaker Heights, Cleveland; Tom H. Raugh, Altoona, Pa.; and Evan Owens, Muncie, Ind. After initiation a banquet was held in honor of the new members, of all of whom the chapter has high expectations.

We further wish to announce the pledging of Edward James Schnute, Newark, Ohio, on February 8th, a transfer to Ohio Wesleyan from Denison University.

The seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of Phi Kappa Psi was celebrated by a banquet given by Ohio Delta and ourselves at Hotel Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio. The toastmaster was Thad H. Brown, Ohio Delta '09, who has gained for himself a high place among Ohio

statesmen. Greetings were extended us from Ohio Delta and Ohio Alpha by Lawrence Stanley and Louis Syester, respectively, while the address of the evening was delivered by Dean Harry M. Semans, Ohio Alpha '85, who gave a most interesting talk on the history of the Fraternity.

We held our first semester informal dance January 29th, joining the Betas and Sigma Chis in a tri-dance which proved to be one of the most successful and enjoyable events of the whole semester.

The grades from the past semester have been exceptionally fine as has been shown by each member's point average. The standing of the different fraternities has not yet been made public, but, regardless of our improvement along this line in recent semesters, Ohio Alpha is making every effort to maintain its achievements and to go even higher.

At the close of last semester we lost by graduation one of our dignified seniors, George Kent of Bellevue, Ohio, whose absence will be keenly felt; but at the same time we have the return of Harlow, who has now fully recovered from his auto accident of last spring and will again be seen in action on the diamond this year.

The basketball team closed a mediocre season in which it lost the championship of the Buckeye Athletic Association to Denison by a score of 38 to 36. The two teams being tied for first place up to this time. Ohio Alpha was represented by Helwig and Magly. This year Helwig, who is a junior, receives his second letter in this sport, while Magly, a sophomore, receives a "W. A. A."

To offset this defeat by Denison our debate team captured both sides of the question in a recent contest, Syester, captain of last year's freshman squad, being a member of the team.

Seiter and Holtz have won their "W's" in cross-country and swimming, respectively.

In track we are being well represented by Dowds, Parker, Petibone and Manchester, all on the varsity, and by Owens and Pledge Stern on the freshman squad. The relay team of Ohio Wesleyan showed its ability in the Illinois relay recently by taking first place in one of the events, Petibone being a member of the team.

In recent class elections for the ten most representative men of each class in Ohio Wesleyan, Bowers, Parker and Dowds were elected as representative seniors, Helwig as one of the representative juniors, and Syester as one of the representative sophomores.

Delaware, Ohio

JOHN KLINE BARTRAM

Correspondent

Ohio Beta—Wittenberg College

After withstanding the onslaught of a rigorous probation week and the more rigorous faculty eligibility rule, Gordon Root, Ralph Merickel, Robert Krumm, Thomas Nelson, Richard Meilling, Fred Ritter, Arthur Trautwein, Paul Routzahn and John Rauch were initiated on February 19th. The seventy-fifth anniversary of Founders' Day was auspiciously observed by the chapter and the Springfield A. A. Initiation services were held at the house in the afternoon and the Founders' Day banquet at night. The new house project was presented to the alumni and their interest and response were very gratifying. Committees on building and finance were appointed and are now at work under the general chairmanship of Dan Shouvlín. It is the hope of the chapter that a detailed report, furnishing the basis of a definite plan of action, will be returned before the summer recess.

The Phi Psi Women's Club, to which reference was made in a former letter, has affected a permanent organization. Of the many valuable services it has rendered the chapter, the one of most recent interest was a dinner served Tuesday evening, and such a terrific gastronomical galaxy of edibles has never before graced our festive board. If that ancient adage in regard to the proper approach to a man's heart is still valid, our hearts are in jeopardy, for the ladies seem to have entered upon the chosen route with gusto.

While reports from the registrar's office on group grades for the last semester have not yet been announced, the chapter seems certain of retaining the interfraternity scholarship cup. Nine men received better than a 3.00 or B average and there was one perfect A record. The chapter average was about 2.75 and shows a substantial gain over last semester.

However, participation in activities has not suffered from the concerted effort toward scholarship. Kemper and Jackson were recently initiated into Scroll and Quill, honorary journalistic fraternity. Kemper has been promoted to business manager of the *Torch* and White succeeds him as advertising manager. Evans is a charter member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, national musical fraternity recently installed on the campus. Sittler has been honored by being chosen one of the two debaters to make the first Wittenberg transcontinental debate tour. Sittler has also been chosen valedictorian of his class and will speak at the commencement exercises. Phi Psi continues to dominate debate activities, with Sittler, Teichmoeller, Bullock and Schneider on the squad.

The esthetic propensities of Evans at last have burst into full bloom in the form of two original fraternity compositions which the chapter deems worthy of submission to the Editor of the Songbook. The fixation of our attentions upon the goddess of music has not caused any diminution of our interest in another member of this mythical triumvirate. The annual libation before the altar of Terpsichore will be celebrated May 6th at the annual spring formal dance, with Jacobs, chairman of the entertainment committee, in the role of high priest. All devotees of this particular divinity will be royally welcomed on this occasion.

Springfield, Ohio
March 9, 1927

EARL P. SCHNEIDER
Correspondent

Ohio Delta—Ohio State University

Ohio Delta celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of Phi Kappa Psi with a banquet at the Fort Hayes Hotel. Our brothers from Ohio Alpha joined us in making it a very memorable occasion. The glad hand, the fraternal grip and happy smile that passed between the older brothers tended to spread happiness all around. It sort of made us all look into the future and think of the days when we would be coming back to Phi Psi.

Ohio Delta is well represented in basketball this year, having Grim at a forward and Hunt at a guard position. Grim started off with a bang and cinched his place on the varsity. The past few weeks he has been unable to play because of a sprained ankle but he hopes to be ready to start by the end of the week. Hunt is the main cog in Ohio's team this year in both offensive and defensive play. He is the leading scorer in the conference and promises to maintain first position throughout the remainder of the season. He is almost certain to be chosen on the mythical five at the close of the season.

We enjoyed a visit from Brother Elliott Nugent, who has won a place in the theatrical world with his production, "The Poor Nut." The setting takes place at Ohio State and his characters are taken from the boys he knew here in Phi Psi. We held a dance in his honor and all the old brothers of his class were back to congratulate him upon his success. He is returning the middle of March and we sincerely hope he again finds time to be with us.

We also enjoyed a visit from Brother Letterman a short time ago. We asked him to spend the Fraternity's birthday with us but circumstances prevented him from doing so.

Columbus, Ohio
February 21, 1927

RANDOLPH DANIELL
Correspondent

Ohio Epsilon—Case School of Applied Science

Ohio Epsilon wishes to introduce five men we now call brothers. They are: William Johnston, Lakewood; William Styerwalt, Greenfield; Lorence Fraser, Earl Lawson and Francis Whalen, all of Cleveland. The chapter expects much of these men and we know that they will not fail us.

During this past month Fellows, Ellsworth and Allen were initiated into Skull and Bones, the junior honorary society. Courtney and Welch were initiated into Alpha Phi, the sophomore society.

March 12th is the date set for the dinner-dance in honor of Howard C. Williams, our national President. Phi Psis from far and near are planning to attend and it will be a real party.

Next to the annual Christmas party held at the house, the junior prom on March 25th is the biggest affair on the social calendar.

The arrival of a seven weeks' old collie, the gift of Bob Dowling, has caused much consternation among the boys. He has mastered the art of chewing our shoes and we are having a hard time breaking him of the habit. We call him Kappy and he answers to the fraternity whistle.

February 19th the chapter and some of the alumni attended the Case-Reserve basketball game and then a smoker was held at the house after the game. We only wish that more of the alumni would turn out.

A new green light has been installed in the old lantern over our door so that you cannot miss the house. When in Cleveland we expect you to make the house your home.

Cleveland, Ohio
March 7, 1927

H. A. GRUNDLER
Correspondent

FOURTH DISTRICT

Michigan Alpha—University of Michigan

Another semester has passed, another initiation has been performed, and seven new brothers are wearing the pin and attending meetings. We are proud to introduce the new members. Allen Owen of Toledo, John Effinger jr of Ann Arbor, John Watling jr of Detroit, Harry Wallace of Detroit, Don McGill of Wilmette, Ill., Paul Kelly and Samuel Atkins of Duluth comprise the list, although, since that time, Owsley Vose of Evanston, Ill., and Frank Phillipps of Toledo have passed the required number of hours to be initiated. These last two boys will be put through as soon as possible.

Our Founders' Day and seventy-fifth anniversary banquet came on our regular initiation night and was a complete success. We were

glad to have so many alumni back with us, but sorry, indeed, to miss many familiar faces. I believe everyone considered it a great pleasure and privilege in having Brother Shorts of Saginaw with us, who made a very inspiring and pointed speech, particularly to those of us who are still within the shelter of college.

Although the final result of last semester's scholastic efforts is still incomplete, the winners of the prizes and those upon whom the fines are to be levied, under our new plan to raise the house average, have been determined. Bob Halsted won the first prize of fifteen dollars, Bud Orr the second of ten dollars, and John Halsted the third of five dollars. We believe that this new system has had its desired effect, and we will no longer have to hang our heads in shame when the subject of scholarship is brought up.

The freshmen, who are now eligible for campus activities, are taking their places in the competitions open to them. They have started in almost every branch, there being one of them out for freshman track, one for football manager, one on the *Michigan Daily*, one on the year-book, one for dramatics, and one out for spring football. It looks like a bigger and better semester for Michigan Alpha.

Ann Arbor, Mich.
March 7, 1927

ROBERT N. PRENTISS
Correspondent

Indiana Alpha—DePauw University

Alumni of Indiana Alpha will undoubtedly be pleased to note our come-back in scholarship. Seventeen of the brothers made over 35 points, and five of this number were freshmen. Guernsey Van Riper led the first-year men with 48 points and Puckett took the lead among the upperclassmen with 54. The average of the entire chapter is about 30 points, which should place us about third in the scholastic rating of the college. Compared with last year's record, the progress has been remarkable and gives every evidence of greater improvement this last semester.

Several of the brothers have been active in athletics. In swimming, Indiana Alpha was represented by Murdoch, Scott and Urban Fowle and Pledge Marlatt. This being the first year of actual competition for the team, their record of four meets won and five lost is very creditable. Pledge Marlatt was high point man for the team and Murdoch held second place. The call for baseball has not yet been issued but will be answered by Bert and Urb Fowle and Lamphear. Coach Tod Kirk is in charge of varsity baseball in the absence of Guy Morrison, who signed up with the Pittsburgh Pirates this year. Emison is varsity manager. Our representation in track will be made by Gunn, Scott and Mountz. Spring football will start as soon as it is possible to get upon the gridiron. Scott, Smith, Marshall, Gunn, Fisher, Evans, Guernsey Van Riper, Ed Van Riper and Wentworth will be out in togs. Five of the above made their varsity sweaters last year and the other four made their freshman numerals. Golf has gained much in popularity in the last few years and Blackburn holds the college championship in that sport.

Probably the campus problem causing the most uproar among fraternities has been the question of house mothers. The fight was hard fought and bitter because of the absolute foreignness of this system to the old-fashioned life. Not only is it an additional expense but also a great inconvenience, as well as being out of harmony with fraternity life. It necessitates converting our guest room into quarters for the house mother and will result in the cessation of many habits that form

a vital and enjoyable part of fraternity life. Our fight has been futile and I fear that the good old talks around the fireplace will soon be but memories.

On February 20th twelve neophytes were initiated into the mysteries of Phi Psi. The following compose the list: Edward Van Riper, Guernsey Van Riper, John Ripe, Joseph Watson, Charles Matthews, Daniel Wentworth, George Mountz, Frederick Lockwood, Urban Fowle, Herman King, Robert Kimberlim and Edgar Young. Two pledges, Marlatt and Renfro, failed to make their grades but are now progressing very nicely. It was interesting to note that eight out of the fourteen pledges for this year were Phi Psi sons. After the initiation a banquet was served to some 55 brothers, there being about 20 alumni back for the occasion. The after-dinner speeches were most impressive. President Murlin gave a short talk that was very interesting. Doctor Town, probably the oldest Phi Psi in Indiana, gave the principal speech of the evening, in which he related the founding of Indiana Alpha and its early life. The chapter was represented by Bill Lockwood and the newly initiated freshmen had as their spokesman Edward Van Riper. A very scholarly and enthusiastic paper was written and read by Brother Allan of Terre Haute. In fact, it was so striking that a motion was passed that, with the author's consent, this paper be submitted to *THE SHIELD* for publication.

On April 21, 22 and 23 this chapter will entertain the District Council. Eleven chapters compose this area and there will be at least two representatives from each chapter. Thursday morning the D. C. will start with a business meeting and that evening a smoker will be held in honor of the visiting brothers. Friday evening an informal dance will furnish the entertainment. It should be a real entertainment because the music is certain to get tropical before the party has progressed far. The Council will end Saturday evening with a banquet. We are planning on a big time and extend to all the alumni a sincere invitation to attend. Indiana Alpha urges you to return for this occasion.

Greencastle, Ind.

March 1, 1927

STUART F. SMITH

Correspondent

Indiana Beta—University of Indiana

While the final examinations, so optimistically heralded in the last issue of *THE SHIELD* by this correspondent's worthy predecessor, staggered somewhat the upperclass deck of the good ship Indiana Beta, and the vessel leaned to port for a few anxious days while life belts were thrown out to some of the brothers, we are righted and are sailing once more in fair weather and fast waves. Practically all the freshmen came through the inquisition with creditable grades, and the upperclassmen who were slow in the A B C's are determined to make this semester a better scholastic term.

Thirteen men, comprising one of the largest classes in years, were made brothers at formal initiation ceremonies February 17th, which were followed by the Founders' Day banquet Saturday night. The initiates were: Robert Blount, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Carl Rinne, Indianapolis; William Dice, Covington; James Tucker, Salem; Louis Mitchell, Anderson; Conrad Burriss, Muncie; Thomas Metsker, Vincennes; Neal Hines, Terre Haute; Byron Brenton, Petersburg; Donald Hansen, Bedford; John Volderauer, Evansville; Scott Chambers, Newcastle; and Edward Oliver, Elkhart. Alumni present included Brothers Hines, president of the Indiana State Normal School at Terre Haute, Crim, Adams, Robinson, Smith, Cornelius, Straub and O'Harrow. The speeches of the new brothers were of the loyal and fiery

manner of a Mississippi senator. Following the ceremony, the rarest fraternity serenade on the campus this year was given by the brethren united in song. The serenaders were aided greatly by Eugene Ramey, who came from New Hampshire Alpha to live with us, and Pledge Tom Jones. Both are excellent singers.

The chapter is industrious in activities. One of our outstanding honors was conferred upon Kidd, who was appointed editor in chief of the *Daily Student* for the semester. Trueblood and Richardson were appointed copy editors. Trueblood has been elected secretary of the local chapter of Sigma Delta Chi. Romey has been pledged Phi Delta Phi, honorary law fraternity, and Racey and Volderauer have been pledged Phi Rho Sigma.

Captain Krueger is leading Indiana's basketball team down the home stretch in the conference race, and the Crimson promises to finish in second place at least, if not in a tie for top honors. Indiana had the Big Ten championship in sight two weeks ago but dropped the golden chance by losing to Ohio State. Starr has been in most of the games and doubtless will win a letter. Illness kept Scheid from the lineup for several weeks, but again he is with the squad. He probably will take over a regular berth at guard next year.

Hansen and Pledge Bundy won their numerals in football, and are grinding away at spring grid practice. Luther is establishing a good record with the swimming squad, having appeared in practically all conference and other meets this season. Metsker is out for swimming. Tucker, Brenton and Dice are out for track, and Tucker is a member of the university debating team. The chapter's freshman candidates for football show much promise. They are Hansen, Jones, Bundy, Dow, Simmons, Hines and Rinne.

Oliver is leading his own orchestra, the Vagabonds, and Kidd and Pledge Wright are members of the band. The chef d'orchestre is writing the lyrics for the annual Jordan River Revue again this year. Ramey will take a leading part in the revue, and Jones will provide a specialty number. Romey has been elected as soloist with the university band in its state tour this spring. Cochran and Bundy are members of the glee club and will go with the club on its state trip next month. Our standing in suicides is not high, but we may have a better percentage to report next time.

Officers of the chapter for the second semester were elected January 10th, as follows: G. P. Romey; V. G. P., Shattuck; A. G., Richardson; P., Johnson; B. G., Wasmuth; Chaplain, Kidd; Ph., Smith; Hod., Scheid; S. G., Luther; steward, Laurien. It is Brother Romey's second term as G. P. of the chapter.

Since our last bit of correspondence, we have pledged John Dow, Indianapolis; Tom Jones, Gary; Harold Ratliff, Fairmount; and Henry Lammer, Terre Haute. All four are football men. Dow played at Shortridge High School, Jones was a member of the Froebel (Gary) High School eleven, the Georgetown team, and the Yale prep (Roxbury) squad, Ratliff will soon be out for football, and Lammer played at Terre Haute.

We provided a paragraph for the *Daily Student* society column by giving a house dance February 25th, with the Crimson Serenaders playing. The social committee now is planning a reception for the wives of the chapter's alumni, Bloomington ladies, and mothers of the brothers. The date for the event has not been selected.

A happy surprise was given at the Founders' Day banquet in the announcement of the approval by the directors of the house association for a new wing to be added to the house in the near future. The wing will include a chapter hall, several study rooms, and shower rooms.

The stockholders in the association have approved the plan. There is some talk, too, of purchasing half of the lot just east of the chapter house.

It is regrettable that since time immemorial it is expected of the correspondent that he close his correspondence with some sort of a flagrant well-wishing or invitation or "the key's out" note. Suffice to say, we are entrenched in a paying dining room, the food is good, we have plenty of beds, and we want to see you. So pack up everything but your trouble in both your grips—your hand grip and your clothes grip—and drop around.

*Bloomington, Ind.
March 5, 1927*

DOW L. RICHARDSON
Correspondent

Indiana Delta—Purdue University

It seems that Indiana Delta has at last gotten out of any scholastic rut that may have impeded it in the past. At the close of college last June we ranked twelfth among thirty-two fraternities on the campus. Although we were still a long way from the top, it was very significant to note that all those above us were locals or small nationals, many of whom stress scholarship above all else. The official averages for last semester have not been published as yet, but we know that only six initiated men failed to pass everything, while, on the other hand, four brothers made the "distinguished student" list. In addition, several more have turned in unofficial averages of above 85 per cent. Our freshman class also turned in some excellent grades. Four pledges had averages above 90 per cent, one of whom made the "distinguished student" list.

We shall be able to initiate an unusually large class this year because of the scholastic ability exhibited by our freshmen. We anticipate a very impressive ceremony this year as we have secured the promise of Brother Elliott, president of Purdue, to be with us, and are endeavoring to get the same promise from Brother Williams, President of the Fraternity.

Indiana Delta entertained with an informal Washington's birthday dance on February 26th, at which time we were very glad to be the hosts of visiting brothers from DePauw and Northwestern. After several very secretive conferences of the entertainment committee, Chairman Milford announced that he had been able to engage Maller's Georgians orchestra of Chicago. When the dance was over, everyone acclaimed it the best so far, and avowed that the choice of orchestras had been a stroke of genius.

Hook and Stoeber are representing the chapter in aquatic sports, with the latter doing double time by being a member of the gym team also. Fridlin and Milford, who made letters in golf and tennis, respectively, last year, are looking forward to the coming season in their sports. Fridlin, Milford and Beemer have parts in the Little Theater production, "The Poor Nut," which is to be given March 11th and 12th.

The semiannual election of officers was held on March 1st with the following results: Fridlin, G. P.; Milford, V. G. P.; Willcutts, P.; Johnson, A. G.; Thomas, B. G.; Poole, S. G.; Wiley, Ho.; Henry, Ph.; Lester, Hi.

The Christmas banquet of last semester was revived in our memories by the elaborate spread placed before us on Founders' Day. After the meal we were entertained by speeches from Brother Kern, one of our most faithful alumni, and A. E. Kemmer, contractor for our new home.

We have lately been the recipients of two very handsome presents. Mr. Kemmer presented the chapter with \$200, with which we purchased some much-needed floor lamps and table covers. Brother Fridlin's father equipped our guest room with some very handsome furniture; so now, in extending the usual welcome to visiting alumni and brothers, we can also offer them the privilege of a private bath and room that is far removed from the noises made occasionally by those returning from nocturnal adventures.

Lafayette, Ind.
March 7, 1927

MAURICE W. JOHNSON
Correspondent

Illinois Alpha—Northwestern University

Inasmuch as the history of Illinois Alpha has returned from a prolonged visit to the national Historian, the members of the chapter have been seized with a vital impetus or something of that nature to learn more about the history of Phi Psi. George Esterly, Kan. Alpha, who is now a graduate instructor in the School of Commerce, has volunteered to conduct a weekly class in the history of Phi Psi and of Illinois Alpha. Lessons will be prepared and quizzes given just as in a regular university course. More power to Brother Esterly.

The formal initiation of Illinois Alpha was held on the afternoon of February 19th. After the initiation the entire chapter attended the Chicago Alumni Association Founders' Day banquet at the University Club.

We take this opportunity to introduce out new brothers: Sam Givens, Oak Park; Louis Smith, Austin; Harry Pearson, Chicago; Phil Mates, Chicago; Harry Lowry, Shelbourne, Ind; Seymour Dexter, Galesburg; Howard Noonan, Lima, Ohio; Gordon Bullock, Evanston; and Bill Nims, Norfolk, Neb.

We wish to congratulate our new brothers on their scholastic attainments for the first semester. May they improve with age. Speaking of scholarship, at the end of the second semester of last year Phi Psi headed the list of national Greek-letter fraternities. Statistics are not yet available for this year's standing, but with the chapter average at 1.34 we expect to head the list again.

It might be of interest to say that we received many replies from our last news letter, including two letters from founders of the chapter, Valorous F. Brown and Charles C. Bragdon. We are always glad to receive replies to these letters as we like to know what our alumni are doing.

Dr. Edwin A. Schell '86 was instrumental in helping instal California Delta and in helping them secure their charter. We congratulate Brother Schell for his good work.

The annual House Association banquet of Illinois Alpha will be held at the chapter house March 10th. We are expecting quite a crowd and hope that the banquet will prove to be as big a success as it has been in the past.

Newly elected chapter officers for the coming semester are: G. P., Lester Kellogg; V. G. P., Dave Kempf; P., Harvey Wienke; A. G., Dick Ainsworth; B. G., Lyman Moore; S. G., George Dixon; Hod., Julius Trefz; Hi., Henry Bassett; Ph., Charles McKenna.

Evanston, Ill.
March 7, 1927

RICHARD M. AINSWORTH
Correspondent

Illinois Beta—University of Chicago

Examinations for the winter quarter are nearing, and the anxiety that usually accompanies them is increasing. Despite this weighty problem, Illinois Beta has her irons in the fire of activity. Foremost has been the extensive rushing which we have carried on in preparation for the coming spring quarter. Our rushing chairman, Mundy Peale, has undertaken the task of securing some good boys in the near future. John Sutherland of Oak Park High School track fame, has joined our number as a pledge. We have also pledged Dan Autry, who hails from Little Rock, Ark. Pledge Autry won the office of president in the recent university freshman class elections.

In freshman track Pledges Ed Kennedy and George Ray are making notable progress. Ed has won his green shirt and George will no doubt win the honor soon. In the recent intramural carnival these men both won places in the low hurdle and mile races, respectively. Pledge Wilson Eikenberry brought Phi Psi's winnings to an end when he won first place in the fat men's race, although he was considerably outweighed by his opponents. Waddell and Peale had important tasks in the management of the carnival. Bill Budd and Carroll Marshall are holding their positions on the freshman basketball team and are preparing their ways for future basketball fame.

Illinois Beta had a fine showing at the recent seventy-fifth anniversary Founders' Day banquet at the University Club of this city. We all enjoyed the pleasant time there, seeing old friends and meeting new ones.

Again we wish to invite to Illinois Beta all those who happen to be in the vicinity of the university. Do not hesitate to call on us and we will gladly meet you.

Chicago, Ill.
March 7, 1927

PERRY R. THOMAS
Correspondent

Illinois Delta—University of Illinois

On February 19th, amid general rejoicing and congratulations, the following pledges became brothers: C. Everett Wells, Oak Park; Charles H. Greenlee, Oak Park; James P. Stewart, Western Springs; Richard W. Wilde, Chicago; Kenneth A. Stixrud, Winnetka; Albert E. Kremer, Wilmette; John R. Stengel, Rock Island; Kenneth L. Burroughs, Oak Park; Richard R. Tyson, Danville; and William A. Lange, Lake City, Minn. Immediately after the initiation ceremonies, the annual Founders' Day banquet took place, and the food, cigars, and speeches were all greatly enjoyed. Not a roll was burned; not a talk lasted more than ten minutes, and each was just serious enough; Doug Fay told a story.

Above you will find the additions to the chapter, and here are the subtractions: Burns, who has accepted a position with a local cleaning establishment; Hutchinson, who is in attendance at Rose Polytechnic Institute; Guthrie, who has enrolled at the University of Wichita; and Tyson, who has gone all the way to California. We wish them luck, but want them back.

Several men have been pledged since the beginning of the semester, and the house is full. New faces to be seen around 911 are those of John Tarwain, Sesser; T. G. Brennan, Chicago; R. S. Humlong, Chicago; C. N. Granville, Chicago; D. R. Low, Chicago; and R. H. Watson, Paris.

Activities? Well, Ongley, Stengel and Tarwain are out for spring football, with Stengel at half on the first team and looking exceptionally good. Tarwain seems anxious for as many letters as he can get,

so he is out for track, too, along with Granville, who is a distance runner, and Humlong, who hurdles. Low was out for basketball, but sustained a broken toe, which put him out for the season. Boling is still working hard; he says he is out for baseball manager, but what he does best is quell mobs at basketball games.

Athletics isn't all we do; Ellsworth and Wells (J. A.) recently set a new cup on the mantel, and it was for winning the doubles stunts in the post-exam jubilee. What they did was sing, and dance, and make funny faces, and recite the Gettysburg Address, and they are still doing it—we can't stop them. They have been requested to give their act in Danville, and they are even going to do that. C. E. Wells has had two biographical sketches published in the *Illinois Magazine*. Kremer does all the cartooning that is done for the "World's Greatest College Daily." Stewart is a freshman assistant on the *Illio* staff, and has little time for anything else. Jones has been initiated into Phi Alpha Delta, and Adams expects soon to know all the secrets of Phi Delta Phi.

Shaw, predecessor of the present correspondent, was so modest about his own accomplishments that he deserves and shall have a paragraph all to himself. Besides being commissary and getting the grades, he finds time to turn out for baseball every afternoon, and is showing up well.

The door is always open to a brother.

Champaign, Ill.

March 5, 1927

CHARLES H. BENNETT

Correspondent

Tennessee Delta—Vanderbilt University

Introducing Tennessee Delta's latest additions to the Phi Psi family: Robert Moore, Knoxville, Tenn.; White Graves, Abirdeen, Miss.; Harold Curry, Nashville, Tenn.; William Snyder, Springfield, Ohio; and Woodard Tipton, Dyersburg, Tenn. These men were initiated January 12th and are now hard-working brothers, proving themselves real credits to the chapter.

The event of the year is over—our Founders' Day banquet. It was the biggest thing we've ever done, and a real success if we ever saw one. Speeches and food in abundance, and the Kit Kat Klub at their best; everybody and everything just right,—the evening was far too short. The entertainment committee, after outdoing themselves on this, have already plunged into preparations for our annual spring dance, which comes the latter part of April.

To beat all comers, only to be nosed out in the final game of the tournament, was the luck our basketball squad had. We saw in action the best team we've had in years and the final game was a rather unexpected disappointment. However, the baseball candidates are already turning up, and our chances for appropriating that cup are more than good.

Tennessee Delta wants to take this opportunity to send our new brothers in California a word of welcome. Heartiest congratulations and the best of luck; just keep up the good work you've begun. We only hope that a little thing like distance won't keep us from seeing lots of you.

Nashville, Tenn.

March 8, 1927

T. A. GRIMES

Correspondent

Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin

Since the last letter to THE SHIELD the first semester has been safely put out of the way and the boys are well in the swing of the second. After Christmas vacation there was the usual concentration on the

books and when the comparative scholastic standings finally appear, the boys feel they will have something to be proud of. Although there has been no definite report on pledge eligibility, a majority will be eligible for initiation and only one of the fifteen was forced to leave college because of grades.

The new semester brought some very noticeable changes to the house in that two of Wisconsin Alpha's best standbys, John Brennecke and Stanley McGiveran, were graduated. George Miller reentered college, and Bob Arnold of Duluth came back to be a pledge once more. All the available pledges moved into the house and old "811 State" is the scene of much activity. The chapter also wishes to announce the pledging of Frederick Kopp of Santa Monica, Cal., George Reeke of Green Bay, Wis., and Harold Smedal of La Crosse, Wis.

In the interim between semesters some twelve boys from the house joined with an equal number of Phi Gamma Deltas in one of the better prom parties on the campus. Of course the usual bevy of beautiful girls was present and the music by Kady Farwell and Bud Buell's band from Chicago made a well-rounded affair of it.

Some two weeks ago the chapter was visited by Orville Vaughan, the Deputy Archon of the district, and the boys all found him so very pleasant that it was with regret that they saw him leave after having been here for only two days.

All these things have passed by comparatively smoothly, but the time is soon coming when the pledges will be wondering just what it is all about. There has been an ominous note in the air for the last few days and, although they are all making wild and random guesses as to just when that fateful time will be, everything remains as a matter of pure conjecture, except, perhaps, the fact that they will have quite the reverse of a headache. And still each day continues to bring the probationary period just that much closer.

People of the Middle West all know that Haresfoot is an all-men's musical comedy produced yearly, but they do not know that this year it is almost a Phi Psi show. Russ Winnie is president and also second juvenile lead. Wiff Roberts, who is with us again after an absence of one year which he spent on the professional stage, now uses that knowledge to good advantage when he just walks away with the title comedian role. John Moran jr, who wrote the book "Meet the Prince," plays the female comedy lead. Bill Schroeder is one of the most competent business managers the club has ever had. Arthur Morsell and Leland Shriver are two beautiful chorus girls. Leonard Hicks is working in the office and hopes to make the trip. Ralph Schuetz will make the trip in the capacity of stage manager. The show leaves April 1st for an extensive tour of twelve midwest cities and then returns for six shows before the students.

The chapter has had a very excellent representation in winter athletics. Don Hinderliter, who is a regular member of the varsity gym team, has been giving good account of himself in the meets and has already won enough points to give him a "W". Our house "Half-pint" says that he is glad it will only be a minor one, because he couldn't carry around a larger one. Don Mitchell, regular goalie, and Sam Boyer, substitute goalie, both of Duluth where they learn the how of hockey, are on the varsity hockey squad and have made quite a name for themselves. They are now away on a week's trip to Michigan and on into Canada as the season closes. Jim Drummond would also have made the regular squad, but old lady ineligibility interfered. Julian Hardy received an "AWA" for holding down the cox's seat on last year's junior-varsity crew.

Frank Dana Weeks was elected to an honorary medical fraternity, and one of the pledges, Wade Boardman, was initiated to Phi Delta Phi, law fraternity, with the highest grades in the group.

The one or two little touches of spring we have had here make the chapter hurry to extend an invitation to all alumni of this chapter and the men of all other chapters, whether undergraduates, alumni or pledges, to be sure and make "811 State" their headquarters if they get up into this part of the country and stay to enjoy one of the famous spring week-ends that have made Wisconsin so famous.

Madison, Wis.
March 6, 1927

RALPH E. SCHUETZ
Correspondent

Wisconsin Gamma—Beloit College
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Minnesota Beta—University of Minnesota

Minnesota Beta wishes to announce the pledging of the following: Jack Bates, Fred Engel, John Moorhead and Lawrence Mooney, all of Minneapolis; Howard Knapp, Lamont Nichols and John Wald, of St. Paul, Minn.; and Robert Bateman and Frank Hardy, of Austin, Minn. Bateman was a pledge last year at Illinois Alpha. Owing to the plan of deferred rushing now in effect at Minnesota, the chapter was unable to pledge until the first of the winter quarter. Nearly all the pledges are engaged in campus activities. Bates and Wald are both in dramatics, Bates taking a leading part in "The Thirteenth Chair," a drama put on recently by Minnesota Masquers, leading dramatic organization on the campus. Pledge Engel represented the house in the Gopher cleanup drive, for the university annual. Hardy and Nichols were members of the 1926 freshman football squad. Moorhead is a member of the freshman commission. Nichols is entered in the intramural boxing tournament and has already won several elimination contests. He is also trying out for the editorial board of the *Minnesota Daily* and shows promise of making the position.

The scholarship of the chapter has taken a jump in the last year from seventeenth place on the campus to twelfth place. This was done in spite of the fact that the general average for all fraternities has risen considerably during the last year. The pledges conformed to the high scholastic requirements of the chapter, by placing tenth on the campus, among 36 groups of pledges.

The undergraduates have been busy with activities this year. Gietzen was chairman of the annual intercollegiate ball which was given during the Christmas vacation. Helenaik recently won the university doubles championship in handball. He and Stevens are entered in the interfraternity doubles and have won every game so far. McGlashan is on the university basketball squad. McCoy is broadjumping on the varsity track squad and shows promise of making the track team in the spring. Crowley, who made his letter in track last year, is on the team again this year and is making a record for himself in pole-vaulting. Byers is on the varsity hockey squad. Barnacle and Ensign are on the swimming team. Barnacle made his "M" last year diving on the varsity team. Kopplin, an "M" man in wrestling, enters the Big Ten individual meet at Chicago, this week, where he will try for the light-heavyweight championship. Byers, Cabot and Coolidge are on the staff of the 1928 *Gopher*.

Bob Peplaw is now associated with W. B. Foshay and Co., Minneapolis investment house. Peplaw was halfback on the varsity football team for three consecutive years.

*Minneapolis, Minn.
March 5, 1927*

PHILIP L. BURGER
Correspondent

FIFTH DISTRICT

Iowa Alpha—University of Iowa

The close of the winter sport season finds Iowa Alpha receiving new honors. In basketball, "Hefty" Philips received a major letter and Blythe has won a secondary letter. On the crack freshman quintet we were represented by Johnstone and Kunan, both of whom will receive their numerals. Cuhel, conference low-hurdle champion, has already cinched an "I" by winning three firsts in a recent dual meet against Illinois. Jerrel, not content with winning the high jump in a freshman dual meet with Wisconsin, also placed second in this event during the all-university meet. Both of these track candidates have made remarkable records thus far and should bring many honors to the house before the season is over. Captain Philips will jump from the basketball floor to the tennis courts and lead his team through its spring schedule. Another basketball player, Blythe, will soon change suits to assume the duties of pitching on Iowa's baseball team.

The chapter's social activities will be resumed at an informal spring party next month. This will be followed by the celebrated spring formal which closes the chapter's social season for this year.

At present we are discussing the good times had at past District Councils and are looking forward to a big time with the brothers next month at the coming D. C.

*Iowa City, Iowa
March 8, 1927*

FRANKLIN KEMP
Correspondent

Iowa Beta—Iowa State College

Iowa Beta takes pleasure in introducing Pledge William Catron of St. Joseph, Mo., who was pledged the first part of the winter quarter. He is assistant advertising manager of the *Iowa State Student* and a basketball man.

We also wish to announce the marriage of D. Russell Paul to Miss Mervyl Brown, which took place on New Year's day.

Casey was elected president of T. L. B. honorary social fraternity. He succeeds Brother Pierce. Putnam is a member of the Cardinal Guild, the student governing committee, having become eligible when he was elected president of the sophomore class. He is also secretary of Pebul, honorary social fraternity.

Thornburg is fast developing into a crack track man. He has run on several winning relay teams in the last few weeks, and we are expecting much more of him in the coming months. Keefer is also on the track team, running in the two-mile event. Pledges Smith and MacFarland are following in Thornburg's steps and should make excellent track men.

In intramural circles, we won first place in our league in track, scoring in almost every event, and we should place high in the finals. Pledge Smith was high-point man, with three firsts. We placed third in the intramural swimming meet with 19 points. We led our league in basketball and we expect to place high in the finals for the all-college championship.

Founders' Day banquet was held at the chapter house, with Brothers Prunty, Barney, Hall, Kimler, Smith and Garfield present as guests. Brother Garfield read the address of the evening.

Our first dance of the quarter was held February 5th at the chapter house. Everyone reported a wonderful time. Brothers Barney and Baker came up for the dance. Our next dance will be held March 5th and, if everything comes off as planned, it will be second to none.

The D. C. of the fifth district will be held at Iowa Beta. Already plans are under way to make this the best D. C. up to the present time. Everyone who can possibly do so is urged to come.

Ames, Iowa
March 1, 1927

JOHN S. CRARY
Correspondent

Missouri Alpha—University of Missouri

We have some new brothers to introduce to the fold of the Fraternity. Here they are: Wright Bryan, Clemson, S. C.; Eugene "Spic" Baca, Santa Fe, N. M.; George Waddell, Frankford, Mo.; Robert Ramsey, Joplin, Mo.; David Paisley, from the forty-ninth state, St. Louis, Mo.; Jean Spencer, the son of a Phi Psi from Houston, Texas. Three new pledges have been welcomed into the rolls of the lowest; they are Edwin Hough from Carthage, Mo., who is going to make Phi Beta Kappa next year if he keeps on; J. Sheldon Poe from St. Louis, Mo., who, from his build, will be another Red Grange on the gridiron; and Hal Bray from Campbell, Mo., a budding lawyer.

Founders' Day was celebrated by a banquet for the chapter and the town alumni. Several of the old brothers came from St. Louis, but the delegation from Kansas City decided that they would rather stay in Kansas City for the affair. Silent dinner and formal initiation was held on the next day for the brothers introduced to you above.

An organization attached to this chapter and to which we are very grateful is the Mothers' Club. This semester they have taken up a subscription and together with the dues that they pay have bought us several rugs, drapes and tables for the first floor. This was a wonderful surprise and came in time to be put down for the Founders' Day banquet. The interest that the various mothers take in the appearance of the house is very gratifying.

The pledges gave the chapter a rug for the sun-porch. Really when the alumni come back, they think that they have got into another house. It has quite a different appearance with all of these improvements. And now the alumni at Kansas City say that they will give us an overstuffed chair if the St. Louis alumni and the chapter will match their contribution. I think that it will be, and we are quite overcome by all of this attention from everyone.

The annual formal dance has been set for March 18th. The mothers' week-end will be the following week. All brothers are welcome, no matter from what chapter.

Columbia, Mo.
March 7, 1927

STANTON AGNEW
Correspondent

Texas Alpha—University of Texas

With the winter term exams only a week away, brothers and pledges of Texas Alpha are spending most of their time over their books. Texas Alpha ranked high last year in scholarship, and we are all trying hard to better our last year's record.

Basketball season has ended, and Texas University won second place in the conference. Pledge Bob Harwell has well earned his letter on the team, for he is one of the best guards as well as being a wonderful goal-shooter.

Texas Alpha is preparing for the big dance of the year, which we are giving March 18th. We are working hard to make this one of the best in the history of the chapter, and we look for many of our alumni to be present.

Track training is well under way now, and Ward bids fair to become one of the best track men that Texas University has ever had. He hurt his leg in practice several weeks ago and will be laid up for a couple of weeks. After that, however, the coach is looking for big things from Ward.

Willard Perkins, manager-editor of the university yearbook, is fast rounding the *Cactus* into shape and promises us a most beautiful and interesting annual. Perkins is also showing up well in intramural boxing, and everything looks favorable for him to win the championship in this field again.

Preston Oglesby and Preston Oliver were chosen to represent the chapter at the District Council at Ames, Iowa. We hope that several of the other brothers will also be able to make the trip.

Austin, Texas
March 4, 1927

FRED P. HAMILL
Correspondent

Kansas Alpha—University of Kansas
NO LETTER RECEIVED

Nebraska Alpha—University of Nebraska

The new officers for the semester are Allan Wilson, Arthur Sweet, Wilbur Mead, Horace Noland, Robert Thygeson, Edward Dickson, Joseph Hunt, James Cox and Robert Kilgore.

The basketball season is over and Nebraska finished in fourth place. The prospects seemed very good that Nebraska would be heading the valley list this year, until Kansas University turned the tables. Elmer Holm played guard throughout the season, showing the same ability on the floor that he displayed in that position on the gridiron last fall. Spring football has started and will last for about a month. Keith Walker and George Ray report that they are doing some hard work. They will be wearing the "Scarlet and the Cream" for their first time next September. This year they did some exceptionally good work with yearlings in helping to grind the varsity into condition.

Initiation will be held March 20th. The alumni are going to give us a banquet at the house after the initiation ceremony. The alumni have been very active in working with the chapter the last year, and their interest and spirit is sincerely appreciated.

Probation is over, the freshmen are glad and so is everyone else. Last year the Interfraternity Council undertook to regulate the manner in which probation is conducted, and it was used for the first time this year, and proved very satisfactory. All the fraternities have it at the same time and the length has been changed from a week to 54 hours. Each fraternity had to submit for approval to the executive committee of the council an outline of what they expected to do during that period. This is quite a change from the way in which the period used to be conducted, and the steps which the council has taken to

regulate it have received some very favorable comment from the alumni.

The chapter has formed a "discussion group" that meets once a week. Attendance is not compulsory and it is supervised by an instructor from college. This has been formed under the supervision of the Y. M. C. A. and an attempt is being made to establish them in other fraternities on the campus. The object of these groups is in some respects to do away with the well-known universal "bull session" and to substitute definite subjects to be discussed in an organized way. This is just a new institution and it is hard to predict how it will develop; at present it is being favorably received.

The chapter celebrated Lincoln's birthday with the first house party of the new year.

Lincoln, Neb.

March 9, 1927

Oklahoma Alpha—University of Oklahoma

Oklahoma Alpha started the second semester with its usual zip-bang style. We are pleased to announce the return of Harold Gilbert, Reeve Holmes, Earle Miller, John Floyd, and, from Missouri Alpha, Tom Maxey. We also take pleasure in announcing the initiation on February 6th of C. M. Warren, Tulsa, and J. C. Fast, Muskogee. And again, with pleasure, we announce the pledging of Jack Cowan, Waggoner, Okla.; Bill McAllister, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Tim Cremons, Tulsa, Okla.; Bob Bleuer, Muskogee, Okla.; Ed Anderson, Altus, Okla.; and Harvey Colcord, Phoenix, Ariz. These boys are rapidly becoming accustomed to the campus and are already engaged in college activities.

We regret the loss of Bill Stewart, who has seen fit temporarily to change his residence for milder climates in order to regain his health. He is employed at present in California, and from reports is doing nicely. Next fall should find him with us again, bubbling over with good health and the old Phi Psi spirit he has always shown. The rest of the first semester chapter roll is intact, and now that we have become firmly established in and accustomed to our new home, we are looking forward with bright prospects to a most successful climax for this college year.

A splendid party was given February 5th. It was the first night dance given in the new home, and as an experiment was handled very smoothly. We were glad to have a number of alumni with us. They are welcome at any and all times, as are any wearers of the badge. We can accommodate quite a few visitors, and we hate to have these accommodations wasted. Pay us a visit when in the neighborhood.

Several of the boys have recently been honored by initiation into national campus organizations. Henry Griffing was initiated into Tri-Chi, national interclass order. Warren received the degrees of Scabbard and Blade, honorary military fraternity. Henry Mugler, Joe Trigg and Pledge Tapp are at present wearing the Scabbard and Blade pledge colors, and, when initiated, they will give us a splendid representation in this organization. Pledge Lamb is about to be taken into Phi Mu Alpha, national music fraternity. Henry Mugler was recently elected vice president of Alpha Kappa Psi, national business fraternity.

Dick Mason, as captain of this year's varsity tennis team, has been working hard the past week getting his squad lined up for the coming campaign. Prospects are good for the team again to repeat as Valley champions.

Announcement was recently made that the second semester enrolment had passed the much-looked for 5000-mark. This makes our university the second largest in the Missouri Valley conference. A big spirit of educational advancement has taken place in our state, and before long Oklahoma University will be recognized more than ever before as one of the leading state institutions of the country. Our aim is to keep pace with the growth of the university and keep Phi Psi always to the fore in the position it has always held on this campus.

Our Founders' Day banquet, held in the chapter house, was an inspiration both from the point of spirit and of attendance. All the program suggestions offered by the E. C. were used by the banquet committee, and other features of interest were added. The Western Oklahoma A. A. responded to our invitation and were present 100 per cent strong. This fact shows that they are behind us to a man and the pleasure of this knowledge is an incentive whose real power can hardly be described with mere words. Their visits to our chapter are a pleasure to us, and we hope to them. The Diamond Jubilee, as celebrated by Oklahoma Alpha, will never be forgotten by those who were in attendance.

Norman, Okla.
March 3, 1927

JOSEPH F. TRIGG
Correspondent

Colorado Alpha—University of Colorado

Colorado Alpha takes pleasure in introducing Tyler Davis, Charles Fletcher, Russell Campbell, Henry Anderson, Francis Kibler, Foster Fritchle, James Ewing and George Reilly as new brothers who enrolled under our banner on Founders' Day. Later that day they shared honors with Brother Letterman and Brother Moore at a banquet given to the chapter by the Denver A. A. On the eve of March 4th they were again honored by a formal dance, which had as decorations green pine bows and red candles, and which was illuminated by dim red lights.

Frank Merrill of Kansas Alpha paid us a short visit just before our initiation and offered some hints that made the pledges' life just a little more worth while. We certainly appreciated his visit and wish that more brothers would drop in to see us as they pass by in their explorations of the West.

Colorado Alpha made a bid for the intramural boxing and wrestling championships and fell short by just a few points. In basketball she was ably represented on the varsity by G. Reilly, Kibler and Campbell, who will probably be rewarded with their letters. Nevin and Fritchle are on the gym team, which to date remains undefeated. Nevin has been initiated into Delta Sigma Pi, honorary business fraternity.

The Denver Alumni Association has taken a new grasp on life and is backing the chapter to the limit. As an added incentive to the chapter to continue their climb in the scholastic averages, they have given the chapter a beautiful cup to be given to the freshman who has the highest average at the end of the year.

Boulder, Col.
March 7, 1927

PETER C. REILLY JR
Correspondent

SIXTH DISTRICT

Washington Alpha—University of Washington

The chapter was honored on February 28th by the visit of President Williams. His visit proved an inspiration, and firm resolutions to live up to his expectations gripped Washington Alpha as he departed.

The same evening saw Phi Psi win the first intramural debate to be held at Washington. Silliman, in winning this championship with Pledge Dailey, directly defeated five teams and indirectly twenty-four teams. As a result of our victory, a huge cup now adorns our mantel-piece. This is Washington Alpha's second major victory of the year, the first being the winning of the homecoming cup.

We are happy to introduce to Phi Psi Brothers Cooper, Fenton, Stephens, Arntson and Jensen. They are indeed of true Phi Psi caliber.

Stephens is stroking the first frosh crew and Pledge Williams is coxing the third. May, who was initiated into the Varsity Boat Club the first of the month, is one of the varsity coxswains and is a consistent performer in his line.

Parrott, Lauder, Engstrom and Arntson are representing Phi Psi on the cinders, while Pledges Conger, Campbell, Wade and Ferguson are displaying their wares in the same line. All are performing remarkably well for so early in the season. Rose and Powell are on the track managerial staff.

Haydon and Pledge Nickols will heed the call of the diamond before long and Pledge Merkle will handle a rake along with the baseball managers.

Wells is getting in shape to withstand any attempts made to capture the diving championship which he has held for the past two years. Rickard and Russell are in the annual Junior Girls Vodvil.

Scholarship, which had taken a noticeable slump last quarter, has once more regained its proper place and Phi Psi is steadily coming to the fore. Jack Rogers and Mark Mace tied for the frosh scholarship cup of last year.

It is with regret that we see Byrnes being graduated this March. He has been a great aid to our chapter throughout his collegiate career. He leaves to take up his work with the Chicago Tribune. Spencer likewise leaves us for the quarter while he goes to southern Idaho.

We again heartily invite all brothers visiting in this vicinity to drop in to see us. They can rest assured of a hearty welcome and a square meal.

Seattle, Wash.
March 3, 1927

JACK ROGERS
Correspondent

Oregon Alpha—University of Oregon

On February 19th, at the Heathman Hotel in Portland, Oregon Alpha, in conjunction with the Oregon Alumni Association, fittingly observed the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of Phi Kappa Psi by the formal initiation of eight new brothers, immediately followed by a banquet attended by approximately 150 undergraduates and alumni.

We take this opportunity to introduce the new brothers: Darold Elkins, Eugene; Laurence Shaw, Klamath Falls; James Riley, Pendleton; Dwight Kircher, Silverton; Joseph Erkenbrecher, Pasadena, Cal.; James Rogers, Richard Harper and Walter Browne, all of Portland. We also have the pleasure of introducing two new pledges: Gordon Guthrie of Los Angeles, Cal., and George Jackson of Portland.

On February 24th we enjoyed a visit by Howard C. Williams, President of the Fraternity. Brother Williams talked to the chapter on the condition of the Fraternity at large and gave us many valuable suggestions for aiding the further growth and development of our chapter.

One of the outstanding honors won by members of Oregon Alpha was the winning by Phil Bergh of first place in the Murray Warner essay contest, with a cash prize of \$150. These essays deal with the problems of American relations with China, so that Bergh found his recent trip to the Orient of great value to him in writing on this subject. Last year Bergh won third prize in the same contest, with a cash prize of \$25.

Don McCook has just finished a successful swimming season, winning his second letter in that sport. Don especially distinguished himself in the California-Oregon meet by winning the final event and enabling Oregon to win the meet. Jimmy Raley was one of the outstanding men on the frosh swimming team, winning first places in two meets with the O. A. C. rooks.

Jack Hempstead again distinguished himself on the forensic platform as a member of the team which defeated the University of Montana, debating before the Chamber of Commerce in Portland on March 2d.

Our seventh annual breakfast-dance was held at the Eugene Hotel on Washington's birthday. Eleven promising rushees were entertained at this affair, and all agree it was the best yet.

West and Craig are out regularly for baseball, this being West's third year as varsity pitcher and infielder. Jeffries, Browne and Pledge Guthrie are out regularly for Bill Hayward's track team.

Oregon Alpha maintained her consistently high scholastic standing by placing second among men's nationals for the fall term. We hope to go one better and top the list for the winter term, which closes on March 18th.

Eugene, Ore.

March 5, 1927

ROY L. HERNDON

Correspondent

California Beta—Leland Stanford University

With finals only a week away, activities have rather quieted down on the campus. The basketball season was brought to a close with the defeat of Stanford by California. Giff Troyer has just concluded a successful season as senior basketball manager.

Stanford's chances for a winning baseball team this year are very bright. We have two men on the squad: Bill Maguire, varsity first baseman and the leading hitter on the team, and Gene Kern, a pitcher. Gene won his game against California as a freshman last year. He is now out for the varsity.

As usual, the varsity track team is exceptionally strong this year. Bob Syer, one of our sophomores, is out for the 440. He was first man on the freshman squad in the 100 and the 220. "Dink" Templeton, the coach, has switched Bob to the quarter this year. We hope he does as well in this event as he did in the others. Don Nelson, another sophomore, is out for the hurdles. He made 10 points in the freshman meet last year. He is in fast company on the varsity, but he is working mighty hard and we hope he makes his letter. Jack Speer is out every night working on the high-jump and the half mile. He is clearing 6 feet regularly and he has a nice stride in the run.

We are mighty proud to announce the election of Bill Maguire to Phi Delta Phi, national legal fraternity.

Norm Larson is working hard for the dramatic manager's office. He looks like a cinch for the appointment.

Our spring vacation is just two weeks off. During the ten-day holiday, we are going to have the house painted. This is quite an expense to us, since there is so much surface to cover, but we are going to see it through in fine fashion. Rushing season opens three weeks after we get back; so the house will be nice and shiny for the visiting freshmen.

Plans have been completed for the D. C. which will be held here April 7, 8 and 9. We expect a big turn-out and we are doing everything in our power to make the conclave a huge success.

On Founders' Day the chapter was pretty well split up. About half of them went south to the installation of California Delta at Los Angeles. The rest of them attended the annual Founders' Day banquet at the Bohemian Club in San Francisco.

*Stanford University, Cal.
March 4, 1927*

L. E. MCGONIGLE
Correspondent

California Gamma—University of California

We feel quite proud at this time because of numerous things we have accomplished this semester. Our scholarship average has been raised, numerous alumni functions have been put over with a startling amount of enthusiasm and response from the brothers, eleven of our ex-pledges are now brothers, and California now rightfully claims the Pacific coast championship basketball team.

Before going further, I would like to introduce our new brothers, as follows: Corran Plant, San Francisco; Emmett Sullivan, Gilbert Brown, Morris Stimson and Harold McNee, Long Beach; Wallace Sedgwick, Los Angeles; Norman Donant, Oakland; James Logan and Warren Schultz, Hollywood; and John Rust, Berkeley. This group constitutes one of the most wide awake crowds of freshmen we have seen around here for some time. Scholastically they are good and there is not one among them who is not out for some campus activity where he is best fitted to make good.

These brothers were initiated February 6th in conjunction with an alumni reunion held the day previous. The alumni reunion was in reality the major affair of the two. It was strictly a California Gamma meeting and was responded to by about 150 brothers. The chapter held open house during the day, and in the evening we were the guests of the alumni at the Hotel Whitecotton. Our alumni came from a radius of 500 miles to attend our big get-together party and it turned out to be one of the finest gatherings this chapter has ever witnessed. Other chapters and alumni associations will do well to instigate this practice of chapter reunions. We came into closer contact with our old brothers and learned more of the history of our chapter than we had ever known before.

We haven't received our scholarship plaque yet but we are well on the road to earn one. The last scholarship report showed us to be twenty-fifth in place among 64 fraternities and house clubs. This may sound laughable to a few of the more intellectual groups of our Fraternity but it sounds good to us as the semester previous we ranked sixty-third. Thirty-eight rungs up the scholastic ladder isn't bad for a decrepit old chapter to make in one jump. The freshman average was also good this time. This chapter is in better shape right now than it has been for a number of years. Our financial difficulties are gradually being cleared up and our scholarship is coming to its proper place.

We were honored by a visit from Brother H. C. Williams at our annual Founders' Day banquet and also at the chapter house the following day. The banquet, at which Brother Williams gave a very interesting talk, was held in conjunction with California Beta and the San Francisco A. A.. It was well attended and progressed with all the enthusiasm that a well-rounded group of Phi Psis should possess. At the time of Brother Williams' visit to the chapter house most of the brothers were absent. Some of them had not yet returned from the installation of California Delta at U. S. C. Others were at the golf tournament at Del Monte, while the rest were away on week-end vacations. Brother Williams therefore did not have the opportunity of meeting our chapter as a unit. However, he gave us some very good advice as to the condition of this and other Phi Psi chapters.

James Logan and Morris Stimson participated in the interclass crew races held March 3d. Warren Schultz was in the infirmary with a bad cold at the time and was unable to enter. Logan coxes the first frosh boat and Stimson is being groomed for stroke. To be entered in an interclass crew race at California is considered quite an honor, as it is the only other scheduled race of the year besides the Washington and California meet, and whoever enters the interclass race is almost certain of his position in the first boat. Our Phi Psi track prospects look rather bright at this season. Chambers is out for the varsity half-mile, while Sedgwick and Rust look mighty encouraging in the 440 on the frosh team.

We are supported in varsity baseball by Bert O'Neil, who has high hopes of making a permanent position on the squad, a letter, and a trip to the Orient with the team. Pledge Cleatus Traverse and Sullivan are clipping off a few nifty flies and home runs for the yearlings and appear to be first-class ball players. Bugbee, who is out to cinch the baseball managerial job, finds that it is a position requiring plenty of stamina and ability for a sophomore. "Bug" reports that he is constantly chasing balls and dragging the diamond. He prays for this month to end and work to cease in order that he may once more assume his natural seated position.

On March 5th we laid away our books and sporting togs to enjoy a little soft-shoe workout here at the chapter house. It was the night of our spring formal. The house had been decorated with a profusion of cherry blossoms and other spring flowers. No one went away mad, and now we are back to the books again.

Berkeley, Cal.
March 6, 1927

ROSS E. LANG
Correspondent

California Delta—University of Southern California

California Delta is now a reality and all the brothers are struggling to get into the swing with Phi Psi. We have been busy with the installation of our new system, the officers learning their duties and the committees how they are to function. The officers are as follows: G. P., Morris Moore; V. G. P., Scott Thompson; P., John Stephens; B. G., Bill Stewart; A. G., George Stewart; S. G., Albert Bowen; Ph., Paul McFadyen; Hod., Herbert Spencer; Hi., Curtiss Barnes. The following committees have been appointed and are functioning: governing, grievance, entertainment, membership, finance, freshman supervision. Since our installation we have received many wonderful gifts for our home in the way of furniture and paintings. The alumni and undergraduates have all helped and our house will compare favorably with the best.

The social committee is making arrangements for our big annual formal scheduled for April 22d. It will be in honor of Secretary Thomas Cookson, who will be in California at that time. Everybody is looking forward to this, the big social event of the year. On February 28th we held an open house for all sororities and fraternities on the campus and received a large turnout. It was a real success. On March 7th we entertained the Xi Psi Phi fraternity with a smoker. The entertainment committee had worked out a peppy program and everyone present seemed to have a good time.

Our membership committee is under full steam and we have several fine prospects in line. Vincent Keating, Henry Darling, John von Aspe, Kenneth Wilcox, Ronald Beeman and George Newberry were pledged last week.

The fellows interested in baseball are working out, getting into shape for our interfraternity league. Last year we were nosed out of the championship and we are out to win it this year.

Our track men, Lewis, Graham, Bowen and Bonham, are working out every day and we expect them to be valuable support to the varsity. Lewis is running the quarter mile and will do it in 49 seconds before the end of the season. Bowen is a consistent high jumper and is good for 6 feet 3 inches. Graham and Bonham are both hurdlers and are going strong.

It will not be long before our first half semester will be over and the "cinch" notices come home. Like stray cats we try to keep them from our house and to accomplish this the scholarship committee has promised a "tubbing" to men who receive them. It has a good effect because the boys are digging in and it will not be long before we know the results.

Politics is not in prominence at this time, but we have Sam Newman as president and Al Kaser as treasurer of the freshman class. "Bus" Blanchard is treasurer of the junior class.

The District Council meets at Stanford University, Palo Alto, in April. All the brothers that are able are making arrangements to be there at the appointed time and we hope to have a good representation.

Los Angeles, Cal.
March 8, 1927

GEORGE STEWART
Correspondent



Obituary

William A. Robinson, Ohio Alpha '66

The Rev. William A. Robinson, D. D., Ohio Alpha '66, died at Christ Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio, December 31, 1926, lacking a few days of being eighty-four years of age. He was a soldier during the Civil War, a member of the 81st Ohio volunteer infantry. His unusual ability, thorough scholarliness, and geniality caused him to be sought early in his ministry by congregations of the large churches in western Ohio. For the past twenty-six years he was the financial secretary to Christ Hospital in Cincinnati and was a tower of strength in the expansion and development of that institution. Dr. Robinson was the recipient of many honors and a very busy man, yet he was always interested in his college Fraternity and was a loyal alumnus.

Joseph H. Hill, Ill. Alpha '81

Dr. Joseph H. Hill, Ill. Alpha '81, died suddenly from heart disease at his home in Kansas City, Mo., on February 13th, at the age of 69. He was a member of the faculty of the Kansas Teachers College at Emporia from 1886 to 1913, serving as president for several years. In 1913 he became professor of education at Boston University, and two years later went to Kansas City as proprietor of the Clark Teachers Agency. Two years ago he sold that business and reentered the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Edward B. Shallow, N. Y. Epsilon '87

Dr. Edward B. Shallow, N. Y. Epsilon '87, for the past twenty years associate superintendent of schools of New York City, died February 8, 1927, of heart disease, at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y. He was 65 years old. After teaching in a rural school he prepared for college at Colgate Academy and was graduated with honors from Colgate University in 1888. He served as principal of a high school in New Jersey for three years, and in 1893 became principal of an elementary school in Brooklyn. Thereafter he was associated in various capacities with the public schools of Brooklyn and the greater city, becoming successively principal, district superintendent and associate superintendent. In recent years he had been in charge of sites and buildings and played an influential part in the construction of new schools.

James Gardner Lawrence jr., Cal. Gamma '13

James Gardner Lawrence jr, Cal. Gamma '13, died in Manila, P. I., January 24, 1927, of malignant malaria. He was born in Winona, Minn., November 5, 1886. He was educated in the public schools of Wabasha, Minn., later entering the University of Minnesota. There

he was initiated by Minnesota Beta in 1904. He had two older brothers of that chapter, W. H. Lawrence and C. W. Lawrence. James Gardner Lawrence left the University of Minnesota after about a year and in 1907 went to the Philippine Islands where he spent two years employed in the construction of the Philippine Railway on the islands of Panay and Cebu. During his stay on the islands he contracted malaria, which gave him trouble for many years.

Brother Lawrence returned to Minnesota and was employed by Brown and Bigelow, of St. Paul. In 1912 he entered the Law College of the University of Missouri. He was transferred from Minnesota Beta to Missouri Alpha. In 1913 he entered the Law School of the University of California (at Berkeley), transferring from Missouri Alpha to California Gamma. In 1914 he transferred to the Law School of the University of Southern California where he finished his law course.

Brother Lawrence was admitted to the bar of California in 1915, and immediately went to Manila, Philippine Islands, where he was admitted to the Philippine bar. He was employed by the firm of Lawrence and Ross, of which his brother, W. H. Lawrence, was a partner. Later he became a partner in the firm, which, at the time of his death, was Ross, Lawrence and Selph. Brother Lawrence was very successful as a lawyer, enjoyed a good income, and had the respect of the courts and of the community.

The absence of Brother Lawrence will be deeply felt by California Gamma as he always responded to the calls of the chapter. He was always a willing worker in the interests of Phi Kappa Psi. Brother Lawrence was frequently ill and in 1925 spent nearly a year in San Francisco under medical treatment.

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Greencastle, Ind.
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1710 Colorado Street, Austin, Texas
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FOURTH DISTRICT COUNCIL, GREENCASTLE, IND.



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First District Council

The District Council of the first district was held at Ithaca, N. Y., May 5th-7th, with the New York Alpha Chapter as host. Archon Harold Hobday, N. Y. Beta, presided, and Attorney General Sion B. Smith represented the Executive Council. Former Presidents Henry H. McCorkle and Walter Lee Sheppard were also present, as were delegates from the New York, Central New York and Western New York Alumni Associations.

The Council committees did their work earnestly and thoroughly and made reports which carried many helpful suggestions to the chapters. The papers read at the Council were well written and provoked considerable discussion. At the closing business session Carl H. Kent, Jr., N. Y. Epsilon '25, of Buffalo, N. Y., was elected Archon for the ensuing term.

A smoker was held at the chapter house on Friday evening, at which time several Phi Psis entertained the delegates and visitors, under the general direction of former Archon Edward Dixon, N. Y. Alpha. Various athletic events were on the Cornell schedule for Saturday afternoon, and the brothers found plenty of entertainment.

The banquet was held Saturday evening at the hotel of the George Junior Republic at Freeville, about 12 miles from Ithaca. Hosea Ballou, N. Y. Alpha, president of the New York A. A., acted as toastmaster, and the speakers' list included Walter Lee Sheppard, Sion B. Smith, Henry H. McCorkle and H. R. Templeton.

Second District Council

The Second District Council was held at Carlisle, Pa., April 21–23, with the Pennsylvania Zeta Chapter as host. All business sessions and committee meetings were held in the Molly Pitcher Hotel. Archon John Geesey was unable to attend the Council and Deputy Archon J. Kenneth Ivory ably presided. At the opening session the delegates were welcomed by Dr. James H. Morgan, Pa. Zeta '74, the president of Dickinson College.

The chapter delegates were as follows: *Pennsylvania Gamma*—A. W. Bihl, R. F. Peden, W. S. Reed; *Pennsylvania Epsilon*—R. M. Wachob, W. J. Thomas, H. M. Hensen, John F. Dapp, D. K. Weiser; *Pennsylvania Zeta*—W. R. Thompson, J. A. Strite, F. H. Horner; *Pennsylvania Eta*—W. B. Lehman, R. R. Appel, Q. A. McCune; *Pennsylvania Theta*—F. L. Grant, T. W. Pomeroy, Jr., R. W. Adams, M. M. Gibson; *Pennsylvania Iota*—A. M. Loehr, H. M. Soars, T. D. Gittins; *Pennsylvania Kappa*—J. K. Swope, J. K. DeGroot, T. H. Fetter; *Maryland Alpha*—Eugene O'Dunne, Jr., W. H. Thompson; *Virginia Alpha*—T. A. McEachern, C. T. Gilbert; *Virginia Beta*—F. C. Barclay, O. J. Wilkinson, Jr. Former President Walter Lee Sheppard and Lloyd L. Cheney represented the Executive Council.

The various committees performed their duties with care and their reports contained many helpful suggestions. The committees found that, in the district as a whole, scholarship and finances were the weak points, although improvement had been made during the past year.

Papers were read by the chapter representatives as follows: "Chapter Houses," by A. W. Bihl; "The Faculty and the Fraternity," by W. J. Thomas; "Systematic Rushing," by J. A. Strite; "Scholarship Encouraged by the Chapter and the Alumni," by R. R. Appel; "Chapter and College Activities," by T. W. Pomeroy, Jr.; "Responsibility of the Upperclassmen to the Underclassmen," by H. M. Soars; "Internal Organization," by T. H. Fetter; "The

College and the Chapter," by Eugene O'Dunne, Jr.; "The Chapter and Its Upperclassmen," by C. J. Gilbert; "Determining Factors in Choosing Freshmen," by F. C. Barclay.

The Council adopted a resolution which proposed that the Executive Council create another district in the Fraternity, to be composed of Virginia Alpha, Virginia Beta, Maryland Alpha and Tennessee Delta.

Two candidates were nominated for Archon, the successful brother being J. Kenneth Ivory, Pa. Epsilon '24, the present Deputy Archon. The selection of the place for holding the 1929 District Council was deferred.

On Thursday evening the delegates were entertained by Pennsylvania Zeta in its beautiful new home. The entertainment was in the form of a smoker. Every kind of food that goes to make up such an affair was in evidence in the second main living room. A local orchestra, in which there were many Phi Psis, rendered much good music and Brother Green was much in evidence with his clever and entertaining stunts while acting as custodian of the drums. A novel feature was that of three negroes "dishing" and literally "washing" out music from washboards and tin horns. Surprising as it may seem, the music was really good and the brothers fully enjoyed the antics of the musicians. A magician from the wilds of Harrisburg performed stunts that kept all the brothers in great awe. Several of the brothers were quite put out by being made the goat.

On Friday afternoon the delegates and visitors were taken out to the United States Army Medical School, occupying the site of the old Carlisle Indian School. Included in the party were Brigadier General William Mitchell, D. C. Alpha '96, and Mrs. Mitchell, who had motored up from Washington expressly to attend the District Council. In honor of General Mitchell and the visitors, the school had arranged a special military review, which proved of much interest.

The closing social event of the Council was the banquet at the Molly Pitcher on Friday evening. Dr. Montgomery



SECOND DISTRICT COUNCIL, CARLISLE, PA.

P. Sellers, Pa. Zeta '93, acted as symposiarch, and called upon the following for speeches: General William Mitchell, formerly chief of the air service; Walter Lee Sheppard, former President of the Fraternity; and Frederick Godcharles, state historian of Pennsylvania. The dinner was a thoroughly enjoyable affair, attended by over a hundred Phi Psis.

For the success of all the social events connected with the Council, Albert James, presiding officer of Pennsylvania Zeta and general chairman of the entertainment committee, deserves much praise for the efficient manner in which he conducted each affair.

Third District Council

The James Cochran House, home of West Virginia Alpha, at Morgantown, was the meeting place of the fourteenth session of the Third District Council, on April 28, 29 and 30, 1927.

An unusually large registration and attendance, coupled with carefully planned and delightful entertainment by the host chapter, made the meeting one of more than ordinary value.

The banquet at the Hotel Morgan on the evening of April 30th was perhaps the high spot of the three-day meeting. About 125 Phi Psis from the "tri-state" region were in attendance. Following a delicious meal, the songs and shouting rose to a climax with the singing, by McFarland, of West Virginia Alpha, of a song called "The Sweetheart of Phi Kappa Psi," written by the late Benjamin W. Kibler, of Ohio Delta.

Gilbert Miller, West Virginia Alpha's past-master-toastmaster, and a former Archon of the district, took charge of the after-dinner program. Sion B. Smith, Pa. Beta, spoke most interestingly on the subject "G. A. C. Experiences." He was followed by Allen W. Porterfield, Richard A. Welch, Edward M. Bassett, Treasurer of the Fraternity, George W. Jackson, newly elected Archon, H. L. Snyder, Jr., retiring

Archon, and Charles E. Hodges. Brother Hodges' remarks were especially well received. Remarking upon the increasing number of fraternities, and fraternity men, Brother Hodges spoke of the necessity of picking good men, not only for our Fraternity, but for the entire Panhellenic group. Citing the countrywide agreement requiring of athletes a one-year residence rule, Brother Hodges advocated that the fraternities or colleges should adopt similar measures requiring a one-year residence as a condition precedent to initiation into any fraternity. "It is high time," said the speaker, "to stop initiating men, and to start making Phi Psis."

Archon Harry L. Snyder, Jr. presided at the business sessions of the Council which were all held in the meeting hall of the local chapter. The opening ceremony was held on Thursday afternoon, at which time the following officers of the Council were elected and sworn in: John R. Thomas, Pa. Lambda, W. P.; Herbert M. Jacobs, Ohio Beta, W. A. G.; W. H. Cobb, Jr., W. Va. Alpha, W. B. G.; Lawrence Stanley, Ohio Delta, W. H.; George W. VanVechten, Jr., Pa. Mu, W. Ph.; Raymond C. Bowers, Ohio Alpha, W. Hi.

The committee on the state of the district, whose work was perhaps the most arduous, performed a splendid service in the minute examination of the details of all matters committed to their care. With the full cooperation of each delegation, not one of whom failed to bring all necessary data and books, valuable suggestions were made to each chapter in the district. The committee found that not all chapters were memorizing the initiation ritual in its entirety, and recommended that this be done. Other recommendations of the committee, which were included in the report later adopted without amendment, were as follows: that the Executive Council include in the annual report the page for the recordation of the various campus activities, which was deleted in the last revision of the report; that each chapter have a library; that all records pertaining to chapter administration should be kept accessible, and in a designated place; that the dual card catalog system be adopted by all

chapters; that an interview with the alumnus adviser be held at least once each week, and that an effort be made to have him present at every chapter meeting.

The finance committee likewise found itself able to do effective work, with the books of every chapter at its disposal. Specific recommendations were made to each chapter, and the report of the committee shows that each detail regarding financial administration was examined. The committee commented especially on the collection of undergraduate and alumni indebtedness to the chapters, an extract from the report being as follows: "The committee suggests that the chapters should not hesitate to threaten to prefer charges against an alumnus who will not pay his debts. An alumnus who will not pay his debts is of no use to the Fraternity anyway."

The committee also recommended that the Executive Council prepare instruction sheets and offer suggestions regarding the installation of the budget system in each chapter. Not enough information, it was said, has been given to the chapters to make them appreciate its value.

The committee on the constitution and by-laws suggested an amendment to our Fraternity law, which would give the committee, at each District Council, the opportunity of examining chapter house rules. At the present time, this is not required.

During the course of the three-day session, the following papers were read: "The Relation of the Faculty and the Fraternity," Robert L. Bland, Jr., W. Va. Alpha; "Internal Organization," Alfred A. McLean, Pa. Lambda; "The Chapter House," Lewis D. Syester, Ohio Alpha; "Organized Rushing," David P. Enck, Ohio Beta; "Remedies for Chapter House Distractions," Thomas G. Leffingwell, Pa. Beta; "Scholarship as a Campus Activity," Creighton A. Brashares, Ohio Epsilon; "Impressions of Installation," J. Paul Ahlbrandt, Pa. Mu.

The Council selected the next place of meeting to be at State College, Pa., with Pennsylvania Lambda chapter as the hosts.

The last matter on the order of business was the election of an Archon. George Jackson, W. Va. Alpha, was the unanimous selection. After Jackson's nomination, no further names were placed before the Council, and at the suggestion of Richard A. Welch, the roll was called, and each delegation asked for further nominations. There being none, a motion to close the nominations and direct the vote for Brother Jackson was unanimously adopted.

In the words of the committee on resolutions, the local chapter offered "carefully planned, wonderfully complete and wholly delightful entertainment. The social side of the Council was planned and carried out in a manner entirely beyond criticism. The care and courtesy of the local chapter for the comfort and entertainment of the visiting brothers was a continued delight."

In addition to the banquet, which has been already mentioned, a smoker was held at the Elks Club on the evening of April 28th, which affair was enlivened by a boxing match and several vaudeville acts from local theatres. The formal District Council ball, at the Hotel Morgan, was a brilliant party. The ballroom was decorated with the Fraternity colors, and with the colors of the various colleges included in the district. In the words of Brother Porterfield, there were banners and pennants "from West Virginia, and the other minor institutions of learning there represented."

Following is the registration list of accredited delegates in attendance at the meeting:

Pennsylvania Alpha—W. H. Wardrop, H. H. Stout, W. G. Sander; *Pennsylvania Beta*—T. G. Leffingwell, J. H. Baldwin, Sion B. Smith; *Pennsylvania Lambda*—J. R. Thomas, A. A. McLean; *Pennsylvania Mu*—W. P. Murdoch, G. W. VanVechten, J. P. Ahlbrandt; *West Virginia Alpha*—J. H. Trotter, R. L. Bland, Jr., W. H. Cobb, H. B. Selby, George Vieweg; *Ohio Alpha*—R. C. Bowers, Alton Atkinson, L. D. Syester; *Ohio Beta*—H. M. Jacobs, D. P. Enck, A. H. Brant, D. R. Shoumlin; *Ohio Delta*—L. D. Stanley, Herman Lindenberg, R. P. Brunson; *Ohio Epsilon*—C. A. Brashares, Sid McCuskey, B. W. Welch; *Pittsburgh A. A.*—L. W. Voigt, D. D. Johnson, J. C. Evans.

Fourth District Council

The Fourth District Council was held April 21, 22, 23, at Greencastle, Ind., with Indiana Alpha acting as host. The Council was well attended and the meeting was enjoyable and profitable for all.

The district was represented by the following brothers: *Indiana Alpha*—Elliot and Puckett; *Indiana Beta*—Wisely and Wasmuth; *Indiana Delta*—Hook and Johnson; *Illinois Alpha*—Kellogg, Daly and Weinke; *Illinois Beta*—Peale, Weddell and Harris; *Illinois Delta*—Wells, McNeill and O'Connell; *Tennessee Delta*—Thomas and Johnston; *Wisconsin Alpha*—Miller and Hicks; *Wisconsin Gamma*—Kesler, Balch, Dupee and Arnold (Alumnus Advisor); *Michigan Alpha*—Nickerson and Grimm; *Minnesota Beta*—Chabot and Haas; *Chicago A. A.*—Massey. Also present were Brothers Swannell, Williams, national President, Knight, former national Treasurer, and Moore, national Vice President.

The first business session was called to order Thursday morning by Edward T. Lockwood, Archon of the district. The first matter of business was the appointment of the temporary officers, who by a unanimous vote, were installed permanently. This was followed by brief oral reports of the chapters upon the general conditions in the respective groups. The committee appointments were announced and the meeting adjourned until that afternoon, which was largely given over to committee meetings.

During the morning session on Friday, papers were read on topics of interest to the delegates. The following is a list of the subjects with which the chapter papers dealt: Bro. Nickerson, Mich. Alpha, "Handling the Freshmen"; Bro. Puckett, Ind. Alpha, "The Budget System"; Bro. Wasmuth, Ind. Beta, "Points to Consider in Selecting Pledges"; Bro. Johnson, Ind. Delta, "The Interfraternity Conference Activity"; Bro. Kellogg, Ill. Alpha, "The Value of Knowing Fraternity History"; Bro. Peale, Ill. Beta, "Hospitality at Illinois Beta"; Bro. Wells, Ill. Delta, "In-

ternal Organization and Maintenance of Chapter Records"; Bro. Hicks, Wis. Alpha, "Care and Upkeep of the Chapter House"; Bro. Balch, Wis. Gamma, "Archonial System of Fraternity Government"; Bro. Johnston; Tenn. Delta, "The Relationship Between School Administration and the Chapter."

The remainder of the sessions were devoted to the committee reports, and to the election of the new Archon. Thomas F. O'Connell, of Illinois Delta, was elected to fill the position for the coming two years. The next District Council will be held at Wisconsin Gamma Chapter, at Beloit, Wis.

For entertainment, a smoker was held Thursday night and musical members of the host chapter provided diversion for the guests. Friday night the delegates were guests at an informal dance held at the chapter house and co-eds were provided for all. The hospitality throughout the entire meeting was excellent and a hearty vote of thanks was extended by the Council to the host chapter.

The Council was brought to a close by a banquet held in the chapter house and which was attended by about ninety brothers. Toasts were given by Brothers Swannell, Williams, Knight, Lockwood and O'Connell, the Archon-elect. The delegates parted with the highest regard for Indiana Alpha.

Fifth District Council

The Fifth District Council was held at Ames, Iowa, May 5th-7th, under the auspices of the Iowa Beta Chapter. No business sessions were held the first day, the Council being organized Friday morning, with Archon Lynn K. Lee, Okla. Alpha, presiding. The meetings were held at the chapter house. All chapters were represented, and most of them had more than two delegates. The Executive Council was represented by President Williams and Vice President Moore. Former Archon Frank J. Merrill was a delegate and served as chairman of the committee on the state of the district.

The first day was devoted largely to the reading and discussion of papers prepared by representatives of each chapter. The committee reports showed the chapters of the district, as a whole, to be in good condition, and that decided improvement in many matters, including scholarship, had been made during the past two years.

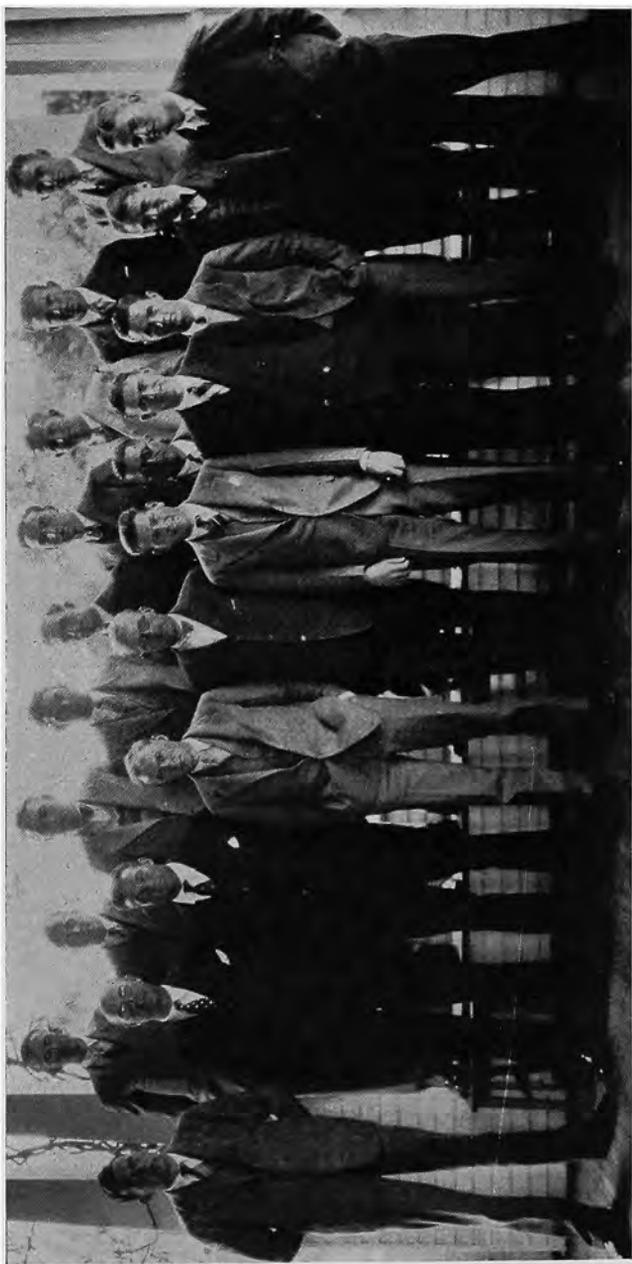
Among the recommendations made by the Council were (1) the appointment of a national financial adviser, (2) the formulation and adoption of a more adequate system of chapter bookkeeping, (3) that every chapter be visited at least twice a year by an Archon or by an alumnus, (4) that if an Archon or Deputy Archon should find that he was unable to perform the duties of his office, he should immediately resign and a successor be appointed, (5) that in addition to the Deputy Archon, the Executive Council should appoint a committee of alumni for the district, from whom certain men can be designated to visit certain chapters, and who will act in an advisory capacity with the Archon.

There were three candidates for Archon, the successful brother being William Larabee, Iowa Alpha '23. It was decided to hold the next District Council with Texas Alpha at the University of Texas.

The entertainment program consisted of a smoker on Thursday evening and a dinner dance on Friday evening.

Sixth District Council

The third assembly of a Sixth District Council, convened at the chapter house, Stanford University, the evening of April 7, 1927. A short business session was held at which time the work of the Council was laid out and the temporary officers appointed. During this session committee appointments were announced and the decks cleared for two days of good work. That evening the delegates and guests were entertained at a smoker where they had the opportunity of viewing the talents of the chapter and alumni. Those who were on hand for the smoker and the other functions of the Council were:



SIXTH DISTRICT COUNCIL, STANFORD UNIVERSITY, CAL.

California Beta—The complete chapter, of which the delegates were Brothers Mack, Doane, Meyers, Price, Robertson and Wisely, alumni delegate.

California Gamma—Brothers Coltrin, Evans, Cantley and Meserve, alumni delegate.

California Delta—Brothers Stephens, Thompson, Walker and Ellsworth, alumni delegate.

Oregon Alpha—Brothers Cleaver and Bergh.

Washington Alpha—Brothers Bundy, MacEwan and C. Lewis, alumni delegate.

Southern California A. A.—Texas Schramm.

Officers—Thomas A. Cookson, Secretary; Hubert P. Lewis, Archon; and Wallace W. Knox, Deputy Archon.

Friday night the Council was the guest of California Beta at a formal dance held at the Devonshire Country Club. This club is situated about ten miles from the campus and on the top of one of the many rolling hills characteristic of that part of the country. From the porch there is a wonderful view of the bay with the lights of San Francisco, Oakland, Alameda and other bay cities in the background.

Saturday night we were called together in banquet ensemble by Brother Prince, Cal. Gamma, at Marquads, San Francisco. The feature of the program was a welcome to our newest member, California Delta. In reply, Kennedy Ellsworth, Cal. Delta, told us briefly what the chapter had done and outlined the magnificent future that lay before the chapter. The sixth district is mighty proud of its baby chapter and wishes it everything embodied in the word success. The other speakers were Thomas A. Cookson, Shirley E. Meserve, Hubert P. Lewis and Wallace W. Knox. Of course the real talks were given by the chapter representatives who were: Charles Mack, Cal. Beta; Morris Cantley, Cal. Gamma; Scott Thompson, Cal. Delta; Francis Cleaver, Ore. Alpha; and Dougald MacEwan, Wash. Alpha.

The final business session of the Council convened early Saturday morning. During this meeting the Council heard the reports of the various committees, pointing out to the

chapter delegates the points of weakness as well as strength in each chapter. The reports showed that committee meetings had received the earnest interest of the members and presented solutions to the various problems of importance within the district. The finance committee presented a plan of sending a monthly statement to the parent of the student as a solution to the financial troubles of the chapters. This method was met with considerable favor and was heartily approved by the one chapter already using the system. Without a doubt the inauguration of this plan will put to rest all worries of Brother Bassett over the money problems of our chapters.

Papers prepared by the chapters were read and in them valuable ideas were given to the delegates for the consideration of their chapters. The subjects reported on were: "Scholarship, A Personal Responsibility," California Delta; "Deferred Pledging," California Beta; "The Chapter and College Activities," Oregon Alpha; "The Qualifications of a Pledge," Washington Alpha. It certainly would have been gratifying to Brother Stewart to have heard these papers read so that he could have heard the importance with which scholarship is considered in the sixth district. A recommendation was made by the Council that these papers be sent to the Editor of THE SHIELD, and that the subject matter of the last mentioned paper be presented to the chapters for their guidance in pledging.

Shirley Meserve, in behalf of the four alumni associations in the district, offered the sixth district a scholarship trophy. This trophy is to consist of a large chair of such construction that it can be used at the dining room table. This chair is to be the property of the chapter having the highest scholastic rating in the district for the year following that supremacy. Each year a marker will be affixed to the chair showing the date and name of the chapter housing this chair. At the end of a certain number of years roll will be taken and the chapter having the most markers on the chair will become the owner. The complete plans are not ready for publication at this time, but will be announced later.

An invitation to entertain the 1929 District Council was presented by Washington Alpha and accepted. The boys in the far north will have to be on their toes to compare with the wonderful treatment afforded the delegates by California Beta.

The only reason for holding this to the last is for fear your interest in this article might wane: the thing you have all been wanting to know is that Wallace W. Knox, Cal. Beta, was unanimously elected Archon of the sixth district. Brother Knox was appointed Deputy last December to complete the term of Frederick Engstrum. He comes from Beaver, Utah, and entered the university in the fall of 1922, being initiated into California Beta January 21, 1923. While in the chapter he has done noteworthy work in the committees and has held the offices of S. G. and V. G. P. He has always interested himself in campus activities, having held a position on the 145-pound basketball team in his sophomore year and was a member of the varsity in his junior year. He has served as editor of the *Stanford Daily* and of the *Stanford Literary Magazine*. While pursuing the course of a journalist he was initiated into Sigma Delta Chi and later after entering the Law School was initiated into Phi Delta Phi.

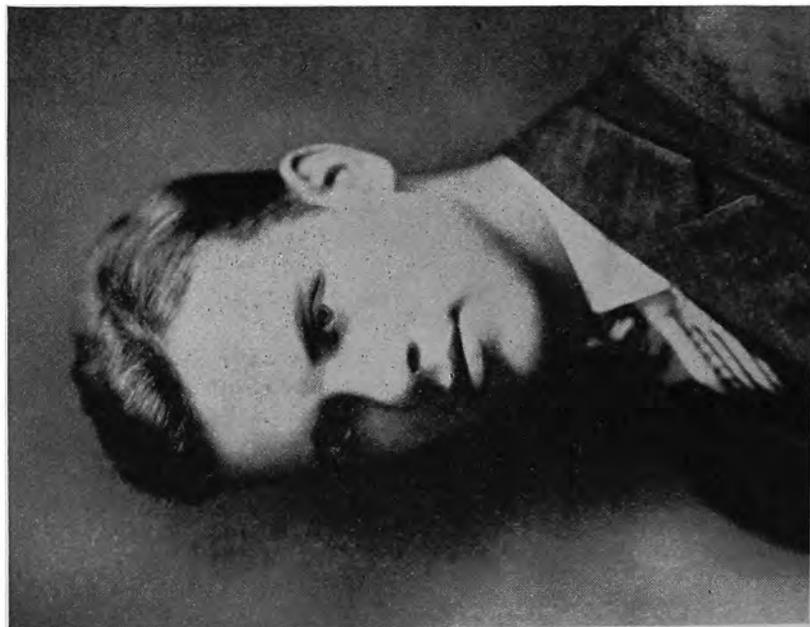
THE NEW ARCHONS

The Archons chosen by the recent District Councils, for the terms of two years beginning July 1, 1927, are as follows:

District	Archon	Chapter
1	Carl H. Kent, Jr.	N. Y. Epsilon '25
2	J. Kenneth Ivory	Pa. Epsilon '24
3	George W. Jackson	W. Va. Alpha '24
4	Thomas F. O'Connell	Ill. Delta '25
5	William Larabee	Iowa Alpha '23
6	Wallace W. Knox	Cal. Beta '23

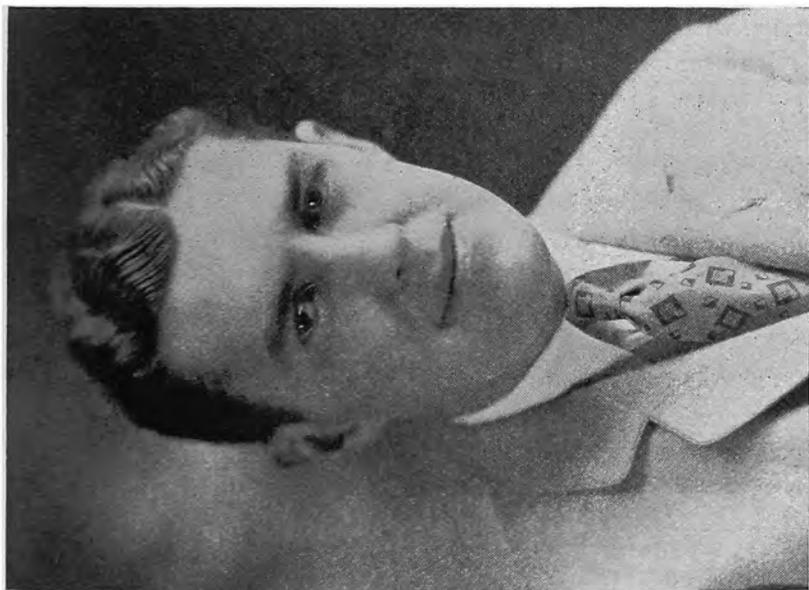


GEORGE W. JACKSON, W. Va. Alpha



J. KENNETH IVORY, Pa. Epsilon

THE NEW ARCHONS



THOMAS F. O'CONNELL, III, Delta



WALLACE W. KNOX, Cal. Beta

THE NEW ARCHONS

The Qualifications of a Pledge¹

TO summarize adequately the qualifications that a candidate should possess to become pledged to a college fraternity, requires consideration of the fraternity itself. For every type of fraternity there is a distinctive, separate set of qualifications for pledges of that fraternity. To those of us who have lived on various campuses for a number of years these types are well known. They may be roughly classified into three groups: (1) the fraternity seeking notoriety on its own particular campus; (2) the fraternity seeking social distinction in the community in which it is situated; (3) the balanced fraternity which strives for adequate representation along all lines.

The first of these types, that which seeks notoriety on its own particular campus, necessarily requires men who can gain that notoriety through individual accomplishments, and this type of fraternity is willing to sacrifice all other attributes of a man provided he can distinguish himself along any one particular line. To these fraternities flock bone-head athletes, the activity hound, and the social climber. Every campus is blessed with at least one fraternity of this type, which is usually well known but not as well respected.

The second type, the chapter wishing to gain for itself a preeminent social position, is willing to sacrifice everything, to sacrifice every qualification of a man, provided he can lay a claim to social distinction either through heredity or family affluence. This type of man, and the group of which he is a member, is prone to lose sight of the important things of undergraduate life. The whole diversion takes the form of social activity and the social register is their Bible.

We do not attempt or mean to condemn a man because he is wealthy or because he has prominent social position—on the contrary that is much to his credit. However we do not consider these the most valuable assets in the makeup

¹ Paper presented to the Sixth District Council by the Washington Alpha Chapter.

of a college man. Such circumstances if not counterbalanced by traits of personality and ambition usually have a deleterious effect upon the character of the man himself.

We now pass on to the third of our classifications—to the balanced type of fraternity; by this we mean the fraternity which attempts to pick sufficient men representing all types to give it a well-rounded aspect emphasizing no particular phase except the one most important to the well-being of a college man, that of scholarship. Even this may be overdone but the danger is not imminent in many college fraternities. The well-rounded chapter will have a number of men prominent on the campus, a number of men of social position, a number of men whose endeavor is turned toward scholastic accomplishment and a number of men whose fraternal instincts serve to perform the offices of the fraternity and keep alive the spirit of brotherhood. We are proud to place our Fraternity in this classification.

From a consideration of fraternities we now turn to one of the men themselves, or in other words, the material from which we have to choose our pledges.

There is first the type of man who comes to college from a small town with a fame gained from high school achievements still fresh in his mind. He knows little or nothing about college and college men and is apt to be dazzled by a sense of his own importance. It is best not to pledge immediately a man of this type—rather leave him to try college life for a period of time and if he is not entirely swallowed up by his new surroundings, that is if his own estimation of himself is borne out by the first part of his college career, he is suitable material for pledging. It is far better for a fraternity to take a man who has gained no special fame provided he is physically and mentally equipped to distinguish himself, than to pledge a man entirely on the basis of his high school record or on his own estimation of himself. With suitable material a fraternity can make a man, provided the fraternity is strong enough to do so. We pride ourselves on being that strong.

Many a good man has been passed up by fraternities because of an unprepossessing appearance or a shy disposition. Many a great mind has been clothed behind such an outward attitude which might have been discovered by the companionship and understanding of other men.

Diametrically opposed to this first type of lad is the ready-made fraternity man. He comes with all the superficial niceties of a congenial and witty college man fresh from the prep school. From the advantages of his associations there he has acquired a great handicap over the boy we have above mentioned. He effects the latest mode of handshake, blows perfect smoke rings and has his tweeds the right width. This type of boy is as liable to make a good fraternity man as a man falling in any other group. But utmost care must be exercised to prevent the external polish of this man from blinding the better judgment of the men in the chapter.

Another type of man who is very often the cause of the scholastic downfall of the chapter is satisfactorily cataloged as "the bone-head athlete." He has been railroaded through high school because of his athletic ability which is usually sufficient to gain him distinction in college, but at the present time the colleges are sufficiently strict in their scholastic requirements to make this lad's collegiate career brief and unfortunate. His sojourn is usually just long enough to lower the scholarship rating of the chapter two or three points in the computation of the year's average. He is never eligible for any team because of his poor grades and consequently leaves the chapter having accomplished nothing worth while and done much harm.

A very popular disease which is prevalent among college fraternities is the "somebody's best friend pest." His sponsor's campaign for him is very alluring and due to the enthusiastic recommendation this boy is often taken into the bosom of the fraternity with very little question or criticism by the rest of the brothers. He is analyzed and found undesirable after it is too late. A very insidious form of this disease is the prospective brother-in-law of a member. He is taken in to enhance the domestic felicity of the member

in question or he may be a life-long friend or even a relative of one of the brothers. Of course care must be taken not to offend members by rejecting their relatives but a moment's definite stand on a man may save years of unpleasant association. The fraternity should be big enough and strong enough to override sentiment in the choosing of its members. Because a boy may be sponsored by an uncle, father or brother who has won great laurels for himself in the fraternity or the world, that is no direct qualification for him—in fact it may be a detriment for he is apt to rest on these laurels. Such a relationship is a high recommendation but not an absolute qualification.

Then we should consider the "joiner" or pin-hunter. He comes to college to make, what he terms, a good fraternity. After his vest is decorated, the college mourns his loss. He is satisfied and his useful relations with the fraternity are severed unless selling bonds or insurance to men who wear the same pin, may be considered a useful relation. He has a tendency to leave the chapter his creditor.

Our problem therefore is to weed from the mass those boys who come to college with a fixed purpose, the necessary ability, and the wherewithal to complete a creditable college career. From this group we may then select the men who are most congenial to us.

Usually the only basis of ascertaining these attributes is by talking to the man himself on any subjects calculated to bring out the information sought. There are many conversational methods of determining a man's purpose in college other than direct questioning. It is often more satisfactory to obtain this information by subtle interrogation which will as far as possible conceal the real purpose of the questioning. This is advantageous because in many cases it relieves the man of the self-consciousness which would be the result of callous cross-questioning. Often such inquiry will reveal a man to have no purpose in college, being there simply because his parents desire that he obtain a degree. This man is readily distinguishable because of an evident lack of interest in college rules and curriculums or anything except

the superficialities of college existence. Such a man is fittingly termed a floater and specimens of this type are rarely useful although they may be developed with careful supervision and guidance provided of course the latent possibilities are there.

Return now to consideration of the man's ability. Very little information on this point can be gained during the rushing season. The reason is obvious. If a man has ability he will usually be hesitant about proclaiming it and those who loudly acknowledge their own superiority are generally not desirable. A little investigation into a man's high school record and information gained from people of his home town and anyone else who may have been previously connected with the man, are about the only sources of information as to his ability. As we have pointed out before, however, too much faith cannot be placed in information obtained by these methods. Too often the honor student in high school flunks out of college, and too often the wonder debater of a high school has reached his climax in the environment of the high school. There is a very definite and large class of men who have reached the apex of their glory in preparatory school and are destined to stop in their progress at that point with no further possibilities. However, heredity can usually be relied on as authoritative in the predicting of a man's career. It is rare for a boy to come from a family of recognized ability and not have some ability in his own make-up.

It has become a recognized fact that to be an addition to a fraternity, a man must have sufficient means to go through college independent of his own labors. While the ambition which prompts a man to work his way through college is very commendable and highly esteemed, he does not make the ideal fraternity man, because he does not have the time to devote to those things which would make him a leader in his college. This viewpoint may seem narrow but experience in our chapter has proved it to be well grounded. If, however, a man has a definite purpose in college and extraordinary ability he should not be kept out of a fra-

ternity because of lack of independent means. This type of man will often make a name for himself and his fraternity after leaving college. On the other hand it is fair neither to the man nor to the fraternity to force him to carry the financial burden of a fraternity when he is not in a position to do so. Obviously, it is similarly unfair to the fraternity to force it to labor under the obligations incurred by him.

There is an additional and important qualification which we have reserved for final consideration. This factor, the paramount, is too often neglected. The united effort of the whole Fraternity to uplift the moral standards and inculcate the high ideals as set forth in the charge of our Fraternity may be thwarted by the insidious presence of one misleading pledge on the plastic minds of our incoming underclass group. Regulations of the Fraternity stringently intended to prohibit upperclassmen from contributing to the delinquency of freshmen are of no avail when there are individuals among the pledges themselves who have a misleading and degrading influence upon them. Utmost care must be exercised in excluding such men, no matter how good their prospects may be, no matter how highly they may be recommended as good fellows, athletes or scholars. They must not be allowed to counteract our efforts to elevate the ideals of our men.

As the mariner turns back to Polaris for the orientation of his instrument thus must we revert to the obligation and charge of our Fraternity, for the fundamental qualities of a man in deciding whether he be desirable material. In these are adequately set forth the fundamental qualities of a man, a gentleman, and a brother and these will, after all, be the prime considerations in choosing our members.



A Reminiscence of Northwestern

"He is the Hero of his Own Adventure"

RUSH MCNAIR, Ill. Alpha '81, Contributor

SUCH accident never happened before nor since. The famous class of 1885¹ was getting its Latin from Publius Virgilius Maro and George Henry Horswell.²

A great teacher was George Henry Horswell, the "Little Prof," as we affectionately called him. He never brought the textbook to the classroom, for he had the pages graphic in his mind's eye.

The "Little Prof" was about the height of Napoleon Bonaparte and had about the same amount of meat on his bones as the Napoleon of Arcola and the Bridge of Lodi. He was born under the flag of St. George and St. Andrew and St. Patrick and he spoke the English language in a full, round, strong, musical American voice.

The "Little Prof" had a moderate amount of light brown hair with a tinge of auburn, inclined to curl and parted far over on the right side. His forehead was wide, his skin delicate, his cheeks ruddy. His eyes were hazel brown; the left did not quite track with the right and upon slight provocation was given to rolling upward and inward. One could not help wondering how far back in his line the cock-eyed ancestor had stepped in.

The "Little Prof" treated all the boys with distinguished courtesy and unaffected sympathy. He seemed to think the world of everyone of us. He could not have been more loyal and true to his own brother than he to us. And as for the girls of the class, manifestly, to him every one was a queen. In his virile and virtuous homage, a look or a word from one of these would send the crimson chasing across his face in sweet embarrassment.

One spectacular day, a queen would usurp a yet higher throne; sitting there, brave of breasts, her dimpled chin thrust forward and her little foot swinging to and fro. At

¹Class of 1885, College of Liberal Arts, gave to Phi Kappa Psi, Axtell, Graves, Mars, Schell, Crawford; and last and least the writer of this reminiscence.

²George Henry Horswell, Ill. Alpha '80.

a glance, the "Little Prof" got the grand and glorious idea, and with an alacrity that simulated violence, the act of dethronement had taken place. It was painful to see, metaphorically speaking, how her sensibilities were bumped when she hit the bench, and how, for the shame and agony of it, the "Little Prof's" face went livid and his left eye turned and looked at him in horror.

Strenuously, day by day, in every way, we followed the errant Aeneas over land and sea to his triumph and love and sadness.

When the day of examinations came and the class had read the questions on the blackboard, a groan went up from every part of the room; a protest in soprano, alto, baritone and bass; "Its awful, Professor, we can never pass it. No use to try."

Now the "Little Prof" was wholly reasonable and respectful of the opinions of others.

He studied the list a moment. "I am not sure that the examination is unreasonably difficult and it is too late to make a change, but as a compensation I will allow a credit of two points for every figure of speech found in the verses for translation."

What accident of fortune for a dilettant and blunderer!

Only two evenings before, my finger had chanced upon the page in Kendrick's Xenophon's *Anabasis* that explains figures of speech, and I had burned an hour or two of midnight kerosene over the fascinating page.

So here they were, then, the sparkling beauties; up to a score or more; alliteration to elision, chiasm to homio-teleuton, right before my eyes, all scattered about, like a dream of finding money.

At the end of my paper I picked up thirteen of the gems. Why did I not help myself to more? I will tell you.

Over in his room with all the weight of his Scotch granite nature, Bobbie Baird³ impressed us that beyond the awing

³"Bobbie" Robert Baird, Ill. Alpha '68, professor of Greek language and literature.

simplicity and indescribable beauty of Greek art was its restraint. "Nothing too much" said Bobbie.

And in his hall of oratory Cummock, with the presence of a Jupiter or Jove and the voice, was declaiming over and over again Hamlet's Address to the Players, beseeching and thundering the same preachment, Restraint. And besides these, out at Blackberry Station, Kane county, Illinois, where the world began, I had learned to despise the four-flusher and detest the smart Alec.

Monday comes, and, after all the rest have gotten their papers, assuming that air of humility and modesty which doth so adorn the simple and truly great, I asked for my paper.

"Your paper itself entitles you to 84. You found thirteen figures of speech, giving you twenty-six points more. I have marked your paper 100."

A great light shot across the darkness of my dome. "Would you be willing, Professor, to add the extra ten to my daily record?"

"You know I could not do that."

"But, Professor," persisted I, "I hate to see those ten points wasted."

"You fared very well, sir." His lips widened into a little smile. The muscles of his left eye made a torque. And, as the orbit started on its arc of circuit, I glanced therein, a little whirling, dervish devil and he added, "Haec olim meminisse juvabit."

Budgeting Chapter Finances¹

JOHN BURKHART, Ind. Alpha '25, Contributor

THE increasing complexity of fraternity finances—the new chapter houses, finer furniture, more elaborate social programs, a wider scope of general expenditures—has made it increasingly difficult to strike a reasonable balance between income and expense. New demands

¹ Paper read at Fourth District Council.

have called for new methods and it is in answer to this call that the budget has made its bid for usefulness and popularity.

The budget is nothing strange or peculiar; it is no magician's wand before which all financial troubles vanish. But it is an effective means of serving a genuine need. I would urge its adoption, not for its novelty and elaborateness, but because it is simple and because it is efficient.

There are two essentials of a budget, it seems to me: that it be planned carefully and that it be followed reasonably. For if care is not exercised in its formulation it cannot be used; and if it is not reasonably followed it ought never to have been begun.

I can throw out an interesting sidelight from our own chapter's experience as to the possibilities of careful budget estimates. When our home here was being constructed, Brother Joe Wilkin, our alumnus financial adviser, measured the window and room space and from these measurements estimated the coal requirements for the budget year. He set the figure at \$450 and the amount used has never varied more than five or ten dollars from this estimate in the three years that we have lived in the house. And Brother Wilkin is no engineer either.

Form your first budget, then, with care. For matters such as coal, light, laundry, house repairs and replacements, etc., counsel with some one who knows something of them; for entertainment, let the finance committee and social committee jointly determine what the chapter shall spend; for telephone, housekeeper, etc., use simple arithmetic. I would emphasize that the making of a budget—though certainly it should be done carefully—is not complex and difficult of accomplishment but readily and easily done, not by experts, but by any brother with a little time and cooperation of the other brothers.

Once the budget is made it should be used. A great many budget failures are not failures of the budget but rather failures of the chapter to use what they have established. Aladdin's lamp, hidden on the shelf, was as powerless as

the door knob; rubbed with a cloth it was served by a thousand genii. The budget sheet, in the file, does nothing; on the desk, as a financial compass, it becomes an agency of tremendous strength. Use what you have!

As a parting thought I would leave one precaution. A budget is neither cast iron nor India rubber. It cannot be too rigid or too flexible. It must be capable of meeting the varying demands of fraternity expense and equally capable of resisting wholesale changes in its items. A stable elasticity is the golden mean.

Plan your budget carefully, use it thoughtfully, sincerely. A new light will burst on your financial problems.

John W. Davis Speaks at Phi Psi Dinner in Washington

Fifty Phi Psis from almost as many chapters attended the Founders' Day dinner of the Washington, D. C., alumni at the Carlton Hotel, Washington's newest and finest hotel. Ernest A. VanFossan, member of the Treasury Board of Tax Appeals, presided. Among the speakers of the evening was Hon. John W. Davis, former ambassador to Great Britain and Democratic candidate for President in 1924, who has never lost his interest in the Fraternity of his youth. During the evening a delegation was received from members of Phi Delta Theta attending an anniversary dinner. The courtesy was returned by Brother VanFossan and Brother Davis, the latter making a short speech. Included among those in attendance were many persons prominent in national public life.

It is planned by Washington Phi Psis to visit this summer the American elm tree planted at Mount Vernon twenty-five years ago, near Washington's tomb, in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Fraternity's founding. It was in connection with the planting of this tree that Founder C. P. T. Moore wrote his last letter to the Fraternity.

The Archonial System of Chapter Visitations¹

THE archonial system has been used as a means of government in the several districts of our Fraternity for many years. Its use has been adequate in some respects but in others it has proved very inefficient. In the past few years the question as to what method would be the best for governing the Fraternity in respect to direct inspection and supervision of the several chapters, which involves chapter visitations, has become very pertinent. This problem, which centers around the archonial system, is perhaps the most important one now confronting the national Fraternity. It is the purpose of this report of Missouri Alpha to set forth her ideas on this problem and propose a tentative plan for its solution. Missouri Alpha does not claim to be the originator of the plan, for its essential points are the same as those which have been considered by the Executive Council and also very similar, in part, to methods used by the Executive Council in having chapter visitations in this district during the past year.

I am sure that all the brothers present agree that the most important duty of an Archon is to visit the chapters, criticize the methods used in the internal organizations of the chapters, offer advice to them, and make reports to the Executive Council in regard to the conditions of the chapters in his district. Another important duty is that of attending the meetings of the Executive Council. Each district is supposed to be represented on the Executive Council by the Archon of the district, and if the brothers of this Fraternity hold much value in our system of undergraduate control, they must realize that it is essential for the Archon of their district to attend and take active part in the meetings of the Executive Council. We all know that the Executive Council is the second highest authoritative body in the Fraternity and its every action is of vital importance to the in-

¹Paper read at the Fifth District Council by the delegate from the Missouri Alpha Chapter.

dividual chapters. The other duties of the Archon are procedural ones. The Archon and his deputy are the officers of a district. The Archon is the custodian of records, archives and other property of the district and he has all the powers and duties pertaining to the office of presiding officer of the district. The Archon must, within thirty days of his election, nominate to the Executive Council an undergraduate for Deputy Archon from his district, but from a chapter other than his own, to be appointed by the Executive Council. It is very important that the Deputy Archon be in a position to assist the Archon as the Executive Council may direct; and if at any time the Deputy Archon be unable to perform his duties, he should resign so that the Archon can nominate another deputy for appointment by the Executive Council. There have been several occasions in the history of the Fraternity when the Deputy Archon has been of no value to the Archon, and at the same time the Archon took no steps toward finding a new deputy. This is a very bad practise, especially when the Archon himself is unable to perform all his duties, and should be eliminated. Another duty of the Archon is to communicate with the chapters in his district, with the Executive Council and the Grand Arch Council on all matters involving the chapters and the district.

The entire Fraternity is proud of our system of undergraduate control. It has many good points, but at the same time it is not efficient from a government standpoint. The national Fraternity uses the system of undergraduate control only in the district; therefore, if the Fraternity desires to retain undergraduate control, the officers of the district must be undergraduates when they are elected. The Archon is the undergraduate representative in the councils of the national Fraternity and should have the closest relationship with every chapter. The Executive Council gets most of its information on the conditions of the Fraternity as a whole from the Archon, and it is his duty to obtain all the information he can and formulate the best plans for aiding the several chapters. Furthermore, we all want to see

undergraduates on the Executive Council and have some of the control of the national Fraternity in our hands. What goes on at a District Council is very interesting, not only to the delegates, but also to the undergraduate members of the various chapters. It brings more interest in the undergraduates to bear on the national Fraternity when we come to a District Council and discuss the problems of our own chapters and also those of the national Fraternity. Activities of the District Council make a delegate much interested in what goes on in the national Fraternity. The delegate in turn carries this interest back to the chapter, so that in the end, practically all the undergraduates derive benefit from the District Council and hold more interest in the national Fraternity.

We certainly do not want to do away with the benefits of undergraduate control. That would be what would happen if alumni were to take complete charge of all the districts, that is, take the place of the Archon at the District Council, on the Executive Council, and in the chapter visitations. Such a system would bring more efficiency to the government of the various districts and would be of material aid to the Executive Council. At the same time, the interest of the undergraduate in the national Fraternity would be greatly decreased. For instance, in some other fraternities which use the system of a paid traveling secretary, the undergraduates have no interest whatsoever in their national Fraternity. I had the opportunity of discussing the methods which various fraternities use for visiting their chapters with a member of a fraternity which uses the system of a paid traveling secretary who spends all his time at the job. He said that the system was very efficient, they didn't have to worry about the other chapters in the fraternity or the problems of their national fraternity, for the secretary was hired to do that. All that his chapter worried about, so my friend said, was to see that everything was in order when the secretary made his visit and be sure that he had a good time. I am sure that all of us are thankful that we have no such system in our Fraternity, and I hope that

we will never have. For the above reasons, I think that the Archon is the man best fitted for the procedural duties which are essential to undergraduate control.

However, as I have mentioned above, the present archonial system is very inefficient. So far I have been stating what I think are the good points of undergraduate control which centers about the Archon. Now I am going to point out some of the inefficiencies of the system; then, perhaps, we can take some steps toward formulating a plan which will include the good qualities in the present system and at the same time remedy the faults. Under the present system, in the majority of cases, the Archon, who is an undergraduate when he is elected, has not enough time to perform all his duties. The Archon is supposed to attend the two meetings a year of the Executive Council; he must also attend the District Council and the Grand Arch Council and make one visit a year to every chapter in his district. If one figures out how much time it will take to do all this, he will find that in this district it will require about five weeks out of every year. Of course, in some other districts, where distances are not so great, the arduous job does not require so much time. Several years ago, before the universities passed rulings penalizing students for cutting too many classes, it was easy for a man to take time during the college year to visit other chapters, but now it is practically impossible. Furthermore, the Archon, who is elected in the spring, is usually graduated the following June; so it is difficult for him to perform all of his duties. Everyone realizes that a man just out of college, starting on a new job, cannot take five weeks out of the year to spend on other work. Let me state some facts to back up my statements. At the last meeting of the Executive Council only four districts were represented and one of these, the second, was represented by a Deputy Archon. The fifth and sixth districts were not represented. This meeting was a very important one, too, for at that meeting charters were granted to Zeta Kappa Epsilon at the University of Southern California, new California Delta, and to the Woodlawn Club

at Carnegie Tech, now Pennsylvania Mu. This year, in the second district, the Archon has been unable to perform any of his duties, and his Deputy has visited all the chapters and attended the meetings of the Executive Council. In the fourth district, the Archon has been attending a distant school this year, and nearly all his stated duties have been performed by a deputy. In the fifth district, no visits have been made by the Archon or by his deputy. Something has to be done to remedy these situations when they arise.

There has been quite a bit of correspondence carried on between certain members of the Executive Council as to what sort of a system would remedy these situations. One plan which was proposed aroused so much opposition that the Executive Council decided to put it aside. But this year, in this district, the Executive Council had to use methods which may have been opposed by some members of the Fraternity, but the situation necessitated their use. Since neither the Archon nor his deputy was able to visit the chapters in this district, President Williams appointed certain alumni to make these visitations. I think that the Fifth District Council should commend the Executive Council for the efficient manner in which it handled the situation in this district this year. Furthermore, I think that a chapter should be visited twice a year, if possible; and it is much the better plan for an older alumnus to visit a chapter and report the conditions to the Executive Council. The Archon and his deputy, who are undergraduates, should make the other visits. By using this system, the Executive Council could obtain two points of view on the conditions of the chapters in the several districts. The Archon and the alumni visiting the chapters should cooperate with one another on the conditions that they find in the chapters, and would then be able to formulate some very constructive plans for use by the chapters.

The proposition of chapter visitation and supervision is a very serious one, and I believe that it is essential to have an older alumnus at least to assist in the working out of the problems involved. This plan would not detract from the

benefits of undergraduate control, and would make a more efficient program for the government of the districts and chapters in the Fraternity. I do not see why some plan similar to the following, which is for the most part a repetition of what I have just said, could not be endorsed by the District Council. Let the present archonial system remain in existence but at the same time have the Executive Council appoint certain alumni from the several districts to visit, say three or four, of the chapters in each one of the districts, and make regular reports to the Executive Council. These alumni should do all that they can to cooperate with the Archon. The big question is who should represent the district on the Executive Council. It would make it too cumbersome to make all of these alumni members of the Executive Council. I think that the Archon, who is an undergraduate, should remain as a member of the Executive Council, but if any situation should arise which would make it impossible for the Archon or his deputy to attend the meetings of the Executive Council then the Archon should designate one of these alumni, who are appointed by the Executive Council, to attend the meeting as a representative from that district.

Do We Really Read Our Fraternity Publications?

WHEELER LORD, JR., Pa. Lambda '25, Contributor

IT has always been the contention of this writer that subscribers to THE SHIELD, upon the receipt of the magazine, turn immediately to the letter that concerns the activities and happenings of their own particular chapter. No one will disagree on that point, but this writer has further contentions. After struggling through a communication containing ramblings that seemingly makes the Weehawken Rho chapter the strongest that ever could exist, the alumnus or undergraduate of Weehawken Rho places THE SHIELD in a remote location where it soon accumulates its

share of dust before being hurled into the scrap basket in the grand house-cleaning that takes place during this time of the year. In short, we believe that the average SHIELD reader (his own chapter letter only) does not bother to find out what is taking place in the forty-nine other chapters that help to make up what we all know, respect and cherish as the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

Is THE SHIELD being read as thoroughly as should be the case? Let the large number who blush with guilt at that question—and who will undoubtedly seek protection within the four walls of Weehawken Rho (which chapter, glorious as it is, was sadly in need of a new house decades ago) let them be stricken from the mailing list of this publication. Why? Just because they are wasting valuable time reading information about which they were fully aware weeks before—that is, if they had had any interest at all in good old Weehawken Rho.

If the Weehawken Rho chapter readers of this publication (and said publication plays no small part in the inner workings of our Fraternity) base their excuse on the fact that other letters are uninteresting and poorly written, let them try the following antidote: Read thoroughly the first paragraph of each chapter letter. By doing this he should be able to tell at a glance whether the remainder of the letter is written by one well-versed at the game or by a brother who imagines he is writing a perennial epistle to the “old folks at home.”

But what use this discussion? If we sincerely believe in our contention as stated in the early part of this nonsense, then these words will be seen by only three or four readers. All hail to the glory of Weehawken Rho!

Pertinent Questions Concerning Extension

Reprinted from *The Phi Gamma Delta*

What is the expansion policy of Phi Gamma Delta? We do not know. On the face of our extension history for the last decade and a half it can probably be said that we are somewhere in the twilight zone between liberalism and con-

servatism. Judged by certain standards, we have not gone into a large number of colleges in the last fifteen years; judged by other standards, we have been expanding fairly rapidly. But what elements have influenced our movement? Has it been merely happenstance or has there been a method in our placing of chapters? Others may answer that question; for the moment we are concerned with presenting an interesting point of view developed by an alumnus who came into the snug little nook the other day. In our conversation with him he wrote down a number of questions that he thought the fraternity had a right to ask in mapping out its future course of charter-granting. Not in the belief that they will forthwith develop an expansion policy, but rather in the hope that they may clarify the atmosphere a little, these pertinent inquiries are here set down:

Is there a Fiji population in the neighborhood of the proposed chapter so that it will have backing and contact? Are these Fijis organized, active and interested? Is their activity due largely to one man?

How old is the local? Are its financial standing and social character satisfactory? Do its alumni return periodically and are they financially strong enough to help the local?

What is the character of the institution? Is its location favorable to strong alumni contacts? Are fraternity members drawn from academic courses or from professional schools?

Is the institution on the approved list of the associations of colleges? Has it an obviously successful future? Is it the best for us in its section of the country?

Why should we go there? Geographically, is it well located for national supervision and inspection and well related to other chapters? Is it to build up the fraternity in a new section to us of the country?

Is the national organization in such condition financially and otherwise to take on the care and supervision of another chapter, particularly one in this section?

If we are to add many new chapters, can we afford to have two field secretaries? If we cannot, how can we maintain our cohesion and unity as an organization?

Are there any conditions as to chartering we should make, such as an improved chapter house or a certain fund subscribed before installation to be held as a reserve for the new chapter?

Should not a new chapter be required to have property, cash or securities at least equal to \$100 for each member initiated into the local since its beginning and should this not be a minimum amount of, say, \$10,000?

These financial provisions, our alumnus hastened to add, are not for the purpose of putting a money value on membership, but a necessary and wise precaution and an evidence of the interest of its members. He pointed out that unless a chapter has a house sufficient to accommodate its members comfortably, teaching them to value and use nice things and providing a background in which the chapter organization can function successfully, we get weak chapters and they are burdens to carry for many years.

Think ye on these things!

Determining Factors in Selecting Men for Our Fraternity¹

DOW L. RICHARDSON, Ind. Beta '26, Contributor

SELECTION of men for Phi Kappa Psi membership is a matter of great importance, the extent of which is not always fully realized by many of the chapters. There are five principal points on which a prospective member should be examined, and there is one central point to consider in selecting the freshman class.

The quintet of questions that a man under consideration should answer satisfactorily include those relating to (1) scholarship; (2) family; (3) finance; (4) athletics; and (5) intention to complete his course.

¹ Paper read at the Fourth District Council.

Scholarship often is treated too lightly. It is the great point of the Fraternity, and it distinguishes the Fraternity wherever a chapter exists. Whatever a man does for a chapter, he does usually after he has proved in college that he has intelligence. In judging a candidate for a pledge pin, we should consider whether he has enough intelligence to *achieve* in scholarship, and whether the information available about him insures that he has a desire and determination to go ahead and use that intelligence. Will he make enough grades for his own good, and can he produce a little surplus so that the chapter will benefit?

Phi Kappa Psi enjoys pride in the families of its members. Theirs is good stock. It is reputable. It is the best. If the greatness of an organization like a social fraternity is weighed, its human stock must be surveyed. Let us choose the man whose stock indicates that he is Phi Psi material.

Third, know in a general way about the prospect's financial position. Has he enough money to go through the four years of college or has he enough sense and ability to earn some himself if it becomes necessary?

The fourth point is athletics. A man about to be pledged need not be an athlete if he has the other four qualities. If he is an athlete, however, it is imperative that he have some brains, that he is capable, that his finances are good (or that he has enough ability to earn them), and that he remain for the four years. The point is, let us not pick athletes for athletes sake! Let's have outstanding athletes, sure, but let's get those whose other qualities are at least average.

Fifth, think on this as you look over the boy who wants to join you: Will he stay four years in college? Does he look like the kind of a chap who will be here for a good time a year or two and drop out afterwards, or does he create the impression that he will carry on? Pick the men who are likely to get diplomas.

The point to consider in mobilizing a freshman class is *balance*. Make the class well balanced in ability. Select the

high school graduates who have shown worth in various lines of activity. Include some who can speak well in public, at least one who can write, some who know music and can produce it, executives, a few athletes—with brains—but make sure that each man you take is at least touched with a bit of intelligence.

Beware of picking a man simply because he “looks good on the surface.” The exterior finish of a man is not always, of itself, a good criterion by which to judge. Sometimes the man who looks unpolished is the best man for the Fraternity, because back of him he may have the basis to develop into a true Phi Psi. Some of the best men Phi Psi has had have been men whose appearance was not at all impressive, but by the time of their graduation these boys had developed with Phi Psi, had made their marks in college, and developed into men who could take their just places in any sort of society and be credits to the Fraternity. Rather than the snappy dresser, the sophisticated youth, rather than that type, look for the man who has the five qualities in some balance—scholarship, family backing, financial judgment and backing, ability to get into college activities, and finally, the punch which will carry him through four years of college work and keep him from dropping by the wayside after a year or two.

Cactus Pete Thinks Tobasco a Tenderfoot

Red Dog, May 10, 1927.

DERE EDITER :

I have jest recd current issue of THE SHIELD and have took perticuler notice of this here smart Alex out in Californy and what he has had to say whitch same sez his name is “Tomatoes” and if same is so why yores truley is here to state that he sure aint ripe and any ways some body might xpect that one of these here corus men from out in the place frum whitch the movies are made where they say that the sun shines all of the time and they has got bloomin oranges and lemins and other sour stuff wood speke up out

of tern about his native land which some forreners always does which makes a person wonder what is rong with it sense they has cum to the defence of it without no cauze having been given frum nobody.

Now editer there is jest one thing that had ought to be stratened out rite now and before we procede with the rest of this here and that same is this namely is this here Tomatoe guy a tryin to cover up what country he reley is frum or is he reley a greaser sure enuff becauz if he is we sure dont want to here him a mixin up his talk and see any more of these here "iss dees a seesteem" bisniz. But anyways why I sure wood like to see this here Tomatoes cauz a person can see frum between the lines that he sure thinks he is sum guy why Ed. I bet he aint never forked a cayuse or fanned a forty-five and even maybe if he has did same why I bet he has ate his meles frum off of the shelves for weeks after wards besides havin a sore rist frum a throwin led.

Now Editer i dont want nobody to think this here Tomatoes has got under my hide with what he has got to say or any think like same cauz sech aint the case my interst bein a purely mpersonel one in which i claimes this here guy dont no what he is a talkin about and he dont no how nere he is to a pushin up daiseys from be low when he sez some thing like he has and same bein aimed at youre truley why son i was out in Californy when i was jest a lad and I wood not give one little bit of Red Dog for the hole of it why Ed. a guy like that never has laffed at Cactus Pete and had beens for brekfast the next mornin unlest maybe sum young lady in white has gave it to him frum out of a spoon but then there aint no use for me to pay no attention to a upstart like he which aint won no spurs and aint never saw a cant a lope throwin contest so the best advise i can hand such as him is to get hissself in trainin for the events to be pulled off in Buffalo in 1928 at which place Cactus Pete will show him up for sure.

Now then here is a other thing which I noticed and same being that this here Bolin which is a ritein for the Kay See outfit now has took a slap at me and has tride to rite finish to me but he has a other gess comin too and that is all the

thanks a guy gets what put on the Gee A See out in Kay See whitch same never wood have been dun unlest he had been there and who is this here Bolin guy that he can say things like that any way so it looks like maybe there is only one thing left for me to do and that same is to saddle up Pinto and hike out for Buffalo and show them there tender-feet how to put on a show that will bete what Kay See did why i aint never herd nothin like it be fore so i gess i had better come to a clothes before i get mad and say a few things that may be i hadnt ought to.

Yores till Niagra Falls,

CACTUS PETE

Concering "Forced Feeding"

EDITOR OF THE SHIELD:

I was much interested in Brother Smallwood's article in the April SHIELD on "Forced Feeding of Freshman."

In the main I agree with Brother Smallwood in his article but on many points I do not, but knowing Brother Smallwood and his record as a student—if I am not mistaken he is a Phi Beta Kappa—I fear he approaches the subject from the viewpoint of an "A" student and it is exceedingly difficult for the "A" student to approach the subject of scholarship and understand the trials and tribulations of the student who gets only a medium average or just above passing. To many of these men study is hard work. It is not a recreation and a pleasure as it is to the "A" student and the medium or poor student must be prodded and must be made to work just as some men in business life must be prodded continually. In business life there are men who never make a success of business for themselves if they are at the head with no one over them to make them work, but these same men do make a success with someone over them to make them "hit the ball." And so it is with our college students; many never make a success scholastically or even pass unless someone is continually after them to make them work.

On the other hand, there are students who, regardless of prodding or supervision, will never pass and be graduated. They simply can't and prodding will not make them, but

should we condemn a system because of the few exceptions? The big majority of students are either poor or medium. The excellent or "A" students are a very small minority, as are also the out and out flunkers; the big majority are the poor or medium students who do need someone back of them to supervise, to prod and to make them work. This is a hard thing for the "A" student to understand, because to him study and work are pleasure and recreation. So I maintain that while in the minority of cases this supervision and prodding are not needed, they are needed in the majority and on the whole better work is accomplished scholastically by supervision and prodding of the students to make them do just a little more than they would otherwise do.

DELTA

Southern California A. A. Sets Precedent

The Southern California Alumni Association has instituted an innovation in its association work in that it is extending courtesy memberships, with dues paid in full including a subscription to THE SHIELD, to each minister of the gospel or doctor of divinity within the association territory. This has been very much appreciated by this particular group and the response to the notice has been very gratifying to the association. The following is a copy of the letter sent out by the association, at the bottom of which is one of the replies received:

DEAR BROTHER:

The Southern California Alumni Association of Phi Kappa Psi, having in mind the sacrifices that a minister makes in the selection of his life work, has determined, as a courtesy to the profession, to exact no due obligation to the association, and the association itself, as a compliment to the ministers, is subscribing to THE SHIELD and indorsing the dues perpetually paid.

We trust this is approved by you and that we may have your cooperative influences for the good of our Fraternity.

Fraternally yours

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

By Shirley E. Meserve.

DEAR BROTHERS:

I thank you and the Fraternity for this courtesy. I was a member of the Alpha Chapter in Jefferson College 1862. Being 86 and over you will not marvel if I fail to be present at meetings.

Very truly

J. M. NEWELL.



EDITORIAL

LLOYD L. CHENEY, *Editor* Albany, N. Y.

District Council Lessons

The various District Councils held this past spring are reported to have been, in most respects, successful meetings. The Councils are without authority to enact legislation, but many helpful recommendations often emanate from these councils, and through the exchange of ideas between chapters much benefit is bound to result. At District Councils the chapters have a much better opportunity to gain an intimate knowledge of other chapters than is possible at a Grand Arch Council.

The experience of District Councils in recent years, further emphasized by the Councils of the present year, seem to indicate several particulars which might well receive the thoughtful attention of the Fraternity. District Councils are uniformly called for three days, and in most cases it has been demonstrated that two days would be entirely sufficient to transact all the business normally before the Council. In these days when it is difficult for undergraduates to be absent from classes, the extra day would be valuable for them. Any convention is likewise more satisfactory if the time is reasonably well occupied and the program does not drag too much.

The representations of alumni associations at the District Councils has been very meager. While these Councils are perhaps essentially undergraduate gatherings, yet it is clear that all organizations of the district ought to be represented. The attendance of alumni at the business sessions is usually very small. The younger men ought to have the benefit of their counsel and experience to a greater degree.

The Executive Council has made every effort to be helpful by arranging to have at least one officer or representative at each District Council, but some means should be found for providing programs that would be attractive to a greater number of alumni.

No August Number

By action of the Executive Council, the August number of THE SHIELD will hereafter be omitted. This decision was reached for several reasons. The colleges being closed at that time, it has been difficult to distribute copies of the magazine to the undergraduate members; there is usually little news of fraternity activities during the summer months; and it was the thought of the Executive Council that the money expended for the summer issues might more profitably be distributed over the other issues of the year. The next number of THE SHIELD will therefore be that for October.

Vice President Moore Moves to Toledo

The Detroit and Toledo plants of the manufacturing concern of which Vice President George A. Moore is the head, have been consolidated, and the principal office is now located in Toledo. Vice President Moore has accordingly removed from Detroit and his address is now 454 Earl St., Toledo, Ohio. Chapters and individuals having business with the Vice President's office should take note of the new address.



PHI KAPPA PSI *NOTES*

Terry W. Kuhn, Pa. Alpha '19, of Detroit, is connected with the Walter Hagan Golf Products, Inc.

C. O. Hooan, Pa. Mu, is Pittsburgh manager of the Riley Stoker Corp., with offices in the Farmers Bank Bldg.

Francis Seiberling, Ohio Beta '90, is practicing law in Akron, Ohio.

E. Byron Davis, Ohio Beta '18, is secretary of the Ideal Process Co., in Chicago, Ill.

Eugene G. Kennedy, Ohio Beta '92, is engaged in the practice of law in Dayton, Ohio.

William R. Siders, Ohio Beta '15, is with the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., in Charleston, W. Va.

Delbert H. Unkefer, Ohio Beta '16, is with the Harvey Loehr Lumber Co., in Canton, Ohio.

Earl Henry Marshall, Ohio Beta '03, is controller of Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio.

Alvin H. Olson, Ohio Beta '19, is secretary of the Chamber of Commerce at Stoughton, Wis.

Ward Young, Ohio Beta '12, is athletic coach of McKinley High School, Canton, Ohio.

Charles H. Wellers, Ohio Beta '10, is instructor in the Wisconsin State Normal School at Whitewater.

F. M. Porch, Ohio Beta '72, is pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran church in Nokomis, Ill.

David R. Huber, Ohio Beta '94, is vice president of Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio.

John H. Heberling, Ohio Beta '19, is engaged in the baking business in Elwood City, Pa.

George B. Hiller, Ohio Beta '86, is a Lutheran minister in Albany, N. Y.

Kenneth F. McCuaig, Ohio Beta '17, is practicing law in Buffalo, N. Y.

Philip G. E. Uhlmann, Ohio Beta '16, is commercial manager of the Ohio Edison Co., Springfield, Ohio.

Raymond A. Houk, Ohio Beta '07, is doing postgraduate work for his Ph.D. degree at Columbia University.

John C. Barringer, Ohio Beta '00, is in the real estate business in Glendale, Cal.

A. D. Finkel, Ohio Beta '07, is manager of the Duquesne Manufacturing Co., New Kensington, Pa.

Dr. Frederick Ehrenfeld, Ohio Beta '90, is professor of geology and mineralogy in the University of Pennsylvania.

Henry P. Dufford, Ohio Beta '12, is practicing law in New York City.

Edwin A. Bowers, Ohio Beta '22, is a high school principal at Pickford, Mich.

E. T. Bunyan, Ohio Beta '77, is in the insurance business in Colchester, Conn.

Dr. Ray H. Bechtell, Ohio Beta '10, is practicing medicine in Dayton, Ohio.

Robert H. Hiller, Ohio Beta '86, is professor of Greek at Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio.

Dr. William K. Gotwald, Ohio Beta '01, is assistant professor of history at Wittenberg College.

Dr. A. F. Linn, Ohio Beta '80, is head of the department of chemistry, Wittenberg College.

James I. Baker, Ohio Beta '09, is treasurer of the Safety Emery Wheel Co., Springfield, Ohio.

Frank E. Wade, Esq., Mass. Alpha '97, is now living at 425 Greene Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dr. B. F. Prince, Ohio Beta '66, Wittenberg College's "Grand Old Man," is still actively engaged in teaching his classes in history and political science.

Carl C. Steiner, Ohio Beta '16, is president and general manager of the Buttonless Tire Cover Co., of Canton, Ohio. Ohio.

John M. Gower, Ohio Beta '16, is a lubrication engineer with the U. S. Army Air Corps, Wright Field, Fairfield, Ohio.

Frederick J. Ritterspach, Ohio Beta '98, is practicing medicine in Brighton, Col. He is a member of Nu Sigma Nu medical fraternity.

Paul J. Kiefer, Ohio Beta '06, is professor of mechanical engineering at the United States Navy Postgraduate School, Annapolis.

R. F. Kruse, Pa. Mu, represents the American Rolling Mill Co., Middletown, Ohio, at Pittsburgh, where he occupies a suite at 432 Oliver Bldg.

Hubert C. Pontius, Ohio Beta '95, is practicing law in Canton, Ohio, with offices in the First National Bank Building.

Oliver O. Lipe, Ohio Beta '92, is editor of a Grain Service Letter, with offices in the Merchants Exchange, St. Louis, Mo.

George A. Meyer, Ohio Beta '13, is an Episcopal clergyman in New York City, and is a teaching fellow in General Theological Seminary.

Newton H. Fairbanks, Jr., Ohio Beta '10, is with the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Co., with offices in Washington, D. C.

Charles Hatch Ehrenfeld, Ohio Beta '82, is president of York Collegiate Institute, and consulting chemist to the York Manufacturing Co., at York, Pa.

Louis E. Bauer, Ohio Beta '97, is chairman of the executive committee of the Indian Motorcycle Co., Springfield, Mass.

James W. Welsh, Ohio Beta '98, is executive secretary of the American Electric Railway Association, with offices at 292 Madison ave., New York City.

C. L. Bauer, Ohio Beta '87, is president and general manager of the Bauer Bros. Co., manufacturers, Springfield, Ohio.

Morris R. Dial, Ohio Beta '84, is in the wholesale lumber business, with the Pike-Dial Lumber Co., 2251 S. Loomis st., Chicago, Ill.

Lloyd M. Clark, Mass. Alpha '13, has become associated with the F. J. Ross Company of New York, advertising agents, as director of the department of markets and media.

THE SHIELD acknowledges receipt of copies of *The Thetan* (Pennsylvania Theta), *The Mile High Phi Psi* (Colorado Alpha) and *The Zetan* (Pennsylvania Zeta).

Harry M. Barrett, Pa. Beta '87, director of the College of Education of the University of Colorado, has been elected a district governor of the Rotary Clubs.

Bro. and Mrs. Guyon C. Whitley, announce the birth of Mary Francis Whitley, May 1, 1927, at Webster City, Iowa. He is a member of Iowa Alpha, class of 1913.

The engagement has been announced of Ralph W. Woodworth, N. Y. Beta '20, to Miss Kathryn Terrasse of Hanover, Pa. Bro. Woodworth is a lieutenant in the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Donald E. Marshall, Mass. Alpha '11, for the past five years principal of the Ludlow (Mass.) High School, has resigned his position to become a salesman for the Keystone Travel Service, with main offices at Meadville, Pa.

William R. Davis, W. Va. Alpha '17, is connected with the Reliance Life Insurance Co. of Pittsburgh, with offices in the Farmers Bank Bldg., that city. Brother Davis lives at Webster Hall.

Paul M. Stinchfield, Pa. Mu, on February 12th was married to Miss Florence Sheppard Haenle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Haenle, of Binghamton, N. Y. Bro. and Mrs. Stinchfield live at 746 Madison av., Scranton, Pa.

William G. Theurer, Pa. Alpha, has been selected to succeed Henry H. Hood, also of Pa. Alpha, as graduate manager of athletics at Washington and Jefferson College. Brother Theurer was captain of the football team at W. & J. in 1898.

Frank A. Baldus, Pa. Mu, vault engineer for the Consolidated Expanded Metal Co., Wheeling, W. Va., with headquarters at Pittsburgh, sailed for Tokio, Japan, early in May. He is in charge of a large installation for Mitsui & Co., bankers, in Tokio.

E. H. Harris, N. Y. Alpha '11, former president of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association, in which city he lived for some time, is an officer in the Pierce Steel Pile Corp., New York City. Brother Harris resides at 125 E. 73d st., New York.

"The Breakwater," a Cape Cod novel by Walter A. Dyer, Mass. Alpha '96, was published on April 15th by Doubleday, Page & Co. An illustrated volume of his animal and bird sketches and essays, entitled "Country Cousins," will be brought out by the same publishers in September.

A. B. Emrick, Pa. Lambda '12, is branch manager of the Wagner Electric Corp., with offices at 5031 Liberty av., Pittsburgh. Brother Emrick is married, has two daughters, and resides at 150 West Riverview av., Bellevue, suburb of Pittsburgh.

J. R. Wylie, Jr., N. H. Alpha '16, was married February 26th to Miss Alice V. Bell, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Sheridan W. Bell, of Wilkinsburg, a suburb of Pittsburgh. Brother and Mrs. Wylie reside at 606 Hampton av., Wilkinsburg. He is a partner in Huntley & Huntley, 505 Frick Bldg., Pittsburgh, oil and gas appraisal engineers.

W. C. Sutherland, Wis. Alpha '98, general superintendent of the Pittsburgh Steel Co., Pittsburgh, read a paper on The Pilger Tube Mill of the Pittsburgh Steel Products Co., May 20th, before the American Iron and Steel Institute. Brother Sutherland, a member of the Pittsburgh A. A., lives at Charleroi, Pa.

Thomas A. Mapes, Neb. Alpha '95, after spending over thirty years in Montana, has recently gone to Denver, Col., to assume charge of the claim department of the Fidelity and Deposit Co. of Maryland for the states of Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico, with special legal work for the company in the other Pacific states. His son, Joseph H. Mapes, Wash. Alpha '19, is special agent for the same company at Portland, Ore. Three other members of Brother Mapes' family are members of the Fraternity.



ALUMNI CORRESPONDENCE

Chicago Alumni Association

After a rousing, hair-raising, record-breaking Founders' Day banquet on February 19th at which the good old Phi Psi enthusiasm and spirit reached a new altitude record, it was expected that Mr. Marshall Field would have to expand his dining room on Tuesdays to accommodate the multitude of Phi Psis who would throng there for the weekly luncheons. It was further anticipated that alumni dues for 1927 and subscriptions to THE SHIELD would come in unsolicited by the barrels full. We were on the verge of warning Uncle Sam to put on some extra help to carry the letters containing checks for same.

The slump of 1921 was 0 compared to the cooling off that occurred among Phi Psis after Founders' Day. You, gentle readers, of parts far off, will not believe it when we say unto you that we have been obliged to send out *TWO* notices regarding the paltry alumni dues—and *only* 180 have responded to date. Of course, they'll all pay up, or at least the greater portion of them, but wouldn't it be them to stall it off as long as possible?

And the luncheon at Fields' !!! I think 40 is the maxium attendance since the 1st of March. THINK OF IT! 40 out of 700 brethren in Chicago!

There is some consolation in the fact, however, that some of the older birds are coming back into the fold. Hal Townsend "snuk" in a couple of weeks ago—likewise Brother Marsh. Pat Morris, the most popular Phi Psi bachelor in these here parts since Lawrence Whiting's marriage, has been on hand quite regularly. It's comforting to see this old scarecrow occasionally!

Do any of you guys remember "Lollypop" Lollesgard, the bozo who steered a Buick car hither and thither o'er hill and dale for the Blue Book Company? Well, he's been in Chicago for five months and we've seen him twice already—not at a Phi Psi lunch of course, but we've seen him nevertheless. He's hiding in the Morrison Hotel.

John J. Donahue, married since some time last football season, gets over to Henrici's for lunch occasionally, but has petered out entirely from the Phi Psi lunches somehow. If we can get somebody to bowl with John on Tuesdays, we might be able to suck him back in our midst.

K. W. Moore attends the weekly lunches in Detroit at the Book Cadillac Hotel more often than he does the Chicago gatherings. He sat in with the Detroit group on May 5th.

Both these birds are Phi Psis

"Edwin L. Balmer, well-known novelist and short story writer, has been appointed editor in chief of the Red Book and Blue Book magazines, it was announced yesterday. Mr. Balmer succeeds Karl Edwin Harriman, who has held the editorship for the two publications for fourteen years. Mr. Balmer will take up his new duties Monday."

Don't care to add the job of SHIELD correspondent to your duties, Brother Balmer?

'Tis yourn for the asking!

Golf Announcement

June 16th has been selected as tentative date for Phi Psi golf tournament. Several courses have been suggested, but the only practical one is Olympia Fields—that is, for us South Siders.

If you want to see *all kinds* of golf, just attend this thing.

You SHIELD subscribers "have already got" two dollars worth of information from this letter, so we're shoving off.

If you're not satisfied write the next one yourself.

Chicago, Ill.

May 9, 1927

R. J. MADDIGAN

Correspondent

 Pittsburgh Alumni Association

There's no maybe about the good effects derived from having an active chapter in our midst. Ever since the installation of Pennsylvania Mu, the old Pittsburgh Alumni Association has been a living personification of the original Flying Cloud and it looks as if McCreerys, where we hold our weekly luncheons, will have to let out its belt a notch or two to take care of the steadily increasing crowd.

Without spending a cent for votes or watchers, the following were elected for the year ending February 19, 1928: president, L. W. Voigt, N. Y. Alpha; vice president, D. R. Davis, Pa. Lambda; vice president, Greer McIlvain, Pa. Theta; vice president, W. A. Reinoehl, Pa. Eta; treasurer, Lloyd A. Rust, Ind. Beta; recording secretary, J. R. Wylie, jr, N. H. Alpha; corresponding secretary, C. F. Williams, Ill. Delta; chaplain, R. B. Urmy, Cal. Alpha.

President Voigt has appointed the following committees: *entertainment*: D. R. Davis, C. O. Hoban, R. E. Zimmerman, F. D. Graf, B. M. Johnson; *fellowship*, F. D. Glover, Thomas W. Pomeroy, C. R. Texter; *luncheon*, Greer McIlvain, Thomas V. Griggs, William T. Todd jr, N. R. Daugherty; *library*, John L. Porter, Hugo Kahl, R. H. Johnson; *auditing*, W. A. Reinoehl, R. R. Goehring; *college entrance*, E. V. Braden, James C. Watt, C. T. Schwartz, G. L. Brown; *scholarship*, W. F. Baum, E. V. Braden, Hugh D. Largey, J. C. Evans, P. C. McKenzie, Louis K. Manley; *membership*, Robert P. Crawford, Fred W. Young jr, J. B. Marlin, C. A. Curtis, K. R. Todd, D. D. Johnson, C. R. Texter.

President Voigt led a delegation of active and alumni members to Morgantown April 28th to attend the District Council, and everyone who took part in the activities reports a great time. Our official delegates were: President Voigt, J. C. Evans and D. D. Johnson. They paid glowing tributes to the entertaining host and to the dignified and efficient manner in which Archon Harry L. Snyder conducted the meetings.

We received an exceedingly severe shock March 29th when word came from Tulsa, Okla., of the unexpected death of one of our former members, James Bennett Porter, Pa. Beta '90, brother of John L. Porter, Pa. Beta '86, of our association. The entire Porter family, every member of which has been allied directly or indirectly with Phi Kappa Psi for quite some time, has the deepest sympathy of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association. We also regret to learn of the death of Mr. Charles G. McIlvain, father of Greer McIlvain, Pa. Theta, one of our active members.

Visitors? A long list since our last letter, including a couple recently from Broadway hits. Elliott Nugent, Ohio Delta, co-author and star of "The Poor Nut," was with us April 14th. Philip D. Porterfield, Ill. Delta, erstwhile member of our own association, now in "The Cocoanuts," spent the entire week of March 13th in Pitts-

burgh and dropped in on most of us. We also have entertained A. P. Reed, Pa. Alpha, of near Philadelphia, whose card has something to say about "Reed the Bible Man", because of the nature of his occupation. Terry W. Kuhn, Pa. Alpha '19, of Detroit, who tells us he's with the Walter Hagen Golf Products, Inc., was among those present early in April. We refer also to the splendid visit we had with E. H. Harris, N. Y. Alpha, former president of the old P. A. A., who came over from New York on business a few weeks ago. Brother Harris, by the way, is doing even better in New York than he did here; this is saying a lot.

During the Easter holidays we enjoyed visits from Thomas W. Pomeroy jr, Frederick C. Grant and M. C. Hooker, Pa. Theta, and Stanley A. McCaskey, Pa. Gamma. Any number of Pennsylvania Mu alumni are signing the register every week. This list includes such reliable as: C. O. Hoban, Thomas V. Griggs, R. F. Kruse, C. T. Schwartz, P. C. McKenzie, Frank A. Baldus and John Kelly. R. W. McCreary, Pa. Epsilon, secretary of the sister association at Indiana, Pa., dropped in April 28th. A. B. Emrick, Pa. Lambda '12, on May 5th took a pledge to become a regular attendant at our luncheons.

Not fearing criticism because of platitudes we wind up by saying we ain't got no larch string, so drop in on us every time you're in town on Thursday for luncheon at McCreerys, Wood street and Oliver avenue. The hour is a la carte.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.
May 5, 1927*

C. F. WILLIAMS
Correspondent

Kansas City Alumni Association

Dear EDITOR:

Well Ed. jest a yere a go this here munth there was a big blow out a goin on in dere old Kay See whitch same was manely dew to the acktivities of no body elst but yore old frend yores truley whitch had skeemed a skum for the plesure lovin bruthers of this here frat and a perty gud sized crowd of them migrated to these here parts and blest it with there presents and the thing that i am a thinkin a bout rite now is that there aint a goin to be the same triles and tributaries to go thru this here June and cant a lope throwin whitch same i gess is a regular part of any sech gethering or some form of same at least why may be it is good traneing for colege athaletes what wishes to throw the shot or some thinf so i gess every thing will be pece and tranquility out here insted of what it was then.

Jest a coupel of months ago there was a other selebration out here of a other kinds in whitch it was suposed to be the 75 ante versity of this here frat when it was found by its founders and a lot of the boys got to gether in the University Club and about a one hunderd and fifteen of them out of a one hundered and seventy spilled enuff talk for seven or ten times that there numbers or mebe i had better say that the guys that had the privelege of the floor that is the prevelege of gettin things throwed at them spilled enuff for a like no. at any rates why old Cy Crane who has terned out to be a laywer got up and told the assembely a lot of secerts about what he and Denton Dunn also one of the same and Herb Hadley the same and not being satisfied later got his self put in as the govonor of the state of Mo. and then after he got tired of that went to skool teechin and is now lokated at this here Washington U at St Louis and Maurice Alden also the same and John Prescott the only one of them outside of Doc Robinson who chose difernt walks of there lifes the former havin gone in for investments banking and the later having

de cided that they was a lot of money to be made out of tellin pepel how bad they looked and how well he culd fix em up with a shot of this or that and a lot of others had done when they was college boys to gether in colege and i gess times aint changed much sense then xcept that this here Volsted guy has cut out the beer whitch it seems that the above mensioned had tride to drink up any ways so that there wood not be none for there prosperity but they could not do same and as Volsted seamed to have the same nosion as they but couldnt ether why he had it did by law.

Fred Harris out Ottaway way fell down on the boys and never showed up but then he had a perty good xcuse as when he fell down why he broke his arm off and a guy cant talk much unlest he has got the use of his arms in case some thing is throwed at him so they had to get some body to fill his boots and picked on a pore ole sky pilot from down at Liberty to do it and so Fred Loos done it and more all tho he sed that he all ways had trubel with his termanile facilityes when ever he was a makin a speech then Doc Robinson had to git up and defend his self whitch he done nobely and all of the time why every body at the speekers table was a twistin and a squirmin for Maurice Alden set there with the rains in his hands and a castin his ii's this a way and that sos it looked like he might call on some ones else to say one word or 2. In be tween talks why Geo Bowles and Bob Smith herded in some likely lookin heffers whitch performed rele credidabel like and some of the round heds like Tub Merrill and Ray Blacker got spesial songs sang to em and there was a generil de mand for more and Shirley Meserve would have got some of it if he had a been sittin at the table with his top lite a burnin but all that was a forth coming was the cowboys lament by Hale and Derry from stasion WDAF.

After pickin on John Prescott for pres. and Ben Seward for vice pres. and Win Tate for sec. and Chas. Griesa for tres. and Budge Bolin for the riter why every body a jerned to the anty room and some of them was abel to get home before the day lite began to lite up the morning sky as the poet would say.

Kansas City, Mo.
May 5, 1927

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 CACTUS PETE

Southern California Alumni Association

The office of Brother Meserve is actively engaged at this time in the compilation of a new directory of this association which now embraces some 550 and more Phi Psis. Any brother who has moved recently, or if there are any brothers in Southern California who are not on our mailing list, please send your name and address to the association at 417 Bartlett Bldg., Los Angeles.

The date of the second annual spring fiesta has been set for June 23d at the Uplifters Ranch at Santa Monica. With the success of last year's party as a mark to shoot at, the entertainment committee is working night and day and there is every indication that this year's celebration is going to be the best yet. A barbecue dinner de luxe is to be served in the grove to the accompaniment of music and entertainment, after which the remainder of the evening will be devoted to dancing in the clubhouse. Those who were present at last year's fiesta know that this event is the one big Phi Psi social event of the year and not one to be missed. Remember, too, it's the chance to square yourself with your wife for the stag affairs, for which it has sometimes been necessary to do a lot of quick thinking.

The Pasadena association, now almost a year old, has for the last four months been holding dinners at the Pasadena University Club on the third Wednesday of each month at 6.15 p. m., and issues a cordial invitation to all the brothers, who can, to attend. Weekly luncheons are also being held every Monday at 12.30 at the Pasadena University Club. Over the week-end of May 7th and 8th a number of the Pasadena brothers indulged in their first annual spring stag symposium at the beach cottage of Bill Barton, Cal. Gamma, at Hollywood Beach, Ventura county. A complete success was reported with no casualties.

Last year the alumni of the now California Delta chapter inaugurated the spring stag frolic idea and this annual event is planned for May 14-15 at Brent's Mountain Crags. The baseball game between the undergraduates and the alumni will be the knockout of the day.

At the regular weekly luncheon of April 28th a scholarship cup was presented by Frank Storment in behalf of the Southern California A. A. to Bob Kerr, president of Kappa Psi, local fraternity sponsored by this association at the University of California at Los Angeles. The cup is a very beautiful one and is to have engraved on it, each semester, that undergraduate's name who attains the highest scholastic average during such period. Kappa Psi has pledged a number of fine men and with the new house which it plans to have by next fall this promising local will hold an enviable place on the campus.

Enthusiasm at our new chapter, California Delta, is still at the peak. These boys have conspired to instigate a Phi Psi Beach Club. Although the alumni in general have lent help to the proposition, the idea and credit for active work is due the chapter. A large residence just south of Ocean Park has been leased for the summer and all alumni, their wives, families, or prospective mermaids, are cordially invited to come to the beach and spend the day.

Several of the brothers announce recent additions to their families: Martha Nadeleine Evelyne, to Bro. and Mrs. Jim Bequette; Nancy Carolyn, to Bro. and Mrs. Larry Dunn; Mary Ann, to Bro. and Mrs. Harold B. Reed; and, last but most important as prospective Phi Psi material, George Waltman, to Bro. and Mrs. Sam Bell.

Dr. W. H. Kiger, Ohio Beta, was unanimously elected president of the California Medical Association at the annual convention of that body, held recently in Los Angeles.

Carl A. Stutzman, Iowa Alpha, who was appointed judge of the municipal court by the governor about a year ago, was recently elected as the presiding judge of this court by the unanimous vote of his fellow judges.

Charles (Buddy) Rogers, Kan. Alpha, who has been playing various roles for the past year with Famous-Players-Lasky Corporation, has recently been selected as leading man to play opposite Mary Pickford in her newest picture "My Best Girl" which is to start production in a few weeks. Brother Rogers has been making fast headway in the short time he has been "in pictures."

Perry Hopkins, Cal. Gamma, has finally moved into town and has associated himself with the Harold G. Ferguson Corporation, subdividers—another escrow Indian bit the dust!

*Los Angeles, Cal.
May 9, 1927*

LYLE CALDWELL
Correspondent

Cleveland Alumni Association

The activities of the Cleveland Alumni Association began with a business session that resulted in the election of the following officers: president, Dan V. Hoyt, Ohio Delta; vice president, Dr. Edwin P. Kennedy, Pa. Beta; and secretary-treasurer, John A. Dawson, Ind. Delta.

The first social event occurred at the Cleveland Athletic Club on April 28th. "The Spring Thaw" brought out a number of the brothers. A brief business session and cards followed the dinner.

We are extremely glad to welcome the following brothers: J. T. Ames, F. A. Faville, G. M. Winslow, R. M. Russell and J. C. Hobbs. These brothers are located in Cleveland and are all from the recently installed Pennsylvania Mu Chapter.

President Willams, Louis B. Gregoire, Ind. Beta, and Benson P. Shupe, Pa. Beta were representatives of the Cleveland A. A. at the installation of Pennsylvania Mu Chapter at Pittsburgh.

The active Ohio Epsilon Chapter of Case School of Applied Science has issued invitations to a May party at Madison Golf Lake-land on May 21st. We are all anticipating the coming event.

Lee Dautel, Ohio Epsilon, the retiring secretary-treasurer of the association, is to be married sometime during June.

Bro. and Mrs. Donald T. Caunter, Ind. Delta, announce the arrival of a son, David Hawley Caunter.

Cleveland, Ohio
May 9, 1927

JOHN A. DAWSON
Correspondent

Indiana Alumni Association

Represented by more than half its membership, Indiana County A. A. was awed and thrilled by the installation of Pennsylvania Mu, and the banquet which followed. Pittsburgh A. A.'s celebration of our Diamond Jubilee with smoker, initiation and banquet inspired. National officers, Pittsburgh A. A., and all who helped, deserve highest praise and deepest thanks. The Fraternity and Pennsylvania Mu can extend mutual congratulations. Both are gainers through this addition to our ranks.

Since all those present at our March dinner (on the 29th) had attended the Pittsburgh festivities, each one was given a few minutes to express his impressions.

A group of New York Gamma alumni's efforts to rehabilitate their chapter and to spread through the Fraternity propoganda in the chapter's interest were discussed. We are for you, New York Gamma—alumni and chapter.

Our meeting of April 26th was marked (or marred) by two outstanding incidents—"Nink" Tomb's compliments about the meat course (excellent lamb) and Treasurer "Whity" Mabon's efforts to collect the annual dues. *Present:* Cunningham, White, A. L. Mabon, A. W. Mabon, S. A. Rinn, J. C. Rinn, A. H. Torrance, J. M. Torrance, Fisher, Lowry, Peelor, Tomb, R. W. McCreary. *Absent:* Blair, Creps, Guthrie, H. C. McCreary, Ritter, Steetle, St. Clair.

Indiana, Pa.
May 7, 1927

R. W. MCCREARY
Correspondent

Western Washington Alumni Association

The big event of interest to the alumni in this district at this writing seems to be spring. The principal subjects of discussion at the Monday luncheons have been fishing and golf. There has

been considerable wondering going on in the minds of many as to how the fish stories would stand up to the tales told by the ardent golfers. Of course my experience would not permit my making a general statement on this subject, but I can assure those reading this letter that fishermen in this country are still a little too much for even our best golfers. If any of you are planning a trip to the Northwest you need not worry at all about tackle, because if the current stories are true, you can catch all you want with a string and pin.

The annual baseball classic will be played next Sunday morning. Once a year the talent of the association is matched against the youth of the chapter in a display of this national sport. We regret very much that President Williams is unable to be present to throw the first ball; however, a suitable ceremony has been planned in substitute.

Brother Bellman has been sales manager for the William O. McKay Co. for the past six weeks. Brother Winfree, Va. Alpha, has recently opened in Seattle, the Puget Sound Title Insurance Co. of which he is president. Art Strandberg is serving as president of the King County Alumni Association of the University of Washington. E. C. McManus has affiliated himself with the Northwestern Mutual Fire Association of Seattle. A. B. Lanning has returned to Seattle and has taken charge of the Seattle office of the Ditto Company.

Seattle, Wash.
May 9, 1927

HUBERT P. LEWIS
Correspondent

Western New York Alumni Association

The activities of the Western New York A. A. are becoming so extensive that it is difficult for any one reporter to gather them up and set them down in any sort of sensible order. The active and efficient secretary, F. E. Snyder, Pa. Lambda, positively refused when reelected to add the SHIELD correspondence to his other duties, which is the Fraternity's loss. Brother Snyder has been combing the town for missing brethren, with the result that one or two new faces are seen at each one of our recent gatherings.

Visitors to Buffalo should note that the weekly luncheon of the association is now held at the Chamber of Commerce restaurant on Mondays at 12:30. This apparently meets the convenience of more men than did the Thursday luncheons we held previously. We also hold a dinner on the first Wednesday in each month. In this the urge for novelty and change seems to affect the brothers, for they have been held recently at several different clubs. The May dinner took place at the Consistory, was attended in force, and was thoroughly excellent.

Looking at this organization with the hypercritical eye of an ex-officer, the present writer would report that it is in excellent condition. M. B. Donahue, the well-known booster for N. Y. Gamma, who succeeded Jud Sullivan as treasurer, is carrying on the latter's efficient work with equal parsimony and persistence. Mickey's latest coup, a broadcast threat to cut off THE SHIELD from delinquents, is understood to be highly successful.

The new association president, Marsh Jackson, one of the famous family of Minnesota Phi Psi Jacksons, led a deputation consisting of himself and Harry R. Templeton to the District Council

at Ithaca. According to Harry, Marsh ran away with the show, taking the D. C. smoker by storm with his famous repertoire of song and story.

This association was also represented at the installation of Pennsylvania Mu Chapter at Pittsburgh by Brothers Templeton and Felt, who reported it enthusiastically. It was a splendid Phi Psi gathering and the impressive ceremony at Carnegie Museum is not to be duplicated.

Everything in Phi Psi these days served to remind us of the Diamond Jubilee G. A. C. in June of 1928 when Buffalo will welcome the Phi Psis of the entire country. Harry Templeton is keeping his steering committee busy with biweekly meetings and all association members are constantly offering suggestions to make this or that affair the best of its kind.

This suggestion box, by the way, is open to the Fraternity at large. The members of the S. C. who are our G. A. C. experts, should come forward in a body to this invitation. Tell us what you would like to do or see, and we'll provide it. Tell us what you are fed up with and we will provide something novel and refreshing to take its place.

Speaking of the novel and refreshing, the Canadian province of Ontario (ten minutes from the Hotel Statler by the new Peace bridge) has recently abolished its prohibition act and substituted a similar plan to the well-known Quebec method. A number of the members of this association have offered to investigate this voluntarily and at their own expense (a generous offer, don't you think?) and will be well informed by next June for the benefit of any G. A. C. sociologists. Macauley's famous New Zealander, standing on London Bridge in contemplation of the ruins of St. Paul's, will have nothing on George Stoddard standing on the Peace bridge contemplating the oasis of Fort Erie.

So far the heavy work in preparation for the Diamond Jubilee has been financial. To ensure a sufficiency of the wherewithal a fund is being raised, to which every member of the association is given the opportunity of subscribing. Responses are generous and Chairman John Garver reports a good beginning in cash as well as pledges for future payments.

Attention is also being given to the plans for entertaining the ladies who will attend the Buffalo G. A. C. A committee has been formed and will meet regularly during the coming year. Buffalo offers many attractions of interest to the wives of G. A. C.'ers and the most cordial invitation is extended to them to be present. There is nothing perfunctory in this invitation. We mean it and we will repeat it from time to time in the hope that it will catch the eye of all the feminine readers of *THE SHIELD*.

The Western New York A. A. expects to carry on its regular activities throughout the summer, meeting weekly for luncheon and monthly for dinner as usual. We want all visiting brothers to get in touch with us so that we can give them the gospel of the Diamond Jubilee G. A. C. and make sure of their return, each with his crowd at that time.

Buffalo, N. Y.
May 15, 1927

EDMUND J. FELT
Correspondent



CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE



Letters for the next issue of **THE SHIELD**, to insure publication, must reach the Editor by September 10th

FIRST DISTRICT

New Hampshire Alpha—Dartmouth College

Spring house party comes the week-end of May 13th and preparations are being made to have as successful a party as winter carnival was. We are holding the party with Sigma Chi and Phi Gamma Delta and are looking forward to one grand and glorious week-end.

In track activities Jerry Covert leads the field, as he did last year, in the javelin throw. Art Gow is pressing Jerry hard in this event and at the same time is giving a very creditable showing in the shot put. Walt McKee is assistant manager of track this year and will hold the managership position next year. Walt is also a member of Palaeopitus next year, the student governing body of the college.

Charley Dudley and Dick Johnston are on the varsity baseball squad. They are both twirlers and are working very hard. In the interfraternity baseball league we meet Beta Theta Pi tomorrow in our first game.

Jack Gunther is doing very well in lacrosse having played in the first and only game so far this season.

Jack Ackley, together with his work on the *Dartmouth*, the college daily, is also editing the next issue of the *Nehalphan*.

Ken Meyercord was recently nominated, together with several other members of the senior class, for the Barrett cup, awarded each year to the senior who has shown the best all-round ability while in college and who shows the best chance for success in after life. We hope that Ken will receive this honorable distinction, for he surely deserves it.

The new officers of the chapter are as follows: G. P., Arthur Gow; V. G. P., Howard Serrel; A. G., Francis Corrigan; B. G., Wesley Smith; S. G., Charles Dudley; Ho., C. Born; Ph., Kenneth Sentney; Hi., Richard Canton.

Hanover, N. H.
May 4, 1927

F. H. CORRIGAN
Correspondent

Massachusetts Alpha—Amherst College

Since it is not the correspondent's desire to overthrow traditions established by previous representatives from Massachusetts Alpha, this letter should undoubtedly start by reference to the magnolia tree, which is blooming in all its prom-time brilliance. Aiding its effect are other blossoms upon more plebeian trees, which combine with new shrubbery about the house to create a setting truly imposing.

Nor does the exterior present the only novelty in appearance, for a new article of jewelry in the shape of a cup is adorning the mantelpiece of the house. This is the result of a relay championship

won by the team composed of Kells, Prigge, Nichols, Perry, M. Kellogg and Manager Stewart. The boys had to win four straight races and better previous times by three seconds, but they did it, beating Psi U in the finals by at least 10 yards.

Recent elections have also been quite favorable to Phi Psi. Pike was elected to the Student Council, whose personnel of nine men has charge of undergraduate affairs in general. Wilber, after two years in the musical clubs, was chosen as president for next year. Taft is the new managing editor of the *Student*, the undergraduate newspaper.

Nearly all the brothers are engaged in college activities. In athletics, Howe received his letter for diving on the varsity swimming team during the winter term. Nichols is first string pitcher on the baseball nine, while M. Kellogg, a southpaw, has already twirled in one game. W. Kellogg seems to have cinched the catching berth on the freshman team, despite his activities in spring football practice along with Kells, Pike, Mackey, Brickett and Perry. Hadley and Richardson as lettermen of last year are among the best members of the tennis team. Perry and Prigge represent Amherst in the shorter dashes on the track team, while Tracy runs the mile.

Competitions claim an unusual number at this time of the year. Besides those mentioned previously in which Kibbe, H. C. Smith, Stewart and Reeve are engaged, there are several others recently begun. Breede is carrying the Phi Psi hopes in the football and track managerial competition. Hill is out for the business board of *Lord Jeff*, and Howe is leading the nine survivors in the first freshman competition for the editorial board of the *Student*. Kells is competing for photographic editor of the same paper, while Reeve recently entered the editor in chief and managing editor competitions.

T. S. Ward completed his year as president of the Debating Council and of Delta Sigma Rho, the honorary debating society, by debating against Columbia and Williams on the Nicaraguan question. He will have another opportunity to show his oratorical ability at commencement time, when he will be one of the four seniors chosen to compete for the Bond prize. His place on the C. A. cabinet is being filled by Reeve.

Social festivities will absorb universal interest during the few remaining week-ends of the term. Quite a few brothers will probably attend the various functions of the junior promenade next week-end. Wilber, who with Cowan is representing Massachusetts Alpha at the District Council, is also a member of the prom committee. The spring house dance occurs May 28th and plans for it already assure an unusually good party.

The rushing committee under Hadley is undertaking an unusually thorough campaign in preparation for the "open season" of three days next September. Any news, favorable or unfavorable, on freshmen entering Amherst next fall will be gratefully received and should be sent to the Rushing Chairman, Phi Kappa Psi, Amherst.

The chapter had the pleasure this week-end of a visit from several brothers of other chapters, who came as delegates to the convention of the Eastern Intercollegiate Newspaper Association. Among the delegates were Brother Lord of Pennsylvania Lambda, newly elected vice president of the association, and Brother Millar of New York Gamma. We hope that other brothers will make use of our hospitality, as there is no scarcity of beds, blankets, etc.

Amherst, Mass.
May 7, 1927

JOSEPH E. REEVE
Correspondent

Rhode Island Alpha—Brown University

Examinations draw near and the members of Rhode Island Alpha are exerting themselves to raise the scholastic standing still higher this semester, keeping in view the bright prospects of landing in sixth or seventh place among the nineteen fraternities on the campus.

Four of the brothers are occupied with baseball; Jack Heffernan, who was recently reelected captain of basketball for 1927-1928, Verne Chase, Buckie Wright, and Al Burgess being members of the squad. Heffernan, playing in right field, has been batting for over .400 so far, being high up in the New England averages with a mark of .450 a week ago. He has managed to collect at least one hit in every game in which he has played. At shortstop Buckie Wright is a fixture, being a fine fielder and a good man with the stick, although of late his work at bat has been a bit erratic. Burgess, one of the two left-handed pitchers on the squad, has worked in two games and is expected to start the Williams game this week. Chase has seen duty as a relief catcher.

Among the nominations from the sophomore class for membership in Pi Kappa, junior honorary society, were Wright, Jim Edward, and Burgess. Edwards worked out during spring football practice and made a fine showing, so much so that it appears that he will step into the Brown backfield next fall with little competition. His brother, Bud, who had knee trouble last fall and was unable to play in the last half of the freshman games, recently underwent an operation to correct his trouble and is convalescing rapidly.

Myers, captain of track, Kenerson and Weaver have participated in various track meets this spring. Stetson and Mulliken are on the squad, while Russell and Kruse are mainstays in the high jump and 440-yard run for the freshman team.

Weaver is playing number five position on the tennis team, and Russell and Pledge Peterson are members of the 1930 baseball team.

Among the three members of the undefeated Brown wrestling team to win New England championships in the intercollegiate meet was Dick Spellman, who, as captain of the team, made a fine showing to win the 158-pound title.

Laadt has been elected to the art staff of the *Brown Jug*, Pledge Horn is a scout for the *Daily Herald*, and Francis was recently elected to the Sphinx club. On the junior week committee of the class of 1928 are Heffernan, treasurer, and Weaver. One of the marshals for the spring day exercises was Spellman, president of the junior class.

Preparations are being made for the class day dance and the committee plans to finish the social season with an attractive party on open house night. The chapter is awaiting commencement, since eight brothers receive their degrees in June.

Providence, R. I.
May 9, 1927

WARREN B. FRANCIS
Correspondent

New York Alpha—Cornell University

The sixteenth annual District Council of the first district held in Ithaca May 5-7, is now history. Attended by almost one hundred Phi Psis including three ex-presidents, the present Attorney General, and several prominent alumni, the D. C. was acclaimed to be a success in every respect. With several business sessions, an unusual smoker, an enjoyable banquet, and with other interesting events, the three days seemed to be enjoyed by all those attending. On Thurs-

day, Friday and Saturday, the business sessions were held with reports being given by the various delegates. In the Saturday business session Carl Kent, N. Y. Epsilon, was chosen Archon for the next two years, succeeding Harold Hobday, N. Y. Beta.

On Friday evening, a "smoker" was held at the chapter house. Among the entertainers was "Jumping Joe" Wiedenmayer who delighted all with his terpsichorean travesties and curious contortions. Brothers Kellog and Emeny gave harmony to our ears with their unique instruments consisting of a banjo and a musical saw. The interesting entertainers continued unabated with curious combinations of words carefully chosen by the alumni and undergraduate body. "Eddie" Dixon, N. Y. Alpha '15, served as toastmaster to perfection. After those present had discarded their "wit" they became serious once more and joined in many pleasant songs. On Saturday there was plenty to occupy the time of the brothers, a ball game with Dartmouth, a track meet with M. I. T., and a tennis match with Hamilton College. During the baseball game "Red" Shaw displayed as good form on first base as ever seen on Hoy field, leading his team to victory with a 4-0 score.

Saturday evening all the brothers journeyed to Freeville where the banquet was held at the Republic Inn. A pleasant dinner was enjoyed by all. "Ho" Ballou, N. Y. Alpha '20, acted as toastmaster, introducing the speakers and interspersed their remarks with many merry jests. The first speaker, Walter Lee Sheppard, Pa. Iota '98, and former President of the Fraternity, gave us many pleasant reminiscences of Phi Kappa Psi, and particularly stressed the question of "Loyalty to the Fraternity". We were also fortunate in having with us former Presidents Sion B. Smith, Pa. Beta '85, and Henry H. McCorkle, N. Y. Gamma '01, who was also former chairman of the Interfraternity Conference, giving many pleasant remembrances of Phi Psi. We were pleased to hear from H. R. Templeton, N. Y. Beta '99, telling of the tentative plans for the G. A. C. to be held at Buffalo in 1928. One of the pleasant surprises of the Council was the arrival of Capt. L. G. Brower, Columbia '18, and Carl Rach, N. Y. Gamma, by airplane from New York. Other prominent alumni present at the Council were: "Dad" Lonergon, N. Y. Beta; J. E. Wiedenmayer, Pa. Theta; Brother Jackson, Minn. Beta; R. A. Bebee, Mass. Alpha; B. R. Beisel, Pa. Beta.

We are proud to announce that "Stan" Krusen was elected editor in chief of the *Cornell Daily Sun* having recently won his junior competition. "Stan" is also a member of this year's spring day committee. At the recent student council elections "Gil" Crogan was chosen treasurer. "Sam" Tieman was chosen captain of this year's freshman lacrosse team.

With the graduation of the class of 1927 the chapter is sorry to lose Brothers Field, Jarvis, Joyce, Kirk, Ohl and Shaw. With the graduation of "Red" Shaw we lose one of the most valuable athletes that Cornell has ever known, as well as the outstanding student of the chapter. We expect to hear of "Red" in the major leagues.

New York Alpha extends to the class of '27 the best wishes from the chapter and the very best of success in their efforts. We hope that '27 will come back to see us soon and often as we are always glad to welcome back our alumni. Remember that any hour, day, or month 312 Thurston avenue is open to all of you.

In the list of recent activities J. E. Wiedenmeyer jr, was elected to the Savage Club.

Ithaca, N. Y.
May 9, 1927

L. I. VOIGT JR
Correspondent

New York Beta—Syracuse University

New York Beta held her forty-third annual initiation on March 26th. The following pledges were initiated: Kenneth Parker Abbe, Edwin Allen, Alton Bartholemew, Henry Caroll Boschert, Charles Varnum Flagg jr, Herbert Lavel Gregory, Fletcher Albert Newberry, Edward Spuck Prescott, Donald Kemp Templeton, Charles Richmond Van Nostrand. The banquet was held the following night in the home economics department of the university.

In reviving the *Orange Peel*, the humorous publication of the campus, Holzworth has been chosen business manager. The staff plans to issue one number this year and continue with monthly publication next fall. Carr, Sibus and possibly Deming have regular places on the baseball squad. Matanle and De Tar have been pleasing the audiences of the several glee club concerts throughout the season. Rubado, our track man, is laid up in the hospital for the remainder of the season. At any rate he will remain inactive the rest of the year.

The spring formal on April 30th included a dinner at the Hotel Syracuse. All classes were excused for the annual moving-up day, May 7th.

New officers of the chapter are: R. N. Mains, G. P.; J. L. Frawley, V. G. P.; R. L. Andrews jr, A. G.; C. V. Flagg jr, S. G.; A. Bartholemew, Ph.; D. K. Templeton, Hod.; H. C. Boschert, Hi.

"Daddy" Lonergon has been helping us greatly in the problems which arise in the course of events. He seems to have created or at least to have helped to create a warmer atmosphere in the chapter, a fact which seems to be felt by our numerous welcome visitors.

Syracuse, N. Y.
May 7, 1927

ROSS L. ANDREWS JR
Correspondent

New York Gamma—Columbia University

The chapter takes pleasure in introducing the following brothers who have been initiated since our last letter to THE SHIELD: Salem G. Mansour, Niagara Falls; John A. Thomas, New York; William B. Sanford, Bronxville; John O. Johnsen, Brooklyn; John A. Guy, Watervliet; Aubrey W. Stewart, New York; Joseph L. Tierney, Scarsdale; George G. Raddin jr, Beaver, Pa.; Joseph A. Seely, Westhampton Beach.

Two cars were secured and eight members of the chapter attended the District Council at Ithaca. Carl Rach, our "Flying Dutchman", flew from New York to attend the Council and made the ninth undergraduate member of the chapter to attend, the largest representation of any chapter with the exception of New York Alpha, the district hosts. May we take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of the hospitality shown us by the brothers of New York Alpha.

The chapter was represented by its staunch friend and delegate Henry H. McCorkle, past President and Secretary of the Fraternity, who did noble work for the chapter. Brother McCorkle deserves a public acknowledgement of his fine help and we believe that such acknowledgement does not half repay him for all the aid he has lent us. We thank you Brother Henry. We are proud to be your brothers.

In recent elections, the chapter was extremely successful and secured a great many "political plums".

Dave Millar, the newly elected editor in chief of *Spectator*, our campus daily, led the field and was elected to a position on the student board and the Kings Crown board of governors. Fred Rieger, our football, basketball and track letterman, secured one of the other five positions on the student board. Darius Phillips, the junior varsity coxswain, was elected to the secretaryship of the class of 1929 and Fred Dassori was elected secretary of the class of 1928.

Recently the senior societies held their elections and two New York Gamma men were chosen by each society. Dave Millar and "Stu" Chambers were elected to Nacoms while Fred Rieger and Fred Dassori were picked by the Sachems. When one considers that each society picks fifteen men, or a total of thirty men from a class of approximately four hundred men, the chapter is proud of its ability to secure four of the much coveted positions.

At the conclusion of the varsity show season, "Stu" Chambers was elected production manager of next year's show and a member of the Players Club. Millar was also elected to the club.

The elections in the *Jester* competition were recently announced and young Phillips was awarded a position on the business board while Dassori was elected assistant business manager for next year. Gaynor and Stewart have entered the spring competition and no doubt will secure places on the board. In the "Spec" elections, Guy and Mansour were elected to the new board and Stewart was elected to the Associate News board. The Blue Key elections brought two more managers to the house. Tierney will assist Jones in cross country next year and manage it the following year and Imhof will manage frosh baseball next year, being the assistant manager now.

Tom Bailey was recently elected to the honorary business fraternity, Beta Gamma Sigma, and Al Forsyth and Fred Dassori were elected to the Dolphins Society, the honorary swimming society.

Four boys from the house are still hard at work up at the crew quarters. Donaldson is rowing at no. 3 in the varsity shell, Phillips is coxing the junior varsity, Domenech is taking out the 150 pound shell and Sanford is rowing at no. 3 in the frosh boat. While we were not able to crack Yale's long string of victories, we hope to be able to continue the rest of the season without defeat, something that we have longed for for many years.

The examination period is May 16th-26th, inclusive. The brothers have begun to "snap out of it" and will come through their exams with flying colors. We look for our rating to be substantially higher than that of any previous year. We are strong now and with a good boost in scholarship we shall be beyond reproach.

The election of officers for the next term took place and the following men were elected: David B. S. Millar jr, G. P.; Frederic D. Dassori, V. G. P.; William H. Imhof, A. G.; Salem G. Mansour, B. G.; John A. Thomas, S. G.; Cyrus Weeks jr, Ph; John O. Johnson, Hod.; Howard Riley, Hi. Bailey will still continue to act as P. of the chapter and certainly is good at the job.

Again may we ask that any and all brothers, who happen to be in the city or any place near us, drop in and stay as long as they can. We want the other members of the Fraternity to become acquainted with the conditions surrounding the chapter and to know our members. We will be benefitted by your stay and we hope that it will be profitable to you. Come on in and stay awhile.

New York, N. Y.
May 10, 1927

FREDERIC D. DASSORI
Correspondent

New York Epsilon—Colgate University

NO LETTER RECEIVED

SECOND DISTRICT

Pennsylvania Gamma—Bucknell University

We have been asked to corroborate the statement that our scholastic standing among the fraternities on the campus is fifth out of thirteen. Upon investigation we have found this to be a mere rumor. The compilation of such data for the first semester has not yet been completed. However, we do feel that an appreciable change for the better will be noticed when the official reports are published.

Speaking of scholarship reminds us of the achievements of one of the brothers in particular. Johnson, during his four years in college, has maintained an average of 85 or over and is graduating this June with the coveted honor of *cum laude*. Last semester his report was straight "A" and unless the unexpected happens he will repeat the trick again in June. Above and beyond that he is expected to lead, not only his own group of engineers, but all divisions of the engineering department—a feat not easily equalled.

Aside from the scholastic achievements of the chapter as a whole, we can well say that our social side is in no way being neglected. On May 8th the chapter drew up a formal program in honor of our mothers, at which time pledges as well as actives took part in the exercises. It was one of the most inspiring events of the year, and undoubtedly will be repeated again in the future.

The week-end of May 13th and 14th went off with a bang. Chang Smith from State College furnished the music. The decorations were indescribably exquisite. And with the luscious bits of femininity gathered from all parts of the globe, the party was, as is customary with Phi Psis, one of the hottest affairs of the calendar.

Whether or not our Red Letter Week was a "hot" affair is best determined from the freshman's point of view. Of course the actives were entertained in a royal fashion, but it is also the general opinion that the participating victims enjoyed their agonies on a par with the amused audience.

Now that "spring is cub" many of the brothers find it difficult to confine themselves to their favorite indoor sports. Pennsylvania Gamma's Tom Sawyer and cohorts have taken advantage of the warm weather to inhabit the refreshing shades of the ole swimmin' hole and nearby trout streams. One would think that the zest with which these pursuits have been followed would produce a precipitate in the form of a declining work curve on the scholarship chart. But the truth is, that we try to work when we work and play when we play, and in so doing offset the undesirable effects that could possibly occur.

Lewisburg, Pa.
May 10, 1927

R. F. PEDEN
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Epsilon—Gettysburg College

With the approach of the end of the present year we find that six seniors will leave us as active chapter members with the consummation of the graduation exercises. Ivory, Wachob, Nixdorf, Schoff-stall, Greenlee and Stover are the brothers who graduate and every

one of them is going to be much missed inasmuch as each has played an ever increasing part of importance in the welfare of Pennsylvania Epsilon.

Ivory is chairman of the commencement day exercises, and Nixdorf will deliver the ivy oration on class day. A splendid commencement program has been arranged, and the Hon. Curtis D. Wilbur, Secretary of the Navy, will deliver the commencement address.

Wachob, Thomas and Hensen represented us at the Second District Council, and all join in their praise of the way in which Pennsylvania Zeta entertained the delegates. Ivory, who presided at the council in the position of Deputy Archon, was elected to the archonship of our district, and we are quite proud that this honor has been bestowed upon an Epsilon man, and we know that with his vitally sincere interest in the Fraternity he will make an excellent Archon.

At the interfraternity track meet held on May 5th, we with a limited number of entrees took fifth place. In the interfraternity baseball league we are quite hopeful of the top place, having met with no reverses which would tend to prove otherwise.

Scholastically we are third on the campus with a rating a number of points higher than the average.

Wachob was chairman of the Mothers day committee and deserves much credit for the success of this important day on the college calendar. Nixdorf, representing the student body delivered a clever and masterful address at the banquet for the mothers and their sons.

Hall has been elected Kappa Phi Kappa, and secretary of the Interfraternity Council.

Bell has been elected to Scabbard and Blade, president of the Rifle Club, and assistant track manager. Hanson is treasurer of the Rifle Club. Henson is vice president of the Rifle Club, and secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

Thomas was elected Tau Kappa Alpha and vice president of the Debating Council. Nixdorf, retiring president of this council, acted as toastmaster at the recent banquet of the organization.

Ivory and Stover, ever prominent in dramatics for the past four years, are in the cast of the "Merchant of Venice" and it is with regret that we realize this play will be their last upon the Gettysburg College stage.

Thomas is assistant editor of the *Gettysburgian*, and editor of the *G-Book*. Clare is a reporter for the *Gettysburgian*.

Much to the surprise of all, in the early days of March, Charlie Spangler, star of the gridiron, basketball court, and cinder path resigned from college, and got married.

Despite the warnings of the superstitious, Friday, the 13th of May is the date of our spring formal dance, and a great and joyous time is anticipated by all before we plunge into the ever annoying things known as final exams.

Gettysburg, Pa.
May 10, 1927

HENRY M. HENSEN
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Zeta—Dickinson College

With the 23d of April came the close of an event toward which Pennsylvania Zeta has been working all year. A successful three days period of entertainment and constructive planning for the benefit of the district closed at that time with the election of J. Kenneth Ivory, Pa. Epsilon, as Archon of the second district. High lights of the week-end were General Mitchell's address at the banquet on Friday night, the smoker Thursday night, at which a gold watch

was presented to Fred Eugene Sweely, Pa. Zeta, "an athlete and a gentleman", and the review of the Army Field Medical School on Friday afternoon.

It was with the keenest sorrow that the chapter learned on April 22d, of the sudden death of Mrs. James Henry Morgan. Not only was Mrs. Morgan very near to us as the wife of a brother, but she was also an interested and kindly neighbor. Her religious and charitable activities were numerous and her friends legion. Due to this unforeseen and regrettable incident, Dr. Morgan, who was to have been guest of honor at the D. C. banquet, was unable to be present.

This chapter wishes to thank Fred Godcharles, Walter Lee Shepard, and General "Billy" Mitchell, for their brilliant and interesting speeches. It wishes to thank Dr. Montgomery Perter Sellers, who presided so aptly and so jovially as symposiarch. To the alumni and friends of the chapter who contributed so nobly to the success of the D. C. by answering promptly the letters of the chapter we are deeply indebted. We regret the absence of George D. McIlvaine and of Dr. Morgan from the speakers table at the banquet.

Under the competent direction of Manager Reese Hitchens, the basketball team for next year has one of the best schedules ever arranged for a Dickinson team. Penn, Columbia, Princeton, Army and Navy are included on the list. Freddy Sweely will captain the outfit, while Bowes, Angle, Smith and Hoffman will doubtless see varsity service.

We are now engaged in track and baseball. "Pop" Craver's relay team took the championship of the Class B colleges at the Penn relays. Sweely, of whose bent for collecting captaincies much has been said, is leading the track men this season, and Ed. Stayton is managing. Angle, a freshman, has threatened the college record in the broad jump and is successful in hurdles and high jump. Smith is a good miler and cross-country man, Schultz takes the low hurdles very nicely and is throwing the weights for the frosh.

Scholl, Huey and Bowes are playing baseball. Our house baseball prospects look good. The Betas fell prey to Phi Psi in the first game of the interfraternity season, 14-2.

Politics are popping all over the campus at this time and dark and secret plots are made to see that "the right men get in". It looks as though Phi Psi will be well rewarded in the voting.

Our own election resulted as follows: Fred Sweely, G. P.; Reese Hitchens, V. G. P.; J. Aaron Strite, A. G.; Oliver James, B. G.; Wesley Ruffell, Ph.; Edward Kronenberg, Ho.; and Frank Horner, Hi.

Thompson, Buterbaugh, Carter and Irwin graduate in June. Buterbaugh is elected to the honorary oration known as the Bosler oration. All the seniors have been active, both in the chapter and on the campus. Thompson will attend law school here next year, Buterbaugh is on the trail of a school-teaching job, before going to law school somewhere, Irwin will study engineering at Penn, while Carter is to enter Johns Hopkins Medical school. The chapter will miss its seniors.

Commencement week may be briefly outlined as follows: June 2d, fraternity dances; June 3d, the play, "He's a Mason"; June 4th, Fraternity banquets. More detailed information will be sent out later. It is needless to say that Pennsylvania Zeta confidently expects a turnout of alumni, and is eagerly anticipating their coming.

Carlisle, Pa.

May 8, 1927

R. C. CAMERON

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Eta—Franklin and Marshall College

True to tradition Pennsylvania Eta has been maintaining and raising her standard on the campus this year. An attempt will be made to list a few of the varied activities.

In varsity football, the chapter boasts of five lettermen: Hewes, Lehman, Zimmerman, Roberts and McCune, while Bachman received a first assistant managership. Whelan was captain of freshman football with Blose and Cole also receiving numerals.

The house was represented in varsity basketball by Captain Roberts and McCune. It is interesting to note that, for three years, Pennsylvania Eta has held the basketball captaincy—Yohn in 1926, Roberts in 1927, and McCune, captain-elect for the 1928 season. Blose and Cole played freshman basketball.

Bishop, Lehman and Whelan upheld the honor of the house in wrestling. Bishop, star 115 pounder, has lost but one bout in four years. He has been elected captain for 1928 season.

Montgomery, Sloan and Grosh are mainstays on Coach Mayser's track team. Sloan and "Monty" were high scorers last year.

Our representatives in baseball are: Ness, Roberts and Hewes. Roberts is starring with the bat, being one of the team's heaviest hitters.

In tennis we have Feagley, Roberts Appel and Charles Appel. Feagley is in line for captaincy next year.

Pennsylvania Eta has thirteen men in the Varsity Club this year. The requirement for membership is a varsity letter in some major sport. McCune is president for next year. Last term, Lehman was vice president.

Besides being successful in varsity sports, the chapter has succeeded in annexing two intramural cups—basketball and bowling.

In college activities we are well represented. In the Interfraternity Council, we are represented by President McCune and Weaver. Lehman is president of Intramural Association and represents the senior class on the board of governors. Budd, Bishop and Lehman are members of Black Pyramid, the senior honorary society. In the Black Cat society, we have Bachman and Roberts Appel, who was president of the freshman class last year. Klein is news editor of the *Student Weekly* and Feagley and Charles Appel are associate editors. Ness is president of the glee club while Bear is a member of the quartet. We are represented in the literary societies by Budd, C. Appel, R. Appel and Klein. Roberts Appel won the sophomore oratorical contest this year. Budd was president of the student senate last semester and is the father of the campus house idea at Franklin and Marshall.

As a matter of curiosity, statistics were compiled concerning the average stature of our men. It was found that the average height is 5' 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", the average weight 165 pounds and the average age 20 years and 8 months.

Scholarship is slowly but surely improving. Many good ideas were brought out at the District Council and we are making use of them.

Social activities have not been neglected either. Periodically, we have our house dances with a number of alumni always present.

Lancaster, Pa.

May 8, 1927

PHILLIP KLEIN

Correspondent

Pennsylvania Theta—Lafayette College

We are pleased to announce the initiation of Henry Heinen Schreyer of Milton, Pa., and Arthur Edward Scholtz of Brooklyn, N. Y. This fall we hope to have twenty-one men back for college as only three seniors graduate. We certainly regret the loss of these brothers. Marsh will probably continue study at the University of Pittsburgh or Harvard Law School, while Fairchild and Wilson will enter business. The presidency of the athletic association and one of the finest football men in the country leaves in the person of Marsh. He was also a member of the Knights of the Round Table, the "L" Club, and the Calumet Club, as well as being on the dean's list for scholarship. Fairchild was very active in dramatics, and was a member of K. R. T., treasurer of the interfraternity council, Brainerd Cabinet, Owl Club and various committees. Joe Wilson, though here only a year from Wisconsin, is making headway on the varsity tennis team, and is on the dean's list for high scholarship in his senior year.

Cothran has been elected captain of the football team for the 1927 season, and is a nominee for the presidency of the athletic association. Bud Hooker is goal keeper on the lacrosse team and Cox plays attack. Both will receive letters.

The following officers were elected for the fall: Addams, G. P.; Ashcraft, V. G. P.; Bauer, B. G.; Grant, A. G. and Commissarian; Brinson, Ho.; Keller, Ph.; Tierney, Hi.; Pomeroy, P.; and Cox, S. G.

Borden and Coddington are respectively manager and leading lady of the annual French play. Coddington's humor makes him a smooth siren. Borden and Hooker represent the chapter at the interfraternity council. Hooker is secretary. Armstrong has recently been elected as associate editor of the *Lafayette*. Hartje has won his letter on the varsity swimming squad. Pomeroy has added a membership in the student council and the captaincy of the debating team to his long list of activities.

Pennsylvania Theta ended a rather pretentious social season on May 7th with a tea dance and formal dance. Many of the alumni returned for the affair. The music and catering made the dance the best in the history of the present chapter.

The delegates to the D. C. brought back some very useful suggestions including an excellent idea for systematic rushing. Accordingly, we ask all alumni of this chapter or any other chapter to help us with advance information on prospective Lafayette men. During the summer months send any information to F. L. Grant, 26 New Brighton rd., Ben Avon Heights, Pittsburgh, Pa., and to the chapter house after September 15th.

Similarly, there is no other means for correcting our files and alumni addresses other than the receipt of such correct addresses from each alumnus. Forward the corrected address and tell your brother Thetans of the idea; it will help us to keep in touch with you.

Easton, Pa.

May 9, 1927

FREDERICK L. GRANT

Correspondent

 Pennsylvania Iota—University of Pennsylvania

The chapter is prospering, and at present particularly happy in anticipation of its forthcoming spring picnic, an annual affair, to take place on May 15th. Very soon thereafter the final examinations

will start, leaving campus activities and social affairs high and dry for the season.

We regret to report the prolonged illness of Tommy Rownd, which had kept him from being among us for some time, but which recently has compelled him to give up his college work altogether for the rest of the college year; we heartily hope that he will return to us in the fall, fully recovered. Roger Stevens has been elected secretary of the Mask and Wig Club, a most coveted position within the award of the dramatic society. Marcellus Wright was recently made a member of the Undergraduate Council of the university, representing the School of Fine Arts, and has also been made circulation manager of the *Pennsylvania Triangle*, the organ of the engineering schools. Worth Button was elected secretary and treasurer of the Interfraternity Council.

Philadelphia, Pa.
May 9, 1927

JOHN STOKES ADAMS JR
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Kappa—Swarthmore College

As summer fast approaches, Pennsylvania Kappa takes redoubled interest in college affairs. Our annual spring dance has just been held, a successful social affair in every way. From quite a substantial furniture fund donated by alumni at the last Kappa banquet, the committee has purchased a number of valuable articles of furniture which have enhanced the appearance of the lodge 50 percent.

The chapter is proud of the fact that DeGroot has presided over the Interfraternity Council here at Swarthmore during the spring term. The college glee club season has just been finished with more than the usual success and Burdsall's management is entirely responsible. This year's senior class has elected J. Lippincott as permanent president. In the recent elections for the *Phoenix* staff, the college weekly publication, Colket was chosen advertising manager.

A new man from the freshman class, Julien Cornell, was pledged and initiated, bringing our 1930 class up to nine men.

In spring sports, we have J. Lippincott captain of the baseball team and Burdsall and Colket manager and assistant manager respectively. DeGroot, varsity goal for the last two years, has been recently chosen All-American. Unger, E. Bishop and Bush are regulars on the varsity.

In track, Maxwell, varsity half-miler and Clothier, two-miler, are veterans of two years while our new brother Parrish has broken the freshman record in the low hurdles and is one of the varsity's most valuable men. Nicely, F. White and Brown are working out with the tennis team, Nicely playing second man on the varsity.

Out for assistant managers are: Dawes for lacrosse; F. White for tennis; J. White for baseball; Wood for track.

We have had a number of visitors from other chapters lately and we were much pleased to show them around. We are hoping more brothers will give our hospitality a trial in the near future.

Swarthmore, Pa.
April 27, 1927

HOWARD J. WOOD
Correspondent

Maryland Alpha—Johns Hopkins University

At this time Maryland Alpha wishes to announce the initiation of our ninth and tenth freshmen, John O. Deets and Morton Duke-

hart. Their initiation was followed by an informal dinner with the regular meeting immediately afterward.

The time intervening between our midyear and final exams seems to have passed all too quickly. With but four more weeks before us previous to the closing of this academic year, Maryland Alpha looks back on a very pleasing and encouraging second semester. The chapter has progressed in fine shape in both a material and fraternal way; the finances of the chapter show marked improvement and the freshmen in closing their period of instruction are beginning to obtain a more thorough idea of the real Phi Kappa Psi spirit.

The District Council was attended by O'Dunne and Thomsen, who report a most successful meeting, and speak highly of the Pennsylvania Zeta brothers, their hosts.

Our chapter is well represented on the campus in spring activities. Many brothers are taking active parts in the athletic side as well as in nonathletic campus affairs.

It is with regret that we look toward graduation at which time we shall lose our senior brothers, but we wish them all the luck possible and extend our best wishes to those of the other chapters, who soon take their way in their various careers.

Virginia Alpha—University of Virginia

Of leading interest to the chapter among the affairs of the last few weeks was the District Council. Virginia Alpha was ably represented by McEachern and Gilbert, both of whom submitted, upon their return, reports of profitable sessions, devoted to the discussion and solution of problems confronting the individual chapters, and accounts of the pleasure of their visit as the guests of Pennsylvania Zeta.

Easter week, as joyous and gay as of yore, witnessed the temporary abandonment of all serious pursuits in the life of the university for cultivation of the Terpsichorean art and appropriate celebration of that traditionally festive period. Ross Gorman and his cohorts of unrivalled creators of melody supplied the musical accompaniment, a host of charming visitors the inspiration. The appearance of the annual, as well as its less reputable and therefore anonymous, journalistic satellite, the *Yellow Journal*, and the coincidence of several baseball games and the most ambitious ventures of the dramatic season added variety to the week's entertainment. For Virginia Alpha an additional welcome feature was the return of many brothers among the alumni and their visits at the house. Like many of the delights of life, it passed all too quickly and left us ill disposed to resign ourselves once more to academic concerns and preparation for the menacing shadow of exams. The prospect of finals just beyond, however, reassures and encourages.

Selection of the staffs of the news and annual publications of the university for next year resulted in the elevation of two brothers of the chapter to executive positions, Gilmer and McEachern, to become the editors, respectively, of *College Topics* and *Cork and Curls*. McEachern has also been recently honored by election to membership in Phi Delta Phi, one of only four members of the first year class of the Law School extended bids this session.

In sports this spring Virginia Alpha has been represented on the diamond by Gammon and Colket, both bidding consistently for

regular berths on the varsity; on the golf team, by McClanahan and Nelson; and in track, by Gilmer, on the varsity squad, and Broun, first year. In addition, the last named also achieved distinction in a recent local golf tournament by effecting entrances to the exclusive hole-in-one coterie, scoring his ace on the fifth hole of the university course, 165 yards in length.

Sale of the present residence of Virginia Alpha has just been completed and it is fervently hoped that, by the time we burst into print, construction of our long-dreamed-for new home may have made encouraging progress.

The following were selected at our last meeting to guide the destinies of Virginia Alpha next year: G. P., Gilmer; V. G. P., Gammon; P., Williams; A. G., McEachern; B. G., Turner; S. G., McCoy; Ph., Clothier; H., Mason; and I., McClanahan.

University, Va.

May 9, 1927

L. A. DAFFAN GILMER

Correspondent

Virginia Beta—Washington and Lee University

Since Washington and Lee finals are over on June 7th, we are practically at the close of the scholastic year 1926-27.

At such a time as this it seems appropriate to run over the chapter's activities. Scholastically Virginia Beta has moved into the second quartile. We are represented in every branch of spring athletics. Spalts and White have played good baseball on a winning team. Barclay is a track man. He runs the hundred and two-twenty. Swede Olsen is now in Athens, Ga., with the golf team. Playing number three man he has performed splendidly. Wilkinson has made the tennis team.

Collins and Olsen have served most creditably as editor and assistant editor of the *Mink*. The magazine's success is largely due to their efforts. Preston and Bostwick have also worked on publications this year.

Edward Lander Smith had his usual place in the Troubadour show. This year the show was successful.

Fanning Hearon, who is president of 1927 finals, has things well under way for a real W. & L. commencement.

As we mention Hearon's and Olsen's names we do so with a real sense of regret. Both Fanny and Swede will be graduated in June. But they leave behind them four years of useful service to the Fraternity. And it is with a deep sorrow that Virginia Beta bids them goodbye.

Next fall the chapter will move into the Estelle House on Washington street. For several years we have been after this place and at last we are glad to have it! We would like to urge everyone to note our change of residence, and to ask visiting brothers and alumni to look us up next fall.

Lexington, Va.

May 8, 1927

W. BLACKSHER LOTT

Correspondent

THIRD DISTRICT

Pennsylvania Alpha—Washington and Jefferson College

Again an atmosphere of study has settled over the boys in the house, only two more weeks remaining until the final examinations begin. "Ain't that awful?" says Schaefer.

On April 9th Clayton Ross and George Wilson, both from Pittsburgh, were initiated. Both of these brothers transferred to W. & J. at the end of the first semester from Penn State College.

A week of vacation, beginning April 13th and lasting until the 21st, was enjoyed by the brothers. All went home except Scott whose home is in California. As soon as we returned, everyone instituted a general cleanup of the house in order that it might appear at its best when the visiting lady friend arrived the next day for the junior prom and the informal house party over the week-end. Schaefer was a member of the prom committee and promised to buy a new victrola with his share of the proceeds but we haven't yet got the "vic".

Metesser and Oursler were in charge of the Saturday night dance, held at the Monongahela Valley Golf and Country Club. Ed. Statler's Red and Black Collegians furnished the music for the dance following a delightful banquet.

Pennsylvania Alpha wishes a very interesting summer to all the brothers of the other chapters.

Washington, Pa.
May 10, 1927

P. H. FERGUSON
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Beta—Allegheny College

For several years Pennsylvania Beta has been only average or below average in scholarship among the eight fraternities at Allegheny, and this fact has been the cause of much anxiety among both the undergraduates and alumni. We had never been far below the groups who took the higher places, but always just enough to make our rank comparatively low. This past semester, due in part to a scholarship rule but in the main to the conscientious efforts of all the brothers, we came up to second place among all the fraternities and to first place among the nationals. We missed the top rank by the narrow margin of only three-tenths of one per cent, while we led our nearest rival, Phi Gamma Delta, by almost two whole points.

At a recent meeting of Pi Delta Epsilon, honorary journalistic fraternity, Lindsey, Mook and Laffer were elected to membership. Mook and Laffer also hold department editorships on the *Campus* staff for next year; Lindsey has been elected managing editor and Long an assistant editor. In a play, "The Youngest", given several weeks ago and sponsored by Duzer Du, dramatics club of the college, Lindsey played an important part.

The chapter welcomes back Edward I. Bates, recently returned from his trip around the world on "The University Afloat" cruise. He has many interesting stories to tell of his experiences in the various countries through which he passed.

Our annual formal spring party will be held May 21st at the Hotel Oakland, Conneaut Lake. Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Lee and Professor and Mrs. P. E. Hill will chaperone.

Plans are now under way for our symposium banquet which will be held on Saturday evening, June 18th. May we take this opportunity to urge alumni members to come back for the occasion and to answer promptly the cards which will be sent out to them in the near future.

Meadville, Pa.
May 8, 1927

HUGH K. LONG
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Lambda—Pennsylvania State College

An intimation that Pennsylvania Lambda was headed for a high rung on the scholarship ladder among the thirty-seven national fraternities at Penn State was presented in the last chapter letter to THE SHIELD. At that time it was announced that only two brothers throughout the entire house had received failures in major subjects for the semester ending, February 5th. (And in each case the brother received but one "below grade.") The fraternity scholarship grades and rankings recently released from the dean's office fulfill any hopes that the last letter might have inferred; Pennsylvania Lambda's fair name reposes in fourth place! A further surveyance of the list reveals that only two other important fraternities are found among the first twenty while out of the last seven places at the foot of the ladder, six are occupied by more of the so-called leading Greek-letter organizations here. In spite of the fact that this chapter is well up among the leaders in the scholarship race, it is the concensus of the brothers that there is still a place beyond which no chapter can possibly rise and it is to that position that the entire chapter now aspires.

Captain Phil "Lefty" Page is proving with each succeeding game that he is one of the best left-handers that has ever worn the Blue and White of Penn State. His work on the mound has been nothing short of remarkable with the result that his progress is being watched by several scouts who are drawing pay checks from the coffers of as many major league baseball teams. When he is not called upon to serve them up to opposing batsmen, Captain Page directs his team from an outfield berth because of flamboyant prowess with the bat. In seven contests, the lanky southpaw has walloped the horsehide for an average of .540. Unless we miss our guess a Phi Psi, whose name has just been rattled off our favorite typewriter, will be cavorting on the roster of a major league aggregation in the near future.

Successive week-ends brought an unusually large number of out-of-town guests, this chapter having the pleasure of entertaining visitors here for junior prom and Mothers Day. A larger host of girls revelled to enthralling music, as interpreted by Goldkette and Garber, than has ever attended any other Penn State convivial gathering, twenty-seven affixing their signatures to the chapter guest book. Mothers Day observances the following week-end, at which Penn State was hosts to hundreds of mothers of students, attracted almost as many guests, this time twenty-five rightly made the chapter house their headquarters.

Weedy Lord, editor in chief of the *Collegian* for next year, was elected vice president of the Eastern Intercollegiate Newspaper Association at a recent convention at Amherst, Mass. He is a member of *Parmi Nous*, upperclass campus society. Lew Gwin was the unanimous choice for president of the Y. M. C. A., as a result of an all-college ballot. Gwin was recently taken into Sigma Tau, honorary civil engineering society. Benny Brooks becomes manager of the freshman basketball team as well as interscholastic tournament manager for next year. Ran Thomas has just completed his duties as class editor of *La Vie*, junior year book. Vic Schinnerer, member of student council, is in the running for the presidency of the Interfraternity Council, a position to which much honor and importance is attached. Paul Nagle was prominent as a member of the varsity quartette, which organization achieved merited recognition on its several trips throughout the East.

Among the sophomores now laboring for first assistant manager-ships are Jack Hawke and Abby Payne who are toiling daily intent on making good in their respective lacrosse and baseball competitions. Homer Dodge was one of the leading orators on Penn State's successful debating team that incidentally is coached by Brother "John Henry" Frizzell, Mass. Alpha '98. Jim House, student council member, made a determined attempt to wrest a basketball managerial post. Walt Morgan and Al Ingham were active in the competition for wrestling and boxing manager's positions.

That the freshman brothers are off on the right foot is indicated by the attention shown in their endeavor to win campus recognition in extracurricular fields. Johnny Batdorf, acting captain of the freshman baseball team in all games played thus far and probable captain, has been proving his worth with the mask and wind pad. Carl Buck, may yet win a regular post at first base before the season is over. Malc Kirkpatrick has been a daily attendant at spring football practice waiting for a chance to do his part as second assistant football manager. Charley Drawbaugh is a cub reporter on the *Collegian* besides being a "girl" member of the chorus in the annual Thespian production. Harry Dowdy and Cal Barwis are aiming at the position of business manager of the *Collegian* when they are not in the vicinity of the soccer field as second assistant soccer managers.

Pennsylvania Lambda loses five men by graduation. In addition to Lefty Page, a member of Skull and Bones, upperclass campus society, the remaining four are: Bud Ulf, president of the glee club, a member of the Sphinx Society and leader of the varsity quartet; Fred Dorman, president of Delta Sigma Pi, honorary commerce and finance fraternity; Bill Sterling, outfielder on the varsity baseball squad and Jack Wilkes, on the Lion football squad for the past two seasons. The chapter joins in wishing the outgoing senior brothers all the success in whatever business they may undertake after receiving sought-for sheepskins this month.

Elections for the first semester of next year are as follows: president, J. R. Thomas; vice president, W. L. McClure; corresponding secretary, Wheeler Lord jr; recording secretary, F. W. Nickel; hierus, C. W. Barwis; hodigos, Malcolm Kirkpatrick; phulax, P. S. Williams. P. G. Nagle was elected caterer for one year with H. K. Dodge, J. A. Hawke and L. C. Stevens as his junior assistants.

Our front door is always barred tight to any visiting brothers, the latchstrings are NEVER out and there is most certainly no bed or good food to any Phi Psi who may come this way! What's wrong with that statement? "Ask me another."

*State College, Pa.
May 10, 1927*

WHEELER LORD JR
Correspondent

Pennsylvania Mu—Carnegie Institute of Technology

The first District Council meeting which this chapter has attended is over, and our delegates brought back very good reports of the meeting. Van Vechten, Ahlbrandt and Murdoch, our representatives, were very much impressed with the business-like attitude and the high character of the men who were there, and with the smooth working machinery which the different chapters presented. In addition to our delegates, McGrail, Snyder, Wangeman, Nimick and Griggs and Pledges Russell and Holverstott attended the meeting.

The design of our door plate has been worked out in the department of sculpture in the College of Fine Arts by Bassett, whose artistic ability is well known at Carnegie.

C. F. Williams, brother of President Howard C. Williams, has been elected alumnus adviser of the chapter, and has been in attendance at all meetings. We have been honored with a visit from Sion B. Smith, Attorney General of the Fraternity.

An informal dance was held at the house on March 4th, and was quite a success.

The Easter vacation extended from April 9th to 19th, and immediately upon our return we installed a new orthophonic victrola which adds greatly to the appearance of our living room.

On March 26th, the plebe prom, an annual event at Carnegie, was held under the direction of Van Vechten. On this day all freshman must appear on the campus in costumes which make them look as ridiculous as possible. Those wearing the best costumes are exempt from regulations for the remainder of the year. We are pleased to state that MacLeod was excused from regulations on this occasion.

Nimick recently broke the Carnegie record for the sixteen-pound shot putt. Kambach has been awarded first place on the plebe tennis team, and is proving himself worthy of his position. Dowling and McInnes have been awarded managership letters.

Our freshman brothers fared very well in the election of class officers for the coming year in the art school. Droste was elected president, Warner, treasurer, and MacLeod, senate representative.

Our new officers are Stump, G. P.; Horner, V. G. P.; Ahlbrandt, P.; Chamberlain, B. G.; Warner, Hi.; Owens, Hod.; and MacLeod, Ph. The remaining officers will hold their positions until September.

Word has just been received that Stump has been elected editor in chief of the *Tartan*, the weekly campus publication for the coming year. Chamberlain has also been elected secretary of the kiltie band.

Campus week, an annual period of festivities, is approaching, and we are busy decorating the house for the migratory dance, the opening event. This dance will be held on May 11th, and will usher in a season of merry-making which will last until the night of May 14th. Ahlbrandt is a member of the campus week show committee, Murdock, of the qualification day committee, and Droste, of the publicity committee, Soller and Droste and Pledge Holverstott are members of the staff of the campus week publication.

Our second semester ends June 6th, and we would like to receive visits from as many of you as possible before we leave for the summer vacation.

Pittsburgh, Pa.
May 9, 1927

ROBERT B. GOEHRING
Correspondent

West Virginia Alpha—West Virginia University

West Virginia Alpha entertained the District Council for the third district April 28th, 29th and 30th, with a meeting that was pronounced eminently successful by visiting delegates and alumni. Delegates arriving the first day attended a business session in the afternoon, and were entertained at a smoker in the evening. Features of this event were speeches of very informal nature from supposedly distinguished alumni, and singing and dancing acts from local theatres.

The second day was occupied by two business meetings and a Phi Psi dance in the Ball Room of the Morgan Hotel. The dance was

easily the best that has been staged in these hills in many years.

Business meetings again occupied the attention of the delegates the last day of the convention, and at one of these George Jackson of West Virginia Alpha was elected Archon. He is the third successive Archon of the district to come from this chapter. Between meetings time was found to attend a dual track meet between West Virginia and Geneva College, as guest of the university athletic department. The final event of the convention was the banquet, marked by good food and better speeches. Among the speakers were two national officers—Sion B. Smith and E. M. Bassett.

We enjoyed every minute spent as hosts to the visiting brothers, and hope to renew acquaintances formed this year at Pennsylvania Lambda, which has been chosen for the 1929 D. C.

Now to get back to routine matters. James Porter, of New Cumberland, and Preston Mitchell, of Morgantown, were initiated March 22d, after having successfully coped with condition examinations.

At the annual winter sports banquet Truheart Taylor gained the unusual honor of being elected captain of the varsity basketball team in his second year in college. He will lead the squad as a junior. In varsity track West Virginia Alpha is represented by Bill Simmons, John Phillips, June Maxwell and Truheart Taylor. This Taylor boy is turning out to be a child wonder in track as well as in basketball. Without previous experience he is performing capably in several of the field events, especially the broad jump, in which he is hitting around 22 feet.

Mothers Day was observed at the chapter house by an informal luncheon, attended by all the mothers who could arrange to be in the city.

All the boys are getting set for the grind of final examinations, scheduled to start in about two weeks. The following seniors will be lost to us if they successfully stem the last assault of the faculty: June Young, Kelcel Ross, Kennis Snodgrass, Robert Bland, Harold Saum, William Cobb and James McFarland.

Morgantown, W. Va.

ERNEST H. GILBERT JR

May 9, 1927

Correspondent

Ohio Alpha—Ohio Wesleyan University

Ohio Alpha is pleased to report that it stood second in scholarship among the national fraternities on the campus for the first semester of the present college year. This is one step higher than we achieved the previous semester and we feel our efforts have not been in vain.

During the past few weeks our interest has been centered in spring elections. Helwig was elected president of the Athletic Association, and Beebe vice president of the Y. M. C. A. as well as member of the Honor Court.

Our chapter was represented at the recent District Council at Morgantown by Bowers, Syester and Atkinson, who were splendidly entertained and came back with many suggestions for the betterment of Ohio Alpha.

In debate, Syester is on the varsity and Pledge Schnute on the freshman team. Each has been very successful throughout the year. Syester has also been selected athletic editor of the *Bijou* staff for next year. This is Ohio Wesleyan's annual.

The glee club of the university has been active repeating its last year's success by winning the Ohio championship, going to New York and participating with Harvard, Yale, Princeton and other clubs in the contest and attaining a place near the top. In this

activity MacFarland was prominent. The club plans a trip abroad this summer and will sing in Paris and other European cities.

In athletics we have turned from basketball and other indoor sports to baseball, outdoor track and tennis. Harlow plays second base on the baseball team; Pettibone, Dowds, Parker and R. Kyle are in track work; Carrol and Magley have been doing good work in tennis; Ernest has received his "W" in swimming.

On its southern trip during spring vacation, Wesleyan's baseball team won every game. It has since lost one game to Miami and tied one with Ohio State.

At the Ohio relays its track team made a strong showing and a successful season is confidently predicted for it.

In intramural sports our chapter has been zealous in seeking to retain its hard won athletic cup awarded it last year for the highest number of points in all intramural sports.

Our spring formal dance April 23d was a most delightful affair. An informal is being planned for May 14th.

Delaware, Ohio
May 7, 1927

JOHN KLINE BARTRAM
Correspondent

Ohio Beta—Wittenberg College

We call these last days of the college year sad because in a few more weeks the curtain will be called down on another year of the history of Ohio Beta. With the close of the year so near at hand Ohio Beta surveys the past year with pride and the future with confidence. Jensen, Jacobs, Arthur, Sittler and Hamburger will be lost to the chapter by graduation. Heistand, Miller and Theisen will return in June to receive their degrees.

Prospects for next year appear exceptionally bright. The membership committee is functioning well and all underclassmen expect to return in September.

By leading all other national fraternities on the campus for the third consecutive semester the chapter has won permanent possession of the interfraternity scholarship cup. The registrar's report disclosed the fact that Phi Psi was fourth among all social groups.

On April 11th, the following officers were elected to guide the destinies of Ohio Beta for the next semester: Brant, G. P.; Jackson, V. G. P.; Raff, B. G.; Root, S. G.; Bullock, Hi.; Evans, Ph.; Ingmand, Hod.

Sittler, member of Wittenberg's itinerant debate team, has returned from the California trip. He reports a wonderful reception by all chapters which he visited.

Bullock is performing regularly on the mound for the baseball team. Kemper was recently elected president of Scroll and Quill, honorary journalistic fraternity. Ingmand is a member of the golf team which recently defeated Ohio State. Kemper and Schneider have been elected to Pick and Pen, junior honorary society. Bullock has been tapped for Skull and Chain, senior honorary society.

For the convenience of brothers working in Springfield this summer the chapter house will be kept open and wandering brothers may here find more or less repose.

Springfield, Ohio
May 10, 1927

EARL P. SCHNEIDER
Correspondent

Ohio Delta—Ohio State University

High! High! Ohio Delta is out in front again. At the twelfth intramural festival, Phi Psi walked off with the highest honors, winning the high point trophy, and just failing to get the first place

cup in the relay by accident. To Pledges Strother, Huston, Jack and Dick Rockaway, goes most of the credit. Pledge Dick Rockaway, who promises to be a world's record holder in the hurdles within the next two years, was awarded the trophy for being the high point man of the festival.

Easter week-end found three newly initiated brothers, namely, Leo Holmes of Arlington, Ohio, Fred Hauck and Henry Weissenbach, both of Columbus, Ohio. Great things are expected of our new brothers. Ohio Delta also takes pleasure in announcing the pledging of Russell Reagan, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Frederick Machetanz, Kenton, Ohio. Already these boys have started into activities, Machetanz being a hurdler of no little renown.

Spring elections have arrived, and the chapter is well represented in the political line. DuBois has been elected to the presidency of the Interfraternity Council for the coming year. He is on the "Y" cabinet, and a member of the honorary commerce fraternity, Beta Gamma Sigma, besides playing regularly with the tennis team. Hollington and Brunson have just been initiated into the honorary junior society "Bucket and Dipper." Hunt, of basketball fame, has been chosen the most popular man on Ohio State's campus. Grim is representing us on Ohio's baseball diamond.

Our three representatives to the District Council at Morgantown, Lindenburg, Stanley and Brunson, reported to us the new ideas set forth at the convention. Ohio Delta hopes to profit by the many helpful suggestions that were brought back by these representatives.

The past month has found many visitors at our domicile. Pennsylvania Iota was well accounted for with five visiting brothers. We always enjoy having the brothers come to see us and stay a few days.

Columbus, Ohio
May 5, 1927

CHARLES RANDOLPH DARNELL
Correspondent

Ohio Epsilon—Case School of Applied Science

Two weeks left of this term and final examinations only one week away. There is no need to explain the mental attitude of the boys with such a future facing them.

Commencement exercises will be held May 26th, and with the termination of our studies we lose six good Phi Psis. They are M. H. Gould, L. J. Reardon, W. R. Gray, C. H. Junge, W. A. Giffhorn and W. S. Wilcox. The chapter wishes these men the best of luck and we hope they will find time to return to the old chairs by the fireside and tell the youngsters how things were run when they were in the institution.

Our annual get-together and smoker with the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity at our neighboring college Western Reserve, was held on April 11th. A few musical numbers and games including "indoor golf" made the evening a jolly affair.

McCuskey, Welch and Brashares were the delegates to the D. C. held at Morgantown, W. Va. The official report has been made and from the unofficial reports West Virginia Alpha put over one of the best Councils ever held in the third district. In fact the boys were quite stopped by the hospitality shown them.

The May party is scheduled for the 21st of May and is to be held at Madison Golf Lakelands.

The chapter has appointed a committee to investigate the freshman rules with the idea of revoking all that are in use at the present time. We believe that a stronger freshman class will result and a four-year comradeship will spring from this small but excellent idea.

The house is open during the entire year and all visiting brothers are urged to pay us a call.

Cleveland, Ohio
May 8, 1927

H. A. GRUNDLER
Correspondent

FOURTH DISTRICT

Michigan Alpha—University of Michigan

The last letter to THE SHIELD gave the list of pledges who were initiated in February. Since then we are glad to say that Owsley Vose of Evanston, Ill., has been initiated.

At the last meeting officers were elected as follows: G. P., Maxwell Nickerson; V. G. P., Edward Wachs; P., William Patton; A. G., Bradford Carver; S. G., William Maney; B. G., John Effinger; Hod., Samuel Atkins; Hier., Archibal Black; Ph., Owsley Vose. A rising vote of thanks was given for the excellent services rendered by Frank Graham and Bill Patton, who were G. P. and P. respectively till the new election.

Appointments on the publications have not yet been announced, but several of the brothers stand excellent chances, especially those in the sophomore class. Bob Halsted was initiated into Blue Key, an honorary society for the entertainment of visiting athletic teams. Bob is also running for recording secretary of the Union and the Student Council. Most of the freshmen are either out for athletics or one of the publications, and give all signs of making good.

John and Bob Halsted made their "M's" again this year in swimming, Bill Maney made his in hockey, and Jack Tarbill is on the varsity track squad running the 220 low hurdles.

The mother's house party is scheduled for next week-end, and promises to be a big success. Many of the brothers have signed up, and an orchestra has been engaged.

Carl Grimm and Maxwell Nickerson were the chapter delegates to the D. C. at Greencastle, and came back with a report of a constructive convention as well as tales of excellent hospitality.

Ann Arbor, Mich.
May 2, 1927

BRADFORD L. CARVER
Correspondent

Indiana Alpha—DePauw University

The turnout for spring football this year was the largest so far. Sixty-seven uniforms were issued and this number does not include the varsity players. Prospects for the best season in years are indeed bright. In baseball, the season has not been as successful as it might have been, but there is yet plenty of time to make the grade. Bert Fowle and Lamphear are representing Phi Psi in varsity baseball and Urb Fowle is playing freshman ball.

DePauw has been very successful in track. The first meet with State Normal was called on account of rain but at that time the score stood 50 to 18. The next meet with Earlham ended 86 to 40 in our favor. Last week the meet with Rose Poly ended a 105 to

30 with DePauw on the large end of that score. Next week comes Bradley Tech followed by the little state meet held here and the season ends with the big state meet at Indiana. Puckett, Scott and Gunn have carried away their share of the honors on the track this spring. Mountz is occupied with freshman track. Bill Lockwood and Carrington are on the tennis team. A great deal of interest has been shown in Coach Hughes' system of intramural athletics. Just at this time we are deeply engrossed in baseball and to date have won all our games, thus bidding fair for the championship. Golf certainly is rising rapidly in popularity as one of the minor sports. Intramural golf has not as yet been started.

As reward for their excellent and scholarly work in the university, John Puckett and Bill Lockwood have been awarded membership in Phi Beta Kappa. Thirty-five keys were given this year. To make Phi Beta it is necessary to make almost a straight "A" average and such a consistent record is certainly praiseworthy. This award seems to have been evenly divided between men and women. Of the eighteen granted to men, ten went to members of Greek-letter fraternities.

At the chapter election held April 25th, the following officers were chosen: president, John Marshall; vice president, Robert Emison; corresponding secretary, Stuart Smith; recording secretary, Cyrus Gunn; treasurer, John Burkhart; historian, Ray Thompson; chaplain, Ed Van Riper; sergeant-at-arms, Ed Young; and messenger, Robert Kimberlin. To these brothers fall the duty of guiding Indiana Alpha through another year of its honored existence. Recently we pledged the first of our next year's freshman class. Charles Crackel, the son of a Vincennes banker, makes journalism his hobby and we expect great things from him in this field.

Our entertainment of the District Council seems to have been a great success. All reports pertaining to Indiana Alpha were most favorable. We were especially complimented upon our initiation which was held in mock for the benefit of the visiting brothers. Some thirty-five undergraduate delegates and twenty-five alumni attended. We were very fortunate in having as speakers for the banquet Howard C. Williams, national President; George H. Moore, national Vice President; Edward H. Knight, former Treasurer; Edward T. Lockwood, retiring Archon for the fourth district; and Tim O'Connell, Archon elect. Dan Swannell, Ex-national President, presided as toastmaster.

Symposium is still some six weeks off and for that reason definite plans have not yet materialized. However, Indiana Alpha extends to all her alumni a sincere invitation to return for this occasion.

Greencastle, Ind.
May 5, 1927

STUART F. SMITH
Correspondent

Indiana Beta—Indiana University

Your correspondent is dispatching this communication at a moment when the farewells are being said by about fifty fathers and mothers who were present this week-end for the noblest and, somehow, the most inspiring meeting we have had since the first Phi Psi idea of a week-end for the dads and mothers was adopted here. More than twenty-five fathers brought to us a genuine pledge of companionship and endorsement in a Dads' day banquet at the chapter house Saturday night of this delightful week, and following that best of Dads'

day dinners, the chapter enriched the week-end with a splendidly successful Mothers' day banquet Sunday. The fathers came along, and here and there were sisters or other relatives, but the tribute this time was to the most splendid group of women that has assembled in the chapter house this year. Brother Romey led the songs, and was rivalled by a surprise song leader, Mr. Charles Beshore, of Marion, father of Brother Beshore, who led the guests in a song to the chapter. Eugene Ramey received another ovation to his already long list for the semester when he sang two songs at the banquet.

Ed Oliver, generalissimo of pianists, directed his Vagabonds into tropical musical channels for Indiana Beta's spring rush dance, April 29th. Four young men, whose appearance and conduct freed the suspicion that they have Phi Psi ingredients, were decorated with the pledge button. They are: Robert Hiatt, Washington; Charles Leibrock, Warsaw; Paul Jones, Newcastle; and Richard Baker, Noblesville. Beshore guided the rushing during the dance, and Starr later assumed the rush captaincy. A number of good prospects already have been lined up for next year's freshman class.

Chapter officers for the next term were elected at a meeting May 9th. They are: G. P., Wisely; V. G. P., Wasmuth; B. G., Shirts; Chaplain, Racey; Ph., Brenton; Hod., Blount; S. G., Dice; steward, Laurien.

Indiana Beta has kept to the fore in activities. There are three "I" men in the house. Krueger and Starr received their letters in basketball after an upset season, which, although its upsets were unfavorable to Indiana, was as exciting as has ever characterized the conference net race. Krueger led the team to second-place honors. Scheid got into the last games of the season, after a long illness which kept him from the court, and will win his letter next year. Starr is expected to be one of the offensive stars on the team. Luther is our member of the swimming team, he having received his "I" this week. Krueger's letter is his third in basketball.

Tucker's initiation into Tau Kappa Alpha, debating fraternity, was a contribution from the freshman class. Pike, ranking tennis player of the university, has been one of the mainstays in the court game this spring. Playing no. 1 position, he has led the doubles team and has performed well in the singles in a half dozen meets to the time this letter was written. The intramural tournament now in progress is granting things to two of our freshmen, Hines and Lammers, a pair of terrible men from Terre Haute. Hines is the incarnation of W. T. Tilden II, the difference resting in the fact that Hines is a bit slower. The resemblance is refreshing.

Shirts has been initiated into Alpha Chi Sigma, professional chemistry fraternity. Brenton and Blount have been pledged Skull and Crescent, honorary sophomore organization. Bundy and Simmens are hard at work in spring football practice, and Rinne and Dow, who have postponed their grid activity until examinations are over, will be out in moleskins again next fall. The chapter lost two good football prospects when Hansen got married and Jones left college.

Trueblood has been elected secretary of the state collegiate press association, and vice president of the local chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, international journalistic fraternity. Richardson has been elected a member of the Men's Union board and secretary of Sigma Delta Chi. Romey has been initiated into Phi Delta Phi, professional law fraternity. Romey and Ramey, the two beacon voices of the chapter, are brightening Bloomington churches with special singing on Sundays.

The *Hi-Bazoo*, chapter newspaper, will be published May 20th, by a staff consisting of Trueblood, editor, and Kidd, Chambers, Stempel, and Richardson, associate editors. It will contain a special invitation to alumni to attend commencement exercises.

It might be well to recognize some other efforts of the social committee. A successful junior prom dinner party was given April 22d, with Moenkhaus' Mother Bailey Boys providing the music. Another house dance may be held soon after college is out.

Tommy Cookson informs us that work on the new addition to the house, which will cost between \$14,000 and \$15,000, will start this summer.

Wasmuth and Wisely, delegates to the D. C. at Greencastle, took the minutes and scrap book to that gathering. At this typing they have not submitted an official report.

Final examinations will command our attention in the next few weeks, but even in the midst of textbooks and term papers, emergency cramming, notebooking, etc., we will stop to make every visitor welcome.

Bloomington, Ind.
May 9, 1927

DOW L. RICHARDSON
Correspondent

Indiana Delta—Purdue University

The formal initiation of Indiana Delta was held on April 2d, at which time the following twelve men were accepted into the fraternity: John Baker, Brazil; James Roark, Spokane, Wash; Herman Boots, Frankfort; Joseph Cox, Miami, Fla; James Campbell, Bowling Green; F. David Robertson, Chicago, Ill.; Robert Schwartz, Vincennes; Edwin Gerhart, Kokomo; Alan Burnett, Lafayette; Gordon Beemer, Lafayette; Earl Kelsey, Fort Wayne; William Jackson, Indianapolis. These men have demonstrated their scholastic abilities, and at present are giving much time to activities.

The official averages for fraternities on the Purdue campus were published recently. As has been the case for the last six semesters, we showed a substantial gain. Our numerical average is 80.06, giving us eleventh place among thirty-three fraternities. We have hopes of reaching the top eventually since the leaders were only 4.8 percent ahead of us.

Although we are stressing scholarship heavily, we are not neglecting activities. Fridlin is captain of the golf team and, according to early reports, is leading it to a successful season. Milford is playing his second year on the varsity tennis team. Five of the brothers gave a sigh of relief when the six weeks' siege of spring football practice ended recently. For their efforts, Hook, Boots and Galletch received gold footballs, and Roark and Campbell received silver ones. Boots also made freshman numerals in basketball, and is practically assured of a three-year berth on this team. In the recent Harlequin production, "The O'Brien Girl," Denny played one of the major roles, and G. Beemer was in the chorus. McMahon was elected Union vice president of the Mechanical School.

Our social functions have been curtailed this year due to lack of financial wherewithal. However, the reward of sacrifice is near at hand. We are giving a house party May 13-15, that is expected to go down in the social history of the campus. Those brothers who have feminine attractions living in other cities have already knocked off work to steep themselves in fond anticipation. Inasmuch as a

full moon is due the week-end of house party, the bachelor members of the chapter are harboring grave fears for some of the romantically inclined brothers.

We have been very fortunate this year by being the recipients of several very handsome gifts. In addition to those mentioned in the last SHIELD letter, we were recently given \$100 by Brother Molt's father. With this boost we now have enough money to buy some new porch furniture.

We are endeavoring to build up a reputation of hospitality; so any brother will be welcomed cordially at any time—to test us on this proposition.

Lafayette, Ind.
May 8, 1927

MAURICE W. JOHNSON
Correspondent

Illinois Alpha—Northwestern University

On May 14th Illinois Alpha will be presented with a new altar for the chapter room. The altar was designed by Brothers Lothrop Brown and Noel Seeburg and will be presented by them to the chapter. A mock initiation service will be held in connection with the presentation ceremony.

Spring is in the air and spring house cleaning has been begun. Art Mason, the house man, has won distinction by varnishing the floors and cleaning the walls. The chapter recently purchased an electric waxer and the freshmen have substituted this form of exercise for their "daily dozen."

Illinois Alpha and Illinois Beta are giving a joint party at the chapter house of Illinois Beta, on May 7th. This is the first tangible result of several attempts to have a joint function and the men of each chapter are looking forward to a "large" evening.

Illinois Alpha is celebrating Mothers Day by entertaining the parents at Sunday dinner. We regret that many of the parents live too far away to attend; however, over half of the boys will have their parents here.

The history class mentioned in the last letter to THE SHIELD has proved to be quite a success. The class was intended to be mainly for the freshmen but the upperclassmen have also been taking an active part. The class has been studying the history of the national Fraternity and also of Illinois Alpha.

We have recently received several inquiries about the *Purple Phi Psi*. This was a paper which the chapter published annually. Because of the expense of printing this paper and also because it could be published only once a year we have substituted for it a mimeographed news letter which is mailed to all chapters and to all Illinois Alpha alumni. If our alumni have not been receiving this letter it is probably because we do not have their correct addresses. We would appreciate receiving any addresses which we do not have at present.

This year Illinois Alpha will lose five men by graduation, Brothers Kellogg, Wires, Jackson, Bassett and Ainsworth. This is the largest class graduated by Illinois Alpha for several years.

For the second consecutive semester Phi Psi has led the national fraternities at Northwestern in scholarship. We are hoping to win the wall plaque offered by the national Fraternity by maintaining this lead during the current semester. This is particularly significant when we consider that only two years ago Illinois Alpha was on university probation for poor scholarship.

Illinois Alpha has stressed scholarship above all else, but we have not lost sight of other campus activities. In the recent circus given by the joint organization of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. we took a cup for third prize in novelty stunts. George Dixon was performance manager of the circus, assisted by McKenna and Wienke. Barney served on the board in charge of side shows. Lyman Moore was recently chosen by the publications board as business manager of the *Daily Northwestern* for next year.

Dexter and Cartlidge were recently elected to Beta Gamma Sigma, honorary commerce fraternity. Cartlidge is from Wisconsin Gamma and is taking postgraduate work in the School of Commerce. Kellogg has been awarded a fellowship in history.

Evanston, Ill.
May 7, 1927

RICHARD M. AINSWORTH
Correspondent

Illinois Beta—University of Chicago

Much has been carried on and much has been accomplished at Illinois Beta in the past weeks. Most important among the important affairs has been the rushing. Right now it looks as though next year we would initiate one of the finest Phi Psi classes ever initiated anywhere. We have already pledged two fine boys from Hinsdale, Bill Ray and Fritz Towsley, Scott Rexinger and Don Moore of Chicago, Chuck Coleman of Evanston, Don Morrison, John Sutherland, Stan Wilburn and John Ingles of Oak Park. Moore is a great tennis player while Rexinger is an interscholastic tennis champion. Coleman plays basketball, Morrison toils on the football field, Sutherland has a habit of breaking records on the cinder path, Ingles plays football the way it should be played, and Wilburn makes himself prominent both in football and track. And what is more to their credit, they are all going to make great Phi Psis—and they also look like a good gang of window washers which makes them finer still. It might be said here that we find Sunday afternoon teas very good for rushing. We have had some great evenings, some fine turnouts, and some very good results. Mrs. Ewald, our house mother, has been a most prominent factor in making our teas a success.

We entertained our pledges at a recent party held at our house in conjunction with the Northwestern chapter. Everyone spent a very enjoyable evening—good food, good music, and an abundance of good men. We are hoping for a continuance of this interschool idea, and we thank the Northwestern fellows for their cooperation. Schroeder of Illinois Beta and Daly of Illinois Alpha were the men who did the real work.

Not long ago major "C's" were awarded to six men on the Chicago basketball squad. Three of these six men were members of Illinois Beta: Gist, Farwell and Captain Sackett. Sackett, moreover, is making "A's" in law school, and as G. P. is running the chapter in admirable fashion. Virg Gist is doing great work in track. At the Drake relays, as anchor man on the Chicago two-mile relay team, he turned a 1:55 half, and in the recent Purdue meet he had little trouble in copping first place in the half mile. Bill Macklind is regular pitcher on the baseball team and he is doing more than his share of the heavy hitting. As for our intramural baseball, many broken windows attest the fact that much practice is going on. Our team lost a heart-rending battle several days ago and was nosed

out for the championship of its league. Budd and Pledge Moore seem to be headed for the finals of the intramural tennis tournament.

Blackfriars, the big annual show of the university, is being put over again by several members of Illinois Beta. Harris holds the responsible position of business manager, Hintz holds the center of the stage as leading man for the second consecutive time, Thomas is laboring under the title of chorus manager, while Yager, Forkel and Trowbridge are showing the way to the fancy steppers in the chorus. Laverty, Hintz and Thomas have contributed several musical numbers to the show, the title of which is "Plastered in Paris."

The last item of importance is in reference, of course, to the recent D. C. Peale, Weddell and Harriss were our delegates. They returned with a feeling of the true greatness of Phi Kappa Psi. They gained a world of individual betterment and brought back many ideas which will be of unlimited benefit to Illinois Beta. On their way to DePauw the men stopped at the new Purdue house and admired it greatly. Most of all they were impressed by the hospitality of the men at DePauw. "The convention," the delegates say, "was nothing less than inspirational, and it served to let us know what a truly great organization Phi Kappa Psi is!"

Chicago, Ill.

May 9, 1927

PERRY R. THOMAS

Correspondent

Illinois Delta—University of Illinois

This particular week-end is a full one for Illinois Delta, as all the rest will be until the end of the semester. But with the formal coming on Friday and Mothers Day on Sunday, the brothers will have little time for studying or any other such extracurricular activities. If crepe paper makes for a good formal, this one is going to be better than ever; the correspondent, for one, never saw so much before, and hopes that the food will equal the decorations in quantity.

T. F. O'Connell is receiving the congratulations of the chapter upon his recent election as Archon of the fourth district. We know better than the other chapters of the district what a good Archon Tim is going to be; he's a man who has ideas and knows how to carry them out. Besides his chapter and fraternity activities, Tim is, as he was last year, number one man on the varsity tennis team, and is limbering up for the opening of the season on May 7th; as you will remember, he is at present the conference singles champion.

Eddie Shaw now has a regular berth on the varsity baseball squad, and it looks like ere long there will be another "I" in the house. Eddie has also been recently elected to membership in Phi Kappa Epsilon. Fix, Smith, Spies and Pledge Brennan have been initiated into Dolphins, honorary swimming fraternity. Boling has been elected to Tu-mas, and Burroughs and Stengel have been honored by the yellow and green ribbons of Skull and Crescent. Four men have been awarded football numerals: G. P. Smith, Tarwain, Ongley and Stengel.

New pledges are Glenn P. Smith, of Clinton, Iowa, and Kenneth W. Mason, of Chicago. They are both good men, and if you want to know what they are doing, Mason is an infielder on the first freshman baseball squad, while Smith is what is known as good football material. I hate this idea of tagging every man's name with an activity; it sounds like that's all he is good for. Still, what's a poor correspondent to do? How can he get a man's personality down on

paper? This one gives up. Tarwain is out for spring basketball.

Illinois Delta has lately been the recipient of visits from two distinguished members of the fraternity. Elliott Nugent, of "The Poor Nut", along with several other members of the cast, took dinner with us on the evening of April 2d, and gave an exceptionally fine performance that night; whether the two facts were causally related I cannot say. More recently we have been honored by a more prolonged visit from Ken Barnard, editor of the Catalog, who was working on a case being tried in Urbana. Both brothers will be welcome here again, or as many times as they are in the neighborhood (and so will any other brothers).

Champaign, Ill.
May 6, 1927

CHARLES H. BENNETT
Correspondent

Tennessee Delta—Vanderbilt University

Since our last writing three more freshmen have cleared the scholastic barriers and are now hard-working brothers, loyal and true. We introduce them with pleasure—Frank Fort True, Adairville, Ky.; Howell E. Warner, Nashville, Tenn.; James Clifford West, Hickman, Ky.

Our regular spring dance was given April 27th. This year we tried a new one, a tennis ball, and from outside reports it was everything we hoped it would be. Plans are now under way for our annual treasure hunt. If it just turns out to be as much fun as it has always been in the past, nothing more is to be asked. And then after that—finals—then vacation. Another year gone, but it has been a good year for us—one of our best.

Looking forward to next year, the membership committee is rushing as never before and the names of many good prospects are on our lists. Right here we want to request every brother who reads this letter to let us hear about any good man who is coming to Vanderbilt next fall. You may know some we might miss, and a letter about any good prospect will be greatly appreciated.

Johnny Johnston and Tommy Thomas, our D. C. team, report a perfect combination of real business and a good time at Greencastle, April 21-23. Indiana Alpha is certainly to be congratulated on the way they handled the convention. We surely are glad to have had two of that chapter for a short visit recently. Brothers Lockwood and Bruington stopped over on their way south. We are only sorry that their stay wasn't longer.

The next issue of THE SHIELD will contain a letter from our newest Chapter at Carnegie Tech. Right here we want to tell them how glad we are to have them in our fold. Good luck and continued success is the best that we can wish them, and may they have lots of both.

Nashville, Tenn.
May 7, 1927

T. A. GRIMES
Correspondent

Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin

Since the last letter to THE SHIELD the following pledges have become brothers: Mark Hobart, Momence, Ill.; Don Reeke, Green Bay; George Reeke, Green Bay; Don McDermaid, Rockford, Ill.; Claus Anderson, Santa Monica, Cal.; Bob Buell, Watertown; De Witt Vrooman, Kansas City, Mo.; Joe Kennedy, Tulsa, Okla.; Ralph

Smith, Moline, Ill.; John Gant, Delavan; and Fred Barrett, Chicago, Ill. Wade Boardman of New Richmond and Harold Smedal of La Crosse will have been initiated before the end of the week. Pledges Bob Arnold, Holden Moran and our new pledge Bill Conway of Madison all seem to be striving earnestly to make their grades this semester.

The scholastic report of the university which came out shortly after the last letter was sent, even bettered all our expectations, for the chapter rated tenth among fifty social fraternities and practically above all of the larger ones. The pledges also did very well although they did not come up to the chapter standard. The alumni prize of \$25 for the highest grade in the chapter went to Russ Winnie with a grade point average of 2.214 although he was duly crowded by several other boys. One of our grads, "Doc" Weeks, came closest to perfection when he rolled up an average of 2.938 which is even more noteworthy when considered as coming from the Medical School.

Up to this year the house has never been able to do very much in the way of athletics, but the spell seems to have been broken at last, for Don Mitchell received his "W" for hockey and Don Hinderliter his "W" for gymnastics, and the former was elected to the University Athletic Council. A few of the pledges have shown inclinations along those lines and some of the rushees we have in line for next fall are doing big things in high school competition.

However, the most prominent activity has been dramatics for there never has been quite such a surge in that direction. Six of the boys returned after a two weeks' triumphant tour with the Haresfoot Club with Wiff Roberts and John Moran acclaimed everywhere as being real artists in their comedy parts. Bill Schroeder, Russ Winnie and Wiff Roberts are already club members and John Moran, Art Morsell, Len Hicks and Ralph Schuetz were voted in this year. Now that Haresfoot is over Russ is taking a part in "Outward Bound", the production of Wisconsin Players. The house was also more than pleased when John Moran and Wiff Roberts both were elected to National Intercollegiate Players and from their activity we feel sure that they deserved it.

The house has been having quite a few gatherings lately which have aroused much interest among both the alumni and parents. Quite a large group were up for initiation ceremonies and banquet and a group of parents became better acquainted with the house when on May 8th, Mothers Day was celebrated by a very pleasant Sunday dinner. On May 13th the house is having spring formal and it is expected that some of the alumni will be returning for that annual gala occasion.

Len Hicks and George Miller, our two representatives to the D. C., returned with a good account of all that happened down at Greencastle, Ind., and the chapter is sure to profit by the suggestions. One of our newly initiated brothers, Ralph Smith, made a ten day tour with the glee club and with his advent Wisconsin Alpha has branched out into another activity. Bill Schroeder was elected to Beta Gamma Sigma, a national honorary commerce fraternity. Jimmie Drummond was initiated into Tumas, a sophomore interfraternity organization. Bill Schroeder was also elected to White Spades, an honorary junior scholastic and activities organization. John Gant has been a regular contributor to the "Octy", Wisconsin's humor publication, and our able artist, John Geib, has been doing some illustrations for various university publications.

The house wishes again to extend an invitation to all members

of the Fraternity and sincerely hope this invitation will be used more freely. It is also asked that the alumni of this or any chapter give us the aid they have always given in the past by supplementing our list of rushees, for along that line they can be extremely helpful. If you have the names of any rushees, please send them in this spring, for every day counts in the competition which has grown so very stringent at Wisconsin. This year closes then with a hearty wish to a successful rushing season to each and every chapter next fall.

Madison, Wis.
May 8, 1927

RALPH E. SCHUETZ
Correspondent

Wisconsin Gamma—Beloit College

Midsemester exams are over and Wisconsin Gamma is starting on the last lap with a higher scholarship standing than at any previous time this year. Renewed efforts are being made on scholarship and we hope to be able to show continued improvement during the remainder of the year.

Pete Kesler was in charge of the spring informal held at the house April 30th. Doc Brown, Nemo Carlidge, Ted Thoma, John Hageman, Guig Lewis, Doc Connell, Don Wilson, Peck Wiegert and Hod Hill were all back for the evening in addition to a number of rushees.

Reunion and the customary annual banquet will be held June 11th. Johnny Arnold is at the head of the reunion committee, which is working with the chapter and with Lyle Munn, alumnus adviser, to make this anniversary reunion the largest in the history of the chapter.

Vern Balch, Pete Kesler and Ken Dupee were undergraduate delegates to the Fourth District Council at Greencastle. Johnny Arnold and Walt Massey went as alumni delegates, Massey also representing the Chicago A. A.

Phi Psi received a good deal of prominence in the past basketball season, Mort Balch, Boob Darling and Ken Dupee being awarded major letters in that sport. In the first track meet of the season Vern Balch, McAllister, Dickerman and Ken Dupee each garnered places in their specialties, and all have good possibilities of winning letters this spring.

Interfraternity baseball is just starting and as Phi Psi has practically all of last year's championship team back on the diamond we have an excellent chance to make a good showing.

Beloit, Wis.
May 6, 1927

KENNETH J. DUPEE
Correspondent

Minnesota Beta—University of Minnesota

Minnesota Beta announces the pledging of Dan Feidt, George McCabe and Thomas Von Kuster, all of Minneapolis; Clifford Hedburg, of Cokato, Minn.; and Gordon Schaeffer, of Duluth, Minn. These five men, all of whom entered college in the winter quarter, were pledged after a very successful rushing period. The class represents a seventh of the men rushed and pledged by the 36 fraternities at the university. With Howard Knapp, who was forced by illness to leave college last quarter, they will be initiated before the end of May.

A formal initiation for eight members of the freshman class was held on April 18th. The chapter takes this opportunity to introduce the new brothers: Jack Bates, Fred Engel, John Moorhead and Lawrence Mooney, all of Minneapolis; Lamont Nichols and John Wald, of St. Paul, Minn.; Robert Bateman and Frank Hardy, of Austin, Minn. An alumnus, John Mortland, was toastmaster at the initiation banquet, while alumni brothers Raymond Jackson and L. L. Longbrake, gave speeches in honor of the new members.

With the coming of the spring quarter, the chapter is active in intramural and intercollegiate athletics. Donald Kopplin, for two years light heavyweight on the university wrestling team, was elected captain of his team at the close of the last season. Marshall Crowley and John McCoy are performing regularly on the university track team. Crowley is a veteran polevaulter, while McCoy is in his first year in broadjumping. Both show promise of making their letters. Frank Hardy, a new member, is on the freshman track squad. The chapter has entered a team in the interfraternity kittenball tournament and is now leading its division. William Haas and Edwin Pickler, entered in the university golf tournament, and Fred Engel and George McCabe, in tennis doubles tournament, have won all matches to date.

Philip Burger was elected to the board in control of publications, and William Haas was named to the academic student council in the recent spring elections. Lamont Nichols has been appointed to the editorial board of the *Minnesota Daily*, while Dan Feidt is a copy-reader on the same paper. William Haas has been elected to the Garrick Club, men's dramatic organization, while Jack Bates will be initiated into Minnesota Masquers, largest dramatic organization on the campus, at the end of the year.

Plans have been laid for the house to hold three parties this quarter.

The active members gave a formal party to the pledges on April 8th. The second party was an informal at the house on May 14th. In addition, a house party is being planned for June 4th and 5th at Bay Lake about 90 miles north of Minneapolis.

The chapter is indebted to the mothers club for a dinner which the mothers gave the undergraduates at the house on May 6th. The dinner was so successful that the mothers plan to make it an annual affair. At the dinner they made plans to make curtains for the second and third floors and discussed plans for raising money to make repairs on the chapter house.

At the end of this month the chapter will close a very successful year. A summary of the activities show a well-rounded chapter. As a whole, the chapter raised scholastically from nineteenth to eleventh place on the campus; entered seven teams in interfraternity athletic competition, winning one championship, with three contests yet to be decided; gave six successful parties—three informal, two formal, and one house party—an alumni homecoming banquet, two initiation dinners, at which alumni and actives met; pledged 15 exceptional men, of whom 14 will be initiated by June 1st. As individuals, the members of the chapter have divided their activities well. Eight men held positions of importance on the campus; eleven were on varsity athletic squads, four making letters and one a captaincy; three new men were placed in dramatic societies and one additional man in professional fraternities.

Minneapolis, Minn.
May 7, 1927

PHILIP BURGER
Correspondent

FIFTH DISTRICT

Iowa Alpha—University of Iowa

Iowa Alpha's delegates to the fifth District Council at Ames have just returned and brought back the good news that Larrabee, the senior delegate, was elected Archon for the ensuing two years. This chapter is proud of him, and we feel that he will be a very capable officer.

At present, while confining much of our attention to the final exams which close the college year June 2d, the brothers are still keeping an eye on various campus activities. Phillips' efforts as tennis captain have had much to do with the unaltered success of Iowa's team this season. Macy, a freshman, received a rare honor when he was elected as editor in chief of the *Transit*, Iowa's engineering publication. In track Bob Cuhel has been adding to his large collection of watches and Jerrel has now gained possession of the freshman high jump record. Dan Dutcher has been chosen for the lead in a coming play.

Next Friday night will mark the close of Iowa Alpha's social season when some forty Phi Psis will entertain as many campus beauties at the formal spring dance. This is the finest party of the year and will be a fitting conclusion to our social activity.

Soon we will all be departing to our homes and some of the brothers will be starting on trips to all parts of the hemisphere. Before disbanding, we wish to entertain any alumni or visitors who can see fit to visit us, and wish all brothers a pleasant vacation.

Iowa City, Iowa
May 8, 1927

FRANKLIN KEMP
Correspondent

Iowa Beta—Iowa State College

After the final two weeks of the winter quarter were over, and the smoke had cleared away, Iowa Beta found herself with the major share of the honors of the winter intramural athletic program. After winning our league in track we romped away with the finals with a lead of over 15 points. Pledge Smith was high point man in the meet. In basketball the house team defeated Alpha Kappa Delta, the local champions, 12 to 1 for the college championship. Treadwell and Hill were named as center and guard on the all-college team. Treadwell was also high point man for the entire season. In the foul shooting tournament, we won first after a very close race; Pledge Graves was second in the total number of points. In the last few weeks we competed in the volley ball tournament, winning our league but being defeated in the semifinals after a close game. At present we are working hard on baseball, tennis, horse-shoe and track. If we fight hard for the remainder of the season we should win the all-college cup easily.

Keefer won the sophomore grain judging contest with a total of 2,375 points, having a lead of 40 points over his nearest rival. Lomax and Casey entered the annual billiard tournament, and Lomax brought the cup back again.

During spring vacation, several of the brothers stayed at the house and redecorated it. The downstairs was papered and the study room kalsomined, which greatly improved the appearance of the house.

Marian Walters returned to college at the beginning of the spring quarter. He has been teaching school for the last two years, and he has returned to finish his course.

The national A. A. U. wrestling tournament was held at Ames the first week of the spring quarter. Prunty '21 won the national championship in the 147-pound class. He also placed high in the 160-pound class. "Rap" gave an exhibition of fighting spirit that was unequalled throughout the entire series of matches and Iowa Beta is certainly proud of him. "Polly" Wallace and Dick Barker were guests at the house during the tournament; they brought their teams to take part in the tournament.

Thornburg has been running his usual winning race on the Iowa State distant relay teams which have set two world's records and lowered several other meet records in the last few weeks. We expect to see many more records fall before the year is over. He has also been elected president of the senior class for the coming year, with a majority of over 200 votes.

Myers and Keefer are fighting hard for places on the track team. Pledge Graves is one of the leading candidates for the freshman tennis team.

C. Hartford is pledged to Phi Lambda Upsilon, national honorary chemical fraternity, "Chick" is the first man from Iowa Beta to receive this honor for several years. Walters has just been pledged to T. L. B., honorary social fraternity. Jones is a pledge of Scabard and Blade, honorary military fraternity.

Our next dance will be held May 6th, at the time of the District Council, and then our annual spring rushing dance will be held May 28th, which is the date for the state high school track meet, to be held at Ames.

During the past month we have entertained several alumni. We cordially invite all others who come to Ames, to visit us.

Ames, Iowa
May 2, 1927

JOHN S. CRARY
Correspondent

Missouri Alpha—University of Missouri

Come back to Missouri Alpha for the farewell party that we are going to give June 4th. It will be quite an affair, which reminds me that we have had a very successful social calendar this year. Our formal on March 18th, went over as most of our parties do. Everyone had a fine time and the decorations were quite up to the rest of the party. On April 30th, we had another dance, just an informal one, but again everyone had a big time. Several alumni were back for both parties and seemed to enjoy being members of the old gang again.

Our D. C. delegates just got back from Ames and all hit the hay as soon as they got into the house. From the way they were tired out, they must have had a large time. From what I could get out of Johnny Martin between yawns, everything went off as was expected. The reports came in fine, and the papers that were prepared were very instructive. The other delegates—John Scott, S. G. Dulaney and Howard Grubb—merely grunted at me when I tried to get some information, and then rolled over again.

The publication of this SHIELD will find several of us out in the hard, cruel world after our sojourn at the "Athens of the West." That isn't a pleasant feeling to face at all. I wish that I were going to be a freshman again. We will probably have some new brothers to introduce to the fold at the end of this semester, but we can't say for sure now. If any brothers know likely rushees who will come

down here next year, please let Stanton Agnew at 610 E. 54th st., Kansas City, Mo., know and I will send some date cards at once.

All of us are hard at work on the last minute preparations for final exams and term papers. This letter may sound very odd and disconnected but please excuse it; I have been thinking more about what I will say in a quiz in international relations than this letter. But here she be, and you can hog-tie it and stick it in this 'ere publikashun if you've a mind ter, as Cactus Pete from K. C. would say.

Columbia, Mo.
May 9, 1927

STANTON AGNEW
Correspondent

Texas Alpha—University of Texas

Spring is fast developing into summer in Austin, and it is getting almost too hot to study. Only three more weeks of college and Texas Alpha will have completed a very successful year.

The chapter has already started looking forward to the coming year. We have been rushing several Austin boys, and also a few out of town boys who have visited us. We have set our goal for twenty good men next year, and with the determination which everyone has shown so far we shall get them.

The chapter will be in good shape to start next year. However, six men will receive their degrees this June and pass into the group of alumni members. These men whom Texas Alpha will lose are: A. Denny Dallas, Preston H. Oglesby, Fred P. Hamill, Jimmie E. Pitts, Perry C. Maxwell and Theodore O. Carter.

Texas Alpha is proud to announce the initiation of Ben Connally, whom we pledged last September. He has made very high grades and has been elected to an honorary freshman scholastic fraternity.

At an election of student officers of the university, Willard Perkins was chosen editor in chief of the *Cactus*, the yearbook. This is a signal honor, and comes as a reward for his year of hard work as managing editor of this year's *Cactus*.

The baseball team of the university is heading toward another championship. It is leading the conference, and only a few more games will have to be won to give it the pennant.

As the spring draws to a close all the brothers and pledges are spending most of their time over their books so that Texas Alpha may equal if not better her scholastic standing of last year.

Austin, Texas
May 6, 1927

FRED P. HAMILL
Correspondent

Kansas Alpha—University of Kansas

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Nebraska Alpha—University of Nebraska

During the last year Nebraska Alpha has made a strong drive to raise her scholarship. The effort put forth by all the brothers was well rewarded when we were awarded a scholarship plaque at the interfraternity banquet on May 4th. These plaques are awarded to the fifteen fraternities having the lowest percentage of delinquencies.

We are now striving to move from our position as eighth to first so that next year we will have in our possession the cup that is awarded for holding that coveted position.

Initiation was held March 27th and Nebraska Alpha takes pleasure in introducing these new brothers: Marshall Pitzer, Charles Martin, Douglas Timmerman, George Ray, Joe Wells, Kieth Walker, Hunt Davis, Hugh Toland, Byron Francis and Harold Swenson. Following the initiation a banquet was given the active chapter by the Lincoln alumni. Speeches were not in order, the only one was to present a twenty dollar gold piece, awarded by the alumni to Marshal Pitzer who had the highest average of the freshmen.

At this time of the year many changes are being made in the membership of honorary and social organizations on the campus. Kieth Walker and Marshal Pitzer are our representatives for next year in Iron Sphinx, a sophomore organization. Joe Hunt was recently initiated a Viking, the junior organization. He is also president of the Y. M. C. A. cabinet for next year. Other brothers working with him in this cabinet are Wilbur Mead, Joe Reeves and Paul Robinson. Arthur Sweet was made a member of Kosmet Klub and has been elected secretary of Sigma Delta Chi; Edward Dickson has been made a member of the same organization. He sent out an alumni letter last month giving an account of the work of the chapter, and to obtain some information for the directory. Another letter is to be sent out soon in an attempt to get as many alumni as we can back for round-up-week, which is to be May 26-28.

Charles Martin and Joe Wells presented a magician's act on University night. This has been an annual event at which all the shady side of student life has been exposed in original acts presented by the students. The night received so much unfavorable comment this year that it has been decided to do away with it.

Allan Wilson has received his "N" sweater as senior track manager. Harold Miller is on the road to that same position, as he will be junior track manager for next year. Elmer Holm was one of two sophomores who made the basketball team this year and received his "N" for that sport. He has been working in spring football as have "Scarlet" Ray and Kieth Walker, Joe Hunt and Joe Reeves. Reeves in our first interfraternity baseball game struck out 16 men, allowed only two hits, and won the game 6 to 1.

The freshmen entertained at a house party on April 30th.

Lincoln, Neb.

May 8, 1927

HORACE V. NOLAND

Correspondent

Oklahoma Alpha—University of Oklahoma

NO LETTER RECEIVED

Colorado Alpha—University of Colorado

Colorado Alpha is pleased to announce the initiation of Clyde Thach, Tom Young and Jim McDowell. They are all good boys and we expect big things from them. At the election held this spring, Reilly was reelected G. P. The other officers are: V. G. P., Colonel McKee; A. G., Pierpont Fuller; B. G., George Philpott; S. G., L. E. Burnett; H., Russell Humes; Hod., Henry Anderson; Ph., Foster Fritchle.

Since the last chapter letter, Colorado Alpha has been active in many lines. G. Reilly and Anderson have been pledged to Scimitar, the honorary sophomore society, while Keegan and Nevin, two of our six members in that organization, have been elected president and vice president respectively. Tuft and Nevin are now, respectively, president and chancellor of Delta Sigma Pi, honorary business fraternity, and McKee is an officer of Sigma Tau, honorary engineering. Tuft distinguished himself as chairman of the junior prom committee and is now running for councilman on the "Students party" ticket with a good chance of being elected.

In social lines the chapter has set a record with two engagements in the quarter, and other good prospects in view. The engagements are: Norine Gelwick to John Davis, and Frances Kinney to Francis Scott. The wonderful spring weather has also brought forth combination D. G.-Phi Psi, and Kappa-Phi Psi fries, as well as several buffet dinners at the house.

In athletics, Kibler is on the tennis squad, Childs is showing up well in spring football, and Nevin and Fritchle have been doing well on the tumbling team. Our "kitty ball" team is unbeaten, having won from Phi Tau, Beta, and Sigma Rho. The hard ball team, too, has a clean slate, with a win from the Phi Deltas to its credit.

In dramatics, McDowell has had parts in the Little Theater plays and Kibler has a part in the Booster's Club vaudeville.

Rushing for next year has been going splendidly. Many boys have been entertained at the house and dates for next year's rush week have been obtained with about twenty-five good boys from all over the state. The chapter would appreciate hearing from any brother in regard to prospective students for the University of Colorado.

Boulder, Col.

May 3, 1927

PIERPONT FULLER JR

Correspondent

SIXTH DISTRICT

Washington Alpha—University of Washington

Washington Alpha wishes to announce that she has four brand new brothers. Brothers Wade, Conger, Williams and Merkle were initiated on April 24th. We congratulate them and hope they show the same spirit they displayed as pledges.

Rickard leads the honor list for this month. He was elected to Oval Club, an upperclassmen's honorary.

Jack Rogers and Don Lauder were pledged to Alpha Kappa Psi, professional commerce honorary. That makes four Alpha Kappa Psis for Washington Alpha in the past two years.

Stephens rowed on the winning frosh crew at the California regatta. Although Washington's varsity and junior varsity lost—our war cry is "Wait until Poughkeepsie." Stephens was also elected to membership in the Defeated Candidates Club due to his defeat in the last A. S. U. W. elections.

Rose served on the relay carnival committee while Haydon and Gordon Wells were on the crew tag and election day committees.

Russell has reported for track and it is said that he throws the javelin away every evening. Pledge Ramstedt is putting the shot for the frosh and looks like good varsity material for the coming year.

Pledge Nikols has won his second numeral sweater by playing right field on the frosh baseball team. He leads the boys with the

"big stick" and is fielding perfectly. He was fullback on the frosh football team.

Jensen has been appointed stunt duke for the coming year. Silliman, our blazing orator, added another scalp to his many, by capturing first place and \$60 in the Eagles declamation contest.

Pledge Black is supplying the boys with necessary stimulus by his "jazzing of the ivories."

Bundy and MacEwan were our delegates to the D. C. and brought back wonderful reports of Phi Psi on the coast. They also brought the glad news that the next D. C. is to be in Seattle.

Bundy is graduated from our institution next month and it will be with a great deal of sorrow that we see him go. House president, delegate to G. A. C.; delegate to D. C.—those are but a few of his many honors and show his intense love and his hard work for both his Alma Mater and his Fraternity. We feel sure that the world will treat such a man with kindness.

We were pleased to have the brothers who were at Washington's relay carnival, drop in to see us as we do not often have the privilege of entertaining them.

Seattle, Wash.
May 2, 1927

JACK ROGERS
Correspondent

Oregon Alpha—University of Oregon

On April 17th initiation was held at the chapter house when Robert Frantz of Long Beach, Cal., was made a brother in Phi Kappa Psi. We regret that Brother Frantz was forced to leave college on account of the illness of his father. Oregon Alpha also has the pleasure of announcing the pledging of Wright Eshelman of Long Beach, Cal., and Edward Johnson of Kelso, Wash.

Many of the brothers find their time taken up with track and baseball. Fred West is surprising everyone, including himself, with his stellar performance on the mound for the varsity nine. West is a two-year letterman having held down the short stop position for two seasons, but was shifted to the pitching staff this spring due to a shortage of experienced hurlers. Extra, Kircher and Jeffries have just returned from Seattle where they represented the university in the Pacific Coast Conference relay meet.

In the recent interfraternity relay meet Phi Kappa Psi, represented by Jeffries, Hoblitt, Kircher and Browne, went on a rampage winning first places in three events and as a result carried away three out of five of the beautiful silver loving cups which were awarded.

Jack Hempstead was recently elected vice president of Sigma Delta Chi, national honorary journalistic fraternity. Don McCook and Laird McKenna rather distinguished themselves in their insurance work by winning first and second places respectively in the insurance contest held in Portland.

With only five more weeks of college remaining the men in the chapter are beginning to think of plans for the summer vacation. In the few remaining weeks, however, there are a number of campus activities in which Phi Psis will be taking part, and in addition it is hoped that we will be able to keep our scholarship on the same or a higher level than that of the two preceding terms.

Eugene, Ore.
May 4, 1927

ROY L. HERNDON
Correspondent

California Beta—Leland Stanford University

Rushing for the year ended at Stanford on May 6th, with the formal bidding of freshmen. California Beta pledged eleven men to make up a well-rounded class. These eleven are: Howard Richardson, Marshall Bester, Robert Crawl, Robert Speers, Robert Lasly, Virgil Donnell, Bill Shattuck, Guido Caligiore, Kenneth Sampson, Benton Sparks and Don Anderson.

The Sixth District Council was held here on April 6, 7 and 8, and, according to all reports, the delegates enjoyed themselves immensely. Past President Shirley Meserve drove up from Los Angeles for the occasion with the delegates from California Delta under his wing.

On Thursday evening the 6th we had a number at the chapter house, on Friday evening a formal dance at the Devonshire Country Club and on Saturday evening an informal banquet was held at Marquard's in San Francisco. Here Brother Cookson, our able Secretary, gave us an interesting talk on the Fraternity as he saw it, in almost daily communication with at least one of the fifty chapters.

Wallace Knox was elected Archon to succeed Hubert P. Lewis of Washington Alpha, under whose able administration the district has progressed so well during the past two years.

About seven of the brothers will be living at the house and attending summer school and they will be glad to see any brother who is traveling thru these parts this summer.

Stanford University, Cal.
May 8, 1927

JOHN LONG
Correspondent

California Gamma—University of California

California Gamma has just completed the twenty-seventh year of her existence, and we feel that the past year was not the least successful of them all.

Evans and Coltrin were recently elected to the Golden Bear society. This is one of the highest honors attainable on the California campus, and represents service to the university. They were also initiated into the mysteries of Beta Beta, a senior honor society, at about the same time. Not to be outdone, Fred Confer was elected to the leading architectural fraternity on the campus.

In the last month our hard-working brothers have earned one more big "C", a circle "C", and five freshmen numerals. By dint of hard work and stellar playing, Bert O'Neil has finally cinched the second-base berth on the California nine, along with the incidentals that go with it, such as a big "C", and a trip to the Orient this summer with the team. Mike Sullivan was awarded a numeral for fly-chasing par-excellence on the frosh ball team. Jim Logan and John Rust also sport the coveted numerals as the result of crew and quarter-mile supremacy. Rust is a strong, fast runner, who has fine prospects of the future ahead of him. "Duke" Ducato has just finished a successful season, being captain of both the freshman swimming and water polo teams. Ted Burnett just received his circle "C" for 145-pound basketball, and was further honored by being elected next year's captain.

Tom Bugbee is still receiving congratulations upon his appointment as junior baseball manager.

The District Council at Stanford was a great success, according to the reports of our delegates. California Beta is to be congratulated for the way they handled the conclave, and a great deal of constructive work was accomplished. Secretary Cookson honored the chapter by a visit the day following the close of the D. C. He spent the day at the house and discussed many fraternity problems with us.

April 9th was California Day, and it was a busy time for us. In the space of one day the Golden Bear downed the Washington crew, the Nebraska Cornhuskers on the track, Stanford on the diamond, and U. S. C. on the tennis courts. You may be sure that there were Phi Psis in nearly all the activities.

Jim Logan and Morris Stimson promise to make up for their recent defeat at the hands of the Washington freshman crew, when they meet again at Poughkeepsie. They are both looking forward to the trip east, and we wish them luck. yet they are only plans. But, with the exception of Duckles, von der Lieth and Webster, whom we lose by graduation, we will all be back together in August.

The chapter had the pleasure of a visit from the G. P. of Nebraska Alpha, who is manager of the Nebraska track team. We enjoyed his visit, and are always anxious to meet visiting brothers.

Several alumni dropped in on us this last month, including Dr. Moore and Dr. Howell, Ted Rust, Phillip Jones, and our old friend, Major Habegger. We appreciate the interest they display in the chapter and are always glad to see them.

Finals are over, and most of the brothers are on the old home trail. Many plans have been made for summer activities, but as yet they are only plans. But, with the exception of Duckeles, von der Lieth and Webster, whom we lose by graduation, we will all be back together in August.

Berkeley, Cal.
May 4, 1927

WALLACE SEDGWICK
Correspondent

California Delta—University of Southern California

The close of the college year is but four weeks away and all the brothers are working hard to finish up in good style. It has been a very busy semester since our installation adjusting ourselves to the stride of Phi Psi. Time has passed all too swiftly and it was hard to realize last Monday evening that it was time to elect officers for the coming year. The following officers were chosen: G. P., Carrol Sagar; V. G. P., Dick Walker; P., Al Bowen; A. G., Bus Blanchard; B. G., Bob Stewart; S. G., Sam Newman; Ph., Doug. Hanby; H., Slim Wasserburger. Mose Moore, who was succeeded by Carrol Sagar, has had a very successful year as G. P., and we are looking to Carrol to carry on his good work.

Summer rushing is starting off with a bang. The evening of May 9th we are giving a big smoker for about thirty rushees to line them up for the summer. If the entertainment committee comes across in its usual style everyone should have a good time. To facilitate rushing conditions we have rented a summer house at the Playa Del Rey beach to be used as a centralized meeting place for the brothers and their rushees throughout the summer. Dick Walker, chairman of the membership committee, has offered the use of his sail boat to take rushees out on short week-end trips. We are certainly looking forward to a busy summer.

Since our last letter to THE SHIELD we have one new pledge, Dusty Elder, who comes from Missouri and will complete his education at Southern California.

Bob Stewart, chairman of the social committee, reports that it has been working over time completing the arrangements for our formal. Through a complication of dates it was found necessary to postpone it from April 22d to May 6th. The social committee has also undertaken the organization of a mothers club. Our mothers have had two meetings and have elected Mrs. Shirley Meserve as their president. We all hope that this club will be a success as we feel that our mothers will help to strengthen our organization when they become interested and know more of our activities.

Spring football has claimed the attention of several of the brothers. Al Schaub, Cecil Hoff, Jimmy Jonas, Doug Hanby and Pledge George Newberry are all out getting a start for next year. Pollard, a candidate for the position of center, has found it necessary to drop out of college due to his father's illness, but we hope to have him back with us next fall. Bus Blanchard is expected to be the varsity football manager for next year although he has not as yet received his official appointment. We are just finishing up our track season. Lewis, a quarter miler, is sure to receive a letter. Bonham and Graham, both hurdlers, are not so sure of theirs. Carl Kreiger, playing left field, was our only representative on the varsity nine which placed second in the Pacific Coast league. He was regarded as a great "find" on account of his heavy hitting ability. Bill Stewart finished a fairly successful year as manager of the varsity swimming and water polo teams.

Interfraternity sports have been more or less successful. We were eliminated for the chance of a baseball championship quite early in the season by the nine that finally won it. However, we were pleased when Carl Kreiger, Dick Walker, Doug Hanby and Whitey Edwards captured the championship cup in golf.

Hersh Bonham has been elected manager of the *El Rodeo*, the college year book, for next year. Al Bowen has been appointed to the Student Council. Bus Blanchard has been elected to Sigma Sigma and Bachelor's Club, and Dick Walker to Bachelor's Club. Mose Moore, Carl Kreiger and Al Schaub are new members of the Varsity Club.

The official delegates of California Delta at the D. C. were Dick Walker, Scott Thompson and John Stephens. When they returned they told us of all the things that happened and gave an excellent report of the Council.

Los Angeles, Cal.
May 5, 1927

GEORGE S. STEWART
Correspondent



Obituary

Lorenzo E. Bulette, Pa. Zeta '76

Lorenzo E. Bulette, Pa. Zeta '76, died from an attack of heart disease on March 23d, while conversing with a business associate in an office building in Philadelphia, Pa. He had been in poor health for over a year, but for some time before his death he had appeared to be improving. He had attended the Founders' Day celebration at the Pennsylvania Iota chapter house on March 15th. He was fifty-five years old.

Dana O. Weeks, Ohio Gamma '86

Dr. Dana O. Weeks, Ohio Gamma '86, died in Marion, Ohio, on March 14th after a long illness. He was born December 16, 1866, at Caledonia, Ohio. He left the University of Wooster at the close of his sophomore year and entered the medical college at Columbus, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1892. He began the practice of medicine with his father at Marion, Ohio. During the war he rendered service in the medical corps. He has two sons who are members of the Fraternity, Dr. O. Douglas Weeks, professor of political science at the University of Texas, and Frank Weeks, a student in the Medical School of the University of Wisconsin.

John P. Brushingham, Ill. Alpha '79

The Rev. Dr. John P. Brushingham, Ill. Alpha '79, died at Phoenix, Ariz., on April 7th, following a stroke of apoplexy, at the age of seventy-two years. Dr. Brushingham, who for nearly half a century had been prominent in the religious and civic life of Chicago, had gone to Arizona in the hope of recovering his health. Dr. Brushingham had nominated William Hale Thompson for mayor of Chicago when he was first elected, and was later appointed secretary of the Chicago morals commission, and reappointed by Mayor Dever. Among his pastorates was the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Chicago, now the Chicago Temple.

J. Bennett Porter, Pa. Beta '90

James Bennett Porter, Pa. Beta '90, died suddenly at Tulsa, Okla., on March 29th. He was stricken while singing with the Shrine Chanters, of which organization he was president. Brother Porter, for many years prominent in Oklahoma natural gas industries, was born in Meadville, Pa., March 24, 1873. He was graduated in civil engineering from Allegheny College, and soon thereafter became identified with the oil and gas business. In 1903 he went

to Alaska as a contractor to lay several miles of pipeline, and while there narrowly escaped death in a hotel fire. He was married in 1904, and for the next several years was in charge of the Fort Pitt Gas Co. at Pittsburgh, Pa., for Andrew W. Mellon. He went to Tulsa in 1915, and two years later became superintendent of pipelines for the Oklahoma Natural Gas Co. He was an active Mason and prominent in the civic life of Tulsa. He was a man of the highest character, and made friends with all those with whom he came in contact. He was a brother of John L. Porter, Pa. Beta '86, of Pittsburgh.

Charles L. Henry, Ind. Alpha '68

Charles L. Henry, Ind. Alpha '68, aged seventy-seven, "father" of the electric railway in Indiana, died at his home in Indianapolis on May 2d after an illness of over two months. He was president and receiver of the Indianapolis-Cincinnati Traction Co. During the last fifteen years Brother Henry was chairman of the national relations committee of the American Electric Railways Association, and during the last two years was counsel for that body. Brother Henry was elected to Congress in 1894 and again in 1896. In 1903 he purchased the Indianapolis Journal, but sold it the following year.





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729 Eleventh Av. E., Eugene, Ore.
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