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**COL. WILLIAM J. DONOVAN, N. Y. GAMMA '03**

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## Colonel Donovan One of the Most Beloved Officers of the A. E. F.

*[The following very interesting article relative to Col. William J. Donovan, N. Y. Gamma '03, now assistant to the Attorney General of the United States, appeared as a copyrighted article in the Pittsburgh Press of September 4, 1927.—EDITOR]*

“**W**HAT is my most outstanding memory of the great war?” Col. William Joseph Donovan, known as “Wild Bill,” “Gallop Bill,” “Hard-Boiled Bill,” the “blankety-blankety-est” and one of the most beloved officers of the A. E. F., did not hesitate one moment. Why should he? It wasn’t his custom to hesitate. Hadn’t he won the Congressional Medal of Honor, the Distinguished Service Cross, the Medal of the Legion of Honor of France, the Croix de Guerre and the Italian Croce al Merito di Guerra for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty—all in one single war?

“Why, the picture that always comes to my mind at any mention of the war is the American doughboy with his rifle in his hands as he crawled out of a shellhole in the face of the most terrific cannonading the world has ever known and rushed out to fight the enemy.

“There was something superb in seeing a man, a private in the ranks with nothing but himself and his gun to look after, crawl or leap out of the only place which offered him comparative safety, and follow his leader into the face of gunfire. That, to me, represented the truest and highest type of American democracy. Those men were the aristocracy of democracy!

“Particular incidents, heroic deeds, fade in my memory, but the splendid picture of the American on a foreign field, rushing out toward the enemy’s guns, stays with me always.

Almost any man can do some brave and daring act in a pinch when it is a case of do or die; almost any leader can be heroic when it is up to him to direct his troops, but when the private—the man who has nothing much to gain and his life to lose—could, with premeditation, crawl out into the hell of battle, it is one of the most wonderful things I have ever witnessed. The gloriously impersonal way in which he could throw himself into the fighting was magnificent.

“One incident stands out vividly in my memory. I was walking through a shell-torn area immediately after a battle when I was transfixed by the sight of a private, a big, husky fellow from an Ohio division which was fighting alongside our New York boys. He stood rigid just over the edge of a shellhole, facing the direction from which the most terrific firing had come. He was gripping his rifle to run forward for the attack across the shell-torn terrain, his knees flexed and his bayonet pointed toward the enemy.”

In his vivid way of moving and speaking, the colonel, who was standing in the middle of the floor of his office at the department of justice, quickly dropped into the position of the soldier he was describing. “That soldier was dead, but there were no visible marks of the bullet on his clothing. He might have been chiseled in marble or cast in bronze.

“There was something in that tense figure that was far finer than in all the heroic and picturesque deeds that touch the popular imagination. He was a symbol of our national valor. Just think what he suffered, what he lost and what he typified!

“No, I won’t tell you about any of the fearful moments I had or about any of the tight places I got into, because it might be thought that I was glorifying my part in the war, but in that picture of the man crouched on the edge of the shellhole you have enough for a sermon or a whole essay.

“You must remember that most of our boys were not trained soldiers. They were from our mills and farms, from the mines, the ranches, the corner stores and from the tenement districts in our cities. They were of every na-

tionality and creed, but in this crucible of fire they proved themselves worthy of the highest traditions of Americanism. Even in risking their lives in battle there was present that same boyish ardor which characterizes us as a nation. And the things they were facing were tongues of fire, spitting at them through the night in a continuous series of lightning flashes, an avalanche of thunderous sound, maiming or death."

There is perhaps no officer in the whole American Expeditionary Force who is better qualified to judge the mettle of the doughboy than Col. Donovan. He was with the One Hundred and Sixty-fifth regiment—the old fighting Irish Sixty-ninth, of New York—which later was attached to the Rainbow division. He fought side by side with his men, up the heights of the Ourcq at Villers-sur-Fere and later in the fighting in the Argonne. Contrary to orders, he kept on his Sam Browne belt and his shoulder insignia in order that his men might see him and know that he was with them at all times.

To hearten them, he stood coolly in the midst of battle and studied his maps to be sure that he was leading the soldiers, who had dropped for a moment's rest into shell-holes around him, exactly in the direction it had been planned they should go.

But his wildness—if that is the proper term for it—is the wildness of physical and intellectual energy, a well-directed force that has the background of vigorous, clear thinking, of the kind which he has used in his outstanding work on the football team and crew of Columbia university, in his law practice, in his fighting in France, in his work as United States district attorney and as assistant to the attorney general of the United States in Washington.

Where duty directs him, "Wild Bill" directs that fierce energy. Back in 1916, on the Mexican border, as captain of a national guard outfit from Buffalo, he drove his men so hard because he wanted them physically hardened when they should be called to France—and he was sure in his

own mind that they would be—that they called him “Gallop-  
ing Bill.”

While on the border with his troop, made up of men from Buffalo, he had the opportunity to watch the work of the Fighting Sixty-ninth and requested that he be transferred to that regiment because he admired their spirit and saw their possibilities. When his transfer came through he was put in charge of the First battalion with the rank of major. He assumed command with additional new ideas about what he could do for that battalion physically; he ordered boxing gloves for the whole outfit, and box they had to under his keen supervision and direction.

It was just before his men got into the fierce fighting before the Ourcq river in July, 1918, that they dubbed him “Wild Bill.” He was driving, exhorting and encouraging them over a terrific three-mile run across the roughest kind of terrain, and when they dropped a moment to rest he raged up and down the line chiding them for being winded and saying, “Look at me! I’m not winded and you ought not to be!” According to the man who told the story, one small soldier piped up in answer, “But for the love of Mike, colonel, we ain’t as wild as yo’ are!” And from then on he was “Wild Bill.”

“Every man that has ever served with him would go to hell for him,” a man who was once a private in his company told me. “That sentiment exists right straight through, no matter whether he is the lowest Eastsider, a member of the Sixty-ninth of New York or whether he is a millionaire member of Troop I, of Buffalo.”

But when those men whom he had trained so relentlessly went into battle, their physical stamina showed in their fighting. The prosaic army records of the award of the Distinguished Service Cross to Col. Donovan tell between their lines the qualities of the men as well as of their leader: “He led his battalion across the River Ourcq and captured important enemy strongholds near Villers-sur-Fere, France, on July 28-31, 1918. He was in advance of the division for four days, all the while under shell and machine-

gun fire from the enemy, who were on three sides of him, and he repeatedly and persistently counterattacked, being wounded twice. His coolness, courage and efficient leadership rendered possible the maintenance of this position."

That was in those blistering days of midsummer when the French and American divisions were charging the ominous dip into French territory on the Marne salient, and the Rainbow division had replaced the fagged Twenty-sixth from New England under sniping machine-gun and artillery fire. But despite his wounds, Donovan was back with his troops in line for the Argonne offensive in September, and in the terrible drive over the shell-riddled area to the north of Verdun he again fought with such conspicuous gallantry that he was recommended for the highest military honor within the gift of the nation.

Again the records of the award of the Congressional Medal of Honor tell their tale of heroism, stripped of all the vivid details: "Col. Donovan personally led the assaulting wave in an attack upon a very strongly organized position near Landres and St. Georges in October, 1918, and when our troops were suffering heavy casualties he encouraged all near him by his example, moving among his men in exposed positions, reorganizing decimated platoons and accompanying them forward in attacks. When he was wounded in the leg by a machine-gun bullet he refused to be evacuated and continued with his unit until it withdrew to a less-exposed position."

When wounded he had propped himself against the side of a shellhole and directed his men from that point until he was sure that the tide had turned in their favor. Then four of his men rolled him up in a blanket and started with him over the open field, where shells were still falling, toward the rear. When they eased him to the ground at a dressing station quite a long distance away, one of the men wiped the sweat from his forehead and said: "Colonel, I never thought I'd do this for you when you fined me \$80 for bein' drunk."

Even with a busted knee, he hadn't had enough, but was

able to join his men after the armistice in the Army of Occupation, to help with the reorganization of scattered troops.

The Medal of Honor was awarded to him by a grateful congress on December 30, 1922. When the news reached him he said, "Why, it doesn't really belong to me, but to the boys. They are the ones who won it." So, on January 13, 1923, he sent the following letter to the secretary of the New York chapter of the Rainbow Division Veterans:

"Dear Comrade:

"Permit me to deposit with you the Congressional Medal of Honor which is to be presented to me tonight.

"This medal was truly won by our entire command at the Kriemhildestellung front of Landres-St. Georges, Oct. 14-15, 1918—a fight as bitter and as gallant, in the annals of the Sixty-ninth New York, as Maryes Heights at Fredericksburg, Dec. 13-14, 1862.

"A regiment lives by its tradition. The noble tradition we have inherited impels me to ask that this medal remain in the armory of our regiment as an incentive to those who enlist under its standard, but most of all as a memorial to our brave and unforgotten dead.

"Sincerely,

"WILLIAM J. DONOVAN."

And what military background did this gallant war leader have? None at all, except that he was born of poor but honorable Irish parentage of three generations in this country. Since he first saw the light of day in the First ward of Buffalo—the one of which "Fingy" Connors used to be the boss—he manifested more than an ordinary amount of energy in getting anything he set out after.

At Columbia university he developed into the type of athlete you often read about in fiction but seldom see in real life. He played football for three years as quarterback on the first team and was considered a deadly tackler. He was on the crew for two years, ran in the cross-country races, boxed and wrestled.

## Chicago A. A. Sets Good Example for Other Associations

R. J. MADDIGAN, Ill. Beta '06, Contributor

DEAR BROTHERS GORGAS AND MADDIGAN :

Permit me to congratulate you on the successful manner in which you staged the rush dinner Thursday night. I consider it the best Phi Psi gathering that I have ever attended and the manner in which it was run off reflects the highest praise to you both. I think it is regrettable that the chapters do not capitalize to a greater degree on this event, as I feel more can be accomplished with rushees from an affair like this in one evening than two weeks of intensive rushing on the part of the respective chapters. Let me tell you again that you pulled a great party and you are entitled to any amount of credit.

Fraternally yours

[Signed] PAT MORRIS

THE above is typical of the comments received in writing and by word-of-mouth from many of those present at the annual rush dinner of the Chicago Alumni Association held in the Florentine Room of the Congress Hotel, September 8th. As a matter of fact, Pat's letter is a little better than the others, and that is the reason we gave it headline position.

In addition to the many good things that any alumni association can do, this annual rush dinner is another added opportunity. Some very high-grade men have been brought into Phi Psi through the dinners of the Chicago Alumni Association.

We don't know whether other alumni associations have adopted this rushing dinner affair as a means of helping the boys in college in their rushing season. If they haven't it is well worth their consideration, as we of the Chicago Alumni Association believe that it is the best thing we do. The organization is really functioning when it lends aid to somebody else other than the members of it, and if we can pull off a dinner, stage a good time for the alumni, give them a good meal and send them away pleased, and at the same time be instrumental in obtaining for Phi Psi forty or fifty new members, we do know that our time has been well spent and the organization amounts to a great deal more than just an association of alumni.

In order that other alumni associations may know just what this party is, we will give all the details:

In the first place we started publicity regarding it via *Alumni News* bulletins and personal letters from one active member to a rather nonactive member several weeks prior to the actual date, and kept up these news bulletins at intervals of about a week until three or four days before the dinner and then we sent notices every day interspersed with telephone calls, personal letters, etc. As a result we aroused a great deal of enthusiasm, and there were 212 present at the dinner on September 8th. We selected a diversified list of speakers, and below they are named with their respective subjects:

- 1 A. A. Stagg, director of athletics at the University of Chicago. As you know, he is a very prominent man, and he talked to the boys on putting into a fraternity as much as they expected to get out of it, and stressed the importance of their keeping their pledge with whatever fraternity they joined. He told them in strong terms that they were under a lot of obligation to the Phi Psi Fraternity for bringing them to a dinner of this kind and having the opportunity of seeing some of the older members of the Phi Psi group, and hearing about Phi Psi from the older and more experienced men.

- 2 Dick Hanley, coach at Northwestern University. Hanley, new at Northwestern, stressed the importance of an athletic education, and the importance of making good in some form of athletics as well as in studies, and the co-operation between high-grade fraternities and the universities themselves.

- 3 Harold Townsend. Hal has been an officer of the Fraternity and has been all over the country and visited practically all our chapters. He was present at the installation of three chapters. He is especially well equipped to give a short history of the Fraternity, tell what it meant, why it was formed, how it was formed, and he gave a very impressive talk on this subject.

- 4 Dr. Theodore Soares. He talked on the opportunities

afforded a young man during his college career, hooking it up closely with the Fraternity, and what a real fraternity meant to a boy while in college, and the opportunity presented to the latter through the combination of a college education and a fraternity connection.

5 Major General Roy D. Keehn talked on Phi Psi and business, and there is no man in the country more fitted to talk on this subject. Naturally, he handled it very well and impressed the boys present perceptibly.

6 Hays McFarland talked on "Where I have met Phi Psis", and he wove a very nice story around this subject, not in an egotistical manner, but in a fashion that was not only interesting to the rushees present, but also to the alumni.

We covered with these speeches angles of the Fraternity that were especially interesting and instructive to the boys about to enter college. Interspersed with these speeches we put on some very high-grade entertainment, including the presentation of Mr. Leon Errol, star of "Yours Truly" now playing at the Four Cohans in Chicago.

During the dinner the toastmaster read off the names of the prominent men present, their colleges, what they did, when they were in college, and what they were doing now. Inasmuch as we had some of the biggest men in Chicago in our midst that night, the boys were very much impressed. We then read off a list of the greater majority of the rushees present, especially the athletes and told of their relative prowess in their particular line of endeavor.

The rushees were seated with the alumni from the college which they intended to enter. All during the meal and during the program they were talked to by the older men who expanded on the subjects of the main speakers of the evening. To insure no dull moments in the program a very high-grade orchestra, Kady Farwell's Syncopaters, was secured and it played spasmodically throughout the evening. On top of this we had the affair broadcast over a prominent radio station, WMBB of Chicago, and this added publicity to it for the speakers and the rushees present, and gave the finishing touch to a very high-grade and successful dinner.

There were 65 rushees present, and we have heard from several chapters already that fifteen men who were present that evening have been pledged, and these men were not pledged prior to this event. We have had letters of congratulation on the dinner, its purpose and the manner in which it was conducted from many alumni, in addition to that of Pat Morris. Also we have had word-of-mouth commendation from practically every alumnus present that evening. There seems to be particular praise for the *thought* behind the dinner, and that is the reason we have gone into so much detail in passing it on to other alumni associations, and hope that they will adopt the same affair each year in their various towns.

While we are at it we want to thank publicly Pat Morris for his very kind letter and the other men who have written in to us regarding the success of the dinner, and the men who have told it to us to our face. Dutch Gorgas, president of the alumni association, devoted a lot of time in getting up the 1927 rush dinner, and he is deserving of a lot of credit for the manner in which he pulled it off to 100 per cent success.

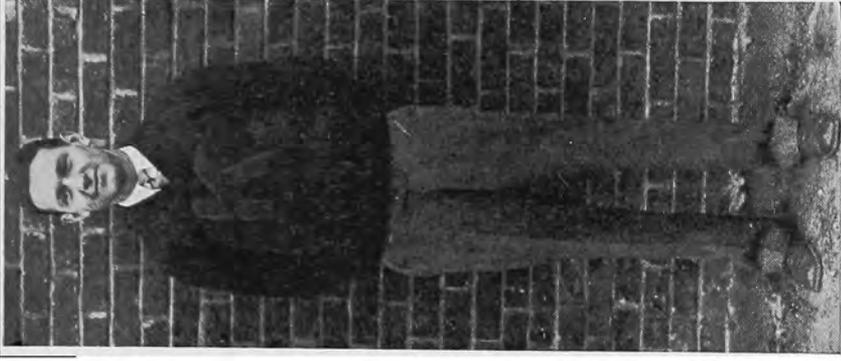
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### Kelly of Binghamton

Superintendent Daniel J. Kelly [N. Y. Beta '96] of Binghamton has prepared "A Practical School Health Program", issued by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, which is so remarkable that a Harvard professor says: "I think it is a most interesting and constructive piece of work. . . . I think it is the most completely worked out health program which I have seen to date." This is certainly a masterful production and places Mr. Kelly in the front rank as a professional writer, as he certainly is as the administrator of a city school system.—*Journal of Education, June 20, 1927.*



**CARL H. KENT, N. Y. Epsilon, Archon of the  
First District**



**BARRETT HAMILTON  
Captain of the 1927 University of  
Kansas Football Team**

## Florida Phi Psis Active

The Phi Psis of Orlando have been having luncheons regularly all summer. Naturally they have talked mostly of the Fraternity and about the development of the Phi Kappa Psi spirit among the brothers residing within the state of Florida. They have been endeavoring to formulate a policy to assist Alpha Delta, a local at the University of Florida, that has already presented one petition to the Fraternity at the last G. A. C.

During the summer the luncheons have been held regularly every other Friday. It is the plan soon to hold them every Friday. Visiting brothers may wish to enjoy these meetings with us at 12:15 at the Rendezvous in the Murphy Arcade.

We are planning to issue a directory of Florida Phi Psis. The last (1922) Fraternity Catalog is very incomplete. We are not trying to blame the Editor but we believe we can help the new Editor and ourselves by getting out one for our own use. Blanks calling for the necessary information have already been sent out. We are going to put this list on addressograph plates to assist us in mailing. If anyone knows of any Phi Psis in Florida, we will appreciate it if he will send the name and address to Horace L. Jacobs jr, 141 E. Church St., Orlando, Fla.

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## Golf Celebrity Pledged at California Delta

Allen Moser, flashy golfing youngster from the Wilshire Country Club, is now a full fledged freshman at the University of Southern California. During the past three years, in addition to winning the \$1,000 Spreckels Cup twice, Moser has copped tourney honors in many major invitationals. Moser appeared on the campus yesterday sporting a brand new Phi Kappa Psi pledge pin—and if he survives to make the grade, should bring additional honors to one of the most distinguished college fraternities in the world.—*Los Angeles Times*, September 21, 1927.

## **New Edition of Baird's Manual**

A new edition of Baird's Manual of American College Fraternities has just been issued, under the editorship of Dr. Francis W. Shepardson, president of Beta Theta Pi. This is the eleventh edition of this well-known book, the first having been produced by the late William R. Baird in 1879. The new volume is much more than a revision of previous editions, containing many new and well-written articles, and a much better arrangement of the material.

Some of the subjects considered are The Origin and Development of Fraternities, Nomenclature, Insignia, Organization and Government, Publications, Legislative Acts and Judicial Decisions. There are included very brief histories of all fraternities, including women's organizations, professional, honor, local and class societies, with comprehensive statistics as to membership, chapters, chapter houses, etc. A directory of colleges shows the various fraternities having chapters in the colleges of the country.

The volume, consisting of over 600 pages, is well printed and bound in cloth. It appears to have been carefully edited in most respects, although in the list of prominent alumni it is difficult to understand some omissions. There are three fraternity men listed as having been Speakers of the House of Representatives, the name of General J. Warren Keifer of Ohio Beta being omitted. In the list of college presidents, one is struck by the absence of the names of such well-known executives as Woodrow Wilson of Princeton, Josiah Penniman of Pennsylvania, Herbert S. Hadley of Washington, J. M. Morgan of Dickinson, G. F. Bovard of Southern California, Edward C. Elliot of Purdue, W. H. Crawford of Allegheny, L. H. Murlin of DePauw, W. C. Spangler of Kansas and perhaps two or three dozen other Phi Psis. In the list of writers of national fame the only Phi Psi included is William P. Trent, the editor having overlooked such names as James Whitcomb Riley, Robert J. Burdette, Woodrow Wilson, John William White, Walter A. Dyer, Charles D. Haskins, Theodore Tilton, Frank Moore Colby, Roswell M. Field, Frank Chapin Bray and others.

Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer is recorded as a member of Phi Kappa Sigma.

The book is, however, a valuable reference to college fraternities and, in spite of the above notations, is more accurate and much better edited than any previous edition. It sells for \$4 a copy, and may be ordered through THE SHIELD.

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### **High Masonic Honor for Matlock**

At the annual session of the supreme council of the northern Masonic jurisdiction of the United States, held in Boston, Mass., on September 21st, Ernest K. Matlock, Ind. Delta '01, of Detroit, Mich., was elected to receive the thirty-third and last degree in the Ancient and Scottish Rite. The degree will be conferred at the next annual session to be held in Atlantic City next September.

Brother Matlock was born in Rushville, Ind., and after completing the high school course there spent four years at Purdue University. This was followed by one year in the graduate school of the University of Chicago, where he specialized in economics and banking. For five years he was cashier of the Miners and Merchants Bank at Greenland, Mich., and then served an equal length of time as state bank examiner of Michigan. The next year he acted as Michigan representative of the Continental and Commercial Bank of Chicago.

For the past eleven years Brother Matlock has been connected with the Detroit Trust Co., one of the oldest and strongest trust companies in the country. For nine years he was sales manager of the bond department, and for the past two years he has been the bank's trust officer.

He has been prominent in social, civic and religious circles in Detroit for many years. He is a member of various Masonic bodies, Tau Beta Pi honorary engineering fraternity, and of the North Woodward Congregational Church of Detroit. During the war he was chairman of several of the Liberty Loan drives.

## New Book by Walter Dyer

From the press of Doubleday, Page & Company there has recently appeared a new book called "Country Cousins", by Walter A. Dyer, Mass. Alpha '96. The volume consists of about a dozen and a half essays and sketches which Brother Dyer had previously written for various magazines, all appropriately illustrated by Charles Livingston Bull. This latest volume fits in well with the author's other books relating to nature and animal life, including "Gulliver the Great, and Other Dog Stories", "Many Dogs There Be", "Pierrot, Dog of Belgium", "The Humble Annals of a Back Yard".

"Country Cousins" includes a foreword by David Grayson, and there is no better way to tell briefly of this book than to quote from this foreword. "Walter Dyer," says Mr. Grayson, "loves animals and antiques. Dogs he loves especially. I think he knows all that they say, the dots and dashes of the language of tails. When we first knew the Dyers the guiding genius of their household was a wise old dog named Sandy—a veritable Socrates of a dog—since gathered to his fathers. Dyer used to spend hours, as I firmly believe, in intimate conversation with Sandy upon the follies and futilities of humankind. Else how did he learn so much about them, and come so well to love birds and squirrels and cows?"

"In this new book, called 'Country Cousins'—though I can't see why he did not call them Brothers and be done with it—Dyer is telling, ever so quietly, but with a little glint of a smile often in his eye, about these neighbors of his, the cow, the pig, those that cackle and those that quack, the birds of the treetops, the mice of the meadow, and he even puts in the 'busy buzzy bee'—but (I'm telling you a secret) he keeps his distance during *that* story—and to give full measure he adds many of the things that appertain to the good life and the common beauty of the country."



**WALTER A. DYER AND HIS DOG "SANDY"**

## The Value of Reviewing Fraternity History

LESTER S. KELLOGG, Ill. Alpha '24, Contributor

**T**O connect the past with the present; to make the deeds of our founders and older brothers inspirations to those who are to continue to grow; to keep alive and vital the ideals of the organization of which we are so proud; to make our Fraternity the best in every respect, both locally and nationally—these are some of the reasons for knowing the history of Phi Kappa Psi.

The Chicago Tribune recently printed a picture of a well-known Phi Psi. He was dead after a long and useful life, first in the Christian ministry and later in the service of the people of the city of Chicago. I knew that he was one of the highly respected alumni of the chapter. I knew of his work and I also knew the location of his office but I knew no more. I was interested to get more adequate acquaintance with this character. In *THE SHIELD* of September 9, 1880 I found the following: "Brother J. R. Brushingham spoke of the state and her great men in the past and present, of his chapter and its influence in college, its energy and honor." This remark was made concerning a reunion at Chautauqua in 1880. Apparently Brother Brushingham had lived up to his ideals. I felt that I was much better acquainted with this man whose death was so widely mourned.

History will make the deeds of our founders inspirations to those of us who sometimes become discouraged. But we cannot get the full measure of this inspiration until we learn more about them. How many of us know of the tireless energy of Tom Campbell, or the early heroes of our own chapters? To me there is no more thrilling thought than that expressed in one of the early minutes of the Virginia Alpha Chapter, quoted in our History as follows:

Fraternity called to order by Bro. Shearer. After prayer by the Chaplain, the roll was called, and the following brothers were found present: Davidson, Estill, Hale, Massie, Payne, and Shearer. Minutes of preceding meeting were read and approved. No communications. War! War!! War!!!

Farewell addresses were made by Bros. Estill, Hale, Payne, and

Shearer, which were offered and received with great feeling. It was stated that there were four or five Phi Psis in the Richmond Howitzers, seven or eight in the Rockbridge Dragoons, besides a great many others in different companies. The question arose whether, if we should meet a Phi Psi in an opposing army, we should raise our hand against him. It was decided that we should not, but if he were captured, to take the best care possible of him.

Whereupon the present minutes were read and approved, and the fraternity adjourned in Phi Kappa Psi, sine die.

[Signed] R. B. SHEARER  
E. B. MASSIE

The brave, generous lad who presided that memorable night and whose name appears first in signature to these minutes, so beautifully expressive of the sound faith he held true brotherhood, fell at the head of his company at Monacacy, leading a charge.

In this day of rapidly moving time when there is hardly time to think, we are apt to forget those ideals of fraternity which so strongly bound and enervated the early chapters of Phi Kappa Psi. Concerning this maintenance of ideals Dr. Joseph Nate, national historian of Sigma Chi, has said: "Fraternity ideals and principles are vital for the welfare of our land and the life of the world today. The multiform activities and distractions of the modern campus tend to deprive the fraternity of the opportunity it once had to inculcate its principles. 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." We all know that the ideals of Phi Kappa Psi were strong enough to keep the organization growing steadily and beneficially for seventy-five years and so far as I can see our most important task is to make these ideals the common property and basis of life for every man. Let's strive for less selfishness and a universal brotherhood.

But now to strengthen and make our Fraternity the best. How can the use of our histories help us, we are justified in asking immediately. Big and new chapter houses seem to be the order of the day and we marvel sometimes, as we live in them, how the old boys ever got nerve enough to start them. Today they are comparatively easy to get. The history comes into use and we ask our alumni to give. In 1880, only 47 years ago, Indiana Alpha was thinking of

refurnishing its hall. Asbury University, for that was the first name of this institution, didn't have the enrollment it has now. Money was scarce and yet the following excerpt from one of Indiana Alpha's letters to THE SHIELD reflects a spirit that has apparently remained with little diminution:

Last meeting the boys gave vent to their enthusiasm by subscribing money to refurnish the Hall. We expect to raise \$250 and will make the Hall the most beautiful in the city. We will have the work done before the sixteenth anniversary of the chapter, which will be Jan. 26th, 1881.

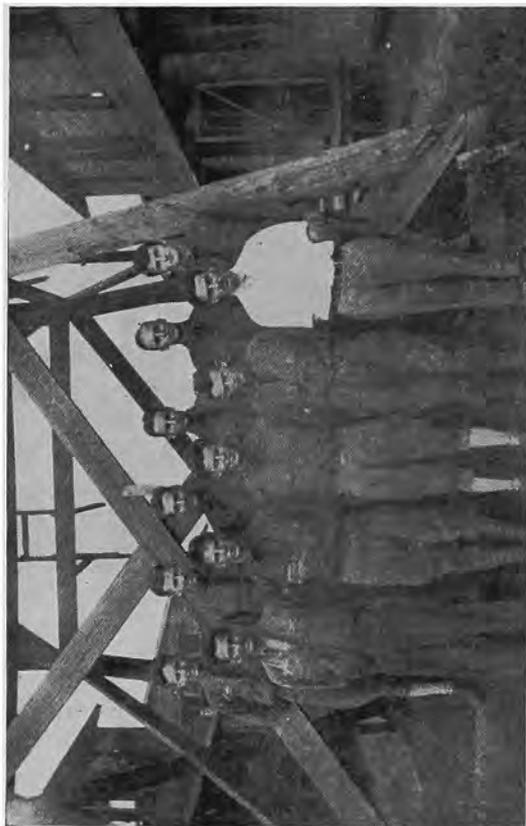
Our scholarship has always been a problem. Let us not feel discouraged but "dig" in as we read how the "old boys" did when they got "low". Chapter finances are more extensive than they were in the early days but, comparatively, no more burdensome. We ought to know how our alumni ran the chapters. They might have used the registers for spittoons but they had to clean house before winter came.

Activities have increased only as college enrollments increased. There were yearbooks, papers, student governments and councils then as now. (Here's hoping that many of them functioned more efficiently.) Politics has seen some change and apparently for the worse for they seem to be following some forms of civil procedure instead of any ethical guidon.

The social life was every bit as active as now except that it didn't break the chapters financially as it seems to do now to give a party. The Kappa Alpha Theta girls would enjoy entertaining the Phi Kappa Psi boys at an ice cream social and reciprocation seemed to be social etiquette. We may laugh at this but in so doing we laugh at something, the absence of which has quite changed modern college life.

But why go on? A mere stimulation of a creative imagination will accomplish much more. If we are to profit we must work. We must keep our present records and use our older records. We must devise methods to fit our local situations.

In the words from "An Old Boy's Recollection", "That



**PHI PSIS AT CAMP KNOX**

**Top row: Trigg, Okla. Alpha; Puckett, Ind. Alpha; Denny, Ind. Delta; Turner, Ind. Alpha; DuBois, Ohio Delta; Koeppen, Ind. Delta.**  
**Bottom row: Lindenburg, Ohio Delta; Thornburg, Iowa Alpha; Zuber, Ohio Delta; Jones, Iowa Alpha; Crockett, Ohio Delta.**  
**Absent: Capt. J. Blizzard, Ind. Beta.**

world of the past is not a lost world, for it never was of the world; it had an existence by itself; memory embalms it; if it was faulty, yea, all wrong, still it is a fly in amber, all the more precious on that account."

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## **Phi Psis at Camp Knox**

Wherever you find a large body of college men, you may be pretty certain to find several representatives of Phi Kappa Psi somewhere in that body; the R. O. T. C. unit at Camp Knox, Kentucky, last summer was no exception to the rule.

All through the six weeks' sojourn at camp many impromptu bull sessions were held. Chapters were compared, songs murdered, and various acquaintances were recalled. Thornburg won all the 220-yard races for the artillery, Lindenburgh grew a mustache, and Puckett grew one but the boys just had to cut half of it off the last night of camp. Denny couldn't leave the Elizabethtown girls alone, while Koeppen spent half of his time in the hospital, dodging work. DuBois took all the boys down the line playing tennis and Zuber spent his spare time replacing the turf on the Cherrokee Park fairways.

It wouldn't do to give Jones away and you could never find Turner unless he was on his cot asleep or up on the top of Snow mountain looking at the scenery. If Captain Blizzard didn't have a family we could tell a few things about him also but it's only fair to be decent about such things.

Well anyway, we ended festivities by throwing a good banquet at the Hotel Joplin in E-Town the last week of camp. Maybe the natives weren't shocked when we sang right out loud in the dining room "Well, I Took a Little Trip to Heaven" and "Adam Was the First Man." No, maybe we didn't sing that last one, but anyway, we sang all the good songs and had a rip roarin' time.

## Leon Fraser Returns From Europe

Leon Fraser, N. Y. Gamma '10, former Archon of the first district and Attorney General of the Fraternity, returned from France last month, in order to resume the practice of international law in New York City. Brother Fraser served in various capacities during the war, and after the Dawes plan went into operation he became its general counsel and Paris representative of the Agent General for Reparations Payments. He is regarded as an authority on matters connected with problems arising after the conclusion of the World War, and his opinions have been widely sought since his return to this country.

Brother Fraser deprecated the rumors that there would be any immediate revision of the arrangements made for the payment of reparations due to a conflict on private loans to German industries. He said that Germany has been paying for the past year \$1,000,000 a day, including Sundays. Beginning early in September the payment per day will be increased to \$1,150,000.

Of this large sum, Brother Fraser said, \$20,000,000 a year goes to the United States as repayment for the expenses incident to the Army of Occupation. "In other words," he added, "Germany works for twenty days each year to pay America and 345 days to pay her ten other debtors.

"There is no use of talking about a revision of the Dawes plan, because it is working practically, and there is no sense in trying to revise something working satisfactorily."

He asserted that Germany was meeting the tremendous strain upon her resources extremely well. German reparations would reach the figure of \$600,000,000 a year in 1929, Brother Fraser said, and would remain fixed at that figure. It was inconceivable to believe that this would go on permanently, he continued, but "it would certainly be the program for many years to come."

When informed that Bernard Baruch had asserted that the financiers believed the conflict between the reparation.

payments and the private loans would necessitate a revision of the Dawes plan, Brother Fraser said: "I would not think so for a moment. The private loans made to German industries are small compared to the huge sums which are paid under the reparations. Mr. Baruch failed to state in his views that the private loans extend sometimes from ten to twenty years, and that it is the practice to make a tenth or a twentieth of the payment of the principal each year. For this reason there is no such thing as the private loans and the reparations falling together at one calamitous moment. These private loans are actually spread over a long period of time."

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### **Son of President Tyler, Virginia Beta Alumnus, Dies at Southern Home**

Judge David Gardner Tyler, Va. Beta '68, whose father, John Tyler, was the tenth President of the United States, died on September 5th at his home near Norfolk, Va.

He was born in East Hampton, N. Y., July 12, 1846. He became a student at Washington College, now Washington and Lee University, but left in 1863 to enter the Confederate army. During the last two years of the war he was with the 1st Virginia artillery. In 1865-67 he studied in Baden, Germany, and in 1869 was graduated from the law school of Washington College. He was a Democratic presidential elector in 1888; a member of the Virginia senate in 1891 and 1892 and from 1900 to 1904; a representative in Congress from the second Virginia district from 1893 to 1897; and judge of the 14th judicial circuit, Virginia, from 1904 to 1920.



**WILLIAM S. BOAL, III. Beta**  
**Vice President of the Interfraternity Club of Chicago**

## The Interfraternity Club of Chicago

ONE of the unique clubs of the entire country is the Interfraternity Club of Chicago. It maintains no club house, but is able to offer its five hundred members excellent club facilities through arrangements with the Congress Hotel. It has a program of numerous social events arranged for the members and their wives, and retains the interest of the members during the summer months through golf tournaments and other outdoor events. Members of Phi Kappa Psi have had a prominent part in developing the Interfraternity Club, William S. Boal, III, Beta, being the present vice president and the Fraternity's member of the board of representatives.

The purpose of the club is stated to be "to preserve in after life the friendships of college and university days; to provide a common meeting ground where selected college men and their guests can meet on an equal basis, with every comfort, convenience and service; to advance fraternity scholarship, protect fraternity interests, and encourage a wholesome rivalry between our colleges and chapters; and lastly, to foster good citizenship, not as reformers or cranks, but as educated men, devoted to the preservation of American ideals."

As a result of the organization of the Interfraternity Conference in New York in 1908, there was organized in Chicago four years later the Interfraternity Association of Chicago, in which nearly all the general college fraternities participated. The association has held a dinner annually, and the proposition of establishing a club has been frequently proposed and discussed. Nothing definite developed until last March, when the Congress Hotel presented a proposal which met the club's every requirement and the Interfraternity Club of Chicago was then established. The founders were the officers, directors and past presidents of the Interfraternity Association, representing sixteen college fraternities. On March 24th a general meeting of the officers of the forty college fraternity alumni associations endorsed the club unanimously.

On March 25th the Interfraternity Club took possession of the famous presidential suite on the mezzanine floor of the Congress Hotel, facing Michigan boulevard and Congress street. On March 26th they engaged an executive secretary, and the following day started the service of meals in their own private dining rooms. Few other clubs can present such a record of growth and interest. In less than four months after its foundation the Interfraternity Club had passed four hundred fully paid members, representing forty college fraternities, and had sufficient money paid in to carry the club for two years. All this was accomplished without spending a dollar for promotion.

The club quarters in the Congress Hotel consist of a reception room, coat room, office, library, card room, spacious lounge and private dining rooms. These rooms are attractively furnished and decorated, the original paintings and etchings alone representing a small fortune. As the club grows in membership more space will be added. For large dinners and dances the famous Florentine Room, now known as Chapter Hall, is available. This is an unusually beautiful assembly hall, seating over five hundred.

The financing of the Interfraternity Club was unique, because of the arrangements with the Congress Hotel. The hotel company is under contract to deliver to the club as much of the mezzanine floor as may be required at a specified rate per square foot, completely furnished and with full hotel service. The club pays only for the space it uses, and can expand to any size it desires. It has no investment in property, furniture or equipment, and has no kitchen to maintain, no elevators to operate and no servants to employ. Even the house accounts of the members are carried by the hotel.

As the result of the elimination of all unnecessary expenses, the fees and dues of the club are unusually low. The initiation fee is fifty dollars, and the dues are thirty-five dollars for all members whose residence or place of business is within fifty miles of Chicago. For non-resident members the entrance fee is twenty-five dollars and the

annual dues ten dollars. There are no life memberships.

During the past summer the club has been considerably enlarged, both as to number of members and also as to the extent of its quarters.

Among the Phi Psis who are members of the club are the following: William S. Boal, Ill. Beta; Albert L. Lanphear, Pa. Iota; E. Ellsworth Enoch, Ill. Beta; Robert J. Griffin, Ill. Beta; Frederick E. Bryan, Ind. Beta; Arnold A. Piatt, Mich. Alpha; Howard W. Knight, Ill. Alpha; George W. Swain, Col. Alpha; Donald S. Egbert, Ill. Delta; Hugh P. Bigler, Iowa Beta; A. K. MacMaster, Ill. Delta; Ben S. Naven, Iowa Alpha; David L. Shillinglaw, Iowa Alpha; R. Jerome Dunne, Ill. Alpha; C. Russell Overholser, Ill. Beta; Willis S. Baur, Ill. Delta; William J. Drake, Ill. Beta; Ray C. Brown, W. Va. Alpha; Renick H. Averill, Mo. Alpha; Walter I. Massey, Wis. Gamma; John L. Arnold, Wis. Gamma; Lauren J. Drake 3d, Ill. Beta.

### Phi Psi Leads in Scholarship at Allegheny

The registrar of Allegheny College has recently made public the scholastic record of the fraternities represented there for the second term of the last college year. This tabulation shows Pennsylvania Beta to hold first place, with an average higher than that for the men of the college, and only slightly lower than the average for nonfraternity men. The table furnished by the registrar follows:

<i>Fraternities</i>	<i>Senior</i>	<i>Junior</i>	<i>Sophomore</i>	<i>Freshman</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Rank</i>
Phi Kappa Psi.....	82.21	75.18	76.87	76.68	77.33	1
Phi Gamma Delta.....	79.40	74.02	76.95	75.81	76.82	2
Alpha Chi Rho.....	74.91	73.33	78.14	74.86	75.89	3
Phi Delta Theta.....	78.08	71.67	73.56	77.70	75.82	4
Beta Kappa.....	78.03	75.41	74.00	74.19	74.94	5
Delta Tau Delta.....	77.34	76.80	73.99	72.36	74.80	6
Sigma Alpha Epsilon..	73.80	72.02	75.48	75.67	74.26	7
Beta Upsilon.....	76.85	64.57	76.31	70.06	72.11	8
Average fraternity..	77.46	72.59	75.75	75.11	75.27	
Nonfraternity.....	81.71	77.13	79.43	75.90	77.83	
Average men.....	78.43	74.08	76.57	75.37	75.99	

## Summer Meeting of Executive Council

The regular summer meeting of the Executive Council was held at the Toledo Club, Toledo, Ohio, June 25th and 26th. All members of the Council and other officers were present, as follows: President Howard C. Williams, Vice President George A. Moore, Treasurer Edward M. Bassett, Secretary Thomas A. Cookson, and Archons Carl H. Kent jr, J. Kenneth Ivory, George Jackson, T. Frank O'Connell, William Larrabee and Wallace W. Knox. This was the first Executive Council meeting attended by these Archons, who had been elected at the various District Councils held last spring. Attorney General Sion B. Smith, Scholarship Director Oscar M. Stewart, Catalog Editor C. Kenneth Barnard and Lloyd L. Cheney were also in attendance.

The Editor of the Catalog and the Secretary reported on the status of the work of compilation of a new edition of the Catalog, followed by much discussion. It was determined to proceed as rapidly and thoroughly as possible, using every effort to secure accurate information. The Council voted that the new Catalog should contain chapter, alphabetic and geographic sections; that names of deceased members should be listed in the chapter section with the date and place of death; that both business and residence addresses should be given in the alphabetic and geographic sections; and that the alphabetic section shall contain the name in full, year of initiation or transfer, occupation, and business and home addresses.

The Attorney General reported that the digest of opinions of the Attorney Generals had been completed, and the Executive Council authorized the printing of this volume at an early date.

The President was directed to appoint a committee to receive and formulate suggestions on chapter finances and to outline the attitude the Fraternity should take toward chapters delinquent in financial matters. This committee was directed to give consideration to the following suggestions presented by Archon Knox: (1) a copy of the monthly trial balance of each chapter should be sent to the national



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Treasurer as well as to the Archon and alumnus adviser; (2) no man should be initiated by any chapter unless his initiation fee is paid in advance and all his financial obligations to the chapter are fully met to date; (3) at the end of each semester or term, whether the men intend to leave college or not, every brother in every chapter should be required to sign a blank note with authority to the chapter treasurer to fill in the exact amount of his balance at the time of leaving in order to facilitate collection; (4) the chapter treasurer should notify the proper university officer whenever delinquent brothers are candidates for graduation with the end in view that their degrees be withheld until financial obligations to the chapter are paid.

The Council considered a recommendation made by the Second District Council that a new district be created, to consist of Virginia Alpha, Virginia Beta, Maryland Alpha and Tennessee Delta. By unanimous vote, the Council decided not to adopt the recommendation.

The Executive Council named as the Fraternity's delegates to the Interfraternity Conference in New York this fall Howard C. Williams, Henry H. McCorkle and Lloyd L. Cheney. As alternates the Council designated Edward M. Bassett, Walter Lee Sheppard and Harry S. Gorgas.

The Secretary was authorized to secure a stock of pledge buttons, for the purpose of supplying the chapters as needed. Heretofore the pledge buttons have been furnished by the fraternity jewelers, which has often caused delay and confusion in their delivery. Chapters will hereafter order these buttons direct from the Secretary.

Approval was given to the design and wording of the bronze marker which the Fraternity proposes to place on the Pennsylvania Epsilon lodge at Gettysburg, Pa. The marker will be about 18 by 12 inches in size and will commemorate the fact that this was the first chapter house erected in Phi Kappa Psi, as well as the first house built by any fraternity in the state of Pennsylvania.

Reports of officers, Archons and editors covering routine matters connected with their various offices occupied the remaining time of the Council.

## Go to College if You Can

*Reprinted from Liberty Magazine*

University of Southern California, Stanford, California—a score of other colleges—disturbed by the enormous increase in application for admission, have adopted “selective” methods to exclude those they believe would not benefit either themselves or the schools, and to secure the most desirable men and women. Their methods of deciding who is and who is not fitted for college education vary. They have psychological, intelligence, social, and even financial tests to decide which students shall be admitted; and because of the immense increase in number of those who want, or think they want, a college education, they are in a position to pick and choose.

If their various tests show a boy to be mentally unfit, or that he wants to go to college with no object beyond spending four years in what he regards as a glorified country club, they are saving time for him and for themselves. As a general thing, however, an earnest, sincere desire for an education is the best test of fitness. It seems to us that the boy and his parents ought to decide the question of whether or not he should attend college. They know, probably better than the psychological experts, what motives impel him and whether or not he should spend four more years in school.

We believe every boy should go to college—if his circumstances permit. He should go as a purely commercial proposition, if for no other reason, since nothing pays so large financial returns as does education.

The average college man earns \$150,000 during his lifetime of work. The boy with the high school education earns \$78,000. The untrained boy of the grammar school earns \$45,000. And the shop-trained boy who has finished the grade schools sinks below \$25,000.

The untrained worker, starting at fourteen years, earns less than \$2000 during the years he should be in high school. He reaches his peak earning of \$2200 a year at the age of thirty, holds that level till fifty, and then gradually loses his earning power. The high school boy, starting work at eighteen, passes the untrained boy in earnings before he is

twenty-two, reaches his peak (\$4000 a year) when he is forty, and holds that level till sixty. The college man, starting work at twenty-two, earns \$1000 a year at the start, and gradually increases his earnings up to the age of sixty, averaging about \$6000 a year.

In value to the nation and to the community, college training shows even larger returns. More than 60 per cent of those whose names are in Who's Who have had college training. This is not an exact estimate, but it is a fair one, since Who's Who is a tolerably good index of success. The chances of the average man to get into Who's Who is one in 12,000. The college man has a one-in-seventeen chance to get his name into that record, while his chance is one in six if he wins the Phi Beta Kappa key for scholarship.

Virtually all members of the United States Supreme Court have been college men. Nineteen of our Presidents have been college men, and eleven were not, although four of these seven studied law, which is the equivalent of a college course. Ten of the Presidents have worn the Phi Beta Kappa key. When less than four per cent of the population supplies that proportion of men to the highest offices, the value of education in achieving eminence is plain.

We believe every boy whose ambition leads him upward in education, and who is willing to work and sacrifice to attain his ambition, should have his chance to get a college education. We are in sympathy with the effort of college leaders to secure a better type of students, but we would amend their scheme by making it: More and better students.

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### **Ohio Epsilon Wins Scholarship Cup**

By winning for the third consecutive year the President's cup offered to the fraternity making the highest scholarship record at Case School of Applied Science, the Ohio Epsilon Chapter has now obtained permanent possession of the valued trophy. The cup was awarded by President Howe of Case School, and its winning has been considered as one of the outstanding honors at Case. Announcement of its permanent award to Ohio Epsilon was made at the close of the last school year.



# EDITORIAL

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

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## Ohio Epsilon Sets the Pace

For several years past the Ohio Epsilon Chapter has maintained an enviable scholastic record. Announcement is made that, because of excellence in scholarship during the last college year, the chapter has been awarded the President's cup at Case School of Applied Science. The Executive Council of our Fraternity has also awarded to this chapter the fraternity plaque for having the highest scholastic rank among the national fraternities represented at Case during the college year 1926-27. One of the plaques has also been given to Pennsylvania Beta at Allegheny College.

The record of Ohio Epsilon is particularly commendable, as this is the third successive year that the chapter has earned one of these plaques. And in connection with the making of this scholastic record, it should be remembered that the course of study at Case, as at most engineering schools, is not easy, and also that the members of Ohio Epsilon have not found it necessary to sacrifice "activities" in order to stand well in scholarship. There are few chapters in the Fraternity that have consistently been as prominent in all kinds of athletics, journalism and college affairs.

The record of this chapter is an outstanding answer to those who contend that a chapter must choose between excellence in scholarship and adequate campus representation, and proves, as our Scholarship Director has always asserted, that it can be done.

## Help to Improve the Magazine

As we start a new volume of *THE SHIELD*, it is the ambition of both the Executive Council and the Editor to make it better than ever. To make the magazine all that is desired will require the cooperation of our chapters, alumni associations and individual members, and all our members are especially urged to lend their assistance in bringing this about.

Here are some suggestions as to a few ways of extending help: send to the magazine (1) personal items and newspaper clippings about any Phi Psi that may come to your notice; (2) articles and speeches written by our members, especially those relating to college and fraternity subjects; (3) accounts of Phi Psi outings, dinners, parties, reunions, etc.; (4) articles relating to college and fraternity matters which may be of general interest; (5) pictures of Phi Psis who are in the news or who are at the time conspicuous for some accomplishment—both undergraduates and alumni; (6) pictures of banquets and other fraternity gatherings. And don't forget the pictures. We wish to have the magazine carry more illustrations, and urge members to send such as may be appropriate.

Then there should be letters from more alumni associations, and chapters should see that the correspondent regularly and promptly fulfills his duty in this respect. Some magazines have discontinued printing chapter letters, but our officers are of the opinion that they are a valuable feature of the magazine. Of course, they should be well written, contain as much news as possible and be free from the silly and inconsequential items that have sometimes brought them criticism.

Let every reader of the magazine consider himself a reporter and representative of *THE SHIELD* in his locality.



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*NOTES*



ROBERT E. BENJAMIN, N. Y. Beta '96, has been recently made resident manager in Utica, N. Y., for Stone, Seymour & Co., investment bankers of Syracuse, N. Y.

MATTHEW L. DANN, N. Y. Beta '98, is one of the authors of a new series of World Histories which are being widely used by the schools. Brother Dann is principal of Richmond Hill High School of New York City.

The honorary degree of Th.D. was conferred in June upon CHARLES H. HASKINS, Pa. Beta '83, professor of history and political science at Harvard, by the University of Louvain, Belgium.

ORLAND C. THOMPSON, Ind. Beta '10, is living at 1118 Western av., Topeka, Kan.

LYNN LLOYD, Neb. Alpha '07, former Archon of the fifth district, has removed from Lincoln, Neb., and is now living at 517 Central av., Wilmette, Ill.

CORNELIUS M. SMITH, Ind. Beta '98, is with the Morse Dry Dock & Repair Co. of Brooklyn, N. Y.

A. R. CHAPPELKA, Ohio Epsilon '18, is with the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. of New York, and resides at 2015 Foster av., Brooklyn.

ORRA E. MONNETTE, Ohio Alpha '91, has been reelected president of the board of library commissioners of Los Angeles. He has been a member of the board for fourteen years and is now serving his twelfth term as president. Brother Monnette was a speaker at the conference of the American Library Association held at Toronto in June.

RICHARD PETERS JR, Pa. Kappa '98, of Chester, Pa., has been elected a director and member of the executive committee of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, one of the founder engineering societies of the United States.

DR. HERBERT C. HODGKINSON, Pa. Beta '14, is chief resident surgeon of the Cleveland Clinic Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio.

DR. GEORGE S. MINER, Pa. Beta '78, for many years engaged in missionary work at Foochow, China, is now retired and lives at Garden Villas, Houston, Texas.

ROLAND J. GEORGE, Pa. Beta '08, is head of the invest-

ment trust department of the Franklin Statistical Corporation of New York City.

CAPT. WINFIELD R. MCKAY, Pa. Beta '17, who has been stationed at Fort Omaha and Fort Des Moines, has been transferred to Manila.

FRANK McGRATH, Mass. Alpha '20, has left his teaching position in Troy, N. Y., and is living at 55 High st., Springfield, Mass.

A volume of essays and sketches, chiefly about animals and birds, by WALTER A. DYER, Mass. Alpha '96, was published by Doubleday, Page & Co. on September 23d. The volume is illustrated by Charles Livingston Bull and contains a foreword by David Grayson. The title is "Country Cousins."

H. NORTON JOHNSON, Mass. Alpha '99, is with the General Petroleum Company, Higgins Building, Los Angeles, Cal.

A testimonial dinner to MAJOR OLIVER A. DICKINSON, U. S. A., Mass. Alpha '03, organizer and instructor of the Military Intelligence Association of New England, was held on June 2d at the Wardroom Club, Rowe's Wharf, Boston. At the close of the dinner Major Dickinson was presented with a loving cup.

A second daughter, Mary Theoda, was born on May 11th, at Wallingford, Conn., to BRO. and MRS. GUY MOULTON, Mass. Alpha '04.

HAROLD E. SHAW, Mass. Alpha '10, is now president of the Holliston Mills, Norwood, Mass.

F. CURTIS CANFIELD, Mass. Alpha '21, and Miss Katherine Newbold were married on May 21st at St. John's Episcopal Church, Northampton, Mass. Among the ushers were ELBIE BAILEY and DURYEA SMITH, Mass. Alpha '20.

SENATOR GEORGE K. POND of Greenfield, Mass. Alpha '00, has been appointed chairman of the Massachusetts Commission on Aviation.

THEODORE WARD, Mass. Alpha '23, who takes a position this fall on the faculty of Robert College, Constantinople, has spent the summer traveling through Europe with a knapsack.

A daughter, Katherine Lee, was born July 21st to BRO. and MRS. ALBERT Y. DEMPSEY, N. Y. Gamma, of Upper Darby, Pa.

GEORGE W. SIMONS JR, Wis. Gamma '09, was elected third vice president of the International Association of

Civitan Clubs at the annual convention of the association recently held at Nashville, Tenn. Brother Simons is also president of the Florida Engineering Society; his office is at 15 Julia st., Jacksonville, Fla.

THE IOWA BETA CHAPTER won the intramural cup for excellence in athletics at Iowa State last year. This is the chapter's second leg on the cup, it having also scored the necessary points in 1925.

SHIRLEY E. MESERVE, Cal. Gamma '08, former President of the Fraternity, was chosen first vice president of the Interfraternity Alumni Association of Southern California at the club's last election.

FRANK S. MONNETT, Ohio Alpha '75, with Mrs. Monnett, spent some time during the past summer in an automobile tour of England and the continent. In 1925 he visited Australia, New Zealand and the Fiji islands.

HENRY CLAY ALLEN, Ind. Beta '66, celebrated his eighty-third birthday on July 15th, and is still an "active" member of the Fraternity. He lives at 4473 Washington blvd., Indianapolis, Ind.

When Col. Charles A. Lindbergh hopped off from New York for St. Louis, he was accompanied by Lieut. NEWTON LONGFELLOW, Pa. Beta '10, as far as Dayton, Ohio. Lieutenant Longfellow was trained as an aviator at Champaign, Ill., and served for 18 months in France in the World War. Since then he has spent three years in the Philippines, and for the last four years has been stationed at Mitchell Field, New York.

OKLAHOMA ALPHA was awarded the fifth district scholarship plaque for leading the district during the last college year.





# ALUMNI

## CORRESPONDENCE

### Chicago Alumni Association

Just when we had decided to devote all of our letter space to a description of our rush-dinner held September 8th at the Congress Hotel, we received a batch of letters and telephone calls complimenting the Chicago Alumni Association on the dinner, and several suggested that we expound upon it in a special article for THE SHIELD, so wet the thumb and fore-finger and turn over the pages of this edition and you will find a complete story of our famous rush dinner of September 8th.

On the mailing list of the Chicago A. A. is John L. Porter, 421 Wood street, Pittsburgh, Pa. He received all the notices sent out regarding the rush-dinner—in fact, he receives all the notices from the Chicago A. A., and every time he receives a notice he very kindly acknowledges receipt of it and sends some form of greeting or congratulation. We certainly are glad to receive things like this, especially from a man like John L. Porter, who has been in Phi Psi for 41 years and still is just as enthusiastic about his fraternity as he was during his college days. In his last letter, Brother Porter asks us to call up the Holden family, father and son, and tell them that John Porter has been looking for their names among the live members of the Chicago Alumni Association, and if he doesn't hear from them soon he will begin to credit them with having joined the "has-beens." Brother Holden, will you kindly take note as to what John Porter has to say about you? Brother Porter also notices that we have credited Judge Rush with having been elected to the bench 100 years ago. Brother Porter wants us to be more exact on this subject, and states that it was 110 years ago that Brother Rush was elected to the bench.

Paul Watson of Beloit and quite a famous athlete at his college several years ago, was recently married in Chicago, to a very beautiful North Side girl. We are taking Paul's word for the beauty of his wife, inasmuch as he has not yet brought her around for our inspection or approval.

Walter Massey of Beloit one of the youngest and most active members of the Chicago A. A., and now serving as treasurer of this very famous group, just gave birth, via his wife, to another baby girl, making two of the female species in Brother Massey's family right now.

Dutch Gorgas, president of this honorable society, is the father of a very handsome girl who looks like his wife. Dutch was a very famous athlete in college, and won a "C" in basketball, track and football at the University of Chicago.

Hays McFarland is now vice president and advertising manager of the Chicago Herald and Examiner. This is about the fourth institution that we know of that Hays has served as vice president.

Brother Gorgas has asked me to thank personally and in writing all the members of the Chicago Alumni Association who so cooperatively lent their hand to making our rush-dinner a success, and told me especially to mention the names of Brothers Keehn, H. A.

and K. W. Moore, Joice, McFarland, Dr. Theodore Soares, Harold Townsend, Bob McKnight, Don Maxwell, Fred McQuigg, Ellsworth Enoch, Walter Massey, Scotch McMasters, William Boal, Frank Oates, Kady Farwell, Robert Allen and Hal Buell. Dutch says it was only through this kind of cooperation that the dinner was put over with such tremendous success.

The Chicago Alumni Association now lists 750 members, of which 260 are actual members who have paid their dues.

The Phi Psi field day was held the middle of the summer and the attendance was 50. Kady Farwell, famous orchestra man, shot low gross score with a 79. The event was held at Olympia Fields, and we spent the whole day out there. The meals were good, and the golf, outside of Farwell's 79, was not so good.

Judge Rush called up the afternoon of our rush-dinner and exclaimed in wild excitement to be sure to reserve him a seat at the dinner that night, and then he failed to show up. Can you imagine a guy with a name like Rush fail to show up at a "rush" dinner? Maybe it would have "rushed" him too much to get there—at any rate we saw nought of him.

Ralph Crissman, good fellow minister and brother from Detroit, had lunch with us one day last month on his way through to California, where he was going to spend a month's vacation. Don't these ministers lead the life of Reilley? Can you imagine Brother Bachman or Brother Barry of Detroit spending a month and taking a trip to California, not to mention your 'umble editor of Chicago. We certainly have got to get the combination from Brother Crissman on how to become a successful minister!

Now that the football season is here there will be a more interesting topic to be discussed each week, and we expect the luncheon attendance to pick up materially. Perhaps Chuck McGuire, Charlie Redmon and Frank Whiting will be able to see their way clear to visit us on Tuesdays at Marshall Fields, and give us their respective viewpoints on the relative merits of Chicago, Northwestern, Wisconsin, Indiana, and other colleges ready to start this football race. We'd also like to see the Coyle boys, Slooey Chapman, Ray Berry, Carl Birdsall, H. A. Davis, Paul Rosenberg, Drew Ebersson, Peck Dubbs, Roy George, Ray Hartman, Paul Kroeschell, Don Maxwell, Fred McQuigg, Jimmy Meigs, K. W. Moore and a raft of others.

*Chicago, Ill.*

R. J. MADDIGAN

*September 3, 1927*

*Correspondent*

### Pittsburgh Alumni Association

The summer vacation season, always quiet around Pittsburgh, proved no exception in 1927. Trips to eastern seaboard resorts, to damper areas along and beyond the northern border, and to other points of interest, cut down our luncheon attendance appreciably. But the old P. A. A. is getting set for a bigger and better winter program, in all lines of fraternal endeavor. President L. W. Voight has called a meeting of his cabinet and it looks as if the year will end in a blaze of glory. And how!

Arthur V. Snell, manager of the chamber of commerce, has just got back from a two months' trip to France, England, Ireland, Holland, Belgium, Italy and Switzerland. Personally, we'd like to get a bead on the Feast of the Wine Growers, held once every twenty

years, at Vevey, Switzerland, which, we understand, was attended by Brother Snell.

Thomas W. Pomeroy and Sion B. Smith, whom you all know, went to Canada. So did George D. McIlvaine, and, incidentally, the former President is credited with having caught the largest fish reported to have been landed in Canadian waters for many, many years. Charles A. Curtis, Ind. Beta, spent the latter part of August at Huntington, W. Va., visiting his parents. Hugh D. Largey, accompanied by Mrs. Largey and son, Jack, toured numerous southern states in August.

Robert P. (Bob) Crawford, Pa. Theta, just told us on the 'phone that his brother, Dr. Stanley Crawford, Pa. Iota, has fully recovered from an operation for appendicitis, performed the early part of last month. Bob, by the way, has moved his offices to 21 Boulevard of the Allies, and, as usual, will welcome all Phi Psis.

For selfish and other reasons we regret to report that C. O. (Pat) Hoban, Pa. Mu, one of the Elders' Ridge Boys, has accepted a position with the Erie City Iron Works, Erie, Pa., where he is making his headquarters. The new chapter will miss Pat in more ways than one. You'll all be interested in knowing that Brother and Mrs. P. C. McKnight are the proud parents of a baby son, born in West Penn hospital. Sure, he looks just like his dad.

Another item of interest concerns P. C. McKenzie, Pa. Mu, who is connected with the Herr-Harris Co., none other than the concern put on the well-known map by E. H. (Hunt) Harris, former association president, now of New York City. "Mac" gets over to luncheon regularly. We also are told that G. W. Pringle, Pa. Beta, who lives at 1138 Berkshire avenue, is identified with the Rust Engineering Co., which has something to do with the Mellon interests.

Everyone got a kick or two from recent visits of F. S. (Doc) Laffer, Pa. Beta, who left Pittsburgh a while ago to sell high-grade tool steels for the Colonial Steel Co., at Cleveland, and of William H. (Bill) Greer, Pa. Alpha, of Bowling Green, Ky., where he represents the Frick and Lindsay Co. At one time or another both these gentlemen held the portfolio of treasurer of the P. A. A.

Bob Crawford tells us that A. C. Mann, Mass. Alpha '22, son of the Right Reverend Alexander Mann, is with the Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance Co., with offices at 736 Oliver Bldg. We haven't made a recent census, but feel safe in saying there are now more than a baker's dozen of Phi Psis in the Oliver Building. By the way, did you know that Burleigh Cruikshank, Pa. Alpha, all-American center a number of years back, left Stuebenville to become pastor of the St. Paul Presbyterian Church, Baltimore av. and 50th st., Philadelphia? It would do the boys of Pennsylvania Iota a lot of good to know Burleigh Cruikshank, former Pittsburgher, and one of the preachingest Phi Psis ever to preach in this district.

Joseph H. Dowling, Pa. Mu, has returned from Jamestown, N. Y., to work for the Duquesne Light Co., with which Paul C. Albrandt, treasurer of the active chapter, was connected this summer. A. W. Studybaker, a Tech graduate last June, is with the Monongahelia Connecting Railway, here in Pittsburgh.

We regret to record the deaths of William S. Thomas, Pa. Alpha, naturalist and member of the Allegheny County bar, and of James Todd jr. of the Sterling Varnish Co., both of whom were active and ardent Phi Psis.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.  
September 7, 1927*

C. F. WILLIAMS  
*Correspondent*

## Kansas City Alumni Association

DERE EDITER:

Well we sure been havin some wether out here all this here summer till now when the skool yere is beginin to commence and now it has terned hot whicht same i gess is re sponsibul for the new x pres-sun that has been goin the rounds up at Lawerence on the Kaw where all the guys has been for about three days and nites with out much sleep if any a helpin the aktive chapter git some new materiel on whicht to bete this comin yere whicht same is that one of these here rushees is ether a "bawl of fire" or jest a plane "wash out" the latter i gess comin frum the amount of rane we had at the beginnin of the season. Well any ways it looks like the gang up there has sold some perty good lookin boys on the idear of bein Phi Psis some of them even went so far as to answer all the fone calls while they was at the house showin that they knowed what was x pected frum freshmens and a hopin that maybe same would help there cases some and Scoop Wellman the guy whicht toes a mene footbaal and can drop as many punts as any baby can says that the thing to do is to hide a bunch of plege buttons around in places and the guys whicht finds them gets to put them on.

For some reson or other this here Tub Merrill was back rushin agin and i gess he is the only guy whicht got to sleep in a bed and same bein a double one the rest of the alumusi will sleep at the switches thru the comin wk. Charlie Strickland was out frum clere back in Cleveland and as same is closer to Canada than we is we sure was glad to have him with us onct more even if he was a goin out to see old Gus Lauterbach get hitched up on the fourteenth and a few of us sure want to thank Gus and tell him we apreciated what he done for us and further advice him that we got him started on the rite tracks and was sorry that he could not be with us etc.

One thing looked almost a sured when yores truely climbed into his rusty fliv at 3:15 A. M. C.S.T. to ride back to the city to get this here epistel wrote and that is that the boys sure got a Bird the same bein some place fifteen yeres old and the cradel and all he had was 32 hrs. of advanct standing and hed full of Inestines therums and the astral equasions so they better look out or he will have em up in the air.

There is 1 thing that i perty nere forgot and that is that Mrs Wilson was back with the boys agin and she bot about 100 lbs. of chicken for dinner whicht same was cooked up by Mary Hughes whicht has been cookin at the house for a bout 20 yeres and she sure done it up brown with plenty of the same kind of gravey but after the rushin seson is over and they have got some new men to pay dewes and they only got three or two less than a score and git the chicken pade for why then it will be the same old potatos and beans. Now the next thing to do is to go down to this here Columbia and see that the boys get hooked up rite down there but i gess that i wont get to rite about it as there free for all dont get under way until the middel of the week and this here letter is late now sos i gess that i mite as well end it and get it on its way sos i can get some sleep.

Yores truely

CACTUS PETE

Correspondent

Kansas City, Mo.

September 12, 1927

## Western New York Alumni Association

Buffalo and Western New York alumni are again giving their attention to Phi Psi activities after their summer at grass. The monthly dinners were reinstated September 7th at the University of Buffalo Alumni Club on North st. This dinner, the first of the season was well attended.

Weekly luncheons have been held throughout the summer on Mondays at the Chamber of Commerce. Since the first of September, they have however shown a considerable increase in attendance.

The high point of the summer season was the Phi Psi outing at Harry Templeton's summer home at Crescent Beach on Lake Erie. Eighty Phi Psis and wives and families were present and thoroughly enjoyed themselves on a wonderful Saturday afternoon and evening. All manner of sports, baseball, swimming, golf, tennis were the order of the afternoon. A splendid buffet supper was served and there was dancing in the evening. The baseball game, supposedly between New York Epsilon and New York Beta was declared won by Pennsylvania Lambda.

Since our last letter there has accumulated quite a volume of notes on the personal activities of the brothers in this district.

Walter Newcomb, N. Y. Epsilon '06, leading exponent of the art of bait casting is defending his championship title at the national tournament held in Buffalo this week.

Russell Cerrick, N. Y. Epsilon '14, is head coach of football at the University of Buffalo. Lawrence Sparfield is coaching Hutchinson High School of Buffalo.

Dr. Timothy Donovan, N. Y. Gamma '08, it is reported in the newspapers, has been elected president of the staff of the Emergency Hospital. "Bill" Donovan, the assistant attorney general of the United States, is never out of the newspapers.

Lloyd Josselyn, R. I. Alpha '07, has been making a number of addresses to different organizations about the city on the work of public libraries, and recently took a prominent part in the annual institute of libraries of Erie and Niagara counties.

Irving Templeton, one of our legal lights, recently addressed the Mercer Club on the Constitution.

Walter Clough, Pa. Lambda '18, has recently come to Buffalo and is with the Dupont Rayon Co.

Another newcomer is Charles Field, Pa. Iota '92, who is a chemist with the National Analine and Chemical Co. Bro. Field's son will enter the University of Virginia this year.

H. A. Burhans, N. Y. Epsilon '21, is with the General Motors Acceptance Corp. in Buffalo.

Wesley E. Abbott, Pa. Beta '08, has started an agency for Hudson and Essex cars.

H. R. Sullivan, N. Y. Epsilon '10, is now with the Ontario Biscuit Co.

M. B. Donahue, who is with Stone and Webster and Blodgett, has left Buffalo and moved to New York City. Robert Lehring has also moved to New York.

M. G. Linihan has moved to Syracuse where he is district sales

manager for the International Salt Co. His address there is the University Club.

John Garver was recently married to Miss Dorothy Loing of Buffalo.

Lawrence Graham, N. Y. Beta '23, who is with the M. & T. Peoples Trust Company, has been elected treasurer of the western New York A. A. to fill Mickey Donahue's place.

L. W. Martyn, N. Y. Beta '22, is now selling Oldsmobile cars.

Plans for the 1928 G. A. C. are in progress and announcements will shortly be made that will interest the entire Fraternity.





# CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE



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

## FIRST DISTRICT

### Massachusetts Alpha—Amherst College

With the opening of the fall term less than two weeks distant the brothers are beginning to reassemble. Rushing is to occur, as usual, on the three days preceding the official college opening and for this struggle Rushing Chairman Hadley has been preparing his cohorts for the last six months. Prospects seem excellent, but advance predictions will be omitted.

The closing month of college last spring seems almost too ancient for recollection, but certain occurrences are worthy of notation. Seven seniors, Cowan, Gilles, Hooker, Keller, Newton, D. C. Smith and T. S. Ward, have departed to return henceforth as dignified alumni. As far as known at present all the other brothers will probably return, keeping the chambers of the house fully tenanted.

Pike, present G. P. of the chapter, won the best of the recent honors bestowed upon Phi Psis, membership in Scarab, the senior honorary society. Stew had previously been elected to the Student Council and to the Committee of Seven. Ed Cowen, along with his diploma, carried off the Lincoln Russell Prize awarded annually to the senior who has done the most during his four years in college to awaken interest in singing. Chauncey Kibbe was chosen assistant manager of hockey after a strenuous competition. Bob Howe and Hal Smith, of the freshmen, were elected to the editorial and business boards, respectively, of the *Student*, the college newspaper. Joe Reeve was appointed a member of the *Olio* board, which publishes the college annual and was elected assistant business manager of the Masquers, the dramatic organization. Art Stewart is Larry Weber's new assistant as electrician in the latter organization.

In athletics, Al Nichols was first-string pitcher for the baseball nine and starred on the mound and at bat. Hugh Perry ran the 440 for the track team. Fred Hadley and Bush Richardson were regular members of the tennis team.

The final dance of the year, on May 28th was even more of a success than usual. Two orchestras furnished musical competition which was enjoyed by a goodly mob.

*Western Springs, Ill.*  
September 9, 1927

JOSEPH E. REEVE  
*Correspondent*

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### New York Alpha—Cornell University

With the beginning of another college year and a pleasant summer spent by all, the brothers of New York Alpha have returned to resume their studies and to place Phi Psi among the leaders in college activities. All the brothers, with the exception of the ones who were graduated last June, have returned with each brother bent on raising Phi Psi standards.

New York Alpha is proud of her freshman class and we want our alumni to come up and look them over. We hope this year that we will be more frequently visited by our alumni as we are always glad to see them come back and we want them to feel that they are still in college and are just "one of the boys." We must not forget the excellent meeting we had for our three-day District Council Convention which was held in Ithaca last May. We want the return of each alumnus to be a convention for him, and not to feel a stranger at Phi Psi.

There are to be some excellent football games in Ithaca this fall, and the two that stand out above the rest are the Princeton and Columbia games being played on October 22d and 29th, respectively. The latter game is usually set aside as alumni homecoming, but we expect to have many back for the Princeton game also.

It is not necessary for New York Alpha to extend any invitation or to urge her alumni to come back. It is expected and we hope that each alumnus will live up to this expectation, and bring his friends with him.

Everything points to a very successful year for Phi Psi at Cornell and it is to her best ability that she will live up to examples set for her by the brothers who have left our home to face the cruel business world. Therefore forget your troubles and pay us a visit where the front door is always open.

*Ithaca, N. Y.*

*September 7, 1927*

L. L. VOIGHT JR

*Correspondent*

### New York Epsilon—Colgate University

Since the opening of college, New York Epsilon has brought to a close a most successful rushing season. Of eighteen bids extended, fifteen have been accepted. At this time, therefore, New York Epsilon takes pleasure in announcing the pledging of the following men from the class of 1931: Nicholas Bald, Buffalo, N. Y.; Carl Berge, Cleveland, Ohio; John Borrise, New York City; William Elliot, Buffalo, N. Y.; Emmet Fish, Utica, N. Y.; William Gibbud, New Haven, Conn.; Robert Hoffheins, Buffalo, N. Y.; Fred Heine-man, New York City; Edward Herb, Medford, Mass.; Donald Kent, Buffalo, N. Y.; Ralph Martin, Lorraine, Ohio; Richard Mangano, New York City; Edward Paul, Buffalo, N. Y.; Jack Schreyer, Milton, Pa.; and George Vermilye, Sherburne, N. Y.

Although college has been in session for less than a month, some of these freshmen have already begun to show their abilities in college activities. Pledges Herb, Borrise and Martin are out for freshman football. Herb and Borrise are at present the outstanding backfield men on the eleven while Martin is with the best of the second stringers. Pledges Gibbud and Berge are scrubbing manager-ships of track and lacrosse, respectively. Pledges Kent, Elliot and Hoffheins are trying out for glee club.

The brothers in the chapter are still maintaining Phi Psi's enviable record in activities. Johnny Galloway, who was the shining light of last year's freshman eleven, is now the outstanding halfback on the varsity team while Jim Simmonds is one of the prominent second-string backs. Cottie Morris, who was forced to quit football last fall because of injuries, is on the varsity squad this year and gives promise of making a record for himself. Other Phi Psis prominent in football are Bud Mitchell, manager of the freshman team, and Paul Graves, assistant manager of the varsity.

Two brothers have been elected to Skull and Scroll, honorary senior society. Bill Bridges, captain-elect of baseball, and Ken Courtney, manager of last year's freshman track team and present manager of the symphony orchestra. Courtney is also a member of the senior governing board.

Other honors recently won by members of the house are inter-scholastic track managership by Harry Kaufman, and assistant advertising managership of the *Banter* by Hugh Replogle.

A fraternity honor was awarded the chapter in the election of Carl Kent, a prominent senior, to the office of Archon of the first district. Carl has distinguished himself both on the campus and in the chapter. He is a level headed, responsible brother, worthy of his office. New York Epsilon congratulates him on his election and pledges him its support in the performance of his duties.

In spite of the fact that the brothers are busy with campus activities and usual college routine, the social life of the house is not being neglected. The freshman delegation has already entertained other members of the freshman class at a smoker and plans are now under way for the fall house party. The house orchestra is on the job again this year playing at our own entertainments as well as professional engagements. It has become a regular institution in the chapter and is a big asset to the house.

With the opening of college this fall several brothers failed to return. Lee Haff was forced to leave college for a semester because of illness. Bryce Barden is spending the year with the University of Delaware foreign department in France. Both Bud Evans and Jack Redmond have left Colgate to study in other institutions. Bud is attending art school in New York City, while Jack is studying dentistry at the University of Pennsylvania. Ralph Waite, Jack Harris and Bunny Stenger, all of last year's freshman delegation, have left college to enter business. Sig Burger, who travelled with the round the world cruise last year, has returned to college.

New York Epsilon extends a hearty invitation to all brothers to visit us at any time. We are in an out of the way place, somewhat hard to get at, but we feel certain that any brothers' visit to the chapter would be worth while. We are always glad to entertain visiting brothers and show them real Phi Psi hospitality.

*Hamilton, N. Y.*

*October 7, 1927*

JAMES F. GARVEY

*Correspondent*

## SECOND DISTRICT

### Pennsylvania Theta—Lafayette College

Most of the members returned on September 18th by virtue of the heavy fines imposed for tardiness. Tom Pomeroy returned September 2d as assistant football manager. After fall training at Saylor's Lake the football team returns for the first game on September 24th. Cothran is captain, and, as predicted last year, president of the athletic association.

The prospects for new men are particularly good this fall, judging by reports of the members who visited the entrants in their respective districts.

The chapter is starting in fine shape with all but three members of last year's roster. We cordially invite all alumni to return for a visit during the football season.

*Easton, Pa.*

*September 8, 1927*

FREDERICK L. GRANT

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Iota—University of Pennsylvania

Starting the new college year with a large number of members back, Pennsylvania Iota looks forward to a very successful year. With the exception of two members of last year's freshman class, the brothers are all back and ready for work. The house, which was completely redecorated last year, is in excellent shape and all set for another year.

Stevens, associate manager of football, is taking excellent care of the team at training headquarters, Seagirt, N. J. Monk, Stewart, Amelia and Beaumont have reported there for practice and the prospects for several Phi Psis on this year's team seem very good.

The brothers have been widely scattered during the summer months but every one seems glad to be back at 3641 Locust street again. Button and Loehr spent several months in Europe. Several other brothers had hoped to spend the summer abroad but for various reasons found it impossible.

At the close of the last college year, Stevens was elected to the Sphinx honorary society and Peck was made assistant manager of baseball.

Brothers lost by graduation last June were John Walker, "Deke" Soars, Richard Ford, William Maxwell, Richard Redway, Craig Anderson and John Adams. We hope they can get back to see us this fall.

*Philadelphia, Pa.*  
*September 7, 1927*

JACK K. WAMPLER  
*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Kappa—Swarthmore College

Rushing has been the main topic of interest among Pennsylvania Kappa's membership this summer and E. Bishop, in charge of getting the new men, has kept the chapter well informed during the summer months as to the whereabouts of the prospects. Correspondence with the new men has developed a number of friendships which will go a long way toward getting the right pledges in the fall.

Pennsylvania Kappa feels that it is losing a strong group with the graduation of the 1927 class and the remaining members realize the responsibility thus thrust upon them and are working to carry on the good results obtained during the last college year.

A number of the brothers were in Europe during the summer, including Clothier and Cornell. Maxwell completed a course in flying at his home town of Indianapolis and returns to college for his senior year a licensed pilot, in addition to being one of the mainstays of the backfield on the Garnet eleven.

Football practice will soon be under way with E. Bishop and Brown, manager and assistant manager respectively, busily preparing for a hard season. Among the men called back early for practice this year will be Maxwell, Clothier, Barnes, Wagner and Parrish.

*Swarthmore, Pa.*  
*September 15, 1927*

HOWARD J. WOOD  
*Correspondent*

## Maryland Alpha—Johns Hopkins University

This letter, if viewed as the last letter of the scholastic year which has just passed, should contain a summary of the activities of Maryland Alpha during the whole year as well as those activities which were not covered by the previous letter.

During the scholastic year 1926-27 Maryland Alpha accomplished five significant improvements. We pledged and initiated ten men who have in every way measured up to what Phi Psi expects of them. We have made a number of improvements in our chapter house. New china and kitchen equipment has been bought, and our meals have been run in a more businesslike manner. The interior of the house has been painted, and the floors revarnished. Our stock of linen has been replenished, and the furniture has been repaired, where repairs were necessary.

The major credit for these improvements of the house belongs to the "Mothers of Phi Kappa Psi", an organization of the mothers of the men in the active chapter, and the mothers of our alumni. The beginning of this organization was, for the chapter, one of the most fortunate occurrences of the year. Partly through the mothers' association, and partly through other means, we have succeeded in bringing our alumni into even closer contact with the chapter.

Financially we are sound. A substantial amount was saved out of the dues of the year to finance our next rushing season. We start next year owing no bills, with our books in the best of condition, and with an ample working balance in the treasury. Socially the year was not especially distinguished; we had the usual number of prerushing and postrushing dances, also several luncheons before football and lacrosse games.

Since our last letter we have given our alumni picnic. It was given immediately after the university had completed the "June Week" entertainments, which were directed by Thomas McNeal, one of the graduating class of the chapter. The picnic was well attended and was in every way a success.

At our last meeting the Mothers' Association reported informally that they had a good balance in their treasury, which they had accumulated from their dues and from several card parties which they had given. They have reserved this sum to rehabilitate the house in the fall.

This summer the house has been running at capacity, the occupants being men in attendance at summer school, and alumni working in Baltimore. This has made the house pay for itself over the dull season; it is viewed with great delight by the treasury.

The chapter was fortunate in losing only four brothers this year, though they were each of them very valuable men who have played a most honorable role in the activities of Maryland Alpha during the past four years. The graduating brothers were George Hebner, Thomas McNeal, Louis Rawlins, and Eugene O'Dunne. Two of these men spent their vacation in Europe, as did two others in the active chapter. We hope that these men were fortunate enough to meet some brother Phi Psi while on the other side. It is needless to say that we will miss these men from the active chapter; however, if their successes in college may be taken as an index to their future, we are sure that they will succeed in the rather matter of fact world of business and professional life.

*Baltimore, Md.*  
*September 6, 1927*

ELDRIDGE H. WOLFF  
*Correspondent*

## THIRD DISTRICT

## Pennsylvania Beta—Allegheny College

The goal toward which Pennsylvania Beta has been pointing for several years was finally reached when, after the final scholastic averages had been determined, Phi Kappa Psi ranked first in scholarship among the national fraternities on the campus. The chapter is justly proud of its record this year, for it required a maximum of whole-hearted effort to pull up from fifth place to the top. Now that the peak has been reached the brothers are intent upon staying there, and there is no reason why the end of another year will not find Phi Psi showing the way scholastically.

Classes commence this year on September 14th. Freshman week, an idea that worked with fair success last year, is being given another try-out. The freshmen reported on the 8th, following a program of addresses and entertainments until the opening of college. It is understood that there will be no rushing by any fraternity until the second week. But whether or not this agreement is lived up to remains to be seen.

Phi Psi will be represented on the gridiron by Charley Slaven, a brilliant end and mainstay of the team for two seasons but who may be shifted to tackle this year. Tom Leffingwell is manager of the team and Phil Corbin is assistant manager. Following the first game of the year, against St. Bonaventure, the team travels East to take on Dartmouth. Coach Melvin P. Merritt of the Allegheny team is a former Dartmouth star; so the game will be another "pupil vs. teacher" affair.

The outlook for Pennsylvania Beta is indeed satisfying. With several promising freshmen in view and about twenty men in the house, we are looking forward to a very successful year.

*Meadville, Pa.*  
*September 10, 1927*

BRADFORD A. BOOTH  
*Correspondent*

## Pennsylvania Mu—Carnegie Institute of Technology

Once again our brothers are gathered together, fired with ambition and a desire to work—more or less. Everyone is trying to get settled into the routine of studies and duties and you know what that means.

We have with us this year Danny Defenbacher from Indiana Beta. He is an asset to the house and a delight to the co-eds.

The first chapter meeting of the new year was held on September 14th and we were honored by having with us Brother Voigt, president of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association, and Brother Robert Evans.

We are looking forward to rushing, which is delayed because of the use here of a deferred system. Open season begins November 11th, Armistice Day.

Besides anticipating rushing season, we are looking forward to having our house painted—probably olive drab or pea green. Before the house can be painted it must be repaired, all of which should make our place unrecognizable.

The Phi Psis made a big sweep in the sophomore class elections which were held just before school closed in June. Droste was elected president of the class in the College of Fine Arts, Warner was chosen treasurer, and MacLeod, Senate representative. The only other possible office in the Arts School, vice presidency, was obtained by a Phi Psi sweetheart. Maze was elected president of the sophomore class in the College of Engineering.

A commendable number of Phi Psis were called to honorary fraternities at the close of school in the spring. Stump is now a member of Pi Delta Epsilon, national journalistic honorary. Stump and Chamberlain were made members of Clef Club, a musical society. Ahlbrandt and Murdock were made Theta Taus, national engineering fraternity. Maze and Warner were called to Druids, the sophomore honorary choosing its members on the basis of activities.

I guess that's about all the news at present. There will of course be plenty next time. Please don't forget that you have a cordial welcome awaiting you at Pennsylvania Mu. Come to see us; bring the wife and kiddies and stay all day. That's all.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.*

*September 27, 1927*

ROBERT B. GOEHRING

*Correspondent*

### West Virginia Alpha—West Virginia University

Summer is about over, and with its disappearance there appears a gradual rousing among the brothers. Many have appeared in town to talk over "prospects". So West Virginia Alpha finds itself well on its way towards a successful rushing season when college opens on September 19th.

The house will show the result of various alterations, made during the summer under the direction of John Trotter, when the boys arrive. Nearly all the boys are coming back; there are one or two who say they will not be with us but we hope to have persuaded them otherwise by the time registration comes around.

*Morgantown, W. Va.*

*August 31, 1927*

JO. L. KEENER JR

*Correspondent*

### Ohio Alpha—Ohio Wesleyan University

To the great disappointment of all the brothers and the student body in general, Wesleyan opened her fall term one week later this year than usual. A conference of the Methodist church convening in the university's buildings was responsible for the prolonged vacation.

However, in spite of the belated opening Ohio Alpha lost no time in getting under way in its fall campaign. "Rush" was carried on in a very successful manner under the direction of Atkinson. To date we are glad to present to the Phi Psi family Pledges Jacque Jones, Shaker Heights; Victor Hunter, Cleveland; Frank Beebe, Sandusky; Robert Weston, Toledo; and William Fry, Springfield.

Helwig, varsity quarter of last year, is back in his old position and looking good. In all probability R. Kyle will be able to return to his place at end. Wesleyan is meeting a tough schedule this year so we hope to see these men continue their reliable performance. Pledges Fry, Beebe and Weston have been working with the frosh football material.

Seiter is running well in the cross-country competition. He was awarded his "W" last year.

Ohio Alpha is using the "house-mother" plan this fall. Campbell's ('27) mother has consented to assume the responsibility of the position for the current college year. We consider ourselves very fortunate in having her with us.

While the chapter did raise its scholastic average last year it is hoped and expected that even the gain made at that time will be eclipsed by this year's record. The brothers have enjoyed the success achieved to such a degree that we'll never consent to an inferior place on the scholastic ladder.

One more word—The latchstring is out to all visiting brothers.

*Warsaw, Ind.*

*September 9, 1927*

H. A. BEANE

*Correspondent*

### Ohio Beta—Wittenberg College

Ohio Beta enters upon her sixty-first consecutive year at Wittenberg with a strong personnel of actives and a very promising class of freshmen. This week marked the completion of the rushing season with the result that there are fourteen men pledged, every one of whom is real Phi Psi material. The pledges are: Charles Hunt, Billy Ultes and Bob Remsburg, all of Springfield; Parker Schaeffer and Harry Harter of Akron; Harmar MacConkey and Eugene Fast of Lima; Rudolph Raabe, Delphos; Fred Franks, Philo, Ill.; James Bricker, Shelby; Marion Bullock, Hebron, Ky.; John Schneider, Urbana, Ohio; Al Keck, South Bend, Ind.; and Fred Schiderer, Marysville.

Registration at the college begins September 13th and although this is usually considered a rather unlucky date, Wittenbergers are not superstitious. In fact, to all appearances this date will mark the beginning of one of the most successful years Wittenberg has ever seen. The new Science Building and Blair Academy were completed this summer and will be opened for the first classes on September 15th. These two new buildings, beautiful examples of modern architecture, are a valuable asset to the college.

As football is the drawing card and keyword of the opening term, we might say that the coming season is a very promising one, sixty-five candidates having answered the first summons. Ohio Beta's contribution consists of Al Brant, veteran at tackle, and Ritter and Merickle who are putting in a strong bid for backfield positions.

Bullock will succeed Sittler this year as debate captain, and all in all, the college year of 1927-28 will probably be the best in the history of Ohio Beta. The chapter lost four actives this year: Teichmoeller will enter the University of Cincinnati Law School; Routzahn will attend the University of Dayton Night School; Trembley expects to enter Michigan State, and Ingmand is filling a position in the insurance offices at Ashland, Ohio. To all of these brothers the chapter wishes success in their various and respective fields of endeavor.

The doors of Ohio Beta are never locked, and there are plenty of beds and plates at 134 W. Ward street, which means that every brother in old Phi Psi *must* visit us when in the vicinity of Springfield.

*Springfield, Ohio*

*September 10, 1927*

JOHN RAUCH JR

*Correspondent*

## FOURTH DISTRICT

## Illinois Delta—University of Illinois

A few students are being seen these days about the campus walks—harbingers of the mighty horde which will make its appearance the beginning of next week. The brothers of Illinois Delta will return to a house that has been completely redecorated and repaired; they may have to sit on the floor, of course, but when it is the floor of a room freshly calcimined and varnished, who cares?

As usual in the summer there is little news that's fit to print in such a uniformly informative journal as THE SHIELD. I have received a few chapter letters in the last two months, largely consisting of impassioned pleas from the rushing chairman. All that hullabaloo will be a thing of the dead past by the time this epistle sees the light of day; how I should like to project myself into that future period, passing over the intervening turbulent weeks as though they were not.

I see by the papers that Richard R. Tyson, a brother who would have been a junior this year, is married. *Frater, pax vobiscum.*

C. B. Judah, who studied last year at the University of London in England, returns to Illinois this year to complete the work necessary for a Ph.D. degree, and to teach history part time. J. B. Bayard, after a year afiel, returns as a junior. Both these brothers are originally of Vincennes, Ind.; and while speaking of native sons of that historic city, I might mention that F. S. Ronalds, a recent Ph.D., will deliver a series of lectures on European history at the university this year. I shall not sleep during these lectures; no indeed, I shall not attend them.

*Champaign, Ill.*  
September 7, 1927

CHARLES H. BENNETT  
Correspondent

## Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin

Resumption of college work at the University of Wisconsin will take place on September 21st. Early registration starts on the 15th with regular registration on the 19th and 20th. Under the leadership of Wilfred S. Roberts as G. P. and George W. Miller as V. G. P., a most successful year is anticipated.

The coming year will find the chapter well represented in campus activities. Wilfred Roberts, in addition to being G. P., will also assume the presidency of the Haresfoot Club. William T. Schroeder will reassume his duties as business manager of the club. This is unique in that it is the second consecutive year that the two major positions in the university's dramatic club have been filled by Phi Psis. Other members of the chapter who were elected to membership in the club this past season included Leonard Hicks, Arthur Morsell and Ralph Erhardt Schuetz.

In accordance with a change in policy, the Haresfoot Club will make its annual tour during the Xmas vacation of the 1927-28 season, leaving Madison on December 20th and playing Appleton, Oshkosh, Sheboygan, Milwaukee, Racine, and Kenosha in Wisconsin, Chicago, Springfield, St. Louis, Mo., Peoria, and Rockford, Illinois, and then going north into Wisconsin again to Janesville, Madison, and Eau-Claire.

Donald Hinterliter, of Tulsa, Okla., in addition to making his "W" in gym this season, will captain the gym squad next year.

Donald O. Mitchell, of Duluth, steward of the house, will captain the hockey squad of the university. Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota are the only three colleges in the Big ten fostering hockey teams.

As a fitting climax to a season of intramural sports, members of the chapter forged their way into second place in the interfraternity baseball tournament and managed to bring home a handsome silver cup to add to the collection in the living room. The golf team, composed of Connell, J. Kennedy, S. Kennedy, and McDermid, failed to keep up their pace in the matches but finished a happy third.

Wilfred Roberts, Russell G. Winnie and John Moran were elected to National Collegiate Players following their meritorious work in the Haresfoot show this past season.

Graduation this year took three members from our ranks who will be missed; namely, Russell G. Winnie, Leonard Hicks and George Reeke. Arthur Morsell was also graduated from the law school, but has been a resident of the Phi Delta Phi house for the past year.

Wisconsin Alpha extends best wishes for a most successful rushing season to the other chapters of the Fraternity.

*Madison, Wis.*

*July 10, 1927*

WILLIAM T. SCHROEDER

*Correspondent*

### Wisconsin Gamma—Beloit College

Wisconsin Gamma opened its doors on September 22d with a chapter of twenty-one men, eighteen of whom are living in the house. Six pledges were made last June, and the rest of the pledges which are being made at the time of writing will be announced in November. Rushing this year is limited to ten days, from October 4th to 13th.

Elections for the offices made vacant by those who did not return were held at the first chapter meeting on September 26th. These are as follows: V.G.P., Willard Ethier; P., Irving Newberg; sergeant-at-arms, Eugene Beck.

Since the middle of September the entire second and third floors of the chapter house have been redecorated. Only the hallways and the wood work are yet to be done. The whole house was thoroughly cleaned and in tip-top shape for the opening of rushing week.

Wisconsin Gamma is unusually active this year in outside activities. On the football squad are Ethier, Bottino, Kenneth Williams, Burton Stephens, Doug Williams and Howard Stevens. The *Round Table*, student newspaper, has Dupee, Vaughn, Beck and Van Wart. Moen and Beck are in the vesper choir and also in the A Capella choir. Whitson, Stephens, Goelzer and Moen are members of the Beloit Players. Other activities have not as yet been started.

Beloit College won its opening game with North Central, of Naperville, Illinois, and three of our men played in the game. The homecoming game with Knox is scheduled for October 22d. The entire student body is now looking forward to Big Hill Day on the 13th, an all-college holiday and outing. Wisconsin Gamma is entertaining at its first informal party of the season on November 5th and extends a hearty welcome to all alumni and to brothers of near-by chapters.

*Beloit, Wis.*

*October 7, 1927*

DONALD R. VAN WART

*Correspondent*

## FIFTH DISTRICT

## Iowa Beta—Iowa State College

After three months of vacationing in all parts of the country, or rather, the globe, holding down various jobs, loafing, etc., the brothers are looking forward to another great year at Iowa Beta. A great amount of work has been done on prospective rushees during the summer and, if correspondence brings the results we are looking forward to, a large group of good men will be pledged this fall. Recommendations from alumni have been especially requested concerning good material for pledging and we feel that the results are going to be very gratifying.

Another day has been added to this year's registration period. Evidently it looks like Iowa State College is expecting an unusually large enrollment for 1927. With most of the letter men back, prospects for a good football team are very bright this fall. Coach "Dopey" Workman also expects to round out several of last year's frosh into valuable players on the varsity. The 1927 schedule shows that we are meeting some strong teams and, if prospects run true to form, some good games will be played this season.

As usual, intramural sports will start right off for another year of busy competition. If we meet with the great success which marked all of our last year's efforts, Iowa Beta will have to build an addition onto the house in order to provide enough room for our already large collection of trophies.

This fall marks the completion of the first wing of a series of the men's new dormitories being built on the campus. It will house about 150 men and is an excellent building. In a few more years, in which time further additions should be completed, the rushing committee will have another problem on its hands. We know it will be able to solve it, however.

Rushing week is scheduled for September 22-29, at which time several alumni will be on hand to aid in pledging the right men. We have had the pleasure of being hosts to a few alumni during the summer. The hosts, however, were very few in number. If the coming year finds you near Ames at any time, don't fail to visit us at Iowa Beta.

*Ames, Iowa*

*September 6, 1927*

LEN LESSENICH

*Correspondent*

## Texas Alpha—University of Texas

Texas Alpha has recently closed the most successful rush week the chapter has seen in many years. In choosing the boys to bid, quality, not quantity, was considered. The pledge button now adorns the lapel of twelve of the most promising freshmen on the campus, and the outlook for the chapter is excellent. The pledges are: Stanley Hagan, Amarillo; Boswell Newton, Rockdale; Josh Nagley, El Paso; Marcus Boysen, Brownwood; Howard Jones, Dallas; Ralph Wright, Sweetwater; Pete Obrien, Amarillo; Victor English, Birmingham, Ala.; Gus Hodges, Greenville; Fuller Lyons, San Marcos; Arthur Dietert, Kerrville; and Ted Mayborn, Fort Worth.

Several brothers were graduated last year and several undergraduates were unable to return to college this semester. For this reason the

chapter would have been rather handicapped during rush week had it not been for the untiring efforts of Preston Oliver, our rush captain, and the spirit and interest shown by the alumni in a wholesale return to help us along with the rushing.

Theron Wilbanks turned in a fine game at end against O.S.W.T.C. last week. He is our only representative on the team this year, as Ward, last year's tackle, is unable to play this year due to injuries.

Pledge Camp, a sensational freshman basketball and baseball player, has returned to college this year, with his place on both varsity teams practically cinched.

*Austin, Texas*

BEN CONNALLY

*Correspondent*

### Kansas Alpha—University of Kansas

Back at the old grind. Yes, it's sad, but true. Still, the old house—and by the way, it doesn't look so old, with a fresh coat of paint inside and out—looked mighty good to all of us. The brothers found the big intermural all-sport athletic trophy adorning the table in the living-room, when they got back. The smaller individual cups we annexed last year were for boxing, basketball, handball, spring track and fall track. The large all-sports trophy becomes the permanent property of the fraternity which has won it three years. Needless to say, Kansas Alpha is going to make a strong bid for it again this year. We start on baseball in a few days.

Kansas Alpha announces the pledging of seventeen men: Charles Neal, John Woodcock, Eugene McWhirter and Al McWhirter, of Kansas City; Bernard Fink, Webb Woodward and Dan Esterly, of Topeka; David Evans and Lawrence Skinner, of Lawrence; Paul Brooker, Marion; Bob Bird, Hays; Codlett Cotton, Arkansas City; Denny Klepper, Cameron, Mo.; Sennett Kirk, Garnet; Ed Little, Tulsa, Okla.; Burton Lyman, Hutchinson; and Foster Payne, Argentine. This was a very successful rushing season, and we hope to see all these men initiated in February.

Kansas is looking forward to a great football season this year. Phi Psi is well represented by Hamilton, captain and quarterback, Hauser, left end, Hadley, who is holding down the center position pretty regularly, Pledge Ash, who is making a strong bid for a back-field berth, and Grimes, who is fighting for an end.

Grady, captain of track, Young and Howard Nash, are working out on the cinders, in anticipation of a big year. Pledge Ash is also counted on for track, but he is devoting all his time to football now.

The frosh this year are very musically inclined. Pledges Brooker, Woodcock and Woodward made the university band, and Pledge Cotton is a member of the glee club. Duran, another member of the glee club, spent most of the summer on the Orpheum circuit, with the university quartet.

Kansas Alpha already has a splendid start socially. The frosh put on the annual Phi Psi freshman smoker, for the pledges of the other fraternities, a week after pledging, and it was a big success. Our first dance of the year was staged last Saturday night. It was a great party, as usual.

Plans are being formulated for the Christmas formal, and we know it's going to be better than ever.

Hook has just pledged Phi Delta Phi, legal fraternity, and Olson has donned the button of Beta Phi Sigma.

Brothers, come to Lawrence if you want to see some real football, and incidentally, drop in a Kansas Alpha.

*Lawrence, Kan.*

KEN DUNCAN  
*Correspondent*

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## SIXTH DISTRICT

### California Gamma—University of California

At California, college is well under way and the brothers have settled down to the routine of the year. Rushing is over, registration is completed and three weeks of work are behind us.

California Gamma pledged seven men during a most successful rushing season. We take great pleasure in introducing the following freshmen: George Guthrie of Santa Monica, brother of Walter Guthrie of California Delta; Charles Lupher, Harold Odmark and John Ramsey of Long Beach; Thomas Hickey of San Francisco; James Sheridan of Chicago and John Hazzard of Whittier. Lupher and Hazzard are the brothers of Morgan Lupher and Roy Hazzard, both of this chapter. John Ramsey is the son of Joe Ramsey of Kansas Alpha. We invite all alumni to come up and meet the new men as well as visit the chapter.

We are greatly indebted to several brothers for their financial and moral support during this rushing season. Brothers Jones, Ramsey and Guthrie made special trips up from Los Angeles to help with the rushing. We also thank all the brothers that recommended boys to us; we appreciate their interest.

It was a busy summer for most of the brothers. Many were working in an effort to finance another year at college. Dennie Evans and "Duke" Ducato were life guards at Long Beach and Yosemite Valley, respectively. Jim Logan and Morris Stimpson went east to Poughkeepsie; Logan coxed the freshmen crew while Stimpson rowed at number two position. They took a month to the return trip and report a wonderful time. Bert O'Neil toured Hawaii and Japan at the expense of the university. Between times he played second base on the baseball team. Mike de Laveaga spent the summer on a tour around the world.

With a few exceptions everyone returned to college this fall. By graduation we lost Neil Duckels, G. von der Lieth and James Webster. Jake Murray left to offer his services to the Walter M. Murphy Company and Warren Schultz transferred to the University of Southern California. There are twenty-eight men living in the house and thirty-five in the active chapter.

The officers for this year were elected last semester and are as follows: Thomas Coakley, G. P.; Walter Lawrence, V. G. P.; Wallace Sedgwick, A. G.; Morris Stimpson B. G. and James Logan, S. G.

The football situation looks brighter for California this year, but as yet it is too early to tell much about it. For the varsity we have two lettermen, Captain Fritz Coltrin at tackle and Dennie Evans at

quarter. On the freshman squad Pledge Roger Williams is considered one of the most promising candidates for the fullback job.

All in all it looks like a successful year for California Gamma. We also hope to have more frequent visits from our own alumni and other Phi Psis.

Berkeley, Cal.  
September 5, 1927

WALLACE SEDGWICK  
Correspondent

### California Delta—University of Southern California

The good old days of vacation are rapidly becoming less in number and soon we will all be back in the harness. Most of the brothers have been working hard all summer and will no doubt welcome the opening of the new university year.

Our membership committee has been very active this summer—thanks to Brothers Sagar and Walker—and as a result our freshman class this fall is sure to be of top-notch Phi Psi material. Buttons do not come out on the campus until September 19th, consequently we cannot name the pledges at this time.

The house will be represented on the gridiron this year by Al Schaub, a junior, who has a good chance to make a guard position on the first lineup. Hershel Bonham, a junior, should do some good work in the backfield as should Jimmy Jonas, a star on last year's frosh team. Cecil Hoff, a big up and coming sophomore, should make things interesting for some of the more experienced tackles. Karl Krieger will be out fighting hard for a wing position. George Newberry, another sophomore, should make a name for himself as a backfield man.

Sam Newman, president of the freshman class last year, is now president of the Trojan Squires, a sophomore organization for disciplining the incoming frosh. Douglas Hanby is also a member of the Squires.

Hershel Bonham, Herb Spencer and Roy Broomfield were elected to membership in the Trojan Knights and will be active about the campus this year. Bonham is also manager of the *El Rodeo*, the university yearbook.

Carrol Sagar, our G. P., is going to be a very busy man this year, as, in addition to being G. P. of the house, he is vice president of the School of Architecture and secretary of the interfraternity Council.

"Bus" Blanchard is manager of the varsity football team this year and president of the local chapter of Alpha Kappa Psi, commerce fraternity.

We are looking forward to a big year here at California Delta and are going to strive earnestly to keep ourselves at the top.

Los Angeles, Cal.  
September 7, 1927

ROSCOE W. BLANCHARD  
Correspondent

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## William H. Axtell, Ind. Alpha '84

Dr. William H. Axtell, Ind. Alpha '84, a leading surgeon of Bellingham, Wash., died at his home in that city on May 16th. During the war he served with the base hospitals at Camp Lewis and at Fort Riley, and was then promoted to camp inspector at Camp Funston, being later transferred to Camp Humphries. On discharge from military service he was made assistant medical director of the United States War Risk Insurance, from which position he resigned in September 1920 to resume the practice of medicine. The grasp of the problem of the disabled veteran which he obtained during his service with the War Risk Insurance made him one of the most effective friends of the disabled men in Washington. He was particularly active in all affairs of the American Legion.

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## Charles P. Jaeger, Ohio Epsilon '06

Charles P. Jaeger, Ohio Epsilon '06, city commissioner of water of Cleveland, Ohio, died at his home in Lakewood on June 21st. He had been in failing health for several months, having been stricken with paralysis. He was 57 years old.

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## William S. Thomas, Pa. Alpha '84

William S. Thomas, Pa. Alpha '84, well-known lawyer and naturalist, died at his home in Pittsburgh, Pa., on July 2d. He was graduated from Washington and Jefferson College in 1886, and two years later was admitted to the bar. He had served as president of the Allegheny County Bar Association and as a director of various banks and other corporations. He was nationally known as a hunter of big game and as a naturalist. He had travelled widely and was the author of books on natural history.

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## James Todd, Pa. Iota '83

James Todd, Pa. Iota '83, died in Pittsburgh, Pa., on June 8th. He was president and founder of the Sterling Varnish Co. of that city.



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**GRAND CATALOG**, C. K. Barnard, 1903 First Nat. Bank Bldg., Detroit, Mich.

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## Chapters and Alumni Associations

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### Alumni Clubs

- Harvard.....  
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- Pennsylvania Gamma—Bucknell University (1855)  
South Third Street, Lewisburg, Pa.  
Pennsylvania Epsilon—Gettysburg College (1855)  
Lock Box 134, Gettysburg, Pa.  
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238 W. High Street, Carlisle, Pa.  
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Easton, Pa.  
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**Iowa Beta—Iowa State College (1867)**  
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**C. F. WILLIAMS, ILL. DELTA '06,  
One of the originators of the custom of college homecomings**

## Origin of College Homecoming

*At some season of the year, nearly every college of the country seeks to bring back its alumni for "Homecoming." It is estimated that fully half a million alumni attend the homecoming games in the Western Conference alone. This custom started at the University of Illinois in 1910, the originators of the idea being C. F. Williams, Ill. Delta '06, now of Pittsburgh, and Mr. W. Elmer Erblaw, a national officer of the Acacia fraternity and a member of the faculty of Clark University. Both were at the time juniors at Illinois. Their stories of the origin of this popular college custom is told in the following articles prepared for the Daily Illini, the college paper at the University of Illinois.—EDITOR*

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By W. ELMER EKBLAW

**N**OT LONG after the initiation in the late spring of 1909 of the juniors chosen for Shield and Trident, and Phoenix, the honorary senior societies then existent upon the Illinois campus, C. F. (Dab) Williams [Ill. Delta '06] and I were returning from the *Daily Illini* office in the basement of the old Law building, discussing the seeming futility of many of the efforts for constructive activity by these two senior groups, both organized for service, and the promotion of Illinois loyalty.

Both of us were somewhat older than the average run of college men, and realized that there was real opportunity for effective work, in addition to the promotion of ephemeral enthusiasm and casual college spirit so characteristic of many college campuses; but both of us also realized that it was hard to initiate and carry through to successful completion any plan that involved hard work over a period of time.

The average undergraduate is generally occupied with his studies, his social activities and his personal associations that to enlist him in genuine concerted work and effort beyond his immediate interests is more easily said than done. His ideals are high, his intentions high, and his purposes sincere, but all too often his "stick-to-it-iveness" is deficient.

Appreciating the fact, after three years on the campus, we considered that only some project which would capture and hold the enthusiasm of the student body as well as promote the good feeling and good spirit which should exist among the alumni as well as the students, would be possible of realization. As we mulled over the definite things that needed to be done and might be done, we gradually came to a conclusion, which Dab put into definite form by saying, as I recall it, "Why couldn't we have a university reunion like the 'Old Home' weeks of some of the towns of New England? The alumni would probably be glad of a chance to get back to the university to see the students in their regular activities in the fall when the enthusiasm of the football season makes the campus most effervescent and colorful."

His suggestion was just in accord with what we had been saying regarding the small attendance at Commencement, the evil of too many activities distributed throughout the autumn, and the need for a strong alumni support of the university, things which were then as evident and as significant as they are today.

We sat down on the steps of the old Y. M. C. A. facing John street near its intersection with Wright, and together we formulated the purpose and the plan to lay before Shield and Trident, of which we both were members. As nearly as I can remember, this was on a bright, sunny, balmy afternoon of late May.

When we had talked it over at length, we strolled down John street, parting company at Fifth street, he turning southward to go to the new Phi Psi house and I northward to the Acacia house at 505 Green street.

We saw each other in the *Illini* office regularly in the

next few days, in the regular round of work connected with the paper, of which we were both members of the staff, and submitted the plan to the first subsequent meeting of Shield and Trident, with the recommendation that if the membership agreed with the plan, a joint meeting of Shield and Trident and Phoenix should be arranged.

The plan was favorably received. I recall the earnestness with which "Shorty" Barry, S. A. E., and "Red" Goodspeed, Kappa Sig, endorsed it and the emphatic approval which Benny Baum and Randolph Eide gave us. The whole membership soon became enthusiastic and it was voted to ask Phoenix to meet with us in the basement assembly room in the old Y. M. C. A. the following Sunday. A favorable reception for the Shield and Trident request had been prepared by "Rowdy" Railsback, "Swede" Hanley, and some of the other Phoenix members who were close friends and associates of either "Dab" or me so that, at the meeting of the two groups, they voted to submit the plan to President James, Dean Clark, and others of the faculty as well as to the fraternities and other student organizations, in the form of a petition which was later prepared and presented by a special committee of the two societies.

The student body accepted the plan wholeheartedly, and though the faculty committee and the senate were somewhat more conservative, they also gave wholehearted approval to the project. The petition prayed that the fall Homecoming might be held with the express purpose in mind of entertaining the alumni while the university was regularly in session, so that the student body could become acquainted with the character of men and women who made up the great alumni group, and the alumni in turn could become acquainted with the students and the faculty who were then carrying on the activities of the university.

The day was also to serve as an activities time, when the fall handicap, the hobo parade, the class football championship, and other events which had spread over the whole autumn period could be run off at one time. The date was suggested for one of the big football games on the Illinois field.

With the support of the student and faculty group enlisted, the permission of the university authorities granted, and the alumni association interest aroused, the plans and organization went on apace; how successful the first fall Homecoming was can best be gauged by reading the issues of *The Daily Illini* of that time. It was a real Homecoming, fulfilled the hopes held out for it beyond measure, and stirred the imagination of several other mid-west colleges, among them Wisconsin and Indiana, to early similar celebrations.

This, in brief, is the history of the founding of Homecoming, as I recall it.

By C. F. WILLIAMS, Ill. Delta '06

THE EDITOR has asked me, one of the old guard convicted for the creation of Homecoming at Illinois, to throw a few sidelights upon its early history. Having followed, for a period of a dozen years after leaving college, the edicts of city editors, just plain editors, police judges and the like, I'm going to fill my assignment right now. In the event of a P. S., I'll say I wrote this myself.

It's rather difficult to recall all the things that led to the initial Homecoming idea, now eighteen years old. Incidentally, Illinois is the cradle of the Homecoming undertaking. The idea, it seems, was contagious, for virtually every large college in the land has become vitally interested in Homecomings of one kind or another. You all know what they mean today: the big game, a jolly reunion with former associates, a whopper or two about the old days and a ripping headache for those who don't know any better than to trust fellows from Elgin and Peoria.

Unlike the Duncan sisters, Homecoming was not just born.

In the spring of 1909, a dozen or so of us juniors were paddled, "boneyarded" and dragged into Shield and Trident, a noble organization, but absolutely without soul when it came to handling neophytes. Just as soon as we regained our senses, if any, we initiates decided it was high time for Shield and Trident to do something besides

whale the stuffings out of a flock of promising juniors. What to do, in a constructive way, we knew not.

That autumn Shield and Trident held a meeting or two but got nowhere rapidly, so far as big ideas were concerned. Then, without warning and entirely without malice aforethought, the Homecoming idea presented itself to two of us—W. Elmer Ekblaw, better known as “Ek,” and myself, still known as “Dab.” I blame “Ek” for fathering the program and he insists he could convict me, among other things, of first springing the Homecoming idea upon an unsuspecting constituency. So, I guess, we’re equally guilty.

At any rate, he and I talked over the idea, seriously, and soon presented a more or less interesting program to Shield and Trident members, who fell for the unknown equation, hook and ladder. Even Randolph Eide, now “high mogul” of the Bell telephone system in the sovereign state of Ohio, agreed with us that within less than two decades twenty thousand people from all over the central west would be coming to Champaign or Urbana to see a big game. Think of it! We sprung the idea on President James, Dean Clark, Pete the cop, Dan Swannell, Gladhand John, and a few others.

“Go to it, boys,” they said, “do everything you want to put the old school on the map, but keep out of jail.”

We held a number of informal meetings at the Phi Psi and Acacia houses, ironed out what wrinkles we could, talked a lot and worried a little. Just as soon as real work connected with the initial Homecoming in 1910 loomed up, I beat it for Europe, leaving poor old “Ek” in charge. He did a good job. And how!

## Brotherhood Is the Fraternity's Cornerstone<sup>1</sup>

RUSSEL H. ALLEN, Ind. Alpha '06, Contributor

**W**E are gathered together this evening to celebrate the seventy-fifth birthday of our Fraternity and to pay homage to the memory of two illustrious men, who, in their young manhood, placed brotherhood above self-interest, the founders of the Fraternity, Charles P. T. Moore and William H. Letterman. Their act consisted in bringing together a small group of kindred souls in that little Jefferson College in the western hills of Pennsylvania. Thus began a chain of associations which today are enjoyed by a body of twenty thousand members of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. But they did more! They gave impulse to a spirit which lives imperishable with every Phi Psi, which ennobled the souls of every Phi Psi departed, and which shall, God willing, enrich the lives of Phi Psis unborn.

A word concerning these two founders: William Letterman was brilliant, polished, keen; the other, Charles Moore, was cordial, confiding, friendly. Together they well represent the motto of our Fraternity; out of the union of these two personalities in that glorified circle of friendship and brotherhood arose the spirit of our Fraternity. The third element of our motto was to be particularly exemplified a little later by a no lesser brother, Thomas Cochran Campbell. Impulsive, dreamy, indefatigable, the son of a missionary, he came from India, the land of mystery, symbolism and occult art. He particularly gave to Phi Kappa Psi the ritualistic mystery and secrecy which has been the effective vehicle for saturating our minds and hearts with the high ideals of friendship and brotherhood. We find then the trinity of our motto personalized in these three brothers, who have made it possible that we gather before the altar of Phi Kappa Psi tonight. It is their spirit that sits within the hallowed circle of brothers bound together by the bonds our founders forged. Well may we in this hour ponder

<sup>1</sup>Address delivered at the Indiana Alpha initiation banquet, February 20, 1927.

on the significance of our Fraternity and seek to express our gratitude.

The magic words which we have heard and the hand clasps we have given have drawn us once again into that fraternal intimacy as of old. We feel deeply and our emotions make us inarticulate. For the rich heritage of brotherhood we would raise our voices in gratitude and reverence.

Before the majesty and power of the storm in the mountain pass, Byron cries out: "Could I embody and un-bosom now that which is most within me, could I wreak my thoughts upon expression, and thus throw soul, heart, mind, passions, feelings, strong or weak; all that I would have wrought, and all I seek, bear, know, feel and yet breathe into one word and that one word were lightning,—I would speak."

If I could throw all my thoughts and emotions into one word tonight, which would express for me and carry to you the fullest meaning of our Fraternity, I would choose the word "brother" for this word carries with it the essence of the spirit of Phi Psi. Brotherhood was the cornerstone upon which our founders built. As we have builded through the years, however, I can see that the spirit of Phi Kappa Psi has revealed to me many aspects and realizations. Of these I wish to speak of three aspects, each inadequate in itself, but all three fairly well embodying for me the significance which I attach to our Fraternity. Phi Kappa Psi is to me as a sweetheart, mother and god.

As a sweetheart, she is beautiful. She is my choice from among many. We have engaged ourselves unqualifiedly to her. How sorrowful we are when we have to leave her. We who have passed through the bitter-sweet senior year of our active college life well remember the heartaches as we left the altar as an undergraduate brother.

When we present ourselves before her, as we do tonight, we feel the necessity to appear at our best. We cannot long remain away from her. Her memory calls us with

an overpowering compulsion. And although at times it is a "wee small voice" it is always clearly audible above the stress and rush of life.

Loves of other men make no impression upon us as our love and faith are pledged forever to Phi Kappa Psi. She is tender and true. We glorify her in spite of her faults, which we do not magnify. We dream of her. We extol her with song and poetry. We ever long to come back to her, to bask in the warmth of her exquisite charm. She never grows old—she is always the sweetheart of our youth.

How like a mother is our Fraternity. We call her "she." That is not poetical. The church and state, the great protective agencies of civilization, we refer to with the feminine pronoun. Goethe, in the closing words of his great human drama of Faust says, "Das Ewig-Weibliche zieht uns hinan" (The eternal feminine draws us upward). Our Fraternity is eternally feminine in that she carries the seed for the perpetuating of the principles of brotherhood among men. She, likewise, guards and protects her progeny as the lioness protects her cub.

She has a mother's constancy and patience. She is mindful always of even the least of those who have ever been in her care. Mistreat her and she is forgiving. She truly gave us birth into a new life of service and devotion, and for this birthright we are duly grateful to our founders.

Men worship different gods. A man may worship many gods. The god of one generation may not be the god of the next. Whatever we worship is, in the true sense, our god. Our idea of God is personal to ourselves. It is complex and changing. What we all most seek as objects of our worship are those abiding and eternal principles of human conduct. These we find, I believe, in abundant measure in the principles of Phi Kappa Psi. He who would make beauty, truth and goodness his gods can well ponder on the attributes of our Fraternity.

What is more beautiful than the associations about this altar, or the splendid thoughts expressed in the ritual we

have just heard? Where is truth to be more lauded than in the loyal friendships formed in Phi Kappa Psi? Where does goodness exist in greater measure than in the brotherhood of man? Nineteen hundred years ago the world's greatest teacher gave to men, in word and example, the principle of brotherhood. Through the ages, men have lived and died for this principle. It is this principle which was the keyword of the first and last expression of the spirit and aim of Phi Kappa Psi. Thomas Campbell was the high priest of our Fraternity in his tireless efforts to serve and perpetuate this principle. Thus, to me, out of our associations arise these three splendid objects worthy of worship, to which we, as brothers, may turn our love, our devotion and our reverence.

Twenty-six years ago I was given a charge by this chapter, and this charge I afterwards gave to other initiates. The words of the charge I may have forgotten, but the substance and its responsibilities I have not. To my knowledge I did nothing, during my college life, under the eye of the chapter, to violate the promises I made or the admonitions given me.

Tonight I stand, as others of you graduated brothers, before the altar of our Fraternity, and it seems fitting that I express again my faith in its ideals and aims.

Although, during the intervening years, I have come into only intermittent touch with active chapter life, I can sincerely say that there glows within me the same faith in its work and mission. God helping me, I have tried to be true to the moral, spiritual, intellectual and fraternal obligations which I assumed in that charge years ago. Such is no unique statement. Every brother who has tried to grasp the profound significance of old Phi Psi can say the same—and perhaps with more validity. What is wonderful is that there can come into our lives such a force and influence so potent, that as the years pass and life's scenes and associations change, our faith and purpose formed in Phi Psi can endure with such persistence and power.

Truly our founders built better than they knew. The vision they saw seventy-five years ago has become for us a splendid reality. As the beneficiaries of such traditions and priceless blessings, we can only say that those who made these possible are like the doer of a good deed, who, in so doing, takes a step toward God.

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### The Four-year Man in the Fraternity

*Paper read at the Fifth District Council by the Delegate of  
Iowa Alpha*

**E**ACH year fraternities everywhere are faced with the problem of filling the gaps left by those who have finished their college careers. Each group finds itself confronted with the task of selecting and choosing those few who are best fitted to carry on the traditions which those who have gone before have entrusted to their care. Men must be found who not only will make a success of their careers on the campus, and in doing so reflect credit upon the group with which they are affiliated, but also who will assimilate the true fraternity attitude and spirit which marks their worth within the group itself. Therefore it would seem that each member of the chapter who is considering a prospective rushee should ask himself these two questions before all others—first, will the individual during his years in college so conduct himself that when he has received his diploma and departed he will leave behind him a record of achievement in campus activity of which the group may well be proud, and second, and of even greater importance, will he mingle with the group and so absorb its traditions, its aims and its ideals that he will leave with it a worthy contribution to the chapter, to the fraternity to which he belongs and through them to the fraternity system as a whole.

It is the purpose of this paper to consider, with these criteria in view, a most important question which confronts every chapter several times each year—that is, is it for the best good of the group to pledge only those men

who are but starting their college career as freshmen and have four years before them in the university? Does the man who is pledged in his sophomore, junior or senior year justify his fraternal existence? Does the man who will be an active member of the group for only one, two or possibly three years make such a fraternity man as each group would wish to have in its enrolment? The question is a complex one, and its complete solution must necessarily depend to a certain extent upon a specific analysis of the individual character of each rushee, but general considerations coupled with interviews with a number of fraternity presidents on the campus of the University of Iowa have led these writers to believe that the four-year man is the profitable investment and that the group should give very serious consideration indeed before pledging the candidate with only three, two or one year of college life before him.

As the young man of 16 or 17 years of age leaves his local high school and the protection of his home and enters into the maelstrom of college life, he finds himself in a totally new environment to which he must acclimate himself. He must adjust his way of living and his methods of study to an atmosphere to which he is totally unaccustomed, he must learn to stand upon his own feet and manage his own affairs, and he must form associations of the right kind which will be a benefit rather than a detriment to him during his course and in later years. Fortunate indeed is the freshman who has a group of older men to guide him, and who has access to the experience and learning which they have accumulated. The freshman is in the primitive stage; he is but the embryo of a college man, and often requires a strong hand to guide him toward scholastic and extracurricular attainments. Left to himself and with no ties to bind him, it is easy for the young man to fall into the onlooker class with no aspirations, no aims, and no ambitions, but under the sound guidance of interested upperclassmen innate capabilities and hitherto unknown potentialities may be

brought into the foreground. If one were obliged to pick one phrase which most aptly describes the freshman college year, he could not be far wrong in calling it the period of acclimation in which the freshman orients himself in his new environment.

It is not until the sophomore year that the student begins the period of his development. It is not until he has thoroughly accustomed himself to his new methods of life that he begins to launch out and make his presence felt in the flow of college activity. However, it is a noteworthy fact that such development follows almost exactly along the lines of his first year's acclimation—while he was a freshman, his associations, his inclinations, the guidance to which he was subjected and various other factors have cast him into a mold, the shape of which never leaves him during his entire course. If he has not had proper guidance, if his associations have not been of the best, the effects of his freshman year may clearly be seen while he is a sophomore, and even throughout his junior and senior years, the normal periods of accomplishment. He has been improperly acclimated, his college life has been born with a club foot from which he never recovers during his entire course. It is the feeling of these writers that herein lies the basic danger of pledging men who have spent one, two or three years in a university without having had the advantage of fraternal guidance throughout the formative stage. We do not wish to be understood as stating as a blanket proposition that all non-fraternity men have been improperly acclimated, but the desirability of pledging a man during his freshman year must be clear to anyone. It may be that there will appear once in a while an upperclassman who has previously been "undiscovered" by any fraternity, and who "looks good" upon casual observance, but in order to make sure that he will make an acceptable candidate, the environmental preparation which he has undergone and his intrinsic rather than extrinsic qualities should be most carefully scrutinized.

The consensus of opinion among fraternity presidents at Iowa University seemed to be best expressed in the words of the commander of the local chapter of Sigma Nu, when he said, "Second, third and fourth year men have in general been unsatisfactory in our experience. They seldom imbibe the true fraternity spirit which must be instilled into them in the formative stage, and hence are not much good to the fraternity intrinsically. They often have difficulty in getting rid of a prejudice against fraternities in general which grows out of their failure to make one during their freshman year and they don't like to be told about their faults. In short, we feel that it takes four years to make a fraternity man who will justify the chapter taking him in." His statements were correct as far as they went. He saw the results, but failed to see the cause behind them—improper acclimation during the freshman year. I hope, if the advice of these writers be worthy of consideration, that sophomores and underclassmen will be pledged only after most careful investigation and deliberation, making certain that they are entirely worthy of the button.

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### **Sykes Awarded Coveted Medal**

**C**ONFERRING of the Henry Marion Howe medal for 1927 upon Wesley Pope Sykes [Ohio Epsilon '12] brings to him the distinction of being one of the youngest scientists to be so honored. The Howe medal, which Mr. Sykes has been awarded, was established by the board of directors of the American Society for Steel Treating shortly after the death in 1922 of Dr. Henry Marion Howe. Establishment of the medal constituted a tribute to the exceptional work and distinguished achievements which Dr. Howe had attained. He was an honorary member of the society. The medal was awarded Mr. Sykes at the American Society for Steel Treating convention in Detroit in September.

Mr. Sykes has presented many technical papers before the Steel Treating and other societies. His presentation



**WESLEY P. SYKES, Ohio Epsilon '12**

at the Chicago convention in 1926 was entitled "Iron-Molybdenum System," and was the thesis for the award. He presented a paper at this year's convention entitled "Carburizing with a Mixture of Natural Gas and Hydrogen." Mr. Sykes also has appeared before the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers as a speaker, presenting papers on the "Physical Properties of Metals that Elevate Temperatures" and on the "Iron Tungsten System."

Mr. Sykes was born October 4, 1893, and received his early education in the schools of Cleveland. Following elementary and preparatory education he matriculated at Case School of Applied Science, Cleveland. He was graduated from that institution in 1916 with a degree of bachelor of science in metallurgical engineering. In 1920 he was honored by Case School in its conferring upon him the degree of metallurgical engineer in recognition of the work he had done in the field of metallurgical engineering and reasearch. He submitted a thesis entitled, "Effect of Temperature, Deformation and Grain Size on the Tensile Properties of Metals" in attaining the degree.

For his recreation Mr. Sykes usually indulges in tennis during the months when weather permits. In the winter season he obtains his exercise in the form of squash. Reading probably may be claimed as his hobby, as he spends considerable time in that pursuit on subjects other than technical. General literary works provide most of his reading relaxation.

In addition to his membership in the American Society for Steel Treating, Mr. Sykes belongs to the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers and to the Cleveland Engineering society. He is a member of the University club, Cleveland, and has shown an active participation in the alumni activities of Case School. He has appeared before the Metallurgical club of that institution several times in speaking on metallurgy.—*Iron Trade Review*

## Johnstown A. A. Celebrates 25th Anniversary

**T**HE Johnstown (Pa.) Alumni Association observed the twenty-fifth anniversary of its founding by a large dinner on the evening of November 28th. The affair was described as follows by one of the Johnstown papers:

Johnstown's alumni association of the Phi Kappa Psi, one of the leading Greek-letter college fraternities, last evening celebrated its 25th anniversary with an elaborate banquet on the seventh floor of the Fort Stanwix Hotel where nearly 70 members assembled for the occasion. Comprising the gathering were lawyers, business men, physicians and clergymen and others from this city, Pittsburgh, Scottdale, Indiana, Latrobe, Altoona, Hollidaysburg and Ebensburg. The anniversary banquet was sponsored by the pioneers of the local association.

After a turkey feast was enjoyed by the membership, the festivities were opened by President Albert T. Smith who gave some interesting remarks on the history of the local organization which was founded on January 28, 1902. He read the names of the charter members as follows: Frank S. Love and E. M. Love, now of Pittsburgh; Selah L. Linton, Albert T. Smith, Attorney Charles C. Greer and George Walker Williams, of this city; Tracy Keedy, of Idaho; Roy Keedy, of Atlantic City; Attorney Ernest O. Kooser and Attorney Fred W. Biesecker, of Somerset; Attorney Bruce H. Campbell, of this city; and Attorney A. L. G. Hay, of Somerset. Except Attorneys Campbell and Hay, both of whom are now deceased, the other charter members are living, some of whom have gone to other cities to make their homes since the formation of the local alumni association 25 years ago.

President Smith then turned the meeting over to Toastmaster Grant Dibert of Pittsburgh, a former Johnstown, who was graduated from Swarthmore College in the 1889 class. The first speaker was the Rev. Dr. A. E. Truxal, of Somerset, who stressed the bond of friendship between the fraternity brothers and congratulated the association for having attained its 25th birthday anniversary. Dr.

Truxal is in his 85th year and was graduated from college 61 years ago.

Included on the program were appropriate toasts by Attorney Charles C. Greer, who related interesting incidents of his college days at Dickinson and gave some historical facts regarding the local association; Arthur Roswell of Pittsburgh; Attorney Ernest O. Kooser, of Somerset; Frank S. Love, "father" of the local alumni society; E. M. Love, of Pittsburgh; Attorney George A. Foster, Rev. Dr. A. B. Bauman, Edward Bell jr, Attorney W. Curtis Truxal, J. Wayne Tomb, Dr. Charles E. Hays and M. B. Christy.

Reminiscences of their college life were exchanged during the evening by the members, who also viewed pictures of former banquets and outdoor gatherings, the original charter and other literature of historical interest which had been collected for the affair. The banquet hall was adorned in the fraternity colors, with all other details arranged so that the dinner proved to be one of the most successful in the history of the alumni association. Interspersing the festivities were orchestral music, fraternity songs and cheers. Attorney George E. Wolfe was the general chairman of the committees in charge of the arrangements.

The following attended the banquet: Albert T. Smith, Royden C. Nicholas, Howard J. Roberts, Charles Roberts, Dudley I. Davies, George C. Buchanan, W. F. Langgans, F. G. Mardis, Earle B. Robinson, Lloyd W. Bryan, George E. Wolfe, Russell C. Love, George A. Foster, Harold R. Swank, E. Arthur James, Jennings Love, John Trimble, Fulton Connor, Dr. Daniel P. Ray, Walter C. Sontum, Dr. Charles E. Hays, Ernest K. Cauffiel, Dr. W. H. Kredel jr, G. Martin Fox, Charles C. Greer, Elmer H. Smith, C. T. Reese, Mark L. Carter, William Adair, James R. Custer, Henry W. Storey jr, Rev. Dr. A. B. Bauman, Edward Bell jr, Fred G. Smith and William S. Stephens, all of Johnstown.

The out-of-town members in attendance were: K. M. Smith, P. H. Hugus, C. F. Whiteman and G. E. Anderson,

of Latrobe; John C. Bixler, of Scottdale; B. H. Pettes, of Pittsburgh; George E. Olewine jr and Robert M. Sample, of Altoona; Grant Dibert, Arthur Roswell, Frank S. Love and E. M. Love, of Pittsburgh; Rev. Dr. A. E. Truxal, W. Curtis Truxal, Ernest O. Kooser, G. F. Endsley, of Somerset; George A. Potter, of Altoona; A. L. Mabon, Samuel W. Rinn, J. Wayne Tomb and L. M. Peelor, of Indiana; M. B. Christy, of Hollidaysburg; Charles S. Evans, of Ebensburg.

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### Indiana Alpha Likes House Mother Plan

With the opening of school this year it became necessary for our house mother, Mrs. Hearst, to have permanent quarters in the house. She is now living in the former guest room, which, with the addition of her furniture, resembles a cozy one-room apartment.

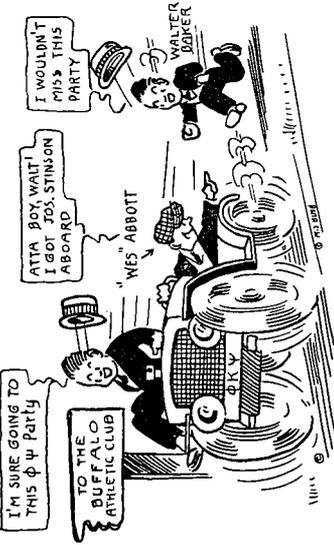
The social program outlined by the university this year makes a house mother indispensable. The dean of women has set aside Friday night of each week as "Guest Night" at fraternity houses, and the house mothers act as hostesses at these affairs.

As is commonly known, Indiana Alpha fought the house mother rule to the last ditch, but our hostility was calmed and soothed by our charming house mother. She is now one of us, and has endeared herself to every man in the house.

Mother Hearst has proven herself an invaluable adviser on many occasions, and we are growing more and more dependent on her helpfulness every day. Aside from this, she is a most gracious host, and she helps us keep alive the hospitable spirit that has won so many friends for Indiana Alpha.

We are exceedingly fortunate in having a house mother like Mother Hearst, and when you old grads come back make it a point to meet her and tell her you are glad she is here.—*The Indiana Alphan*

Phi Kappa Psi Monthly Dinner  
Nov 19<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 PM. Buffalo Athletic Club



Now I know this is going to be some dinner and get-to-getter! My phone (Ber 0296) has been busy the last two days - It looks as thro' 90% of the Phi Psis in Western N.Y. State will be there - If you are in the 10% class, call up and say "I'll be there!"

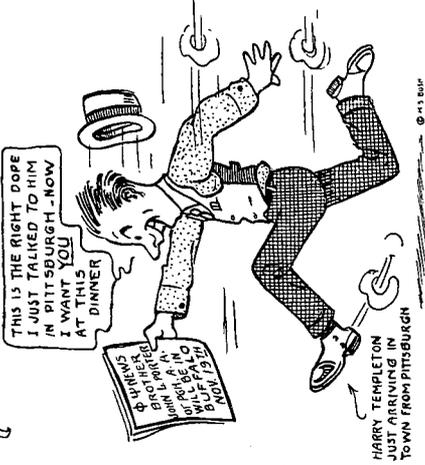
Brother John L. Porter from Pittsburgh is going to tell us a lot of things - Be a "Good fellow" - - - Come out! - It will do you good!

ONLY 7 Mts. TILL  
THE 1928 G. A. C.  
HERE IN BUFFALO

F. E. Snyder  
Snyder

NOTICES SENT OUT FOR NOVEMBER DINNER. THE ORIGINALS WERE IN COLORS.

Phi Kappa Psi Monthly Dinner, Nov 19<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday Evening 6:30 P.M.



HARRY TEMPLETON  
JUST ARRIVING IN  
TOWN FROM PITTSBURGH

We want you out to this dinner which will be at the Buffalo Athletic Club. We must have a good turnout this time. Come hear about the G.A.C. Plans for next June. Remember Founders' Day last year at this same place? Well, this is going to be twice as good!

F. E. Snyder  
Snyder

BUFFALO ALUMNI BOOSTING FOR G. A. C.  
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# The Doom of the Arts College<sup>1</sup>

By HERMAN G. JAMES, Ill. Beta '08

*Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, The University of Nebraska*

**T**HE Arts College is doomed. We can see it in decay, as compared with its pristine status in our educational system, and we can note it encompassed about with an ever-increasing cloud of enemies, conscious and unconscious, malicious and innocent, but all equally deadly.

What has caused this decline of the Arts College, and what is threatening it most seriously today?

It is largely a sad story of matricide. For the developments that have been most inimical to the Arts College, and that continue most seriously to threaten its existence, have been for the most part offspring of the original college itself.

Theology, medicine, and law were, it is true, as reputable fields of learning in medieval universities as philosophy, the direct ancestor of the American Arts College. Indeed, theology may well claim a parity with philosophy or liberal arts in the United States. The first college founded in the American colonies, Harvard College, was to "advance *Learning*, and perpetuate it to posterity, dreading to leave an illiterate Ministry to the Churches."

Even in these earliest stages there was emphasis on the cultural as well as on the vocational side, since the founders dreaded to leave an "illiterate" ministry to the churches. Moreover, in the formal charter of the college of 1650, the institution was dedicated to the "advancement of all good literature, arts, sciences." The function and aim of the early colleges were, therefore, the turning out of educated men in the broadest sense of the word, of cultured gentlemen in the best meaning of that term.

The professional schools of law and medicine, developing a century or two later in America, first contributed their share to the decline of the Arts College. For whereas,

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prior to the establishment of these professional schools, the great majority of prospective lawyers and doctors, as well as prospective ministers, "went to college," and that meant to the Arts College, before becoming apprenticed to their professions, the spread of university schools of medicine and law, admitting as aspirants for their degrees students with merely a secondary education or less, meant that students went there instead of "to college."

It is true, of course, that a reaction has set in and that the best schools of law and medicine today require the equivalent of a bachelor's degree for admission to the professional courses, thus putting a premium on the completion of the traditional four years' liberal college curriculum. But the number of such high grade schools is small, and the standards of the American Medical Association, for example, demand no more than two years of preliminary college training, while the great majority of the university law schools of the United States are content with an equal amount.

Two of the greatest professions of modern society, therefore, law and medicine, have virtually decided that a liberal education, in the original Arts College sense, cannot be made a prerequisite to entrance upon the more technical professional curriculum and have thereby practically eliminated from the ranks of prospective bachelors of arts two of the very groups which society can least afford to have lacking in the essentials of a liberal education.

Nor is the cutting off of the last two years of the four-year arts course the whole of the story. Even the first two years of college, left presumably to the students for the purpose of securing at least half of a liberal education, are frequently determined for them, by the medical colleges at least. Now it seems quite clear that if the intention of the two years of college prerequisite is, as the medical colleges insist it is, to give the student a liberal background, the colleges of arts are much better judges of what such a liberal background should be than are the colleges of medicine. On the other hand, if the purpose of these two preliminary years is to make the prospective

medical students take technical subjects, for which the crowded medical college curriculum does not find time, that amounts in effect to pushing the beginning of the medical curriculum back again to the completion of the high school, with a six-year course in the medical school instead of four. In fact, that is exactly the situation in several of our universities, and is the proposal pending before a number of others.

The situation is intensified in a number of our institutions that still cling hopefully to the "two years' background" myth, by the organization of the students into pre-medical, pre-dental, pre-law groups, etc. What is the purpose of this organization? Frankly, it is to stimulate the sense of professional solidarity, to set off these students with a definite professional aim from the presumably aimless drifters who are merely seeking a liberal education as such without reference to a profession.

Moreover, not only do the medical colleges undertake to say what courses shall be taken in the two college years by their prospective students, but they want these courses given in a particular way, and, wherever possible, to sections composed wholly of pre-medical students.

Under these conditions it is apparent that the "pre-professional" students in our colleges of arts are in reality, in point of view, "professional" students who have been almost as completely isolated from the ideas and ideals of a liberal education as though they were attending a six years' medical course, off in some metropolitan school with no college affiliations.

When we turn to engineering, the situation is even more desperate. The thousands upon thousands of students in our engineering schools are admitted from secondary schools and shot through a technical, crowded curriculum that leaves no time for "liberal" courses and no thought for culture. The engineering schools, like the schools of law and medicine, though they did not spring from the Arts College, and though they undoubtedly attract many thousands of students to our universities who would not go to a liberal arts college, none the less represent a further

serious inroad upon the numbers who would seek a liberal education if a shorter professional route were not open to them. Moreover, with their overemphasis on technical proficiency, and frank disdain for "useless" subjects and those who pursue them, the engineering students, like the students in law and medicine, contribute to the development of the prevalent inferiority complex under which the true Arts College student is likely to labor in our great universities, especially our great state universities, today.

I am, you will note, looking at the problem of the Arts College not as it exists in the old-time colleges of the East, Amherst, Williams, Dartmouth, etc., nor in the fresh-water colleges of the West, nor even in the colleges in such institutions as Harvard and Yale, where the growth of the professional schools has not yet crowded the Arts College completely out of the picture. I am viewing the position of the Arts College primarily as it exists, or attempts to exist, in the state universities of the Middle West and the West. For whatever we may think of the relative merits of privately endowed universities and of state institutions, I am confident that we are definitely committed to the idea of making our state universities the equal of the best in every field. The typical American university of the future is certain to be the state university, not the privately endowed institution, just as the typical secondary school of today is the public high school and not the private academy which was supreme fifty years ago.

So, when I discuss the place and future of the Arts College in our state universities, I am getting at the very heart of the problem. The influence of the privately endowed institutions is steadily diminishing in comparison with that of the state institutions, and whatever solution is finally worked out by our state universities will necessarily determine the ultimate outcome in the great private institutions as well.

The period when these state universities were founded was one of the most significant periods in the whole history of American education. For while most of our state

universities grew directly or indirectly out of the Land Grant Act of 1862, the primary purpose of which was to furnish instruction in agriculture and the mechanic arts, the movement was as much an impetus to liberal education as it was to technical education. Agriculture and the mechanic arts were taught, it is true, and colleges of agriculture and of engineering developed as was intended by the framers of the act. But the act itself expressly said that these subjects should be taught "without excluding other scientific and classical studies," and the general purpose was "to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial life."

This was broad enough to encompass the establishment of the traditional liberal college courses, and, in a number of our state universities, the first step taken under this program was the establishment of a college of arts or college with some similar designation. It is out of this original college of arts that practically all of the later colleges in our state universities have come, and that is almost equally true, of course, of all universities, public or private, which have added professional colleges other than law, medicine, or engineering. The subjects that are the basis of these professional courses started almost without exception as courses in the college of arts.

Hence it is correct to say that, in one sense, the college of arts is the mother of them all, and if they have in fact brought about the destruction of that mother, they may be properly charged with matricide, however unnatural that mother may at times have appeared to her offspring.

What, then, are some of these monstrous children that are smothering their academic mother, or rather starving her to death by gobbling up all the nourishment in the shape of students, upon which she would normally prosper? A complete enumeration is almost impossible, for while we are talking, almost, a new one may spring into being. But I can give you a sample list by picking up the catalogue of any great state university almost at random. In addition to agriculture, medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, law, and engineering, we find graduate colleges,

colleges of business administration or commerce, colleges of journalism, etc., etc.

All of these colleges developed originally out of courses given in the college of arts, and when the field could no longer be covered satisfactorily to the interested parties within the confines of the Arts College, and the limitations—God save the mark!—of the bachelor of arts degree, the pressure for the organization of a separate college became stronger and stronger, and, in the interests of peace and harmony in the family, was surrendered to. There you have in a nut-shell the history of the decline and fall of the Arts College.

I have no quarrel, of course, with the idea of professional training for business men, journalists, artists and musicians, and public school teachers. Heaven knows we could do with a lot more of it than we get at present in any of those callings. But aside from venturing the suggestion that technical training built upon graduation from high school is vocational rather than professional, I simply want to point out that the multiplication of these separate colleges, with their special degrees and their claims to special fitness for directing post-high-school activities of students, could not but end disastrously for the Arts College.

The picture seems sad enough by now, I should think, to make the most hard-boiled "practical man" shed uncontrollable tears. But the cup of sorrow is not yet full. While the professional schools are warping the Arts Colleges from the top, and the trade schools are twisting it and pulling it hither and yon on all sides, another danger is approaching it from below. This danger, of course, is the junior college.

The junior college is sweeping the land like a conflagration, and there is a great deal to be said both for and against it as a new development in our educational system. I have no space here to enter into a discussion of the more general aspects of that phenomenon. I would simply point out, however, that if the junior college program is carried out to its logical conclusion, our boys and girls will go to high school at home for two additional years and then to the universities, if at all, as juniors.

The junior college should, in the minds of a great many educators, mark the end of their general education, and they should immediately plunge into professional work, the assumption being, I presume, that ultimately all professional work in the universities will be built upon the completion of junior college work. This would inevitably mean the extinction of the Arts College.

Now, is this whole trend of our education unfortunate, or is it a proper adaptation to "modern" conditions? I, for one, cannot believe that the world has less need than heretofore of the educated man merely because it is getting more and more highly trained technicians. The ideals of the Arts College are needed more, not less, since the tremendous rush of students to our universities has made the possession of a university degree almost meaningless. I will not concede that the Arts College in education, like the vermiform appendix in man, could just as well be dispensed with.

Is this trend, then, even if not desirable, really inevitable, as the title chosen for this article would imply? It seems so. And yet, if the conviction I have expressed as to the essential value of the ideals of the Arts College is sound, and if the thoughtful leaders of opinion in educational circles will fearlessly champion it, the case may well not be hopeless. Let our professional schools be organized on the basis of a four-year liberal college course as a prerequisite, and let our present trade schools be transformed into professional schools with a similar prerequisite. Then the arts course would have a real dignity and significance. Then even the student who is not yet settled as to his life calling, but desires to become an educated man in the best sense, could attend four years of college without suffering under an inferiority complex. Then the four years of college would offer something which no junior college, conceived merely as an extension of the present high school course, could even dream of duplicating. We should have fewer college graduates, no doubt, but who will deny that they would be better? Or that the crying need of American education today is not more university graduates but better ones?



**PENNSYLVANIA IOTA CHAPTER HOUSE**  
**Views of Cochrane Hall**

## Endowment Fund Receives \$500 Gift

**S**EVERAL years ago Joseph P. Dawson, W. Va. Alpha '11, made a will in which he bequeathed five hundred dollars to the Endowment Fund of the Fraternity. Some time later he made a new will, in which that particular bequest was not mentioned. He told his father, Mr. J. V. Dawson, of San Diego, Cal., that he planned to take care of that provision in some other way. But prior to his untimely death last year, Brother Dawson had not followed out his intention in this respect. His father, however, remembering the wishes and intentions of his son, forwarded to the Endowment Fund trustees the full five hundred dollars, in memory of his son, who was one of the most loyal and active members of the Fraternity during both his undergraduate days and as an alumnus.

### Joseph P. Dawson

CHARLES E. HODGES, W. Va. Alpha '10, Contributor

Climaxing one of the most exceptional careers of undergraduate and alumnus devotion to Phi Kappa Psi, comes the announcement that the late Joseph Power Dawson, of West Virginia Alpha chapter, bequeathed \$500 to the Endowment Fund of the Fraternity and \$1000 to the building fund of West Virginia Alpha.

The bequest to the chapter's building fund further provides that the income from that principal, amounting to \$60 a year, should be used to establish the Arlington Fleming Memorial Library in the chapter house. Brother Fleming, who died in the army service during the World War, was a fraternity and college classmate of Brother Dawson and it was Brother Dawson's ambition not only to memorialize Brother Fleming as one of the most popular and highly respected undergraduates the chapter ever enrolled, but also to provide the chapter with a complete set of the finest newspaper, magazine and contemporary literature.

Brother Dawson was widely known throughout the Fraternity and his name almost a by-word among the alumni

and undergraduates of West Virginia Alpha. He came to West Virginia University in 1911 after a brilliant preparatory and high school career—brilliant, strange as it may seem, without being buttressed either by athletics or social activity. He was a fine student with a keen, shrewd mind. Almost from the first, Joe went to work for the chapter. He was essentially one of those “inside men,” beloved by every man in the chapter, and little known or understood by those outside.

It would be impossible to detail his numerous acts for the advancement of the chapter and of the Fraternity. It is said that, as an underclassman, he never had to be told, or as an upperclassman, he never depended upon anyone else, to do any act of fraternity service which it was obvious needed to be done. Almost continually, he was making gifts to the chapter, either of private relics and souvenirs, or of something purchased by himself. He lived Phi Kappa Psi and became as much a part of West Virginia Alpha, and almost as indispensable in the circle of chapter brotherhood and comradeship, as the chapter house itself. It was natural that he should have served a term as presiding officer of the chapter, in addition to having filled subordinate offices previously.

Brother Dawson's academic and collegiate career included attendance at Culver and Fishbourne Military Academies and Charleston, W. Va., high school. He entered West Virginia in the fall of 1911, being initiated December 8th of that year. After studying mining engineering for several years, he decided to transfer to the law college and he received his law degree in 1917. In the meantime, he had done summer work in the University of Chicago, having resided at the chapter house there. He came to West Virginia as a crack member of the high school rifle team and followed up this sport in the university, having captained the 1913 team which won the intercollegiate championship of the United States and himself being the winner of the National Rifle Association medal for high average score.

After graduation, Brother Dawson went to Clay, W. Va., and engaged in law practice in the firm of Eakels and Daw-

son. He remained there until he was accepted for service during the war. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the coast artillery corps after training at Fortress Monroe and had received orders to go overseas when he was stricken with typhoid fever. Before he recovered, the armistice had been signed.

After the war, Brother Dawson was connected with the J. G. Bradley coal mining interests at Widen, W. Va., holding a responsible position. He left this to go to San Diego, Cal., where he was associated with his father in the real estate business. Brother Dawson's health began to fail in the fall of 1925 and, after two relapses in the spring of 1926, he died in San Diego on June 5, 1926. Almost to the last minute of his life, Brother Dawson wrote letters to his chapter associates and his last words and thoughts included references to them. His death caused a wave of sorrow throughout the West Virginia Alpha membership. He was buried in San Diego. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Dawson, of San Diego, and one married sister survive him.

One of Brother Dawson's last acts was to make a verbal bequest, through his father, of his beautiful fraternity pin to Brother Bradford B. Laidley of Morgantown, W. Va., a classmate in West Virginia Alpha. The pin, one of the new style, larger badges, is bordered by 25 cut diamonds set in platinum.

Brother Dawson will be remembered by all Phi Psis who knew him as one of the most thoroughly loyal and enthusiastic members of the Fraternity. These bequests he has made to the chapter and to the Fraternity, handsome as they are, are insignificant compared to the fraternity life of service he lived as an undergraduate and alumnus. He either attended in person or sent a telegraphic message to the chapter on the occasion of every initiation after he was graduated. No event of Phi Psi significance was too small for him to overlook. And as he remembered the Fraternity both before and after his death, so will his name and companionship be remembered and treasured by all those who knew him in the bond of Phi Kappa Psi.

## U. S. C. Phi Psis Visit Chicago

R. J. MADDIGAN, Ill. Beta '06, Contributor

SIX members of our baby chapter, California Delta, located at the University of Southern California, visited Chicago from Friday, November 25th, until Saturday evening, November 26th—and these six are *some babies*. As father of this chapter, Brother Shirley Meserve, we'll say you are a real "Daddy" to bring such children into our Phi Psi family. If the rest of your offsprings at California Delta measure up to the type presented by "Bus" Blanchard, "Check" Hunter, Cecil Hoff, Hersh Bonhan, Karl Krieger and Al Schaub, all we can say is we're sorry for the rest of the fraternities at Southern California.

The occasion of the visit of the above named brothers was the football game between Southern California and Notre Dame at Soldiers' Field on November 26th. Blanchard is student manager of the team; Hunter, athletic director; and Krieger, Schaub, Hoff and Bonhan members of the squad.

Owing to the fact that the main business of the trip was a football game, and Coach Howard Jones insisted on keeping his men in one lump all the time they were here, we didn't get as well acquainted with these new brothers as we all would have liked to. However, many of the alumni and some of the active chapter at Chicago did get a few glimpses of the six Trojan Phi Psis at the Hotel Winderemere, where the team stayed. Just when we'd get in the midst of getting acquainted, "Bus" Blanchard would be called to the phone by *somebody else* wanting tickets to the game, or "Check" Hunter would be called to "check" the sweat shirts of the team or to listen to the plea of the closest friend his father ever had who wanted to sit on the 50-yard line, or Howard Jones would call our player brothers to a secret "pow-wow." All Friday morning after their arrival, our esteemed brother visitors had to practice. Can you imagine that? Then they ate lunch, but "Bus" slipped one over on Howard at eating time. He was tired of being kept away from us,

so he invited us to eat with him, which we did, only Howard kept "Bus" so busy he didn't have time to eat. Hunter, however, was on hand, and we got better acquainted with him than any of the rest of the gang. You can tell how well we got to know this guy—we sat on the 30-yard line at the game next day, when fathers were threatening to shoot their own sons for tickets, even as close up as 30 yards *back* of the goal line.

Although we were anxious to do something for these Phi Psis from California, we were stopped cold in our endeavors. As the whole thing turned out, these six Trojans, together with the silhouette of Brother Meserve, were our hosts and guests simultaneously. They took us to lunch and got us to the game, for which, Brothers Hunter and Blanchard, we do hereby thank you publicly. You certainly have absorbed the Phi Psi spirit in a hurry.

Although you lost the game, Brothers Blanchard, Hunter, Hoff, Bonhan, Krieger and Schaub, we did all we could for you. We arranged carefully with the "powers that be" on the weather conditions, and turned on a nice 61° temperature for you. We kept the rain away until after the game, but alas, alas, we did not select the officials and, you'll admit with us, that was a dumb oversight on our part. We're sorry about this, and felt for you more strongly than if our own Chicago team was being defeated, but we do want to say for John Schommer, the umpire and a personal friend of the writer, that he called the much-disputed play as he saw it. He is one of the finest gentlemen I know, outside of Phi Psi, is fair to the nth degree, but as sure as we are of John's good intentions, his fairness, his sterling qualities, we and the rest of our gang sitting right in front of this play are just as sure that Schommer's eyesight has gone back on him—way back.

We were glad to see "Skinny" Krieger get in there and snatch a pass out of the air for a good gain, and Hoff break through to catch the galloping Flanagan for a loss, and Schaub dent a hole in the Notre Dame line like nobody's business.

We're glad you came here, Brothers Blanchard, Hunter,

Hoff, Bonhan, Krieger and Schaub—we're downhearted because you lost the football game, but we're very pleased to see the fine caliber of men in California Delta, as represented by the sextette composed of yourselves.

Come again, please. Bring the rest of your gang with you, and don't let Shirley Meserve short out on taking the trip next time.

Although we individually had no voice in the taking in of California Delta, we of Chicago who saw you six Trojans want to thank whoever is responsible for bringing you into the fold, and we have a sneaky feelin' that the Honorable Shirley Meserve is the guy. R. S. V. P., Brother Meserve, and we'll pin the Croix de Phi Psi on your noble bosom.

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### **Henry Ford is Guest of the Moores**

At a Hallowe'en dance given at Waterville, a suburb of Toledo, on October 29th by George A. Moore, Vice President of the Fraternity, and Mrs. Moore, were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ford, who came from Detroit for the occasion. The party was given in the Columbian House, build in 1828 and one of the oldest taverns in the Middle West. The old building contains many unique and interesting features, including a long ball room on the third floor, said to be an unusual feature of such an early building.

Prior to the party Brother and Mrs. Moore entertained the Fords, who were friends of the Moores when they lived in Detroit, at a family dinner party, together with other guests from Chicago, New York, Detroit and Cleveland. Mr. Ford's private dancing teachers directed the dances and gave some solo numbers, as did Mr. and Mrs. Ford. Both of the latter were most picturesque in costumes of the early fifties.

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At the annual convention of Theta Chi, held in Washington, D. C., in September, the fraternity established a national endowment fund to which each initiate will contribute \$25 and thereby receive a life subscription to the fraternity magazine. The fund may be used for loans to building corporations or to worthy undergraduates. The income of the fund is to be used for general fraternity expenses. The per capita tax was raised to \$10.

## The Alumnus Returns

CARL H. KENT JR, N. Y. Epsilon '25, Contributor

There now live in this United States a cult of men called "old grads." Our chapters, throughout the country, have these men as guests as they from time to time return to visit their respective colleges. Why do they return? Is it the desire to see an athletic contest, an expression of college loyalty, or their fraternity affiliation?

I choose the virtue of loyalty. Loyalty is a word that is symbolic of an established ideal of our Fraternity. So we may conclude that these good brothers, loyal to their affiliations, return to see and live once more in the common background of their college life—their fraternity.

The alumnus returns. He is interested as he inquires and is told about the accomplishments of his chapter—its scholastic standing, the representation in athletic and campus activities, and its financial condition.

Many times the alumnus is told of the liability of the chapter to make needed improvements, to secure new things for the comfort and convenience of the undergraduate brothers within the chapter. And, usually, he is just like the alumnus from whom I recently received a letter. The letter told me of his return, and how they had raised \$18,000 among the few alumni present for necessary chapter house improvements. No doubt remains that each alumnus is a help and is valuable to us while we are undergraduates. What is our duty to them?

At first thought, we should be sure that their advice to us is heeded, that their letters to the chapter are promptly answered. We should strive for better scholastic standing and better financial fitness. But most important should be our reception of these brothers. Hospitality is a means of making their return pleasant. If received and entertained in this way, they will soon come back again.

We all should redouble our efforts in this direction this year. Plans should be made to have a great alumni homecoming. Whether the occasion of an important athletic

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Brother Kent is at present Archon of the first district and an undergraduate member of his chapter.—*Editor*

contest, an initiation banquet, or an alumni smoker, one thing should be stressed throughout their visit; and this is the G. A. C. to be held in Buffalo next June.

It should be the ambition of every chapter not only to have a large representation of undergraduates but also a large alumni representation as well, to join with them in a convention planned to be the greatest in Phi Kappa Psi history.

So let us be loyal. Let us work hard to make this year outstanding in the lives of our individual chapters. In our relations with our alumni, let us make progress our password, using loyalty as the quality to build up and strengthen our great fraternal organization—Phi Kappa Psi.

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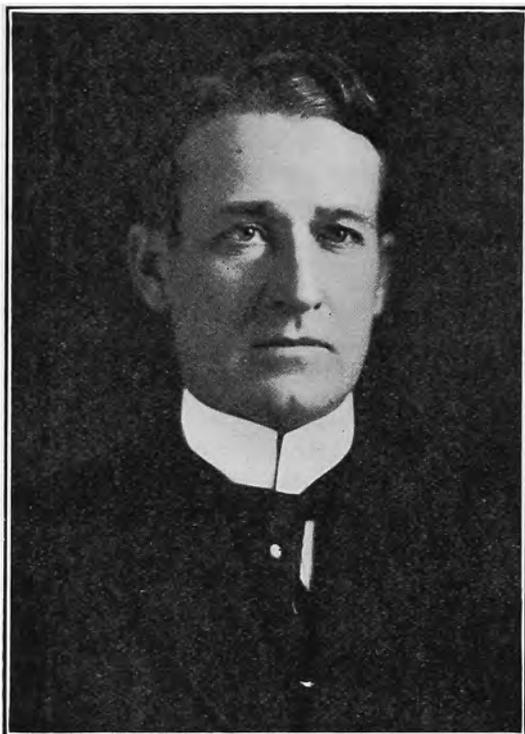
### **Executive Council Awards Two More Scholarship Plaques**

The Executive Council has awarded two more of the fraternity scholarship plaques for excellence in scholarship during the last college year. At the University of Nebraska, Nebraska Alpha ranked first among all the national fraternities represented there for both semesters of the college year 1926-27, and at Wittenberg College the Ohio Beta Chapter made a similar record. This is the second of these plaques won by Ohio Beta, and Nebraska Alpha is the first chapter of the fifth district to win the distinction. Kansas Alpha ranked first on the Kansas campus in 1922-23, but no trophy was awarded at that time.

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### **Dr. Murlin to Resign**

President L. H. Murlin, Ind. Alpha '98, of DePauw University, has requested the board of trustees to relieve him of his duties in the near future. President Murlin's impaired health is given as the cause of his resignation. Dr. Murlin has been at the head of DePauw University since retiring from the presidency of Boston University in 1925.



**HERBERT S. HADLEY, Kan. Alpha '88**

## Death of Chancellor Hadley

Herbert Spencer Hadley, Kan. Alpha '88, former governor of Missouri and since 1923 chancellor of Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., died at his home in St. Louis on December 1st, after a prolonged illness. He suffered a breakdown in August, and had been confined to the hospital most of the time since.

Chancellor Hadley, who sprang into national prominence when he was attorney general of Missouri, for his prosecution of the Standard Oil Company and railroad, harvester, insurance and lumber corporations, was born in Olathe, Kan., February 20, 1872. His career was wide and varied, and he became nationally known as an educator, lawyer, statesman and writer.

He was graduated from the University of Kansas in 1892, and from the law school of Northwestern University two years later, with first honors. He held honorary degrees from Northwestern, Missouri, Harvard, and Missouri Valley College. After a four-year legal practice in Kansas City, he entered politics. From 1898 to 1901 he was first assistant city counsellor in charge of trial work, and during the next two years was prosecuting attorney of Jackson county, in which position he attracted much attention because of his successful prosecution of legal offenders.

In 1905 he was elected attorney general of Missouri on the Republican ticket, and during the next four years gained national prominence through his successful prosecution of cases against the Standard Oil Co., the Harvester Trust, the Lumber Trust, the railroads and the race-track gamblers of St. Louis. Following these prosecutions he was nominated for governor of Missouri and won by an overwhelming majority. He was governor from 1909 to 1913, after which he resumed the practice of law, serving as special counsel for railways west of Chicago in federal valuation proceedings. He was a delegate at large to the Republican national conventions of 1908, 1912 and 1916, and at the 1912 convention was selected as floor manager for the Roosevelt followers. At numerous times up to and

including the present year, he has been prominently mentioned for the nomination for both President and Vice President.

In 1917 he was compelled to go to Colorado for his health, and in that year entered the educational field as professor of law at the University of Colorado. He served as such until 1923, when he was chosen chancellor of Washington University.

He wrote on political, economic and legal subjects. Among his better known writings are "Standard Oil Trust," "What the Railroads Owe the People," "Rome and the World Today." The last mentioned book won for him the decoration of the Order of S. S. Maurizio e Lazzaro from the Italian government.

Chancellor Hadley maintained a keen interest in the Fraternity. While on the faculty of the University of Colorado, he served as chapter adviser for Colorado Alpha. He has been much interested in the establishment of a chapter at Washington University and has often spoken before various Phi Psi groups. His two sons are members of the Fraternity, John M. having been initiated at Colorado Alpha in 1922 and Herbert S. jr at Kansas Alpha in 1925.

The New York Herald Tribune of December 3d carried the following editorial relative to Governor Hadley:

"Herbert S. Hadley was one of the most engaging figures in public life a decade or more ago. As the first Republican governor of Missouri since Reconstruction he set an exacting standard and at once attracted national attention. His reputation had been built on the public-spirited work he had done as attorney general of Missouri, prosecuting local offenders against the anti-trust laws. He shared the hostile feeling—much modified since then—against trusts and combinations which was so widespread during the Roosevelt administration. He was a gallant and sincere crusader, with a quality of high-mindedness untainted by demagoguery. He was naturally fair-minded and dispassionate and in the Republican national convention of 1912—torn by passions and intrigues—he stood out as a man

who had not lost his balance and in whom both factions still looked with liking and respect.

"He seemed to be at one moment a practicable compromise candidate, and, if nominated, he would doubtless have reunited the party and been elected President. But the 1912 chasm proved too wide to be bridged. Mr. Hadley was the Progressive floor leader that year at Chicago. But he remained regular and supported President Taft for reelection. At Cleveland in 1924 he declined to be considered as a candidate for Vice President.

"Long before that he had left politics and abandoned practice of law to become a teacher. In 1923 he was chosen chancellor of Washington University in St. Louis, after serving for six years as professor of law at the University of Colorado. He was a scholar as well as a politician, always carrying himself with an air of distinction. He was a leader of serious character and intellectual grasp—a fine type of American, who greatly honored the state which had adopted and honored him."

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### **Governor Hadley's Many-sided Life**

**H**ERBERT HADLEY was, in some fundamental respects, one of the same breed as Roosevelt, whom he admired as a man and respected as a counselor. Some of the old timers still remember Hadley as the "peaked, frail" young man campaigning for attorney general against the odds of all precedent and again as the weak, but preternaturally fiery-eyed youngster campaigning for governor and a new precedent in the history of Missouri.

In spite of his physical frailty, Herbert Hadley was a fighter, like Roosevelt, and like Roosevelt, through sheer will and intelligence, overcame his natural frailty for many years. Hadley, like Roosevelt, was a lover of Nature, of rough sports, of literature. The two were historians, lovers of animals, wild and domestic, lawyers of extraordinary ability, statesmen, good judges of men, good Americans.

When one examines the newspaper clippings about Hadley, accumulated in twenty years' time, he is amazed at the versatility and the brilliance of the man. He talked profoundly of many subjects; his activities carried him into many labors.

Here we find him sawing wood in the basement of the governor's mansion at Jefferson City, not as man about the place, but as a governor, determined to keep his health. Here he is being chased by the mother of two cub bears he fired upon injudiciously in the Rocky Mountains, where he loved to fish and hunt. He cannot find his cartridges, the bear is on his trail, but he can find his heels. He is humorist enough to tell it of himself.

Again he is in the harvest field of a farm near Jefferson City. His overalls are soiled and torn. He is working with the "hands." It is his farm and he is governor of the state, but he loves the air and the labor. He is not merely dilly-dallying. He is not pretending. He is perspiring and toiling with the harvest.

There he walks with his stick, his dogs—he has many of them—at his heels. He is in the Ozark Mountains, mountains for the grandeur, beauty and opportunity of which he was one of the first spokesmen.

And, before fame came to rest permanently upon his shoulders, we find him, a much remarked young attorney general, prosecuting the Standard Oil Company for alleged violation of the Missouri anti-trust law. An old lawyer, listening to the machine gun rattle of his questions—questions embarrassing and to the point, springing from knowledge, not cleverness—remarked that he was as brilliant a lawyer as ever sent a ferret down a legal rat hole.

We find him again, the same young prosecuting attorney New York was talking about, refusing an invitation to visit John D. Rockefeller, then in retirement in his home.

"It doesn't look honest," he informed the red-faced, humiliated representative of the millionaire. "I am not going."

They wrote of him everywhere he went, of Hadley, the man, of the things he had to say. He talked wisely of

prison reform, of suffrage, of the training of children, of the farm problem, of health, history, literature, law, domestic economy.

In his latter days he is a university chancellor, discussing the controversy over the authorship of Shakespeare. He wrote of the controversy for magazines. We find him, in 1924, receiving the order of the Knights St. Maurelius, one of the oldest and most important orders of Italy, for his authorship of "Rome and the World Today," an important interpretative and historical work of this century.

Again we find him a brilliant orator, attacking a foe as well armed as Senator Reed with this simple and mirth-provoking suggestion:

"I suggest that Senator Reed should have a shield; on one side should be a camel, on the other a fish. When in dry territory he should expose the camel, and when in wet he should show the fish."

The report of twenty years is rich in anecdote. Here are some:

Representative Wade of Green county strolled into the governor's office and asked a young man for permission to see the governor.

"Here I am," said the young man.

The representative was taken back, but he recovered himself sufficiently to propose the name of a young man for prison physician.

"Wouldn't an older and more experienced man be better for the position?" the governor asked.

Wade afterward exclaimed: "The man I suggested is 35 years old. The governor is only 37. Imagine him asking a question like that."

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The governor had a ready wit. He was sued once by Mrs. Samantha L. Huntley, Chicago artist, for the failure of a portrait committee to pay her for a painting of the governor. She charged that her subject was neglectful, too, in posing.

The governor answered:

"I asked her to paint me in a blue polka dot tie. She

insisted it be green. I told her Sargent had painted Roosevelt with a blue tie. 'Yes,' she said, 'but that was Roosevelt.' I answered, 'But, yes, it was Sargent painting him, too.' "

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Hadley often told the story of his unexpected election as attorney general of Missouri. "It was on election night: I was down country hunting on election day. Why not? It meant nothing to me. A man came by on horseback and handed me a telegram from my wife. It said, 'Come home at once.' I got a horse and galloped to the nearest railway station and telephoned long distance to Kansas City. While I was trying to get through I heard a man talking outside the booth.

" 'It does beat hell,' he was saying. 'I never believed the Republicans would carry Missouri.'

"I dropped the telephone receiver and ran out. I wanted to know what this was all about—Republicans carrying Missouri. I said, 'Look here, my friend. This is pretty serious for me.'

" 'It's pretty serious for the whole damned state,' he replied."

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When Herbert Hadley was still prosecutor of Jackson county, his friends still insisted his place was in law, not public office.

"But, surely," he said quite seriously, "there should be no harm in attending the Republican state convention."

His friends remembered it was serious in 1904. He came back the nominee for attorney general.

He was always mild, eager to please. But he was honest. His desire to please never interfered with his sense of justice, and he stood for justice brilliantly and indefatigably.

He was fearless. He would nail an untruth where he found it. He heard one politician at West Plains, Mo., accuse him from the platform of representing the commercial club of Jefferson City in his choice of location of a new capital building. He rose and replied then and there, "That, sir, is untrue."

The speaker, nettled, made another charge.

"Confine yourself to facts," cried Governor Hadley.

The audience applauded uproariously. Some one rose and made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned unanimously.—*Kansas City Times*

### **California Delta Alumni Meet Monthly**

The alumni of the California Delta Chapter at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, hold regular monthly meetings, both for the purpose of keeping up chapter friendships and maintaining an active interest in all things pertaining to the chapter. The organization is separate and distinct from the Southern California Alumni Association of Phi Kappa Psi, but works in entire harmony with it. The chapter association is a continuation of a program begun five years ago, before the charter was granted and when the members were Zekes.

At each meeting some person of prominence is secured as speaker, the program alternating between serious discussions and purely entertaining affairs. The speakers have enlightened the alumni on such subjects as athletics, the European situation, prohibition, etc. At the October meeting Mr. Hugh Baxter spoke on the economic situation in England and on the financial settlement the United States has made with the various European powers. From the early meetings, when only a "corporal's guard" attended, the group has grown each month to between forty and sixty alumni, there being fifty-four present at the last meeting. The chapter undergraduates are invited to attend, but the number who avail themselves of the opportunity depends on the nature of the program offered.

In reference to these monthly meetings, one of the alumni says: "It seems to me that the life of any chapter is really in its veteran body. If we can get the alumni interested so that they will visit the chapter house at least once a month, it helps to get all acquainted and impresses the pledges with the fact that California Delta means something. As a side issue, we are sending in a report to the Secretary this month showing all bills paid, with a bank balance of \$1000 and with less than \$100 outstanding, and we hope this month to show a clean sheet, if it kills every cow on the hill."

## A Definite Policy of Expansion

*At its convention in September, the Theta Chi Fraternity adopted a definite policy of expansion which is so novel, interesting and well conceived that the entire article relating to this subject, as printed in The Rattle of Theta Chi, is reprinted below, with the belief that it will prove of much interest to the members of Phi Kappa Psi.—EDITOR*

### Theta Chi Determines Its Expansion Policy

Theta Chi Fraternity is the first of the numerous Greek-letter organizations to decide, as definitely as it is possible to decide, its future. After careful study and thoroughgoing discussion, the 71st annual convention fixed seventy-five as the maximum number for the Fraternity's chapter roll, accepted a list of forty-five institutions only from which petitions may be considered, and set unusually high standards to be met by a group before it may petition and before it can be installed.

While other fraternities in recent years have taken steps to direct their expansion instead of following the accidental, haphazard methods common in the great majority of Greek-letter organizations, no one has outlined as completely its plan for future growth as did Theta Chi in Washington.

There is probably no question in the fraternity world on which there is more divergence of opinion than the one of expansion. Theta Chi had its supporters of unlimited growth and its believers in a chapter roll that would be limited to fifty. Naturally a compromise on a middle ground was inevitable. Decision was finally made favoring a number that would make it possible to have representation ultimately in each of the forty-eight states and to include a number of high grade institutions in some of the twenty-five states in which Theta Chi is already established.

The sentiment for a conservative policy was so overwhelmingly dominant, however, that unusually high standards were set for petitioning groups, thus insuring slow growth.

After the various recommendations had been warmly debated, votes were taken. Each recommendation was passed by more than a two-thirds vote.

The report of the committee is of such great significance in fraternity history and of such keen interest to every one who is interested in Theta Chi Fraternity that it is printed in full.

*The Report Adopted*

Pursuant to a resolution of the 70th National Convention of the Theta Chi Fraternity, a committee equally representative of the Grand Chapter, the alumni, and the active chapters was appointed to study the problem of expansion and present for legislative consideration at this convention a definite policy of expansion. Three members were appointed on the committee:

George T. Catuna, past national president, representing the Grand Chapter, chairman;

George Starr Lasher, editor-in-chief of *The Rattle of Theta Chi*, representing the alumni;

Wendell Frier, president of Rho Chapter, representing the active chapters.

A questionnaire embracing fifty-four questions—all pertinent to the subject of expansion—was prepared. This was published in the March 1927 issue of *The Rattle of Theta Chi*. Replies were received from thirty-six active chapters, one alumni chapter, and thirty-four alumni. In point of expression of opinion as well as the number of members participating the active chapters lead, and with the alumni expressions have enabled the committee to make recommendations that represent the cross section of thought of the Fraternity on the subject of expansion. The opinions, in general, are definite and clear cut. The program outlined is in consonance with the prevailing opinion of the active chapters and the alumni.

The consensus of opinion is that the expansion of the Fraternity should be definitely limited. The mind of our brotherhood is unmistakably directed toward slow, careful, and sure expansion. There is no tendency to curtail; at the present time, the steady and continued growth of

our organization. There is a strong determination, within expressed limits, to build a bigger and a better Theta Chi in a safe and sane manner with the ultimate and perfected chapter roll truly national in its representation. Permanence of existence, as well as financial and scholastic stability, is demanded. The consummation of all ideas to obtain these results is to adopt a policy that will be sensibly conservative and rigorously selective.

*Select Approved Institutions*

After mature deliberation your committee has decided upon a plan, which, in addition to being conservative and selective, insures equitable distribution of chapters in a nationally balanced organization. The essence of this plan is to select those institutions in which we are willing to install chapters, provided the petitioners themselves measure up to our rigid and highly selective requirements. A list of these institutions has been prepared and forms a part of this report. Both active chapters and alumni have expressed themselves overwhelmingly in favor of such a list. It is entitled "The Theta Chi List of Approved Colleges and Universities." The colleges, universities, and technical schools appearing upon it are the most desirable institutions in the country, each having been approved by the Association of American Universities. In accrediting these institutions the Association has considered the following requirements:

- a. The announced standards of the institution and its possession of faculty, equipment, and resources requisite for giving instruction in accordance with such standards.
- b. The size of the faculty and its relation to the type of institution, the number of students, and the number of courses offered.
- c. The demands for admission, and the requirements for graduation.
- d. The financial status of the institution in relation to its educational program.
- e. The material equipment and upkeep of the institu-

tion, including its buildings, lands, laboratories, apparatus, and libraries, and their efficient operation in relation to its educational progress.

- f. The separation of preparatory schools from college organizations.
- g. The tone of the institution, its efficiency of instruction, standard for regular degrees, and its conservatism in granting honorary degrees.

From these accredited institutions only those have been selected that fit into our program for restricted national expansion. In twice selecting our field the following further tests have been applied:

- a. Attitude of the state government toward college fraternities.
- b. Attitude of the college or university authorities toward college fraternities.
- c. Enrollment of male undergraduate students.
- d. Proportion of male to female students in co-educational institutions.
- e. Fertility of the field for further fraternities.
- f. Scope of courses and the variety of degrees conferred.
- g. Number of chapters already established in the state.

#### *Where Schools Are Located*

On the list which the committee has refined and believes to contain possible institutions for Theta Chi to enter appear forty-five colleges and universities located in thirty-four different states. In nineteen of these states we are not as yet represented. In eleven states, New Hampshire, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska, Delaware, West Virginia, Florida, Alabama, Oregon, and Washington, we are represented in all of the accredited institutions. In two, Mississippi and South Carolina, although adverse college fraternity legislation has lately been rescinded, we believe it unwise to gamble with the stability of these recent reversals of attitude until such time as they shall have proved themselves to be permanent provisions, unmistakably supported by an enlightened public opinion. One, New Mexico, has no eligible institution at

the present time. The forty-five eligible institutions are located in six zones as follows:

TABLE 1

Zone	Eligible Prospective Institutions	Established Chapters	In Accredited Institutions	Representation to Possibilities
Eastern	14	17	15	54.8 %
Central	9	11	10	55
Rocky Mountain	6	0	0	0 %
Southern	10	10	7	50 %
Southwestern	4	0	0	0 %
Western	2	6	6	75 %
	45	44	38	

The states included in the several zones are as follows:

## ZONES

Eastern	Central	Rocky Mountain	Southern	South Western	Western
1. Maine	Ohio	Montana	Delaware	Arkansas	Washington
2. N. Hampshire	Michigan	Wyoming	Maryland	Oklahoma	Oregon
3. Vermont	Indiana	Idaho	Virginia	Texas	California
4. Massachusetts	Illinois	Colorado	West Virginia	New Mexico	X
5. Rhode Island	Wisconsin	Utah	Kentucky	Arizona	X
6. Connecticut	Minnesota	Nevada	Tennessee	X	X
7. New York	Iowa	X	No. Carolina	X	X
8. New Jersey	Missouri	X	So. Carolina	X	X
9. Pennsylvania	Kansas	X	Georgia	X	X
10. X	Nebraska	X	Florida	X	X
11. X	So. Dakota	X	Alabama	X	X
12. X	No. Dakota	X	Mississippi	X	X
13. X	X	X	Louisiana	X	X

Referring to Table 1 it is seen that the weakness of the fraternity as a national organization lies in its lack of representation in both the Rocky Mountain zone and the southwestern zone where no chapters have ever been established. It is, according to many recommendations, in this direction that the expansion of the Fraternity should first proceed. Here excellent universities exist, and the attention of our organization could be diverted, it is believed, with profit, to these sections.

Expansion west of the Mississippi is nationally desired. This general expression of preference is given added weight when considered with the specific recommendations for institutions considered desirable for new chapters. In the order of their demand the first ten are the following universities: Texas, Missouri, Arizona, Tulane, Southern California, Colorado, Kansas, Kentucky, Vanderbilt, Idaho.

Of these, three are located in the South, and seven west of the Mississippi River. All are on the approved list.

*Why Recommendations Were Made*

By way of explanation of the recommendations submitted with this report, brief comment will be made on some of the more important questions.

1. The answers to the question as to what other consideration should determine the acceptance of a petition other than (a) attitude of state toward fraternities, (b) institution in which group is located, (c) petitioning group, were so prolific of suggestions, practically all of which concern either the state, the institution, or the group, that it is deemed wise to use them in connection with a standardized questionnaire for investigation committees.

2. Opinion is strongly in favor of ignoring the population of a city insofar as it affects the establishment of a chapter. The principal concern is over the number of out-of-town members a fraternity chapter may secure. A large number of "local residents" or "commuters" make difficult the management and exorbitant the cost to house members and prevents the inculcation of the proper fraternity spirit in such local members. The predominant thought is that it is not boarding houses or clubs that are wanted, but homes.

3. A few members have expressed the thought that the number of male students or prospects per fraternity established on the campus should be considered. This is recognized as an important consideration, but your committee feels that it belongs more properly in the standardized questionnaire for investigating committees.

4. The active chapters voted that a local should be established five years before its petition could be entertained; the alumni agreed on three. Your committee is of the opinion that three years are sufficient, but that an instruction period, after acceptance of the petition and prior to installation, of from six to ten college months should be superimposed, during which time instruction will be given the petitioning group in the operation of the Theta Chi budget system; the alumnus adviser plan will be inaugurated; and Theta Chi Manuals provided for study and practice. Satisfactory progress must be effected in each.

5. The minimum male enrolment of a college or university has been decided by the preponderance of active chapter opinion, which indicates 500 students as the limiting number.

6. The establishment of chapters at institutions which do not permit the maintenance of chapter houses is disapproved by the alumni and the active chapters. Every vote recorded by a chapter was that no such petition should be considered. Only four favorable votes were indicated by the alumni. The votes on the subdivisions of this question are not as decisive, but the prevailing opinion is that it is not necessary that the chapter house be off the campus. However, members should be permitted to live and eat in their houses, or their petitions are not desired.

7. In the matter of scholarship, the committee disagrees with the prevailing opinion and supports the minority in requiring an accepted petitioning group to advance from at least the second quarter, in which they should be to petition, to the first third to be eligible for induction. We take this stand because it is a recognized fact among college authorities that nationalization invariably lowers the scholastic standing of the group. We believe that high standards of scholarship should be the proper attitude of the Fraternity in formulating its expansion policy. To provide a margin for scholastic deterioration, we feel that the rating of the group should be pitched to a higher standard just prior to installation.

8. The opinion on the question of house ownership by petitioners is the closest of all, developing practically in a tie. The expression of opinion of two chapters to the effect that the petitioners should be "well on the way" toward ownership points to the middle ground on which the committee stands in making its recommendation.

9. The amount of equity in an owned house should be one-third of the value of the property is the agreement of alumni and active members. While agreeable to this in principle, we have suggested a specific amount of \$5,000 as a minimum.

*Standards for Petitions*

In conclusion, the trend of mind of the chapters may be judged by a few excerpts from the policy of expansion advocated: "Very conservative." "Very conservative—improve present organization." "Slow, not more than one a year. Try to improve our average caliber." "Continue present policy—select a few each year." "Slow expansion so that those admitted may be more thoroughly assimilated." "Continue present conservative method and limit installation to two per year, preferably one per year." "We want quality not quantity." "Rigorous in judging petitions of locals." "Establish approved list, decide on number of new chapters per year, definite policy of conservatism, carry out to the letter."

From these few expressions, which are typical, it may be sensed that a conservative policy of expansion is paramount in the minds of our active members, a policy that makes admission more difficult and, therefore, growth slower, a policy that selects carefully and judges critically, a policy that demands quality and a reasonable assurance of permanency, a policy which if wisely established and rigidly pursued will add increasing strength and character to our organization and better prepare us to take our position among the truly great and serviceable national fraternities of the future.

We believe that not only the number of petitioning bodies capable of measuring up to our standards will be greatly reduced and our acceptable field limited, but also that the rate of increase will be definitely controlled by the following recommendations.

The expansion committee recommends:

1. That the Theta Chi Fraternity be limited to seventy-five active chapters.
2. That a list of colleges and universities be approved by the Theta Chi Fraternity only from which institutions petitions may be considered.
3. That to be eligible for the Theta Chi List of Approved Colleges and Universities, except as hereafter provided, an institution

- (a) Shall be on the latest accepted list of colleges and universities approved by the Association of American Universities.
  - (b) Shall have the minimum undergraduate male enrolment of five hundred.
  - (c) Shall be located within the continental boundaries of the United States of America.
  - (d) Shall permit fraternities to maintain, either on or off the campus, chapter houses in which members may live and eat.
  - (e) Shall not be primarily a legal, medical, dental, theological, journalistic, commercial, military or similar college.
  - (f) Shall not be located in a city or town where an active chapter is already established.
  - (g) Shall not be inimical to college fraternities.
  - (h) Shall not be located within a state whose legislature, or sovereign power, has in force legislation adverse to college fraternities.
  - (i) Shall have been duly accepted either by a two-thirds vote of the active chapters, or of the instructed delegates at a national convention.
4. That the attached list of institutions be and hereby is approved and accepted as "The Theta Chi List of Approved Colleges and Universities."
  5. That no institution not meeting the qualifications enumerated in Recommendation 3, above, shall be placed upon "The Theta Chi List of Approved Colleges and Universities," except two of the three nearest chapters favor it and then only by a two-thirds vote of the national convention, subsequently ratified by a three-fourths vote of all active chapters.

*The Definite Recommendations*

6. That to be eligible to petition for a charter, a group
  - (a) Shall be a recognized local fraternity at an institution on the Theta Chi List of Approved Colleges and Universities.
  - (b) Shall have been established and officially recog-

- nized at the institution in which it is located for at least three years.
- (c) Shall rank in scholarship in either the first or second quarter of all campus fraternities.
  - (d) Shall maintain a chapter house and have a definite house-owning program in addition to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in cash or securities in bank, or invested in real estate.
  - (e) Shall not have been denied admission by vote of the active chapters during the preceding five years.
7. That to be eligible to be inducted into Theta Chi Fraternity, a petitioning group
- (a) Shall have been approved as acceptable to two of the three nearest-by-air-line chapters.
  - (b) Shall have been approved by the Grand Chapter and admission recommended to the active chapters.
  - (c) Shall have received the favorable vote of two-thirds of all active chapters.
  - (d) Shall rank in scholarship in the first third of all campus fraternities.
  - (e) Shall maintain a chapter house in which it has an equity of at least five thousand dollars (\$5,000), or a similar sum in cash or securities in bank, or invested in real estate.
  - (f) Shall have sufficient funds above the five thousand dollar (\$5,000) house-fund to leave a five hundred dollar (\$500) cash balance after the payment of all installation expenses.
  - (g) Shall have satisfactorily operated at least six college months under the Theta Chi budget system, the Theta Chi Manual, and Theta Chi alumnus adviser plan.
  - (h) Shall have deposited with the Grand Chapter, after acceptance of the petition has been approved by the active chapters, the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) from which all incidental expenses, and the actual expenses of the travel-

ing secretary, or other duly appointed instructor, shall be deducted in the event the petitioning body is not installed. Upon the installation of the petitioning group, the deposit of five hundred dollars (\$500) shall be applied in full toward the induction fee.

8. That a standardized questionnaire be prepared for the use of investigating committees.
9. That the future policy of expansion be more highly selective than ever before.
10. That the future growth of the Fraternity be accomplished without diminution of present standards of supervision and management.

#### *Approved Institutions*

The Theta Chi List of Approved Colleges and Universities is:

Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine; University of Vermont, Burlington, Vermont; Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts; Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island; Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut; Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut; Hamilton College, Clinton, New York; Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York; Union University, Schenectady, New York; Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey; Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania; Lehigh University, South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pennsylvania.

Miami University, Oxford, Ohio; Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio; De Pauw University, Greencastle, Indiana; Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois; State University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa; University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri; University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma; University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas; University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota; University of North Dakota, University, North Dakota.

University of Montana, Missoula, Montana; University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming; University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho; University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado; University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah; University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada.

University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland; College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia; Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia; University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky; University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee; Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee; Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina; Duke University, Durham, North Carolina; University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia; Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana; University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

University of Texas, Austin, Texas; University of Arizona, Tuscon, Arizona; University of California (Southern Branch), Los Angeles, California; University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California.

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### **Highest Masonic Rank for Dr. Youngson**

The Rev. Dr. William Wallace Youngson, Pa. Beta '89, pastor of the Rose City Park Methodist Church of Portland, Ore., has recently received from the supreme council of the thirty-third and last degree, appointment as grand chaplain of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Free Masonry, southern jurisdiction, U. S. A. For four years Dr. Youngson was grand prelate of the grand encampment, Knights Templar of the world.

Being a thirty-third degree Scottish Rite Mason, this new appointment as grand chaplain of the supreme council gives Dr. Youngson the highest rank in Masonic circles of any minister in the world.

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The biennial grand conclave of Kappa Sigma was held in Boston last July, and was noteworthy by having in attendance one of the founders of the fraternity. A charter was granted to the Southern Methodist University of Dallas, Texas.



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

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## Our Scholarship Honor Roll

Five chapters have been awarded the Executive Council scholarship plaque for their records during the college year 1926-27. These chapters are:

- Pennsylvania Beta
- Ohio Beta
- Ohio Epsilon
- Illinois Alpha
- Nebraska Alpha

This award is made to each chapter which ranks first in scholarship among national fraternities on its campus for an entire college year. Ohio Epsilon has the proud distinction of having won one of these trophies each year for three successive years. Ohio Beta won one in 1925-26 and again this past year.

Awards made in previous years are as follows:

*In 1924-25*

- Ohio Delta
- Ohio Epsilon

*In 1925-26*

- Ohio Beta
- Ohio Epsilon
- Oregon Alpha

Of the ten awards made, seven have gone to the third district.



# PHI KAPPA PSI NOTES



PENNSYLVANIA ETA has three varsity captains.

F. P. SMITH, Mass. Alpha '22, is studying economics in Paris.

D. C. SMITH, Mass. Alpha '23, is studying at Jefferson Medical School.

JOHN H. SCHMID, N. Y. Alpha '14, resides at 45 Elston rd., Upper Montclair, N. J.

THEODORE S. WARD, Mass. Alpha '23, is teaching this year at Robert College, Constantinople.

H. N. WEBER, Mass. Alpha '21, is working with the City Planning Commission of Cambridge, Mass.

STEWART BEAN, Cal. Gamma '19, is line coach of the crack University of Idaho football team this year.

ALLEN V. NERN, Pa. Mu '27, is employed in New York City and resides at the New York Gamma chapter house.

Student automobiles at The University of Nebraska will be banned by university authorities after the present semester.

The fathers of the undergraduate members of Oklahoma Alpha have organized into an association to give assistance to the chapter.

ROBERT FORSTER, R. I. Alpha '02, is engineer of outside plant for the New York Telephone Co., with headquarters at Albany, N. Y.

PERRY E. OXLEY, Iowa Alpha '09, is Idaho state maintenance engineer in the bureau of highways, and is located at 1661 Altemas st., Boise.

FRANCIS E. MCGRATH, Mass. Alpha '20, is teaching this year at Newark Academy, Newark, N. J., and is living at 3607 Bainbridge av., New York City.

CHARLES S. HOLMES, N. Y. Alpha '06, resides at 13 Elston road, Upper Montclair, N. J. He deals in real estate under the caption "Holmes for Homes."

HARRY L. SNYDER JR, W. Va. Alpha '20, formerly Archon of the third district, and Mrs. Snyder announce the birth of Harry L. Snyder III on November 12th, at Charleston, W. Va.

THE SHIELD acknowledges receipt of copies of the following chapter papers: *The Massalphan*, *The Indiana Alphan*, *California Phi Psi* (California Gamma), and the *Iowa Alphan Letter*.

JAMES A. DONAN, Ind. Alpha '14, has offices at 26 Broadway, New York City. He has two prospective Phi Psis in Anderson Whitney Donan and James Colby Donan, aged 1½ and 3½ years, respectively.

DR. CHARLES S. HAGER, Mass. Alpha '95, has resigned as pastor of the First Congregational Church of Albany, N. Y., after a service of twenty years. He has accepted the pastorate of the Congregational Church at

F. F. GARTER, N. Y. Epsilon '07, has severed his connection with Lyheard, Ross Bros. & Montgomery and accepted a position on the staff of Hoskins & Sells, certified public accountants, in their Detroit office, 1630 First National Bank Bldg.

HERBERT J. ROBINSON, N. Y. Zeta '00, on December 1st was promoted to the position of manager of the Metropolitan branch of the Brooklyn Union Gas Co., with which he has been associated since 1910. He resides at 325 Hawthorne st., Brooklyn.

PROF. EDGAR L. ASHLEY, R. I. Alpha '02, has resigned his position on the faculty of the Massachusetts Agricultural College and has opened the Ashley Studios of Old Fabrics at 35 Newbury st., Boston. Brother Ashley has long been recognized as an authority on French, Spanish and Italian antique fabrics.

On September 13th, KINGSLEY A. TAFT, Mass. Alpha '21, of Cleveland, Ohio, was married to Miss Louise Dakin at The Manse, Northampton, Mass. At present they are living at 306 Harvard st., Cambridge, Mass., while Brother Taft finishes his final year at Harvard Law School. He was recently elected to the staff of the Harvard Law Review.

ROBERT MCKNIGHT, Ill. Beta '11, was chairman of the reception committee of the Advertising Men's Post, American Legion, Chicago, on the occasion of the visit to Chicago on Armistice Day of Clarence D. Chamberlain, the trans-Atlantic flyer, and Thea Rasche, the celebrated German aviatrix. DAVID L. SHILLINGLAW, Iowa Alpha '10, was a member of the committee.



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## CORRESPONDENCE

### Chicago Alumni Association

The Chicago Alumni Association expects to round out one of its most successful years with the Founders' Day banquet. Last year this affair was so well attended that there wasn't near enough room in the University Club, so this February we're holding it in the huge banquet hall at the Palmer House—a room almost as big as the Coliseum and VENTILATED. When a group of old-time and new-time Phi Psis get together, you will agree with me, Brothers, VENTILATION is most essential.

Do you know what is the difference between polo and pool? If you do you know what I mean when I say we crave ventilation at Phi Psi gatherings, especially when some of these birds haven't seen each other for a year or two and have unlimited tales to unfold to each other. I'll NEVER forget the time McFarland told about the moose hunting trip up in Canada. Brother, throw open the windows QUICK!

Well, anyway, the Founders' Day banquet in Chicago will be held at the Palmer House. Dutch Gorgas and several other Phi Psis in Chicago who are demons for punishment have started negotiations for the biggest and best ever of Founders' Day affairs. From early gossip I gather it will be short on speeches and long on good food and spectacular entertainment. By the latter is not meant an act in which a bicycle rider rides blindfolded off a high perch into a deep vat of luke-warm water. No, not that stuff, but you know—good honest-to-Pete stuff, which entertains a populace.

At the start of this communication we stated that the alumni association expected to round out a most successful year. By that very statement you are right in assuming it has been going well to date. Listen well to this next statement—305 have paid dues so far this year. We in Chicago say that figure is a record for *all time for all associations*. Anybody want to challenge the statement? All right, go ahead, challenge it—we're going to claim it anyway. Hurray, hurrah, for us of Chicago Alumni Association.

Why, do you know, ye of other towns, that we have such a big, powerful gang here in Chicago that WE PUBLISH A DIRECTORY OF OUR OWN? Yep, the telephone company ain't got a thing on us when it comes to directories. Their circulation is a little larger, that's true, but their book doesn't give you the full information that ours does. In an ordinary telephone book you can find out by searching, the telephone number of somebody and his address, but you can search 'til Hell freezes over and you'll never ascertain what chapter he came from, what was his class and college attended, clubs he belongs to, etc., etc. Well, you get *all* that dope in the *Phi Psi Chicago Directory*. The 1928 edition is almost off the press, and from what I hear it's going to be a humdinger! It will contain well-nigh 800 names in alphabetical order, and then another list with these names sorted as to chapters. If anybody who reads this wants a copy, get your order in early so we can print enough to take care of the demand.

Attendance at luncheons on Tuesday at Field's is picking up. A lot of the old-timers are returning to the fold. Just last week we were graced with the following presences: James B. Meigs, Pat Morris, Barney McAuliffe, Drew Ebersson, Hayden Weller, Jim Hanna and

several other old-timers we haven't seen for a long while. After we explained the grip to them, they sat down and seemed to have a good time.

Dr. Ellis George Bovik of Illinois Alpha has sent us an announcement which informs us he is a dentist and is in business at 25 E. Washington st., Chicago. Any of you fellows with bad molars should go see this guy Bovik—he's as tender as any of 'em.

Ralph Chapman (Slooeey) has put on a couple more Phi Psis. Soon there'll be no other persons selling bonds. If you want to make an investment, just get out the Phi Psi directory and call up anyone there—they're practically all in the bond business.

Ed Sturgeon of Illinois Beta and now a resident of Portland, Oregon, passed through the city in November. He has three kids now—10, 8 and 6 in age. Nelson Norgren and Clyde Juice took Ed in hand while he was in town and, of course, stuck the guests for lunch at Henrici's.

We must away, so we'll have to leave you right here.

*Chicago, Ill.*

R. J. MADDIGAN

*Correspondent*

### Kansas City Alumni Association

#### DERE EDITER:

Say editor what has became of their here guy Tobasco which broke out in yore maggyzine here a spell back has he curled up and died or has the wether became so bad out there in Calyfony that he has had to take to shelter? I gess tho I tole him where to get off at and he done it rite smart quick or muy pronto in his speech and has been afeard to make any more cracks.

Well the outfit here has sorta been a amblin a long a going to the theater every Wednesday nite and then a meeting on Thursday noon to tell how the show was a corse some of em dont get to see much cause all the chares is up on the shelf and some of the guys was kinda late a gettin in so they has to sit up with the owls and crows and such things.

Most of the fellers has been a talkin a lot about this here foot bawl and it seems that some has wanted Mo. to win and others has wanted Kan. to win well nobody was expectin to see the last mentioned do anything as they has gone thru the seeson perty much battered up and comin out as a "Also-Ran" in the majerity of their cases whilst on the other hand why this here Mo. has been hittin her up and aint lost a game in the conference since they started till they runs up against this here Kan. outfit and then they do and the score was only 14-7 and say there must have been 15 or 20 peple up to Lawrence to see the game and I guess half of them was disappointment itself. But there is one thing that I gess may be the Fi Si boys would be interested in and same is that Capt. Hamilton being one of the same boys and a quarter-back shore played a whale of a foot ball game and not to be out did why Harold Hauser at left end sure made it known that he also was in the game and new a thing or 2 about foot ball and say I gess Herb Hadley did his part and then what did that fool team do but tern a round and elect "Dutch" Hauser to be its Capt. next yr. which keeps that office at home where it belongs. Well I gess the boys was kind of glad to beat Mo. and it seems like that now a days why Kans. wins at Lawrence and Mo. wins at Columbia well it was a good game.

Now there aint much more to write a bout as the intire season has been a shapin itself for just this and nothin else mattered but I here Lale Andrews of London, Eng., has a son an a heir just bordnd which

he has called Lale Jr. and Ernie Clark which nobody thot wood is going to get hooked up fineally and may be will be by the time this is in print and Vic Newman already has gone out to Colorado to get his wife and Frank Bolin has gone to developin No. K. C. and yours truly is still a doin the same old thing.

CACTUS PETE

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### Philadelphia Alumni Association

The Philadelphia Alumni Association is completing a very satisfactory year, showing a total paid-up membership of about 130. In this number are represented twenty or more chapters, meaning an organization of excellent balance.

The present success of the association is due to the work of the officers: Charlemagne T. Wolfe, president; Franz Ralston, secretary; and W. Norman Morris, treasurer. Brother Wolfe has displayed marked organizing ability.

Weekly luncheons are held Thursdays in the grill of the Arcadia, Chestnut street near Broad. These offer an opportunity for interchange of viewpoint and splendid sociability. Brothers Rev. A. C. Carty, John Williams, Walter Sheppard, Harry K. Cortright, R. T. Jellett, John H. R. Roberts and A. Lynn Walker are frequent guests. A warm welcome is extended to all traveling Phi Psis.

The evening banquet last February was an unusual success and will be repeated in 1928. Entertainment of a light vein will be combined with the address.

The officers have taken steps to appoint committees to attend to the detailed work of a local association. Brothers Wolfe and Ralston are in touch with officers in other cities to study methods of greatest effectiveness. It is felt that advisory work among the active chapters can be made to surpass former achievements in the district.

Pennsylvania, Bucknell, Swarthmore, Lafayette and Franklin and Marshall are five liberally represented colleges in the membership. The assimilation breeds a most healthy viewpoint.

Any cooperation given by distant Phi Psis in sending information to aid in building up the list of members will be appreciated, as all desire to see growth for the enthusiastic group now brought together in the Pennsylvania Iota city.

*Philadelphia, Pa.*  
*October 27, 1927*

D. N. CORTRIGHT  
*Correspondent*

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### Pittsburgh Alumni Association

Some fifty Pittsburgh Phi Psis, their wives, sweethearts or what-have-yous will convene next Saturday at the University of Pittsburgh stadium to watch the annual struggle between Pitt and W. & J. to decide the supremacy of something or other concerning football. Part of one stadium section has been reserved for us boys et al. After the game a dinner-dance at the University Club will be the main attraction. President L. W. Voigt has promised a good time for all.

Phi Psis here and there will be glad to know Pennsylvania Mu, our baby chapter, is getting along splendidly. It generally is agreed that the organization is in much better shape than it was last June. This should be the case. Rushing season at Tech starts November 11th; it will continue in full blast until November 19th. Alumni will contribute as generously as possible in the entertainment line. More

about the chapter in Bob Goehring's letter found elsewhere in this issue.

Brothers Voigt, Robert Crawford, D. R. Davis, Hugh D. Largey and Walter A. Reinohl tell me to be sure to mention the following, in the November letter. Here goes:

Dr. Hugo Kahl, Kan. Alpha, entomologist at Carnegie Museum, spent the summer in the Netherlands and Russia. Frank A. Baldus, Pa. Mu, who recently returned from Japan, presented Dr. Kahl an interesting collection of Japanese bugs of something akin to Mayflower ancestry; these rare specimens have been added to the Carnegie collection, one of the best in the world, so we're told. Brother Baldus went to Japan for the Consolidated Expanded Metal Co., and is with that concern at 103 Park av., New York.

Daniel Carter List, Ohio Gamma, of Wheeling, W. Va., dropped in on us a couple of times this fall. Harry R. Templeton, N. Y. Beta, generalissimo of the twenty-eight Gee-A-See at Buffalo, was among those present October 13th.

We are sorry to report that George D. McIlvaine, Pa. Theta, former national President, has been laid up several months from a complication of physical ailments. We can't report any definite improvement in his condition just now, although the doctors say a long rest will do the desired trick.

John L. Porter, Pa. Beta, and Earl A. Collins, Pa. Mu, were among those chosen to entertain President Coolidge October 12th, when he came to Pittsburgh to attend numerous functions connected with Founders' Day exercises at Carnegie Institute.

James F. McCrory, Pa. Alpha, a shining light in things Phi Psi in Pittsburgh, has left Eaton Rhodes & Co. to take charge of the coke department of H. H. Landay & Co., Inc., at Detroit, where Jim will hold forth in the Book building. Detroit brethren, please note!

Clark Weymouth, N. H. Alpha, in the paper business at Boston, is taking a short horn course at Tech to learn the ins and outs of the printing business. He gets down to lunch almost every Thursday.

Dr. A. M. Largey, Pa. Lambda, brother of Hugh D. Largey, of black and white horse fame around Elders' Ridge, was a Pittsburgh visitor in October. Dr. Largey is located at Jewel Ridge, Va., where he is company physician for a large coal company.

Pennsylvania Theta members report that Thomas W. Pomeroy jr is student manager of the football team at Lafayette College, a position held at one time by his father, Thomas W. Pomeroy, whom you all know as one of the reliable war horses of our association.

We're glad to record the fact that Wilfred A. Morris, W. Va. Alpha, again has become a regular attendant at our luncheons. On October 13th, the register was signed by George M. Mordun, Pa. Epsilon; Lloyd C. Stevens, Pa. Lambda; and Leland L. Williams, Pa. Beta. Another guest was J. C. Hobbs, Pa. Mu, of Painesville, Ohio, one of the old guard at Tech.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.*  
November 3, 1927

C. F. WILLIAMS  
*Correspondent*

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### Southern California Alumni Association

Football stimulates the appetite; this fact is proved by an attendance of over one hundred of the brothers at our November 3d luncheon at the University Club. The University of Southern California football team was the principal object of discussion. As guests were Head Coach Howard Jones, Captain Morley Drury, Assistant Coach Bill Hunter, Cal. Delta, Football Manager Bus Blanchard, Cal. Delta, and

Brothers Schaub, Hoff, Krieger and Bonham of the team. Coach Jones and Captain Drury each gave a short talk on the highlights of Pacific coast football this season. Credit is due Shirley Meserve for arranging for these speakers, and, from certain indiscreet remarks dropped by Brother Meserve, we have good reason to believe that he will produce other men from divers walks of life to give us their slant on the world.

A cross won during the World War has just been received from the Italian government by Miles W. Middough, Cal. Gamma, of Long Beach. He enlisted in the ambulance service a few days after the outbreak of war, and was with the first American troops to land in Italy.

Philip Jones, engineering wizard of the oil industry, who has been busy for the past two years showing harassed petroleum magnates how to extricate oil from the ground with "gas," has recently purchased a new LaSalle. Those wishing to see this beautiful car may find it parked in front of the University Club between the hours of 10 a. m. and 6 p. m. (week days only).

Joe Longueville, Ill. Delta, has recently moved to Pasadena, associating himself with the Foss Building and Construction Company.

Albert C. Finney, Minn. Alpha '87, has been elected judge in Imperial county.

Jimmy O'Brien has lately recovered from an appendicitis operation. The Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce has just presented to W. A. Clark jr, Va. Alpha, a handsome watch, a gift that is annually made to the "most valuable citizen." One of Brother Clark's most outstanding civic accomplishments is, as everybody knows, his financial and moral support of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra.

George L. Eastman, Cal. Delta, has recently announced the opening of an office for general insurance business in the Hollywood Security Building.

F. S. Calkins, Cal. Gamma, has been made president of the Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Company.

John Dean Boggs, Kan. Alpha, has left Logan and Bryan and is now associated with Walsh-O'Connor and Company, investments.

Corliss C. Moseley, Cal. Delta, has been made director of flying of the Western Air Express.

L. W. Larmer, Ill. Delta, has assumed charge of the insurance department of the Bluefield Oil Company.

Alfred Mathias, Pa. Epsilon, has lately arrived in California and is with the Kelly Springfield Tire Company.

Edwin W. Pauley, who experienced a rather disastrous aeroplane wreck and has been laid up for over a year, has thrown away his crutches and plaster cast and is now showing his dexterity by cocking his feet up on his office desk once more.

The Pasadena alumni have changed their regular weekly luncheon day from Monday to Tuesday, 12.15 p. m., at the University Club.

*Los Angeles, Cal.*

*November 8, 1927*

LYLE CALDWELL

*Corresponden*

# 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 has just completed a most successful campaign, and takes great pleasure in announcing the pledging of the following twenty-two men: Alexander McFarlan Ackley, Rahway, N. J.; William Frederick Blanchard, South Orange, N. J.; Edwin Bradley Carnell, Albany, N. Y.; Wister Somers Clark, Los Angeles, Cal.; Charles Leonard Fisher jr, Pontiac, Ill.; George Christie Fisher, Cleveland, Ohio; Frank Spencer Foster, Mount Vernon, N. Y.; Evarts Fox, Wichita, Kan.; Harold Wassen Knight, Charleston, W. Va.; David Norman Lewis, Indiana, Pa.; Hugh Burnton Mitchell, Great Falls, Mont.; Russell Gilbert Morrill, Norwood, Mass.; Robert Herbold Noeltner, Buffalo, N. Y.; Jerome Pearre, Pontiac, Ill.; Nelson Carlyn Ranney, Cleveland, Ohio; George Alexander Scheller, Newark, N. J.; Edmund Jacob Sprankle, Cleveland, Ohio; Harry Lawrence Stewart jr, Tyrone, Pa.; John Ogden Taylor, Johnstown, Pa.; I. C. Thurmond jr, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Frank McFarlan Wallace, Cleveland, Ohio; Sylvester Weaver jr, Los Angeles, Cal.

We are very proud and pleased with the new delegation, inasmuch as we feel that they are true Phi Psi material and will continue to keep the chapter in high standing on the campus. The activities of pledges are diversified and prominent on the campus. Ackley and Carnell are the leaders in the present competition for the *Dartmouth*, the college daily. C. L. Fisher and Mitchell made this board in their freshman year. Fisher is also secretary of his class, president of his delegation and a member of Occom Council, a college advisory board. Carnell, Foster, Blanchard and Noeltner are all track men, the first two having won their numerals last year. Carnell is at present a member of the varsity cross-country team. Noeltner is an adept piano player. Stewart and Lewis are also musicians of note, the former being a member of the musical clubs and the latter in the band. Morrill, Ranney, Wallace and Weaver are working in the athletic competition for the managerial positions of the various teams. G. C. Fisher is doing notable work in the nonathletic competition. Scheller and Sprankle are out for the varsity swimming team, the former being a member of last year's freshman team.

The football season is now drawing to a close, the Cornell game the only one remaining. We have had a remarkably good season this year, despite our loss to Yale. Art Gow received his letter, making the regular center position. Injuries earlier in the season prevented him from playing until the Harvard game.

Harry Stone has been holding down fullback position on the soccer team for the second year. He is also out for the basketball team along with his brother. Nick Vincent was also on the soccer squad.

John Calver and Ed McGibbon are out for the fencing team, and both are veterans.

Wes Smith is head cheerleader this year and has performed exceedingly well, also making plenty of noise around the house.

Gus Wiedenmayer and Jack Gunther were elected earlier in the year to the Green Key, the honorary junior society. Dick Johnson is vice president of this organization.

The chapter is looking forward to the Cornell game and festivities this coming week-end. The game is being played in Hanover this year and a big get-together of alumni and visiting brothers is anticipated. Dances are being given with Sigma Chi and Phi Gamma Delta, and needless to say it should be a grand and glorious affair.

We regret that Herb Simpson and Ken Sentney did not return to college this fall, the former due to sickness and the latter transferring to Kansas University. The loss is somewhat balanced by the return of Ted Baehr, who has been absent for a year.

"Hot Dope" Ackley is in charge of the editing of the *Nehalphan*, and will soon have it ready for distribution.

Jack Gunther was recently elected G. P.

Walt McKee, manager of track this year, is quite busy making preparations for the coming season. Walt is also a member of Pallopius, the college governing council. George Case is assistant manager of tennis.

The senior delegation is well represented in the senior societies, Gow, McKee and Serrell belonging to Casque and Gauntlet, Knowles and Hazzard to Dragon.

We wish all kinds of success for the year to the other chapters, and all the brothers here join with me in a cordial invitation to visit us at any time.

*Hanover, N. H.*

*November 6, 1927*

F. H. CORRIGAN

*Correspondent*

### Massachusetts Alpha—Amherst College

Massachusetts Alpha takes pleasure in announcing the pledging and initiation of the following men: Herbert C. Elwes jr, White Plains, N. Y., of the sophomore class; and of the class of 1931, Horace C. Gowen, Attleboro; Arthur F. Johnson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; William E. Ryan, Nutley, N. J.; Richard H. Templeton jr, Buffalo, N. Y.; Phelps K. Tracy, Wellesley; Howard M. Turner, Windsor, Conn.; and Roger Wheelwright, Elizabeth, N. J. Pledge William H. Ensign jr, of Westfield, will probably be initiated in the near future.

The initiation banquet, which occurred on November 4th, in the chapter house, was as usual a success. Flood conditions kept the attendance down to about seventy-five brothers, but "the old Phi Psi spirit" reigned unchecked. The chapter is deeply grateful to Bob Fisher '17 for so ably fulfilling his duties as toastmaster and to the other alumni present for their cooperation and advice. The opportunity to become acquainted with Brother Kent, the new Archon, was also greatly appreciated.

Recent reports on scholarship show that the average of Massachusetts Alpha rose almost three points last year, but, due to a corresponding increase among certain other houses on the campus, the relative position of the chapter remains fifth out of the thirteen fraternities represented. As predicted, for the first time in several years, no brothers fell by the wayside scholastically, Murphy being the only undergraduate who did not return.

Space will allow only partial enumeration of the present activities of the brethren. M. Kellogg at tackle is Phi Psi's most consistent player on the football team, and Pike, Perry and Brickett also see service; Mackey, Kells and Prigge are all on the injured list for the remainder of the season. Breede and Elwes are competing for managerial positions in the football competition. Ensign is starring at halfback

on the freshman team. Schnepel is assistant manager of the soccer team, thus far undefeated, and E. M. Tracy is a promising member of the squad. P. K. Tracy and Templeton are on the newly formed freshman swimming team. W. Kellogg and Wheelwright, representing the house in tennis, were barely beaten in the first round, but the golf team, composed of Hadley, Meneely, Kibbe and Deisroth, is a probable finalist. In the preliminaries to the Whitcomb Trophy cross-country run, Stewart, Richardson, Lott and Schnepel qualified and will represent Phi Psi in the gruelling finals soon.

Phi Psi is daily tightening its stranglehold on the musical clubs with Wilber president of the combined clubs, Kells leader of the mandolin club, Meneely, Mackey, J. Ward and Brickett veteran members and Howe, Hill and P. K. Tracy retained in the preliminary cuts. E. M. Tracy is also doing good work in the competition for manager. Brickett and Kells are the recently elected choregi of the sophomore and junior classes.

Pike and Meneely also won offices in the senior class elections. Mackey and Kells were chosen by the Sphinx Club, an honorary social organization. Wilber and Mackey are members of the senior hop and junior prom committees, respectively. Schnepel, besides serving his apprenticeship in the cheerleader competition, is one of the actors in "Liliom," the Masquers' next production, and Prigge and Hill are competing for the business and stage managerships of this organization. Johnston, Stewart, Reeve and Smith are also engaged in various competitions.

*Amherst, Mass.*

*November 8, 1927*

JOSEPH E. REEVE

*Correspondent*

### Rhode Island Alpha—Brown University

With the opening of the college on September 28th, twenty-five brothers returned. The initiation of Pledges Horn, Peterson and McGowan shortly afterwards increased our numbers to twenty-eight.

The chapter is well represented on the campus this year, probably as strong as it has ever been. Heffernan and Spellman were elected to Cammarian Club, the senior student governing body, of which Spellman was chosen president. H. B. Edwards, Wright and Burgess were elected to Pi Kappa, a junior honorary society, and Wright was made president of this organization. It is very seldom that any fraternity on the campus is able to be so well represented in these organizations as Phi Psi is this year.

The chapter is represented this fall on the gridiron by C. H. and H. B. Edwards. Both boys are halfbacks on the varsity. Jack Heffernan, captain of basketball for the second time, together with Kolle, Peterson and Mulliken, are Phi Psis who will represent Brown in basketball this winter.

Rushing season, which has been shortened to a three-day period, is but a month away and therefore the brothers are busy putting the house in shape. Even though the rushing period is short, we feel confident of pledging a good freshman delegation.

We were pleased to receive a visit from Brother Fay '14 during the past week. He urged that as many brothers as possible attend the G. A. C. next year at Buffalo.

*Providence, R. I.*

*November 8, 1927*

J. A. BURGESS

*Correspondent*

## New York Alpha—Cornell University

New York Alpha has enjoyed a most successful rushing season due to the incomparable compatability of the comprehensive group gathered here. The following men from the class of 1931 were pledged into the sacred and unfailling bonds of Phi Kappa Psi: R. W. Andrews, Conneaut, Ohio; Edward Becker, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Folke Becker, Brooklyn, N. Y.; C. A. Benedict, Crestwood, N. Y.; J. J. Bradac, Pittsburgh, Pa.; H. L. Browning, Pittsburgh, Pa.; S. L. Elmer, Brooklyn, N. Y.; B. W. Hackstaff, Huntington, N. Y.; D. M. Halstead, Yonkers, N. Y.; F. E. Hartzsh, Brooklyn, N. Y.; J. M. Searles, Buffalo, N. Y.; R. C. Quick, White Plains, N. Y.; W. S. Wright, Mamaroneck, N. Y.

In the list of recent activities Phi Psi is well among the leaders at Cornell. Macomber, Joyce and Rowand have been recently elected to Red Key, an honorary junior society; Macomber was also elected manager of freshman crew and chairman of the junior promenade committee. Thompson is also a member of this committee. Abell was elected to Sphinx Head, an honorary senior society. Abell also won his junior-varsity letter in crew last spring. A. Quick was elected director of forestry athletics; and Secor is manager of winter sports, as well as being manager of varsity soccer.

The chapter is well represented on the athletic field with Tieman and Thompson on the varsity soccer team, Erda with the varsity cross-country team, Bruz Jones as the diminutive coxswain for the junior-varsity crew, and Brooks out for basketball.

In the freshman class we are well represented. Bruce Hackstaff and Bill Brown are playing on the freshman football team; Ed Becker, Folke Becker and Wright are on the freshman track squad; Lou Elmer is playing freshman soccer; and Fritz Hartzsh is striving earnestly to win the berth as coxswain on the freshman crew.

During the week-end of the Princeton-Cornell football game, the chapter house was a bee-hive of human activity. We were glad to welcome back our alumni on such a splendid occasion and one long to be remembered. Brothers from all classes were present and our only regret is that they were not with us as long as we would have wished. On the night of the football game a buffet supper was served at the house, which was quite welcome after a thrilling afternoon in the stands.

The next week-end the chapter held a house party in collaboration with the Sigma Chi fraternity. All those present voted the week-end a huge success in every respect. On Friday evening a dance was given at the Sigma Chi house amid showers of confetti, ribbon streamers, and beautiful girls. The dance was acclaimed successful in every mode, shape and form. Saturday evening a closed dance was held in the chapter house. This was a Spanish affair with all the beautiful *senoritas* displaying their attractive and gaudy shawls and Spanish combs. The room was decorated with orange and black trimmings in such a way to give it the Spanish effect. Innumerable paintings of characteristic Spanish types were placed around the room, standing out against the dark background. For these paintings Brooks and Wiedenmayer are to be congratulated for their splendid work in displaying their ingenuity.

New York Alpha wishes to extend a most sincere vote of thanks and warmest appreciation to the alumni for their cooperation in recommending men for the past rushing season. We have that body of graduates to thank in helping us secure the class that we did.

We are glad to have the alumni come back and visit us at any time, so do not wait for a special occasion, but drop in whenever the opportunity affords.

LOUIS L. VOIGT JR

*Ithaca, N. Y., November 8, 1927*

*Correspondent*

## New York Beta—Syracuse University

Summer months at New York Beta were not lax as many of our visitors will have noted. Thanks to the efforts of Brother Templeton, during the summer the outward appearance of the chapter house was changed and freshened, giving it a more balanced landscape. Several more additions were made to the interior furnishings as well as a general revamping of the kitchen.

By graduation the following men left the chapter: Matanle, Carr, Chase, Holzworth, Barrett, Schackner, Lorr, Kelley, De Tar, E. Beadel and Hetherington. Of these men Hetherington, E. Beadel and Matanle have returned to take up further studies. Matanle will continue at times with the men's glee club as soloist.

New York Beta announces the pledging of the following men: William Stafford, Detroit, Mich.; Harland Pinney and Sheldon Edwards, Arcade; Harold Deming and Hugo Thomson, Springfield, Mass.; F. I. Cosgriff, Buffalo; John Mains, Plymouth, Pa.; Richard Bell, Cleveland, Ohio; Roland Yaeger, Rochester; Donald Stacy, Oswego; Elliott Engel, Lyman Spire, Fred Stephens, Henry O'Neill, William Prescott, all of Syracuse.

The first dance of the season was informal and for the pledges. The second dance was the occasion of inviting a sorority to the house for an early dance. The pledges have given one smoker at the house and have been asked to attend one given by the pledges of Phi Gamma Delta.

Three men on the pledge list, Yaeger, Stafford and Pinney, are out on glee club duty and Pinney for university chorus as well. Pledge Stafford is on the band and Deming out for crew.

Brothers might be interested to know that Woodworth was recently married. De Tar arrived on the scene to play for the wedding; "Spike" is in New York studying and seems pleased with his work. A large delegation from the house attended the wedding.

Musical talent in the house took a great rise with the pledging of the present delegation, so much so that we have a pledge orchestra which upsets the whole house when it practises. After the novelty has worn off, the organization will take on a more businesslike air and will be a great benefit to the chapter.

With the Grand Arch Council in June coming to us, we feel that you ought to drop in when anywhere near us. You are welcome; no need telling that again.

*Syracuse, N. Y.*

*November 10, 1927*

ROSS L. ANDREWS JR

*Correspondent*

## New York Gamma—Columbia University

The opening of Columbia on September 27th found thirty-two active brothers and two pledges back at the Phi Psi house. During the summer vacation our entire house was remodeled and repaired by the house corporation and we were able to start the year in the best general condition New York Gamma has known for the past few years.

Considering the favorable condition of the chapter, there are several things worthy of notice. We have advanced our scholastic standing to a rating of C+, which is the equivalent of from 10 to 12 points over our old position. We have men outstanding in all forms of campus activities and our prospects for obtaining a good group of freshmen are exceptionally fine.

Since our victory at Poughkeepsie on June 29th, the campus interest

in the crew has reached a height which it has not known for many years. We are represented in this sport by George Donaldson and Darius Philips, who were in last year's junior varsity boat, William Sanford, who rowed in the 1930 freshman boat, and John Domenech, who coxswained the 150's. These men are all out for the varsity this year and working hard for regular positions.

It is noteworthy that at the present time there is not a brother in the chapter who is not actively engaged in some extracurricular activity. In the senior class we have four men prominent in college life. Fred Rieger is one of those rare objects, a three-letter man, having gathered varsity "C's" for football, basketball and track, and it can be safely said that he is the backbone of our present Columbia football team. His absence due to an injured foot was probably the biggest factor in our losing one game and tying another. Besides his athletic achievements, he is a member of Student Board and the senior society of Sachems. David B. Millar, the present G. P., holds the enviable position of editor in chief of *Spectator*, our daily newspaper, and is also a member of Student Board, King's Crown board of governors and the honorary senior society of Sachems. Stuart Chambers, one of the most popular men on the campus, the president of his class, production manager of varsity show, is also a member of the Nacoms. Fred Dassori is manager of the swimming team, assistant business manager of the *Jester*, and is a member of the senior society of Sachems.

Among the graduate student body we have Embury Jones E'30, who is manager of cross-country, secretary of the I. C. A. A. A. A. and national as well as local president of the Intercollegiate Society of Spiked Shoe.

In the junior, sophomore and freshman classes we have many outstanding men. David Bouton, steward of the house, is manager of the I. C. A. A. A. A. indoor track meet and the intercollegiate cross-country meet; Howard Riley is a member of the basketball squad and a member of the junior week committees; William Imhof is manager of freshman baseball, member of the Blue Key society and the junior week committees; George Raddin is managing editor of *Jester* and is also on the art board of *Morningside and Varsity*, the campus literary publications. There are six men out for the swimming team and William Gaynor and David Cowger, a recent pledge, are playing regularly with our undefeated freshman football team.

In view of this fine start we do not expect to encounter any difficulty in maintaining our position as one of the first houses at Columbia and we hope to be able to announce in our next letter the pledging of a good number of the best men in the freshman class.

In closing we should like to invite any brothers visiting New York to step in and make themselves at home at New York Gamma. We can assure them a hearty reception from the brothers and that no effort will be spared to make their stay pleasant and congenial.

New York, N. Y.  
November 7, 1927

WILLIAM H. IMHOF  
Correspondent

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### New York Epsilon—Colgate University

In two days Colgate plays its traditional rival, Syracuse, in the biggest game of the football season. Not only does the whole college look forward to the game but New York Epsilon looks forward with particular anticipation to seeing Galloway in action in his first Syracuse game. John, who is a sophomore, has made a remarkable record this season. He has been the outstanding halfback of the varsity

eleven. It was largely due to John's good running and defensive work that Colgate held the powerful N. Y. U. team to a scoreless tie. We are also looking forward to seeing Jim Simmonds exhibit his wares in the big game. Jim is one of the best substitutes and surest passers on the varsity squad. As an evidence of faith in the team and its Phi Psi members, New York Epsilon has wagered a loving cup with New York Beta of Syracuse on the game.

On the freshman team two Phi Psi pledges have been especially prominent. Eddie Herb, halfback, and Johnny Borrise, quarterback, have been the mainstays of the team. They have proved themselves to be real prospects for varsity material next year.

November 11th is alumni day at college. The feature of the celebration will be the homecoming address by Brother Allen Carter of the class of 1906. In the afternoon, an alumni corporation meeting will be held at the chapter house. It is expected that about fifty of the alumni, including George Hughes, recently elected alumni adviser to the house, will be present to transact necessary business at that time. Among other matters of interest, the chapter will urge all alumni who possibly can to attend the G. A. C. in Buffalo this coming year in order that New York Epsilon may be well represented at that meeting.

New York Epsilon takes pleasure in announcing at this time the pledging of William Wright, of Atlantic City, N. J. The freshman delegation now numbers sixteen. We are pleased to announce that, according to scholastic records for the first month of the college year, the Phi Psi freshman delegation is one of the highest ranking delegations on the campus.

The annual fall house party was held at the chapter house during the past week-end. It was very successful. The music was good and the party was well attended. It maintained Phi Psi's record for holding the best of parties.

New York Epsilon again cordially invites the brothers to visit us at any time. Both alumni brothers and those of other chapters are always welcome in Hamilton.

*Hamilton, N. Y.*

*November 9, 1927*

JAMES F. GARVEY

*Correspondent*

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## SECOND DISTRICT

### Pennsylvania Gamma—Bucknell University

The opening of the college year found all of the brothers back with one exception. Clark decided to attempt a venture on the seas of matrimony, and has taken up his residence in Newark, N. J. Everybody returned with the idea of making it a bigger and better year for Pennsylvania Gamma, and the chapter has started off with a bang.

The first month was pretty well taken up with the complicated system of rushing now in force at Bucknell. We were fortunate in selecting a choice group of pledges, and take great pleasure in announcing the following: J. J. Brumbaugh, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Martin B. Christy jr, Hollidaysburg, Pa.; James Konkle, Newark, N. J.; Kenneth E. McHenry, Rochester, N. Y.; Charles McD. Morris, Germantown, Pa.; D. A. Poynter, Nutley, N. J.; S. A. Purdy, Penn Yan, N. Y.; M. E. Shourds, Trenton, N. J.; A. H. Stone, Bloomington, Ill.; J. H. Taylor, Philadelphia, Pa.; Thomas H. Wingate, Wilmington, Del.; George Wright, Latrobe, Pa.; F. A. Yust, Rochester, N. Y.

At present, all minds are taken up with the intriguing subject of

football. Bucknell, this year, is drawing nation-wide attention with a team which is one of the claimants for the mythical eastern championship. Three Phi Psis are doing much to hold up the supremacy of their Alma Mater. Ernie Woerner is the great tackle who is being hailed by prominent sports writers as one of the leading candidates for an all-American berth. George James is the stalwart end who is as adept at snatching passes as was his notorious namesake at snatching purses. Marlin Stephens is the understudy of his famous brother, working out at a guard position. Under the careful management of Gring, who is president of the house, the team is pulling through a hard season to a spectacular finish.

At the present writing, homecoming day is only a few days off. We expect to see a large crowd of alumni and brothers from Pennsylvania Alpha at the chapter house over the week-end. The feature of the day is a game with the undefeated W. and J. team.

On the freshman team, Phi Psi is represented by seven pledges. Brumbaugh, a brother of the famous all-American Brumbaugh of Carnegie Tech, is the star of the team at quarterback, making a strong bid to show up stronger than his brother. Konkle is playing at a halfback position. Shourds is a halfback also. Wingate and Purdy are a pair of gigantic tackles. Poynter is the steering center of the team. Taylor is out for a guard berth.

We want to extend a hearty invitation to all brothers and alumni to drop in at the house when in the vicinity of Lewisburg, and meet all the new brothers and renew the acquaintance with older members.

Lewisburg, Pa.

November 9, 1927

R. GRAHAM WOOD

Correspondent

### Pennsylvania Epsilon—Gettysburg College

Pennsylvania Epsilon opened the year with a bam, and now that rushing season is past we take pleasure in announcing the following men as pledges: John Brady, Philadelphia; Robert Flegal, Phillipsburg; Edward Bankert, Harrisburg; H. Ross Mershon, Lansdowne; Frank Weaver, York; Robert Taylor, Gettysburg; George Dress, Harrisburg; and Clarence Evans, Steubenville, Ohio.

The pledges have entered into the spirit of Phi Kappa Psi with an unusual willingness and understanding for new men. Brady, Evans, Dress and Mershon are on the freshman football team, and Brady has been doing some excellent work at end. Weaver has starred in the Own and Nightingale Dramatic Club production, "The Cat and the Canary," while Taylor is working hard to land a property manager's job with that organization.

Nor have the brothers been inactive. Hall, Drawbaugh and Cockley are varsity football men. Hall is also chairman of the fathers' day committee sponsored by Kappa Phi Kappa, and is a member of the glee club.

Thomas is president of the junior class, and editor of the *Mercury*. Cockley and Ensminger have been elected to Kappa Phi Kappa. Hanson is on the junior prom committee. Graff is advertising manager of the *Mercury*, and Hansen is on the *Spectrum* staff. Heller is drum-major of the college band; Bachman is a member of the glee club. Hilbert is property manager of the dramatic club. Clare is an assistant manager, and also a reporter for the *Gettysburgian*.

Bell is major of the R. O. T. C. unit and under his command this organization has shown unusual activity and has already accomplished many new things. Heller received his commission in the Reserve Army upon the completion of his sophomore year, last June.

The chapter is in excellent condition and we look forward to a most successful year. Griggs and Kennerdell did not return this year, but we are expecting them back at the beginning of the second semester.

The present freshman class at Gettysburg is one of the best in the past two or three years, and Phi Kappa Psi has its share of the worthy men of that class. November 12th is fathers' day and under the direction of Hall we are assured of a bang-up entertainment—football game, banquet and play, as well as a military review between halves of the game, under command of Bell.

It was our privilege and pleasure to entertain several brothers and pledges from Ohio Delta who stopped off with us on their way to the Ohio State-Princeton game. We are glad to have had them with us, and ask that all remember our door is never closed.

Gettysburg, Pa.

November 10, 1927

HENRY M. HENSEN

Correspondent

### Pennsylvania Zeta—Dickinson College

Thirty members of Pennsylvania Zeta and two held-over pledges returned to college this fall. The only loss from the active chapter, except members graduated, was Frank H. Horner, whose humorous columns in the *Dickinsonian* were such a delight to both students and alumni of the college. Horner, popularly known as Dutch, found that his unusual literary talents were of no avail in the conflict with chemistry and math, so he transferred his interests elsewhere. We have received announcement of his marriage, and extend to him our congratulations. His departure was keenly regretted by the chapter.

The system of rushing at Dickinson College has been changed so that all rushing is concentrated in the first three weeks of college. Pennsylvania Zeta has opposed the change because of the chapter's extraordinary success with the old methods. However, under the able guidance of Conevery Cameron, the rushing committee overcame the handicaps presented by the change, and brought fourteen excellent pledges to "The House behind the Pines." Fifteen bids were extended, but one man was lost at the last moment. We feel that fourteen out of fifteen is a very good record, considering the scramble that attended the early season. The rushing committee wishes to thank the alumni who favored us with their assistance in procuring information about prospects.

The pledges are a representative group. From Green county, Pennsylvania, come William Blair Baily, of Carmichaels, a good student and a first-class pole-vaulter, and Joseph Shomack, of Fredericktown, football and baseball star and valedictorian of his class in high school. Jersey Shore sent us two more boys, LaVerne Casner and C. W. Williamson, to follow in the footsteps of Brothers Carter, Pfeiffer, Carpenter, Sweely, Bowes, Angle, Macklem, et cetera ad infinitum. Altoona contributed Donald G. Lee and Jack R. McFarlane, both good all-round Phi Psi material. James Montieith, of Barnesboro, looks good in football togs. Earl Z. McKay and George H. Nye had excellent records as students and athletes at Dickinson Seminary, but are finding difficulty with their scholarship in college. Henry S. Hutton, a leader in his high school and the son of Professor A. J. White Hutton of the Dickinson Law School, gladly donned a pledge button. Edward B. English, of Media, joined his fellow-Medians, Geibel and Sheldon, to form a happy triangle. Most triangles have three Medians, by the way. Marshall H. Huey jr quit the wind-swept pretzel fields of Reading to follow his brother, Floyd, in the quest of knowledge. The pledg-

ing of J. Boyd Landis, of Carlisle, was a double victory, because of Bud's admirable personality, and because strong influence was brought on him by other fraternities. Edward H. Wilder, of Bethlehem, whose sister was valedictorian of the class of 1925, has shown a laudable ambition to be able to slip her the Phi Beta Kappa grip.

Pennsylvania Zeta appears to be maintaining its good standing on the Dickinson campus. The dean's tabulation of the comparative scholastic standing of fraternities shows that Phi Psi is third. We still have three first honor students and two second honor students.

Eleven Phi Psis are on the football squad, and six or seven will probably get their letters. Other sports will see a proportional number of candidates from our chapter. Fred E. Sweely holds the unique record of having three major sports captaincies. This has never happened before in the history of Dickinson College. He captained last year's track team, is now captaining this year's football team, and will captain this year's basketball team.

In campus activities the chapter has a fair representation. We are short in purely elective offices, although Hitchens is president of the senior class. We have five representatives on honorary societies, Sweely and Hitchens in Omicron Delta Kappa, Sweely and Sheldon in Skull and Key, and Boyer in Corpus Juris. Seven men are on various musical organizations. Three are connected with the dramatic club. Many others are affiliated with various departmental clubs. Two men are on the editorial and one on the business board of the *Dickinsonian*, and on the editorial board of the *Microcosm*.

Our pledge dance was held October 29th in the chapter house. The dance was a success, though the interest of the members was not up to the standard of former years.

We have received visits from many alumni and from members and alumni of chapters as far away as Kansas Alpha.

Our chapter house, and the alumni who have made it possible, were paid a fine tribute last week, when the national secretary of a prominent rival fraternity visited us and said that he had never seen a house better adapted for fraternity purposes. The new alumni gymnasium of Dickinson College is being erected less than sixty feet from the west side of our house. An improperly covered blast showered rocks over our house a few weeks ago, breaking nine windows, including one where sash and all were carried away. No one was hurt, and the damage was quickly repaired, but some of the brothers received a thrill.

Carlisle, Pa.  
November 8, 1927

JAMES A. STRITE  
Correspondent

### Pennsylvania Eta—Franklin and Marshall College

Pennsylvania Eta takes pleasure in introducing her new pledges. Eleven out of fourteen bids were accepted. The new men are Thomas L. Mullan, Uniontown, Pa.; Alfred Tompkins, Overbrook, Pa.; Ralph Helmuth, George Figlear, Bethlehem, Pa.; Melvin Martin, Lancaster, Pa.; George Killian, Philadelphia, Pa.; Lester Bushey, Lemoyne, Pa.; James Bowman, Harrisburg, Pa.; George Crudden, Lancaster, Pa.; Richard Fitzwater, Haddonfield, N. J.; and Samuel Stein, York, Pa.

Pledge Bowman is president of the freshman class. Pledges Killian, Helmuth, Bowman and Fitzwater are members of the freshman football team. Pledge Tompkins is assistant varsity football manager and has been elected assistant of the *Student Weekly*. Pledge Stein is a member of the varsity cross-country team.

The brothers are just as active on the campus. Feagley has been

elected varsity tennis captain, McCune varsity basketball captain, and Lehman varsity wrestling captain. McCune, Lehman, Whalen, Lees, Hewes, Boyd, Cole and Blose are all first-string football men. Boyd has been elected chairman of the junior prom committee. Feagley has received membership into the Black Pyramid Society, honorary senior organization. Whalen is vice president of the sophomore class, while Appel is editor in chief of the sophomore *Calendar* staff. Klein has been elected to the college Y. M. C. A., is a member of the Post Prandial, honorary after-dinner speaking society, and has received a berth on the varsity debating team.

Nor has the social prestige of the house been neglected in the turmoil of college work. A most successful dance was held at the chapter house on the week-end of Hallowe'en and the annual Christmas dance is being prepared for. Due credit for the success of these functions must go to Boyd, chairman of our social committee, and to Appel, our chief social rounder.

Scholastically also, Pennsylvania Eta shows up well. Under Grosh, chairman of the scholarship committee, compulsory study table for both pledges and house brothers has been the vogue.

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### Pennsylvania Theta—Lafayette College

The new two-week rushing plan at Lafayette brought eleven freshman pledges. William Ramsey of Uniontown has won the fall tennis tournament and cup, and will undoubtedly make a place on the team. Bradford Yaggy of Santa Barbara, Cal., the nephew of Lafayette's new president, has been honored with a place on the student council, at the recent elections. John Burr of White Plains is playing freshman football, and Robert Klotz of Hazelton is on the soccer squad. John H. Frazer of Pittsburgh is on the *Lafayette* and *Lyre* boards and a member of the cross-country squad. Bud Soles' specialty is basketball. He captained his team at Pittsburgh. Howard E. Friebely and N. Guerdeen Richards of Germantown, Leslie Liethead of Duluth, Minn., James Morrison of Jersey City, N. J., Edward M. Dohrman of Ridgewood, N. J., complete the list of freshman pledges.

H. D. Cothran, captain of the football team, married the attractive Miss Peggy Ann Tackett of Chase City, Pa., a student at George Washington. Bro. and Mrs. Cothran have both left college.

We are now dining amid the sybilant gargles and blatant blasts of all the favorite timpany experts. Our new batteryless radio is a success, bringing in dinner music and football games with volume. Strangely, it has not affected our scholarship; for merely removing the innards squelches any extant ardor for midnight radio. Our new victrola, though left in the dust by the radio, is very nice to have anyhow. It replaces the orthophonic that stood the gaff for a season. The billiard table has been recovered for the winter billiard season. The alumni have completed a few important repairs and alterations to the house. It has been rewired, the plumbing overhauled, and minor repairs made until next spring, when a complete renovation will place the house in good condition.

The social season opens with college and closes in June. We have given two pleasant tea dances following the football games. Wives of the faculty chaperons poured and passed the pastries. Good music and imported girls really topped off the dances. Many alumni returned for the games and dances. We like to have them.

Though not evident, we study here. The ranking is fifth in fifteen fraternities. Some are perspicuous and some are idle; but the aver-

age is good. From all indications the hundred per cent rule will only effect the proverbial few, when initiations arrive.

Bole, who is back this term, spent a year on the university cruise around the world. He will be graduated this spring. Borden has left for business in Summit, N. J. Apparently pecuniary aspects outweighed the radio. Tom Pomeroy is one of the football managers and is also captaining the debating team. Tom is doing good work with the student council. Hartje, a member of last year's varsity swimming squad, is tuning up for the fall meets. Ashcraft is busy every day managing the wrestling team.

*Easton, Pa.*

*November 10, 1927*

FREDERICK L. GRANT

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Iota—University of Pennsylvania

Judging from the activity shown during the first few months of college, it looks as if Pennsylvania Iota is heading toward a very successful year. At the present everyone is looking forward to the annual Thanksgiving tea-dance held after the Cornell game.

As our rushing season does not begin until the second semester, we are very anxious that any brother who has recommendations send them in to us now. The chapter has been glad to welcome quite a few visiting brothers so far this year. We hope a lot more will pay us a visit if they are in the vicinity.

Everyone in the house seems to be busy at some form of outside activity. Mark Wright was recently elected to the undergraduate council and is also circulation manager for the *Pennsylvania Triangle*. Roger Stevens is hard at work helping to steer the football team through a hard schedule. Worth Button is out getting some preseason licks with the lacrosse team. Ralph Monk is playing a stellar role at guard on the varsity football team. Quite a few of the brothers are striving for places on the squad, including Amelia, Stewart, Keeler, Beaumont and Berndt.

Joe White was recently placed on the steering committee for the junior week festivities. Phil Hartley is out for the *Pennsylvanian* and *Red and Blue* boards. Bud Bosler is working hard for a position on the varsity tennis team. The managerial competitions have attracted several of the brothers; Speaker is out for soccer, Lytle for crew, Amelia for track and Trowbridge for basketball.

With the event of "Rusty" Callow as crew coach at Pennsylvania, quite a few of the brothers can be seen pulling a lusty oar on the Schuylkill. Among these are Coates, Kissel, Trowbridge, Whyel and Huder. With an abundance of good material and an early start, it looks as if Pennsylvania should have a real crew this year. Tony Little is putting in his spare time at the cultured sport of fencing. Stewart, Keith, Wampler and Huesmann are striving for places on the basketball squad. Jimmy Diven is working hard to make the board of the *Pennsylvania Triangle*. Ralph Peck, as one of the assistant managers of baseball, is lining up a good schedule for the spring. Huesmann is making a strong bid for honors on the gym team. The social activities of the chapter have been very well handled so far this year by Pond, Loehr and McGean. The rifle team has attracted Bob Gittins and Bob Morris, among others.

The chapter offices for the first semester are being very capably filled by Worthington Button, G. P.; Arthur Loehr, V. G. P.; Jack Wampler, A. G.; Ralph Peck, B. G.; Talbot Gittins, P.; Robert Morris, S. G.; Warren Speaker, Ph; Lee McGean, Hod; Roger Stevens, Hier.

*Philadelphia, Pa.*

*November 3, 1927*

JACK K. WAMPLER

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Kappa—Swarthmore College

Pennsylvania Kappa would like to find the person who can prove that there is a prouder chapter of Phi Kappa Psi anywhere, than there is at Swarthmore right now. Rushing season is over, and with what results! Swarthmore College offers five open scholarships to outstanding men from all parts of the country. Pennsylvania Kappa has pledged two. A western scholarship is given each year to an outstanding man from the district west of the Mississippi. Pennsylvania Kappa pledged him. One of the pledges is class president and another has been honored by election to college publication advisory board.

Sufficient has been said already to explain the chapter's enthusiasm but the best thing of all is that the ten men pledged are the most congenial and desirable on the campus. They are Irwin Burton, Philadelphia, Pa.; R. Hulbert Douglas, Swarthmore, Pa.; William E. Kirsch, Clementon Heights, N. J.; Gordon Lippincott, White Plains, N. Y.; William McCune, Petoskey, Mich.; Daniel Sinclair 3d, Norristown, Pa.; John P. Skinner, Swarthmore, Pa.; Robert L. Testwuide, Sheboygan, Wis.; Donald Turner, Swarthmore, Pa.; and C. Brooke Worth, St. Davids, Pa.

On the gridiron this year, Maxwell is doing varsity service in the capacity of halfback, Clothier is at the center post, and Pledge Burton is playing tackle. C. Barnes did great work in the Lehigh game in halfback position when Swarthmore was favored in a 12-10 score. Kirsch, Sinclair, Parrish, Wagner and I. Barnes are on the varsity list and have given valuable service.

Bush plays varsity soccer this year, while White, Turner, Lippincott and Wood are striving for first-team berths. Nicely is candidate for assistant manager of football, under the watchful eye of Bishop, this year's manager, and Brown, elected assistant manager for next year. Calhoun is managing the debate team next season and Ferris is a member of the team, which is scheduled to meet the British team traveling in the United States this year.

Fetter made the hit of the evening in the semiannual Little Theatre Club play recently in which Maxwell played no small part. Nicely was second man in the fall tennis tournament, while White was a member of the winning doubles team. Nicely, White and Brown are eligible for the varsity tennis team next spring.

The chapter held its annual founders' day tea in the lodge after the football game on October 29th. Members of the faculty, friends and relatives of the chapter members attended and were pleased. Like hospitality is awaiting any visiting Phi Psis during the year.

*Swarthmore, Pa.*

*November 3, 1927*

HOWARD J. WOOD

*Correspondent*

### Maryland Alpha—Johns Hopkins University

All of the men in Maryland Alpha have been busy rushing since the opening of the university. This year the interfraternity board has set November 14th as the date of pledging; with one day previous to that date assigned to each fraternity for unrestricted rushing. The rest of the period consists of restricted rushing, with a day of silence before pledging.

In addition to individual rushing, the chapter has given a rushing dance and it is to give a smoker. We hope that the smoker will be as much of a success as was the dance. The dance was given at the Baltimore Country Club and was preceded by a dinner for the fresh-

men, served at the chapter house. Both of these were extremely successful. They permitted the freshmen to meet the alumni of the chapter and they allowed the active members to become better acquainted with the rushees.

The men in Maryland Alpha have not spent all their time rushing and studying; they have also found time to keep up their activities. William Kegan, our G. P., this year advanced from second to the first team and he has been displaying some splendid football. He was also honored by being elected president of the junior class. Jack Carroll, manager of lacrosse, is having fall practice and says that he hopes to turn out another championship team. Judson Dimling and John Lotz were elected vice president and treasurer, respectively, of the sophomore class. Jack Deets is manager of sophomore football; he and his men are out to give the freshmen an awful beating.

The outlook for Maryland Alpha is very good this year. We have lost only five men through graduation and our treasury is in splendid condition.

Baltimore, Md.  
November 6, 1927

ELDRIDGE H. WOLFF  
Correspondent

### Virginia Alpha—University of Virginia

The rushing season at Virginia this fall proved to be the most successful that Virginia Alpha has experienced in many years. On Pledge Day, October 2d, Virginia Alpha pledged ten of the outstanding and most popular of the freshmen. The excitement and joy of the brothers was inestimable and on that night a bounteous dinner was tendered to the pledges at the Monticello Hotel.

It is our very great pleasure to announce that the following pledges were initiated into the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity during the last month: William Haskell Brady, Tulsa, Okla.; William Page Dame, Urbana, Va.; Robert L. Gordon jr, Richmond, Va.; Oscar Claiborne Gregory jr, Richmond, Va.; Lunsford L. Loving, Lynchburg, Va.; Jack C. McDowell, Victoria, Texas; Robert Dabney Morrison, Lynchburg, Va.; Norwood B. Orrick, Washington, D. C.; Robert A. Lancaster, New York, N. Y.; Robert Quarles, Roanoke, Va. After the initiation ceremonies the brothers enjoyed a wonderful banquet at which several of the brothers of the faculty gave very interesting and enjoyable talks, which were not only inspirational to the new brothers but also a source of pleasure to the older brothers. Among those faculty brothers who honored the occasion were Brothers John S. Davis, George B. Eager and Richard Heath Dabney. Brother Munford Boyd, judge of the juvenile court of Charlottesville, was also one of the speakers. Brother Gilmer served as toastmaster and the banquet was brought to a most fitting close by an eloquent and highly humorous address by Brother McClanahan.

With such a brilliant start Virginia Alpha is looking forward to a most creditable year. Several members of the Fraternity command positions of eminence and prominence on the campus, which fact tends to be a worthy example for the younger brothers. Gilmer is editor in chief of *College Topics*, the university newspaper, and McEachern holds the same position on the staff of *Corks and Curls*, the university annual. Seven Phi Psis hold either associate or assistant editorships on the annual staff.

A recent statistical research at the registrar's office reveals the fact that during the past session Phi Psi made a marked advance in scholastic standing; the average of the entire Fraternity was 82, which

mark should place Phi Psi right among the leaders. The leader of the second-year medical class was McClanahan, while Gilmer and Williams were elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa last June. We now boast of three such honor men. Three of our last year's goats, due to their splendid work, were placed on the dean's list this year; these men are McCoy, Broun and Baker. Broun also won the chemistry cup given each year for the most proficient student in the chemistry department.

At the election to the various ribbon societies and dance clubs held this fall, McEachern was taken into T. I. L. K. A. and Gilbert, Mason, Mosely, Cooke and Turner made the P. K. and German Clubs.

From an athletic viewpoint, various Phi Psis are also active. Williams and Turner are assistant managers of basketball. Hart and Baker are showing up well on the wrestling squad.

Our recent initiates are showing a very promising activity in several branches of athletics and literary work. Orrick is playing a very creditable game on the freshman football squad, while Gregory and Gordon have been serving as adjunct managers in football. McDowell has recently been elected to the reportorial staff of *College Topics*.

Gilmer is a member of the varsity cross-country team and made the trip to Princeton when the Virginia harriers ran against Princeton on November 5th.

Hunter displayed his remarkable skill as a golfer this summer by winning the Central New York amateur golf championship. Hunter is a mainstay of the university golf team and we are expecting great things of him this session.

During the football season many alumni brothers have returned and it has been a great pleasure to welcome them back again. We were especially glad to have them with us when Virginia beat V. P. I. and V. M. I. on successive week-ends.

On the week-end of November 5th practically the entire chapter journeyed to Lexington to the Virginia-W. & L. game. The game was all that could have been wished for as Virginia's victory over Washington and Lee gave us the state championship. The hospitality of the Virginia Beta Chapter was generously tendered to the visiting brothers and greatly appreciated.

It is only a short time now until the great game at Chapel Hill with North Carolina University and many of the brothers are planning to make the trip to see Virginia wind up the season with a glorious victory. After that, exams!

Virginia Alpha takes this occasion to invite any brothers who may be in Charlottesville to be sure to drop around to the house, and we wish a most successful rushing season to all chapters.

Charlottesville, Va.

November 10, 1927

T. A. MCEACHERN JR

Correspondent

### Virginia Beta—Washington and Lee University

The college year 1927-28 finds Virginia Beta in its new home. It is one which we have been very anxious to procure, and now we are able to claim one of the best on the campus.

Nine new men were pledged this year and we feel sure that they will furnish the best of material for the keeping of Phi Kappa Psi at the very top. These men are: Howard Brundage, East Orange, N. J.; William Hill, Chicago, Ill.; Alexander Veech, Louisville, Ky.; Gilmore Nunn, Amarillo, Texas; Joseph Durham, Amarillo, Texas; Guy Montgomery, Lewisburg, W. Va.; Edward Goldsmith, Charleston, W. Va.;

Kenneth McEntyre, Chicago, Ill.; and John Bury, Lewisburg, W. Va. Already many of these men have taken part in campus activities. Howard Brundage and John Bury are on the freshman football team, Alex Veech is on the wrestling squad, Gilmore Nunn is on the swimming team, while Durham, McEntyre and Nunn have all earned places in the glee club.

We are exceptionally well represented in all lines of activities, assuring us that the chapter will stay high in leadership on the campus. On the football team we have four on the first team, these being Billy Lott, halfback, Gene White, fullback, "Count" Barclay, halfback, and "Babe" Spotts, end, while Ed Smith is a reserve half. Gene White and "Babe" Spotts are the only two men in college who have earned their letter in three major sports, acquiring them in baseball, basketball and football. "Babe" is captain of the "Generals" in basketball this year. Pete Justice is sophomore assistant of football, while Roby Sutherland is sophomore assistant of basketball.

Jarius Collins is president of the publication board this year and O. J. Wilkenson is on the staff of three of the publications.

Virginia Beta extends a cordial invitation to all brothers to come around and pay us a visit at our new house, and we hope that we will see many of them here during the year.

*Lexington, Va.*

HORACE GOOCH JR

*Correspondent*

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### THIRD DISTRICT

#### Pennsylvania Alpha—Washington and Jefferson College

Now that the excitement of our rushing season is over, and our football season is nearing a close, Pennsylvania Alpha is ready to settle down to some real work. We are about to move into our daily routine of social and scholastic activities, and we expect to have a most successful year. We must say here that we will miss the support of Neafie, Gates, Longgans and Saunders this year in carrying on our work, but we feel certain that we can cope with the situation.

We have had a very successful rushing season this year and to date we are very glad to present Pledges Franklin Shultz of Washington; George Joy and Raab Hamilton, Johnstown; Harry Henderson, Wheeling; Robert Wood, Philadelphia; Donald Wright, Uniontown; and John Grimm and Andrew Cockran, Pittsburgh.

We expect the chapter to be well represented in campus activities again this year. Schaefer will take over the managership of the basketball team this year, and Metesser the helm of the track team. Several of our members are holding assistant managerial positions in various branches of sport. We are also expecting satisfactory results in the coming class elections.

Our freshman class has had a splendid start socially. They put on a freshman dance for the pledges of the other fraternities and we are glad to say it was a huge success. Plans are already formulating for our first house party and our first formal dance.

We have had the pleasure of entertaining several alumni, and we surely would like to see more of them. If any of the alumni or brothers happen to be in our vicinity, please don't fail to drop in and see us.

*Washington, Pa.*

*November 11, 1927*

FRANK T. WALTON

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Beta—Allegheny College

As far as pledging was concerned, freshman week was a distinct failure, open rushing being legalized before the majority of the brothers had returned to college. In spite of the handicaps, however, the rushing season was one of the most successful in years, sixteen promising new men being pledged to Phi Kappa Psi. The following is a list of the freshmen: Harold Allison, Carmichaels, Pa.; Laurence Boylan, LeRoy, N. Y.; Elmer Copeland, Munhall, Pa.; Clark Dickie, Indiana, Pa.; Walter Ferer, Meadville, Pa.; Kermit Forsgren, Warren, Pa.; George Hutchings, Erie, Pa.; Paul Marnen, Meadville, Pa.; George Minch, Coraopolis, Pa.; Paul Noonan, Meadville, Pa.; Donald Severn, Morgantown, W. Va.; Karl Smock, Meadville, Pa.; Wayne Stewart, Coraopolis, Pa.; Robert Thompson, Coraopolis, Pa.; and Wallace Youngson, a sophomore, of Portland, Ore.

The chapter was well represented on the gridiron this year, five of the freshmen being on the squad. Thompson earned a halfback position on the varsity immediately, and Boylan and Marnen were prominent at end and halfback, respectively. Copeland, a 195-pound tackle, had gained a first team berth when he suffered a shoulder injury which took him out of the lineup. Minch, another tackle, was also a member of the squad.

Although the football season was not as successful as was hoped, the cross-country team enjoyed an enviable year, copping the tri-state championship. It was unbeaten during the season and numbered in its record a victory over the University of Pittsburgh. Wycoff was a star member of the team, helping in no small way to bring the championship to Allegheny.

The annual homecoming day was observed the day of the Westminster football game. The usual large crowd of alumni was back to visit the chapter. A get-together of the older brothers and the active members was held in the house after the game. Attorney General Sion B. Smith was among the visiting alumni. A dinner was served in the evening.

The chapter is represented in all campus activities. Hugh Long is president of Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalistic fraternity. Herb Mook was chosen delegate to represent the Allegheny chapter of that group at their convention at Columbus, Ohio, November 10, 11 and 12. Long and Bruce Leffingwell have been elected to the Quill Club, of which Jack Lindsey is president. Pete Laffer is manager of the glee clubs.

The scholarship plaque, sent to us several weeks ago, is occupying a prominent place on the mantel of the living room. The boys are certainly proud of it, and we are aiming for another year at the top, scholastically.

Plans are being made for the fall party, which is to be held at the Saegertown Inn, Saegertown, Pa. Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Lee have consented to be chaperones, and we are sure to have a grand old time.

*Meadville, Pa.*

BRADFORD A. BOOTH

November 8, 1927

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Lambda—Pennsylvania State College

Penn State, located in almost the exact geographical center of Pennsylvania, is the proud possessor of one of the most beautiful campuses of any college in the United States. The pulchritude of the college property is further enhanced by the surrounding countryside where

mountains and valleys are one reason why central Pennsylvania is called one of Nature's wonderlands. The college is 210 miles from Philadelphia and 147 miles from Pittsburgh. The fact that it is 1200 feet above sea level makes this locality a genuine health resort. Mount Nittany in the East, ever resting as the guardian of the college, is responsible for the Penn State athletic teams being known as the Nittany Lions. The little town of State College, fashioned after a small-sized city, is one of the most unique of its kind. A visitor to this locality never fails to carry away the most cherished memories of the picturesque atmosphere and this, coupled with the sincere hospitality that is always extended, serves to make an indelible impression.

Another college year has started, and to replace the outgoing senior class of a few months before, one more freshman class has taken its turn in order that the wheels of progress may never cease their forward steps. As Pennsylvania Lambda introduces its new pledges to THE SHIELD readers it expresses the assurance that the new delegation will measure up to the Phi Psi standard in every way when the time comes for this group to replace the pledge button by the badge of the Fraternity. The personnel of Lambda's nine pledges: William Henry Schinnerer, Philadelphia; Randolph Arthur Martin, Pittsburgh; Robert Edward Warner, New Castle; John Sherwood Frizzell, State College; James Lewis Srodes, Beaver; Harry Irwin Hagmaier, Pittsburgh; Andrew Bart Berger, Pittsburgh; Maurice Pender Evans, Pittsburgh; Dewitt Andre, Montrose; James Scott, Trexler, Allentown. Schinnerer, a transfer from Brown University, and Andre are sophomores, while the remaining seven are freshmen.

So much interest is being displayed in extracurricular activities that to mention all would be to include the list of practically the entire chapter roll. Vic Schinnerer, president of the Interfraternity Council, is editor in chief of the Fraternity Directory, an innovation at Penn State. Vic was also chosen as delegate to represent the many Penn State fraternities at the National Interfraternity Council in New York over the Thanksgiving holidays. Lew Gwin, president of the Y. M. C. A., has just headed a successful membership drive campaign and is now busy with the pretentious program he has mapped out for himself for the remainder of the year. Weedy Lord, editor in chief of the *Collegian*, is a delegate to the national convention of Pi Delta Epsilon, journalism honorary fraternity, held this year at Columbus, Ohio. Paul Nagle, veteran member of the glee club, is a member of the famous varsity quartette. Ran Thomas, president of the chapter, has been named a member of the senior ball committee. Al McLean is a member of Delta Sigma Pi, honorary commerce and finance fraternity.

In the junior class, Abby Payne is a first assistant manager of the baseball team after a strenuous competition last spring. Jack Hawks won a similar managership in the lacrosse competition. Both Abby and Jack have been elected to membership in Blue Key, Penn State's junior society. The entire chapter is of the one hope that both boys will be rewarded with the managerships of their respective sports when next spring rolls around. Tiny Dodge has been working out with the football team after reporting six weeks after the first practice. He is hoping to gain the necessary experience for a varsity berth next year.

Johnny Batdorf, a member of last year's scrappy freshman football team, has attracted the eye of Hugo Bezdek, grid mentor extraordinary, and seems to be sure to win a regular end position before he receives his diploma in 1930. Injury at critical moments proved to be an un-

conquerable obstacle but the playing experience he has received on several occasions will stand him in good stead for coming seasons. Malc Kirkpatrick has been laboring unceasingly for two seasons in quest of a first assistant football manager's position which will be decided at the end of this season. Kirk's chances for success are unusually good despite the fact that seven high-caliber boys are competing for three positions. Harry Dowdy and Cal Barwis are both working hard for junior positions on the business staff of the 1932 Freshman Handbook. Bill Schinnerer has been pounding a typewriter and learning the tricks of the trade on the editorial staff of the *Collegian* and seems headed for a position as junior news editor. Spence Williams has signed up for the basketball managerial competition which is just starting.

The freshman class is already off to a flying start toward recognition in outside activities. Andy Berger has won a regular post as left tackle on the freshman football team that has already decisively trounced Bellefonte Academy, Wyoming Seminary and Dickinson Seminary. Andy has played the entire time in all but one of the games and has held down his post in big-league style. Randy Martin and Jack Frizzell are working every day toward football managerial honors. Lew Srodes has signed up as a cub reporter on the *Collegian*. Scott Trexler is a member of the freshman band.

The summer months were the scene of much industrial activities about the chapter house with the result that when the brothers returned they were surprised to see the changed condition in which they found what they had always known as the Phi Psi house. The house was rejuvenated from top to bottom, both inside and out. An addition was constructed on one of the wings, thus giving extra space in the form of a card room and hallway downstairs, a shower room and bed room on the second floor and a committee room and bed room on the third floor. Hardwood floors were found in place of the former flooring. In short, the house could hardly be recognized as the same dwelling. With its superfine location, the chapter house ranks with the best to be found in the locality.

All the brothers are more than anxious to entertain any wanderer who might stray in this vicinity. The sole requisite for admission is a pledge button or a badge, or be accompanied by the wearer of the same, and you will be ushered to a place where you can lay your head. You will also probably be given some food, while one or two brothers might wander up and ask you some questions as a means to get acquainted. Of course, we could type all night about what we could do for all visiting Phi Psis but it might not mean a thing. All we ask is that you let us demonstrate our latest model in hospitality. We know that you will be completely sold.

*State College, Pa.*

*November 9, 1927*

WHEELER LORD JR

*Correspondent*

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### Pennsylvania Mu—Carnegie Institute of Technology

On the eve of our rushing season we attempt to write a letter which usually contains news of activities and happenings within the chapter, but who can possibly present a report of this kind when one's mind is concentrated in the direction of prospective brothers? We feel very grateful to the members of other chapters and to the members of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association for their recommendations of prospective rushees and for their suggestions as to rushing.

Our prophecy made in the last chapter news letter regarding the

painting of the house has come true. We are quite pleased with the result, and the appearance of the house is greatly improved.

Returning to the subject of activities, Chamberlain recently honored the chapter by being called to Eta Kappa Nu, electrical engineering fraternity. Maze and Warner have been initiated into the mysteries of the Druid fraternity, a sophomore honorary.

Into our midst has come a very welcome and handsome brother, Clark Weymouth, of New Hampshire Alpha, who has entered this institution as a student in the department of printing. We are extremely well pleased to have him with us, as he is certainly an asset to our group.

McGrail, the first G. P. of this chapter, recently journeyed from his home in Three Rivers, Mich., to spend a week-end with his many friends at Carnegie.

We have recently been favored with visits from a number of brothers from other chapters, and by members of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association. Our fondest desire is to entertain brothers at any time they find it convenient to visit us, as we feel that from their visits we derive a number of Phi Psi traditions and customs that are acquired only through contact with other brothers. The presence of any visitor is greatly desired and appreciated at any time.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.*

*November 6, 1927*

ROBERT GOEHRING

*Correspondent*

### West Virginia Alpha—West Virginia University

College opened around the middle of September and we went forth and pledged the following men: C. William Wade jr and Frank Maynard, Bluefield; Richard L. Simmons, Spencer; James Squibb and Charles Hart, Wheeling; Scott C. Lowe jr, Fairmont; David W. Jacobs, Morgantown; Henry S. Schrader, Wheeling; Lester Pettrey, Clarksburg; Eugene Beardsley jr, Point Marion, Pa.; Jack H. Kilmer, Martinsburg; and Elmer Van Syckle, Confluence, Pa. They have started right in at college and we expect great things of them—both in scholastic and in other activities.

Recently Trueheart Taylor, varsity basketball captain, was pledged to Fi Batar Cappar. George Jackson, who was at football training camp, received an injury to his shoulder that put him out of the running for this year. George, Johnnie Phillips and Freddie Kopp entered the law school this year, while we have one prospective doctor—John Trotter. The *Monticola*, our school annual, will be published this year with Harvey Simmons as editor in chief. James Phillips is also on the staff.

Fall track practice found William Simmons, Junie Maxwell, Trueheart Taylor, Johnnie Phillips and Bill Winfield answering the call. Lyle Jones is actively working as assistant football manager, while Jimmie Coston is trying to land the berth of track manager.

We have been pleased to see so many brothers from other chapters and so many alumni dropping in this fall. We are glad to see you all and hope you will continue to drop in when in town.

*Morgantown, W. Va.*

*November 6, 1927*

JO. L. KEENER JR

*Correspondent*

## Ohio Alpha—Ohio Wesleyan University

Since the last letter, Ohio Alpha has been busy, as a unit and as individuals. The chapter house has been in the process of initiation to something which has long been too infrequent, according to the consensus of opinion of all concerned. At any rate, the chapter has been singing lately. Talent believed to be non-existent is cautiously making its debut and we have been enjoying additional brotherhood through the medium of increased use of the Fraternity's songs.

We are proud to announce the initiation of John F. Smith, of Marion, Ohio, and Kenneth P. Miller, of Columbus, Ohio. The ceremony took place in the chapter house November 9th. Smith is a member of the class of 1930 and Miller of the class of 1929.

In addition to the four pledges who were named in the October issue, fall rushing resulted in the pledging of John A. Birkmier, Fremont; W. Clark Salisbury, Rocky River; Ezra K. Bryan, Shaker Heights; Loyal H. Phillips, Cleveland; and John S. Schuchart, Altoona, Pa. The activities of the new men are well varied. At present, however, Fry, Phillips, Bryan, Schuchart and Beebe are out for the freshman football team. The first four named have been working out regularly with the first team, and Beebe is on the second squad. Fry has been elected captain of the yearlings. Birkmier has been working on the editorial staff of the *Transcript*, and Bryan has been in the frosh debate class where he will undoubtedly be used later in the season. Beebe is a member of the Wesleyan band in which he plays a trombone. As basketball and track and the other sports come into season, others of the pledges will see service in them. All the boys are getting on in their scholarship in such a manner that we hope to be able to initiate the entire class.

Both Helwig and Kyle have been selected as acting captains for games during the recently past football season. Kyle captained the Wesleyan team in its game against Denison University and Helwig acted in the capacity of captain during the game with Wittenberg, at Springfield, which is his home. Holtz is the junior manager of the varsity football squad.

Magley has been attending the warming-up practices of the basketball squad, of which Bartram is a junior manager.

After the Wesleyan game at Wittenberg, Ohio Beta entertained our chapter to a very enjoyable dance. A true brand of Phi Psi hospitality was extended by the hosts and it was genuinely appreciated by those members of Ohio Alpha who found it possible to be there.

*Delaware, Ohio*

November 12, 1927

H. A. BEANE

*Correspondent*

## Ohio Beta—Wittenberg College

A prediction was made in the last letter from Ohio Beta to THE SHIELD that, even though registration was held on the 13th day of September, Wittenbergers are not superstitious, and expected a most successful year for the college. So far this prediction has come true. November 12th was a memorable day. On that day, for the first time in 33 years, Wittenberg outscored her historical rival, Ohio Wesleyan, to the tune of a 7-9 defeat—and in so doing also clinched the Buckeye Association title for this year. A record crowd saw the game, as it was homecoming day and dads' day combined; and after the game everyone decided that it was "All-Wittenberg's Day." We have yet to defeat the University of Dayton, a very formidable foe. However, the prospects

for another victory look good and, if this comes true, Wittenberg will also receive the Ohio conference pennant.

Not only for athletics, but for other achievements has the college been the center of attention. A chemistry-psychology symposium, held here in October and made possible by President Tulloss, attracted the attention of most of the colleges throughout the country. Which all proves that starting college on the 13th is by no means an ill-omen.

As with the college, so with Ohio Beta, have the past few months been banner ones. A very interesting letter arrived yesterday from the Executive Council, informing the brothers that another engraved wall plaque is on its way to Ohio Beta for having the highest scholarship average for both semesters last year among the national fraternities on the campus. This will be two such plaques in as many consecutive years, and the boys are all striving to get another next year.

The activities represented by Phi Psi on Wittenberg's campus are many and varied. Al Brandt has been holding down his regular position at tackle all season; Earl Schneider is now the editor of the 1928 college annual; Roger Jackson has been elected president of the Panhellenic Council; and Kemper, White and Larimer are respectively business, advertising and circulation managers of the *College Weekly News*. Merickel, who was sub quarterback this year, and Ritter and Trautwein are all expecting to place their bids soon for positions on the basketball squad.

The pledges have been organized and are doing well in scholarship as well as activities. Schafer made a good showing on the freshman football squad. Schneider, Olson, Keck and Bullock made the debate squad; Ultes, Raabe, Bricker and Hunt are assisting on the *Torch* staff; while Franks will cast his lot with the frosh basketball neophytes. When the Wittenberg glee club makes its tour next spring, at least six representatives from Phi Psi should go along. They are Raff and Rauch, and Pledges Schneider, Keck, Ultes and Remsburg.

Mention was made in the last letter that the keys to the house and dining room have been lost. Ohio Beta has not lost the keys, but has thrown them away; and we will feel it "gross neglect" if any Phi Psi comes within the near vicinity of Springfield and does not drop in to "see the boys" for a meal and a word of greeting.

*Springfield, Ohio*

JOHN RAUCH JR  
*Correspondent*

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### Ohio Delta—Ohio State University

The conclusion of the fall initiation found Ohio Delta with eleven new brothers. They are Richard C. Rockaway and John D. Rockaway, Cincinnati, Ohio; Arthur A. Huston, Findlay, Ohio; Paul F. Strothers, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Milton F. Popp, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Frederick Machetanz, Kenton, Ohio; Robert B. Snypp, Alan B. Loop, Barnitz G. Ball, J. Robert Abernathy and Joseph J. O'Shaughnessy of Columbus, Ohio.

The rushing season was one of the best for the chapter, not in that more freshmen are wearing the button than usual, there being twenty-four, but that the group is varied and promises to produce real Phi Psis. After the usual newness of college had worn off and a regular routine was once more adopted, the active chapter was found to be larger than it had been for some time. The representatives in campus activities are numerous, football alone occupying the attention of nine of the brothers, four of whom, Grim, Ullery, Huston and Cory, are letter men. The position of the chapter in the ranking of the

various chapters of other fraternities with regard to scholarship raised two places for the past year over the preceding year.

Partly to increase this improvement and partly to help the relationship of the freshmen to the actives, a system has been adopted known as the "senior adviser" system. Personal matters as well as scholastic ones are put before the pledges by their respective advisers. This method gives each freshman someone to bring his troubles to and assures a relationship of actives and freshmen that is much needed but is often overlooked.

The present indications are that this chapter is in the midst of an excellent year, both internally and externally.

*Columbus, Ohio*  
*November 8, 1927*

GORDON H. WALKER  
*Correspondent*

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### Ohio Epsilon—Case School of Applied Science

Many things have happened around the chapter since the writing of our last letter. The downstairs has been completely rejuvenated by redecorating and refurnishing. It is fortunate, too, that we were able to whip into such good shape for no sooner had we finished than was the annual opening dance given. This affair took place on the evening of September 24th and made a real send-off for the brothers on their coming trials and tribulations for the college year. Another social function worthy of mention was our annual pledge dance held on October 15th. This gave our fine class of freshmen a chance to get acquainted with their fellow sufferers. All the pledges but one, Howard Graff from New Philadelphia, hang their hats in Cleveland. The names are as follows: George Gronemeyer, Gilbert May, Robert Haas, John Courtney, Arthur Brooks, James Crawford, Glen Tinkler, William Conger, Howard Pennington and William Koski.

Another cup has found a permanent resting place on our mantel. This is the President's cup awarded for excellence in scholastic standing for the period of the last three years. Each of the three years we managed to be at the top of the list for national fraternity rating as to grades. As a result another plaque was received recently from the national Fraternity and now adorns a convenient wall.

The Case-Oberlin game was our homecoming affair and a large turnout of alumni made our dinner and smoker October 29th quite a success. Twenty-six alumni returned to the house to meet their old friends, chew the fat and witness the program of entertainment afforded by the freshmen, which all agreed was considerably different. A startlingly unique dance by Pledge May was the highlight of the festivities.

Sunday afternoon, November 6th, a fine dinner was given for the brothers who wished to bring their girls. An enjoyable afternoon was spent sitting around the good old fireplace. The Case Phi Deltas seemed to think it a good idea for as a consequence they had a similar affair on the same day. Rumors have it that pingpong took up most of their time.

*Cleveland, Ohio*  
*November 8, 1927*

BIERCE W. WELCH  
*Correspondent*

## FOURTH DISTRICT

## Michigan Alpha—University of Michigan

Michigan Alpha takes pleasure in announcing the pledging of the following men: William Andrews, Newport, Ky.; Edmund Austin, Detroit, Mich.; Fred Bernard, Glendale, Ohio; Howard DeViblist, Toledo, Ohio; David Flood, Spokane, Wash.; Arthur Highfield, Duluth, Minn.; Whitfield Hillyer, Evanston, Ill.; Robert Patton, Springfield, Ill.; John Pottle, Detroit, Mich.; Arthur Smith, Detroit, Mich.; and William Wessels, Detroit, Mich.

Practically all the brothers are back this year, and the house is full. Everything looks like a big year, with the exception of the car ban and no Saturday night parties; but we are hoping that the university authorities will change their ideas a little in the near future. Speaking of parties, the only house dance of the year is about due (the night before the Navy game), and the committee, headed by Bill Maney, promises the house a real dance.

All the home games have had a big attendance so far—the steward claiming to have fed over 300 people after the Ohio game.

As the freshmen can not go out for campus activities till next semester, we have as yet no additions along that line. More of that later, however.

*Ann Arbor, Mich.*

*October 7, 1927*

B. T. CARVER

*Correspondent*

## Indiana Alpha—DePauw University

Old Gold Day, DePauw's homecoming, was the best in years. The Friday night before the game was spent in a mammoth pep session, at which session the spirit and fire of a typical Old Gold Day was kindled. Saturday morning witnessed the annual freshman-sophomore class scrap and the junior-senior football game. The scene of the morning activities was McKeene field, which was crowded to capacity. At lunch Indiana Alpha entertained some 35 guests but the main attraction of the day was the annual battle with Franklin. The game was played before the largest crowd here in some years—estimated at seven thousand—and the game was absolutely the best of the season. Franklin tied Butler and we beat them to the tune of 6-0. This, however, is not a fair judge of the contest. A second touchdown was not allowed and the entire game was played in Franklin territory. We threatened their goal three other times but the breaks of the game were against us. In this victory four Phi Psi starred. Johnny Marshall played a wonderful game at guard, Scotty plunged his way to fame at the half-back position, Cy Gunn played a great game at quarter and Stu Smith was outstanding in plunging line and tackling. Stu plays fullback.

Old Gold Day decorations were exceptional. The house looked the best it has ever appeared and had it not been that a Phi Psi headed the judging committee and two Phi Psi sisters also served, we would undoubtedly have won first place. However, even in the face of public opinion, we could not help but give Phi Psi second place.

DePauw's building program is holding the interest of all. Longden hall, a \$250,000 men's dormitory, is of colonial design and is a marvelous addition to the already large group of beautiful buildings on the campus. Another \$250,000 building is now under construction. It is the size of the present Rector hall and will be used for the same purpose. With the completion of this building, all freshman girls and the nonsorority girls of the campus will be accommodated in the three

beautiful dormitories. Music hall has been moved across the street beside the gym and has a much more imposing appearance than before. On Old Gold Day the cornerstone of our new \$300,000 church was laid amid most impressive ceremonies. The church covers one of the two blocks facing East college from the north and is to be of a beautiful tudor gothic style. All in all, this building will be one of the most imposing of its kind in this section of the country.

Indiana Alpha will hold initiation for two neophytes who failed to make the necessary requirements until last semester of last year. Pledges Marlatt and Renfro will be initiated November 13th. Marlatt is a Phi Psi son from Kenosha, Wis., and Renfro is a Phi Psi brother from Carbondale, Ill.

*Greencastle, Ind.*  
November 3, 1927

STUART F. SMITH  
*Correspondent*

### Indiana Beta—Indiana University

Snow is falling for the first time this year, and though the wind is whistling through the trees of Indiana University's "most beautiful campus," the three fireplaces in the Phi Kappa Psi chapter house here are glowing a mute invitation of comfort and warmth. Indiana Beta has had unusually few visitors this year; alumni must come back and affect some contact if active chapter members are to profit by experiences learned and memorized in past years.

Initiation was held November 3d for Philip Pike, Bloomington; Tom Hubbard, Indianapolis; Noland Wright, Anderson; Robert Charles, Marion; John Bundy, Vincennes; and John Drew, Indianapolis. The new brothers promise to bring honor to Indiana Beta and Phi Kappa Psi. Pike last spring was ranking man on the varsity tennis team; Dow has been playing freshman football; Bundy is seeing regular service as a tackle on the varsity football team; Hubbard is the son of Kin Hubbard, internationally known creator of Abe Martin, and is talented musically; Wright plays several musical instruments; and Charles is a member of the Indiana University All-American band. Initiation was preceded by a formal dinner. Following the induction a military serenade was held. Serenades have been among the missing qualities this year, and the Phi Psi offering received a big hand at every stop. Several Bloomington and out of town alumni attended the affair.

Indiana Beta won its first cup of the year when Phil Pike and Neal Hines copped the university doubles championship by defeating the Beta Theta Pi finalists in three straight sets. The intramural department may have to order more silver trophies if Phi Psi is as successful in other fields. After starting famously with a speedball victory over Delta Upsilon, our team tumbled before the Phi Gams in a rough struggle. While this eliminates us from champ possibilities in speedball, we will continue to play in order to garner points toward the all-university championship.

An interfraternity football league consisting of thirteen teams has been formed. Phi Psi is slated to tangle with the Phi Gams in the first tilt for both teams. The league will be run on the elimination plan.

John Bundy is rapidly shaping into one of Pat Page's best Scroppin' Hoosier linesmen. His 195 pounds of meat halted repeated thrusts of the Michigan State backfield last Saturday when Indiana defeated the Northerners 33 to 7, and it is probable John will see service in the all-important Northwestern and Purdue games.

Joe Scully of Noblesville and Robert Marks of Wabash have regular places on the freshman grid squad at halfback and end, respectively. Scully is a remarkable open field runner and Marks has proved his ability as a pass-snatcher and interference man. Marks is brother to Larry Marks, one of Indiana's greatest football stars.

The chapter is better organized and has a clearer view of its aims than it has had for several semesters. Dick Trueblood, G. P., and the governing committee headed by Edwin Harold have chapter management in excellent control. Drinking has been completely ousted.

Phi Kappa Psi jumped a few notches to win fourth place in local scholarship standing. The leader was Lambda Chi, followed respectively by Kappa Delta Rho, Sigma Nu, and Phi Psi. Freshmen are making the most of study hours, and better than average grades are being reported. Midterms will be completed this week. The Panhellenic Council has been reorganized, and with the possibility that a scholarship cup will be placed on the block for the winning, Indiana Beta anticipates a still more gratifying report of scholastic standing next semester.

The first dance of the year was held October 29th, with Brother Oliver's band furnishing music. Numerous out of town guests enjoyed the affair, which was followed by a dinner party Sunday at the chapter house.

Trueblood will relinquish G. P. duties temporarily this week to serve as an envoy to the Sigma Delta Chi convention at Lawrence, Kan. Trueblood is an officer of the local chapter of Sigma Delta Chi. Brenton is out for sophomore basketball manager. Johnson is senior manager of the net sport. Scheid and Starr are working out daily on the hardwood court.

Indiana Beta plans to have 100 per cent attendance at the state banquet November 23d at Indianapolis. The Indianapolis Alumni Association has rearranged the procedure somewhat, and pre-notice augur well for a very successful affair.

We have entangled ourselves with Indiana Delta in a wager on the outcome of the Purdue-Indiana game here November 19th. The stake is a silver football trophy. Both chapters possess several similar trophies, results of previous games, and both are now keenly awaiting final judgment on the current rivalry.

We extend the invitation—it's up to you to visit us. Suffice it to say that rare are the occasions when a brother in the bonds is turned away from the Phi Psi house at Bloomington.

*Bloomington, Ind.*

*November 8, 1927*

JEAN A. GRAFFIS

*Correspondent*

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### Indiana Delta—Purdue University

The term opened this fall at Purdue with indications of a great Phi Psi year, and as the past seven weeks have gone by, we have become more confident that the indications were not wrong. The chapter is in the midst of one of her biggest years.

We started out by pledging nineteen freshmen who are the choice of this year's freshman class. Following is a list of our pledges: Robert Brown, Garrett, Ind.; Archie Davis, Chillicothe, Ohio; Richard Dickson, Indianapolis, Ind.; Merrill Folley, Danville, Ill.; Arch Hadley, Mount Carmel, Ind.; William Hadley, Indianapolis, Ind.; Sumner Kittelle, Washington, D. C.; Carl Klepper, Decatur, Ind.; Milton Libert, Green Bay, Wis.; Robert McDonough, Marion, Ind.; Paul Moss, Terre Haute, Wis.; Elliott Perkins, Indianapolis, Ind.; Carl

Schulmeyer, Peru, Ind., Maurice Schwartz, Vincennes, Ind.; Allen Staley, Green Bay, Wis.; George Van Bibber, Terre Haute, Ind.; James Worthington, Indianapolis, Ind.; Arthur Suttles, Decatur, Ind.; Clem Newman, LaFayette, Ind.

All our freshmen are active in some campus activity, and we are expecting much from them. Paul Moss, George Van Bibber and Allen Staley are going good in freshman football this year, and from all indications there will be five Phi Psis on the regular line on Purdue's team next year. Boots, Galletch and Hook are playing regularly on the varsity team this year and are making fine records. Boots will undoubtedly be among the best in Big Ten basketball this year also. The chapter is represented in every sport and activity on the campus either by the brothers or the pledges, and, taken as a whole, the chapter is very well balanced.

The week of November 5th was our homecoming, and we had a very fine turn-out of alumni. The weather was perfect, and the football game with Northwestern was better than that. Hook and Galletch both starred in the game, and we feel sure that our alumni were entirely satisfied with their showing. There was also a show presented homecoming week-end, the "All Men's Review," in which Stiever and Beemer took the parts of chorus girls.

In the line of social activities, Indiana Delta has given one dance on October 29th, and we are planning to have another one sometime before Christmas. Then in the spring comes our annual formal dance, and possibly a spring informal sometime later.

We are very happy to announce the pledging of Tom McMahon to Iron Key, and also the election of Stoeber to the presidency of both Pi Tau Sigma, an honorary mechanical engineering fraternity, and Tau Beta Pi, the honorary scholastic fraternity for engineers. Lester has also been initiated into Pi Tau Sigma.

We are now spending our second year in our new home, one of the finest on the Purdue campus. King, our house manager, is proving to be a most capable steward and manager, and he and his assistants, Stone and Roark, are keeping the house and lawn in the best of condition.

Our scholarship for last semester was bettered by only two of the large national fraternities on the campus. All efforts are being put forth to get this year's freshmen started right. We are having each freshman room with an upperclassman or sophomore in an effort to still further encourage good grades among our freshmen.

The outlook for Indiana Delta is very bright, and we hope that the good work may continue. There can be no doubt that Phi Psi is going to the top at Purdue, and nothing is farther from our minds than to allow her to backslide.

Some of the circular letters we have sent to our alumni have been returned unclaimed to us. Following is a list of the alumni for whom we would like to have correct addresses: Ross E. Bradley, F. R. Gladden, John A. Dawson, Reid S. McBeth, H. B. Ashley, Robert N. Forsythe, Robert T. Hatt, Arthur J. Iles. Any assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated by Indiana Delta.

*West Lafayette, Ind.*

C. L. HENRY

*November 8, 1927*

*Correspondent*

### Illinois Alpha—Northwestern University

Illinois Alpha had a very successful rushing season this year. We have twelve new pledges, all of whom are freshmen in the university. These men come to us with brilliant high school records and every promise of making a success of their four years in college. They are men well worthy of the badge, and ably fitted to carry on the work of Phi Kappa Psi.

The pledges are: John Ainsworth, Amarillo, Texas; Frank Baker, Milwaukee, Wis.; Joe Bailey, Evanston, Ill.; William Griffin, Chicago, Ill.; Leeds Bartholomew, Terre Haute, Ind.; James White, Chicago, Ill.; Paul Fedderson, Belle Plains, Iowa; Oliver Rogers, Dixon, Ill.; Byron Laycock, Dayton, Ohio; Frank Thomas, Highland Park, Ill.; Richard Scott, Norfolk, Neb.; Clarence Taylor, Rochelle, Ill.

One of our pledges, Paul Fedderson, is already making a name for himself in music circles. The Atwater Kent Radio Corporation is conducting a nationwide contest for youthful singers. Elimination contests have been held in different sections of the country and in due time the winner of the national contest will be decided. So far Paul has progressed two steps up the ladder, winning the first elimination contest at Belle Plains, Iowa, and a second at Des Moines, Iowa. On November 19th he will be among the contestants singing over W. G. N., Chicago. The winner of this contest goes to New York for the finals. We are wishing Paul the best of luck.

Frank Baker, Dick Scott and Byron Laycock have been out for freshman football during the past season, and all of them show promise of being regulars next year. There is also excellent basketball and track material among the freshman class, as well as stars in some of the minor sports, such as golf and tennis.

Illinois Alpha has met with success this year in its intramural contests. In the touch-football games we remain undefeated at the present writing and have high hopes of going through the entire schedule without a loss. In the golf tournament we are assured of a finalist by virtue of having two of our men paired together in the semifinals. One of these men is Pledge Rogers. Both the actives and the pledges of the chapter are showing a great deal of interest in such games, with the result that we are well represented in all of them.

Illinois Alpha recently received a wall plaque awarded to us by the Executive Council for leading the national fraternities in scholarship for the college year 1926-27. We are quite proud of not only the plaque but what it stands for, and hope to maintain the same high average in the future. It has been an additional inspiration to us to have a material reward to work for, and we believe that the E. C. is indeed carrying out a helpful policy in awarding plaques to the successful chapters.

Our first real party of the year is set for December 17th. It is to be a formal dinner-dance and everything is being done to keep up the reputation of Phi Psi for giving the best parties on the campus. So far our social calendar has not been overcrowded, having consisted of two open houses after football games.

Northwestern University had a larger registration in all schools this year than ever before. On the Evanston campus difficulty is being experienced as to classroom accommodations, and a need is felt for new buildings. The present effect of this crowding is stricter entrance requirements, which tends to raise Northwestern's scholastic standards still higher.

Among the improvements undertaken by the university this year is the installation of a permanent pipe organ in Patten Gymnasium. Heretofore it has been necessary to install a pipe organ for commencement and remove it soon afterwards. The new organ obviates the necessity of this extra work and adds a very desirable feature to the building.

The general conditions on and about campus point to another successful and progressive year for Northwestern University, and an equally active year for Illinois Alpha, as befits an organization of this university.

*Evanston, Ill.*

*November 8, 1927*

SEYMOUR J. DEXTER

*Corresponden*

## Illinois Beta—University of Chicago

It may be that college has started as it does each fall, but the main item of interest is that Illinois Beta has started in a way that is going to run over all opposition. By the time rush week was over and we had pledged all the men in the freshman class who appeared to have any stuff in them at all, we had corralled twenty-two "humdingers."

While we are talking about pledges, let's tell a few stories about some of them. Every single man in the class is a prize-winner. Roy Mathias, of Gary, was president of the junior class, captain of the track team, and editor of the annual. Louis Snyder, also of Gary, was president of the senior class, business manager of the annual, captain of the tennis team, and far from a slouch in football and basketball. Moreover, Louie-plays such a hot clarinet that we ought to save some money on coal bills this winter. Bill Ray, of Donner's Grove, Ill., was captain of the basketball team, president of the athletic association, and a member of the football and track teams. His rival for honors is his fellow townsman, Fred Towsley, who also was captain of basketball and president of the athletic association, holding these offices a year after Bill held them. Bob Cory, of Hyde Park, was captain of football and all-city fullback in addition to being president of the student council. Clarence Davis, of Englewood High, was captain of the baseball team and an all-city choice, and a clever forward on the basketball team. Scott Rexinger, from Hyde Park, was president of the senior class, state junior tennis champion, and an end on the football team. Dale Letts, from Elmhurst, captained the track team and placed in the interscholastic meet. Another track star is "Bud" East, of Hyde Park. His aliases are: city champ, 220-yard dash; county champ, 50-yard dash; and state champ, 100-yard dash.

There you have a very brief summary of about half of this incomparable pledge class. Some of the remaining men boast even more impressive records, but those mentioned should give a good idea of the caliber of the men. The other members of the class are Ted Templin, Gary, Ind.; Stanley Wilborn, Oak Park, Ill.; Bill O'Connell, Chicago; Drew Brown, Chicago; James Hall, Chicago; Roland Cohee, Frankfort, Ind.; Harry Coy, Chicago; David Coey, Chicago; Rolland Scott, Chicago; Donald Moore, Chicago; Charles Best, Carleton, N. D.; and Jess Johnson and Steven Diamond from Madisonville, Ky.

Scott Rexinger has been chosen as head of this contingent and several weeks ago they entertained other pledges of the campus at a very successful informal dance, and sent all the other boys home feeling sorry that they were not members of the Phi Psi "army."

Some of the actives are setting fine examples for the freshmen. Prominent among these men is "Bucky" Harris, who is business manager of the *Daily Maroon*. He is also chairman of the board which is governing the freshman "Green Cap Club," and is a member of the senior class council. Thomas is a member of the junior class council. Bill Weddell, in spite of his duties as house president, is head cheerleader for the second successive year, and is sports writer for the daily paper. Mundy Peale is assistant cheerleader and should take the post left vacant by Weddell next year. Virgil Gist and Lalon Farwell, letter men in basketball, and Bill Budd are already working daily on the court to be sure of berths on next winter's varsity team. Carroll Marshall and Eikenberry are on the varsity football squad.

But the biggest happening of the year has not been mentioned. Our very active alumni group watched with great approbation the action of the chapter during rushing. Then some of them got together and amassed no little sum of money to refurbish our downstairs. As a result we now have three beautiful, well-built, red leather davenport,

six big easy chairs to match, and an abundance of floor lamps and smoke stands. There are yet to come forty dining room chairs with the Phi Psi crest on the back of each. Besides all this, a redecoration of the entire downstairs is rumored. The real dedication of this furniture was held last Friday evening when a good sized crowd of alumni came over to a smoker. Pledges were introduced, a few speeches were given, food was served, and Phi Psi fellowship had a truly wonderful evening. So we say, "Hats off to the alumni!"

Our social activities this quarter consist of tea dances after every home football game. These affairs have been a great success. We are planning a parents' banquet in the near future which bids fair to be even a greater success than those of the past.

Intramurals, too, seem to be almost controlled by Phi Psi. Our touchball team is undefeated, our horseshoe teams are near the top and last week our cross-country team, headed by Dale Letts, ran away with the university run and came home with a beautiful trophy to further crowd our already overflowing mantel. Letts, who easily won first place, ran the two and one-half mile course in 12:20 time, which broke the previous university record by 15 seconds.

We have been very happy to entertain the visiting brothers from Indiana, Purdue and Michigan during the football season, and are very appreciative of the hospitality shown to us by Ohio Delta.

Much as we like to sing our own praises, we hope that the degree of success this year may be even greater in the other chapters of Phi Kappa Psi.

Chicago, Ill.  
November 7, 1927

PERRY R. THOMAS  
Correspondent

### Illinois Delta—University of Illinois

The close of the rushing season found the following new pledges answering the doorbell more or less promptly and carrying trunks upstairs: James T. Fling, Thomas H. Byrne and Otto Hills, Chicago; John W. McElroy and Jack Hansen, River Forest, Ill.; Charles F. Coleman, Evanston, Ill.; James W. Karraker, Harrisburg, Ill.; Carl B. McLaughlin, Berwyn, Ill.; Stanley R. Pierce, Creston, Ill.; Russell F. Elwell, LaGrange, Ill.; Kermit R. Clarida, Springfield, Ill.; Jack Lamkin, Lake Charles, La.; and Thomas Howell, Cameron, Texas. It is the kind of freshman class at which the brothers point with pride when the boys themselves aren't looking. It wouldn't do, of course, to let them know how good they are, but here's what some of them are doing—judge for yourself. Hansen and Hills have both been playing first team on the freshman-varsity football squad; Elwell and Byrne are football men, too, though the latter is just now suffering from an injured knee. McLaughlin is working on the business staff of the *Daily Illini*, and McElroy is on the *Siren* staff; both of these men also showed up well in the intramural tennis tournament. Fling is splashing manfully for a place on the freshman water-polo team, Karraker is providing most of the scholastic support for the class, and Howell is helping Bill Donahue out (musically, not financially) up at College Hall.

Boling is one of the two junior baseball managers, and is wearing a lot of keys and pins, most of them, I think, honorably acquired. His Sachem key is particularly weighty, and he has recently been pledged to Band of X, along with Tim O'Connell. Tim remains our chief pride and joy; he is conference tennis champion, he wears the white sweater of a varsity captain, and he is Archon of the fourth district.

McNeill is leading cheers at the big games, and he is wearing the blue and red pledge button of Phi Delta Phi (not a cheer-leading fraternity—a law fraternity). Mason is playing baseball, Spies, Fix and Smith are swimming, and C. E. Wells is a regular contributor to the *Illinois Magazine*.

The date of the annual homecoming, October 29th, was something more than that for the brothers of Illinois Delta. It saw the launching of a second mortgage bond issue which is going to mean a remodeled, refurbished house next year. After the big game a banquet was held at the Urbana-Lincoln Hotel; "Sloolie" Chapman acted as toastmaster, and our own H. C. ("Army") Williams was the honored brother. After the food had been done away with and the pledges were coughing over their cigars, the bond issue was explained in detail by Brother Chapman, and subscriptions began to flow in faster than he and Brother "Dutch" Bear could write them down. "Old 911," as the alumni refer to it, has been getting a little too old lately; next year we hope to be able to call it "New 911."

*Champaign, Ill.*  
November 7, 1927

CHARLES H. BENNETT  
*Correspondent*

### Tennessee Delta—Vanderbilt University

Tennessee Delta proudly announces the following pledges: David Turner, Gainesville, Texas; Houston Johnson, Mangum, Okla.; Burton Washburn, Paducah, Ky.; Elgen Wilson, Paducah, Ky.; Wilson Woodcock, Greensboro, N. C.; Armistead Clay, Memphis, Tenn.; William Pierce, Huntsville, Ala.; Hamilton Parks, Waverly, Tenn.; Donald Bonald, Glasgow, Ky.; Abner Johnstone, Madisonville, Ky.; Hoyte Martin, Corinth, Miss.; George Gaffney, Nashville, Tenn.; J. Client Parks, Waverly, Tenn.; Ernest Rice, Memphis, Tenn.

The chapter is well represented in all branches of activities this year. Milliken is assistant manager of football, Owl Club representative, and candidate for business manager of the *Commodore* annual. Warner is a member of the varsity football squad and president of the sophomore class. Morris is assistant manager of track. Kerr and Pledge Pierce are members of the glee club. John A. Johnston is honor man in the junior law class. Mann is secretary and treasurer of the freshman law class. We also have four pledges on the freshman football squad. And Pledge Clay has been elected secretary of the freshman class. Pledges Houston Johnson and Pierce are members of the band.

On November 5th, immediately following the Georgia Tech-Vanderbilt game, Tennessee Delta will give her first tea-dance. Plans for other dances and dinners are already under way.

Of interest to the alumni will be the coming marriage of Phil Abel, now of the St. Louis Alumni Association, and of the Missouri Bar Association, to Miss Stella Lee Key, of the same city. The wedding will take place the early part of next year.

James Langan is now in business with his father, P. T. Langan of the P. T. Langan Lumber Co. at Cairo, Ill. P. T. Langan jr is attending the University of Illinois Law School. Ernest Aydt is now practicing law in Houston, Texas. John Hanna is in the insurance business in Los Angeles, Cal. Hal Huddleston is connected with the state highway department at Chattanooga, Tenn.

Prospects were never brighter for a successful year. Tennessee Delta extends a cordial invitation to all visiting brothers to stop with them.

*Nashville, Tenn.*  
November 2, 1927

JOHN B. MORRIS  
*Correspondent*

## Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin

Wisconsin Alpha is very pleased to announce the pledging of Billy Pearce, Caldwell Gaines, Harry Emigh and Robert Weber, of Milwaukee; John McBrady, Don Morrison, Dave Willock and John Hines, of Chicago; Courtland Newman, Superior, Wis.; Owen Nicewarner, Michigan City, Ind.; James Hibberd, New Richmond, Ind.; Harley Hawes, Kansas City; and William McCarter, Madison. Robert Arnold, Duluth, Minn., and William Conway, Madison, have been repledged.

On October 31st Holden T. Moran, of Madison, was formally initiated into the chapter.

The chapter is very well represented in campus activities this year with W. S. Roberts, R. E. Schuetz and W. T. Schroeder acting in Haresfoot Club managerial positions, and with Ralph Smith, Donald Reeke, Robert Buell and John Geib seeking parts in the cast and chorus.

Pledge Caldwell Gaines has been contributing art work to the campus comic publication, *Octopus*, while Pledge Dave Willock has been turning out some attractive poster work in various contests.

Wenzel Thompson, of Wisconsin Gamma, is making Wisconsin his college this year and is residing at the house. He is playing second trumpet in the Haresfoot orchestra this year.

Donald Hinderliter is whipping the gym team into shape as captain of the squad, while Donald Mitchell is getting his skates sharpened in preparation to captaining the hockey squad.

Samuel Boyer has been pledged to the Wisconsin chapter of Nu Sigma Nu, honorary medical fraternity.

Pledge William Conway is playing on the frosh football squad, while Pledges Harry Emigh and James Hibberd are playing with Meanwell's yearlings. Pledge Robert Weber is participating on the frosh track squad as a javelin thrower of no mean ability.

Julian Hardy is living at the Phi Delta Phi house this year, trying to imbibe legal knowledge, as well as a few other lines of learning.

Mark Hobart is serving as junior cross-country manager and no doubt will succeed the senior manager at the end of this year.

John McCarter has returned from a year spent in Russia with an aluminum company, and is again plugging away at the books.

Donald Reeke is working in the intramural athletic department.

Wisconsin Alpha takes this opportunity of extending to all other chapters and alumni associations best wishes for the holiday season.

Madison, Wis.

WILLIAM T. SCHROEDER

November 10, 1927

Correspondent

## Wisconsin Gamma—Beloit College

Wisconsin Gamma announces the pledging of the following men, the list now being complete: Alexander Frost, Frank Hildebrand and Frederick Reyner, all of Hinsdale, Ill.; Peter Black and James Hurlburt, of Chicago; William Fitzgerald, Crystal Lake, Ill.; Max Albin, Geneva, Ill.; Thomas Huntley, Elgin, Ill.; Dale Fair, Freeport, Ill.; Frank McConnell, Richmond, Ill.; Donald Stewart and Theodore Gehle, of Milwaukee, Wis.; Thomas Mitchell, LaGrange, Ill.; John Bottino, South Wilmington, Ill.; Raymond Dowd, Beloit; and Allan Thomas, Hastings-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.

Although college has been in session only six weeks, our freshmen are already very active in extracurricular work. Five of them have made the Beloit Players, dramatic organization, namely, Frost, Ryner,

Hurlburt, Fair and Stewart; Black and Dupee of the sophomore class were also recently elected. Dowd and Hildebrand are both on the frosh football squad, and Vaughn, Thomas, Albin and Ryner are out for cross-country. Frost and Hildebrand are already reporters on the *Round Table* staff. The two frosh cheerleaders are Phi Psi pledges, Hurlburt and Fitzgerald. Dale Fair is the freshman class president and is also representative from his section in the dormitory student government.

Jack Dupee is playing a lead in the first one-act play given by the dramatic organization, "The Trysting Place." Pledge Black is in another one-act play, "The Wonder Hat." Try-outs for the first three-act play of the season are now being held, and the cast for "Outward Bound" should have some of our men.

Intramural sports are just starting, with the Phi Psis and the Tekes tied for first place in baseball. Basketball and bowling are to start soon.

On the evening of October 15th the Associated Students held their first open house at the Phi Psi menage; it was one of the most successful affairs of the kind that has been had in some years and it is planned to have several more in the future. On October 26th the pledges entertained for the town alumni at an evening smoker and sing and gave a very successful entertainment. The first party of the year was held on November 5th, an informal dance in honor of the pledges. Several alumni and out-of-town guests attended.

*Beloit, Wis.*

November 6, 1927

DONALD R. VAN WART

*Correspondent*

### Minnesota Beta—University of Minnesota

As the fall quarter of our college year draws on toward its close, the interest of the chapter in the approaching rushing season is developing to a height which we hope will carry us through to our usual good results. We have at present a good-sized list of rushees from which, we are confident, we will be able to select a very representative group of pledges.

This fall we are enjoying a somewhat larger chapter than we have had for several years past. Our enrolment up to this week was 24 active members, which number has been decreased by one, due to the withdrawal from college of Hedberg, who has recently left for a winter cruise on the Pacific.

During the summer months, our chapter house received considerable attention in the way of improvements which included new curtains and shades throughout, repapering of the second floor, refinishing and painting of the first floor, new light fixtures on the first floor, and many needed improvements in the kitchen. We are greatly indebted to our very active Mothers' Club, which was responsible for a major part of this work being done, and which has recently raised several hundred dollars, which will be invested in the house where needed.

Our social program this fall has included an alumni homecoming banquet, an informal party at the chapter house, and an open house tea following the Iowa-Minnesota game. The first of these, namely, the alumni banquet, is an annual affair which is held on the evening preceding homecoming day. This function has met with good success in past years, and this year's gathering was not different from the others in this respect.

We were very glad to have the opportunity of entertaining good-sized delegations from both the Iowa Alpha and Wisconsin Alpha chapters on the week-ends of their respective games here this fall.

The visits we have by men from other chapters are not frequent, and it is with pleasure that we receive these brothers.

We have taken part in campus activities this fall: Byers, who has recently been elected to a place on the all-university council; Burger, who is serving as a member of the board of publications; Haas, who will take part in the forthcoming Garrick Club production; Hardy, who is on the football squad; Bates, who is the villain in the university motion picture now being filmed; Moorhead, who is working on the *Gopher*; and McCabe, who is playing freshman football.

In Tau Upsilon Kappa, an honorary fraternity, we have Pickler and Byers. Von Kuster and Moorhead have recently been elected to White Dragon, another honorary fraternity, in which Haas and Strouse are already members.

Pledge William Glenn, of Duluth, has returned to college this fall, and will be initiated shortly.

In the interfraternity touchball league, we are represented by a team which has met with but one defeat thus far in the season. Engel and his partner have advanced to the finals in the all-university tennis doubles.

All indications point to but one answer, that we will have a very memorable year at Minnesota.

*Minneapolis, Minn.*  
November 9, 1927

JOHN CHASE STROUSE  
*Correspondent*

## FIFTH DISTRICT

### Iowa Alpha—University of Iowa

Iowa Alpha completed a very successful rush week September 19th, and the outlook is particularly bright with a group of well-selected pledges. These men are: John Turner and Paul Cummins of Cedar Rapids; James Hay and Francis Thompson of Waterloo; Thomas Rogers of Independence; Marion Wilcox of Oskaloosa; Treadwell Robertson of Monterey, Mexico; Leo Cooper of Tucson, Ariz.; Marvin Wallace of Clinton; Lyle Swaney of Fort Dodge; Hartzell Spence of Burlington; Orville Tousey of Oak Park, Ill.; and Montague Hakes of Laurens. They are all proving worthy of the pledge button and have turned out to be a group with many and diversified talents. We are represented on the freshman cross-country, track, football and basketball teams, and in many other activities.

The football squad has claimed Brown, Chatterton, Cuhel and Young; so Iowa Alpha is always represented on the gridiron when the Old Gold is in action. Preseason training finds Kunau working out in basketball, while Jerrel is preparing for the high jump in track.

The social season was opened by a dance at the chapter house October 14th and was something in the nature of a welcome and get-acquainted affair for our freshmen.

The house is well filled by the return of twenty-one actives and the addition of this year's pledges. Don Graham, after a year's absence at Harvard, is back and serving as G. P.

Iowa Alpha is glad to say Miss Campbell has returned to be house mother another year and we again enjoy having that lady at the head of our table.

All in all we feel the year, judging by our start, should be a successful one and we are bending every effort in that direction to make the optimistic view of the future a proven reality.

*Iowa City, Iowa*  
November 1, 1927

ROBERT MACY  
*Correspondent*

## Iowa Beta—Iowa State College

Wunce oppon witt a time it hopped de leds (eensidantally collitch leds), wot dey wuzz liffink in de Fi Si huss in de ceetey frum Hemms (Ames), cum strimmink beck to de huss, witch is wuzz hextrimminkly hedgitated witt hempty frum de sommer vacating; witt cozz, witt flivazz, wit bussiss, witt transe, witt texicebs galure. Wittott hazziteing, de leds comminced to stott clinning witt de hoss frum de top to de bottum witt wice wersa, all de time weeshing witt preying, witt hupping for de hend frum de rushing wikk so de new freshmin cud be dung de woik hinstatt de huppaclessmin. By de time de arrifle witt trunks wuzz made, de leds wuzz hextrimminkly hedgitated witt de lodge ammout frum woiking witch dey did so dey did.

Een a shott time de rushing wuzz comminced witt plinty tokking, witt feeding, witt hantertanink de rushees wot dey wuzz gonna stott witt de collitch life in de schule. Hefta conseederable time, frum witch de wikk wuzz hoccupite, de leds heftd put de Fi Si pladge botton on de lappels frum thoiteen new, witt splendid, witt hendsome, witt strong, witt hintalligent poys wott dey wuzz hextrimminkly heppy, witt gledd, witt prod frum de fect witt werring de bottons.

Wott'll gonna be de nemm and tonn frum de poys you hesking de hensas? Yi! Yi! dot I shudd talling you witott de slitest hazzitansy. I'll gonna be leesting de nâmes witt de helfabatical horder, witt all doo rispacts to de pladges, uv coss: Delbert Auten, Cedar Rapids; Stanley Beers, Fort Dodge; Forrest Brady, Ottumwa; Tobias Casey, Sioux City; Robert Gale, Sioux City; John Montgomery, Cedar Rapids; Arthur O'Connor, Missouri Valley; William Peterson, Des Moines; Andrew Pontius, Fort Dodge; James Ross, Indianapolis; William Salzer, La Crosse; Keeth Smith, West Union; Robert Schwertley, Missouri Valley. Oiy! such a leestink uv nemms.

No suner de rushink, witt pladgink, witt "Hi Hiink" wuzz complitt den de heentramooral compiny sands de nüttiz to stott playink de hindure boll gemms. Yi! Yi! de leds plate fife gemms witott tyink, witott lusink de sangle one frum de boll gemms wott dey wunn dere leege dey did so dey did. Sune shall be de cup sattink on de mantill alung witt de lodge numba frum oddas, dun't esk!

Uv cuss, de leds med de plenns for a hoss denss hett wunce, so de foist denss witt de yere, tukk plase de nite frum Nov. 12th. in de chepta hoss. Hitt wuzz de grend sycksess und all de pippul wott dey wuzz dere are still making de tokk abott de lodge efenink wott dey hedd so dey hedd. Hefta de denss de poys make de coicle on de sackund flurr und stott de "Hotel" song wott it goes "Hotel me naa holt pell witt mine" etc., und den de potty iss dunn.

YI! YI! dot I shudd forgetting to tell you abott wott de poys are dung to pess de time away witt odder den layink wit loafink arrund de hoss, dun't esk! Thornburg is busy with his duties as president of the senior class, vice president of the Cardinal Guild (student government body), chairman of the homecoming committee, and as a member of the Cardinal Key, senior men's honorary. Lomax, as senior football manager, keeps the team going with the aid of Howe and Wilcox as sophomore football managers. McFarland is holding down the quarterback's job on the varsity seconds and also found time to handle the the work of general chairman of the annual soph-prep dance. Treadwell is out for center on the varsity basketball team and, if altitude has anything to do with it, he should make good with his height of six feet, four inches. Gale and Pontius are playing freshman football in hopes to find a place for themselves on the varsity when the time comes. Catron and Lessenich are advertising managers on the *Iowa State*

*Student.* Recent elections to honorary social fraternities placed Archer and Jameson into Pebul, the short men's organization, and Leiser into T L B, honorary six footer's fraternity. Such a hoss full witt bizzy poys, I esk you ain't it awful?

Oiy! such a painink witt de cremps frum writink de letta. Poihepps I shudd stoppink all de leeterary effotts witt de time bing und esk you dot shudd you cummink to de ceetey frum Hemms (Ames) witt enny time you shudd makink de stop witt de poys witt leds frum de Fi Si huss. Witt all doo rispects, uv coss.

Ames, Iowa

November 16, 1927

LEN LESSENICH

Correspondent

### Missouri Alpha—University of Missouri

Due to the fact that college was rather late starting this year, we were unable to get a letter in the October edition of THE SHIELD.

This year Missouri Alpha has thirteen pledges, as follows: William and Richard Martin, Booneville, Mo.; Charles and Edward Ashmore, Oak Park, Ill.; John Richard and Francis Bennett, Joplin, Mo.; Allen Crane, Jack Goetze, Floyd Gibson and Stanley Fields, Kansas City, Mo.; John Poorbaugh and Thomas White, Roswell, N. M.; William Johnson, St. Louis, Mo. These men represent us in several various activities.

Our first social event was on October 15th and was an informal dance given for our freshman class. With the present good-road system throughout the state, a week-end seldom passes without a visit from some of the alumni, especially for the parties and football games.

The chapter is much interested again this year in securing a high scholastic standing. Last year we were second here on the campus and probably would have been in first place had it not been for some loopholes in the Panhellenic ruling concerning when men may be considered inactive in order to keep their grades from counting.

The university instituted a new idea this fall of having Parents' Week. This was held from October 31st to November 6th. As a result, there were several mothers and fathers here to see the college life in every respect. On November 4th the chapter entertained with the annual Hallowe'en formal, which was a huge success. The following day Missouri played West Virginia and won by a 13 to 0 score. We had as our special guest Brother Kennedy from Wisconsin Alpha.

Columbia, Mo.

November 8, 1927

FRED BOARD JR

Correspondent

### Texas Alpha—University of Texas

Texas Alpha has in the last two months proved once again its social standing on the campus of the University of Texas. Each week-end of the past six weeks has seen the annual dance of one of the leading national fraternities on the campus, and Phi Psi has been as well if not better represented at each dance than any other fraternity here. Almost the entire chapter has attended most of these dances.

The chapter has been unfortunate lately in the loss of two pledges since rush week. Pledges Victor English, of Birmingham, Ala., and Ralph Wright, of Sweetwater, Texas, have both been forced to leave college. The other pledges seem to be coming around in the right manner, however, and getting into the old Phi Psi spirit. They all did well on the midterm reports which were out last week, and the chapter as a whole did unusually well.

Perkins has been around the house so little lately he is regarded almost as a visitor. He was elected editor in chief of the *Cactus*, the Texas annual, this year, and spends almost all his time at work on the book. He always finds time for his studies, however, as he is one of the best students in the house.

The brothers have been trying to get the fraternity teams organized that are going to compete in the interfraternity league this year. Phi Psi has been assigned special hours for the use of the gym to train for basketball, and a few brothers have been trying to get in a little tennis practice. McKie, the captain of this year's fraternity basketball team, has had an operation on his foot, so has not gotten in trim yet, but will soon be able to play. Phi Psi should put a good team on the court this year, and has a good chance to win the interfraternity cup.

Austin, Texas

November 7, 1927

BEN CONNALLY

Correspondent

### Kansas Alpha—University of Kansas

As the weeks pass, and we have again acquired the outlandish mode of life of the college boy, we find Phi Psi occupying the same old pinnacle on the campus at Kansas.

On the football field, the playing of Hamilton, captain and quarterback, Hauser, left end, Hadley, center, and Pledge Ash, quarterback, speaks for itself. Although Kansas isn't leading the valley, we are mighty proud of the showing our boys have made.

In intramural athletics, Kansas Alpha is in a fair way toward making good its boast that it would again possess the all-sports athletic trophy when the end of the year rolls around. We are tied for first place in our division of the army ball tournament, and we're going right on through to the finals. In the annual fall track meet, we annexed 25 points, which was well up among the top scores.

In scholarship, although we are not leading the field, we have no cause to be ashamed of our standing. Our percentage is on the upward trail, and we're not going to stop till we've scaled the peak.

Kansas Alpha has innovated a plan to encourage friendly relations with the other national fraternities on the campus. Every other Wednesday night, guest night, we trade three guests with one of the other fraternities. Although we feel sorry for the brothers who have to give up our own Wednesday night repast, still the plan does stimulate a closer feeling between houses, which is our objective.

We regret to announce that Glascock has found the ardors of college life a little too strenuous and has found it necessary to give up the pursuit of education for the time being. We hope to have Guy back with us soon.

Duncan has been pledged to Scarab, honorary architectural fraternity.

The freshman class threw a big steak roast not long ago, to develop a little class spirit, and it was such a success that the last year's class decided to profit by their example and follow suit. From all reports, the soph party was quite an affair.

Although this will be published too late to serve as an invitation for homecoming, we hope that our alumni and all other brothers will drop in on Kansas Alpha whenever they are in our part of the country.

Lawrence, Kan.

November 8, 1927

KEN DUNCAN

Correspondent

## Nebraska Alpha—University of Nebraska

Nebraska Alpha is pleased to present the following pledges: Francis Bishop, Council Bluffs, Iowa; George Cook, Beatrice, Neb.; Forest Gaskill, Nebraska City, Neb.; Palmer Gallup, Omaha, Neb.; James Gilbert, Omaha, Neb.; John Goodman, Omaha, Neb.; Lloyd Kennedy, Norfolk, Neb.; Tom McCoy, Omaha, Neb.; Glen Milhollin, Omaha, Neb.; Roger Robinson, Lincoln, Neb.; Julius Sands, Fremont, Neb.; Herbert Spencer, Lincoln, Neb.; Karl Stefan, Norfolk, Neb.; Coburn Tomson, Lincoln, Neb.; Robert Young, Norfolk, Neb.

Our efforts to raise the chapter's scholarship were rewarded last semester by a ranking of third place on the campus, or first among the national fraternities. We are proud of this position and are endeavoring to better it this year.

Dads' Day was observed in the university October 29th. Nebraska Alpha is glad so many dads were present for our annual luncheon in their honor. Homecoming was celebrated the following week, November 5th. Several alumni were back for the occasion. We were also glad to have a delegation from Kansas Alpha to witness the Nebraska-Kansas game. Emerson Mead, a member of the Innocents, had charge of the committee which judged the fraternity decorations for the event.

The Cornhuskers are maintaining their usual high standard in football. Elmer Holm, guard, is for his second year a valuable part of the Nebraska line. George Ray has seen considerable service at the tackle position, and Joe Hunt is also working on the squad. Harold Miller, junior track manager, is bidding strongly for the senior managership. Marshall Pitzer is circulation manager of the *Daily Nebraskan*, and Edward Dickson also holds a position on the staff. The freshmen are finding their places and are doing good work in various campus activities.

The university authorities have made themselves unpopular by issuing a statement that all cars will be prohibited after this semester. No definite action has been taken but it is generally believed that it will soon be a regular rule.

Nebraska Alpha owes much of its present condition to the untiring and willing efforts of the alumni members. Merle Rathburn and Phil Wadkins are valuable aids as advisory members of the governing committee.

The freshmen entertained at a house party October 15th. Our fall party is to be Thanksgiving night, November 24th.

*Lincoln, Neb.*

PHIL H. ROBINSON

November 8, 1927

*Correspondent*

## Oklahoma Alpha—University of Oklahoma

Oklahoma Alpha began this fall's activities with a very successful rush banquet on September 16th. At midnight the following night the following men were pledged: Don McCormick, Joe Brewer, Don Feagin, Jake Ingraham, Bill Kistler, Tulsa, Okla.; Sam Fryer, John Land, George Lynde, Muskogee, Okla.; Bob Berry, Carl McAlister, Charles Smith, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Lawrence Powell, Elk City, Okla.; Jess Goddard, Wagoner, Okla.; Altus Wilder, Dallas, Texas; Bob Strader, Amarillo, Texas; James Wooden, Kansas City, Kan.; John Lee, Charlestown, Mo. Besides these men, we welcome back Paul Smith and Eugene Minshall of Tulsa. These two boys were pledges of last year's class who were forced to drop out of college because of illness. Each member of this class gives promise of being a worthy Phi Psi. We hope at the end of this semester to be able to announce the initiation of all of these neophytes.

The following men, second semester pledges of last year, were initiated on the night of September 24th: Bob Bleuer, Muskogee, Okla.; Harvey Colcord and Jack Cowan, Phoenix, Ariz.; William McAlister, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Ralph Garnett, Elk City, Okla.

Pledges Wooden, Lee, Goddard, Feagin, McCormick, Whitaker and Wilder are busy making a name for themselves on the frosh football team. Pledges Feagin, Kistler and Ingraham did well in the all-university tennis tournament, Ingraham going to the finals and losing only after a hard fight.

Pledges Feagin, Houchin and Fryer were initiated into Battle Axe, honorary freshman order. The evening became still more of a success when Feagin was elected president of the club. Others of the class have interested themselves in various campus orders ranging from literary societies to modern language clubs. Suffice to say, every member of the class has one or more activities to his credit.

The brothers too are taking up the work where they left off last spring. Mugler, as editor of this year's university book, is busy with his staff in compiling what he promises to be the best *Sooner* in years. Griffing is getting a taste of real hard work as business manager of the *Whirlwind*, college comic magazine. Mason has just returned with his tennis team from a successful fall invasion of Texas. This is Dick's second successive year as captain of the team. S. Jackson, Strader and Drake have been initiated into Mystic Keys, honorary sophomore order. Coe and Miller are new members of Ruf-Neks; and Mason and Warren have just been initiated into Jazz-Hounds. These are both university pep orders. Drake has been elected president of the Sophomore Engineers Club.

Our home, which we have occupied for a whole year this Thanksgiving, is rapidly acquiring the look of a finished product. Our hostess, "Lady Jane" Wheeler, who, incidentally, is starting her sixth year with us, is supervising the landscaping of the spacious grounds. She has tastefully selected and planned the planting of numerous shrubs, hedges and other herbage necessary to bring out the beauty of a house of our type. We hope soon to be able to take a photograph of our residence, suitable for distribution to all the chapters.

We are heartily thankful for the many useful gifts we have received from interested alumni and parents. Our freshman class showed a great amount of interest and initiative in getting together and presenting the chapter with a handsome victrola. It has proved to be the finishing touch to our beautiful parlor.

Oklahoma Alpha placed third in the scholarship ranking for last semester. We have wavered between first and third for over two years now, and this year, with a concentrated effort, we hope to win the coveted interfraternity scholarship cup.

We entertained on October 28th with a formal house dance. Subdued lights and music, plus a lot of pep, combined to make the party a big success. The week-end of November 4th-6th we entertained twenty-four dads at the annual Dads' Day celebration. They showed their appreciation for the good time they had by organizing under the name of Phi Psi Dads. As an organization, they promised us any help or council we might wish of them as a chapter. With this backing, we should accomplish lots of things heretofore impossible. We are now looking forward to entertaining a large number of alumni at our annual homecoming, November 12th.

We urge and appreciate visits, long and short, from any brothers who may happen to get down into our neighborhood.

Norman, Okla.

November 7, 1927

JOSEPH F. TRIGG

Correspondent

## Colorado Alpha—University of Colorado

Colorado Alpha takes pleasure in announcing a small but active pledge group consisting of: Henry Glaze, Denver, Col.; Tyler Shinn, Denver, Col.; Stewart Gambier, Pueblo, Col.; John Kirkpatrick, Walsenburg, Col.; Neal Tennis, Denver, Col.; Gurdon Miller, Greeley, Col.; James Macey, Denver, Col.; Hall McKay, Colorado Springs, Col.; J. D. Banks, Denver, Col.; and Kenneth Powell, Colorado Springs, Col.

At the date of this writing, the social activities of the chapter are in the future. On November 5th the chapter will entertain the Mothers' Club at tea and the alumni with a smoker as part of homecoming. On November 10th the fall formal dance will be held at the house in honor of the pledges. As a good orchestra is being "imported" from Denver, every indication is that the dance will be rather warm.

There have been frequent visits by alumni so far this year, and we are expecting and hoping for a large turn-out at homecoming. This year homecoming is to be part of a semicentennial celebration, so that there will be some added attractions. These events, along with a thrilling football game between Colorado University and Colorado College, should make this the best homecoming day in years.

The attractiveness of the living room of the chapter house has been enhanced by the addition of some beautiful new curtains. These were donated by the Mothers' Club, and the chapter is deeply grateful for them.

Colorado Alpha has made a marked improvement in activities this year. Campbell was elected vice president of the sophomore class. He is also playing varsity football and has played in several games. Pledge Macey is on the frosh squad. Davis showed up well in the fall tennis tournament and will probably be on the tennis team. Early basketball practice has started, and Phi Psi is well represented by Kibler, G. Reilly, Kirkpatrick and McKay. McDowell and Powell are in the glee club, and Powell is a member of the dramatic club. Banks is a reporter on the *Silver and Gold*. The list of organizations and honoraries in which Phi Psi has representatives is too long to be given here. However, it is needless to say that we have more than our share of members.

Colorado Alpha continued its rise in scholarship during the past year. The chapter was third among twenty-two fraternities and led all the large national fraternities. We are proud of our record and are endeavoring to reach the top this year.

William Larrabee of Iowa Alpha, Archon of the fifth district, paid the chapter a short visit several weeks ago. All the boys enjoyed his company and appreciated his suggestions. We hope Brother Larrabee will return soon.

It is the general policy to use the last paragraph of a chapter letter to invite the brothers to visit the chapter. We are not *inviting* but *beseeking* the brothers to visit us. Our chapter is so far from the other chapters that we are seldom visited. Therefore we want all of the Phi Psis, who may be in this vicinity, to drop in so that we may hear what the other chapters are doing and show you what we are doing.

Boulder, Col.

November 4, 1927

GEORGE A. REILLY

Correspondent

## SIXTH DISTRICT

## Washington Alpha—University of Washington

Washington Alpha is starting what we all intend to make the biggest year to date. In scholarship every indication points to many average and good grades, with much less than the usual number of poor ones. Last year our chief scholastic difficulties occurred from among the freshmen, but this year's crop seems to be well able to take care of itself in this as well as in other affairs.

MacEwan heads the chapter this year, with Herb May as house manager.

We enjoyed an unusually successful rushing season this fall and as a result the chapter is strengthened by the addition of a fine group of pledges. Following is a list of the new boys: Ben Butler, Miles City, Mont.; Walter Coy, Seattle; George Danenbauer, Maricopa, Cal.; Kenneth Dickinson, Seattle; Lawrence Jeffries, Los Angeles, Cal.; John Kelly, Walla Walla, Wash.; William Paul, San Bernardino, Cal.; Herbert Schuh, Tacoma, Wash.; Donald Welch, Portland, Ore.; Van White, Spokane, Wash.; Don Wiles, Seattle. Van White was a pledge at Kansas Alpha last year.

We expect to be stronger in activities this year that we have been for some time. Last year's freshman class brought six numerals to the house and among these men there are several who should win "W's." Rickard is one of the most prominent men on the campus in activities and his latest success was the dramatic managership. Herb May, one of the leading coxswains, and Charlie Stephens of last year's champion frosh eight, are both making strong bids for "W's." Bud Jensen is assistant stunt duke and is in line for the head job next year. Haydon and Rhody Ringrose are doing property manager work and Haydon has been chosen property manager for the first play this year.

This week has been a rather eventful one for Washington Alpha. The homecoming game was played with Stanford and a large number of alumni were entertained. Wally Knox of California Beta, the Archon of this district, accompanied the Stanford team north and conducted fraternity business while here.

We are glad to announce the initiation of two of our last year's pledges, Walter Campbell and Elwood Rankin. We are a little short of sophomores this year but expect all of last year's class back for the winter quarter.

*Seattle, Wash.*  
November 6, 1927

JOHN W. SPENCER  
*Correspondent*

## Oregon Alpha—University of Oregon

With the first quarter of the present college year over, the chapter has begun to run smoothly and the new freshman class has become adjusted to the conditions of college and fraternity life. Oregon Alpha takes pride in introducing the thirteen pledges: Brady Dirker, Howard Wall, Fred Felter, Robert Johnson, Robert Miller, Foad Smith, Walter Williamson and Spencer Raynor, all of Portland; Harold Johnson, Milton; Hugh Miller and Albert Van Doren, Eugene; Ted Denson, Carlton; Nolan Hallowell, Susanville, Cal. It is the purpose of the chapter to develop this group into a harmonious and well-balanced class which we believe is potentially one of the strongest classes ever pledged to this chapter.

At this time all the Webfoots are hopped up for the greatest home-

coming in Oregon's history. Don McCook, senior class president, is on the homecoming directorate in charge of the rally. Don has promised that this rally will be the noisiest and will stir up more spirit than any yet staged. West is also representing Phi Psi on the directorate, being in charge of finance.

The Webfoot team has rather failed to meet the expectations of the optimists who went so far as to pick Oregon as the winner of the Coast conference. Nevertheless, this year's team is full of the old Oregon fight and, being pointed for the game with the traditional enemy, the O. A. C. Beaver, anything may happen in the homecoming game.

On the strong freshman team Leon Steen is playing a stellar game at halfback. Pledge Hal Johnson, fullback and probably the best kicker on the squad, had the misfortune to break his leg in scrimmage, costing the freshmen one of their best backfield men.

To fail to mention the recent underclass dance given at the chapter house by the freshmen and sophomores would be to neglect an opportunity to commend the underclassmen on one of the most successful social functions ever given by the chapter.

*Eugene, Ore.*

*November 7, 1927*

ROY L. HERNDON

*Correspondent*

### California Gamma—University of California

California Gamma added four names to its chapter roll on September 18th. Roger Williams, Cletus Traverse, Fred Ducato and James Gilstrap were initiated on that day, and are now brother Phi Psis.

The football season at California is over half gone. Only games with Washington, Stanford and Pennsylvania remain to be played. The Washington game is at Berkeley on November 12th. We will have an open house on that day and invite all Phi Psis and their friends to make the house their headquarters. We will serve a buffet luncheon before the game and there will also be something to eat afterwards.

October 29th the whole university journeyed south to Los Angeles for the U. S. C. game. In one of the best games of the year the U. S. C. team defeated the Bears 13 to 0. All the brothers reported a wonderful trip and enjoyed the hospitality of California Delta. We are well represented on the team this year by Captain Fritz Coltrin, tackle, and "Dennie" Evans, quarter. Coltrin bids fair for an all-coast berth and all-American mention. On the freshman squad Roger Williams is playing a consistent game at halfback.

Fall basketball practice is just getting under way, with the hopes of turning out the sixth consecutive coast championship team. Tom Coakley and Norm Donant are our candidates for varsity berths, but as yet it is too early to make any predictions.

"Bones" Cantley recently surprised the brothers by passing out the cigars. "Bones" blushingly confessed that the lucky girl is Miss Peggy Dill of Long Beach, Kappa Alpha Theta, and the University of Wisconsin. They intend to be married this summer. Congratulations are in order.

September 8th the boys went back to their childhood days in dress as well as manners. The occasion was the house kid party, and it was just that. It was one of the most novel and successful dances of the year on the campus and a wonderful time was reported by all.

The Skull and Keys Society recently had their annual running. Among the neophytes were Bugbee and Evans. This is one of the biggest honors on the campus and they are to be congratulated.

The chapter greatly regrets the resignation of Edgar Howell as alumnus adviser of the chapter. Dr. Howell has helped and advised us for three years and the chapter certainly appreciates his efforts. Nelson Dickerman of Oakland has kindly consented to succeed Brother Howell.

Among the visiting brothers during the last month were "Stew" Beam, Walt O'Brien and "Hoggie" Evans of this chapter. Joe Ramsey of Kansas Alpha and Brother Stever of California Delta also dropped in for a brief visit. We wish that more passing Phi Psis would drop in; you are always sure of a hearty welcome.

*Berkeley, Cal.*

*November 5, 1927*

WALLACE SEDGWICK

*Correspondent*

### California Delta—University of Southern California

The fall semester being well under way, California Delta wishes to announce the pledging of the following men: Kenneth Callow, Allen Moser, Al Blatz, Gregson Bautzer, Frank Tanner, Richard Davis, LaVerne Sellen, Mayne Thompson, Dan Gallery, James Grant, Ross Woods, Hugh Alderdice and Phil Farrell.

All our new pledges are already well represented in campus activities, Allen Moser having won low gross honors in the all-university intramural golf tournament held at the Potrero Country Club, and being, as a result, installed as favorite to cop this year's event. LaVerne Sellen played tackle on Coach Aubrey Devine's freshman football team. James Grant has been appointed a member of the university publicity committee and is a pledge to the By-Liners' Club, local organization petitioning Sigma Delta Chi. Gregson Bautzer took third place in the western division finals of the national oratorical contest, and is very active in freshman forensic affairs.

Fall initiation, the first ever conducted by California Delta, will be held November 27th, at the Westlake Masonic Temple. At that time Pledges Ronald Beaman, Rhodes Elder, George Newberry, William Sietz and John Von Aspe will be inducted into the mysteries of Phi Kappa Psi.

Interfraternity basketball is well under way at Southern California, with Phi Kappa Psi near the top of the list with five victories and only one defeat. Byron Osborne, captain and star forward, is the mainstay of this year's team. Layne, Hanby, Graham, Pledge Tanner, Pledge Elder and Pledge Sellen are the other members of the Phi Psi five.

California Delta will be well represented in Chicago around November 26th, when the Trojan gallops to the middle west for his football date with the University of Notre Dame. Cecil Hoff, tackle; Alvin Schaub, guard; Herschel Bonham, fullback; and Carl Kreiger, end, are almost sure to make the trip. "Bus" Blanchard, football manager and your humble correspondent, will accompany the team.

Leo Calland, California Delta alumnus, lately joined Tommy Davis, freshman track coach, and Willis O. Hunter, intercollegiate athletic director, on the Trojan varsity coaching staff. Calland is line coach of the football team and will be head basketball coach. He was captain and guard on the 1922 Southern California team that defeated Penn State at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, New Year's Day, 1923. Prior to this year Calland had been football and basketball coach and athletic director at Whittier College.

Thus far this fall our social committee has been quite active, opening the fall season with a dance at the chapter house, October 1st, and following that with luncheon and open house, October 9th, with California

Beta and California Gamma chapters as guests of honor. November 16th has been fixed as the date for the first breakfast dance sponsored by Phi Kappa Psi this year. These affairs are always a signal to start competition among the sorority women on the campus. A formal dance is also being planned for December 10th. The active chapter was also entertained October 22d by a dance given by the pledges at the Santa Monica Swimming Club.

Morgan Cox, president of Os Rune chapter of the national Quill Club, plans a very full and interesting year's program for his organization. Brother Cox will also find himself busy as a member of the executive council of the university, which is the student governing body of the institution.

In university dramatics, our chapter was ably represented when Herschel Bonham, already famed as a football player and as a hurdler on the Trojan track team, took the male lead as "Adam" in the upper-class play, "Adam and Eva," which was presented in Bovard Auditorium the evening of October 21st.

Increasing numbers of alumni have been dropping around to California Delta since the opening of the college year. The chapter hopes that this practice becomes more widespread as the year rolls on.

*Los Angeles, Cal.*

*November 7, 1927*

ROSCOE W. BLANCHARD

*Correspondent*





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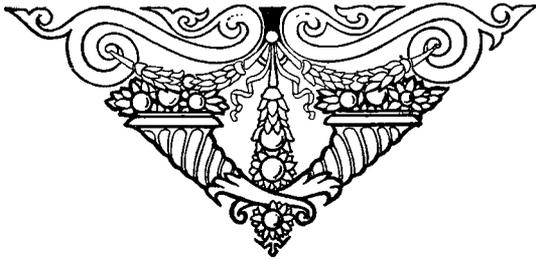
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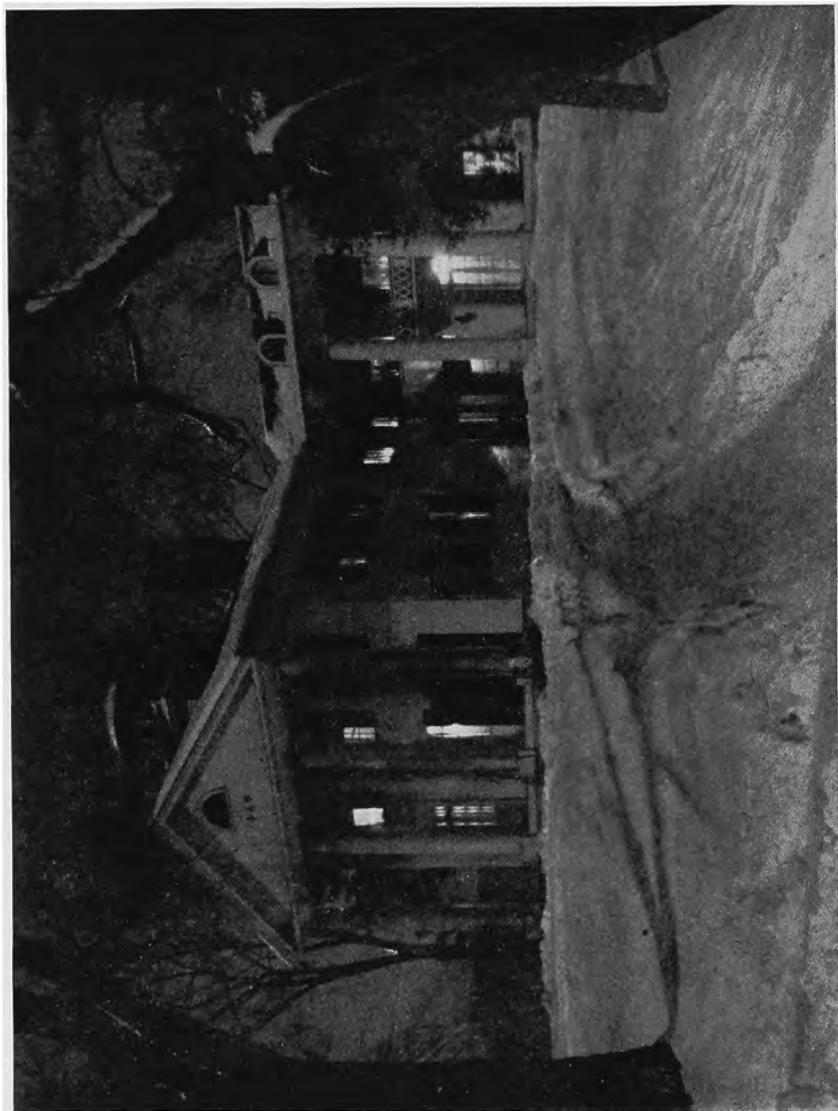
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## Buffalo—Where Phi Psi History Will Be Made Next June

**Diamond Jubilee G. A. C., June 27-30, 1928 Should Bring Together the Greatest Gathering of Phi Kappa Psi**

**W**HEN the committee in Kansas City two years ago selected Buffalo as the place of the Diamond Jubilee G. A. C. of 1928, their report noted the many attractions of the convention city. Located where the east joins to the central west, halfway between New York and Chicago, it is a favorite stopping place for all travelers.

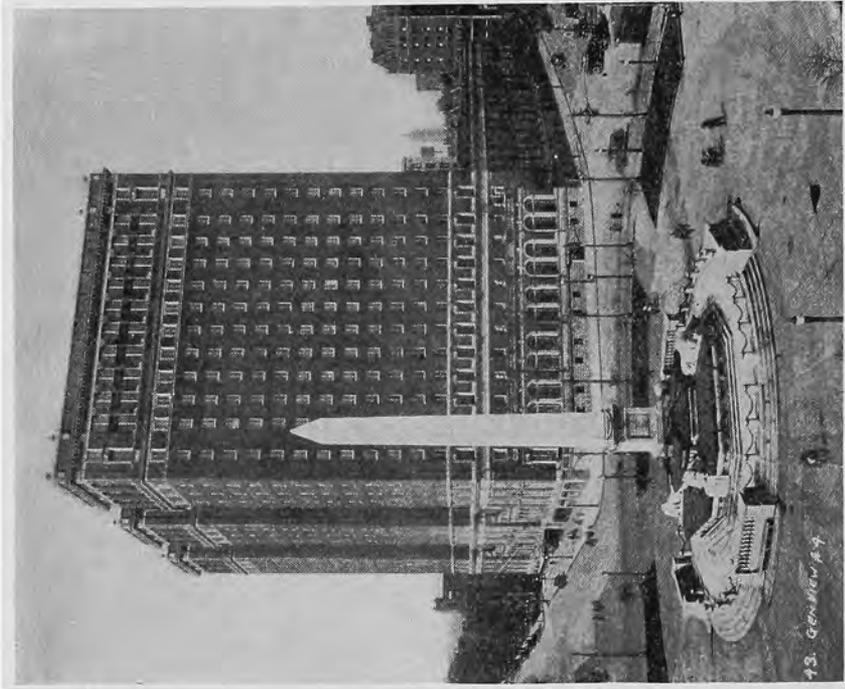
Foremost of all the attractions is the wonder of Niagara Falls, twenty miles away. Many Phi Psis will doubtless make the G. A. C. their opportunity to enjoy their first sight of Niagara. It is a spectacle which has for generations been considered a necessary part of every American's education, and very well worth while.

The Niagara river, most everyone knows, is the link in the Great Lakes' watershed, which connects Lake Erie with Lake Ontario. Through it as an outlet, all the overflow of the western lakes, Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie. pass on their way to Ontario, the St. Lawrence river and the sea. There is but little difference in the level of the western lakes but between them and Lake Ontario there is a drop of about 200 feet, accounting for the rapids and cataract of Niagara.

The entire length of the Niagara river is hardly fifty miles. Standing in the Front Park in Buffalo, by the statue of Commodore Perry, victor in the Battle of Lake Erie in the War of 1812, you can see the broad expanse of



**Niagara Falls Illuminated**



**Hotel Statler and McKinley Monument**

Lake Erie converge into a swift, eddying river less than a mile in width. Half a mile downstream crosses the new Peace Bridge into Canada, dedicated last summer by Vice President Dawes and the Prince of Wales as a monument to the century of peace along this frontier.

At this point the current runs at the rate of eleven miles an hour and the ore and lumber carriers use the ship canal parallel to the river. The bridge's span towers 110 feet above the canal and river, permitting the largest lake steamers to pass.

A few miles below, the river broadens and divides its now smoother currents around Grand Island, some ten miles long. At the foot of the island it straightens out and seems to gather strength for its dash down the short rapids and over the falls.

These sights are best seen by crossing the Peace Bridge at Buffalo and driving down the beautiful Canadian boulevard, a wonderfully-kept parkway.

Below the falls are the gorge, more rapids and the famous whirlpool before the mouth of the river and Lake Ontario are reached at Lewiston. Here old Fort Niagara, active in history from the time of the first French trading posts down to the World War, guards the scene.

While Niagara is the prime attraction, there are many other points of interest to the tourist in and around Buffalo. The suburb of East Aurora is well known as the home of the Roycrofters, the handicraft and arts colony built up and made famous by Elbert Hubbard. Their shops and most attractive inn welcome visitors.

A dozen or more good golf courses are within easy reach of the city. The opportunity to play will be open to all G. A. C'ers.

The Hotel Statler on Niagara Square will be the center of G. A. C. activities. This, the "new" Statler, is admirably suited to the occasion. Sessions of the Council will be held in the ballroom, a magnificent room, large but perfect in acoustics and capable of convenient arrangement. Adjoining it is an ample private lobby in which the reception headquarters and information bureau of the

G. A. C. will be permanently located during the period of the convention.

As the Statler is a hotel of 1100 rooms, there will be a variety of accommodations available to suit the different tastes and requirements of all. It is now planned to reserve blocks of rooms together as miniature chapter houses for such undergraduate chapters as will be represented by large delegations, a plan that will give each crowd a headquarters of their own, and give the individual brothers the finest accommodations at an attractive rate.

The various standing committees of the Western New York A. A. are now hard at work on the entertainment and other features of the G. A. C. A substantial "war chest" has been assembled, guaranteeing that the hospitality will be unstinted. The Diamond Jubilee G. A. C. will be a memorable event in Phi Psi history.



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## Executive Council Meets in Washington

The regular midwinter meeting of the Executive Council was held at the Washington Hotel, Washington, D. C., December 31, 1927, and January 1 and 2, 1928. Those in attendance at the meeting were President Howard C. Williams, Vice President George A. Moore, Treasurer Edward M. Bassett, Secretary Thomas A. Cookson, Archons Carl H. Kent jr, J. Kenneth Ivory, George Jackson, T. Frank O'Connell jr, William Larrabee and Wallace W. Knox, Attorney General Sion B. Smith and Scholarship Director O. M. Stewart. The various officers reported upon matters within their respective fields, and the Archons gave detailed reports upon the condition of the chapters under their supervision.

In order to assist the Western New York Alumni Association in planning the program and making arrangements for the Grand Arch Council to be held in Buffalo in June, upon motion of the Council, President Williams designated the following members of the Council, in addition to himself, to attend the association's Founders' Day dinner this month: Brothers Moore, Bassett, Smith, Kent and Cheney.

The Attorney General reported that the "Digest of Decisions of the Attorney Generals of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity" had been completed. The Council expressed its approval and appreciation of this work, with the belief that it will serve a most useful purpose in promoting an understanding of the fundamental law of the Fraternity.

Following a report of the Scholarship Director, in which it was stated scholarship plaques had been awarded to Pennsylvania Beta, Ohio Beta, Ohio Epsilon, Illinois Alpha and Nebraska Alpha for ranking first in scholarship in their respective colleges during the past college year, the Council requested Dr. Stewart to prepare, for exhibit at the forthcoming Grand Arch Council, large charts showing the scholastic situation in this and in other fraternities.

Secretary Cookson reported as to the progress that has been made in the compilation of the new edition of the Catalog, in which work the Secretary is cooperating with the Editor of the Catalog, Kenneth Barnard. Directories

have been received from all chapters but one, and from most of the alumni associations. Addresses of brothers from inactive chapters are being furnished by the officials of the colleges in which such chapters were located. Of the postal cards recently sent out, about 2500 have already been returned. It is now thought that the catalog data will be ready for publication by the middle of the summer.

Upon nomination of the President, the Executive Council appointed a committee to receive and formulate suggestions on chapter finances and accounting and to outline the attitude the Fraternity should take toward alumni and chapters delinquent in financial matters. The personnel of this committee is as follows: Edward M. Bassett, chairman, Dan G. Swannell, Joseph M. Wilkin, Thomas A. Cookson and Harlan B. Selby. The chapters are urged by the Executive Council to send suggestions to this committee, which is expected to report to the Council at its next meeting in June.

The President reported that inquiry among other fraternities as to their experience in holding their national conventions at resort places, rather than in large cities, showed an overwhelming sentiment for the former. The Council will make further investigation for report to the next Grand Arch Council.

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### **Gunder Makes Important Scientific Discovery**

The following article from the Pasadena (Cal.) Evening Post of November 9, 1927, refers to Jeane D. Gunder, Ill. Alpha '11:

Exhaustive efforts of a Pasadena man which have carried his investigation to all parts of the world have resulted today in the startling disclosure that the "second half" of the theory of evolution has been proved.

Jeane D. Gunder, 849 Linda Vista avenue, national authority on "butterfly insects," is the Pasadenan whose

work has contributed what scientists term the "last chapter" to the evolutionary theory.

For years, explorers in the realm of science have been positive in their assertions that the development of complex from simple organisms have been proved. Many have believed that if they could predict the future forms of life, those who now doubt the validity of evolution would be convinced.

Through painstaking study of thousands of butterfly specimens, Mr. Gunder has become convinced that he is now able to forecast with reasonable certainty the color and size of butterflies which will decorate the air 10,000 years from now.

"If it were possible to bring together for study as many human beings as butterflies, it is very probable that we could look into the face of our posterity and so clinch what we now believe to be the trend in human evolution," said Mr. Gunder.

"If we knew both the past and the future, barring terrestrial upheavals, a great realm of possibilities for altering our present theories of value are opened.

"Through the discovery of many undoubtedly advanced types of butterflies in southern California and comparing them with past and present types, it is perfectly simple to forecast the types 10,000 years from now. These future butterflies will undoubtedly be more vivid and lighter in coloring and certain kinds will be larger."

The predictions of the entomological authority are based on the geological precept that the ice age is still waning, but even though some cataclysmic natural phenomenon should place the earth under the influence of another ice cap, the destiny of the butterfly would still be an open book.

Through study of thousands of wing structures, the Pasadenan has discovered that if the climate grows colder, the colors become darker and less brilliant, while under the present trend toward warmer temperatures, butterflies are and will become more ornamental.

## Phi Psi Prominent at Wittenberg

JOHN RAUCH, Ohio Beta '27, Contributor

On three different occasions this year has Wittenberg College received wide and favorable publicity, and on all these occasions has Ohio Beta taken active interest, either through alumni or undergraduates.

First, a chemistry conference and psychology symposium was held early in the college year which brought a large number of the foremost educators from universities and colleges all over the country, and placed Wittenberg on the front pages of the newspapers from coast to coast. Ohio Beta is justly proud that it was through the persistent efforts of a Phi Psi alumnus, President R. E. Tulloss, Ohio Beta '01, that this symposium, and the subsequent publicity, was brought to Wittenberg. The head of the chemistry conference, who dedicated the college's new science building, was Dr. Edgar F. Smith, Pa. Epsilon '73, former provost of the University of Pennsylvania.

Then came the football team, capturing the Buckeye Association title, holding a record for the season of eight conference victories and one conference defeat. With the team, in every game, was Wittenberg's veteran tackle, Al Brant, class '28. For three years has Brother Brant been one of the team, and in all this time has never missed a conference game. Again, Ohio Beta is proud that a Phi Psi should be the one to hold a record such as this.

The latest development has been a modernized translation of Homer's *Odyssey* into present-day American English, by Prof. R. H. Hiller, Ohio Beta '86, who is already the author of the fraternity song, "Noble Fraternity," and of the Wittenberg Alma Mater.

Early in 1924 the Winston Press began looking for someone to translate the *Odyssey* somewhat along the line of the E. J. Goodspeed version of the New Testament. J. Lynn Barnard, Ph. D., N. Y. Beta '86, of Ursinus College, Pennsylvania, called the attention of the Winston Press to Prof. Hiller, who is head of the department of Greek and Art at Wittenberg. The publishers chose Brother Hiller for the

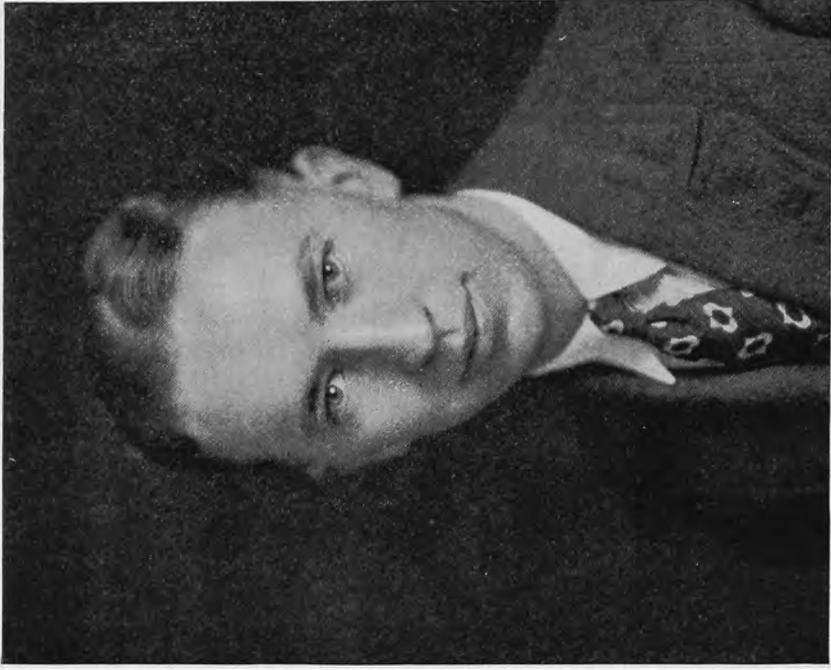
task, and, after three years of intensive spare-time efforts, the work was accomplished.

It has been said that "What a man does for himself dies with him; what he does for others remains after him, and is immortal." And there is no doubt that the recent accomplishment of Brother Hiller will remain an everlasting gift to students, especially to the present American youth; for by this translation of the "head of the literature of Greece and the poetry of the world," as the *Odyssey* is called, those who would not read this poem in the old stilted English translation, may now read it in present-day idiomatic English, which lends an increased enjoyment to the spirit of the tale. The publishing of the first edition of this book preceded the press announcements, yet the translation has found wide sales.

Prof. Hiller is the third or fourth American to publish a translation of the *Odyssey*, but is the first whose version does not contain the tedious, archaic expressions of Old English. Many favorable criticisms have been given Prof. Hiller's work. Heretofore the Butcher and Lang has been regarded as the best translation in prose, while the version of Dr. George Palmer of Harvard has been regarded as the most readable. Critics who have examined the Hiller translation assert that it will replace the Palmer edition.

Among those who have written Dr. Hiller is Dr. Edgar F. Smith of the University of Pennsylvania, who said: "I write to congratulate you on what you have done and to tell you that I believe your translation will do much to popularize the *Odyssey* . . . I am delighted with it."

Professor Hiller has accomplished something of which his Fraternity is proud. He merits every bit of praise that Phi Psi is able to give. He is a man who, having graduated over forty years ago, still takes active interest in his Fraternity; one who seizes every opportunity to bring greater distinction to old Phi Psi; and a man, busy as he has been, who never fails to drop in to Ohio Beta's chapter house occasionally to "see the boys."



**HARLAN LOGAN, IND. BETA**  
Rhodes Scholar from Indiana



**ROBERT H. HILLER, OHIO BETA '86**  
Translator of the Odyssey

## Harlan Logan Wins Rhodes Scholarship

Harlan Logan, winner of the Rhodes scholarship from Indiana this year, as a member of Indiana Beta of Phi Kappa Psi established a record in scholarship and athletics that will probably never be equalled at the Hoosier state school.

Logan was graduated from Bloomington High School with the highest record of any student in his class, and at Indiana University continued his academic record to win a Phi Beta Kappa key, and the bachelor of arts degree with high distinction. He completed his A. B. work in three years. While his thesis for a master's degree at Indiana is almost completed, Logan is working on a Ph. D. degree at Columbia University.

After three years of high school basketball and track competition, Logan won the captaincy of the freshman basketball team at Indiana University. This occurred shortly after his initiation into Phi Psi. Harlan was unanimous choice for all-conference basketball forward in 1924-25, when he was second high point scorer in the Big Ten and captain of the Indiana team.

Logan is one of the few successful athletes who combined almost a perfect scholastic record with his achievements in the field of sport. In 1925 he turned out 20 hours of A-grade work at the same time he was winning the Big Ten medal for sportsmanship. He won varsity letters in tennis and track and went as far as the semi-finals in conference tennis in 1925. He was elected to Sigma Delta Psi, national athletic fraternity.

Following his graduation in 1925, Logan did advance study in English at Indiana University and served as tennis coach and assistant varsity basketball coach. He conducted a column in the *Daily Student*, was director of the Near East student relief campaign, contributed to the campus literary magazine and engaged in other activities.

Last year Logan took full-time work at Columbia on his doctor's degree. He lived at the International house with graduate students of Columbia from sixty-three countries. There he wrote and directed the American National Revue, wrote publicity for a Danish physical culture insti-

tute, was a deputy sheriff in Chinatown, and contributed to various newspapers and magazines. In addition he helped pay expenses by tutoring the son of a wealthy broker and the son of a millionaire cloak and suit manufacturer.

This year Harlan is the youngest English instructor on the Columbia faculty. He keeps up his sports by assisting as basketball coach at Washington Square College.

He was inspired to try for the Rhodes scholarship through interest in critical and imaginative writing. He will read for an honor degree in English literature.

During his summers Logan has worked at various occupations, including labor in a stone mill, work with oil geologists, and the state geology department. During the summer of 1925 he traveled 7000 miles through the west, and last summer he was athletic director of the Michigan state boys' camp.

Logan is truly a Phi Psi. The entire Fraternity may be proud of him. Members of Indiana Beta who know him hold an even higher regard for him because his personal qualities are admirable.

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### Rhode Island Alpha Buys House

Announcement was recently made that, through the efforts of both alumni and undergraduates, a new chapter house has been purchased for Rhode Island Alpha at Brown University. Such a movement has been under way for several years, and the good news will be of much interest throughout the Fraternity. Rhode Island Alpha has been one of the very few chapters of the Fraternity that did not own its own home. The location of the university in a section of the city of Providence where unusually high real estate values prevailed, made it a difficult task to secure satisfactory chapter house property.

The new house is said to be in a very desirable location, only a short distance from the Brown campus. It is expected that the chapter will move into its new home this spring and be completely settled before the close of college.



## Interfraternity Conference Meets

**C**ONSIDERATION of the relations of fraternity men to their colleges, to each other and to other students, and a careful study of many suggestions for improving the fraternity system was the keynote of the nineteenth annual Interfraternity Conference at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, November 25th and 26th, 1927. Sixty-two fraternities were represented by 220 delegates and guests. The Conference entertained 10 official representatives of college and university faculties in the persons of deans, presidents and other educators from all over the country.

Phi Kappa Psi was represented at the conference by President Howard C. Williams, former President Henry H. McCorkle, Treasurer Edward M. Bassett and Lloyd L. Cheney. Dr. Joseph H. Penniman, Pa. Iota '89, provost of the University of Pennsylvania, was one of the principal speakers at the conference dinner on Friday evening.

### Chairman Bayes Reports Progress

Reviewing briefly the work of the conference during the year, Chairman William R. Bayes, Phi Delta Theta, referred especially to the share fraternities had taken in the educational process, the work of the various committees and the repeal of anti-fraternity laws in South Carolina, the final state to expunge such laws.

Judge Bayes recommended the adoption of some scholarship standard for fraternities by which they might be freed of the willfully indolent and ne'er-do-well members; further study of important national fraternity problems, such as taxation of property and college visitations; campus conferences to instill in undergraduates the same feelings of mutual esteem now enjoyed by alumnus fraternity members; and greater stress on training for citizenship of fraternity men.

### New Fraternities Admitted

During the year five fraternities had been admitted to junior membership in the conference, Beta Kappa, Delta

Sigma Lambda, Alpha Phi Delta, Alpha Lambda Tau, and Phi Alpha. Phi Beta Delta, formerly a junior member of the conference, had become a senior member.

The treasurer of the conference reported that the membership was now sixty-three fraternities—forty-nine seniors and fourteen juniors. The finances of the conference were shown to be in good condition.

### **Chapter House Architecture Book on Way**

The committee on architecture promised that the completed book on fraternity house building would be ready next year. It will include chapters on house planning (the subject of this year's report), the ethics of architecture, reasons for proper design of chapter houses, costs and raising money, with many illustrations. The chairman of the committee showed lantern slides of about forty interiors of chapter houses from all parts of the country, using them to illustrate his remarks on chapter house planning.

### **Case Made for Tax Exemption**

The report of the law committee estimated that the real property owned by college fraternities in the United States may be conservatively estimated at more than \$50,000,000. It said, further, that figures from six fraternities at Ithaca, N. Y., showed an annual average tax burden of \$55.75 for each active member of a fraternity, whereas the largest annual tuition there was but \$250 a year. Of the taxes paid, \$21 is devoted to maintenance of city schools.

Twelve states exempt college fraternity property from taxation, either by expressed statute, judicial construction, or by custom. These include Delaware, Florida, North Dakota, Vermont, Indiana, Nevada, Kansas, West Virginia, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Tennessee and Idaho. All other states do not specifically include fraternities among exempt institutions. Every state, except Utah, however, does exempt educational institutions from taxation; in Utah private educational institutions pay property taxes.

Discussing whether college fraternity property is properly taxable, the law committee presented in detail the

record of all cases on the subject, giving the arguments advanced for and against exemption of fraternity real property. It was pointed out that fraternities are now even more than in the past true educational institutions and as such should be exempt from local taxation.

### **Scholarship Is Improving**

In connection with the report of the scholarship committee, of which Dr. O. M. Stewart is a member, showing the comparative scholarship record of member fraternities, based on 1750 chapters in 119 colleges, representing more than 50,000 students, it was pointed out that it was the desire of the conference to help its member fraternities stimulate scholarship, thus aiding college authorities and themselves. It was shown that college rulings which required a higher scholarship average from fraternity members than the general average, result in continually raising the general average. This may lead to situations where every member of a chapter may be eligible for graduation, but the chapter itself might lose its charter or initiation privilege because its scholarship average as a chapter is not sufficiently above the general average.

The report showed that the scholarship of fraternity men is improving, and that this year the fraternity averages show a slight gain as compared with the scholarship averages of nonfraternity men. "One of the encouraging signs that fraternities are giving much thought and attention to the scholastic standing of their active members," said the chairman of the committee, "is reflected in the legislation that has recently been enacted by them. Of twenty-six national fraternities who reported on their efforts to improve the scholarship of members, all asserted that they were officially promoting higher scholarship standards, and twelve reported definite rules and constitutional provisions with reference to scholarship."

### **Rushing and Initiation Discussed**

The chairman of the committee on deferred rushing and initiation reaffirmed in his report the recommendation of

the committee last year, namely, that rushing and pledging be held early in the college year, and initiation later, with suitable scholarship standards, as a goal for the freshman to attain.

Dean Nicholson of the University of Minnesota told of the success of deferred pledging at his institution. He stated that the fraternities themselves adopted the regulation, and that they were pleased with the results. Decided opposition to the deferred pledging plan was voiced by some delegates, who felt that any reduction in the number of years a man could be in a fraternity was a grave mistake. Dr. F. W. Shepardson, of the University of Chicago, thought it impossible to make a rule that would be fair to both the large university and the small college. Referring to the dormitory situation, he stated that in all his travels he had never found a dormitory where the so-called kindly guidance of the college during the freshman year was proving an advantage.

#### **Some Business Transacted**

In addition to the usual motions arising from reports and general discussion, the conference amended the by-laws, so that, upon approval by the executive committee, any fraternity which has had junior or other qualified membership in the conference for one year, may be admitted to active or full membership, notwithstanding that it may not have been established for fifteen years, as had previously been required.

Miss Louise Leonard, chairman of the National Panhellenic Congress, attended the opening session as a guest and expressed the greetings of that organization. She outlined briefly its program and work among college sororities. Greetings were exchanged with the Association of Law Fraternities, meeting at the same time in the same hotel.

#### **New Officers Elected**

The following were elected to guide the conference for the coming year: chairman, Harold Riegelman, Zeta Beta Tau, Cornell University; vice chairman, William L. Phil-

lips, Sigma Phi Epsilon, University of Richmond; secretary, Clifford M. Swan, Delta Upsilon, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; treasurer, Dr. Charles W. Gerstenberg, Delta Chi, New York University; educational adviser, Thomas Arkle Clark, Alpha Tau Omega, University of Illinois.

### The Conference Dinner

In opening the program of the conference dinner held on Friday night, Toastmaster Henry E. Johnston, Delta Kappa Epsilon, a former chairman of the conference, said that there would be three addresses: one from a great national educator, one from a great university president and one from a great fraternity man.

Honorable John J. Tigert, United States Commissioner of Education, warned his hearers that there was still a question mark in the minds of a large part of the public and of the education world with regard to fraternities, and commended the work of the Interfraternity Conference in its efforts to improve fraternity scholarship and the service of the fraternities to the colleges and universities. He urged that fraternity men keep in mind the principles, standards and ideals upon which fraternities were founded if they would continue to contribute their share and more to the welfare of education and the general good.

Dr. Josiah Penniman, Pa. Iota '89, provost of the University of Pennsylvania, likened the fraternity to a bundle of twigs, "each member of which may not be very important in himself but, bound together, becomes an unbreakable band." He stressed the importance of recognizing the ideals upon which our fraternities are based and asserted that fraternities based on genuine friendship have an influence second to none in our universities today.

"If we recognize that fraternities are based on genuine friendship," said Dr. Penniman, "and that such friendship is one of the most potent forces in human life, then we find that fraternities have a place second to no other influence in our universities today. It is a good thing for

men to have been associated with their fellows on the terms of which fraternity brethren associate, provided the basis, the fundamental bond, is ideally right." Fraternity men have a broader vision today, Dr. Penniman believes, than they had formerly. They are seeing the opportunity of exerting beneficial influence upon the life of the institutions and are recognizing the obligations to all others who, like them, have the common experience of college years behind or before them.

Dr. Francis W. Shepardson, president of Beta Theta Pi, recounted many fraternity conditions that existed years ago and stated that never before have relations been so satisfactory as they are today. "Things which mar the history of fraternities," he asserted, "would be absolutely impossible of accomplishment today. Harmony and good feeling exist among the leaders. A better feeling is apparent, too, in the colleges and inimical statutes have been abolished."

The Fraternity Editors Association dinner Saturday night was characterized by a program of papers and discussion upon editorial and technical subjects. New officers were chosen as follows: president, Cecil J. Wilkinson, editor of *The Phi Gamma Delta*; vice president, George Banta jr, editor of *The Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta; secretary-treasurer, George Starr Lasher, editor of *The Rattle* of Theta Chi.

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## **Another of the Stars of First Magnitude in Phi Kappa Psi Has Been Extinguished**

JOHN L. PORTER, Pa. Beta '86, Contributor

**H**ERBERT SPENCER HADLEY was born in Olathe, Kan., February 20, 1872. He died in St. Louis Mo., December 1, 1927.

He was of Quaker descent, being the son of Major John Milton and Harriot (Beach) Hadley, his father descending from the Hadleys of North Carolina and his mother from John Beach the Pilgrim, 1640.

He was educated at the University of Kansas, North-

western University and the Chicago Law School. While at the University of Kansas he was initiated in 1888 by our Kansas Alpha Chapter.

His chapter record shows him to have been the June debater of the Athaenenne Literary Society, '89; business manager of the *Courier*, '89; president of the sophomore class, '89-'90; business manager of the *University Kansan*, '90; editor in chief of the *University Kansan*, '90, fall term; business manager of the *University Review*, '91; university orator, state contest, '91; member of the Athletic Board, '90-'91.

After leaving the Chicago Law School he went to Missouri and engaged in the general practice of law in Kansas City, from 1894 to 1898, when he became first assistant city counselor in charge of trial work, which position he held until elected prosecuting attorney of Jackson county, Missouri, in 1901.

On October 8, 1902, he married Miss Agnes Lee of Kansas City.

So successful was he in his profession, that we find him soon holding the position of attorney general of Missouri, and he was recognized as an outstanding and fearless officer, when from 1905 to 1907 he was signally successful in his prosecution of antitrust cases against the Standard Oil Company, the Harvester companies, the Insurance and Lumber trusts, several of the railroads, and the race-track gamblers.

In 1908 he accomplished the seemingly impossible when he was elected governor of Missouri, the first Republican to attain that office since the Reconstruction days following the Civil War. He identified himself with the Progressive wing of the national Republican party and was one of the seven governors who in February of 1912 signed the famous call upon Theodore Roosevelt to announce himself as a candidate for President.

In the historic convention at Chicago in that year Governor Hadley was floor manager for Roosevelt, matching wits with the leader of the Taft forces, James E. Watson of Indiana, another prominent member of Phi Kappa Psi.



**HERBERT SPENCER HADLEY, Kan. Alpha '88**

The fight which was to result in a split party and the election of Woodrow Wilson began when Hadley moved to amend the temporary roll of delegates approved by the national committee and Watson raised a point of order. After debate the presiding officer, Victor Rosewater, sustained the point of order; Hadley appealed and on motion of Watson the appeal was laid on the table.

In the hours of passionate controversy which marked that convention, Missouri's governor conducted himself in such a manner as to secure the approval of his allies and the respect of his adversaries. *At one time his name was foremost in the talk of compromise.* A story, which

may or may not be apochryphal, is that this talk had gone so far that Colonel Roosevelt called his lieutenant to one side and asked him if the enemy had not taken him up on a high mountain and shown him the cities of the world. However that may be, Hadley remained loyal to his chief so long as there was a fighting chance in the convention, although he would not follow him into the Bull Moose bolt.

Serious impairment of his health compelled the Missourian shortly afterward to retire from political activity, although he served as Republican delegate in the national convention of 1916. He removed temporarily to Colorado, where he became a professor of law in the University of Colorado. In 1923 he had sufficiently regained his health to be able to return to Missouri. He was made chancellor of Washington University in 1923. Shortly before accepting the chancellorship at Washington University he was offered the presidency of the University of Missouri, but declined.

On the lecture platform he advocated a larger measure of discretion for trial judges in the selection of jurors and certain changes in the rights of defendants which would require them to disclose in their pleadings the nature of their defense.

He wrote on political, economic and legal subjects. Among his better known writings are "Standard Oil Trust," "What the Railroads Owe the People" and "Rome and the World Today" (which won him the decoration of the Order of SS. Maurizio e Lazzaro from the Italian government) and "Codifications of Justinian and Napoleon."

Brother Herbert S. Hadley just missed one of the most brilliant careers in American public life, missed it because he had not the health to accept offices which might have been his. Nature gave him everything except a sound physique. He was handsome. He had a winning personality. He had a speaking voice almost as fine as Bryan's.

He went out of public life at forty-four. And the rest of his career was a long quest for health and the quiet life of a scholar. He had weak lungs and a weak heart,

which tied him down to writing and teaching when he had recovered enough to undertake any activity. They ended his career at fifty-five.

But for an oddly perverse combination of circumstances, of which bodily ill health was by no means least important, Herbert S. Hadley might have been President of the United States. That he was a Man of Destiny was profoundly believed by his relatives and friends. For a period his rise was brilliant and meteoric; he possessed temperamental and intellectual powers of high order. His personal fitness to hold the Presidency was never seriously challenged; his private life was scrupulously free from taint and his political life was marked by one triumph after another.

In politics memories are short. Men are available only for temporary reasons. A few years out of the limelight and one ceases to be thought of when nominations are to be made. Yet in 1924, when the Republicans were looking for a candidate for Vice President, Governor Hadley was one of the possibilities considered. He might have had the second place on the ticket, but ill health prevented him from reentering public life.

In recognition of his unusual abilities he had conferred upon him the following degrees: A. B., University of Kansas, 1892; L. L. B., first honors, Northwestern University, 1894; L. L. D., Northwestern University, 1909, University of Missouri, 1910, Missouri Valley College, 1911, Harvard, 1925. He was a member of many organizations and gave unstintedly of his time to their deliberations and advancement.

Scholar, lawyer, writer, lecturer, educator, attorney general, governor and chancellor is a list of which any man should be proud in having ascribed to him in the short space of fifty-five years. Yet, with it all, he was modest, humane, cordial, and "one on whom every god did seem to set his seal to give the world assurance of a *man*."

This, my brothers, was our honored and, now, greatly lamented Herbert Spencer Hadley of Kansas Alpha.

What a privilege to have known and called him "Brother."



**JAMES M. JOHNSON**



**H. DIXON TRUEBLOOD**

### **Many Scholars at Indiana Beta**

**JEAN A. GRAFFIS**, Ind. Beta '26, Contributor

Phi Kappa Psi has reason to rate on the campus at Indiana University through a variety of activities, not the least of which is scholarship. Since 1926 Indiana Beta has produced six men of Phi Beta Kappa caliber.

Harlan Logan, recently chosen Rhodes scholar from Indiana, and who was graduated in January 1926, was the first of the most recent line of students elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Henry Rothrock, graduated in the spring of 1926, also was named to Phi Beta Kappa. His record included practically all "A" grades. John Mutz of Edinburg at the same time won the coveted honor of Beta Gamma Sigma membership, which has the same requirements as Phi Beta Kappa, but recruits its personnel from students in the commerce schools.

The class of 1927 produced additional men of high scholastic attainments. James Cochran was elected to

Beta Gamma Sigma, and Romey and Montgomery were members of Phi Delta Phi, which chooses its roll from the first 10 per cent in the law school.

Two members of the present chapter have recently been honored by admittance to such societies. James Johnson of the '28 class became a Beta Gamma Sigma, and H. Dixon Trueblood '28 a member of Phi Beta Kappa this fall.

Honor accorded Johnson and Trueblood is more significant because of their extra curricular activities. Trueblood early adopted journalism as his hobby, and has held practically every position on the *Indiana Daily Student* from reporter to his present place as associate editor. He is now in line for the editorship next semester. He is a member of Sigma Delta Chi, and has held places on important committees in many campus affairs. In the chapter his interest and level-headed agitation won him the office of corresponding secretary last year, and the house presidency this fall. He was an official delegate to the Sigma Delta Chi national convention at Kansas University in November. His name is engraved on Indiana Beta's scholarship cup.

Jim Johnson is probably the most efficient treasurer the chapter ever had. He knows the balances by heart. Few coups occur over the campus unknown to him, and as a result he is recognized as one of the powers behind all political moves. This winter he is senior manager of the basketball team. He is a member of Skull and Crescent, sophomore organization, and is affiliated with other honorary organizations.

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The annual convention of Delta Upsilon was held in Minneapolis in September. There were presented several petitions for new charters, but all were either tabled or denied.

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The 1928 convention of Chi Omega will be held at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

## Catalog Editors Report on Work

We wish to acknowledge receipt of about 200 communications giving addresses and offering help when the work reaches a more advanced stage, and to assure everybody that everything sent in will be used.

Our plan is to make an entirely new book and publish only addresses that we have verified. Each chapter and alumni association was requested to file the best directory possible and all the chapters and about two-thirds of the alumni associations have responded. A card was made for each of the 20,000 names on the grand membership roll and every address received from any source is posted to the cards. Then there is mailed to each member for whom an address is on file a one-cent printed postal card calling for data for the Catalog, and a form letter. The first mailing is just being completed.

The chapters did not furnish addresses for all their members and we are finding that of the addresses furnished about 20 per cent are incorrect. The next step will be to supply the chapters with mimeographed lists of the names for which addresses are still lacking, and urge that they go to work to get them. It is very evident that many chapters have not consulted the alumni secretaries of their institutions or they could have submitted much better directories.

This Catalog is not going to be of much value to the Fraternity unless it is fairly complete. It cannot be complete until all the chapters and a large number of alumni actively interest themselves in the project. If any reader of THE SHIELD has not received our form letter and data card, it is because his address is not yet on file with us. Please send the Secretary the following data, at once, either in a letter or on a postal card:

*Name in full*—Last name, first name, middle name

*Initiation*—Chapter and year

*Transfer, if any*—To which chapter, and the year

*Business*—Kind of, name of firm, address of firm

*Residence*—House number, street, town and state

The colleges at which our inactive chapters were lo-

cated are giving us valuable assistance and we have reason to believe that the directories of these chapters will be as complete as those of the active chapters. We especially urge that alumni of the active chapters cooperate with them to the fullest extent in this project to the end that this Catalog may be the best ever issued. We can assure you that it will be accurate but whether or not it will be complete depends upon you.

C. KENNETH BARNARD, *Editor*

January 16, 1928 THOMAS A. COOKSON, *Secretary*

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### College Registrations

The Association of American Universities has recently made a study of the enrolment in American colleges and universities as of November 1, 1927. The total registration at the 211 institutions on the association's approved list has increased 25 per cent in the past five years, and in the 42 largest universities—those having more than 3000 students—the increase has been 28 per cent.

The universities having an enrolment of more than 5000 regular full-time students are as follows, those in which there is a chapter of Phi Kappa Psi being printed in italics:

1	<i>California</i>	17,311	12	<i>U. of Wash.</i>	7,354
2	<i>Columbia</i>	13,275	13	<i>Nebraska</i>	6,239
3	<i>Illinois</i>	12,033	14	<i>Chicago</i>	5,718
4	<i>Minnesota</i>	11,307	15	<i>Texas</i>	5,536
5	New York U.	10,218	16	<i>Northwestern</i>	5,421
6	<i>Ohio State</i>	10,035	17	<i>Cornell</i>	5,355
7	<i>Michigan</i>	9,700	18	<i>Iowa</i>	5,345
8	<i>Wisconsin</i>	8,942	19	Fordham	5,248
9	Harvard	8,030	20	Toronto	5,142
10	<i>Pennsylvania</i>	7,565	21	<i>Syracuse</i>	5,012
11	Pittsburgh	7,414	22	Yale	5,007

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Alpha Chi Rho has placed a chapter in the Oregon Agricultural College. This brings the fraternity's list of active chapters to 22.

## Sweely Holds Three Captaincies

For the last three years the athletic annals of Dickinson College read like the personal history of Fred Eugene Sweely, Pa. Zeta, who is now captaining his third major athletic team. Since April 1927, no Dickinson team has stepped on the gridiron, gym floor or cinder path that has not been under the capable leadership of this loyal brother in Phi Kappa Psi. As far as can be determined, three major sport captaincies is a record in Dickinson athletics.

Sweely began to make a name for himself in sports in his Jersey Shore High School days, where he was three times a letterman in basketball, twice in track, and twice in football.

Sweely came to Dickinson in the fall of 1924, and in that year gained recognition by entering the Gettysburg game as a substitute halfback and scoring the two touchdowns that were responsible for the victory. In basketball he was forced to play sub for the better part of the season, but in track proved an able high jumper and could always be counted on for a first or second place.

In the fall of 1925, Sweely came into his own. During this season he proved himself a real triple-threat man, pleasing the coaches with his steadiness and consistency. Among other brilliant plays, he made America's second longest run of the season with an intercepted pass. He was high scorer of the championship basketball team of 1925-26 which worked havoc with Princeton, Penn, Gettysburg and others and shattered C. C. N. Y.'s famous five-year streak of home-floor victories. He also set the individual scoring record with 21 points against Mount St. Mary's. In May 1926 he broke the college record in the high jump and at the close of the season was honored with the captaincy, which for the two preceding years had rested upon the shoulders of Brother "Jit" Evans.

During the football season of 1926, Sweely played a stellar game as passer, runner and punter. He was out of the Villanova and Schuylkill games because of injuries to his left knee, but he came back for the Gettysburg game and finished the season successfully. At the end of the

season he was chosen captain for the 1927 team. Since his election as football captain he has been honored at banquets of alumni in various parts of the country.

In the basketball season of 1926-27, Sweely was again high scorer, with 210 points of the team's 554, seventy-four field goals spinning from his hands.

During the football season just past, Sweely was somewhat handicapped by a severe injury to his side, but he flashed the old form at times. The general poor showing of the team is in no way attributable to Sweely's leadership. The basketball team at present is making a favorable showing, although games have been lost to Princeton and Army.

Sweely stands six feet tall, weighs 185 pounds and is 22 years old. In addition to his athletic preeminence, he is a member of the Y. M. C. A. cabinet; member of the Tribunal; member of Skull and Key, the junior honorary society; and G. P. of the chapter.



**FRED E. SWEELY**



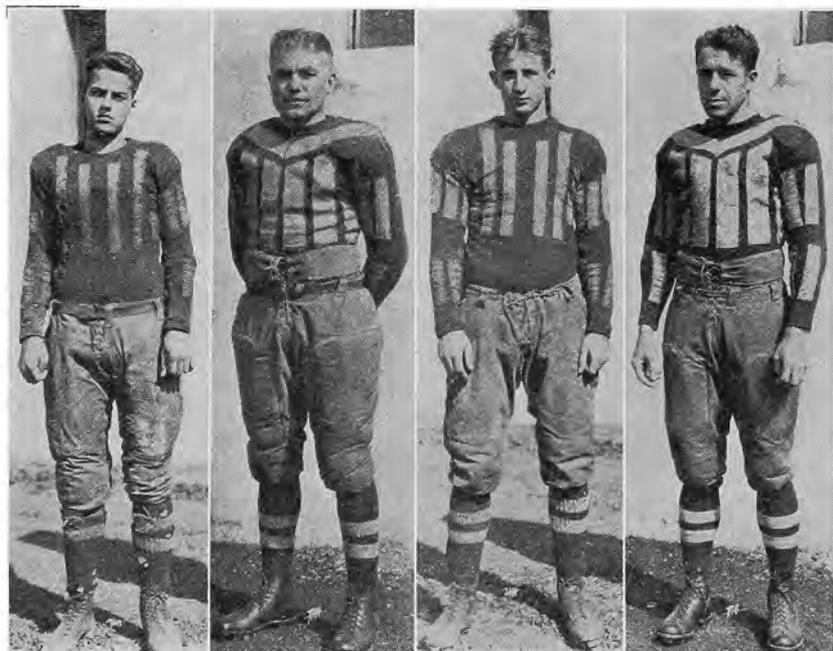
**IOWA ALPHA FOOTBALL PLAYERS**

**R. B. Chatterton**

**F. J. Cuhel**

**E. F. Young**

**R. M. Brown**



**FOUR OHIO DELTA STARS**

**Jack Ullery**

**Lincoln Cory**

**Fred Grim**

**Arthur Huston**

## **Brown Chosen Captain at Iowa**

With the football season over, basketball assumes the major role. Although the season wasn't a howling success, Iowa made a respectable showing in all her games, and played against some of the best teams in the Big Ten.

Cuhel, Earl Young, Chatterton and Brown won letters for their work this fall, and Wilcox, Cummins and Wallace each won a numeral on the freshman team. Cuhel and Young will be graduated next spring, both having won two letters in football. Brown, regular center for the last two years, was elected captain for next year.

Iowa had a soccer team for the first time this fall, and the chapter was represented by Don Young, brother of Earl Young. This sport is gaining much favor, and a full schedule of games will probably be arranged for next fall.

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## **Massachusetts Alpha**

Martin-W. Kellogg, a junior, despite his light weight, developed into an excellent tackle by the end of the season and will be one of the best men in the line next year. Stuart Pike, a senior, played enough throughout the season to win his letter. Brickett and Perry were sophomore backs on the squad. Mackey, Kells and Prigge, the first two especially, were promising members of the squad, until injured early in the season.

The only freshman out, William H. Ensign jr, was one of the star halfbacks on the undefeated freshman football team.

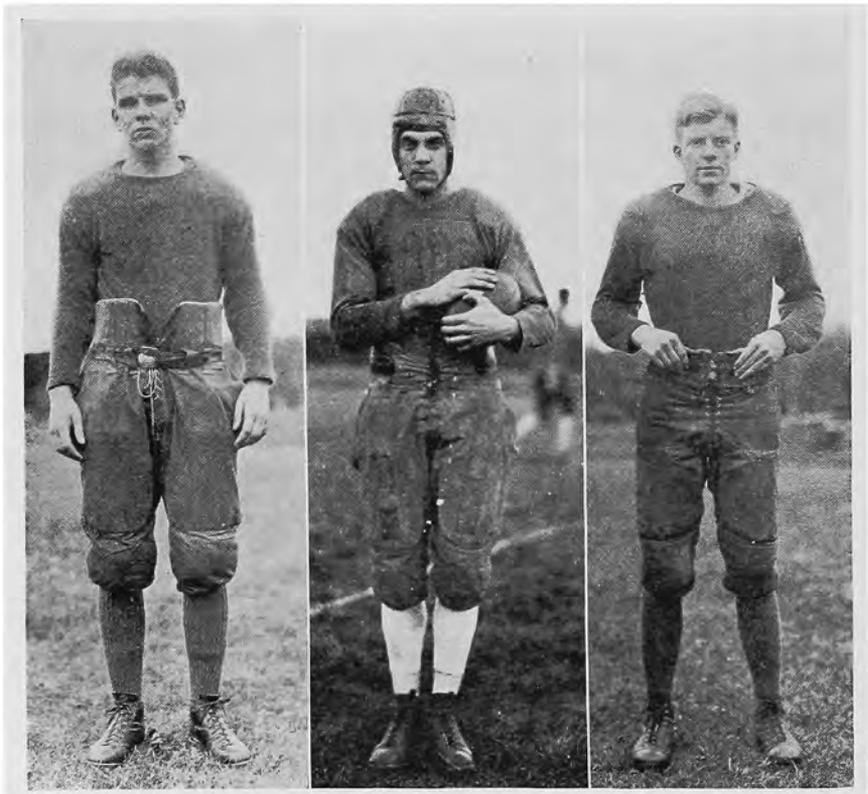
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## **Promising Freshmen at Illinois Delta**

Pledge Otto Hills received football numerals, having played tackle on the freshman-varsity squad throughout the season. Jack Hansen, who registered late, played guard on the freshman-varsity during the time he was in college. Elwell, Karraker, Low and Byrne also showed up well among the freshmen in football.



**A. L. Whelan, guard; J. C. Hewes, center; O. A. McCune, end**



**D. H. Boyd, center; W. B. Lehman, fullback; J. S. Lees, end**  
**SIX PHISIS ON F & M TEAM**

## Six Phi Psis on F & M Team

Although Pennsylvania Eta was well represented with six first-string men, the football team failed to make an impressive showing. "Dutch" Lehman, who was picked by many as all-conference fullback; "Tiger" McCune, end; "Tougher" Whalen, guard; "Jimmy" Lees, end; "Dave" Boyd, center; and Charlie Hewes have received their letters.

In the opening game of the season Pennsylvania was held to an 8-0 score. This, however, sapped much of the team's vitality, for the following week it failed miserably against Haverford, only to come back the next week to defeat Dickinson 13-8. Both touchdowns were scored by Lehman and Lees. The rest of the season was a series of reverses with the exception of a tie with Swarthmore. The season was brought to a close Thanksgiving day in the annual game with Gettysburg, which, after a fierce struggle, was proclaimed victor by a 12-7 score. In this game Phi Psis on both teams played a prominent part.

The chapter was well represented on the freshman team, with three of the pledges winning their numerals: Pledge Bowman, quarterback; Pledge Killian, fullback; and Pledge Helmuth, halfback. These men are looked upon as promising material for the varsity next year, as all three played a prominent part on the team.



ARTHUR R GOW, Dartmouth center



PENNSYLVANIA ZETA'S LETTER MEN

## **Dickinson Squad Has Twelve Phi Psis**

Pennsylvania Zeta has an unusually large number of football players, and an unusually large proportion of the college football team was last year composed of Phi Psis. Twelve of the brothers were out for the varsity, and three pledges for the freshman team. Of this number about seven have won varsity letters, although the official awards had not been announced at the time this was written.

Captain Fred Sweely is a loyal Phi Psi who has made a record unparalleled in Dickinson College, that of holding three major sport captaincies. His performance in football was up to the highest expectations, and he is now starring as forward and captain of the basketball team.

In the beginning of the football season of 1927, Phi Psi had three letter-men returned, Sweely, Harner and Mentzer. These three men won letters again, and Angle, Kline, Bowes, Schültz and Pursley are in line for rewards this year.

Sweely and Bowes are the only letter men in football that Pennsylvania Zeta will lose by graduation this year. Their loss will be sorely felt both by the chapter and the team. Mentzer, Harner, Geibel, Amerman and Corson have one more season, and the rest have at least two years to play.

Zeta's football men range in height up to Mentzer, who is six feet, four inches, and in weight up to Hartshorn, who tips the scales at 235 pounds.

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## **Archon on West Virginia Team**

George Jackson, Archon of the third district, was the only one from West Virginia Alpha who played football the past season. He was on the varsity for his fourth year. George plays end. In the early part of the season, however, he was seriously injured and did not get to play in any of the remaining games. This was a tough break for everybody, George especially.



**Cyrus Gunn, Vaughn Scott, Stuart Smith, John Marshall**  
**PHI PSIS ON DEPAUW VARSITY**

### **Indiana Alpha Outstanding in Football**

Indiana Alpha contributed more to football than any other two organizations on the campus. Six of the brothers were on the varsity squad and four played regularly. John Marshall distinguished himself in the guard position, receiving, at the end of the season, that position on Blain Patten's all-state selection. This is Johnny's last year and the team will feel his loss keenly. His outstanding play was on defense, ripping great holes in the opposition line. Cyrus Gunn has played for two years on the varsity. He played quarterback through one of the hardest seasons DePauw has had in some time. Vaughn Scott was the heaviest man in the backfield and consequently did much of the plunging. Scotty's great worth lay in the fact that he was a triple-threat man. He did most of the passing and punting and was steady at plunging line. The varsity is mighty lucky in having Scotty back again. Stuart Smith, like Marshall, has played his last game and the team will also feel his loss keenly. Stu's position was fullback. He did the rest of the line plunging but was a bit light in compari-

son with the opposition. He was most valuable in running interference and in backing up the line of defense.

This completes the quartet of Phi Psi regulars, and, at one time or another, all were given honorable mention in Blain Patten's weekly selection. Ed and Guernsey Van Riper both played quarterback and got into most of the games. This was only their sophomore year, so there is plenty of time yet. Pledge Zimmer received honorable mention as a freshman halfback. His playing was very outstanding. George should have a fine chance at varsity next year. Pledge Rogers had a wonderful start but because of a severe injury was unable to play after the fourth week of practice.



**JOHN BUNDY, Indiana University Tackle**

## Five Letter-men at Pennsylvania Kappa

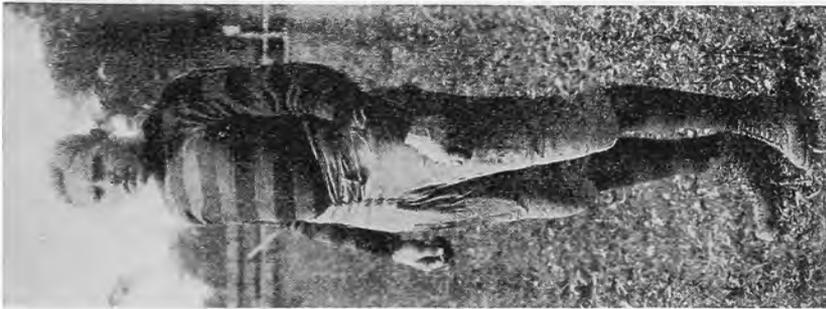
Phi Psi was represented by five letter-men on the 1927 Swarthmore eleven, two of whom are freshmen. Charles Thoburn Maxwell, a dependable back from last year, played well this season although handicapped by injuries. Pledge Burton played consistently at tackle and starred during a number of games. Pledge Sinclair claimed notice when he returned a kick-off for sixty yards in the Susquehanna game. Custy Barnes showed fine fight as a line charger and often made gains when they were most needed. Louis Clothier has won his first letter this year at center, helping to fill the place left open by Richards. Parrish, Wagner and Pledge Kirsch also played in several varsity contests.

Ellis Bishop managed the team this season, assisted by Tom Brown. There are a number of Phi Psis playing on the junior varsity, some of whom will develop into first-string men with the coming season. They are R. Bishop, Passmore, I. Barnes and Pledges Biddle, Douglas, Lippincott and Testwuide.

Vincent Bush played halfback on the soccer team which trimmed the Navy in their last game of the season.



D. W. Cockley, end; G. W. Drawbaugh, quarterback; C. W. Hall, halfback  
GETTYSBURG VARSITY PLAYERS



W. H. Eastburn, W. & J.



Jack Evans and Captain Coltrin of the California Team

## Lose Makes Record for Pennsylvania Railroad

A fine tribute to James Lose jr, Pa. Gamma '04, master carpenter for the Pennsylvania railroad, and a force of men under his direction who replaced a bridge at 17th street in Philadelphia, was paid by "Girard" in his column appearing in the Philadelphia Inquirer of December 15th, as follows:

While the city slumbered last Sunday morning—a raw and grizzly day—a tall, blond-headed young man began a Herculean labor.

A new bridge which carries the Pennsylvania railroad's six-track main line to New York across Seventh street had to be put in. Moreover, removal of the old bridge and substitution of the new could not delay or block any one of the several hundred trains.

"We give you," in effect said the big chief, "ten and a half hours to do the work."

Like Napoleon, James Lose, master carpenter of the Pennsylvania, believes in an early start.

When a student at Bucknell, they said the curly-haired "Jim" was a fast stepper at basketball. So at four-thirty Sunday morning Master Carpenter Lose and 100 co-workers, all picked men, were ready to tackle the big job.

The new bridge carries two main line tracks. All traffic during the work had therefore to be squeezed down upon the other four tracks.

With gigantic derricks, manned by experts, the old bridge was lifted out and scurried away upon freight trains.

The men, of course, worked for two hours by artificial light. I had heard of this thing and drove up to see it, because it sounded to me like an impossibility.

Beavers never worked faster or harder than did Mr. Lose's band of bridge builders.

Did Master Carpenter Lose finish his new bridge on schedule? No, he did not, because he had it done two hours ahead of the allotted time.

No wonder those fellows, after eight hours of steady toil in a gray winter morning, went to their noonday dinner of boiled ham and cabbage with red-blooded relish.

## **\$100 Prize Contest for G. A. C. Attendance**

**Announcement by Western New York Alumni Association**

**O**NE HUNDRED DOLLARS in cash will be awarded May 1, 1928, to the Phi Kappa Psi chapter leading on that date in advance registration points for the Diamond Jubilee G. A. C.

A mileage handicap puts all chapters even at the start. Bring yours in ahead at the finish.

### **Read These Contest Rules**

1 How the prize-winning chapter will be determined:

For every chapter member, either alumnus or undergraduate, who registers before May 1st to the G. A. C., the chapter receives credit of one point for every mile, shortest rail route, from the chapter city or town to Buffalo, N. Y.

If your chapter is 500 miles from Buffalo, each one of your alumni or undergraduates who is coming to the G. A. C. can add 500 points to your score by registering in advance. One registration from your chapter equals in point score to five from a chapter 100 miles from Buffalo.

The contest closes April 30th at midnight. All registrations must be postmarked prior to that time. The prize will be awarded to the chapter having the highest point score.

2 The actual route traveled by the chapter's representative is not considered. A California Gamma brother, resident in New York City, can earn the transcontinental mileage points for his chapter by registering for the trip across the state.

3 How to enter for your chapter:

Get a registration card from your chapter or alumni association. Fill out, being sure to include your chapter's name so that credit will be given. Inclose with your check for \$8, the advance registration fee, and mail to John N. Garver, G. A. C. Treasurer, care Manufacturers' and Traders' People's Trust Company, Buffalo, N. Y.

### You Save \$2 by Registering in Advance

The regular registration fee for the Diamond Jubilee, payable upon arrival, will be \$10. Special advance registrations applicable to the prize-contest credit are \$8 only. Registration fee entitles the brother attending the G. A. C. to admission to banquet, ball, and all other entertainment features. By registering in advance you save \$2 and help your chapter toward winning the \$100 prize.

There are no strings attached. The prize money may be used to defray delegates' expenses, spent on the chapter house or for any other purpose the winning chapter desires.

Chapters, get your men out. Undergraduates, come, as many as you can, and work on your alumni. The Diamond Jubilee G. A. C., commemorating the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, will be the largest gathering, the greatest expression of Phi Psi spirit in our history.

Start now to work for this prize. The honor of winning will be worth far more to your chapter than the prize itself.

Get off to a good start in this race. It's easier to keep ahead than catch up.

Are you ready? . . .

On your marks . . .

Get set

Go!

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### Diamond Jubilee G. A. C. of Phi Kappa Psi

To John N. Garver, Jr., Chairman, Finance Committee  
Manufacturers and Traders — Peoples Trust Co.,  
Buffalo, New York.

For the purpose of supporting my chapter in the G. A. C. \$100 Prize Contest, I hereby register for the G. A. C. and inclose the *reduced advance registration fee* of \$8. Kindly send receipt exchangeable for all admission tickets at the G. A. C.

Name .....

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Credit registration to.....Chapter

Give A. A. affiliation.....



# EDITORIAL

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

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## Help With the Catalog

One of the most difficult fraternity tasks is that connected with the compilation of the Catalog. The value of the book lies in its accuracy, and accurate, up-to-date information is difficult to secure. At the best, it is impossible to issue a catalog that is 100 per cent correct. Many addresses change even during the printing of the book. And a catalog that even approaches completeness and accuracy can be compiled only with the prompt and careful cooperation of chapters, alumni associations and individuals.

In the compilation of the new edition of the Catalog now in progress, the Executive Council has adopted a somewhat different plan than has heretofore been followed. Much of the detailed work is being done in the office of the Secretary of the Fraternity, because of the facilities available there. The Editor of the Catalog is cooperating and will edit the data that are collected by the Secretary. But these data are not being furnished by the chapters in satisfactory form. The Secretary reports that 20 per cent of the information supplied by the chapters is incorrect. That is far too large a proportion. Every chapter should have its record of alumni in a much more satisfactory condition. If the new Catalog should be only 80 per cent correct, there would doubtless be much complaint.

The alumni, individually and through their associations, ought to see that chapters in which they may be especially interested furnish the Secretary at once with reliable, complete and up-to-date information. Otherwise, it will be impossible to produce a satisfactory Catalog, and the blame cannot be justly placed upon the compilers. Rec-

ords of alumni associations should also be promptly available and sent to the Secretary for Catalog use.

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### **Plan Now for G. A. C.**

The second Grand Arch Council ever to be held in New York state will be at Buffalo in June. The Western New York Alumni Association, which will act as hosts, has been planning for the convention ever since the adjournment of the Kansas City G. A. C. in 1926. The location of this year's biennial gathering, in addition to the usual features of the convention itself, offers much to attract our members, and there will undoubtedly be an unusually large attendance. Buffalo is so easily accessible by automobile, boat, railroad and airplane that it is a favorite convention city. The opportunity to visit the famous Niagara frontier, with easy access to Canada and the Great lakes, affords vacation features not surpassed by any other city. Summer excursion rates will be available from every part of the country.

Buffalo Phi Psis, in this issue of **THE SHIELD**, announce a novel attendance contest, with a worth-while prize for the successful chapter. While the prize will be awarded to some chapter, the winning of it will depend largely upon the alumni. They will have an opportunity to help both the Buffalo G. A. C. committee and their own chapters by sending in the advance registration blank, as described more in detail on another page. And June is not so far away, either.

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### **Chapter Carelessness**

A few weeks ago one of our chapters sent a letter addressed to "Daniel G. Swannell, Treasurer of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity." It would seem that chapters ought to have a little more recent information than that. When Brother Swannell was Treasurer of the Fraternity, the boy who wrote that letter was probably more interested in toy soldiers and

the Boy Scouts than in college fraternities, as that was ten years ago.

And that is not all. The corner card on the envelop in which the letter was mailed read, "Phi Kappa Psi Boarding Club," with the name of the town underneath. The brothers responsible for that printing doubtless meant well, but the impression made upon others is not good. And, strange as it may seem, the chapter with which this "boarding club" is evidently connected is now, and usually has been, one of the strongest in the Fraternity.

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### **Phi Psi Varsity Captains**

#### **1927 Football**

Frederick C. Coltrin, California  
 Fred E. Sweely, Dickinson  
 Barrett Hamilton, Kansas

#### **Basketball**

Hollis S. Spotts, W. & L.  
 John M. Heffernan, Brown  
 Truehart Taylor, West Virginia

#### **Water Polo**

Lee McGean, Pennsylvania

#### **1928 Football**

Charles Slaven, Allegheny  
 Richard Brown, Iowa  
 Harold M. Hauser, Kansas  
 Elmer V. Holm, Nebraska

#### **Track**

Frank Cuhel, Iowa  
 Fred E. Sweely, Dickinson

#### **Wrestling**

Frank A. Spellman, Brown  
 Charles D. Kopplin, Minnesota

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The next national convention of Sigma Nu meets in Washington, D. C., this month. Sigma Nu has recently placed chapters in Miami University and the University of Mississippi. The fraternity now has 93 active chapters.



*PHI KAPPA PSI*  
*NOTES*



J. P. Hanna, Ill. Delta, is president of the National Recording Pump Co., Dayton, Ohio.

Harry C. Barber, Mass. Alpha '01, has become instructor in mathematics at Phillips Exeter Academy.

Donald Gillis, Mass. Alpha '23, has entered the employ of the New York Telephone Co. at Albany, N. Y.

Dr. Thomas A. Ratliff, Pa. Iota '04, was one of the alienists who testified in the famous Remus case in Cincinnati recently.

The engagement of Miss Ida Wright of Montclair, N. J., and Jesse F. Brohel, Pa. Theta, of Hackensack, N. J., was recently announced.

Edward K. Browne, Mass. Alpha '02, who has been employed by the New York Telephone Company ever since his graduation in 1906, has been made engineer of outside plant for the Long Island area.

A boy, John S. Fisher II, was born to Bro. and Mrs. Robert M. Fisher, Mass. Alpha '13, at Indiana, Pa., on August 1, 1927. The boy takes the name of his grandfather, who is governor of Pennsylvania.

During the last week in December, Charles H. LeFevre, Pa. Eta '89, and Mrs. LeFevre, of Washington, D. C., gave one of the capital's most brilliant balls at the Carlton Hotel, in honor of their daughter, Hester Anne.

Clarence A. Weymouth, Pa. Gamma '96, represented Charles M. Schwab in the purchase recently of the Danville Structural Steel Co. at Danville, Pa. Brother Weymouth is a trustee of Bucknell University.

Samuel McClay, Ill. Gamma, of the law firm of Reed, Smith, Shaw & McClay, Pittsburgh, one of the outstanding legal firms in Pennsylvania, in January was named a director of the Farmers Deposit National Bank, Pittsburgh.

George H. Duncan, Mass. Alpha '95, of Jaffrey, N. H., Democratic leader in the last New Hampshire legislature, has been appointed by Governor Spaulding as a member of the commission for the study and analysis of the general subject of state and municipal taxation.

George L. Eastman, Cal. Delta, has recently been chosen president of the Los Angeles chamber of commerce, the most important civic organization in southern California. He is engaged in the real estate and investment business, and is very active in the social life of the city. He is president of the Hollywood Athletic Club, the Pilgrimage Play Association, and vice president of the Lakeside Country Club.

Raymond McFarland, Mass. Alpha '97, is author of a new sea-story published by Frederick A. Stokes Company in January. The story, entitled "The Sea Panther," has an historical background in the siege and capture of the French fortress at Louisburg, Cape Breton Island, by the New England colonists in 1745. This is the third sea-story by Brother McFarland, the others being "Skipper John of the Nimbus" and "Sons of the Sea."

Douglas R. Fay, N. H. Alpha, elected president last December of the First National Bank of Urbana, Ill., at the age of 25, is believed to be the youngest banker elevated to such a position in that state, if not in the nation. He became vice president of the bank at the age of 23, and when his father, A. F. Fay, who was president, died some time ago, Brother Fay was chosen to fill the vacancy. Lieut. Donald A. Fay, Ill. Delta, is a brother.

Horace L. Jacobs jr, Pa. Zeta '09, of Orlando, Fla., has been making an effort to secure information concerning all Phi Psis living in Florida. Among the interesting replies received was one from Jeddy Lee Davis, Va. Gamma '97, of Lakeland, Fla., who wrote, in part: "After leaving Hampden-Sidney College, my path for several years led into the mountain fastness of West Virginia, and I lost all of the old connections and have never since been thrown into Phi Psi associations, having come into contact with not more than two or three members of the Fraternity, that I know of, in all the lapsed years. Consequently, I have about forgotten all I ever knew, except the old grip and yell. I might say that I was raised in the lap of Phi Psi, having for several years as a small child been in the care of the family of Dr. Letterman, the founder."

Charles J. Brown, Ohio Epsilon, on January 1st was appointed general superintendent of the American Steel & Wire Company's wire mill at Donora, Pa., the largest wire mill in the world. Shortly after leaving college, Brother Brown became identified with the Zenith Furnace Company, Duluth, Minn., manufacturer of pig iron. Later he joined the American Steel & Wire Company, United States Steel Corporation subsidiary, at Cleveland, where he was connected with the Central and Emma furnace plants. Subsequently he was appointed blast furnace superintendent and assistant general superintendent of the steel works division at Donora, Pa., where he served several years. In 1925 he was made general superintendent of the Scheenberger plant, Pittsburgh, and had charge of the dismantling of this historic plant. For the last couple of years he had been engaged in special work for the company, with offices at the Cuyahoga works, Cleveland. Everett L. Brown, Ohio Epsilon, is a brother.



**Texas Alpha Chapter House, University of Texas**



# ALUMNI

## CORRESPONDENCE

### Chicago Alumni Association

You have no idea how disappointed we are in not landing the Republican convention in Chicago. In view of Mr. Coolidge's statement, we had it all arranged here in Chicago with our powerful alumni association to fix up one of the boys with the presidency of the U. S. A. We didn't know exactly which one it'd be, but we have a lot of high-class timber to choose from, and could have drawn lots or something, when it came to actual selection of one individual for the chair.

Some of the guys we had in mind were Major General Roy D. Keehn, H. A. Moore, Lawrence Whiting, Babe Meigs, Slooey Chapman, Charles O. Deneen, Jim Hanna, Homer Lininger, Nate MacChesney, Chuck McGuire, Frank Oates, Gordon Pirie, G. Fred Rush, Nute Tarble, Hal Townsend, and a raft of others; but what's the use of naming all our eligibles when Chicago didn't get the convention?

But you got to admit we here in Chicago have sure got the timber. Of course, some are better fitted for the posish than others, but any one of them could have made a good, healthy job of it. Take McGuire, for instance—he was all-American end, hence, would have pulled votes from all of America. Homer Lininger and Gordon Pirie, both being from New York originally, would have gone south with the New York votes easy. Nute Tarble might have thrown a wrench into the machinery, but we'd have watched him for "monkey business." Everything would have been serene along the Wabash with Jim Hanna, that's a cinch. Ash Deneen's old man might have tried to butt in on his kid, but Ash has so many ideas on abroad that he'd have been invaluable on strengthening up the League of Notions. Hal Townsend would be good, and either he, Nate MacChesney or H. A. Moore would have fixed up some cozy spot in the White House to hold our Founders' Day banquet in.

Any one of these men would have appointed Earl McKnight as ambassador to Italy on account of his experience with the Italian Trust & Savings Bank. Jack Brecher would have copped the job of running the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

But we didn't get the convention, so all our plans went blooey, and we'll have to be content with some sap, I suppose, whom those delegates will select on the Pacific coast. Ho hum—well, let the 'ale go with the 'ide, as the English say.

As long as we're out on the President of the U. S., we went ahead and chose Walter Massey of Beloit for another important post—president of the Chicago Alumni Association of Phi Kappa Psi. Walt is a good egg, and served well as treasurer last year. He's got a tough job on his hands, though, in following Dutch Gorgas. Boy! this guy Gorgas did a whale of a job on that thing in 1927.

Scotch McMasters, of Illinois, will assist Massey, and has been put in as vice president. He's great on the vice question. The finances (what's left of them) of this great organization will be trusted to Teddy Crawford. Hugh Bigler was appointed to watch Ted, and will be commonly called assistant treasurer. The secretarial work will fall on the able shoulders of Robert Allen of Indiana, and Illinois, and the the guy who will naturally do all his work will be Asst. Seck. J. R. Hemingway.

Founders' Day banquet has not been held at this writing, but will be all over by the time this here goes to press, so we'll proceed to say it was a huge success. It was held in the Red Lacquer Room of the Palmer House. Be sure you pronounce the name of that room correctly—Red *Lacquer*, not Red *Licquer*, because there was nothing like that—at least, we hope there won't be.

Thus we finish our year as correspondent of the Chicago Alumni Association for this notable publication, and we do so hope our successor will keep you as well posted on important goings-on as we have.

Our aim has been to please one and all, and, if we haven't pleased all, we certainly hope we have satisfied one.

Good-bye forever!

Good-bye forever!

*Chicago, Ill.*  
*January 13, 1928*

R. J. MADDIGAN  
*Correspondent*

### Philadelphia Alumni Association

The Philadelphia Alumni Association has added a large number to its membership by a steadily working drive. Edward J. Heraty is one of those who deserve credit for results achieved; Brother Heraty utilized both phone and foot-work in soliciting a long list. All the members are requested to obtain several new men.

Brother Carty has brought the mailing file up to date, a hard job without the dramatic aspect of achievement. Brother Carty may rest assured his work is appreciated. John S. Williams 2d had acquired a liberal number of new members. W. Norman Morris, treasurer, has contributed hard work and excellent guidance to the organization. His influence has been an aid to the association in acquiring certain advantages. Franz Ralston has imparted a clever touch to the necessary circularizing.

The winter's work and the series of smaller dinners will be topped off by a large banquet at the Racquet Club on February 18th. Hon. Harry Mackey and Col. William J. Donovan, assistant United States attorney general, will be two of the speakers. Bro. Harvey Watts, journalist and critic, will act as toastmaster. The affair promises to be exceptionally pleasing. President Wolfe has given inspired efforts to arrangements.

The death of E. Pusey Passmore, president of the Bank of North America and Trust Company, was a great blow to all as he was one of the most loved men in Philadelphia and always a loyal Phi Psi.

*Philadelphia, Pa.*  
*January 28, 1928*

D. N. CORTRIGHT  
*Correspondent*

### Pittsburgh Alumni Association

Activities connected with the observance of Founders' Day and preliminary preparations for the Buffalo Gee-A-See combine to keep officers and members of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association on their toes. President L. W. Voigt, N. Y. Alpha, and D. R. Davis, Pa. Lambda, chairman of the Founders' Day program, have announced that this event will be staged February 25th, probably at the University Club. The annual banquet will follow initiatory ceremonies of Pennsylvania Mu Chapter at Carnegie Tech.

Ballyhooping by Brothers Templeton and Snyder, Buffalo specialists in this and other lines, has done much to stimulate enthusiasm for the Big Doings next June. Bull stories emanating from headquarters

of Buffalo ballyhoosers tell us that the 1928 Gee-A-See will be the biggest and best ever held. Phi Psis in this and adjacent territory will contribute generously, numerically and otherwise. If we can't bring canteloupes, we'll arm ourselves with grapefruit; the famous canteloupe battle of Muehlebach hill must be fought to a successful conclusion if it takes all summer.

A complete description of our Founders' Day exercises and more about plans for the Gee-A-See will appear in the April SHIELD, written by an able successor to Secretary C. F. Williams, who, like the most conspicuous member of Phi Gamma Delta, doesn't give a continental or a tinker's damn, as you might say, about holding office any longer than seven years. So, brethren, near and far, get ready for some top-notch secretarizing in the next issue at no extra cost.

News about members of the local parish follows: Attorney James Y. Piper, Pa. Beta, of Johnstown, Pa., who has something to do with the activities of the prohibition forces in western Pennsylvania, has been a guest at several of our recent luncheons, coming solely in the capacity of a brother Phi Psi, we assure you. During the Christmas holidays we had an official visit from Lewis C. Richards jr, Pa. Lambda, connected for some months with the United States Chain & Forging Co., with headquarters in the Union Trust Building, Pittsburgh. Brother Richards is selling products of the United States company in all parts of the country. Another old timer, "Doc" Reed, of near Philadelphia, known as Reed-the-Bible man, dropped in the middle of December.

Two of our members have climbed another rung in the steel trade ladder of fame. C. J. Brown, Ohio Epsilon, general superintendent of the old Schoenberger mill of the American Steel & Wire Co., United States Steel Corporation subsidiary, on January 1st was named general superintendent of the wire mill at Donora, Pa., of that company, the largest wire mill in the world. Charlie, for many years a member of the P. A. A., has been at the Cuyahoga Works, Cleveland, a couple of years previous to this appointment. John Gold, Pa. Lambda, for several years metallurgist of the Weirton Steel Co., Weirton, W. Va., on January 1st was named manager of the strip sheet division of that company.

Brother and Mrs. C. R. Texter, the former member of Pa. Lambda, are the proud parents of a baby daughter, Miss Ellen, born December 21st at the family home, 7429 Penn av. Weight, 6½ pounds. Brother Texter, president of the local organization a year ago, when Pennsylvania Mu was installed, is a metallurgist for the National Tube Co., devoting most of his time to the study of "corrosion."

We neglected to report, in our last previous correspondence, that C. T. (Connie) Schwartz, Pa. Mu, was married September 21st to Miss Jean Isabelle Frank, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Frank. Brother and Mrs. Schwartz are at home at 694 Washington rd., Mount Lebanon, a suburb.

Samuel McClay, Ill. Gamma, of the law firm of Reed, Smith, Shaw & McClay, on January 10th was added to the board of directors of the Farmers Deposit National Bank. A. A. Culler, Ohio Beta, structural engineer and registered architect, one of our regular luncheon attendants, has offices at 335 Fifth av.

Albert J. Ingham, Pa. Lambda, delegate to the K. C. Gee-A-See, is studying law at the University of Pittsburgh. He is active in the affairs of the alumni association and of the active chapter at Tech. H. C. Lowther, Pa. Zeta, connected with the Freedom Oil Co., Freedom, Pa., signs the luncheon register every week or two. The usual number of active chapter men, spending the Christmas holidays in

Pittsburgh, attended our meeting and luncheon December 22d. We're glad, also, to report that George D. McIlvaine, former national President, has recovered from a rather long illness, and is back in the harness again, in pretty good shape.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.*

*January 12, 1928*

C. F. WILLIAMS

*Correspondent*

### Rhode Island Alumni Association

The Rhode Island Alumni Association opened its fall meetings last month in the "old" chapter house. And we say "old" very advisedly, for the local chapter, aided and abetted by the loyal Phi Psis of this part of the country, have "gone and done it" to the tune of buying a house that will be theirs in fact as well as name. The "new" house has a wonderful location on the west side of College Hill, overlooking downtown Providence and the harbor, and is only a half block west of the campus on Angell street. The house corporation certainly did an excellent job and we all hope that they will feel well rewarded for their troubles. The situation certainly looked barren enough a year ago, but patience and perseverance surely did produce results. The boys hope to move in early in the second semester and have everything all "shipshape and man o' war fashion" by April or May at the latest. We do not hesitate to prophesy that the spacious veranda on the east side of the house will be a popular place during the late spring and early summer evenings and will be the envy of all the other Greeks on the hill.

News has been rather scarce all summer, but has picked up a bit lately, along with Christmas shopping. There were quite a number of the boys back for their class reunion in June and it would take too long to list all of the out-of-town brothers that returned to rekindle their college as well as fraternity fires of enthusiasm, but they do say that Bob Nash and "Shank" Wightman certainly let everyone know that they were around.

"Randy" Waterman is making out so well at Dartmouth as an assistant professor of history that they were more than glad to ask him to remain there another term. He did not look quite so young when seen pushing a baby carriage along Hope street last summer as he did when he cavorted about the old cinder path on Andrews Field throwing cinders in the eyes and mouth of "Ye Correspondent."

They must like Rhode Island Alpha men at Hanover, for our old friend, Brooks Henderson, has left Princeton and is now assistant professor of English there.

You sure have to hand it to Bill Huntley, for he is starting on his second year at Harvard Law School. Most fellows find it hard enough to go through there fresh from college, but Bill has to have a family and a few other troubles first so that he will feel natural.

"Andy" Comstock is still secretary of the Providence Lions Club and looks like a fixture in that position.

They all come back, even Harvey Dunham, who swore never to desert his much loved China. However, that was before he was married, for he now lives at 1987 California st., San Francisco.

George Decker, who migrated to New York and then became a Jerseyite, announces that a future Phi Psi arrived to swell the "bunch" in Providence on July 30, 1927. Who is next?

Have to have someone to help Nat Howard out, as he sent a boy up the Hill last year and they pledged a second one of his this fall. There is a record for you to shoot at.

Warren Sanford may not be ready to "step off" as yet himself, but he certainly is in great demand as an usher or a best man in helping his friends and classmates to take the fatal step, for we see his name in the society news quite frequently in one capacity or the other. He should be well rehearsed when it comes time for him to play the "leading man."

Though the recent football season was not exactly a success, the local Phi Psis were very much in evidence at most of the games, for Sanders, Comstock, Alexander, Chace, March, Sinclair, Siddell and several more were among the "regulars."

Here is a new one on Lloyd Josselyn, who is vice-librarian of the Buffalo Public Library. According to one of Buffalo's leading journals, "Jossy," as we know him "19 U. H.," has become quite enamoured of "Bossy," for he raises registered Holstein cattle, as well as horses and chickens. Wonder what Tommy Ayer would say about that?

Bill Horn is learning the financial game with J. P. Morgan, while Brother Walt is getting a like education with the First National Corporation of Boston, though both are in New York.

Fred Schoenweiss was married to Miss Avis Edna Haynes on October 29, 1927, and is now living at 25 Fordyke st., Providence.

Walter Jillson and Miss Betty Katherine Staib were married at Hackensack, N. J., on October 22, 1927.

Paul Higgins says that the stork brought him a girl by the name of Patricia Jeanne November 3, 1927.

Ralph Green has left "these plantations" and moved to Southbridge Mass. He also announces that a daughter, Susan, arrived on October 21, 1927.

Here is the first leap year engagement to be announced, on January 2d to be exact. Chet Beard will shortly leave behind his care-free days and ways and walk sedately along with Miss Clara Maertens of Providence.

The boys on the Hill certainly picked a fine bunch of pledges this fall and a good crowd of alumni were on hand to greet them, as well as to see the war film that Rube Sinclair was able to get for us. By the way, Rube is some fisherman, too. If you don't believe it, see him do it on the screen.

They say that "Rosy" Parker has bought a motor boat and is promising great things for next summer. Well, summer is a long way away now and the ice is thick on the river and in the bays.

The "get-together" at the Anawan Club in December was certainly a success, from a culinary as well as other standpoints. The alumni sure did enjoy themselves and are more than grateful to the chapter for the good time had by all. Dick Sanders and Charley Haggerty had quite a race on the johnny cakes, but that piece of pie was too much for Dick. "Reb" Russel and "Vern" Chace of the chapter went looking for "fish" but met up with "Pick" Chace and "Rosy" Parker and returned sadder and wiser boys.

The annual meeting and Founders' Day banquet will probably be held at the Metacomet Country Club on Saturday, February 18th. We expect a rousing good time and hope for a large attendance. All Phi Psis in the vicinity are invited.

"Ye correspondent" wishes all a most prosperous New Year and appreciates the Christmas cards received from the chapter and alumni association of the Fraternity.

*Providence, R. I.*

CARLETON H. PARKER

*January 6, 1928*

*Correspondent*

P. S. Do not forget to come and see our "new" chapter house.

### Wabash Valley Alumni Association

The Wabash Valley Alumni Association of Phi Kappa Psi has been in existence about one year. The headquarters are in Terre Haute but the membership of the association is included in nearby counties in Indiana and Illinois. The Illinois members are George V. Dole, Pa. Alpha, Paris; W. T. Hartley, Ind. Gamma, Paris; Robert Parrish, Pa. Alpha, Paris. The other members are all from Indiana.

Three members of this association belong to the same family, a father and two sons. The father is John S. McFaddin, Ind. Gamma, Rockville, and the two sons are John M. McFaddin and Howard C. McFaddin, both of Indiana Beta. The sons are associated with their father in the practice of law.

Fred M. Powell, Ind. Alpha, Terre Haute, is secretary of the association.

Four members of the same family relationship are charter members of this organization. They are John Edward Talley, Walter W. Talley and Homer B. Talley, all of Terre Haute and Indiana Alpha. The fourth member, who lives in this city, is Delbert H. Talley, of Wisconsin Alpha.

Philips S. McAllister, of Indiana Beta, who formerly lived in this city, has moved to the Calumet district in northwestern Indiana. He is a salesman for a bonding house.

Russell H. Allen, Ind. Alpha, Terre Haute, had a recent trip of a few weeks to the East.

Two Illinois Delta brothers living in this city belong to the association. They are James H. Black jr and Lee M. Black.

Another Rockville man belonging to the association is Walter S. Ferguson, Ind. Alpha.

Charles D. Hunt and Wallace Springer, both of Sullivan, members of Indiana Alpha, are charter members of this association.

Dr. B. M. Hutchings, Ind. Gamma, of Terre Haute, is an enthusiastic and faithful member of the organization.

Benjamin Blumberg, Ind. Alpha, Terre Haute, is active in civic enterprises in this city.

*Terre Haute, Ind.*  
January 26, 1928

L. N. HINES  
*Correspondent*

### Western New York Alumni Association

With only five months remaining before the clans will be gathering for the Diamond Jubilee G. A. C., the Western New York A. A. is seething with activity. General Chairman Harry R. Templeton is cracking the whip over his gang bosses on the subcommittees, and it is more than a good bet that the results will be shown next June in one of the best Phi Psi parties, in which the most Phi Psis take part, that ever happened. (We doubt if even Cactus Pete can read that sentence without drawing breath.)

Of course, you old G. A. C'ers all know that at every well-conducted G. A. C. certain things are bound to happen. There will be a banquet. There will be some evening entertainment at which smoking will be permitted—we can hardly say more. There will be a chance for the boys to put on a dinner coat and move their feet in time to some darn good music. Of course, in connection with all these things there will be some highly novel and interesting departures from the commonplace, which will be peculiar to the vicinity and the extraordinary talents assembled.

We aren't allowed to say more, lest the beans be spilled. However, it is at least probable that Brother John Porter will lead the Stein Song and Marsh Jackson will, we assume, if urged, give his lecture on "The Little Brown Bull."

If the strong, red-blooded he-men from the Mississippi valley feel that they *must* bowl with canteloupes on the green, said canteloupes will be provided. Of course, the guests always make any party, and, judging from that, the Diamond Jubilee G. A. C. will be a humdinger.

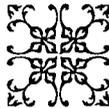
Pennsylvania Beta Chapter, to remind you, will be present *en masse*, says Brother Porter. Likewise, the Pittsburgh A. A. We hope Pennsylvania Mu will tag along. Cleveland A. A. and the Case chapter will be largely in evidence. Syracuse, says one of the authorities on that jolly group, will beat 'em all and cop the watch, perhaps. Cornell has shouted out loud that all will be present, if not accounted for, and so on; Detroit A. A., too.

One of the first guns of the battle will be fired on February 18th, when the Executive Council will meet in Buffalo and, after conducting their deliberations, will join the local association in celebrating Founders' Day with a dinner at the Buffalo Athletic Club.

Recent meetings of the association have been largely attended and enthusiastic. During the Christmas holidays, the G. A. C. committee had the pleasure of entertaining the Buffalo undergrads who were home from their chapters, at a luncheon. Eight Buffalo boys were pledged Phi Psi this year, and there are now seventeen undergraduate Phi Psis from this city.

Buffalo, N. Y.  
January 18, 1928

F. E. SNYDER  
Secretary



# 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

Now that Christmas holidays are past, thoughts of a more serious nature are turned toward the approaching semester final examinations. We earnestly hope that our scholastic standing will show even better improvement over that of last semester.

Winter carnival takes place this year February 9, 10 and 11. As usual, this momentous occasion is looked forward to with more anticipation than any other. On the afternoon of the 9th, the musical clubs will give a tea-dance, followed that night by the outdoor carnival, in which exhibition and general skating, tobogganing, sleighing and numerous other sports will take place beneath the February moon. After this there will be fraternity dances. Our experiment last year of having our party without the aid of another house was so successful, it seems most probable that such an arrangement will be repeated this year.

On February 10th there will be a ski and snowshoe meet. Bill Blanchard is out for the ski team, and will no doubt see some service at this time. In the afternoon there will be a swimming meet with Yale. George Scheller is now competing for a position on the varsity swimming team, which has not yet opened its season. That night, the Players will give their annual carnival show, in which Jim Hodson will no doubt have an important part, due to his previous success in dramatic work. Wes Smith and Ted Baehr are also out for the show. After this production, there will be the carnival ball. Howie Serrell is chairman of the carnival ball this year and is already putting much of his time and effort to make it a real success.

On February 11th there will be a hockey game with Yale. Dick Johnson is a member of the hockey team this year and has seen much service in the games so far. After this, there will be the annual open amateur ski-jumping tournament, followed that night by more fraternity dances.

We are pleased to announce the election of Wes Smith to Sphinx senior honorary society. This makes the sixth man of the senior delegation to be elected to one of the three senior societies on the campus, which is quite an honor.

Ted Gurney is again a prominent member of the glee club, after an absence of several months.

The winter track practice has called out Gow, Serrell, Noeltner and Foster. Brad Cornell, who received his letter on the cross-country team this fall, will join the track squad later on.

We sorely miss Wis Clarke and I. C. Thurmond, the former leaving on account of sickness and the latter withdrawing. We look forward to their return next semester.

Jack Gunther is serving as Ph. of the chapter and not as G. P., as announced in the last **SHIELD** letter. The G. P. is Arthur Gow.

The winner of the interfraternity basketball and swimming leagues will have been decided before the next issue of **THE SHIELD**. Phi Psi will be a strong contender for both titles.

*Hanover, N. H.  
January 8, 1928*

F. H. CORRIGAN  
*Correspondent*

## Massachusetts Alpha—Amherst College

Because no brother has been requested to leave Amherst by the faculty this Christmas, the house continues to be proud of its string of four consecutive terms with no dismissals from college. The marked improvement which was so evident last year in scholastic standing is still going on, and without doubt we shall more than hold our own this year.

While Amherst is known as a singing college, Phi Psi is known as the singing fraternity of the college. Wilber was elected president of the musical clubs, and he, Brickett and Kells are the three Phi Psis on the quartet. Phi Psi members of the club are Kells, Brickett, Wilber, Meneely, Hill, P. K. Tracy, J. Ward, Adams, Gowen, Mackey. Massachusetts Alpha will make a strong bid to win the quartet prize at the G. A. C. in Buffalo this summer.

Our alumni will be glad to hear of the complete recovery of Brother Bias, who sometimes takes care of the furnace, from his six days' indisposition in bed.

We are hoping for a repetition of last year's success in the interfraternity relays which are to be run off this month. In the race last year Phi Psi not only won, but set a college record. The team, Kells, Prigge, Nichols and Perry, is now hard at work, and we expect from them another cup. Incidentally, three of the men are sophomores and the fourth a junior, so future years are well cared for.

Our two-letter men in hockey, Nichols and Perry, are again showing ability and will no doubt make the team. M. Kellogg bought a Spalding Hockey Guide and a pair of double-runner skates and has so improved that he also is expected to win a letter.

Bob Howe is diving on the swimming team. Among our freshmen, considerable is being done in the line of study, but Pledge Ensign and Turner are leaders on the freshman basketball team, and Templeton is doing well in freshman swimming.

At the chapter elections held directly after Christmas, Wilber was elected G. P., Mackey, V. G. P., and Schnepel, B. G. All these men had the further distinction of being chosen unanimously.

Smith and Johnston have both made publication boards, and Hill and Prigge are out for the managerial end of the Masquers. Tracy is busy with musical competition.

The evening of December 16th will be one long remembered at Massachusetts Alpha, for on that night Santa Claus fell into our living room and distributed presents, all useful and apropos, to each brother. After this part of the evening's entertainment was over, Kells and Hubbard entertained the chapter at a party in celebration of their twenty-first birthdays.

*Amherst, Mass.*

*January 8, 1928*

HUBERT L. PERRY

*Correspondent*

## Rhode Island Alpha—Brown University

It was with the greatest sense of relief and satisfaction that the brothers turned from a most successful rushing season to enjoy a well-earned Christmas vacation. We are extremely pleased to announce the pledging of the following men of the class of 1931: Theodore Anderson, New Haven, Conn.; Donald Demarest, White Plains, N. Y.; Robert Eddy, Providence, R. I.; J. Hadley Foster, Watertown, N. Y.; William Friss, Hudson, N. Y.; Walter Howard, Providence, R. I.; James Laadt, Chicago, Ill.; John Redding, Chicago, Ill.; Paul Snyder, Franklin, Pa.; Alden Walls, Providence, R. I.; Herbert Wensley, Lynn,

Mass.; Kenneth White, Swampscott, Mass.; Herberton Williams, Moorestown, N. J.; Kenelm Winslow, Detroit, Mich.

Already, many of these freshmen have taken a prominent part in college activities. Pledges Anderson and Demarest were regulars on the freshman football team. Anderson, together with Pledge Walls, who made his numeral in soccer, is now a regular performer on the hockey team. Pledges Snyder and Williams are on the basketball squad. Snyder is one of the star forwards. Pledges Winslow, White and Demarest obviously will have berths on the winter track squad. Pledges Eddy and Laadt are making out well on the swimming squad, and Wensley is on the wrestling team. Pledge Friss easily made the musical clubs.

Phi Psi was ably represented on the football team this year by "Bud" and "Jim" Edwards. Both are outstanding backfield men and we expect to be more proud of them than ever next year.

Basketball has now replaced football for the season's sport and we feel proud of Heffernan and Mulliken, who have regular positions on the team. Heffernan was last year's captain and was deservedly re-elected this year.

Spellman, who was last year's captain of the wrestling team, is looked upon as one of the mainstays. He is one of the three members of the team to win the New England championships in the intercollegiate meet. We are represented in hockey by Chase.

Not only in athletics has Phi Psi made a fine showing, but in non-athletic activities as well. Keith and Francis are now in the last lap of the race for editor in chief of the *Brown Daily Herald*. Both men are far ahead of their competitors at present, and we can almost predict that one is bound to win out. Horn and McFadden have worked up to be in line for the position of editor in chief next year. Carpenter, Demarest and Pledge Friss are on the "Jazz" team of the university. Laadt is doing admirably on the literary staff of the *Brown Jug*.

To promote better relations among the fraternities at Brown, Rhode Island Alpha gave its fall house dance together with one of the fraternities here. The party was an immense success and we feel sure that many of the other fraternities will now follow our lead.

Finally, after many discouraging attempts, our alumni have brilliantly succeeded in securing a new house for us. To us here at Brown, this new step upward is a significant mark in the history of Rhode Island Alpha. It was a long-awaited event and we are eagerly looking forward to next semester when we shall finally be installed in our new quarters.

Providence, R. I.  
January 8, 1928

E. K. CARPENTER  
Correspondent

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### New York Alpha—Cornell University

As the wheels of time turned up the new year, the brothers once more returned to college to rest up after a strenuous Christmas vacation. After several days of greeting with the usual Hi-Hi, the brothers are now intent upon some serious studying.

New York Alpha extends a most cordial invitation to the brothers of Phi Kappa Psi to attend the 59th annual initiation banquet to be held Saturday evening, February 18, 1928. An interesting program has been arranged by the chapter, and a number of prominent Phi Psis are expected to be here at that time.

In the list of recent activities, J. S. Thompson won his varsity letter in soccer for the second consecutive season. The soccer team finished

a very successful season under the efficient management of D. T. Secor. A. R. Erda won the varsity "C" in cross-country, being the second Cornell man to cross the finish line in the intercollegiates last fall. G. E. Crogan was elected treasurer of the Student Council, and Macomber was elected to Majura. G. B. Emeny was retained on the football competition which is to be decided in March. Brooks and Tieman are making strong bids for the Cornell quintet. The following freshmen won their numerals in their various sports: E. Becker and F. Becker in track; L. Elmer and J. Searles in soccer; B. Hackstaff in football.

Among those graduating in February are E. G. Mann, E. Christianson and J. C. Whitridge. We are sorry to see these brothers depart from the roles of undergraduates, but wish them the best of success in their future ventures.

The following participated in football and soccer this past season: R. W. Brown, freshman football; B. Hackstaff, freshman football; J. S. Thompson, freshman soccer '25, varsity '26, '27; L. Elmer, freshman soccer; and J. Searles, freshman soccer.

We are glad to have with us again this year Emmett Wallace McCorkle jr, Va. Beta '26. Mac is taking electrical engineering now and hopes to follow up later with medicine.

*Ithaca, N. Y.*

*January 7, 1928*

L. L. VOIGT JR

*Correspondent*

### New York Beta—Syracuse University

November 11th found us carrying our a precedent started last year of giving a smoker and general entertainment for the alumni. Our pledge orchestra was one of the features. Colgate held us to a tie in their little exhibit but we went on with the dance just the same. It was quite successful in spite of the divided honors. Our Christmas formal was very prettily staged in true winter style, cold weather and all.

Our usual custom of attending midnight suppers before the beginning of a vacation was happily combined, at Thanksgiving, with a get-together of the faculty brothers and others of the faculty, including Vice-chancellor Graham. The Christmas gifts given with that hearty cheer so free around Christmas time were the usual features of the supper before the vacation just past.

On December 14th minor sports were abolished in the university. The reason given for this action is the principle of the university administration of majority participation in sports. Naturally much dissatisfaction has been expressed. Various methods of expression of opinion have been used. But the general tenor of the decision has not been changed.

In the near future, the chapter will issue a chapter circular. Carl Kent's suggestion was well taken. It is a preparation for the bigger job of entertaining and preparing for the G. A. C. in June.

Improvements in the make-up of the house continue to increase. Thanks to Harry Templeton, the homey atmosphere of the house will grow in the time to come in the effect on the brothers.

*Syracuse, N. Y.*

*January 8, 1928*

ROSS L. ANDREWS JR

*Correspondent*

### New York Gamma—Columbia University

In accordance with our prediction in the last SHIELD letter, New York Gamma announces the pledging of the largest and the most representative delegation of freshmen to be secured by any fraternity on the Columbia campus, having pledged 21 men in all, as follows: James McReynolds Banks, New York; William V. Clark, New York; Harold R. Colvic, New York; Edwin B. Colwell, New York; James H. Fitzgerald, Yonkers, N. Y.; William Gilchrist, Pleasantville, N. Y.; Adolph Gobel jr, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Clark J. Greenwood, New York; Robert A. Hoffman, New York; George W. Jahelka, Corona, N. Y.; George W. Lusk, Huntington Park, Cal.; Philip H. McKee, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Victor H. Nordstrom, West Orange, N. J.; Frank Lawson Paynter, Forest Hills, N. Y.; Randolph G. Phillips, New York; Philip J. Reilly, Elmhurst, N. Y.; Floyd S. Sanford, Bronxville, N. Y.; Howard L. Walker, New York; Donald E. Williamson, Washington, D. C.; Gordon Wright, New Rochelle, N. Y.

This group is represented in almost every activity open to freshmen. In the athletic field are William Clark and Harold Colvin in football; Floyd Sanford, George Lusk, Vic Nordstrom and Philip McKee in crew; Williamson and Colvin in basketball; Gilchrist, Greenwood, Hoffman, Jahelka, Reilly in track and cross-country. In nonathletic activities are George Lusk, class vice president; Randolph Phillips, *Spectator*, class secretary; Howard Walker, *Spectator*, class treasurer; and Banks and Paynter on the staff of *Columbia Jester*. This is conceded to be the largest and best-rounded delegation to be secured under the college's highly-restricted rushing system and it certainly sets up a mark at which to aim.

Among the brothers who are making their place in basketball we have Fred Rieger and Howard Riley playing with the regular team.

Upon David B. Miller jr, present G. P. of New York Gamma, was conferred the honor of representing Columbia College at the Student Conference held in Nebraska last December. This may be looked upon merely as the culmination of his outstanding work as editor in chief of *Spectator*, as well as among the other nonathletic activities in which he has taken part.

During the Christmas holidays we had the rather unusual pleasure of a visit from Brother Knox, Archon of the sixth district, who stopped in New York on his way to the E. C. meeting in Washington, D. C. We are mighty glad to have had a chance to meet a brother from so far away, and we hope that any visitors to our city will not fail to look in at the chapter house.

New York, N. Y.  
January 9, 1928

WILLIAM H. IMHOF  
Correspondent

### New York Epsilon—Colgate University

As the first semester draws to a close, the interest of the brothers is centered in the approaching midyear examinations. Books are being worked overtime, "rats" are numerous, while speculations on exam questions fly thick and fast. Everyone is anxiously awaiting the second semester when the sad results will be known and activities begin again.

This year, for the first time, Colgate has a well-organized outing club and an extensive winter sports program. The college is finally taking advantage of its ideal location for winter sports. A large farm a short distance from town has been procured where students may

enjoy skiing, snow-shoeing and skating. The old toboggan slide has been lengthened and the freshman football field has been flooded for a hockey rink. With these numerous improvements and advantages, winter in Hamilton will be a season of activity rather than the three months' hibernation which it has been in the past. Colgate will be represented for the first time in the intercollegiate ski-jumping contest at Dartmouth this year. A hockey team has been newly organized and already a stiff schedule has been arranged. Pledge Hofheins is a promising candidate for the team, while Slaght is scrubbing managership of the organization.

Basketball is well under way with four games already played, three of them being victories for Colgate. Wilson is assistant manager of the team this year. Winslow is scrubbing managership. The Phi Psi underclass basketball team is one of the best in the interfraternity league. It is at present the only team which has not been defeated.

Pratt is chairman of the Block "O" committee this year. This banquet has come to be one of the big functions of the college and chairmanship of the committee is a signal honor.

Plans for winter carnival house party are now under way. The party will be featured by a dance in the gymnasium. Dances will be held in the chapter house two nights.

*Hamilton, N. Y.*

*January 10, 1928*

JAMES F. GARVEY

*Correspondent*

## SECOND DISTRICT

### Pennsylvania Gamma—Bucknell University

During the past year Bucknell has completed a fairly successful football season. James and Woerner received their letters after playing sterling games at end and tackle positions, respectively. Gring also received his letter for successfully filling the duties of manager. Marlin Stephens was a substitute guard and was used very effectively when reserve strength was needed.

Phi Psi was well represented on the freshman team by six players. Brumbaugh was the flashy backfield captain and the mainstay of the yearling team. Purdy, Poynter, Konkle, Wingate and Shourds were the other representatives on the team from the chapter.

Basketball is getting a start at the present time. Bennett is a substitute center on the varsity squad and is listed among the first ten. On the freshman squad Phi Psi shines with three candidates: Brumbaugh, Shourds and Poynter are all showing up exceptionally well, and it looks like a good year for the frosh.

The Phi Psi basketball team is practising daily in preparation for a strenuous season, in hopeful anticipation of winning the interfraternity championship and carrying off the cup. Manager Keller has arranged a tentative schedule with various high school and semi-pro teams throughout the state, so that by the time the interfraternity season starts the chapter should be represented by a fast aggregation. The lineup will probably be Bennett, captain, Wilson, Brumbaugh, Poynter and Shourds.

During the deer season Bunting took a hunting trip into the mountains near Bellefonte and returned with an eight-point deer. As a result, the boys feasted on venison steak for several days.

Eddie Hoffman, the million-dollar trumpet player, is managing an orchestra of his own this year and is having a very successful season with his red-hot jazz band.

A very pretty wedding was held on Thanksgiving day at the Methodist Church of Lewisburg, when William S. Stephens was united in marriage with Miss Evelyn Brubaker of Lewisburg. Stephens was captain of the 1926 football team and received his diploma with the class of 1927. Miss Brubaker was a graduate of the Music School of the university and was a member of Mu Phi Epsilon. The couple will take up their residence in Dilltown, Pa., at the groom's home.

The boys are all burning the midnight oil in preparation for the dreaded midyear examinations which are not far off. After that we labor another semester, and then, "On to Buffalo."

Lewisburg, Pa.

January 8, 1928

J. GRAHAM WOOD

Correspondent

### Pennsylvania Epsilon—Gettysburg College

Three brothers from Pennsylvania Epsilon were out for football and all made the varsity, and their sweaters and letters. Hall, a senior, played halfback; Drawbaugh and Cockley, juniors, were at quarterback and end, respectively. It is with pride that we think of these brothers, because competition for a regular berth on the varsity squad was exceptionally keen, due to the wealth of material. Hall and Cockley worked like demons to insure the Fraternity a place of recognition. Drawbaugh had additional work and worry when in the game with Schuylkill College he suffered a badly injured foot, but once back on the field he plugged straight through for his honestly earned glory.

Of our freshmen, Jack Brady, end, was the only one to make his numerals. He is one of the strongest wing-men that has ever played on any freshman team at this institution. Mershon, tackle, injured his knee, and Evans, center, was put out by a brain-concussion early in the season, but we are proud of these three pledges for the spirit they have shown.

We consider our pledges excellent individually and as a whole. The pledge dance on December 3d was a success. All the pledges realize the necessity of getting down to work for the coming exams, and after that we are making elusive promises of interesting diversions.

On December 11th a group of some ten or twelve of our most prominent alumni met at the chapter house and formed the nucleus of what promises to be an excellent alumni association of this chapter. They are thoroughly interested in us and our progress, and their wisdom and support are greatly appreciated. From developments since that first meeting, we prophesy an alumni association equal to any such chapter organization of its kind in the Fraternity.

Drawbaugh has been elected manager of the junior class basketball team; Hanson, manager of Company "B" basketball team of the R. O. T. C. unit. In February a chapter of Beta Beta Beta, honorary biological society, will be installed at Gettysburg, and Hensen will be initiated into it as a charter member.

As a fitting climax to the close of the fall season, and a prevacation party, the Christmas dance was held on December 16th. Lloyd Major and his well-known orchestra furnished the music. The favors were considered quite novel, being combined trinket-boxes and vanity-cases, hexagonal in shape and bearing the seal of the Fraternity in silver upon the clasp.

In this the beginning of a new year, Pennsylvania Epsilon wishes all her sister chapters the best of luck and much success.

Gettysburg, Pa.

January 10, 1928

HENRY M. HENSEN

Correspondent

### Pennsylvania Zeta—Dickinson College

Pennsylvania Zeta has spent a more or less uneventful winter. We had a fine dance just before the beginning of the Christmas vacation, and another just after. The night before the vacation started an unusually pleasant smoker was held in the chapter house. The freshmen were given free rein to mimic or caricature any upperclassmen. They went the limit in taking advantage of such a rare opportunity.

We have lost four of our fourteen pledges because of scholarship. This is not due to any fault of the rushing committee but to the preposterous methods of conducting a rushing season that are now used on the campus. Phi Kappa Psi has been conducting a campaign for two years to have deferred rushing reinstated on the Dickinson campus.

The basketball season is now in full blast. Sweely is captain of the team, Hitchens is manager, Mentzer, Bowes, Hoffman, Smith and Angle are on the squad. The team has lost only two games so far, one to Army, and one to Princeton in an overtime struggle.

We are at present bearing down on the scholarship, with the midyears only a week away. Elections for the coming term will be held next meeting night.

*Carlisle, Pa.*

*January 10, 1928*

JAMES A. STRITE

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Theta—Lafayette College

The present marks of eleven freshmen indicate good results for the first term examinations. Sixty-six per cent of the freshman marks are C or above, 20 per cent are D's, and 10 per cent are failing. The failing marks are concentrated on two of the eleven freshmen. These results are due to a fortunate selection of pledges rather than any drastic scholarship rules. Also, it is interesting to note that six freshmen are making definite headway athletically, while the others are active in government, dramatics and publications.

Junior week, a week of teas, dances and entertainment, has been revived at Lafayette after a five years' lapse. Bud Hooker, the chairman of the committee, has arranged a schedule that will undoubtedly make the affair the climax of a very successful social season. One of several large formal dances will be given on our floor. Favors are to be given our house guests. Fifteen soubrettes will arrive on February 1st, with their managers, to take over the house for the week. The ejected chapter will move to the dormitories in favor of the star boarders. The junior prom will crown the whole affair at the end of the week. The gymnasium is to be elaborately decorated, and a pair of orchestras will furnish continuous music.

We regret to say that Dr. John R. Crawford, Pa. Beta, the head of the fine arts department at Lafayette, has been confined to the University of Pennsylvania Hospital, suffering from a wound caused by a foil striking his eye while fencing. He will not return until late spring.

The interfraternity basketball team has won two out of three games, losing one to the best team in the league. Accordingly, the prospects should be good for the rest of the season. The bowling season is getting under way in Lafayette's renewed bowling alleys.

Red Fairchild, who was graduated last year, is selling real estate. Rabe Marsh is in the University of Pittsburgh law school, hoping to follow his father's law business. Joe Wilson was last heard from while touring the country.

We were delighted to have stay with us Frank O. Darvell, of the University of Reading, England, and Andrew Haddon of the University of Edinburg, Scotland. Both are members of the British Union debating team, that finished their tour of the United States at Lafayette.

*Easton, Pa.*

*January 9, 1928*

FREDERICK L. GRANT

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Iota—University of Pennsylvania

The usual rush to the books just before midyears is keeping everyone busy at the present moment. From all indications it looks as if the casualty list will be very small this year as most of the brothers seem to be putting in some hard work on the books.

The brothers who made the trip to California with the football team report that a wonderful time was had by all. With the return of the football team, all interest is now centered on the Palestra where the basketball team is striving to win the intercollegiate title. "Stan" Stewart is making a strong bid for a regular berth on the team.

Lee McGean was recently elected captain of the water polo team. In the try-outs for the Mask and Wig show, Wilbur S. Beaumont won the cup offered for the best skit. This should assure "Beau" of a leading part in this year's show. Many of the brothers are trying out for the dancing and singing choruses of the show and we hope to have quite a few members in the show.

With the first semester about over, we are looking forward to an even more successful second term. With a large rushing list, we hope to get an excellent freshman delegation.

*Philadelphia, Pa.*

*January 9, 1928*

JACK K. WAMPLER

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Kappa—Swarthmore College

The football season has been completed, with letters awarded to Maxwell and Clothier and to Pledges Burton and Sinclair. Maxwell held down the halfback position, while Clothier was a fighting center. Pledge Burton distinguished himself as a tackle and Sinclair as halfback. The Swarthmore soccer team took the strong Navy eleven into camp in the last game of the season and Bush aided in the defeat by his work in the halfback line.

In the annual interfraternity basketball games Pennsylvania Kappa made a strong bid for the championship when it was defeated by Delta Upsilon by a close score. Basketball is now in full swing at Swarthmore and Pledge Testwuide is a varsity forward and Parrish, Pledges Biddle, Sinclair, Burton and Kirsch are playing a good game on the junior varsity.

Pennsylvania Kappa is looking forward to the annual Phi Psi banquet of the undergraduates and alumni to be held at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel in Philadelphia January 14th. The banquet is one of the high lights of the year and no pledge can ever forget his first Phi Psi banquet. The best group of pledges Pennsylvania Kappa has ever had will be initiated during the early part of February and then the chapter will go right ahead to unprecedented heights. At least we all feel confident of that. We are always looking for visiting brothers.

*Swarthmore, Pa.*

*January 8, 1928*

HOWARD J. WOOD

*Correspondent*

## Maryland Alpha—Johns Hopkins University

Now that Pledge Day and the Christmas holidays are both matters of history, Maryland Alpha is getting down to some real work in preparation for the midyear examinations. This is especially true of the pledges. Our scholarship committee is keeping in close contact with the pledges and with the instructors of the various pledges. We do not desire to spoil a successful rushing season by losing men through the "100 per cent" rule.

The men who pledged Phi Kappa Psi at Johns Hopkins University this year are: Crane, Johnson, Miller, Redue, Tucker and Upton. These pledges are, in our opinion, a fine crowd of men and they are fully equipped to maintain the high standards, both in scholarship and in activities, which Maryland Alpha has set for itself.

To speak of matters more domestic; our steward, Ashton Devereux, has been furnishing the members living in the chapter house with very excellent food. His only troubles are a few constitutional grumblers and an occasional raid on the icebox during the hours when the vigilant steward is asleep.

The Mothers Association has been even more generous toward the chapter than in the past. Besides keeping a supervisory eye on the chapter house, they have bought us a bridge table, two bridge lamps, a table lamp and two large upholstered chairs. The money for these gifts was raised by means of a subscription card party given by the association. The chapter is deeply indebted to the association for its thoughtfulness and generosity. We advise any chapter in the Fraternity which is without a similar organization to organize one as soon as possible; it cannot realize how great an assistance such an association is to a chapter until it has given the plan a practical test.

Our G. P., William Kegan, has received recognition for his work, scholastic and on the campus, by being made a member of the national honorary society, Omicron Delta Kappa.

*Baltimore, Md.*

*January 6, 1928*

ELDRIDGE H. WOLFF

*Correspondent*

## Virginia Alpha—University of Virginia

After a most welcome and enjoyable holiday, the brothers of Virginia Alpha have returned to continue the work of the second term and to expound at length upon the many adventures and experiences of the holidays. Everyone has reported a grand and glorious time, and Baker from Montgomery must have had an even better time as it took him quite a while to get back to the university.

We are very proud to have with us again "Little Charles" of the famous Nelson brothers. Nelson has resumed the work which he was forced to relinquish last session due to illness, and it is a pleasure to enjoy again his companionship.

Virginia Alpha continues its activity on the campus by the participation of the various brothers in the publications, athletics and other phases of extracurricular activity. Gilmer, as editor in chief, is striving to publish in a most creditable manner the university newspaper, *College Topics*. He has on his staff McDowell.

Practically half the chapter is actively engaged in work on the university annual, *Corks and Curls*, under the direction of the editor, Tom McEachern.

Williams and Turner, as assistant managers of basketball, are marshalling a large number of the adjuncts of this sport: Hart and Baker

are training hard for the wrestling squad, while Hart has also demonstrated his ability in other fields by being recently appointed to the editorial board of the *Virginia Law Review*.

The midwinter dances are scheduled for the 2d, 3d and 4th of February and we are expecting a large number of alumni brothers back for the festivities.

The grades for the first term are not yet complete but from the incomplete announcement it seems that all the brothers have executed their work in a most creditable manner. The recent initiates seem to have done better than the average in their scholastic endeavors.

Kinlock Nelson and Ted Dorsey visited the house during the past week and we were very glad to welcome them back again.

*University, Va.*

T. A. McEACHERN

*Correspondent*

### Virginia Beta—Washington and Lee University

The new year comes upon us, bringing with it two events of major importance: that of examinations and then, to relieve the mind and spirit after such strenuous work, fancy dress ball, one of the biggest social events of the south. Both of these are looked forward to with great interest, but in a different manner by most.

With the close of the holidays the interest turns toward basketball, and the Virginia Beta Chapter has a right to look toward it with pride. Spotts is captain of this year's Generals and White is one of the best forwards Washington and Lee has had in many seasons. We also feel proud of Spotts in that he was elected to play on the all-southern football team in California during the Christmas holidays.

During the absence of the boys from the house at Christmas time, it was completely gone over and many improvements were made. It is slowly reaching the point which we hope to attain and during the coming year we hope to have it completely up to our expectations.

Virginia Beta wishes the many other chapters a successful and prosperous year, and may it be a banner one for Phi Kappa Psi.

*Lexington, Va.*

HORACE GOOCH JR

*January 4, 1928*

*Correspondent*

### THIRD DISTRICT

#### Pennsylvania Alpha—Washington and Jefferson College

College resumed at Washington and Jefferson College on January 4th and all the boys returned safe and sound after a somewhat hectic holiday season. The din of Christmas was a discordant noise. The rest received during the vacation was sure needed because the examination schedule is posted and everybody is observing late hours in preparation for the "Ides of January," as our president, Dr. Baker, prefers to call this, the coming, Waterloo.

When the alumni return for graduation next year they will hardly recognize our college and campus. The main building is an entire new building on the interior and the gymnasium, at the present time, is being rebuilt within, also. Now there is nothing left but four walls and a roof, but we are not a bit sorry because we do not have to endure gym classes this year.

The campus now has a hedge surrounding it and at each end of our

new cement drive we have large iron gates which add very much to the beauty of the whole place. The old front of the main building has been razed and a beautiful new plaza has taken its place. Large trees of lights have been spread across the campus to illuminate it at night. The Phi Kappa Psi fountain which was formerly in front of the main building has been moved to a new position between it and the gymnasium.

William Eastburn was our only representative on the varsity football squad this year, and, although he is only a sophomore, he showed considerable ability in several games. We are expecting great things of Bill in his next two years of playing. George Wilson, Richard Schumacker and Pledge Andrew Cochrane played regularly on the freshman squad. Schumacker and Wilson were the leading scorers in the backfield, while Cochrane, who played guard, was captain of the team. All three are certain of being on the regular squad next year.

Pennsylvania Alpha is mighty proud of the fact that it has the managementships of all the athletic activities in the college this year. Fritz Moore was manager of the football squad; Ben Moulton, that of tennis; Lewis P. Metesser will manage the track team next spring. William Davison, a sophomore, was manager of the freshman football team and is line for varsity managership. Also, William Theurer is graduate manager of athletics, and has just experienced a successful football season in succeeding Brother Henry Hood.

All our second year men, including one pledge, have made the sophomore honorary societies. William Eastburn, James Aiken and William Davison made Druid; Clay Ross, George Wilson, Robert Ferree, Raab Hamilton and Frank Walton, the Friars, the last named being elected president of that organization.

Our pledges have been organized and are doing well in scholarship as well as activities. We are expecting them to be of Phi Psi standard in the future.

Please do not forget that we extend an invitation to any active or alumni brother to come in and have a meal and a stay with us any time they find themselves in this vicinity.

*Washington, Pa.*

*January 10, 1928*

FRANK T. WALTON

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Beta—Allegheny College

As a climax to one of the best seasons he has known, Charley Slaven, brilliant end and mainstay of the Allegheny line for three years, has been elected captain of the Blue and Gold team for the 1928 season. Slaven's election did not come as a surprise, for he was generally conceded to be the logical man, receiving a unanimous vote. During the season just past his work was always outstanding; opposing teams searched for a more vulnerable spot after two or three attempts to circle his end. Charley should be a great leader, as he is the type of player who can imbue the others with a measure of his own fighting spirit. He served as acting captain during most of last season and showed that he is a real leader.

Slaven was the only upperclassman from the house on the squad, but we were represented by four of the pledges. Thompson and Boylan were letter-men, the former a halfback and the latter an end. Both of these men show great promise and, with the experience of the past year at their command, should have no difficulty in holding regular positions. Pledges Copeland and Minch were also on the squad. Copeland suffered an injury in the middle of the season which, after

he had worked up to a first-team berth, put him on the bench for the remainder of the year.

Phi Psis not only had an important part on the playing end of the football squad, but in the management of the team as well. Tom Leffingwell deserves much credit for the capable way in which he managed the team this fall. His fine work this year was a fitting climax to three years of hard and faithful work in the service of the football squad. Phil Corbin, assistant manager, working side by side with Leffingwell, performed his duties in a most capable manner. Last year it was thought advisable to have two managers instead of one, as the duties are really too heavy for one man. Consequently, two men were elected to the position of assistant manager, Corbin being one of these. Phil will, therefore, be one of the two managers next year.

The annual Founders' Day banquet will be held February 18th at the chapter house. Definite arrangements for the banquet have not been made as yet, but we hope to make this the greatest that we have ever had. We have seventeen pledges, and there is every indication at the present time that we will be able to initiate all at the February initiation, which will take place the night before the banquet. During the past two or three years we have not had as many alumni back as we wished, but this year we hope to have the house filled to capacity, for we certainly can promise that we will have a fine bunch of new brothers on hand to make the occasion one that will not be readily forgotten.

The annual fall party was held at the Saegertown Inn December 10th. An excellent chicken dinner was served, and the party was as genuinely successful as any we have had. The music was furnished by Carson Miller and his orchestra of Farrell, Pa., and Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Lee and Prof. and Mrs. L. D. McClean were chaperones.

Final examinations are again upon us. This year we enter them fighting to maintain our scholastic supremacy. That scholarship plaque is going to remain at Pennsylvania Beta for another year if the enthusiasm and energy the boys are putting on their studies means anything.

*Meadville, Pa.  
January 9, 1928*

BRADFORD A. BOOTH  
*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Lambda—Pennsylvania State College

Phi Psis around these parts have been breaking into the news with more than usual regularity. Vic Schinnerer, president of the Interfraternity Council, is at present completing arrangements for a local fraternity conference, the first of its kind at Penn State, that is scheduled for February 4th-6th. A host of outside speakers have been invited, including all the national officers of Phi Kappa Psi. The following have definitely accepted: Dr. Francis W. Shepardson, national president of Beta Theta Pi; Dr. William S. Dye jr, national president of Acacia; Dr. Joseph C. Nate, executive secretary of Sigma Chi; Judge H. Walton Mitchell, Beta Theta Pi; Professor John Henry Frizzell, Phi Kappa Psi; Dr. Ralph Dorn Hetzel, president of the Pennsylvania State College and a member of Delta Upsilon; Hugo Bezdek, Penn State athletic director and a member of Phi Kappa Sigma. Schinnerer deserves all the encomium that is certain to be his for his initiative in inaugurating this feature at Penn State.

The executive ability of Lew Gwin, president of the Y. M. C. A., has been further recognized when he was elected president of Chi

Epsilon, national civil engineering fraternity. Ran Thomas, president of the chapter for the second consecutive semester, is a member of the senior ball committee. Malcolm Kirkpatrick has been elected manager of the Penn State freshman football team for next year. He has also been initiated into Druid, national sophomore campus society, and is a member of the sophomore hop committee. Cal Barwis and Harry Dowdy are both striving for positions as assistant business managers of the *Collegian*, the campus newspaper. Bill Schinnerer is pounding the keyboard of his favorite typewriter in competition for a junior news editorship on the same publication. The elections will be held March 13th. Carl Buck has hopes of landing a berth as first assistant wrestling manager. Johnny Batdorf has answered the first call for candidates for the baseball team and hopes to land an outfielder's job after starring with the yearling team last spring.

WANTED: Phi Psi alumni or undergraduates of any chapter to help share in a genuine good time. Food unexcelled, soft beds, wonderful hospitality amidst a healthful environment. No previous experience or references needed. Apply immediately. Pennsylvania Lambda Chapter, Phi Kappa Psi.

*State College, Pa.*

*January 11, 1928*

WHEELER LORD JR

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Mu—Carnegie Institute of Technology

The big items of interest this month are our new pledges. We have annexed ten new boys of the highest type and we feel that they are the best Phi Psi material available. I will now proceed to enumerate the pledges and their good qualities.

We have Bert McKee from Erie, Pa. Bert is in the drama department and stands scholastically third in his class. Fisher Motz from Monessen, Pa., enrolled in the department of architecture. John Stout from Parkersburg, W. Va., another architect. Ed Clark from Edgewood, Pa., an engineer and a basketball man. Griffith Lindsay from Butler, Pa., an engineer and a member of the freshman football squad. Bayard V. Somes from Evansville, Ind., student of architecture. Stanley Rousch, our "big" football player. Stan made his numerals in football and is the most likely possibility for the position of guard on the varsity next year. Stan is enrolled in the arts school. James Trau, Pittsburgh, on the freshman basketball squad. Jim is an engineer. William Loos, Pittsburgh, engineering school.

Besides the problem of pledges we have had quite a bit of trouble with the radiators in various places about the house. Several have burst as a result of the extreme cold weather and we have been kept busy running with a bucket to put under the leaks in the ceilings. The plastering is still intact, a fact which delightfully surprises us all.

Midsemester grades have proved us to be a fairly intelligent group. Maybe we'll all make Phi Beta Kappa. The final exams are about three weeks away and in preparation we have stocked up on midnight oil and energine.

As I have a big day before me, I will stop and get some sleep.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.*

PAUL F. DROSTE

*Correspondent*

## West Virginia Alpha—West Virginia University

Christmas vacation has been over for one week and everybody is settling down to normal again as semester exams start on January 21st. At midsemester quite a few good averages were made by the old men and by the preps, so that we expect to get the interfraternity scholastic cup this year. Speaking of grades, Joe Keener made Phi Beta Kappa at the fall election.

On December 18th we had our formal, and it was some party. The house was decorated in a grand manner and so Jo McDermott with his committee put over one of the best parties our chapter house has ever seen. Just before the holidays we had a Christmas party at the house. A large pine was in the main room and around it were heaps of presents. Loud were the admirations of the brothers as they unwrapped their presents to see what Santa had brought.

We have not been "partying" all the time, however. On the campus the boys are continuing to reap in the honors. Bill Winfield, Lyle Jones and Malcolm Lowe made Torch and Serpent, and Johnnie Phillips made the coveted Mountain. Pledge Scott Lowe jr landed a fat part in the play that the Dramatic Club will put on this year, "The Pelican." In athletic lines we are well represented. Truehart Taylor is the captain of the basketball team. So far he is high scorer. Louis Sturbois is also out for the team. Pledge Dave Jacobs is out for the freshman team. Lyle Jones was elected one of the four assistant football managers for next year.

Our fraternity basketball team is getting into swing and we hope to get the last leg on the interfraternity basketball cup. Louis Sturbois is the manager and we expect him to lead us to a successful season.

Frank Maynard has been called forth to join the ranks of the wrestling team. Lest we forget, I shall put in here about Johnnie Phillips being elected the president of the freshman law class.

Our initiation will be about the end of February. We hope to initiate all the pledges this semester.

*Morgantown, W. Va.  
January 9, 1928*

J. L. KEENER JR  
*Correspondent*

## Ohio Alpha—Ohio Wesleyan University

The last few months of 1927 were very profitable ones for our chapter. From many standpoints they are the best for some time. Socially, they are stellar months in our calendar. We all forgot ourselves, for a short time, and gave one of the best informal parties that the house has known. As a fitting climax, we shall have enjoyed, before this letter is printed, our winter "formal."

In the sports our men fared well. Helwig and Kyle received varsity football letter sweaters. Pledges Schuchart, Bryan, Fry and Phillips received football numeral sweaters. Holtz and Smith received elections to senior and junior managerships, respectively, of the football team for the next season.

On the annual holiday vacation trip of the varsity basketball team, Helwig and Magley showed to excellent advantage. Unfortunately, Helwig has contracted an attack of appendicitis which will keep him out of the game for a short time. In the game last week-end with Muskingum, last year's Ohio conference champions, which Wesleyan won 35-31, Magley was second high-point man. Bartram and Beane are, respectively, junior and sophomore managers of the team.

Pettibone, one of the university's best dash men, is active in indoor

track, while Pledges Phillips, Salisbury and Bryan also seem to have good chances for successful track careers.

Crass and Beane are trying for places on the business and editorial staffs of the college year book, *Le Bijou*.

Scholastically, the chapter has been doing exceptional work. Every man is making a definite effort to aid the chapter's point average and boost it to a place of rightful height. The "preps" are doing somewhat better than average work, for them, and, as the time for final quizzes comes on, we hope they will survive unanimously.

We would consider it a privilege to have any of the brothers visit us and join in a real old-fashioned "session."

Delaware, Ohio  
January 10, 1928

H. A. BEANE  
Correspondent

### Ohio Beta—Wittenberg College

Now that the Christmas vacation is over, the boys have all returned and are busily engaged with their books, in preparation for the close of the first semester. Ohio Beta is trying hard to maintain her scholastic position, which has been for the last two years at the head of all Greek-letter fraternities on the campus.

Wittenberg closed a most successful football season with eight conference victories and but one conference defeat to her credit. With the close of the season comes the end of Al Brant's football career at the college. Al has been one of the most reliable tackles on the team, not having missed one conference game during all his three years' playing. Merickel held down the quarterback position commendably throughout the season, while Pledge Schafer made an exceptionally fine showing on the frosh team.

At present, basketball is the center of attention. Bus Trautwein has the position of center, and Pledge Joe Keyser, forward. Joe is a junior and was pledged last month. He is a veteran at the game, was all-Ohio forward as well as high-point man on the team last year, and so far this season Joe is in the point lead.

Not only in varsity, but in interfraternity basketball is Phi Psi interested. The opening game of the season will be held tomorrow night, when Phi Psi meets A. T. O. Not being gifted with the prophetic foresight of a Prometheus, however, we can make no prediction as to the outcome of this game, or any that follow.

Even though busy with studies and athletics, the chapter also realizes that the social activities of the Fraternity are important. Accordingly, a Christmas dance was held before vacation began, and was a most successful party. Now plans have been completed for a dance to be given on February 10th under the joint supervision of the entertainment and membership committees. Aware of the importance of early rushing, about ten prospects have been invited. The annual formal will be on April 27th.

Nor is the Phi Psi Mothers' Club dormant. On December 10th the mothers gave a delicious pot-luck dinner at the chapter house. Now they are planning a garden party dinner-dance, to be given at the neighboring homes of Bros. Dan Shoumlin and Charles Bauer. This party is planned for early spring. A noble organization—the Mothers' Club!

And now comes the news for which Ohio Beta has been waiting for several years, namely, that plans concerning the erection of a new chapter house will be submitted soon, and an active campaign, under the general chairmanship of Bro. Dan Souvlin, will begin within

several weeks. From all indications, the chapter is about to realize the dream of years.

As February 19th approaches, Founders' Day banquet plans progress. Ohio Beta is expecting the "biggest and best" banquet ever, this year. The pledges are developing gradually into real Phi Psis and the chapter hopes to initiate the greater percentage of the class on that date.

Pledge MacConkey presented the house with an extremely appropriate Christmas gift of his own invention. It is a Mac-a-dyne radio, and is a most welcome addition to the chapter.

The annual election of chapter officers resulted as follows: Rodger Jackson, G. P.; John Larimer, V. G. P.; Godfrey Beaumont, B. G.; Richard Neiling, Ph.; Earl Evans, H.; Joe Bullock, Hi. It is also of interest that Joe Bullock was recently elected president of the senior class.

Do not forget that the house is ever open to visiting brothers, and that the chapter will be insulted if any brother visiting in the vicinity does not drop in for a chat, a meal, or both.

*Springfield, Ohio*  
January 10, 1928

JOHN RAUCH JR  
*Correspondent*

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### Ohio Delta—Ohio State University

Since writing the last letter to THE SHIELD, only two events of major importance to readers have occurred in the life of Ohio Delta, namely, the reorganization of the alumni and Brunson's deserved appointment to the high ranking campus activity of senior football manager. Those who have lived on Ohio's campus know that such an appointment comes only after three years of diligent labor and then only because of superiority over a large field of contestants, who, since their freshman year, have been dropped by the wayside one by one.

The alumni in Columbus are the ones who have gathered for reorganization, and, although not permitted a part in the meeting, the writer feels assured that there has arisen already a renewed interest that will mean much to the chapter in the near future.

The athletes now representing Ohio State are Grim, regular forward on this year's cage team, and J. Rockaway, Strothers and Machetany who promise to make a good showing as sophomore track men.

The annual Christmas party was a huge success, the gifts chosen by the social committee being particularly appropriate in nearly all cases.

*Columbus, Ohio*

GORDON H. WALKER  
*Correspondent*

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### Ohio Epsilon—Case School of Applied Science

"Time flies." How well we now realize this old maxim. School is once more under way after a pleasant but short relapse of eleven days' vacation. Two big events mark this period of convalescence, namely, the annual Christmas party and the impromptu New Year's eve dance. The former was voted a huge success in spite of the late arrival of a great majority of the contestants. Jack Horwitz' Collegian Serenaders furnished music that just had to be danced to; one could not feel satisfied with just listening.

A large attendance of alumni aided greatly in making the party a

success. A very delightful breakfast at the house followed as is customary and at this the largest attendance in years was recorded. The New Year's party, the second one of its kind, was likewise a fine affair. The original purpose of this party was to give the brothers a good time on New Year's eve for a reasonable fee, something that cannot be done at any night club in Cleveland on this eventful eve. All who were present will agree, however, that a finer time could not be had regardless of price.

To get down to happenings a bit more substantial, let's speak of the initiation of the sophomores, whom we are very proud to call brothers. They are: H. C. Hopkins, H. L. Allen, brother of A. H. Allen, class of '28, and F. W. Kimble, who shortly after initiation was forced to resume living in Texas as an aid to his health.

Interfraternity basketball, too, has been very successful so far. We have managed to go through the season without a black mark to date. Two games, which we hope and think will be won, remain to be played.

*Cleveland, Ohio*

*January 5, 1928*

B. W. WELCH

*Correspondent*

#### FOURTH DISTRICT

##### Michigan Alpha—University of Michigan

Everybody is back after the Christmas holidays to recuperate, but no casualties were noted. During vacation the alumni had the sleeping and study rooms decorated, and they look very fine, though some brothers complain that the smell of paint has a bad effect on their digestion.

Michigan Alpha is holding up her reputation as far as campus activities are concerned; Wachs and Tarbill have been on the *'Ensi*an staff this year, Maney is distinguishing himself in hockey, Slayton is on the *Gargoyle* staff, Wallace is assistant manager of the football squad, Wachs is on the Interfraternity Council, and the freshmen are all planning to do something next semester.

Believing that scholarship is of the utmost importance, the chapter decided on some rules to improve it. All of the brothers must stay in their rooms on week nights, with the exception of one night, which they may choose. Quiet hours are enforced from 7.30 on, and the freshmen are given every incentive to do good work. The system has not been in effect long enough to prove itself as yet, but we have every reason to believe that it will work.

*Ann Arbor, Mich.*

*January 7, 1928*

B. L. CARVER

*Correspondent*

##### Indiana Alpha—DePauw University

On the Wednesday night before Christmas, Indiana Alpha had an old-fashioned Christmas party. As you remember, it is customary for the pledges at this time to read their letters to Saint Nick; letters in which certain things are suggested for the upperclassmen. This is the one chance a first year man has to take a crack at the dignified juniors and seniors without fear of a more material crack in return. Now, believe me, not a single chance is passed up and as a result most of us get knocked way off our pedestals. Another favorite pastime at this occasion is the exchange of cheap gifts which are both significant and

appropriate for the receiver. Many are the dumbbells, fish, baby rattles, toys and loaded cigars that find their way to the various brothers.

With the closing days of vacation, the gang began to reassemble. As far as home locations are concerned, we have a mighty cosmopolitan group here at Indiana Alpha. They traveled from every point of the compass, from New York, New Jersey and Washington, from Michigan, Wisconsin and Illinois, and from Pennsylvania, Ohio and every corner of Indiana, to get back to the bonds of Phi Psi. During vacation DePauw played the University of Chicago in basketball and, as a result, we could have nearly held chapter meeting in the Windy City. Nineteen brothers assembled amid great cheers from the local "Greeks." Visiting honors this time seem to go to Smith and Fowle. Fowle succeeded in visiting through most of Indiana and Illinois, while Smith reached the above named and extended his travels to take in many points of interest in Michigan as well. (Primarily because said brother's home happens to be in that state.)

The air around the house is beginning to take on the strained aspect always characteristic of pre-examination days. More than one course will be passed in these next three weeks, that is, if they are passed at all. We are thankful to claim very bright prospects for our scholastic standing. Last year we stood sixth out of sixteen fraternities. This year we bid fair to be within the first three places. With the freshmen unfortunately, there are two that will find it a hard pull to make the necessary 15 points for initiation. However, on the other hand, there are five that will make scholarships and two others that already have them. The general tendency of the chapter is for harder work. Scholastically speaking, we are fortunate to have lost one brother who persisted in turning in almost straight failures.

Next semester will cause two changes in the personnel of the chapter. Burkhart graduates at the end of this first half. We certainly will miss Burkey, both as a good fellow and as a scholastic asset. Three years and a half is a record for an A. B. degree, especially in the face of an illness that kept him out for two months this semester. The chapter is fortunate to regain Turner, also a senior, who has been spending this year at Ohio State. The companionship of Indiana Alpha is too strong; he returns to be with the old gang. The chapter cordially invites you all to return; come back, even if it's but for a day or two.

*Greencastle, Ind.*

*January 5, 1926*

STUART SMITH

*Correspondent*

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### Indiana Beta—University of Indiana

Accomplishments of Phi Psi at the Hoosier seat of learning during the two months past have been so many and so varied that the chronicling of them is no easy task. Perhaps the outstanding single events were the elections of Dick Trueblood to Phi Beta Kappa and Jim Johnson to Beta Gamma Sigma. The latter organization is a commerce school society with requisites for membership identical to Phi Beta Kappa.

For several weeks the interfraternity football league has been at a standstill mainly through the inability of Phi Psi and Alpha Tau Omega to play off a tie game in the semifinal round. The first clash with the A. T. O.'s was a 6-6 tie, and the second was a 0-0 deadlock. We also played a tie game with the Sigma Alpha Mu earlier in the season. We have a fine chance to win the title if our foe of the last two games can be subdued. We have won several volley ball games,

and will launch a clever, speedy team in the basketball league soon. The intramural office has commended us for taking such an interest in campus athletics this year. Our track team looks like a world-beater now, and the cinder artists can hardly wait for spring's balmy breezes to arrive.

Bundy participated in most of the football games during the fall, and will be a regular tackle for the mammoth schedule arranged by Pat Page and Athletic Director Zora Clevenger for next year. Wabash and Oklahoma are the only non-conference games on the card, and they are usually tough enough. Big Ten elevens to be met by Indiana are Illinois, Northwestern, Purdue, Ohio State, Michigan and Minnesota. Joe Scully, all-state high school halfback, and Bob Marks, brother of the famous Larry and an end, will reinforce the Scrapper Hoosiers next fall. They were awarded numerals this fall.

Indiana's basketball team this winter is largely Phi Psi. Scheid and Starr are making great bids for backguard and forward, respectively, and Jim Johnson is senior manager. Both of our varsity candidates have starred in different games this winter, and in spite of unusually stiff competition are sure to win regular places. The conference season opens here with Chicago Saturday night, this week.

Griffis was pledged Sigma Delta Chi when that organization held its annual Blanket Hop following the Purdue football game November 19th. Trueblood and Richardson helped make the affair the most successful ever held.

Robert Smith was named chairman of the junior prom recently and has already named most of his committees. This position is regarded as one of the choice political plums from the Arbutus bush, and Smith is fortunate in winning it.

Earl Swain and Tom Jones, the dramatists of the freshman class, recently appeared in "Campus Affairs," and are practising for another show to be given soon. Pike and Hubbard teamed together to win a handball game recently, adding a little more scope to our activities.

Cotton Berndt, who was an all-conference football star several years ago, was master of ceremonies for the varsity football banquet at the Phi Psi house following the close of the season. Inspiration and determination were the main themes of the evening's speeches. Individual awards were made by Coach Page.

A very successful Christmas formal dance was held just before vacation. The second floor ball room was converted into a winter scene which was so convincing it belied the warmth of the atmosphere—especially after the dance was well under way. Six little urchins were fed and watered at a turkey banquet the night before vacation began. Toys were part of the treat as well. That night late, the freshmen entertained with a series of clever stunts, which, in the main, were satires on the idiosyncrasies of upperclassmen in the chapter. Many amusing and useless Christmas gifts added merriment to the occasion.

Final examinations are but three weeks away, and that means activities will have to suffer temporarily. We have a splendid chance to win a leg on the scholarship cup; at least the outlook is good for bettering last semester's mark, when we won fourth place among fraternities.

*Bloomington, Ind.*  
*January 4, 1928*

JEAN A. GRAFFIS  
*Correspondent*

## Indiana Delta—Purdue University

After the close of a very successful football season, marked by the winning of major letters by Galletch, Hook and Boots, and by the selection of Hook as all-star guard, we find ourselves in the midst of basketball. Boots is showing himself to be a high bidder for the position of back-guard and he will go far in his basketball career. Pledges Moss, Van Bibber and Worthington are members of the freshman squad, and promise to make good men later on.

Just before the Christmas vacation began, we enjoyed a most remarkable feast, made possible by the presentation of five large hams to the house by Willcutt's father. After the feast came a party in the front room, with a Christmas tree and presents for everyone. John "Dink" Andrews was present for the celebration.

The week-end before the holidays we gave a novelty dance—a firemen's ball. Blue trousers, suspenders, blue shirts and novelty paper firemen's hats made up the official uniform. The affair was a dinner-dance, and during the dinner we were entertained by speeches from such prominent men as the fire chief, alias Wardlaw, the police chief, impersonated by Lester, and many more.

The three Indiana chapters of Phi Psi enjoyed their annual banquet on the eve of Thanksgiving at the Claypool Hotel in Indianapolis. The three chapters had an excellent turnout both of active and graduate members. The usual speeches and entertainment were enjoyed, and a prize, a beautiful wall clock, was presented to the chapter having the best "stunt." Pledge Brown at the piano won the prize for Indiana Delta for the third consecutive time.

We are drawing near the close of the first semester here at Purdue, and every effort is being made to leave a good house-average. A new system of bookkeeping is being installed by Willcutts, and the chapter is in very good shape in all departments.

*West Lafayette, Ind.  
January 7, 1928*

C. L. HENRY  
*Correspondent*

## Illinois Alpha—Northwestern University

This being the period just before final examinations—they are exactly two weeks away—Illinois Alpha is enjoying the brief space of quietness that always accompanies these great events. However, since this is more or less of a sign of determination on the part of the brothers, it is looked upon with relief by those in charge of scholarship.

Probably the most important event that has taken place within the last month was the formal dinner-dance held at the house a week before Christmas. We attempted something a little bit bigger in the way of a formal dance this year than has been done in the past, but, thanks to the able management of the plans by Sam Givens, we came out on top in both fun and finances. And since these are the only essentials of a successful social function, our Christmas party should go down as an achievement. As favors the girls received a musical powder jar, and, from the comments overheard, made them as happy as we had hoped it would.

In intramural touch football, Illinois Alpha gained the distinction of being the first team from the Evanston campus to win the all-university championship. This honor, in previous years, has always gone to a team from McKinlock campus in Chicago. The final game between Phi Kappa Psi, representing the Evanston campus, and Delta Sigma Delta, representing the McKinlock campus, was played in the 122d

Field Artillery's armory in Chicago. Phi Kappa Psi won the championship by a score of 10 to 5. For the whole season, Illinois Alpha scored 175 points to its opponents' 10. The men who played on the championship team were: Dave Kempf, Harvey Weinke, Bob Hand, Howard Noonon, Phil Mates; Pledges Joe Bailey, Bill Griffin, Frank Baker, Byron Laycock and Dick Scott.

At the present time the chapter is busy making plans for the new semester which is so close at hand. Special attention is of course being given to those activities which include as their principal actors the freshmen, or, in other words, probation and initiation.

Northwestern University has recently acquired a \$2,000,000 tract of land adjacent to the present McKinlock campus in Chicago. The expansion of the McKinlock campus is thus made possible and will probably be started within the near future.

*Evanston, Ill.*

January 8, 1928

SEYMOUR J. DEXTER

*Correspondent*

### Illinois Beta—University of Chicago

With the opening of a new quarter and the approach of initiation for fifteen new Phi Psis, Illinois Beta is as usual exuding an abundance of the traditional Phi Psi spirit. For the new college period we have chosen "Bucky" Harris as our G. P. Thus Harris becomes the most prominent man in the chapter, as well as the most prominent man on the campus. He is a member of Owl and Serpent, senior honorary society, business manager of the *Daily Maroon*, a member of the Senior Council, and chairman of the board of freshman control. It looks as though things would be accomplished this quarter. Other officers are Harman, V. G. P.; Budd, B. G.; Peale, S. G.; and Thomas, A. G.

It is with great pleasure that we announce the pledging of two men. They are Ewing Kolb, of Little Rock, Ark., and Charles Ingalls, of Oak Park, Ill. Kolb is a scholarship student and Ingalls is a husky athlete.

Freshmen are now beginning to act a little as freshmen should, due to the annual rumor of an approaching probation week. We shall be very glad to have visiting brothers and alumni on hand to help us put this class of twenty-two men through the toils.

Two big social events are looming formidably before us. The first scheduled is our annual cabaret party, which is due to bring great joy into the hearts of about fifty couples on the eve of February 10th. The second event is the annual parents' banquet wherein we entertain all our parents and make them happy that their sons are members of Illinois Beta of Phi Kappa Psi.

Gist and Farwell are two very important cogs in the five-cogged Maroon basketball machine. Gist compares well with any of the centers in the conference, while Farwell makes himself feared as an unbeatable guard. Pledges Dimond, Johnson, Davis and Ray are fighting for positions on the frosh squad.

The end of last quarter saw three new trophies added to our mantel. The star Phi Psi touchball team brought home a silver pitcher and a silver plaque, while the cross-country team won a beautiful first-place plaque. At present it looks as though no one would be able to beat our basketball team, so that should bring us still another loving cup.

That's the outlay for the coming season, and we are promising to bring home the bacon as only Phi Psi can.

*Chicago, Ill.*

January 7, 1928

PERRY R. THOMAS

*Correspondent*

### Illinois Delta—University of Illinois

The brothers are back and ready to hit the books again, reporting, for the most part, an enjoyable vacation. Pledge Stanley Pierce has not yet been able to return, having been badly injured in an auto accident, which will keep him in the hospital for several weeks. Ongley returned early in order to report for wrestling, in which he is making a good showing.

Pledge Otto Hills won his football numerals; that was a long time ago, but it is still news, not having appeared before in *THE SHIELD*. The house has played a prominent part in intramural athletics this year, having taken second place in its division in both playground ball and water polo. Pledge Tom Brennan of the water polo team was further honored by being placed on the second all-star team, chosen by the *Daily Illini* sports editor at the close of the season. Smith and Kremer were given honorable mention. K. L. Burroughs, house intramural manager, is now concentrating his attention on basketball, in preparation for the opening games of the season next week. The following are members and substitutes of the first team: Mason, Burroughs, Elwell, Hills, McNeill, Shaw, Detrich (by the way, Illinois Alpha announces the pledging of John Detrich, of Chicago, who is expected to help out the house scholastic average as well as the basketball team.), Coleman and Pancoast.

C. E. Wells and Bennett decorated the front page of the Christmas issue of the *Illinois Magazine* with articles of various kinds, thus giving the chapter a sudden literary prominence which it never possessed before. And speaking of Christmas, the annual dance, given this year on December 17th, was even more successful than usual, taking place to the strains of Verne Ricketts' well-known stage orchestra.

*Champaign, Ill.*

January 7, 1928

CHARLES H. BENNETT

Correspondent

### Tennessee Delta—Vanderbilt University

The first semester of the year has found Tennessee Delta with the most successful freshman class that it has had within the past few years. Ten out of the fourteen pledges passed 100 per cent of their work. We are looking forward to initiating this promising bunch of freshmen toward the last of this month.

Tennessee Delta's basketball team has been working hard for the past month. Judging from the way it has showed up in the practice games that we have played, we will surely win the cup in the fraternity tournament, that we so nearly won last year, only to be defeated in the final game. However, we are mighty afraid we will lose Milliken and Warner, who are practically assured positions on Vanderbilt's varsity. Nevertheless, White Graves, our star forward of last year, returned to college this term, and with his assistance our chance for the cup is greatly increased.

The second successful dinner-dance was enjoyed by the brothers on January 2d. Dinner was served for the members and the girls accompanying them at seven o'clock. Later, we were joined by invited guests and the dance was begun. The party, as a whole, was declared a great success by everyone present. Plans are already under way for our Founders' Day banquet, and the entertainment committee is working exceedingly hard to make it come up to the standard of last year. Last year our Founders' Day banquet was the biggest thing we have

ever done. Plans are also being discussed for our annual spring dance which takes place the latter part of April.

We take this space to invite all our alumni, visiting brothers, and pledges to stay with us if they ever get down in the Sunny South in Nashville, Tennessee.

*Nashville, Tenn.*

*January 4, 1928*

JOHN B. MORRIS

*Correspondent*

### Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin

Eight brothers returned on January 6th from the 30th annual Haresfoot tour, dramatic organization of the university, which took to the road on December 19th for an eighteen-day jaunt of the middle west with the musical comedy, "Feature That." Among the fortunate travelers were Wilfred Roberts, W. T. Schroeder, Ralph Erhardt Schuetz, Donald G. Reeke, Robert Buell, Wenzel Thompson, Ralph Smith and John Geib. The boys were entertained by alumni along the route, especially in Janesville, where Brother Birney Palmer had the entire retinue at his home, and also at La Crosse, where Brother Ev Yerly was host.

Mark Hobart has been selected as manager of the cross-country team for 1928. William T. Schroeder was recently elected into Phi Kappa Phi, while Samuel Boyer has been pledged to Nu Sigma Nu, honorary medical fraternity.

With spring and that good old Wisconsin weather soon coming, Wisconsin Alpha wishes to invite brothers from other chapters to visit at 811 State street any time they are within the limits or vicinity of Madison.

*Madison, Wis.*

*January 10, 1928*

W. T. SCHROEDER

*Correspondent*

### Wisconsin Gamma—Beloit College

On January 4th all the boys returned to Beloit for the last three weeks of the first semester's grind. Our midsemester marks were very promising and should bring good results in February. Only five freshmen were below the initiation grade of "C," and at least three of these can make the mark without much trouble. Ten men of the active chapter were below "C" average. However, midsemester marks are not a fair test, inasmuch as many professors deliberately grade lower at this time.

In intramural sports we are at the very top on the campus. Winners of the volley ball championship, at the lead in bowling, one game to play in baseball for the championship—and we only hope we will be as successful in the forthcoming basketball.

Speaking of basketball, we have a number of men on the varsity squad this season—K. Dupee, Bottino, K. Williams, J. Dupee and Burt Stephens. The first game was at Cornell College on January 6th.

Early in December both the dining room and the living room were entirely redecorated, all in preparation for the social season of 1928. Our formal party will be on March 10th and we hope to have a number of the alumni back. The Panhellenic dance has not been given a definite date as yet, but will probably be some time in February. Van Wart is the committee member from the house and will manage the party next year when it is the turn of the Phi Psi group to run it.

*Beloit, Wis.*

*January 5, 1928*

DONALD A. VAN WART

*Correspondent*

## Minnesota Beta—University of Minnesota

Minnesota Beta is at present in the midst of one of the most strenuous weeks in the college year for all concerned, namely, the rushing week. Returning to college after what seems to have been a very pleasant Christmas vacation, we plunged immediately into the task of selecting some new men. Our system provides for a 10-day period, during which the "rushees" are entertained at luncheon and dinner engagements each day, and twice during the period at evening smokers. Our season ends with pledge-night festivities on January 13th.

Our mothers' organization has recently presented us with new dishes, silver, and table linen, a group of needed and appreciated gifts. Our alumni have also donated new rugs for the entire first floor of the chapter house, which donation is also much appreciated.

Turning to our activities for the fall quarter, we are able to report the following: Hardy and McCabe served on the varsity and freshman football squads, respectively. Burger, the present G. P., served, and will continue to do so, on the important board of publications. Moorhead is working on the *Gopher* staff, producing our college annual. Byers and Schaeffer are now playing varsity hockey. Kopplin is serving as captain of the wrestling team. Crowley, holder of the university pole-vault record, is preparing for the indoor track season, and the chapter's hockey and basketball teams are now preparing for the winter competition.

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

JOHN C. STROUSE

*Correspondent*

## FIFTH DISTRICT

## Iowa Alpha—University of Iowa

With the football season over, winter sports are now in full swing. Four men won letters in football, namely, Earl Young, Frank Cuhel, Richard Brown and Bruce Chatterton. Wallace and Wilcox were awarded numerals for their work on the freshman team. Brown was elected captain for next year.

Our only representative on the basketball squad, Kunau, had his knee wrenched and is out for the season. Cummins is fighting for a position on the freshman team.

Cuhel, captain, and Jerrel are getting in shape for track. Freshmen showing up well in this sport are Hakes and Tousey. Hakes won a numeral in cross-country last fall.

Cuhel was appointed student colonel of the R. O. T. C. This is the highest honor awarded by the military department.

Jerrel, as feature editor of the *Frivol*, and Pledge Spence, as the *Daily Iowan*, are representing the chapter in other activities.

Our hard-times party was a howling success, and we are now looking forward to the midsemester party the last of this month. We wish all other chapters a successful new year.

*Iowa City, Iowa*  
January 7, 1928

ROBERT MACY

*Correspondent*

## Iowa Beta—Iowa State College

The start of the winter quarter was the signal for the boys to hunt up another pledge button which was placed upon the person of Dean Thompson, of Sioux City, who started his college career at this time. We are still on the lookout for any new prospects who may happen along.

Intramural sports are again in the spotlight and the gang are working out in their spare moments in preparation for several basketball games which are scheduled for this quarter. Indoor track is also on the program and, if we meet with the success which marked last year's efforts in this sport, we shall be a happy bunch of boys. First place in such contests always does make one feel rather hilarious, doesn't it?

Crary, senior Chem. E., was made a member of Tau Beta Pi soon after college started last fall. Another senior, Keefer, was elected into Pi Mu Alpha. We are, indeed, proud of the honors which they have brought to themselves and the Fraternity.

January 21st marks the completion of the social committee's preparations for the formal dinner-dance to be held that evening. It will take place at the Sheldon-Munn Hotel and will be attended by about fifty couples.

The freshmen have been at work waxing the floors, cleaning the windows and polishing the woodwork this week-end. We will admit (blushingly) that the old place looks nice and "homey" and if you don't think so yourself drop in and pay us a visit the next time you are in the vicinity of Ames.

Ames, Iowa  
January 15, 1928

LEN LESSENICH  
Correspondent

## Missouri Alpha—University of Missouri

Everybody is back once more after a big Christmas and New Year's, and all are settling down to do a little concentrated studying before the finals, which will soon be held.

Our freshman class of last year has been rated second in scholarship. This is certainly a good record and we hope that this year's class will even surpass the mark set by their predecessors.

Formal initiation will be held on February 19th. As yet we do not know how many will be successful in the struggle, but we are well pleased with the present outlook.

Missouri Alpha will lose Agnew and Gill at the end of this semester. Agnew will enter the Officers Training School at Fort Benning, Ga., and Gill intends to go into business in St. Joseph, Mo. The chapter regrets the loss of these two men because both of them have been good, steady workers in the chapter for several years.

Columbia, Mo.  
January 5, 1928

FRED BOARD JR  
Correspondent

## Texas Alpha—University of Texas

This letter finds Texas Alpha in the unpleasant state of trying to settle down after a big Christmas. Most of the boys are now back and all report a big time. Everyone seems to see the necessity of work, however, as term exams are due in about two weeks. This is the first year at Texas that the session has been divided into only two terms, and the unusually long exams are anticipated with dread by the entire chapter.

Pledge Camp has been playing a fine, fast game at forward on the varsity basketball team in the few practice games that have been held so far. The conference season opens officially in a few days, and a large part of Texas' chances for the championship lie in the playing of "Sugar."

The annual dance given by the chapter is planned for February 3d. The Phi Psi dance last year was one of the best fraternity dances of the year, and a great deal is expected of this one. Wagner, chairman of the entertainment committee, has been giving much time to the plans, and promises a better dance than we have ever had.

The chapter entertained its local alumni and friends with a buffet supper and smoker recently. There are several Phi Psis on the faculty of the university, and a few alumni here in the city. Among the guests was Dr. Patterson, whose father, recently deceased, was, at the time of his death, the oldest living Phi Psi. A turkey dinner was served, and the get-together afterwards was held in the true brotherly spirit of Phi Psi.

The rushing of prospective pledges for next year has already begun. Ward is in charge of the rushing, and the entire chapter would appreciate the sending to him of any names and addresses of good men who plan to come to Texas next year.

*Austin, Texas*  
*January 5, 1928*

BEN CONNALLY  
*Correspondent*

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### Kansas Alpha—University of Kansas

Christmas is over and exams will soon be here. The house is pervaded by that quiet atmosphere which always accompanies exam time, but, when some of the brothers do take their noses out of their books for a minute or two, football is always the major topic of conversation. Kansas' football season ended in a blaze of glory, not a little of which shone on the Phi Psi members of the team. When Kansas beat Missouri, her traditional rival, in the last game of the season, it was Barrett Hamilton, captain and quarterback, who led the team to victory. "Dutch" Hauser was the main reason for the Tigers' failure to gain around left end and Herb Hadley proved a bulwark of strength at center. Ed Ash, who had played a great game all season, was out of it with a bad foot. All four of the boys made their letters. The next week "Dutch" was elected captain of the 1928 team, which makes two successive football captains for Kansas Alpha. Kansas has a new coach for 1928 and we're expecting "Dutch" to lead a great team next year.

Kansas Alpha held its annual Christmas formal the night of December 16th, and it was a great party. The frosh did a good job of decorating the house, on which we had many compliments.

Kansas played basketball the night of our party and, although the score wasn't very favorable, the team has great prospects. Hauser is our only representative on the court this year. He is playing center pretty regularly.

The intramural basketball tournament is in progress now and Kansas Alpha won its first game last night. We are hoping for another championship.

Kansas Alpha extends a hearty invitation to all brothers who may be in Lawrence for the basketball games, and also for the Kansas relays, which will be held April 21st, and are our spring homecoming.

*Lawrence, Kan.*

KEN DUNCAN  
*Correspondent*

## Nebraska Alpha—University of Nebraska

Nebraska Alpha is now the proud possessor of a scholarship plaque awarded by the Executive Council for being the first national social fraternity in scholarship on the campus. We greatly prize and appreciate this award and want to thank the national officers for it.

Elmer Holm was honored by receiving the election of football captain from his teammates for the 1928 season. Holm has played guard the past two years and is one of the reasons for the powerful Nebraska wall. He is also playing his second season as guard on the basketball team, having received his "N" in both sports.

Wilbur Mead is chairman of University Night. Joe Wells is out for sophomore basketball manager. Glen Milhollin is playing guard on the freshman basketball team. Doug Timmerman is editing the *Biz-Ad-News*.

Several fraternities of Nebraska have adopted the plan of eating scientifically-prepared food from a well-balanced menu. This menu is arranged by a dietitian in the home economics department of the university. The idea was sponsored by Brother Merle Rathburn and alumni from other fraternities. So far it is working splendidly and the brothers are even getting up in time to eat breakfast.

Just before vacation the chapter had its annual formal Christmas dinner party. Dinner was served at the Lincoln Hotel, after which the party returned to the chapter house for dancing. Joe Wells and Dick Tagg were responsible for the seasonable decorations and entertainment.

It is difficult to get into the habit of studying after vacation but with exams only a short time away we find it necessary. The brothers and pledges are all anxious to keep our scholarship at the top.

*Lincoln, Neb.*

*January 8, 1928*

PAUL H. ROBINSON

*Correspondent*

## Oklahoma Alpha—University of Oklahoma

Oklahoma Alpha entertained with a faculty dinner, December 12th, for all the deans and heads of departments. Among the prominent visitors were Governor Johnson, W. B. Bizzell, president of the university, and Frank Buttram, president of the board of regents. Our hostess, "Lady Jane" Wheeler, again showed that she is without an equal in entertaining, for everyone agreed that this was the nicest affair of this kind ever given on the campus.

In campus politics, Phi Psi again showed the campus that we put over whatever we start by electing Mason and Myers to the Student Council, from the Engineering and Geology Schools, respectively. They were the only two candidates of their party elected. We were especially pleased as the Engineering School has always been the stronghold of the opposition.

Interfraternity basketball season has just closed and, although we did not win the cup, we feel that we made a very good showing, being nosed out 10-9 in the semifinals. Mitchell is out for indoor track and has been making a very good record. We are looking forward to him developing into one of the best hurdlers in the valley. Pledges Woodin, Ingraham and Goddard are out for freshman basketball. It is rather early to be thinking of baseball, but the boys are already limbering up on warm days making plans to win the interfraternity cup, as baseball is the biggest interfraternity sport at Oklahoma.

Midyear examinations begin January 24th, so everyone is very busy trying to catch up on all the studying that has been put off from time to time during the semester. We are going to make a strong bid for the scholarship honors this semester as there has been a noticeable improvement in the grades and we ranked third last year.

We hope that more of the brothers will get down to visit us this next semester. Whenever you are in Oklahoma remember that your name is in the pot and that there is always a bed waiting for you.

*Norman, Okla.*

W. ROBERT BROWNE

*January 11, 1928*

*Correspondent*

### Colorado Alpha—University of Colorado

Colorado Alpha is looking forward to a banner year with the coming of 1928. The one dark spot in the outlook is the fact that this is leap year. Our well-known "lady killers" anticipate a great deal of trouble and will probably get it. Each one has been furnished a club to keep the girls away, and we wish them luck.

We are starting a new quarter at Colorado, that is, those of us who did not become alumni at the request of the faculty. The chapter has been augmented by the return of Wyatt and Keegan.

On November 10th we held our fall formal dance. A full moon, a dimly lighted house, a hot orchestra, and a bevy of pretty girls left nothing to be desired. The result was that a good time was had by all.

A Thanksgiving reception was tendered the chapter on November 25th by our Mothers' Club in Denver. This was something new and different and showed the interest that our mothers are taking in us.

Our annual Christmas party was held on the evening of December 8th around the Christmas tree. All the presents cost less than a quarter, and were accompanied by the usual "wise cracks." However, no feelings were hurt—much.

Since the last issue of THE SHIELD two men from Colorado Alpha have distinguished themselves scholastically. Joe McKee has been initiated into Tau Beta Pi, the Phi Beta Kappa of engineering schools. Harry Jacobs, who is attending Medical School in Denver, has become a member of Alpha Omega Alpha, honorary medical scholastic fraternity. We regard these achievements as a tribute to our high standards of scholarship.

Colorado Alpha has kept up on her activities as well as could be expected, considering that we have just passed through a final week. Kibler and Reilly are on the varsity basketball team for a second year. Nevin, who won his letter at tumbling, is again on the gym team. Fletcher and Pledge Macey are trying out for the wrestling team. Philpot and Kinney have been initiated into Sigma Tau, honorary engineering fraternity.

Phi Psi is entering a new era at Colorado in intramural sports. Some of our intramural teams in the past have not been all they should have been, but a change can easily be noted. Control has been placed in the hands of a committee, and a new spirit has shown itself. The basketball team is composed of veterans and is sporting new suits. We are expecting this outfit to bring home a cup. Basketball is the principal intramural sport, and we are making every effort to win this important championship.

On the evening of February 25th we are giving our winter dance.

The same orchestra which made the fall dance a success will again syncopate. Nuff sed!

All Phi Psis are cordially invited to visit us. We don't boast of our excellent cuisine and soft beds, but we do have a wonderful view from our front porch.

*Boulder, Col.*

*January 6, 1928*

GEORGE REILLY

*Correspondent*

### SIXTH DISTRICT

#### Washington Alpha—University of Washington

Washington Alpha has just completed the fall quarter and, although the grade charts are not out yet, it is believed that we will stand well up among the forty fraternities on the campus.

Washington Alpha has taken only one pledge at the beginning of the new quarter. He is David Tripple, the nephew of Wilfred Lewis, Ill. Beta.

Sangster, Powell and Merkle and Pledges Ramstedt, Dailey and Ferguson are back this quarter after being out in the fall.

We were very glad to receive a visit from Wally Knox, the Archon of this district. Spencer has been appointed Deputy Archon.

After considerable agitation, a campaign to refinance the old house with the idea of building a new house in the near future is being organized.

All the brothers and pledges are showing a commendable spirit in regard to activities and when the spring sports begin there will be several new "W's" in the house.

*Seattle, Wash.*

*January 6, 1928*

JOHN W. SPENCER

*Correspondent*

#### Oregon Alpha—University of Oregon

The members of Oregon Alpha returned to the house after the holidays to be pleasantly surprised to find that Pledges Gordon Guthrie and Ed Johnson had returned to college after being out for a term. We were also well pleased to learn that all save three of our sixteen pledges received grades making them eligible for initiation. The class to be initiated into Phi Kappa Psi this month will probably be one of the largest in the history of the chapter.

Oregon Alpha is pleased to introduce our new pledge, Wendel McCool of Portland, who entered the university this term to major in premedics.

We regret that Jim Rogers and John Cusick will not be in college this term as they have decided to ship out for Europe.

We receive interesting letters from time to time from Jack Hempstead, who is now making the world tour with the University of Oregon debate team. Hempstead is not only a member of the team of three men but is acting as manager of the tour as well. On this tour the Oregon debaters will visit practically every English-speaking country in the world.

The scholarship report for the fall term has not yet been given out by the registrar, but from all indications we think Oregon Alpha will be fairly high among the men's organizations. The showing of the chapter is considerably enhanced by the fact that three men, Francis McKenna, Wade Newbegin and Roy Herndon, were placed on the university honor roll for the term.

*Eugene, Ore.*

*January 7, 1928*

ROY L. HERNDON

*Correspondent*

## California Beta—Leland Stanford University

With the worry of last quarter's examinations over, and with most of the boys back after Stanford's victory over Pittsburgh in the annual Tournament of Roses New Year's festival at Pasadena, all activities point toward a very busy and successful year.

Johnnie Long was elected varsity football manager for the 1928 season, a reward justly deserved for much hard, conscientious work.

Norm Larson is maintaining Phi Psi prestige behind the footlights as dramatic manager.

The third of our managers is Don Anderson who has charge of the varsity and frosh golf squads. Syer, Anderson, Dowell and Shattuck are on the varsity.

Bob Syer, letter man on the relay team; Virgil Dowell, dashes and broad jump; Ken Berry, dashes; and Don Nelson, hurdles, are our hopes on the varsity track team. Phi Psi took third in the recent intramural meet.

Bill Maguire and Gene Kern are on the varsity baseball team, Bill playing first base and Gene pitching.

Bob Crowl is one of the sophomore basketball managers and Bob Speers hold a responsible position on the *Stanford Daily*.

Bob Lasley and Don Anderson are candidates for assistant yell-leader.

We are pleased to announce the election of Bud McGonigle to Alpha Chi Sigma, national honorary chemical society; James J. Sapero to Nu Sigma Nu, honorary medical fraternity; Norm Larson to Sword and Sandals, and to Ram's Head, honorary dramatic societies.

*Stanford, Cal.*

RICHARD N. PRINCE

January 8, 1928

Correspondent

## California Gamma—University of California

The fourth of January the house reopened for the spring semester. Arriving in bunches, the boys had all arrived by noon—and the new semester had started. The boys reported fine times over vacation, but were admittedly glad to be back. About thirty men returned.

As far as we know at this early date, we will be minus the company of Gilstrap and Brown. Gilstrap has taken a leave of absence for one semester and Brown claims to be a bit tired, but he may return, nevertheless.

Warren Schultz, John Rust and "Squat" Reynolds, three wanderers who were absent for various reasons last semester, have returned.

On December 31st California defeated Pennsylvania in a postseason game, 27-13. Captain Fritz Coltrin and "Dennie" Evans played their last game for California, as both graduate in May. Coltrin led the team through a successful season and was named all-coast tackle and mentioned for all-American by the foremost authorities.

Attention is now centered on basketball, where California is working to win its fifth consecutive championship. Phi Psi is ably represented on the team by Tom Coakley. Tom is a guard, heavy and a good floorman.

New officers for this semester were elected as follows: G. P., Evans; S. G., Williams; H., Ducato; and Ph., Traverse.

Startling announcements were received by the brothers around Christmas time of the marriage of "Bones" Cantley to Miss Margaret Dill, Kappa Alpha Theta, in November. "Bones" was crafty and married without telling any of the boys. However, he is returning to

college this semester as he graduates in May. Congratulations are in order and we wish him happiness.

The chapter seems very well balanced this year as we have men in all activities and everyone is working. The house is not quite full, but as rushing is just beginning it will be full when this letter is received.

Again let us remind you to stop at the house when you are in this vicinity, for as long or as short a time as you can. You are always welcome.

*Berkeley, Cal.*

WALLACE SEDGWICK

*Correspondent*

### California Delta—University of Southern California

December 14th the Southern California Assembly Council, composed of the Theta Psi, Sigma Tau, Sigma Chi, Kappa Alpha, and Phi Kappa Psi fraternities, entertained with a formal Christmas dance at the Pacific Coast Club in Long Beach. This was a very unique affair and all the brothers who attended were well repaid for their time and money. This plan of getting the fraternities together has worked very successfully on our campus and it helps a great deal toward promoting a better spirit among the members of the different fraternities.

Basketball practice started early in December and the season is beginning to hit its stride now. Leo Calland, a member of California Delta, whom we mentioned in the last letter to THE SHIELD, has a real squad this year, and we are expecting big things from it.

The initiation held November 27th was a most impressive ceremony; the new brothers now wearing the badge are Ronald Beaman, Rhodes Elder, George Newberry, William Sietz and John Von Aspe.

The annual interfraternity track meet is to be held in the Coliseum on January 20th. This is always a big affair among the fraternities, and Phi Kappa Psi, three times winner in four years, will make a strong bid for the top honors this year.

The spring semester starts February 13th, and we are making plans to put on a short rushing program for the new men coming in. The winter rushing season never is very strenuous but, nevertheless, California Delta is not going to pass up anything.

The activities at the university do not all center around athletics and fraternities. The building program has been booming along and the most recent addition to our campus is a very beautiful Student Union Building. A building of this type has long been needed on the campus and at last our dreams have been realized. The new building was all ready for occupancy on the first of January. A new, four-story classroom building will be ready for occupancy about the first of May, and plans for a new library and a commerce building are well under way. The men's dormitory was completed in September, so you see this is destined to be a year of real building at Southern California.

It will not be many days before California Delta will celebrate the close of its first year in Phi Kappa Psi. It has been a year of hard work and training in the ideals for which Phi Kappa Psi stands and, although we have a great many more things to learn, we hope that we have lived up to, at least in part, what is expected of a chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

California Delta wishes to thank the other chapters in the Fraternity for the greeting cards received during the holiday season.

*Los Angeles, Cal.*

ROSCOE W. BLANCHARD JR

*January 4, 1928*

*Correspondent*

# ΦΚΨ Obituary ΦΚΨ

## Frank W. Thomas, Pa. Iota '79

Dr. Frank Wister Thomas, Pa. Iota '79, died at his home in Mount Airy, Philadelphia, Pa., January 19, 1928, aged 70 years. He was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in 1880. In 1918 he was commissioned as an army officer and assisted in the establishment of Fox Hills base hospital on Staten Island. He was greatly interested in the Boy Scout movement, and was loyal and active in all matters pertaining to Phi Kappa Psi.

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## Percy M. Hughes, Pa. Zeta '83

Dr. Percy Meredith Hughes, Pa. Zeta '83, for the past seventeen years superintendent of schools at Syracuse, N. Y., died suddenly on January 16th. While at his desk in the city education building, he was stricken with a heart attack shortly before noon and died a few hours later. Dr. Hughes was born in Washington, D. C., February 3, 1864. In addition to his college work in Dickinson College, he studied at Johns Hopkins, receiving his bachelor's degree in 1886. Later he received both the degree of bachelor of law and that of master of law from George Washington University. He began his teaching career in Washington and in 1897 became principal of the Central High School of that city. From 1902 to 1906 he served as director of the high schools of the district. From 1906 to 1911, when he went to Syracuse, he was assistant superintendent of schools.

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## John B. Farrell, Col. Alpha '21

John B. Farrell, Col. Alpha '21, of Los Angeles, Cal., was killed in an automobile accident on January 5th. Brother Farrell was an accomplished violinist and was director of an orchestra in one of the leading Los Angeles theaters. He was also owner of a music store at the University of Southern California.

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## Harry J. McAllister, N. Y. Epsilon '89

Harry J. McAllister, N. Y. Epsilon '89, an attorney of McKeesport, Pa., died at his home in that city on December 11, 1927, at the age of 60 years. He is survived by his widow, two sons and two daughters.



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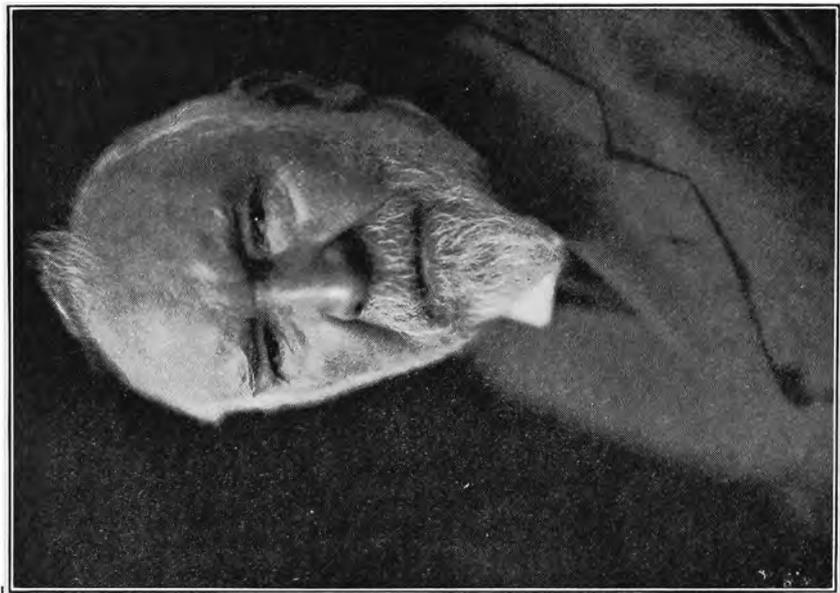
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**WILLIAM C. SPROUL, Pa. Kappa '89**



**FRANK A. ARTER, Pa. Beta '63**

## Governor Sproul Dead

**W**ILLIAM CAMERON SPROUL, Pa. Kappa '89, former governor of Pennsylvania and former Treasurer of the Fraternity, died on March 22d at his home near Chester, Pa. He had been ill for more than a year, although his death was hastened by an attack of pneumonia. In addition to his widow and a daughter, he is survived by his son, John R. Sproul, Pa. Kappa '13, former Archon of the second district.

Brother Sproul was credited with being one of the most constructive governors in the history of Pennsylvania. In addition to governor, he had been railway president, newspaper publisher and editor, fruit grower, banker, steel-maker, ship-builder, transit magnate, coal and timberland owner and a member of the State Senate.

Brother Sproul was a leading contender for the Republican presidential nomination in 1920. It was said that had he been willing to run he might have been Warren G. Harding's running mate and ultimately President. Instead, his name went before the convention as that of a candidate for first place on the ticket, but after receiving eighty-six votes for the presidential nomination he withdrew to permit the selection of Mr. Harding. Despite the pleas of his friends and the counselors of his party, the former governor refused to be considered for any other office. He was a delegate to the Republican national conventions of 1916, 1920 and 1924.

Brother Sproul served as governor of Pennsylvania from 1918 to 1922. For 22 years prior to that time he served in the state senate, where he became the champion of good roads. In 1903 and 1905 he was president pro tempore

of the senate, and for 12 years held the powerful position of chairman of the finance committee.

He was born at Andrews Bridge, Pa., September 16, 1870. His ancestors were among the earliest of the Quaker settlers in Pennsylvania. He attended the Chester public schools and was graduated from Swarthmore College in 1891. While in college he became a member of that group of famous Pennsylvania Kappa Phi Psis who attained national distinction in their various fields. His roommate in college was Brother A. Mitchell Palmer, a former attorney general of the United States, with whom he formed and maintained a lifelong friendship, built largely around the Fraternity.

Following his graduation from college he entered the newspaper field. He purchased and became the editor of the Chester Times, and later acquired another newspaper. At the age of 26 he was elected to the state senate. It was not long before his qualities of leadership and his ability as a debater won him the recognition that grew to such proportions in later years that he was prominently mentioned for a place in President Coolidge's cabinet and as a presidential possibility. Six times he was returned to his seat in the senate with imposing majorities, serving until he was elected governor in 1918.

During his chairmanship of the finance committee the young senator placed the commonwealth's finances on a business basis and introduced into the state's financial affairs the methods which made him one of the most successful organizers and financiers in Pennsylvania. As a senator, however, he did not confine himself to the state's financial reform. He was intensely interested throughout his public career in the state's good roads program, and today the so-called "Sproul roads" are known in virtually every county of the state.

Governor Sproul's inauguration, January 21, 1918, was one of the most brilliant and successful witnessed at Harrisburg. When Governor-elect Sproul said good-by to the senate the day before his inauguration, the largest audience which had filled the chamber for years jammed the corridors to bid farewell to the veteran senator.

His administration was credited with vision and constructive policy. Through personal and political associations he was able to call to his side men of ability and attainment. While throughout his political career Brother Sproul called himself a regular Republican, he did not join the majority of his party in support of many measures sponsored by its leaders. He risked offending the party chieftains whenever he felt his vote should go counter to their orders.

While he was governor he was called upon to appoint three United States senators, an unusual situation. His appointments were William E. Crow, George W. Pepper and David A. Reed.

Development of Brother Sproul's business interests paralleled his political career. He became interested in banking shortly after leaving college, and then entered other lines until, in his later years, he was president of and held the controlling reins of numerous railway and traction lines, coal mining companies, iron and steel corporations and shipbuilding companies.

He also was interested in farming, science, sports, coal mining and found an outlet for his interest in scientific matters by building the Sproul Astronomical Observatory at Swarthmore College.

Brother Sproul served as Treasurer of the Fraternity for the term 1894-96. He always maintained an active interest in all things pertaining to the Fraternity, and was particularly close to his own chapter. He was toastmaster at the Pittsburgh Grand Arch Council in 1916, and had also attended the G. A. C's of 1890, 1894, 1896, 1898 and 1900.

He had the distinction and high honor of serving four terms as president of the Union League Club of Philadelphia. He was active in numerous fraternal, civic and social organizations. He held honorary degrees from Swarthmore, Lafayette, University of Pennsylvania, University of Pittsburgh, Gettysburg, Allegheny, Franklin and Marshall, and several other institutions. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and of Sigma Xi. He was also a trustee of Swarthmore College.

## Frank A. Arter Dies in Cleveland

Frank A. Arter, Pa. Beta '63, Cleveland philanthropist, and one of the Fraternity's most loyal supporters, died March 7th at St. Luke's Hospital, Cleveland, one day short of his 87th birthday. He had been ill for about a month.

Brother Arter was born in Columbiana county, Ohio, March 8, 1841. He was graduated from Allegheny College in 1864, with Phi Beta Kappa honors. About that time oil was discovered in western Pennsylvania, and Brother Arter acquired interests which brought him great wealth. He started a refinery in Cleveland, and was one of the last independents to sell out to the Standard Oil Co. During recent years his business is said to have been that of giving away his money. His total benefactions have not been disclosed, but are reported to have exceeded \$1,000,000. Among his gifts were several to Allegheny College, including Arter Hall, and to various enterprises of the Methodist Church, of which he was one of the outstanding laymen.

He was president and treasurer of the Frank A. Arter Company, real estate and investment brokers. He was also a director of several companies, including the Union Trust Company, the Cleveland Steamship Company, the Cleveland Life Insurance Company, the Land Title Abstract Company, and the St. Luke's Hospital. He was a member of the Union and Shaker Heights Clubs.

Brother Arter always maintained an active interest in and association with the Fraternity through both his own chapter and the Cleveland Alumni Association. He was a speaker at the association's 1927 Founders' Day banquet. While attending college, he was very active in the work of the Fraternity, and in later years made possible the securing of the present site of the Pennsylvania Beta chapter house, and in 1907 aided in the financial campaign for the erection of the new house. He has four grandsons who are members of the Fraternity, namely, Frank A. Myers, Mass. Alpha; Kingsley Taft, Mass. Alpha; Frederick L. Taft, Mass. Alpha; and Charles Taft, Pa. Beta. He was one of the largest contributors to the Fraternity Endowment Fund.

## Some G. A. C. Musings

BY A CHRONIC G. A. C.'ER

**T**HE GRAND ARCH COUNCIL is the heart of the Fraternity in more ways than one. It is the source of its power and the arbiter of its destiny. In browsing through an old copy of the Constitution, in the days when the Constitution was laboriously written by hand, lest it be profaned by barbarian printer, some wonderfully interesting history and some remarkable parallels and differences in standards and practices were discovered.

The three functions of the Grand Arch Council may be listed under three heads: amending the Constitution; granting (or refusing to grant) charters; and "small fry" legislation, such as changing the colors, threatening the unit rule, or prohibiting or permitting the gift of the pin to your best girl.

As to the first function, amending the Constitution, everyone who ever attended any G. A. C. knows all about that. The one G. A. C. in all our history that adopted no amendment sticks out like a sore thumb.

### Methods of Granting Charters

The granting of charters has been attended by some interesting changes. Originally expansion came through missionary effort. Two well-known examples of that: Charles P. T. Moore, one of the founders, went to Union College, and asked and obtained permission to join Delta Phi with the idea of ultimate consolidation; and Thomas Ruston Kennedy went to Allegheny College, in 1853. The former attempt failed, but the latter resulted in the founding of Pennsylvania Beta.

The next step was colonization, the voluntary action of a chapter, bringing in a group of fellows from a neighboring college, initiating them and sending them back to set up and run a chapter of their own, and getting them a formal charter as soon thereafter as happened to be entirely convenient. A group of Princeton men, among whom was the present Bishop Collins Denny, of the Meth-

odist Episcopal Church, South, was taken up to Lafayette College, initiated by the Pennsylvania Theta Chapter, and sent back to Princeton to found a chapter. But owing to antifraternity faculty rules that chapter never was established.

The earliest appearance of the unit rule seems to be in the Constitution of 1871, and a provision there was that in case of submission to vote by chapters, any chapter that did not return its vote within sixty days should be counted as voting in the affirmative. That the unit rule was subject to some pressure in its administration is indicated by the action of the G. A. C. of 1885, commanding the Grand Chapter "to return the petition of the students at Carleton College, Northfield, Minn., to the chapters that voted negatively on the same, for their consideration." The modern practice is a little more subtle but probably no more effective.

The definition of eligibility to membership in the Fraternity has been as wierdly varied as the method of extension. The Constitution of 1874 gave the G. A. C. "at any time" "power to establish a side degree for ladies." The Edict of 1874 defined eligibility as follows: "that no subordinate chapter shall, except by special dispensation of the Grand Chapter, initiate any person not at the time, or previously, connected as student, professor, trustee or other officer, with the institution at which the chapter is located." It might have been a protection in some instances to initiate the janitor! However, by Edict of 1883 the G. A. C. "commanded" the Grand Chapter to grant a dispensation to Pennsylvania Iota subordinate chapter to initiate students of Haverford College, a small Quaker college not far from Philadelphia. The Edict of 1885, however, limited eligibility strictly to "a person connected as a student with the institution at which the chapter is located." Nevertheless, the same Edict authorized the Gamma subordinate chapter of Ohio "to admit to its active membership all alumni members, and undergraduate members not in college, of the Fraternity in good standing, when so desired by such alumnus or un-

dergraduate, to thus participate as active members of the Fraternity." A similar action was authorized by the G. A. C. of 1928, giving undergraduate status to such alumni members of any chapter as the Executive Council deemed necessary, to maintain the continuity of the chapter during the war where the volunteering of all the members in college would jeopardize the title to chapter house property.

It should be understood that these Edicts, issued prior to the formation of the Executive Council under the new Constitution of 1886, were issued by the officers of the G. A. C., and signed and promulgated by them as such, "commanding" the action which the G. A. C. had taken during its session, and sometimes ordering the Grand Chapter, the supreme authority between sessions of the G. A. C., to carry out the commands.

### **Graduate Chapters**

It is not generally known that at one time graduate chapters were authorized, and in a few instances actually constituted, with all the powers and privileges of undergraduate chapters, and named in the regularly lettered line of chapters in each state. For instance, the G. A. C. Edict of 1876: "We command that the Grand Chapter grant to the graduate members of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity resident in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and vicinity, a charter for a graduate chapter to be known as Pennsylvania Kappa;" similarly a charter to Indiana Epsilon at Indianapolis; to Missouri Beta at Kansas City; to Ohio Beta, at Columbus; and to District of Columbia Beta at Washington.

### **Fraternity Financing**

Fraternity financing has run the gamut of experience of all membership associations. Originally the Grand Chapter levied assessments on the subordinate chapters, and usually failed to collect them. The Edict of 1885 seems to have been the first to impose a penalty for delinquency,

in this instance 20 per cent on dues and assessments delinquent for thirty days; and upon 60 days' delinquency the charter was suspended or revoked. "This provision shall include subscriptions to THE SHIELD."

It was customary to issue publications on credit, later levying an assessment to pay the deficit. For instance, in 1878 an assessment of \$1 per capita was levied to pay the Grand Catalog debt, and the unsold copies were distributed to the chapters pro rata. The G. A. C. of 1883 undertook to put THE SHIELD on a paying basis by levying an assessment of \$1 for its support. Previously it had been published by private initiative as long as the private pocketbook held out. Under the new plan a chapter was appointed to edit THE SHIELD. In 1885 Kansas Alpha was appointed publisher and "commanded" "that all surplus money over and above the legitimate expenses be used in enhancing its typographical appearance." There were financial optimists in those days, also. But that same action was taken by the Executive Council last year, and the consequent "enhancement" of its "typographical appearance" is the recrudescence of the old action.

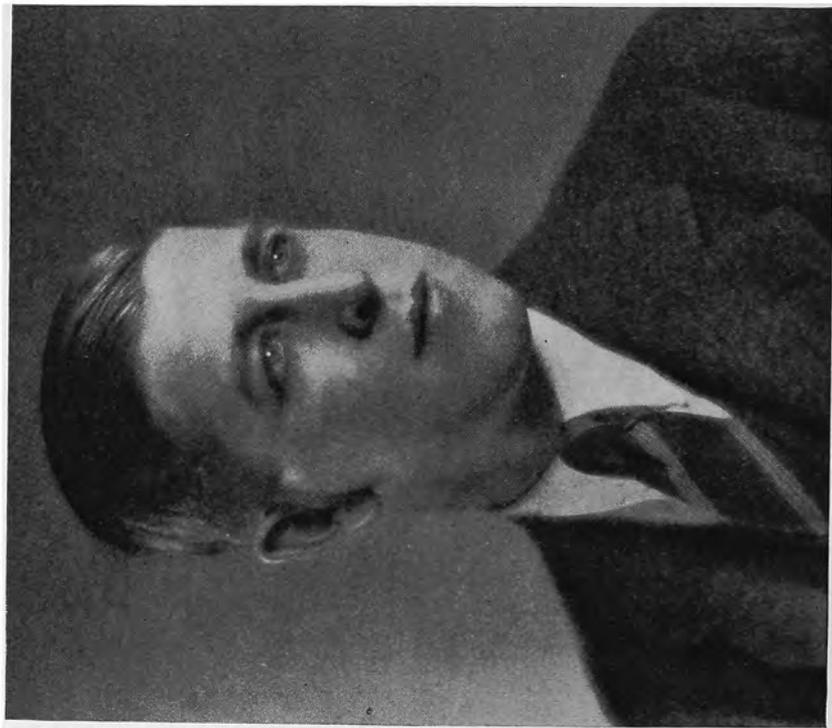
It is interesting to note some apparent doubts as to the efficacy of the "commands" by the framers of these Edicts, indicated by the invocation with which they were accustomed to close the Edict. For example, the Edict of 1883: "We invoke our Heavenly Father's blessing upon the Fraternity, to the end that every Brother in our honored Fraternity may be more watchful and faithful in obeying this edict."

One act of fraternity financing has had a more far-reaching effect on the Fraternity that was ever dreamed at the time, that of paying the expenses of one delegate to the Grand Arch Council from each chapter, from a fund raised by per capita assessment, and requiring every chapter to be represented. The failure of a chapter to be represented at a G. A. C. is now so unusual as to be startling, and cause an investigation by the G. A. C., where investigations are as scarce as they are common in the United States Senate in presidential years. And the

effect of this full representation has been a moulding into a common and recognizable type of members from the ends of the earth. I remember well a G. A. C. where the delegate from South Carolina Alpha was so green the butterflies would light on him, but he had a gift of oratory that brought the whole convention to his feet; where every delegate wore the trademark of his sectional origin and could be assigned to his proper state and even chapter with little difficulty; and where the common heritage in Phi Kappa Psi was scarcely recognized, much less understood. Next June I defy anyone to go into the G. A. C. at Buffalo and properly allocate 5 per cent of the delegates, except from personal acquaintance. They all look alike—and they all look good. And the oftener you see them “in Grand Arch Council assembled,” the better they look.

### **The S. C. Society**

The goodly number of old-timers who have watched, and even taken a part in, this development, naturally gravitated together in the ancient and honorable order of the “S. C.” They could not help it. Both the friendships thus formed and the interest and loyalty of the men led of necessity to such a bond. Seven Grand Arch Councils, fourteen years, at the very least, of unselfish service and fraternal association, build up some beautiful friendships. Forty brothers have received the Silver Crown, two of whom have transferred their membership to the Chapter Immortal. Five others are eligible, and eight more will attain eligibility if they answer roll call at the Buffalo G. A. C. Is it at all to be wondered at that Phi Kappa Psi is outstanding in its alumni support? This “S. C.,” whatever that may mean, is but the embodiment in tangible form of that sublimation of fraternity sentiment. The Scarlet Carnation, marking the Successful Candidate, who, by virtue of attendance at Seven Conventions is now eligible to the Silver Crown of “S. C.,” will lead to the apotheosis of fraternity love and life on Thursday evening, June 28th, at the Grand Arch Council at Buffalo. Let’s go.



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## The Diamond Jubilee G. A. C.

HARRY R. TEMPLETON, N. Y. Beta '99, General Chairman,  
Contributor

ONCE again we are to gather round old Phi Psi's table and bring our offerings of gratitude and rejoicing. During seventy-five years the grand old brotherhood has stood and nobly weathered the storm, meantime ministering lovingly and faithfully to the needs of some 20,000 brothers from all parts of the land—truly symbolical of the great nation which has done so much in its short history for the welfare and progress of men throughout the entire world.

Is our Fraternity going to go on, enlarge her borders and become more useful with the countless opportunities before her? In this age of general higher education it is necessary that we plan well for the future and become more intelligent and conversant with the needs of our boys and the organization which is to assist them in their undergraduate years.

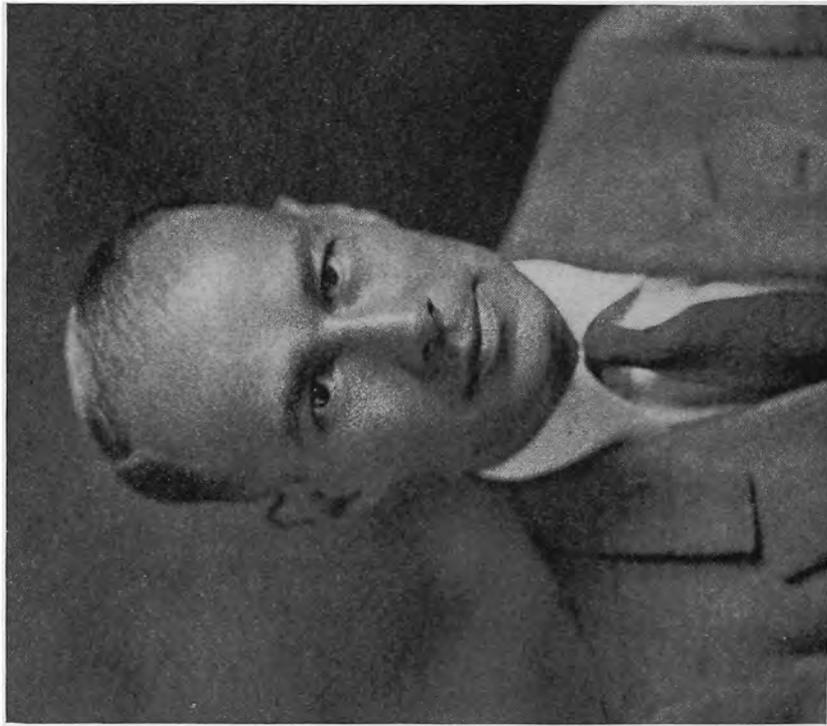
Fraternity stands for loving, practical brotherhood and service, and from this viewpoint we all have much to do with the future welfare and growth of Phi Kappa Psi.

We want to make this G. A. C. really a diamond of outstanding brilliance and purity in the shield of Phi Kappa Psi.

To this end we must all come with open minds and constructive thoughts for the development of the organization which is the vehicle expressing Phi Kappa Psi to the world at large and more intimately to the thousands of Phi Kappa Psi brothers who now are, and are to come.

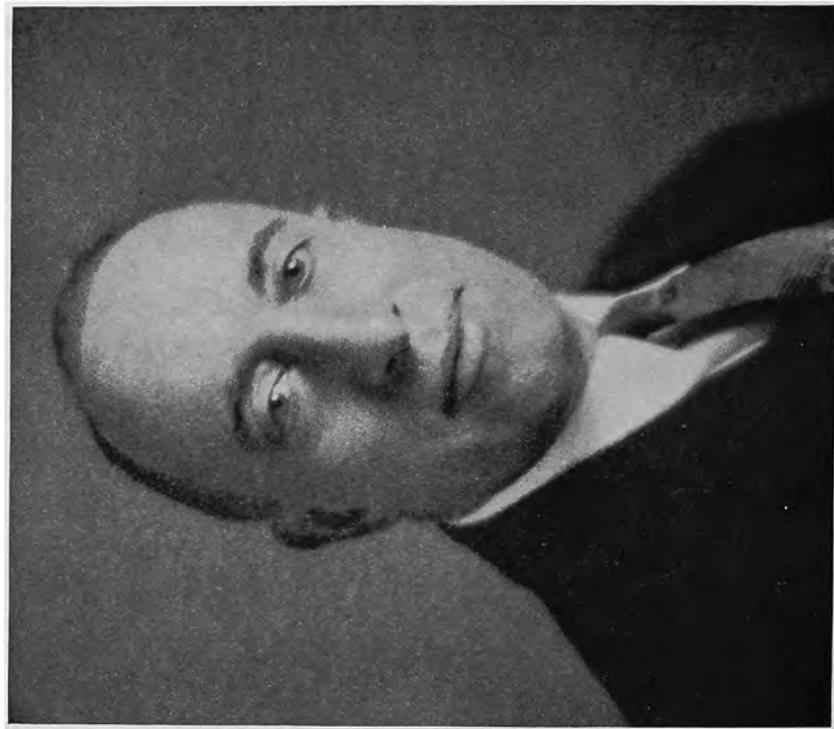
The progress and standing of Phi Kappa Psi depend much on the work accomplished at the G. A. C. It is in this council that every vital factor is considered and forward-looking plans are developed.

Surely we have much of importance to discuss at this time. Our organization needs to be stimulated in many directions and plans laid for a larger and more effective organization to carry on and develop those activities as they now exist.

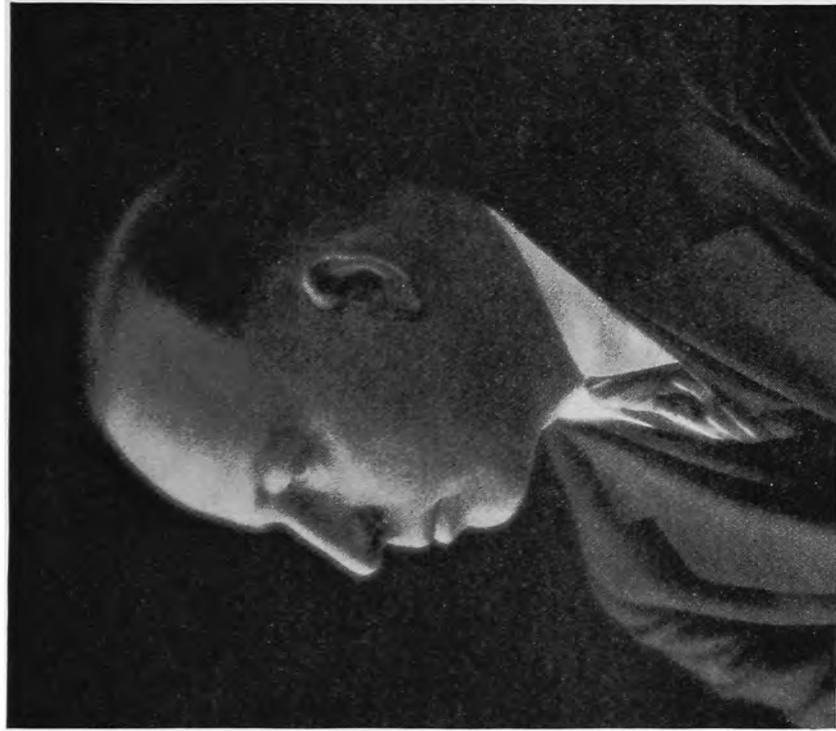


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Our plans for the G. A. C. at Buffalo are now complete and no Phi Kappa Psi brother can afford to miss the inspiration and enthusiasm which will be so prevalent in the latter days of June at Hotel Statler in Buffalo.

Come! Bring your wives and sweethearts and let us put over the greatest G. A. C. ever held. A real Phi Kappa Psi welcome awaits you.

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### **Florida Phi Psis Observe Founders' Day**

Members of the Fraternity living in and near Jacksonville, Fla., observed Founders' Day by a dinner on February 18th, at the Keystone Inn, Keystone Heights, Fla. In addition to members of the Fraternity, there were present at the dinner ten members of Alpha Delta, the local society at the University of Florida that is petitioning for a charter. Florida Phi Psis were fortunate in having present on this occasion former President C. F. M. Niles, Ohio Gamma.

Dr. William H. Crawford, Ill. Alpha, president emeritus of Allegheny College, was master of ceremonies. The speakers' list included F. S. Babbitt, Pa. Lambda; George Simons, Wis. Gamma; Hon. Frank P. Miller, Pa. Beta; Dr. Burdette G. Lewis, Neb. Alpha; Hon. George C. Gibbs, Va. Beta; and C. F. M. Niles.

Other Phi Psis present at the dinner were Melbourne T. Abel, Mass. Alpha; C. Edward Howard, Minn. Beta; Donald McDowell, N. Y. Epsilon; Harry W. Mills, Okla. Alpha; Harry G. Sullivan, Ill. Beta; C. W. Lawrence jr, Va. Alpha; Harry S. Winters, N. Y. Epsilon; R. D. Furnish, Pa. Alpha; J. Edwin Larson, Pa. Beta; J. G. Kirby, Ind. Delta; Ralph B. Murphy, Neb. Alpha; O. P. Seward, Ill. Beta.

## A Trip Through Phi Psi Land<sup>1</sup>

GEORGE W. SWAIN, Col. Alpha '15, Contributor

You've called on me—I must reply,  
Although I do not know just why  
This honor has been thrust on me;  
I never talk—but for a fee.  
'Twere better far, if you had called  
Upon my friend here—Roy the Bald;  
I'm sure he could have made a speech  
That would be quite beyond my reach.  
He has that power of self-expression  
More often found in my profession.  
In fact, one old man once told me  
That though his years were eighty-three,  
Whenever he heard R. J. Maddigan,  
It made him feel just like a lad again.  
You all have known his gift of gab,  
You've heard him bicker, and bull, and blab,  
With that stentorian voice of his,  
I think you will all agree it is  
A shame not to give him a chance  
Across this stage to roar and prance.  
We sometimes need a man like him,  
With pep and ginger, punch and vim,  
To make the rafters quiver and shake,  
And keep you guys back there awake.

Perhaps before the night has past,  
Friend Dutch here will relent at last  
And give R. J. a chance at you;  
If I were he that's what I'd do.  
But until then, this job is mine,  
And 'tis not one that I'll resign.

Some fourteen years or more have rolled  
Since I was brought into the fold,  
Since I the Phi Psi faith embraced,  
When on my breast this badge was placed.  
But never until the present time  
Have I essayed to put in rhyme  
The faith that in my heart does lie,  
My loyalty to old Phi Psi.  
You pro-bly cannot realize  
How very much of a surprise  
It was to me to get the call,  
To come prepared to show my gall,  
By reading to this learned crew  
This stuff which I've prepared for you.  
But I obeyed my good friend, Dutch,  
Jumped on my muse and threw in the clutch,  
And together we wondered o'er hill and dale,  
And brought back these verses, this crowd to regale.

My muse and I have made a trip  
That should give us the championship,

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<sup>1</sup> Read at the Founders' Day banquet of the Chicago Alumni Association.

For at your president's command,  
 We've called on chapters through the land,  
 From down beneath old Mooselock's brow,  
 Where Dartmouth Phi Psis take the vow,  
 'Way out to the Pacific coast,  
 Where Stanford Phi Psis act the host.  
 And as we journeyed here and there  
 We exercised our well-known flare,  
 By putting down in jingling rhyme  
 Such thoughts as come from time to time.

Our first stop was at Hanover,  
 Where stands the college they aver  
 Was Daniel Webster's alma mater,  
 In whose defense the great debater  
 In after years was called to fight,  
 To try to vindicate its right.  
 Dan once remarked, as I recall,  
 That Dartmouth, though a college small,  
 Had those who loved it just the same  
 As though it had a wider fame.  
 Dan's name does not our rolls adorn,  
 Because our chapter was not born  
 'Til after Dan had quit the scene  
 To rest beneath the evergreen.  
 But if we'd had a chapter there  
 I think perhaps 'tis only fair  
 That we assume that such a guy  
 Would take no bid but from Phi Psi.

And then we journeyed to that state  
 Made famous by Vanzetti's fate,  
 Where by the broad Connecticut  
 Lord Jeffrey Amherst built his hut,  
 Just a short mile or two from where  
 Sophia Smith had laid her lair.  
 Of course, it may be just a myth  
 That Amherst boys belonged to Smith,  
 But, none the less, 'tis common knowledge  
 That Smith girls lean toward Amherst College.  
 Of course, Lord Amherst did not know  
 That times could come when boys would go  
 From fields that he had often camped on,  
 In fifteen minutes, to Northampton.  
 But spite of this propinquity,  
 Of dangerous femininity,  
 Brave Amherst has, in days gone by,  
 Once in a while produced a guy  
 Who's cut some figure on life's stage  
 And put his name on history's page.  
 Per'aps the greatest of these, me thinks,  
 Is Calvin Coolidge, called the Sphinx.  
 He does not belong to our clan,  
 And I, for one, don't give a damn.

We did not stop so long at Brown,  
 My muse seemed not to like the town,  
 So we took the air and flew away,  
 And landed at Co-lum-bi-a.

We found what looked like the Phi Psi door,  
 Where we knocked and were met by the janitor,  
 Who took us into the hall below  
 And told us to wait, and he'd let us know  
 If, by chance, any Phi Psi brothers were there,  
 Who'd care to meet one of the proletaire.  
 He soon returned with two brothers in tow,  
 They were both of them cold as a dead Eskimo.  
 I noticed their hair, and I noticed their noses,  
 One looked like Aaron and the other like Moses.  
 We explained we were hunting for our brother Greeks,  
 But they said, "You're mistaken, we boys are both Dekes."  
 With considerable speed we made our exeunt,  
 And, with true perseverance, continued our hunt.  
 We hunted low, and we hunted high,  
 But we could not find Phi Kappa Psi.  
 We looked on the campus, we looked on the street,  
 But nine out of ten of the faces we'd meet  
 Belonged to the tribe of Benjamin,  
 Or some other tribe of similar kin.  
 But we kept up our search, and continued until  
 We found a small hut beneath a high hill,  
 And there o'er the door was the sign we sought,  
 And the boys inside knew the grip we're taught,  
 And they did'nt belong to the Hebrew race,  
 Though I judged them only by the face.  
 They greeted us warmly and invited us in,  
 For we were the first of the brothers they'd seen,  
 And we sat by their fire and listened while they,  
 Recounted their story in somewhat this way:

"The Jew came down, like the wolf on the fold,  
 His pockets were bulging with silver and gold,  
 And the sheen of his spears was like stars on the tide,  
 Where the blue waves roll nightly by old Morningside,  
 And he came and he conquered as night conquers day,  
 And he now rules all classes at Col-um-bi-a.  
 And the Delts and the Betas are loud in their wail,  
 And the Psi U's and Chi Psis before them do quail,  
 For the might of the Gentile, unsmote by the sword,  
 Hath burned up like gas in the tank of a Ford."

Although their story made me sad,  
 I'll admit to you that I was glad  
 When it was time to say goodbye,  
 And to some other chapter hie.  
 We puzzled somewhat where to ride  
 When we had left old Morningside,  
 Until suddenly we had the thought,  
 That like an aerial argonaut,  
 We'd take a jump and land a-way,  
 Down in old Penn-syl-van-i-a.  
 We knew that state was crammed so full  
 Of Phi Psi chapters, large and small,  
 No matter where we'd land we'd find  
 A Phi Psi welcome well defined.  
 So off we flew then right away,  
 To Bucknell Uni-ver-sity.

From there we went to Lafayette,  
 Then off for Lancaster we set.  
 While on the way to Baltimore  
 We made a call on old Swarthmore.  
 At Dickinson we stayed a day,  
 Then called at Penn-syl-van-i-a.  
 At Gettysburg, we heard their prattle  
 About that very famous battle,  
 The baby chapter at Carnegie  
 Received a call, then Allegheny,  
 And we did not our speed abate  
 'Til we reached Pennsylvania State.  
 And then our goal we finally won  
 At Washington and Jefferson.  
 We tarried here a little while,  
 For we had covered many a mile.  
 And it seemed right, while we were there,  
 That we should say a little prayer  
 At the shrine erected there to mark  
 The place from whence the Phi Psi bark  
 Was launched to rule the restless seas  
 As king of all fra-ter-ni-ties.  
 And I will say to you right here,  
 No fame can be so sure or clear  
 As that which rests today upon  
 Old Washington and Jefferson.  
 Its name will live for e'er on high,  
 As birthplace of Phi Kappa Psi.

But I must hurry on, I suppose,  
 Or I will hear the gavel's blows.  
 I do not want to stop until  
 I've taken you to Charlottesville.  
 Virginia Alpha was the place  
 Where Woodrow Wilson did embrace  
 The Phi Psi faith long years ago.  
 And who can tell and who can know  
 But that the spirit he imbibed,  
 That force which cannot be described,  
 Was what sustained him through those years  
 Of doubt and trouble, strife and tears;  
 Who knows but that his kindled zeal  
 For brotherhood did but conceal  
 The broadened vision which he gave  
 To all who hope mankind to save;  
 That for his soul humanity  
 Became God's great Fra-ter-ni-ty.

We didn't stop at Lexington,  
 Our time was short, we hurried on.  
 Up o'er the Allegheny's height,  
 Past West Virginia in the night.  
 Our speed was most immoderate  
 Until we landed at Colgate.  
 We tarried here, I and my muse,  
 And then went on to Syracuse.  
 In just one hour we said farewell,  
 And hurried on to old Cornell.

And there above Cayuga's waters  
 We saw the many sons and daughters  
 That go to college on a hill,  
 That runs straight up and down until  
 You'd swear that man's the only primate  
 That possibly could ever climb it.  
 Perched upon a rocky crag  
 We found the Phi Psi battle flag.  
 From out their windows we could see  
 Most to the hills of New Jer-see.  
 And needing then some breathing time,  
 To get recovered from our climb,  
 We sat around and listened to  
 The Cornell boys talk 'bout their crew,  
 For you know just as well as I  
 That no Cornell man will deny,  
 That rowing is the only sport  
 For which they've fame of any sort.  
 Perhaps some day there'll be a prize  
 For those who've learned to exercise  
 Their legs in climbing mountains high;  
 When that day comes, my prophesy  
 Is that Cornell will make the rest  
 Look like a flock of snails gone west.  
 One thing I'll say about Phi Psi,  
 Though now their stand is very high,  
 If New York Alpha starts to slip,  
 They'll never stop until they dip  
 Into Cayuga's waters deep,  
 Perhaps forever there to sleep.  
 But now for fear someone will yell,  
 Have done with talking about Cornell,  
 I'll take you over to that state  
 Where children all anticipate  
 That they'll be surely called some day  
 As President of the U. S. A.

Within the state of Ohio  
 We have four Chapters that I know,  
 But which one *is* the *best*, I think,  
 I'd better not put down in ink.  
 The oldest is at Delaware,  
 Perhaps there is a college there;  
 At Wittenberg, we have a gang,  
 I'll mention them in this harang.  
 At Cleveland there's a school called Case,  
 Which something tells me is the place  
 Where science is impressed upon  
 Boys of Ohio Epsilon.  
 I almost failed to call attention  
 To a chapter which should receive mention—  
 Perhaps the rhyme is slightly cumbrous—  
 I refer to the chapter at Columbus.  
 For reasons that must have seemed weighty,  
 'Way back in the year eighteen eighty,  
 Our charter was on them conferred;  
 What time is it?—most nine—my word!

Say! Is anybody keeping time  
 While I put all these schools in rhyme?  
 We've got about two dozen more  
 My muse and I must still explore.  
 If you get tired, don't blame me,  
 Dutch is the man that you should see.  
 You may not think this stuff a wow,  
 But no one's going to stop me now.  
 These verses here, Dutch made me write them,  
 And now, by gosh, I will recite 'em.  
 Let's see, where were we? Oh! I know,  
 We'd just got through with O-hi-o.

Well now, upon the scene there comes  
 That buoyant bunch of boisterous bums,  
 Who live up in Ann Arbor town  
 And bring to Michigan renown.  
 For many years they had their way  
 At every sport they tried to play,  
 From coast to coast they were the toast,  
 'Til Fielding Yost gave up the ghost.  
 And now of late it seems to me,  
 They're not just what they used to be.  
 In spite of Baer and Oosterbaan,  
 They're almost now an also-ran.  
 At football, baseball, and on track,  
 The other schools have shoved them back,  
 Until last week—Alas! It's true,  
 This bunch was beaten by Purdue.  
 Of course, I know that any school  
 Cannot expect to always rule  
 The field in every branch of sport,  
 Such things p'raps their heads distort.  
 And there are those who have the thought  
 That Michigan is being taught  
 That they are not—excuse my speech—  
 The only pebbles on the beach.

We're coming now to Indiana  
 (Will someone please page James R. Hanna?)  
 Three chapters there we have, no more,  
 The oldest is, of course, DePauw,  
 Where a Phi Psi prexy's word is law,  
 The school whose greatest claim to fame  
 Is that they list Don Maxwell's name.  
 The next is down in Bloomington,  
 Entirely by Hoosiers run.  
 And you must not let me forget  
 The Phi Psi gang at LaFayette;  
 There's some of you that will recall  
 Some football games played 'way last fall,  
 When Phelan's crew ran rings around  
 The Harvard bunch at Cambridge town.  
 How cleverly did they the jest turn,  
 When they romped 'round and through Northwestern.  
 They took them to a barbecue,  
 They made the wildcat purr and mew.  
 At basketball they're pretty good,  
 At least so I have understood.

I believe they haven't lost a game,  
And if they keep on just the same,  
And don't put on too many airs,  
The championship will soon be theirs.

And now, we're through with Indiana,  
The author's and the poet's Nirvana.  
We're going to take a jump terrific  
And land 'way out on the Pacific.  
To Southern Cal-i-for-ni-a  
We'll hand a baby-blue bouquet,  
Our youngest chapter—not two years—  
They're hardly dry behind the ears.  
Last fall they came to Soldiers' Field,  
And went back riding on their shield.  
The words that sear their very soul  
Are, "No possession—no control."

In this review of Phi Psi lore,  
I've mentioned Stanford once before,  
So we'll run on to Berkeley town,  
Where there's a school of some renown,  
Which basks in the reflected glamor  
Of good old California "Gammer."  
But still we'll have to hurry on,  
And make a call at Oregon.  
I've never known, or heard, or seen  
A single thing about Eugene.  
This next is going to be damned hard  
Upon your poor devoted bard.  
I've worried 'bout it for an hour,  
I simply haven't got the power  
To find a word that rhymes Seattle.  
I guess I'll have to quit the battle.  
If I should say the word Seattle,  
It pro'bly would for me be fatal;  
If I should call the place Seattle,  
You'd say that I had hit the bottle.  
So, with my usual circumspection,  
I now will take a new direction.

We'll start back East and keep on going  
Until we reach a place worth showing.  
To all of you who've toured the West  
I need not say which chapter's best.  
But lest there be some ignorant  
And unconvinced recalcitrant,  
Who doesn't know the history  
Of our sublime Fraternity,  
I'll take you now to Colorado,  
Where nestling in the mountains' shadow,  
A mile above the rolling plain,  
You'll find the Phi Psi home of Swain.  
In nineteen fourteen—bless the year—  
You placed a lusty chapter here,  
And ever since that happy day,  
There are hundreds, thousands, millions, say

That there's no chapter in the land  
 That is with this one fit to stand.  
 Their heart, the mountain torrent thrills,  
 Their strength, it cometh from the hills,  
 Each man a prince, each prince a king,  
 Each year to higher heights they swing.  
 And if a flood should some sad day  
 All other chapters wash away,  
 They still would carry, ever high,  
 The banner of Phi Kappa Psi.  
 Colorado Alpha (may its tribe increase)—

I awoke one night from a dream of peace,  
 And saw in the moonlight of my room,  
 Making it rich like a lily in bloom,  
 An Angel writing in a book of gold.  
 Exceeding peace had made me bold,  
 And to the Angel then I said,  
 "What writest thou?"—He raised his head,  
 And said with a look of sweet accord,  
 "The names of those who love the Lord."  
 Then, with what courage I could spare,  
 I asked, "Is Colorado there?"  
 He said, "Not so," and he shook his head,  
 But undaunted still to him I said,  
 "Then write them as those who nobly try,  
 To exemplify Phi Kappa Psi."

The Angel wrote and was lost in the night;  
 But he came again with the wakening light,  
 And he showed the names that should most be blest  
 Colorado Alpha led all the rest.

I now will let you all relax,  
 The rest seems an anti-climax.  
 But before you go into a coma  
 We'll make a call at Oklahoma.  
 Then down into the land of oil,  
 Where politics forever boil,  
 Down through the fields of green alfalfa,  
 We'll make a call on Texas Alpha.  
 If I knew something bright to say,  
 We would stop here, perhaps a day;  
 But since I don't, with rapid stride,  
 Let's up to Lawrence, Kansas, ride.  
 They've a live bunch there, you can bet your dollars,  
 If you don't believe it, just look at Sollars.  
 Nebraska has a chapter too,  
 Which I should introduce to you,  
 But we must now accelerate  
 Our speed into the show-me state.  
 Missouri Alpha, so they say,  
 Is located at Co-lum-bi-a.  
 Some think from the name of the town they choose,  
 Their purpose was to attract the Jews.

I wish before we leave the South  
 Someone would put words in my mouth  
 To mitigate my seeming guilt  
 In passing over Vanderbilt.

Although you're suffering from ennui,  
We've got to mention Tennessee.

And now our path will northward lead,  
Into the country of the Swede.  
Without a fear, our loins we'll gird,  
And ride into the thundering herd.  
We'll listen to their frantic boasting,  
About the great pile-driving Joesting,  
And when they stop their loud hosannah,  
We'll ask who stopped him—Indiana?  
Without detracting one iota  
From credit due to Minnesota,  
We'll go on down to Io-way,  
And visit Ames for half a day.  
And before we from that state withdraw,  
We'll see the place where Shillinglaw  
Spent four years with the purpose vain  
Of trying to stimulate his brain.  
Dave won't think that line very witty,  
The one, I mean, 'bout Iowa City.

Except that I am getting wheezy,  
Wisconsin would be very easy.  
The Gamma Chapter at Beloit  
Is the one Hal Townsend did exploit.  
I don't know why they took him in,  
But you can see he wears the pin.  
Another one is Walter Massey,  
To those who don't pay dues, he's sassy.  
Perhaps there're others here tonight,  
But I don't want to start a fight,  
So, before there's time to pull a gun,  
We'll hurry on to Madison.  
Wisconsin Alpha—What the hell!  
Ain't that the place where once did dwell  
That long, lean lad, that's always hungry?  
You know the man—his name is Bunge.  
Well, you've a bone to pick with him,  
He's part to blame for the fix you're in.  
For he's a member of that clique  
That invited me tonight to speak.  
You can give him hell for all I care,  
I'm almost through with this affair.

And now what words shall I employ  
To sound the praise of Illinois?  
Their language is quite difficult  
To use to address an adult.  
I'm not one who is contravening  
That Oske-wow-wow may have meaning.  
It may be I am very dense,  
P'raps Skinny-wow-wow may have sense.  
If "Slooeey" Chapman would, he could,  
Tell how those words are understood  
Around about these cities twain—  
I mean Urbana and Champaign.

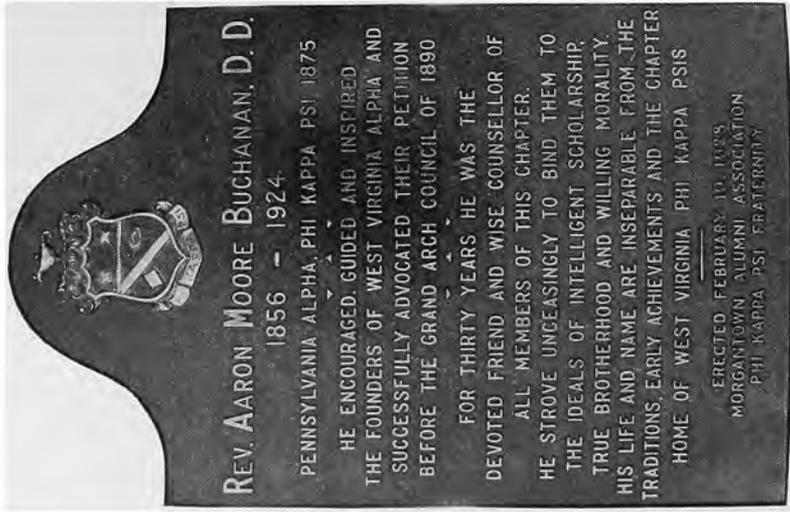
I understand this tennis champ,  
 From Illinois Delta's camp,  
 Was recently elected Archon;  
 Perhaps he will explain this jargon.  
 But be the answer what it may,  
 I've noticed when their team's at play,  
 These words seem fraught with vicious power  
 To make the other fellow cower.  
 Although to you it may seem strange,  
 I've heard it said that Mr. Grange,  
 While in his early infancy,  
 Did use these words quite fluently;  
 That frequently his nurse he'd cow,  
 With Oske-wow-wow, Skinny-wow.

We must make note in this harangue,  
 Of the Illinois Alpha gang.  
 They're here tonight in force to watch  
 The several acts in this debauch.  
 They've brought their neophytes along  
 To play a piece and sing a song.  
 I know that all of you prefer,  
 That there should nothing here occur  
 Which might in least degree bring shame  
 Upon Northwestern's hallowed name.  
 For they're the pink of prim propriety,  
 Their greatest virtue is sobriety.  
 Not one of them has ever drank,  
 The wildest Oates, they know is Frank,  
 And I know that you'd rather not  
 Incur the ire of President Scott,  
 By exposing any of these guests  
 To risque remarks or ribald jests.  
 I wonder if you here have seen  
 Old Eddy Lyons's shining bean.  
 I thought I saw him when he came,  
 Well, p'raps he's found a little game.  
 Ed makes a living, we all know,  
 By trimming suckers of their dough.  
 He knows more bridge than Milton Work,  
 He does less work than even Turk.  
 The proudest moment of my life  
 Was when I handed to my wife  
 Some cash I'd won from wily Ed:  
 I believe I was three bucks ahead.

Before I came in here tonight  
 I meant to finish this thing right.  
 But now from Illinois Beta,  
 I have received these ultimata:  
 They said I must be quite respectful  
 Regarding them, and not neglectful  
 Of their very high position;  
 They really have no opposition.  
 Then I was furnished with a list  
 Which they did earnestly insist  
 Included all their men of note,  
 And they said I must devote  
 At least a stanza to each one:  
 If I refused I'd get the gun.

I scanned this list, as was their wish,  
 Of Illinois Beta fish.  
 And one thing 'roused my interest,  
 One fact was on my mind impressed,  
 One thing in common had they all,  
 'Tis something p'raps you will recall.  
 I won't take time to call the roll  
 Of all who've worn their Gravy Bowl;  
 But just a few we will review,  
 Who will give you perhaps a clue.  
 There's Charlie Redmon, dainty sprite,  
 And Craig, his brother, small and light,  
 And Maddigan, the nimble fairy,  
 And the Gorgas brothers, light and airy.  
 Frank Whiting and his brother Lawrence,  
 For calories they've no abhorrence.  
 Young Chuck McGuire, a likely lad,  
 Weighs about two hundred when unclad.  
 You've none of you seen Norgren melt,  
 He's had to lengthen out his belt.  
 They're many more I might unveil,  
 Who dare not step upon a scale.  
 Now p'raps into your brain will seep,  
 This bunch was built when meat was cheap.  
 In fact, when I was somewhat stouter,  
 I had a row with many a doubter  
 Who thought, just judging from my weight,  
 I was an Illinois Bete.  
 This made me feel, of course, insulted,  
 And some harsh words, I fear, resulted.  
 Of course, 'tis true I'm quite aware,  
 This chapter has men here and there,  
 Who, if essayed, their brains would run  
 More than three ounces to the ton.  
 There's Harold Moore, he's not so big,  
 On their chapter's tree he's but a twig,  
 But a Phi Psi heart in his bosom throbs,  
 He gives all the hungry brothers jobs.

You won't believe it, but it's true,  
 I'm ready now to say adieu.  
 If there's anyone I did o'erlook,  
 Come back next year—I'll read a book.  
 We've traveled many miles tonight,  
 While I, these verses, did recite.  
 I don't know that you've noted it,  
 But it's a fact you must admit,  
 With rhymes and jingles, crude and shifty,  
 We've visited each one of the fifty  
 Chapters of Phi Kappa Psi,  
 And I know you're as tired as I.  
 I realize that it takes an age  
 To read these lines o'er page by page,  
 But you don't know the half of it,  
 The toil and sweat by which they're writ.  
 For fifty chapters are a lot  
 To cover when you're muse ain't hot.  
 When I got through this composition,  
 I really was in bad condition,  
 And then I reread all these data  
 And said, "Thank God, I'm not a Beta."



**BUCHANAN MEMORIAL TABLET**  
 In West Virginia Alpha House



**WILSON MEMORIAL TABLET**  
 Unveiled on Armistice Day in the City-County Building, Pittsburgh

## Memorial Tablet Unveiled for West Virginia Alpha's Founder

On February 25th, in the West Virginia Alpha chapter house, occurred the unveiling of a memorial tablet in memory of Dr. Aaron Moore Buchanan, "father" of that chapter. The following account of the ceremonies is taken from *The New Dominion*, the leading newspaper of Morgantown, of which Charles E. Hodges, W. Va. Alpha '10, is editor and publisher.

Unveiling of a memorial tablet to the late Rev. Aaron Moore Buchanan, D. D., for nearly 30 years pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of this city, was the feature of the annual midwinter initiation and banquet of the West Virginia chapter of Phi Kappa Psi which took place at the James Cochran house, 480 Spruce street, Saturday evening. The tablet was erected and presented to the active chapter by members of the Morgantown Alumni Association of the Fraternity.

The West Virginia chapter of Phi Psi, the oldest of all the fraternities now on the West Virginia campus, was founded here in 1890, growing out of a controversy between the two principal literary societies—the Columbia and the Parthenon—resulting in the forming of a third—the Athenian—which subsequently became the local chapter of Phi Kappa Psi.

Through the efforts of Dr. Buchanan, a member of the Phi Kappa Psi chapter of Washington and Jefferson College of the class of 1875, who was then pastor of the Presbyterian Church here, the ban against college fraternities at the university was lifted and a charter in Phi Kappa Psi was granted the petitioning group in May 1890. Dr. Buchanan sponsored the petition to the Grand Arch Council of the Fraternity and was assisted by Ernest M. Stires, at that time Archon of the second district of the Fraternity and now Bishop of the diocese of Long Island of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Dr. Enoch H. Vickers, head of the department of economics of West Virginia University, was a charter member of the local Phi Psi chapter, being the only member of the group of chapter founders present at Saturday night's affair. A letter was read from Henry G. Stifel, prominent Wheeling business man, who was a charter member, but

was also unable to be present. A letter from Bishop Stires was also read.

The tablet, which has been erected in the living room of the chapter house, was unveiled by Master Joseph Buchanan, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Buchanan of this city and a grandson of Dr. Buchanan.

The formal presentation of the tablet to the chapter was made by Charles E. Hodges and the acceptance for the chapter by George Jackson, at present Archon for the third district. A eulogy of Dr. Buchanan was given by Dr. E. H. Vickers. Sion B. Smith of Pittsburgh, an alumnus of the Allegheny College chapter and a past President of the national Fraternity, was a guest of the chapter for the affair and spoke upon the history of the Grand Arch Council of the Fraternity.

Chapter alumni present for the affair included Judge Scott C. Lowe, John Guy Pritchard, Wayne Shuttlesworth and Herschel Rose, all of Fairmont; Joe V. Gibson of Kingwood; Bert Gibson and his son, "Pringle" Gibson, of Masontown; Dr. Allen Porterfield, Dr. Madison Stathers, Dr. E. H. Vickers, Robert D. Hennen, Joseph K. Buchanan, Charles E. Hodges, Bradford B. Laidley, Harlan Selby, Gilbert B. Miller, George B. Vieweg, Norbert Moore, Mose M. Darst, Robert Donley, Hale J. Posten, Robert R. Chrisman, Charles Bland, Morton Gregg, James Trotter and John Trotter.

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### **Southeastern Regional Meeting**

The Southeastern Regional Interfraternity Conference, organized a year ago in Atlanta, comprising the states of Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, South Carolina and Florida, held its annual conference at the Atlanta Athletic Club January 21st. Representatives from states in the conference were present. A report of the New York Interfraternity Conference was read by Dean Floyd Fields, followed by a general survey of fraternity conditions at colleges and universities in the conference. Faculty cooperation, local panhellenic councils and fraternity scholarship were discussed.

## A Phi Psi Novelist

WALTER A. DYER, Mass. Alpha '96, Contributor

The recent publication by the Frederick A. Stokes Company of "The Sea Panther," a stirring tale of love and adventure dealing with the historic expedition against old Louisbourg, by Raymond McFarland, Mass. Alpha '95, brings to the front the name of a man whose career as sailor, teacher, author and Phi Psi is sufficiently unusual to be of more than passing interest.

Raymond McFarland was born in Lamoine, Maine, fifty-odd years ago and came naturally by his taste for the sea. For two seasons he sailed out of Gloucester on a fishing schooner, his cruises taking him along the Atlantic seaboard from the Virginia capes to Newfoundland and into the Gulf of St. Lawrence. His experience gave him a first-hand knowledge of seamanship and of the maritime history of New England, which he has made use of in his books. It also gave him a hardy physique. He enjoyed the distinction of being "college strong man" while at Amherst and amazed his fellow students by the agility with which he could swarm up a rope, hand over hand. These exploits, however, did not prevent his excelling in scholarship and being elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Brother McFarland, familiarly known as "Mac," was one of the charter members of Massachusetts Alpha and the man who, as the chapter's first P., steered it through its most difficult period and established the sound financial system which his successors found little occasion to change. He was the second G. P. of the chapter. Massachusetts Alpha will never be able to repay Mac for the indispensable service he rendered during those very perilous days.

He was graduated from Amherst College in 1897 and later earned his M. A. at Yale. He then started on a promising and useful career as a teacher. In 1904 he married Elizabeth Macon of Rutland, Vt., and became principal of the academy at Leicester, Mass. The next year he took the principalship of the high school in Ithaca, N. Y., which he held for five years. He then entered into college work and for ten years was a prominent member



**HARRY S. GORGAS, III. Beta '12**



**RAYMOND McFARLAND, Mass. Alpha '95**

of the faculty of Middlebury College, Vermont. From 1920 to 1923 he served as principal of Vermont Academy. He was collaborator of Carnegie Institution in Washington from 1904 to 1907 and led a scientific expedition into Labrador in 1910.

Five years ago he left teaching to go into business in Buffalo with the Art Work Shop, manufacturers of decorative automobile hardware, at 828 East Ferry street. He is a member of the Western New York A. A. His home is at 357 Oakwood avenue, East Aurora, N. Y. He has five children.

During these years of activity as teacher, explorer, manufacturer, and daddy, Brother McFarland has followed the avocation of authorship. His books include "A History of New England Fisheries," 1911; "Skipper John Numbus," 1918; "Sons of the Sea," 1920; and "The Sea Panther," 1928.

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## **Gorgas Active in College and Fraternity Circles**

JEROME P. NEFF, Ill. Beta '18, Contributor

**I**N the spring of 1915, a tall, handsome Phi Psi was making a name for himself and bringing honors to the Fraternity, as he leaped over the crossbar at Stagg Field, at a height unusually close to the world's record. It was during one of the great conference track meets that the writer first viewed Brother Harry S. Gorgas. Certainly a more clean-cut specimen of successful college athlete was difficult to find. And the success which Brother Gorgas enjoyed on the athletic field, on the basketball court and in the swimming meets was small in comparison to his accomplishments in other activities. He was interested in and took an active part in practically all of the more important university activities. Athletic editor of the *Daily Maroon* and secretary of the Reynolds Club were among the honored positions awarded to him.

To those who are acquainted with the honor societies at

the University of Chicago, it is sufficient to say that Brother Gorgas was one of the first selections in the senior society, Owl and Serpent. As an undergraduate member of Illinois Beta, Brother Gorgas held practically all the chapter offices. His services as G. P. during his last year were so extensive as to acquaint him with many of the prominent and active alumni in Chicago. Among these alumni his work for the Fraternity was greatly appreciated, and his efforts to draw the alumni closer to the chapter bore fruit in endless measure when a few years later the undergraduates and alumni of Illinois Beta built one of the finest fraternity houses in the whole country, at an expense of more than \$150,000. In his senior year he was elected Archon of the fourth district, serving from 1915 to 1917..

Shortly after graduation from the University of Chicago in 1915, Brother Gorgas joined the American Bond & Mortgage Company of Chicago in their mortgage loan department, where he remained a little over a year. He was among the first soldiers to land in France, where he served in the ordnance department, first as private, then sergeant, and finally as second lieutenant. Upon returning to Chicago after the war, Gorgas entered the loan department of the American Bond & Mortgage Company, where his efforts soon became well recognized and rewarded, and he became co-manager of the Western Branch Office department.

In 1921 the American Bond & Mortgage Company decided to expand their offices and open eastern headquarters in New York City. Charles C. Moore, Ill. Beta, together with Brother Gorgas, was selected to take charge of this new expansion. About this time a series of pictures and articles appeared in one of Chicago's leading newspapers, entitled "Prominent Athletes Who Have Made Good." Gorgas was probably the youngest graduate of the university to be included in this series, a very unusual tribute to so young a man. In this series also appeared the faces of two other Phi Psis, Merrill C. "Babe" Meigs and Lawrence H. Whiting, both undisputed leaders in their respective fields in Chicago.

The success and rapid expansion of the American Bond & Mortgage Company throughout the East are in no small measure due to the ability and untiring effort of Brother Gorgas, who, as sales manager, developed the New York territory and was elected an officer of the company. Opening with obscure offices on an upper floor of a small building, the company now occupies its own building of 13 stories in the center of New York's uptown financial district—a tribute to the untiring efforts of two good Phi Psis.

As an anticlimax in the business career of Brother Gorgas, he was elected vice president and general manager of the Guaranteed Mortgage Company of New York, which company was purchased by the American Bond & Mortgage Company in 1925.

During the recent endowment fund drive of the University of Chicago, Brother Gorgas was selected as chairman of the soliciting committee. The New York alumni quota was quickly oversubscribed by a considerable amount. In 1926 Gorgas was elected president of the University of Chicago Alumni Club of New York, and in the following year secretary and treasurer of the New York Association of Western Conference Universities, which office he now holds. No small part of his activity has been continually devoted to Phi Kappa Psi. Shortly after coming to New York, Brother Gorgas was elected secretary of the New York Alumni Association, and probably more credit is due to Brother Gorgas than to any other brother for the building up of this organization after the war. For four years he acted as secretary of the New York association, cooperating closely with Cecil Page, who held the office of president during this time. He also was active in the furtherance of the New York Fraternity Clubs housing committee, and the securing of the present building of the New York Fraternity Clubs.

Brother Gorgas was elected president of the New York Alumni Association in 1925, holding the office for one year and then retiring to the board of governors. Having attended six Grand Arch Councils, he will be eligible this year to the order of "S. C."



**ROOMS OF CHICAGO INTERFRATERNITY CLUB**



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Not so many years ago Gorgas was considered one of the young Phi Psis. Recently, as toastmaster at the Founders' Day banquet in New York, he passed a remark regarding the "Old Guard" of the Fraternity, and several brothers were heard to take exception to the remark and to point to the thin hair on certain parts of Gorgas' cranium. He is now 34 years old.

Brother Gorgas has successfully avoided undue prominence. Conservative in every way, he has continually held himself in the background. The reason Gorgas is so well known is because he has done so much for the Fraternity, for which he has been an earnest and successful worker.

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### **Chicago Interfraternity Club Issues Directory**

The Interfraternity Club of Chicago, which was described in detail in a recent number of THE SHIELD, has issued an attractive directory of its members, arranged by fraternity affiliations. Phi Kappa Psi is one of the largest contributors, being tied for sixth place in the number of members. William S. Boal, Ill. Beta '15, is vice president of the club, which has had an unusually successful season and which has attracted much attention among Greek-letter men in all parts of the country. The total membership is now about seven hundred.

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### **Scholarship Plaque for Maryland Alpha**

The Executive Council has awarded another scholarship plaque, the latest such distinction having been gained by the Maryland Alpha Chapter, which led all fraternities in scholarship at Johns Hopkins University during the last college year

## A Freshman Green to College Came

*Response to a toast at the Iowa Alpha initiation banquet,  
made by Montague A. Hakes, one of the initiates*

I AM, I believe, well qualified to speak on this topic. There are two good reasons: first, I was certainly very, very green, and then, I came to college. But that was six months ago and now we, the class of '31, are the most fortunate and happy of freshmen. In the early hours of today we were initiated into the mysteries of Phi Kappa Psi and welcomed into your brotherhood. The inspiration of the ceremony is with us yet, and our hearts are filled with a number of emotions. We recall last September when we first came to college how individual our problems were, how few people we knew. Through the semester of our apprenticeship to this organization we gradually enlarged our circle of acquaintances until, at last, we knew every man in the chapter.

Toward the end of probation week a number of freshmen were congregated in one of the study rooms discussing probation. You would think that after as hard a week as we had had that we would have been tired and discouraged. Instead, we were having a wonderful time: the reason was because for the first time we had class unity, we had discovered our very close and agreeable fellowship.

This morning, new revelations were made to us: the beauty and dignity of Phi Kappa Psi; the wonder of our brotherhood with you; the inspiration of it all. There are two things that especially impressed me. The first is: that, whatever may come to us in after life, be it success or failure, we will always be brothers, one for the other; and a new conception of personal prowess and honor, for as we honor ourselves so do we honor our Fraternity, and as we disgrace ourselves so do we bring disgrace upon it.

And now, on this first day of our brotherhood, we, of the class of '31, sincerely hope that we may be able to uphold the high principles and ideals of those who have gone before us, and in our lives, as we lead them, may neither the local chapter nor the national Fraternity ever find us lacking in the charge that has been placed upon us.

## South Texas A. A. Granted Charter

The Executive Council has granted a petition for a charter for the South Texas Alumni Association, with headquarters in Houston. The new association was organized with twenty-seven charter members, representing ten different chapters. The territory included in the jurisdiction of the South Texas A. A. is that section of the state bounded on the east by the Texas-Louisiana state line, on the west by the Colorado river, on the south by the Gulf of Mexico, and on the north by and including the counties of Travis, Williamson, Bell, Milan, Robertson, Leon, Houston, Angelina, Jasper and Newton.

The charter members of the new association are Leopold S. Adams, Texas Alpha '07; Menin N. Aitken, Texas Alpha '26; Joseph E. Aydt, Tenn. Delta '24; John P. Bulington, Texas Alpha '20; Milton L. Brenner, Texas Alpha '13; Lewis B. Corbett, Okla. Alpha '20; Clinton L. Dutton, Texas Alpha '23; Culver M. Griswold, Texas Alpha '12; Fred P. Hamill, Texas Alpha '23; Thomas W. House jr, Pa. Iota '24; Thomas M. Johnston, Pa. Alpha '23; Lawrence B. Jones, Texas Alpha '21; Louis F. Kirchner, Pa. Alpha '21; John R. McNutt, Texas Alpha '20; Fred Metts, Ind. Alpha '00; James F. Moss, Texas Alpha '17; Preston H. Oglesby, Texas Alpha '23; Marvin G. Pearce, Texas Alpha '15; James K. Saunders, Mo. Alpha '08; Clifford T. Smith, Tenn. Delta '09; Horace A. Smith, Okla. Alpha '22; James C. Smith, Okla. Alpha '24; Rollon H. Spencer, Cal. Beta '95; Edward J. Stern, Pa. Lambda '20; Joel B. Stratton, Va. Beta '25; Robert E. Williams, Mo. Alpha '17.

The new association held a Founders' Day banquet at the Houston Country Club on February 18th. At that time the following officers were elected: president, Dr. Milton L. Brenner; vice president, Edward J. Stern; secretary, Thomas M. Johnston; treasurer, Fred P. Hamill.

## What Use Alumni

ALLEN EMERY, Cal. Beta '13, Contributor

**A**LUMNI of a national college fraternity are useful to attend Founders' Day banquets, chapter house luncheons on the days of big football games, occasional alumni association luncheons, and various college athletic contests, particularly those in which the local chapter's current all-American is to do his stuff. They are helpful sometimes in the matter of sending in rushing recommendations, and even in the actual work of rushing the desirable fraternity material. At times, they may be asked, with a fair chance of response, for donations for repainting the chapter house, or building a new house; buying new furniture for the living room to keep up with the Delta Zetas; or to assist in keeping Brother Smith, varsity right end, in college. All these activities are concerned mainly with the four years of college life.

Fraternity life embraces a man's natural span in contradistinction to the four activity-teeming varsity years. What does the alumnus do to help his brothers through his natural span? In the average case, the answer to this pertinent question is: Nothing at all. Short and succinct.

Now, the strength of a fraternity lies in the strength of its alumni members, and we will all agree that Brother Biff Jones will be a lot more use to his fraternity if his position in life is more secure. When one battles the wolf at the door every day, he generally does not have much time for social welfare work in the interest of his college fraternity.

Hence, if we can get behind Brother Biff Jones in whatever line of business he is engaged, we can also at the same time help the fraternity. Little stones cast in water make large ripples. The good we do Brother Jones may very reasonably be expected to redound to the credit of the organization.

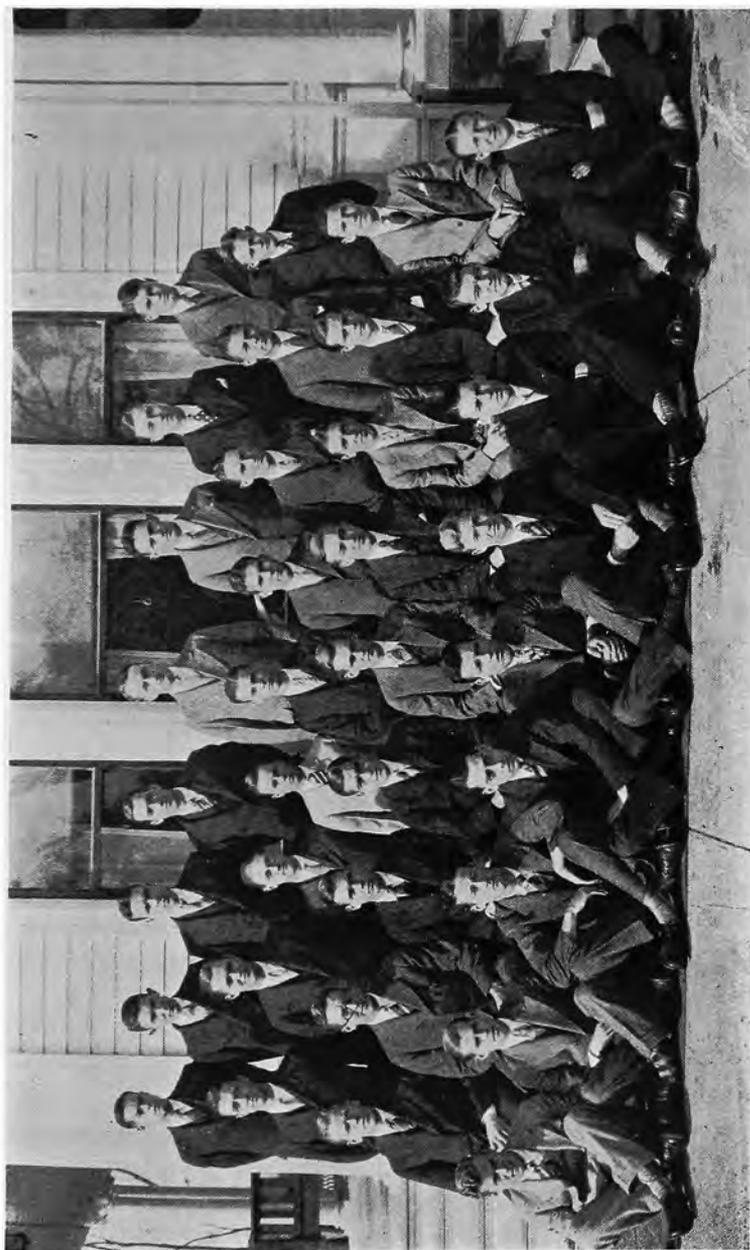
If Biff is an insurance salesman, let's remember him the next time we are in the market for insurance; if he sells

bonds, let's phone him and let him get the commission; if he is in the stationery business, let's order those letter-heads from him; if he is a physician, let's try him out; and if Biff is a lawyer, let's consult him about the income tax report this year. The opportunities to help are too numerous to catalog.

And employment. Here is Brother Whats-His-Name, just moved here from California or Kansas, Missouri or Massachusetts. He is not yet located. You meet him at a luncheon and learn this fact. Do you invite him to call at your office and see you or do you not? Ten to one you avoid him like the plague. Don't want to allow fraternity brother stuff to enter into business; business is hard and cold and goes to the most efficient. Does it? Do you know the difference between one man and the next; the success and the failure? Records show it is not so great. A little help to Brother Whats-His-Name right now might put him in the success class. That would make you feel pretty good to look back upon, wouldn't it?

Business is hard and cold, etc. Well, then, how about John Jones, whom you patronize because he is a brother Rotarian? How about Willie Beak, from whom you buy bonds because he lives across the street? How about Alfred Edge, who handles all your insurance, because you see him at the golf club, and he always has a bottle in his locker? And just reflect upon that very pleasant salesman to whom you give most of the orders in his line nowadays, because he is such a breezy interruption in the dull monotony of the business day. Those instances don't seem to make business all hard and cold, do they?

This spring many, many young Phi Psis will step into the world of business from many colleges all over the United States. The first few months after college are critical, as you well know. Can you not do your part to locate some of these men? Can you not write to the chapter and secure the names of the alumni-to-be, and a synopsis of their college records? One of these men may be just the man you want to bring up in the business. At least, it will not hurt to try the idea out, will it?



NEW YORK ALPHA CHAPTER—CORNELL UNIVERSITY

## Swarthmore's Five Musketeers

*The following most interesting account of five unusual Phi Psis appeared in a recent issue of the Philadelphia Public Ledger in the well-known column, "Girard's Talk of the Day." It was evidently inspired because of the recent death of Pusey Passmore, one of the "Five Musketeers" and one of Philadelphia's leading citizens. Subsequent to the writing of the article, another member of this unique group, William C. Sproul, passed to the Chapter Eterual.—EDITOR*

**G**ONE now is the first of Swarthmore's old guard. The "Three Musketeers" had nothing whatever upon that college's famed Five Musketeers, who for about thirty-five years have carried the torch.

Who were Swarthmore's Five Musketeers? Everybody connected with that college knows them, although perhaps not by that name.

Ellis Pusey Passmore, William Cameron Sproul, A. Mitchell Palmer, Morris L. Clothier and E. B. Temple! That quintette of the early nineties made a lot of history for Swarthmore College and made it in five distinct fields.

Fast friends at college, friends always afterwards, each one rose to a place of distinction.

I know of no college the size of Swarthmore in 1890 which turned out in one group a match for these Five Musketeers.

Pusey Passmore—since none of his friends ever called him by his first name, Ellis—is the first to go.

Philadelphia has had but few men in recent years who were personally so popular as he. No matter whether he was a bank cashier or president of America's oldest bank, it was all the same to Pusey.

And when he was governor of the Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank, Pusey's hat was never too small for his head.

Nor when the Union League made him its president—one of the rarest honors which can come to any man in this city—did Pusey Passmore lay aside his old genial ways.

I suppose it may be necessary often for a banker to deny

a customer's request, but I'm sure no customer ever left Mr. Passmore with a grouch or a grudge.

What of the remaining four of the Five Musketeers?

Not necessary in Pennsylvania to tell the story of William Cameron Sproul—for twenty years a State Senator and Governor of the Commonwealth.

Like Pusey, "Bill" also was president of the Union League. You know the Governor best in a political way, but he was just as handy in business.

As part owner of a Chester newspaper, Mr. Sproul, so he told me himself, was making \$5000 a year before he left Swarthmore College. And I suspect that comes close to a record for college boys.

That was only the beginning of his business career which brought him great success as well as a large fortune.

Senior partner is Morris L. Clothier in one of America's greatest department stores.

He elected to carry on the business which his father and Mr. Strawbridge created sixty years ago, but the founders, good as they were, didn't do so many big things as have the sons.

Like his inseparable chum, Bill Sproul, Mr. Clothier has for many years been a leading supporter and benefactor of his college mother.

Nor has Morris Clothier confined his college benefactions to Swarthmore. Lafayette received from him a beautiful statue of General Lafayette—something none of that college's own sons had ever thought of donating.

He is also a trustee of the University of Pennsylvania.

At this moment Philadelphia is engaged in the largest building and construction programme in its entire history.

Among the big works under way is the new \$60,000,000 terminal of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Who is engineering that great job?

E. B. Temple, chief engineer of the company, and the fourth member of Swarthmore's Five Musketeers.

In the field of engineering Mr. Temple is just as much of a top-notch as was Pusey Passmore in banking, Governor

Sproul in politics and business, Mr. Clothier as a merchant and Mr. Palmer as a lawyer.

Hardly anyone knows that the A. in A. Mitchell Palmer's name stands for Alexander.

The other Musketeers of Swarthmore call him "Mitch," and the big blond son of Stroudsburg always answered readily to that name. Graduated at the top of his class in 1891.

Law was Palmer's game, and he played it to real purpose. Congressman, and a fighting Congressman he was! Then later as Attorney General of the United States, Mr. Palmer joined the ranks of the other Pennsylvania immortals who held that office, including Wayne MacVeagh, Benjamin H. Brewster, Edwin M. Stanton, Judge Jeremiah Black and Philander C. Knox.

Now I submit that five men such as these in one small college—and Swarthmore in 1890 was not big—made an unusual group.

I think they all belonged to the same fraternity and the "Phi Kaps" are very chesty about their gallant Musketeers of Swarthmore.

I do not know if Swarthmore still sticks to that rigid Quaker discipline in vogue there when Benjamin Harrison was President of the United States.

A lot of colleges since then have moved in more liberal orbits and not always to the profit of the students. Anyhow, a college had to have something real which could aid five boys to go out and make good as did these Five Musketeers.

Swarthmore has a great band of successful graduates, but none in one little group to equal Passmore, Clothier, Sproul, Temple and Palmer.

Mr. Passmore's death is the first break in more than thirty-five years and that in itself is a proof that the Five Musketeers maintained sound bodies with keen and aggressive minds.

## Students Indorse Fraternities

The third annual congress of the National Student Federation of America, meeting at Lincoln, Neb., adopted a report which was an indorsement of college fraternities. The National Student Federation of America is composed of delegates and representatives from the student councils and student governing bodies from colleges and universities all over the country. Their third annual congress was attended by 180 delegates which represented institutions from coast to coast.

During the first few sessions the congress met in various groups which had been arranged to discuss various problems and phases of student government. After these groups had thoroughly discussed the problem assigned to it, they drew up a report which was submitted to a final session composed of delegates attending the congress.

The discussion group whose topic was "The Fraternity and Its Problems" was led by the president of the student body at Purdue. The report of this discussion group to the congress began by defining a fraternity as "a social group, gathered together under one roof, and bonded together with ties of more than common mutual interests, for the purpose of furthering the economic, social, scholastic, and fraternal ends of the individual members."

The fraternity was discussed from the standpoint of a problem in itself and from the standpoint of the problems which it causes. It was the general consensus of opinion that the fraternity was justified on the university campus for the following reasons:

- 1 *Economic.* From an economic standpoint a group of men mutually interested can live together more economically and more harmoniously than the individual members of that group taken as such.

The general trend in fraternities all over the country is toward sound economical handling of their house business rather than toward the rule of sentiment that has prevailed, and this trend is leading the fraternity into a position of economic importance to the university community.

The shouldering of unreasonable building programs by

local chapters was discussed and it was shown that, although there is a tendency, with due reason behind it, for chapters to build large houses, still it was also shown that there was a counteraction on the part of university authorities and national fraternity headquarters, to discourage and limit such projects as economically unsound.

2 *Scholastic.* It was unauthoritatively determined that in a good many of the institutions represented in the discussion that the general scholastic average of fraternity men was higher than that of the all-university average, indicating that fraternities are a scholastic asset to the university. However, there seemed to be a tendency on the part of fraternity men to lower their average by immoderate participation in extracurricular activities.

3 *Extracurricular activities.* It was thought that fraternities fostered a degree and percentage of participation in extracurricular activities that is not to be found among a group relying solely on the initiatives of the individuals in that group; which participation leads to a very beneficial development in the student body as a whole.

As a problem apart from the justification of the fraternity, one peculiar to the fraternity itself, and yet one that might easily have serious bearing on what economic and scholastic benefits the fraternity might render its commercial and institutional community, was the question of deferred rushing. It was thought that on paper the average system of deferred rushing looked particularly advantageous and that it had within it the solution of numerous perplexing problems, but that in actual practice in the majority of cases it did not altogether solve these problems and did give rise to more serious problems than those it tried to solve.

This report was accepted by the congress at its general session.

## **Penn State Interfraternity Conference**

Well over half the undergraduates at Pennsylvania State College attended a three-day interfraternity conference held early in February, when the members of forty-one national and thirteen local fraternities were addressed by men prominent in the interfraternity world.

The conference opened February 5th with a meeting in Schwab Auditorium. Mr. Joseph T. Miller of Pittsburgh, past president of Sigma Chi, was the speaker, and, in a heart-to-heart talk, pointed out to them the reciprocal duties and privileges of an individual to the chapter and the chapter to the individual.

Six different groups met in as many fraternity houses for lunch on February 6th, and the afternoon was spent in discussion. These groups were composed of chapter presidents, caterers, treasurers, chapter advisers, chairmen of scholarship committees and chairmen of social committees. The controller of the college attended the treasurers' meeting, the registrar was at the scholarship chairmen's group, Prof. J. O. Keller addressed the social committee chairmen, and Dr. F. W. Shepardson talked to both the chapter presidents and the chapter advisers. Ideas were exchanged, experiences were related and helpful suggestions were made. It is probable that the greatest lasting effect of the conference was derived from these group meetings. The caterers and the chapter advisers contemplate permanent organizations with similar meetings in the future.

A smoker and entertainment was held in the basement of the Cathaum Theatre on Monday night and all fraternity men on the campus attended. Dr. Edwin J. Cattell, city statistician of Philadelphia, and a noted after-dinner speaker, gave an inspiring address. Although Dr. Cattell is not a fraternity man, he was exceptionally effective and inspiring.

A big mass meeting was held Tuesday afternoon, at which several national fraternity officers spoke. The conference was brought to a close on Tuesday night with the annual interfraternity banquet at the Centre Hills Country Club and was attended by two delegates from each fraternity, and a number of invited guests.



**RHODE ISLAND ALPHA'S NEW CHAPTER HOUSE**

## **Biennial Meeting of the Endowment Fund**

Notice is hereby given that the biennial meeting of the Endowment Fund of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, a corporation, will be held in Buffalo, New York, on June 28, 1928, at the place designated for the meeting of the Grand Arch Council of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, for the election of trustees and the transaction of such other business as should properly come before the biennial meeting of the corporation.

D. G. SWANNELL  
*Secretary-Treasurer*

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## **The New Rhode Island Alpha Chapter House**

E. K. CARPENTER, R. I. Alpha '26, Contributor

Within a month Rhode Island Alpha's new home will be formally opened. This fine place, occupying 14,000 square feet of land and situated on a prominent location on Waterman street hill in Providence, will be one of the finest fraternity houses at Brown.

It is known about Providence as the old King mansion and commands a view of the entire city. During the past few months the house has been extensively remodeled and altered for a semidormitory system. It is situated close to the college and among several other fraternity houses.

It had almost become a despairing tradition in our chapter that we could ever overcome the zoning situation here so that a satisfactory house could be procured. Circumstances so came about, together with the tremendous drive and energy of our alumni association, that we have finally fulfilled our hopes.



# EDITORIAL

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

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## Alumni Addresses Needed

In the current issue of *The Mystic Friend* there are published the names of a large number of alumni whose addresses are not known to the Editor of the Catalog. The alumni of each chapter are urged to consult the list of members for whom addresses are still needed. Some of these lists are so long as to indicate that the chapter is guilty of not having made any consistent effort to know its alumni. The alumni are somewhat to blame for not having kept the chapter informed. Now is the time for all the chapters to get their directories into shape to be of real use to them.

Forty copies of a mimeographed list of the names for which addresses were needed were sent to each chapter early in February. These were accompanied by a registered letter directing that at least fifteen alumni be given lists and requested to help secure addresses. Prompt action was urged, but some of the chapters have not even acknowledged receipt of the registered letter. A few chapters must do something heroic before commencement or their delegates to the G. A. C. will have a most uncomfortable time explaining to the committee on the state of the Fraternity.

It is true that some of the addresses furnished by the chapters are correct, although the members have not returned their data cards. Also, many will return their data cards before *The Mystic Friend* reaches them. However, these lists give the true picture on March 24th as far as the Catalog is concerned, and there is plenty of work for the chapters to do. The lists show that the desired data are lacking for one-fourth of our members.



*PHI KAPPA PSI*  
*NOTES*



NELSON DICKERMAN, Cal. Gamma '01, has been in London for a short time.

EDWARD N. DASHIELL, Ind. Delta '01, resides at 14 Genesee av., Warren, Ohio.

H. W. THOMAS jr, Mo. Alpha '22, is living at 513 W. Reed st., Moberly, Mo.

F. L. LABOUNTY, Pa. Beta '04, has removed from LeRoy, N. Y., to Meadville, Pa.

HARRY B. HUFFMAN, Mo. Alpha '14, resides at 1901 S. Ryan st., Lake Charles, Ia.

GORDON WAKEFIELD, Mo. Alpha '18, is with the Pure Oil Co. at El Dorado, Ark.

On January 5th a daughter, Joan Marie, was born to Bro. and Mrs. SAMUEL H. JAMISON, Pa. Mu.

RAYMOND E. GOEWY, N. Y. Epsilon '15, is living at 840 Bronx River road, Bronxville, N. Y.

R. V. REINER, Pa. Mu '26, has removed from Newark, N. J., to 228 Garfield st., Middletown, Ohio.

DONALD McDOWELL, N. Y. Epsilon '15, has removed from Findlay, Ohio, to 2512 Park st., Jacksonville, Fla.

W. O. WILSON, Ind. Delta '14, formerly of Scarsdale, N. Y., is now with the Graham-Paige Co., at Dallas, Texas.

S. M. KNOOP, Ind. Beta '91, sailed on March 14th on the steamship France for a four months' tour of Europe.

GEORGE M. PAYNE, Ind. Alpha '80, has left the Cincinnati Times Star and is now editor of the Portsmouth (Ohio) Daily Times.

EDWARD H. KNIGHT, Ind. Gamma '93, former Treasurer of the Fraternity, has recently been appointed city attorney of Indianapolis, Ind.

THAD H. BROWN, Ohio Delta '09, former secretary of state of Ohio, is manager of the Hoover campaign in the Republican primaries in Ohio.

WILLIAM S. BOAL, Ill. Beta '15, vice president of the Chicago Interfraternity Club, was married on December 3d to Miss Lucile Burrows, Alpha Xi Delta.

THE SHIELD acknowledges receipt of the following chapter papers: *The Washington Alphan*, *The Mo-Alphan*, *The Indiana Alphan*, *The Michigan Alpha News*.

The Philadelphia Inquirer of February 27th contained a picture of the REV. ARTHUR C. CARTY, Pa. Epsilon '03, the occasion being that his birthday fell on that date.

ALLEN R. LEROY, Wis. Gamma '06, has left the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago and is now with the Los Angeles Investment Securities Corp. at 1031 S. Broadway, Los Angeles.

HOWARD S. JARVIS, N. Y. Beta '02, has been promoted to the position of assistant superintendent of agencies of the Travelers Insurance Co., and is now located at Hartford, Conn.

ADAM J. HAZLETT, Pa. Epsilon '10, is president of the Eastern Rolling Mills Corp., Baltimore, Md., and a member of the board of directors of the Union Trust Co. of Maryland.

HARRY W. MILLS, Okla. Alpha '20, is secretary of the Jacksonville Alumni Club and is anxious to get in touch with all Phi Psis in Florida. His address is Box 436, Jacksonville.

RAYMOND PEARL, N. H. Alpha '95, director of the Institute of Biological Research of Johns Hopkins University, is the author of a recently published treatise entitled "The Present Status of Eugenics."

HAROLD R. LEFFINGWELL, Pa. Beta '18, completed his medical studies at the University of Pennsylvania with the class of 1927, and is now serving as an interne in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh.

JOHN L. PORTER, Pa. Beta '86, of Pittsburgh, has recently been elected a member of the Pennsylvania Society of Mayflower Descendants, one of his early ancestors having been Isaac Allerton of the Plymouth Colony.

LUCIEN GARTMAN, N. Y. Epsilon '24, has recently become associated with C. WEBB MACKELVEY, N. Y. Epsilon '19, former Archon of the first district, in Brother MacKelvey's insurance agency at Albany, N. Y.

The Western New York Alumni Association at Buffalo has begun the publication of "The Paddle," consisting of interesting mimeographed sheets "designed to drive home a few facts" relative to the forthcoming G. A. C. at Buffalo.

Judge CHARLES W. BUSTIN, Ohio Alpha '66, and CHASE STEWART, Ohio Alpha '78, were passengers on the Cunard liner "Laconia" on a trip around Africa, leaving New York January 14th and arriving again at New York on April 3d.

HAROLD HOBDAV, N. Y. Beta '23, former Archon of the first district, is in the cost accounting department of the Raymond Concrete Pile Co. of New York. He has been connected with large construction jobs in various parts of the country.

RANDOLPH G. ADAMS, Pa. Iota '11, is the author of a recently published book entitled "The Gateway to American History." Brother Adams is custodian of the William L. Clements Library of American History at the University of Michigan.

I. C. ELSTON jr, Ind. Gamma '90, a prominent business man of Chicago and a winter resident of Miami Beach, Fla., recently contributed \$50,000 toward a fund of \$150,000 given by a few alumni and friends of Wabash College for the erection of a chapel. He has been a trustee of the college since 1921.

C. W. MOORE, Pa. Lambda '19, was married October 22d to Miss Sara M. Carter of Wheeling, W. Va. Brother Moore has recently located at 500 Leavenworth st., San Francisco, Cal., where he is representative of the Elliott Company of Jeannette, Pa., manufacturers of steam power plant equipment.

EARL E. YOUNG, Ind. Delta '01, is credit manager of the Philadelphia division of the Container Corporation of America, which has several large paper mills and box factories in various places in the East. Brother Young has a son, Edgar B., in Indiana Alpha, making the fourth generation of his family to be enrolled at DePauw.

Phi Psis throughout the country will be glad to learn that former President GEORGE D. MCILVAINE, Pa. Theta '85, of Pittsburgh, who has recently been seriously ill, is now greatly improved and has resumed his duties as secretary-treasurer of the National Pipe and Supplies Association. He has already sent in his advance G. A. C. registration.

At the Indiana state banquet in Indianapolis Thanksgiving eve, seventeen alumni of old Indiana Gamma gathered in their third annual reunion. Twenty-five attended the first reunion in 1925, and sixteen were present the following year. The alumni in attendance covered the period of initi-

ates from 1874 to the year of the chapter's discontinuance in 1901.

CLARENCE A. WEYMOUTH, Pa. Gamma '96, has recently been elected president of the Danville Structural Steel Co. at Danville, Pa. He has been in charge of this steel plant for the past year and his election to the presidency came after the purchase of the plant by Charles M. Schwab in January. He has been a trustee of Bucknell University since 1919.

ROBERT MCKNIGHT, Ill. Beta '11, former publicity manager of the Central Manufacturing Districts of Chicago and Los Angeles, has been appointed director of public relations of the National Association of Ice Industries, with headquarters in Chicago. He will have charge of the educational publicity of the organized ice producers and distributors of the United States and Canada.

A daughter, Florence Patricia, was born on January 16th to Bro. and Mrs. PAUL M. STINCHFIELD, Pa. Mu, of Scranton, Pa. Brother Stinchfield has recently resigned as associate secretary of the Scranton chamber of commerce to become sales manager of the Keystone Printed Specialties Co. The general secretary of the Scranton chamber of commerce is RAYMOND B. GIBBS, N. Y. Epsilon '07.

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### Boston Alumni Association

"A surprise banquet." From the heading of the first announcement, to the parting handshakes of the brothers, the Founders' Day annual banquet of the Boston Alumni Association proved an enjoyable innovation. First of all, it was informal. The place selected proved ideal. The Boston Architectural Club was secured for the occasion. With a huge fireplace roaring its welcome and the only illumination coming from this source and a few candles, the boys gathered around the piano and sang the old songs of the college days.

After a good dinner, the crowd gathered around the fire and listened to a few appropriate remarks, marking the significance of the occasion. But, as the bulletins announced, there were no "set" speeches. Informal talks were made by several prominent members. Brother Gabbi of Portland, Maine, made the special trip to be with us. A large delegation from Rhode Island Alpha made the evening more enjoyable by their presence. Brother Brown told of the wonderful new fraternity house which has just been secured by Rhode Island Alpha.

During the evening we were entertained by two charming girls dressed in the costume of the crinoline days, crooning the old-time songs, and rendering the Phi Psi favorites.

The Boston Alumni Association would like to take this opportunity of welcoming any visiting brother in the city.

*Boston, Mass.*

*March 1, 1928*

J. GAZZAM MACKENZIE JR

*Correspondent*

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### Chicago Alumni Association

As advertised beforehand, the 76th annual Founders' Day banquet of the Chicago A. A. was *the world's greatest* celebration of its kind. Everyone present who was able to talk at all was enthusiastic in his praise of the whole affair. So, you see, this is not just one person's opinion.

The official attendance broke all records. Final check shows 303 duckets paid for. The satisfying part of this large turnout is that old-timers who haven't been to anything savoring of Phi Psi for years were on hand in huge quantities. If some of the regulars had seen fit to call off the date to take the wife to the movies there probably would have been 400 chairs occupied.

The Red Lacquer room of the Palmer House was the site of our 1928 banquet and smoker, and the birds who decided on this spacious, well-equipped room certainly guessed right. It was roomy and well-ventilated, and is so far ahead of any other place in Chicago that it will undoubtedly hold our business for years to come.

Even the most fastidious were loud in their praise of the food. To get a real meal at a banquet is quite unusual, but those in charge of the Palmer House say it is no exception to their routine—all their meals are the best!

There were only two speeches, and both of them were good. George Swain, eminent Chicago lawyer, and a Phi Psi product from Colorado, was the biggest hit of the evening. His stuff was original, different,

interesting, humorous, to the point, and delivered in the same manner. Elsewhere in this edition you will find a reproduction of George Swain's masterpiece, so we won't spoil the treat in store for you by trying to tell you about it. Take our tip, though, and read it from start to finish.

A. J. Brunker, our un-Phi Psi guest, is to be congratulated on his endeavor. His speech was interesting, his manner dynamic, his jokes actually humorous, and his power just strong enough to drown out a few of the impolite and unthinking brothers gathered just outside the portals of the banquet hall, who insisted on singing, hollering, yelling and making their own amusement, with no consideration for the others, who really wanted to hear Brunker, or for Mr. Brunker himself.

Thirty-five of the Chicago active chapter, including twelve brand-new initiates, and twenty-five from Northwestern, with an equal number of baby members, came in units. Both chapters are to be congratulated on their new members—they certainly are a keen-looking bunch of fellows, and, we might add, in full keeping with the older actives.

Just fancy having at the speakers' table Raymond Hitchcock and Joe Santley, leading man and producer-actor of the show "Just Fancy!" They had to leave right after the food was served, but they started the evening off in good style, with short talks during the dinner. Hitchcock was especially funny, and several of the older brothers had to tighten the hold on the teeth to keep from swallowing them.

Fred McQuigg, dramatic critic of the Chicago American, engineered the obtaining of these two stars for us. Fred is a dab at helping out, and we certainly are indebted to him up to the neck. At our rush dinner, Fred brought over Leon Errol.

Our other entertainment was 'way above standard. Some of the boys were right up on their toes while Doris Hurtig was doing her "hula" stuff. She was heralded as the doll without a blemish on her body, and a lot of the guys wanted to get close enough to see for themselves. There were six other vaudeville acts in addition to Doris, to say nothing about Kady Farwell's own orchestra. The last was extremely good, and it looks as if Kady will soon have his name in big letters just like Whiteman, Ben Berni, and other celebrities. Kady is a brother from Wisconsin University, and was a star athlete and "W" man while in college.

Dutch Gorgas, president during 1927, started off the evening with a very short talk, and called the boys' attention to the new directory for details of the year's activities. He then introduced Hal Townsend, who carried the show as toastmaster, up to the entertainment. We were then to have Bill Hay of WGN as master of ceremonies, but he "blew" at the last minute, and the job fell on the shoulders of

Yours fraternally,

R. J. MADDIGAN

*Correspondent*

P. S. 1928 should be a tremendous year for Phi Psi, especially in Chicago A. A. circles. A lot of enthusiasm was stirred up at Founders' Day. The new president, Walter Massey, of Beloit, is a go-getter, and his assistants are men of the same caliber.

In addition to Walter, the following officers were elected: Scotch McMasters, vice president; Ted Crawford, treasurer; Hugh Bigler, assistant treasurer; Robert Allen, secretary; J. R. Hemingway, assistant secretary.

And—oh, yes—Dan Swannell was on hand for our banquet. He must weigh a ton, by the looks of him.

R. J. M.

## Cincinnati Alumni Association

The Cincinnati brethren, their serried ranks sadly thinned by influenza and out-of-town business, gathered at the University Club on February 25th for their annual Founders' Day banquet and business meeting. The following faithful fraters braved a snowstorm to attend the festivities: Charles S. Deputy, Ohio Alpha '07; Dr. Thomas A. Ratliff, Pa. Iota '06; Merrill C. Slutes, Ohio Alpha '92; Prof. E. S. Smith, R. I. Alpha '04; Dr. E. O. Smith, Ind. Alpha '91; R. C. Loudenback, Ind. Delta '20; Prof. H. W. Sibert, N. Y. Alpha '10; T. A. Waltz, N. Y. Alpha '20; Leonard Teichmoeller, Ohio Beta '24; and Mark S. Trueblood, Ind. Beta '20.

After a toothsome chicken dinner arranged by Brother Ratliff, the multitude went into executive session, the principal feature of which was a bitter election contest. E. O. Smith, by virtue of the patronage machine which he has built up through years in office, was reelected president for the 'steenth time by the narrow margin of nine votes. Brother Ratliff, by judicious bribing of delegates, again captured the office of vice president, while your correspondent, who has been laying secret plans for this coup d'etat for some time, snatched the office of secretary-treasurer out of the vice-like grip of E. S. Smith. It took fifteen minutes and two packs of Camels to bring the brothers back to their normal condition of dignity and aplomb.

News was brought to the association that Sigma Phi Eta, petitioning local at the University of Cincinnati, would not present a petition to the coming Buffalo G. A. C.

Brother Ratliff, who was one of the psychiatric experts who testified at the recent sanity hearing for George Remus, has attained quite the most renown enjoyed by any of the Cincinnati alumni for some time. He has received letters from points as distant as Hankow, China, and Belize, British Honduras, concerning the case.

E. S. Smith is receiving congratulations upon his advancement to a full professorship of mathematics at the University of Cincinnati.

George M. Payne, Ind. Alpha '80, has left us flat. He resigned his post as telegraph editor of the Cincinnati Times-Star to become editor in chief of the Portsmouth, Ohio, Times. George is deeply missed by the local newspaper fraternity. On a clear day, he could be heard yelling for copy as far north as Middletown.

R. C. Loudenback has recently joined the association. He is Cincinnati sales manager for the Link Belt Company.

Cincinnati alumni are encouraged over the increasing number of men in active chapters. H. L. Hodell jr, of Indiana Delta, is the latest pledge. The Rockaway boys, John and Richard, are making fine athletic records at Ohio State.

*Cincinnati, Ohio*  
March 7, 1928

MARK S. TRUEBLOOD  
*Correspondent*

## Cleveland Alumni Association

The Phi Psi season of 1928 was inaugurated with a very enjoyable Founders' Day banquet on February 18th at Allendorf's restaurant. Seventy-one brothers were present to give the official alumni welcome to the newly initiated members of Ohio Epsilon, which chapter attended in a body.

At the alumni business meeting held in conjunction with this banquet, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: president, Lee Dautel, Ohio Epsilon '17; vice president, Paul S. Schmidt, Ohio

Epsilon '06; secretary-treasurer, Royale Wise, Ohio Epsilon '19. Continuing the general plans of last year, we are holding a weekly luncheon every Monday noon at Allendorf's restaurant, and intend to have one evening dinner and smoker a month, probably at the University Club. We extend an invitation to any and all Phi Psis who happen to be in Cleveland on our luncheon day, to come over, to eat, and to get acquainted.

Our plans for the Buffalo G. A. C. are rapidly taking form under the guiding hand of Louis B. Gregoire, Ind. Beta '10, and we hope to have a sizable representation on hand next June.

*Cleveland, Ohio*

*March 11, 1928*

ROYALE WISE

*Correspondent*

### Kansas City Alumni Association

The Kansas City A. A. observed the seventy-sixth anniversary of the founding of the Fraternity at a banquet held at the University Club on February 18th. The committee worked diligently to prepare an unusual program, but when one considers the fact that banquets have been held for thousands of years he realizes that it is extremely difficult to find something new. However, it was very successful.

In the first place, the committee spared no expense nor effort in securing some of the best performers in the city, and these, together with several of the brothers who received encouragement as the evening grew older, were greatly enjoyed. Johnny Musselman, Kan. Alpha, with the same voice he uses in the Lyons Club trio, rendered several delightful numbers, and after Johnny's performance it was not at all difficult to persuade Ed Letson, Neb. Alpha, to do his bit. It was a little more difficult to persuade Bob Hawley, Col. Alpha, to render several numbers for us, but after the ice was broken the boys went at it strongly. After they got tired singing solos, we got hold of Frank Vrooman, Mo. Alpha and Pa. Iota, and made a quartet out of it, with the result that the whole gang was singing before the first number was half over, and among the voices of the gang, most notable were those of Doc Wilitts and Don Whitcomb. Both of these boys certainly missed their calling.

John Prescott, president for the past year, called the meeting to order and turned it over to Charles M. Blackmar as toastmaster. Brother Blackmar first introduced Frank Sebree, Mo. Alpha, who was initiated so long ago that the date has been forgotten. He told us briefly (in about thirty minutes) of the difference between college life during the dark ages and the present day. Brother Sebree was followed by Brother Neff, Ind. Alpha '78, a newcomer in our midst, who spoke only a few words. Then Brother Blackmar called on John Alden, Kan. Alpha, and he carried on Brother Sebree's comparison between the dark ages and the college student of today. However, Brother Alden went clear back to the Bible for some of his comparisons, and stated that someone, we forget who, served the Queen of Sheba wine and nectar. So we came to the conclusion that things had not greatly changed. Fred M. Harris, principal speaker of the evening, gave one of the most delightful talks we have ever been privileged to hear, and, although we thanked Brother Harris for coming all the way from Ottawa, Kan., we want to take this opportunity to express our appreciation again. One thing that helped make the entire evening such a success was the fact that all the speakers were accompanied by national anthems, such as "Sweet Adeline."

Election of officers resulted in the selection of Ben Seward, Mo.

Alpha, president; Winston Woodson, Mo. Alpha, vice president; W. R. Tate, secretary; and Charles Griesa, treasurer. The boys are still holding forth every Wednesday night, top shelf at the Shubert Theater, and from the discussions which follow each performance at the regular Thursday luncheon, it seems that next year's total will be around fifty or sixty at these performances. Brother Seward has already started his program for the coming year with the appointment of the standing committee, and our first social function will be held the evening of March 17th, at which time all the boys will wear green and trip the light fantastic. Brother Shutz has made arrangements at Blue Hills Country Club for this function. It also seems that we shall have a number of keg parties, foot warmings, picnics, golf ball poking contests and other affairs d'amour before Seward gets through; anyway, we hope so.

Well, guys, I gess this will be all for this here time an if Dorman O'Leery dont like this follerin the dig a bout rite ing in english why he can rite it his self besides it dont take so much thinkin to do this as the other an a feller can do it quicker any ways so so long until some-things happens.

*Kansas City, Mo.  
March 11, 1928*

Yores truley,  
CACTUS PETE

### New York Alumni Association

The New York A. A. is fortunate in numbering among its members men of national Fraternity fame such as Walter and Henry McCorkle, the brothers Robertson, Dr. Henry T. Scudder, Bishop Ernest M. Stires, "Wild" Bill Donovan and others whose mention would make this letter look like a directory, as well as many men who made an impress on their districts as Archons or as leaders in their respective chapters, and who are leaders today in the business life of America's metropolis. With all this material it is natural that the association should take a position of leadership in the Fraternity, which it did in the eighties, sponsoring expansion in the East, a principle which it still favors. The association has had its triumphs and its set-backs. In recent years it has been revived and reconstituted, by men of the stamp of Cecil Page and Harry Gorgas, so that it was ready to make the experiment of partnership in the Fraternity Clubs, an experiment still, but promising much in the future.

Apart from the participation in the activities of the Fraternity Clubs, the association has conducted certain activities of its own, an annual smoker, an annual summer field day, luncheons at the club at 12.30 (noon) on Thursdays, and the Founders' Day banquet.

The luncheons have been especially interesting this fall and winter. We have had addresses by Walter and Henry McCorkle, Harry Gorgas, Dr. Henry T. Scudder, Charles D. Bean from Geneva, N. Y., and Leon Fraser, some of them reviving memories of earlier days in the Fraternity, some touching on little-known portions of American history, some on travels and scenes in strange corners of the earth. Any Phi Psi, undergraduate or alumnus, is welcome to these luncheons. The cost is \$1. We had the pleasure on December 29th of entertaining Wally Knox, Cal. Beta, Archon of the sixth district. We are always glad to welcome visitors and to help them, in any way we can, to enjoy their stay in New York.

The Founders' Day banquet, at the Park Central Hotel on February 20th, was one of the best in plan, in being and in attendance, which we have ever had in New York. The hotel is in its first season

and is equipped to give the finest possible setting to such an affair. One hundred ninety brothers representing 32 chapters spent an hour in fellowship before the hour for dinner and sat down at the call of the toastmaster, several times repeated, to a well-chosen and well-served repast. There were undergraduate delegates from New Hampshire Alpha, New York Alpha, New York Epsilon, New York Gamma, and Rhode Island Alpha. We were also honored by the presence of former Presidents Henry and Walter McCorkle and Walter L. Sheppard, former Archons Harry Gorgas, Leon Fraser, C. W. McKelvey and Robert C. McCorkle, also Frank C. Bray, former editor of *THE SHIELD*, and Brother Robertson, editor and publisher of the Song Book. Fraternal messages were received from Howard C. Williams, President of the Fraternity, Carl H. Kent jr, Archon of the first district, who was delegated to go to Buffalo, George Bramwell Baker, from Cairo, Egypt, John L. Porter, from Pittsburgh, Elbridge Anderson, from Boston, and from the Buffalo Alumni Association.

The chapters were represented as follows: New York Gamma 64, New Hampshire Alpha 17, New York Epsilon 10, New York Alpha 9, Illinois Beta 8, New York Zeta, Virginia Beta and Michigan Alpha 7 each, Rhode Island Alpha 6, Massachusetts Alpha, New York Beta, Pennsylvania Gamma and Theta, Tennessee Delta and Minnesota Beta 4 each, Pennsylvania Kappa 3, Michigan Alpha 2, and New York Delta, Pennsylvania Zeta and Eta, Maryland Alpha, Virginia Gamma, Pennsylvania Beta, Illinois Alpha, Wisconsin Alpha and Gamma, Iowa Beta, Nebraska Alpha, Oklahoma Alpha and California Beta 1 each.

In his opening remarks the toastmaster, Harry Gorgas, referred to possible extension at Rochester and at Williams and urged the association to assist the chapters in the first district in rushing. Both sentiments were applauded.

Former President Walter Lee Sheppard made the serious address of the evening. We could do nothing finer than to quote his entire address; but that would crowd the available space and would unduly extend this letter. "Work done for the Fraternity lasts forever," said Brother Sheppard. He made a number of quotations from early copies of *THE SHIELD*. One was "The beauty and strength of ardent fellowship." This, he said, was the keynote of Phi Kappa Psi and he continued, "May her past standards be her future gauge!" "Wear the shield! Wear it every day! Have it on when you die with your boots on! There is work to do and that's why you're here; carry on!" Brother Sheppard outlined the beginnings of Phi Psi. He declared that Phi Psi was now the liveliest college fraternity in the U. S. A., because it had wisely left its welfare with the fellows in college, because, in its government, youth is in the majority.

Greetings were brought to us at this time from the Western Massachusetts A. A. of Springfield, by Wallace Dibble. He said he wished there were more chapters in New England and this wish was roundly seconded in applause. Brother Dibble then performed a couple of the sleight of hand tricks for which he was famed while in college.

The evening closed with a humorous address by Leon Fraser, who was greeted by the old college yell, "Every night, twelve million Russian Jews pray for the soul of Leon Fraser." Leon did a mighty job in Russia and probably earned the prayers; but he smiles with effort when the boys bring out that line. After telling of some of the bright spots in life in France with the A. E. F. and in his work abroad, but more about his play than his work, Leon called our attention to the fact that the U. S. A. was 76 years old when Phi Psi was born and that

the dinner of the evening celebrated Phi Psi's 76th birthday. He said it should be a Thanksgiving day. He said we should be thankful for the progress of the Fraternity, also for the fine work of New York Gamma and the standing of its pledges and for the work of Brothers Morrill and McCorkle in New York Gamma. He quoted a passage from the Angelus of Shelley and continued, "There's more behind it all than just the bells." Our Fraternity will be all that we want it to be if we live up to its ideals; but let's not have them so high that we can not reach them, nor so far ahead that we can not see them."

The association expects to be well represented at the G. A. C. at Buffalo.

*New York, N. Y.*  
*March 7, 1928*

LOUIS E. ORCUTT  
*Correspondent*

### Philadelphia Alumni Association

The greatest gift of fraternity—that closer fellowship of men of high aim—filled the Rose Room of the Racquet Club February 18th when the Philadelphia A. A. held its annual banquet. Both the room and the close arrangement of the tables were conducive to an intimate fellowship which a larger, more formal hall would not have allowed.

Harvey Watts excelled even his former records as toastmaster. Philadelphia's recently elected mayor, Hon. Harry Mackey, a Pennsylvania Theta Phi Psi, was the guest of honor and spoke warmly of his love for the Fraternity, later describing the human side of his work.

Ernest Van Fossan, of the U. S. Court of Tax Appeals, delivered an address which will live long in the hearts of his hearers. Wilbert Ward, vice president of the National City Bank, New York, gave an engaging collection of reminiscences interspersed with rich humor. Isaac Clothier delivered an impromptu talk brimful of Phi Psi ardor. Walter Clothier followed with a recitation of "Casey at the Bat."

President C. T. Wolfe presided. Other fraternity leaders in attendance were Brothers Walter Sheppard, Howell Davis, Russell Bement, Judge Henry Thompson, William Alexander, Dr. Randolph Faries, Silas Schock and Morris Clothier.

Deep regret was expressed over the recent death of E. Pusey Passmore; and of Judge Laird H. Barber, the latter of Mauch Chunck. Judge Barber, at the age of seventy-nine, attended last year's banquet in spite of the blizzard.

Our treasurer, W. Norman Morris, was absent owing to the death of his brother. Ex-Governor Sproul was unable to attend because of illness.

When asked to join an organization such as the Philadelphia A. A., the man with a materialistic turn of mind asks, "What do I get out of it?" The fellowship described herewith is the greatest gift of membership and just how great that is depends on—your own heart, your mental attitude and what you put into it. In a crisis Phi Psis are good friends. We urge distant chapters with offspring located in Philadelphia to remind their sons they will be welcome in the local association and at the Thursday luncheons in the Arcadia.

*Philadelphia, Pa.*  
*March 7, 1928*

D. N. CORTRIGHT  
*Correspondent*

## Pittsburgh Alumni Association

Occurring, as it does, coincidentally with the retirements of Jack Dempsey, Ty Cobb, and other celebrities as to suggest collusion, the abrupt announcement of the resignation of C. F. Williams as corresponding secretary of the Pittsburgh A. A. practically prostrates us. To say that this comes as a blow would be expressing our sentiments very mildly. It is a cataclysmic catastrophe and is a matter of deep regret, not only to the Pittsburgh contingent, but to many others, we feel sure. Judging from the remarks frequently heard in various parts of the country, "Dab" Williams' SHIELD letters will be missed by a vast army of his "invisible audience" (apologies to Graham McNamee). No longer will this page effervesce with the refreshing style of his diction, and with the manifestation of his most unusual faculty of accumulating news. No more will comparatively ordinary run-of-mine facts, such as Brother O. K. Horsefeathers of Arizona Alpha eating with the local clan or Brother John L. Porter discovering another gross or so of governors who are Phi Psis, be painted in such vivid colors as to give one the impression of reading about Lindbergh's reception at Buckingham Palace or of listening to the "Entrance of the Gods into Valhalla." Alas! Alack! !

However, since Brother Williams has found it necessary to devote all his time and energies directing the sales for Allen S. Davison Company of "Syndolag," the world's leading open-hearth furnace bottom material, the present incumbent will endeavor to carry on, in his own feeble way, the notable work of his predecessor. His readers, if any, can be of moral assistance by assuming an attitude of indulgence.

We would like to, and easily could, write page after page eulogizing the ability of Brother Williams as a correspondent of the first magnitude, but there is so much "red hot" news to chronicle at this time that we must forego the pleasure.

Standing out in the vanguard was the annual Founders' Day banquet which was held at the University Club on February 25th. And, Oh! What a banquet it was! President L. W. Voigt certainly didn't make a mistake when he made "Dave" Davis chairman of the committee on arrangements, and gave him such able assistants as R. P. Crawford, P. F. Droste, F. D. Graf, B. M. Johnson, J. L. Porter, L. A. Rust, M. W. Stump, C. F. Williams and R. E. Zimmerman.

Bob Crawford, as usual, was the impresario and under his able direction the one hundred thirty Phi Psis present were inspired to vocal attainments hitherto unknown. We "jolly-good-fellowed" and "high-high-highed" until our voices resembled those of able-bodied sea lions at the Highland Park Zoo.

In regard to oratorical talent, we feel that the gods smiled upon us with a particularly broad grin. Witness the following program which was made possible by the untiring efforts of John L. Porter: invocation, Rev. Ralph B. Urmy, Cal. Alpha; address of welcome, D. R. Davis, Pa. Lambda; toastmaster, Greer McIlvain, Pa. Theta; address, President Howard C. Williams, Ill. Delta; address, John Henry Frizzell, Mass. Alpha; address, Gen. William Mitchell, D. C. Alpha; reminiscences, Samuel McClay, Ill. Gamma; reminiscences, Judge Joseph M. Swearingen, Pa. Alpha; remarks, J. H. Dowling, Pa. Mu.

After being entertained, educated and inspired by the excellent speakers on our program, the annual business meeting of the local association was called to order by D. R. Davis. On account of the lateness of the hour, the reports of all committees were postponed except that of the nominating committee, which was presented by Francis D. Glover. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: pres-

ident, D. R. Davis, Pa. Lambda; 1st vice president, Greer McIlvain, Pa. Theta; 2d vice president, W. A. Reinoehl, Pa. Eta; 3d vice president, J. R. Wylie jr, N. H. Alpha; recording secretary, Ray F. Kruse, Pa. Mu; corresponding secretary, C. R. Texter, Pa. Lambda; treasurer, Robert A. Moore, Pa. Beta; chaplain, Rev. R. B. Army, Cal. Alpha.

On the 21st of February, eight members of the local association motored up to Indiana, Pa., and were entertained by the Indiana A. A. on the occasion of their annual Founders' Day banquet. And all those who have ever been entertained by the Indiana boys know that they are not amateurs by any means. Brothers White, Blair, McCreery, Fisher, etc., etc., are perfect hosts. Those of the Pittsburgh association who made the trip were R. P. Crawford, J. E. Hindman, N. R. Daugherty, C. F. Williams, R. F. Kruse, R. A. Moore, C. A. Curtis and C. R. Texter. After an excellent dinner and equally excellent singing, except when it was partially ruined by members of the Pittsburgh group, Brother White in the capacity of toastmaster introduced N. R. Daugherty, W. Va. Alpha, who delivered the principal address of the evening.

Our attention has just been called to the fact that Greer McIlvain, Pa. Theta, has been elected to fill an unexpired term on the National Fireproofing Board.

It is with a mingled feeling of regret and thankfulness that we have learned of the recent illness and complete recovery of A. B. Emerich, Pa. Lambda, from a mastoid operation. Regret, because, through some inefficiency in our liason system, none of us knew of Brother Emerich's ten weeks' siege in the hospital until it was all over, and thankfulness because of his complete recovery. We are very grateful that he is with us again and devoting his energies in the capacity of district manager toward putting Wagner Electric on the map in the Pittsburgh district.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hume of Washington, D. C., have announced the marriage of their daughter, Virginia, to L. W. Voigt, which took place on February 18th. Brother Voigt, president of our association last year, was obliged to miss the Founders' Day banquet because he could not fit the date in the itinerary of their wedding trip.

On February 9th, A. V. Snell, Ill. Beta, acted as luncheon host to the Pittsburgh A. A. at the Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce. Almost forty-five Phi Psis enjoyed Brother Snell's hospitality and voted the luncheon a great success. Brother Snell, it will be recalled, is secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

By the birth of a daughter, Virginia Bell, on February 19th, Bro. and Mrs. J. R. Wylie jr have increased the number of their children to one. Virginia weighed 6½ pounds at birth but is bidding fair to double that amount in the near future.

O. M. Wolfe, Ind. Delta, and J. L. Passavant, Ohio Beta, have recently affiliated with the Pittsburgh A. A. and have been regular attendants. They are both associated with Ochiltree Electric Company, of which Brother Wolfe is Pittsburgh district manager and Brother Passavant his first assistant.

Recent visitors to our regular Thursday luncheons at McCreery's are Terry W. Kuhn, Pa. Alpha, U. G. Young jr, W. Va. Alpha, and Neal Russell, Pa. Mu, the latter being a sophomore at Carnegie Tech.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.*

C. R. TEXTER

*March 13, 1928*

*Correspondent*

## Rhode Island Alumni Association

The Rhode Island Alumni Association observed Founders' Day with a dinner at the Metacomet Golf Club on February 18th. Despite the worst snowstorm of the winter, there was a good attendance, with Bro. Nathan B. Bidwell, of the Boston A. A., and Mr. Jesse P. Eddy, father of G. P. Eddy 3d, and Pledge Robert Eddy as guests.

J. Nelson Alexander explained the steps leading to the purchase of the new chapter house at 32 Waterman st. and stated that the work of adapting it to fraternity purposes is proceeding rapidly. Everything points to its being in readiness by April 1st for occupancy by the chapter. The house is in a commanding position just below the brow of College Hill and is one of the old-time mansions for which this part of Providence is noted. With ample space on all sides, accessible to the university and to the down-town section, it is well situated and adapted for the needs of Rhode Island Alpha.

A brief business session followed, with the election of the following officers for the ensuing year: president, McDonald L. Edinger; vice president, Nathaniel O. Howard; treasurer, Joseph B. T. Coop; secretary, E. K. Aldrich jr.

*Providence, R. I.*

EDWARD K. ALDRICH JR

*Correspondent*

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**G. A. C.**  
**Buffalo**  
**June 27-30**

# 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 was a notable success in every respect, and one which will linger long in our memories. As last year, we held the party without the aid of another house. The decorations, which consisted of drooping Spanish moss and dimmed lights beneath, lent a true tropical and romantic atmosphere to the occasion. Amidst such a setting for three days there were thirty of the "fairest," who composed the most important element and added the desired charm to the whole affair. Out of these fair guests one was picked as the 1928 carnival queen of the college. The Yale Collegians furnished their usual good music, with some entertaining specialty acts included.

Last semester's scholastic results have been issued since the last SHIELD; the general average of the chapter taking quite a rise over the previous semester's. The 1930 delegation especially made a very good showing. Walt McKee, recently elected president of the house, has been initiated into Phi Beta Kappa. He clinched this coveted key after obtaining six A's last semester. A record to be envied!

The election to the senior societies drew seven men from the 1929 delegation. Born, Corrigan and Gurney were elected to the Dragon society, while Gunther, Hodson, Johnson and Wiedenmayer were elected to the Casque and Gauntlet society.

The new officers of the chapter elected for this semester are as follows: G. P., Walter McKee; V. G. P., Richard Johnson; B. G., Richard Burke; Ph., Hugh Mitchell; Hod., Jack Ackley; Hi., Ted Gurney.

George Scheller received his letter on the swimming team this year, doing worthy work in the relay. Chris Born and Jack Gunther have represented Phi Kappa Psi in the interfraternity swimming heats, Chris having won both events entered so far. In the interfraternity basketball league, the house team won its first game, defeating Chi Phi. In the track try-outs Nels Ranney and Walt McKee have been placing for the finals which are to be held later in the month.

The varsity track team has completed its winter meets. Phi Psi was well represented, with Foster in the relay; Gow putting the shot; Knoeltner broad jumping; and Carnell in the two-mile event. The first of these men won his letter for the first time; while Knoeltner and Carnell will no doubt receive theirs this spring. Walt McKee is manager of track this year. Baseball practice has begun indoors for the varsity, with Charley Dudley and Dick Johnson answering the call, a whole battery in themselves. Johnny Calver has been doing good work on the fencing team.

The musical clubs are making a long trip out West this spring vacation. Gurney and Stewart will be found among those present.

Brother Simpson returned for carnival this year; everyone glad to see him back in the fold, even if it was only for a short stay. We sorely miss Wallace and Thurmin this semester; former forced to leave college on account of sickness in his family; the latter, resigning.

Now that the snow is melting away and clearing things up, Hanover will be more accessible, and New Hampshire Alpha sincerely welcomes all visiting brothers maneuvering in this direction.

Hanover, N. H.  
March 8, 1928

F. H. CORRIGAN  
Correspondent

## Massachusetts Alpha—Amherst College

Massachusetts Alpha takes great pleasure in announcing the rise to nation-wide importance of two of its members—Frank Wilber and Fred Taft. Both of these men did such heroic rescue work in the fire which swept the business section of this metropolis, that Pathé News and Associated Press photographed them while in the act of rescuing from the flames a woman, three canaries, and various unmentionables. Fred Taft says they will take a graduate course in firemanship, but Frank, who is more athletically inclined, prefers to be an iceman.

Not including the above extracurricular activity, the house has had over 90 per cent of its members partaking of some outside interest this winter. In the interfraternity relays, the Phi Psi team, composed of Prigge, Nichols, Tracy and Perry, took second place. The swimming and track teams are both competing as this letter is being typed, and will win their respective events, we think. The singers took second in the competition held in January.

In varsity sports, Nichols and Perry completed their second year as regulars on the hockey team. Bob Howe is leading diver among the swimmers. Rudy Turner and Dick Templeton play basketball and swim, respectively, on freshman teams.

We are expecting great things of our boxers. No one in college has been able to hurt Johnny Schneple's prognathic jaw. The athletic department has offered a prize to the first person to really make an impression on this bony structure.

Al Nichols, besides being a hockey star, is first-string varsity pitcher on the baseball squad. Marty Kellogg, who was also used last year, is rounding into shape.

February 23d the chapter entertained the Deerfield Academy boys who are coming to Amherst as students next year. The visitors helped to make the evening the success it was by stunts and music. The Phi Psi quartet also swung into action. These four boys will be singing at the G. A. C. in Buffalo.

Mackey, Meneely and Ryan couldn't let St. Patrick's Day go by without some sort of a celebration in a bigger and better way, so the social committee decided to run a dance on March 17th. Though this letter won't be read until the blossoming spring, all interested may be sure that these brothers did right by the Irish.

Generally speaking, the spring causes an influx of ladies' men into Smith and Mount Holyoke. If any of our brothers from far or near should be in this wandering and love-sick crew, they are welcome to spend the night with us after the evening's work is done.

*Amherst, Mass.*

*March 9, 1928*

HUBERT L. PERRY

*Correspondent*

## Rhode Island Alpha—Brown University

After a short season during which the pledges were bound more firmly together and to the Fraternity, a most satisfactory initiation was held, followed by the banquet. An extreme conviction of the evolutionary progress of the Fraternity even induces me to call the banquet "the best" ever held. Only three out of the thirteen men pledged were unable to be initiated.

At present the house is in all readiness for the initiation dance which is to be held tonight. Viewing the situation in its totality, the evening promises a fund of experience and a general good time to be "enjoyed by all."

Turning from the social life of the chapter, we can still say confi-

dently that Rhode Island Alpha still maintains more than a major share of its men in the activities on the campus. We can point with pride to the fact that all our freshmen are actively engaged in the major teams and boards on the campus. Peterson, Horn, McFadden, Laadt and Pledge Reading are on the *Brown Daily Herald*, with Keith and Francis competing against each other for editor in chief.

Baseball practice has started with Wright, Heffernan, Chase, Peterson and Edwards slated for varsity roles. Jim Edwards has easily made the swimming team and is competing tonight for the New England intercollegiate diving championship.

Reb Russell, holder of the Brown record in the high jump, gained second place at the I. C. A. A. A. meet held recently in New York. Russell, who is the mainstay of the track team in this event, has as fraternity supporters on the squad Kenerson and Peterson.

*Providence, R. I.*

*March 8, 1928*

E. K. CARPENTER

*Correspondent*

### New York Alpha—Cornell University

The chapter takes pleasure in welcoming back this term Al Thompson, Ed Howard and T. S. Chadeayne, who has decided to continue his research work in the C. E. college. At the same time we are sorry to lose Ham Parks, who was forced to drop out of college this term on account of illness.

New York Alpha is justly proud of its record last term, for none of the brothers was forced to leave the university for failure to pass the required work. The chapter has placed more emphasis on scholastic work during the past semester, and the fruits of our endeavors are now becoming evident.

The officers for the present term are as follows: J. F. Macomber, G. P.; R. D. Quick, V. G. P.; W. H. Rowand, B. G.; J. S. Thompson, P.; J. B. Atwood, S. G.; E. G. Joyce, A. G.; F. T. Elder, Hod.; A. R. Erda, Hier.; G. B. Emeny, Phu.

New York Alpha takes this opportunity to announce the initiation on February 17th of the following eleven men of the freshman class: R. W. Andrews, E. Becker, F. Becker, C. A. Benedict, H. L. Browning, S. L. Elmer, B. W. Hackstaff, D. M. Halstead, F. E. Hartzsch, J. M. Searles and W. S. Wright. The chapter was honored on this occasion by the presence of Edward M. Bassett, Treasurer of the Fraternity. The fifty-ninth annual initiation banquet was held the following night and was attended by delegates from all the chapters of the first district. Ben Beisel, Pa. Beta '14, presided as toastmaster, and Frank Eurich, N. Y. Alpha '99, was the principal speaker. The chapter was pleased by the attendance of a large number of brothers from the town and the faculty, among whom were E. R. Merritt '89, C. C. Murdock '07, Robert Crossette, Wis. Gamma '15; J. E. Dixon '15, P. M. O'Leary, Kan. Alpha '23; T. P. Carpenter, N. H. Alpha '25; F. O. Bissell '25, and D. E. Ohl '27.

The chapter announces the pledging of Stanford W. Apgar of Ruthersford, N. J.

The annual Founders' Day banquet of the New York A. A. on February 20th in New York City was attended by W. H. Rowand, representing this chapter.

The chapter had the pleasure of entertaining over the week-end of March 2d, Merlin Dubois, Ohio Delta, Karl Kent, N. Y. Epsilon, and Donald Kent, N. Y. Epsilon, who participated in the indoor intercollegiate tennis tournament.

Among the recent extracurricular honors was the election of George

Emeny as assistant manager of varsity football and the award of a junior varsity letter in crew to E. G. Joyce. At this time many of the brothers are engaged in athletics: Erda, E. Becker, F. Becker, Elmer and Wright on track; Stan Thompson and Tiemann on lacrosse; Rowand and Brooks on baseball; Hartzsch on wrestling; Hackstaff and Joyce on crew. Harder is on the competition for the manager of track, Atwood for minor sports, and Brown on lacrosse. Appgar is out for the position of manager of the musical clubs.

The chapter has set aside the week-end of April 28th for the entertainment at the house of men who are planning to enter Cornell next fall. We earnestly request that the alumni and other chapters cooperate by sending in names and information of any prospects whom we might rush at this time.

*Ithaca, N. Y.*

*March 5, 1928*

EDWARD G. JOYCE

*Correspondent*

### New York Beta—Syracuse University

Our forty-fourth initiation banquet was held at the Hotel Syracuse on February 17th. It was considered by some of the brothers outside the active chapter the best banquet ever held in a hotel, or outside the chapter house. The initiates are as follows: Theron H. Colby, Farrel J. Cosgriff, Harold M. Deming, Sheldon W. Edwards, John B. Mains, Harlan L. Pinney, William S. Prescott, Lyman J. Spire, Donald H. Stacy, William C. Stafford, Fredrick Stephens, Hugo Thomson, Roland A. Yaeger.

The district was fully represented by its delegates. Ben Wiles '04, in the capacity of symposiarch, led the ceremonies capably and wittily. Bob Mains spoke for the chapter, and Roland Yaeger for the freshmen. Marty Smallwood '92 was unable to be there to speak for the alumni. Dr. Prescott, Neb. Alpha '02, who has three sons in the chapter, spoke for the fathers. Attorney General Sion B. Smith gave us an impromptu talk which interested all of us. Lloyd L. Cheney spoke for THE SHIELD. Lastly came President H. C. Williams, Ill. Delta. He gave a summary of his idea of the ideals of the Fraternity as substantiated by Greek counterparts. Pop Lonergon read some letters and telegrams which he received, stating the regrets of the writers at being unable to attend. A pleasant banquet, indeed.

Our midyear formal, held February 4th, had for the background and decoration a pirate's den—subdued lights, as usual. On March 7th, K K G was invited to a "gang" date at the house. This is the only one allowed us this semester, due to new rulings. It is a question whether or not such dates will be abolished as far as university permission is concerned.

Brother Smith and President Williams gave us several helpful suggestions during their stay at the house, which, however, was only a few hours. It was particularly fortunate, the banquet being away from the house, that the gathering was ample to greet our guests.

*Syracuse, N. Y.*

*March 9, 1928*

ROSS L. ANDREWS JR

*Correspondent*

### New York Epsilon—Colgate University

The interest of New York Epsilon is at present centered in the coming initiation banquet. We are looking forward to the occasion not only as a celebration of our initiates but also as a get-together with our alumni and brothers of other chapters. We hope that more alumni

will be present than usual. It is one of the few times during the year when they can join us in a special fraternity affair.

Colgate closes its basketball season Saturday against Syracuse. The season has been successful and from all appearances prospects are good for next year. "Red" Wilson, who is at present an assistant manager of basketball, stands a good chance of election to managership for next year. The freshmen also complete their schedule this week. Three Phi Psi pledges have been prominent in the success of this club. "Nick" Bald, Eddie Herb and Ralph Martin have all played in most of the games and have been effective scorers. With the close of the season we find the Phi Psis leading in the underclass interfraternity league.

Other winter sports which have already ended their seasons are hockey and swimming. Unfortunately, the weather prohibited the playing of most of the hockey games scheduled but the team made a good showing for its first season. Pledge Hofheins was a first-string man on the team, playing both at wing and defense. Pledge Eddie Paul was one of the mainstays of the swimming team. He won a place in every meet and was a regular on the undefeated relay team.

Our winter carnival was a success in spite of poor weather conditions. It was necessary to cancel many of the attractions scheduled for the week-end because of the weather, but the chapter's house-party was successful, nevertheless. Much credit is due Courtney, who was a member of the carnival committee, for the success of the party.

The next event of interest on the college calendar is the Block "C" banquet. This promises to be one of the biggest events of the college year. According to Charley Pratt, chairman of the banquet committee, it will be even a greater affair than last year.

We are looking forward to seeing Phi Psis prominent in athletics this spring. Bill Bridges is captain of baseball and is a shining light on the team. While it may be too early for predictions, it looks as if he were in for a big season. Cliff Slaght also gives promise of making good in baseball this year. Carl and Don Kent and Bob Hofheins will undoubtedly gain positions on the tennis team, while Bus Boyle is practically assured a position on the track team. Jean Caspar should come into his own as a golfer and make the team. Besides these brothers who will actively participate in spring athletics, Kaufman will manage interscholastic track.

The house is well represented not only in athletics but in all branches of extracurricular activities. Our latest honor is Boyle's first recommendation for varsity cheerleader.

*Hamilton, N. Y.*  
*March 7, 1928*

JAMES F. GARVEY  
*Correspondent*

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## SECOND DISTRICT

### Pennsylvania Gamma—Bucknell University

Pennsylvania Gamma opened her social season for the second semester with a terrific bang, the occasion being a formal dance which even outdid the usual caliber of Phi Psi dances. Peck Mills and his band furnished the music and the boys did the rest, and how! It was a momentous occasion and one which will linger long in the hearts of all the pulchritudinous guests.

Bucknell has just completed a fairly successful basketball season, and not a little of that success is due to Winton Bennett, the long and lanky center of the cage squad. Starting out by having to force his way onto a team which had played together for a season, Bennett

not only successfully made the team but forced the captain out of his position, and elicited rare compliments from various authorities.

About this time of the year, also, one's attention is usually riveted on baseball. Bucknell's outlook for a good season is unusually bright. A new coach, Carl Snavelly, and a fine squad of material make a splendid basis for such prophecies. On this squad the chapter is represented by James, the sterling southpaw first baseman. He was acting captain of the freshman squad in 1927 and bids fair to be one of the stars of the varsity team in 1928. Among other candidates for the team are Kredle and Bennett. Wood is manager of the team.

Track and tennis are also big items on the spring program. Woerner should show up well in the field events. Gittins is a fast man on the dashes. Huffman, manager of the team, prophesies that his proteges will come off with many honors. In tennis, Phi Psi will be well represented. Bennett and Leisher and Pledges Morris and Christy have announced their intentions of holding up the honor and high standing of Phi Psi as so ably maintained by McCaskey and McFarland in the past few years. Hoffman has charge of the destinies of this team, putting the managership of all three of the spring sports into Phi Psi hands.

Pennsylvania Gamma celebrated Founders' Day on February 19th with a big banquet. It was the chapter's seventy-third Founders' Day banquet. Brother Wolfe was toastmaster and officiated in that position very ably. A number of toasts were given by various undergraduates and alumni.

Bro. Leisher, the new chairman of the New House committee, has been busy on plans for our new home. Plans for the functioning of the committee have been drawn up and approved. Suitable sites have been selected and checked by the chapter, and everyone is doing his bit toward speeding up the proposition, so that we may celebrate our seventy-fifth anniversary in our new house.

We have been more than pleased to entertain brothers from a number of different chapters during the past few months, in addition to a number of our own alumni who have dropped in on us occasionally. And we want to take this opportunity to emphasize the fact that we are always anxious to meet and entertain as many of the brothers as possible, and there is always room for more.

*Lewisburg, Pa.*

*March 8, 1928*

R. GRAHAM WOOD

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Epsilon—Gettysburg College

After the proverbial "hell-week," formal initiation of our eight pledges took place on the evening of February 18th. The ceremonies were followed by a splendid banquet at which Dr. Louis S. Weaver '99, our chapter adviser, acted as symposiarch. We were especially honored to have as our speakers for this occasion Dr. George D. Stahley '70, Dr. C. H. Ehrenfeld, Ohio Beta '82, and J. Kenneth Ivory '24, Archon of the second district. We had the unexpected pleasure of entertaining at the banquet Lieut. R. H. Walker, M. D., of California Gamma, and now stationed with the U. S. Medical Corps at Carlisle, Pa. The initiates were John J. Brady, Philadelphia; Robert E. Flegal, Philipsburg; H. Ross Mershon, Lansdowne; Frank M. Weaver, York; Edward S. Bankert, Harrisburg; Robert D. Taylor, Gettysburg; David L. Hertzler, Mechanicsburg; and Clarence L. Evans, Steubenville, Ohio.

Our newly formed chapter alumni association took advantage of the day to have a meeting early in the afternoon at which much was accomplished in the way of strengthening this big-brother organization.

The chapter feels indebted to those alumni who are expressing their keen interest in us by decisive actions.

The annual prom of the junior class was held February 3d, and the junior and senior brothers agreed it was a splendid affair. In order to make the week-end the more pleasant, the chapter held a dance on the night of the 4th, which was a suitable climax to the festivities of the week.

The traditional smoker given by the new brothers each year to the upperclassmen was put on in great style on March 5th. It lasted far into the night, with sufficient gayety and entertainment to mark it as especially different from similar smokers in the past.

Cockley has held his own throughout the season with the basketball team. Thomas at present is away with the debating team on a two weeks' trip through the southern states.

Hall has been elected a senior sword in the honorary Pen and Sword society. He is also on the commencement week committee of the senior class. Cockley has been appointed on the mothers' day committee.

A new event in the improvement of the house has been the purchase of a Victor Electrola, of the Cromwell type, and this instrument morning, noon and night thoroughly proves its merits.

We are pleased to announce the pledging of George Snyder of York, Pa., who entered college at the beginning of the second semester.

With spring not far off, steps are being taken by the brothers for participation in track, baseball and spring football practice; as well as the formation of plans for the improvement of the exterior of the house.

*Gettysburg, Pa.*  
*March 9, 1928*

HENRY M. HENSEN  
*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Zeta—Dickinson College

Pennsylvania Zeta withstood the midyear "fiery trial" and emerged practically unscathed, even to the extent of encouragement for greater success in the near future. Although we were listed fourth in scholarship out of nine fraternities on the campus, the figure that really tells the tale is the microscopic margin of .98 of one per cent which separated us from first place. With four straight "A" students and six "B" students, we have adopted the motto "Now is the accepted time" and are diligently aspiring to win the coveted cup by June.

By no means can we be found "wanting in the balance" with respect to the old maxim, "All work and no play." Founders' Day was fittingly observed with what everybody agreed to be one of the most brilliant social affairs ever enjoyed on this campus. "Getkin's Night-Hawks" of Sunbury (Brother Amerman's "Punkinville Center") made the "welkin ring." Under Geibel's ingenuity, the music, favors, beautiful decorations, and all, combined to produce a never-to-be-forgotten effect. Another delightful dance was made possible by Ruffell in the form of a birthday party on the occasion of that day when he became "of age." The presence of numerous friends of our generous brother-host, from other fraternities, added to the tone of good fellowship and mirth.

Sheldon, Phi Psi representative, acted as host to the Skull and Key junior honorary society at a dance in the chapter house. Also, the same privilege of using our house was extended to the Chi Omega and Pi Beta Phi sororities. On still another occasion, the Woman's Senate gave a tea in our famous hall, in honor of Miss Bullock, a member of the faculty, who will leave for Spain at the close of the term. Increasing

requests for the use of our house are apt to become troublesome but they do bespeak for the high standing and the beauty of our "home," made possible, we would not forget to add, by our loyal alumni.

Another stellar event shining forth in the galaxy of recent activities is the formal banquet on February 16th, followed by a very impressive initiation of eight new brothers. A representative of each class addressed the pledges. Then M. P. Sellers '92, now a prominent member of the faculty, gave an inspiring interpretation of the badge to the newly initiated men, and one which we all deeply appreciated. We are glad to welcome into our "strong band" the following: William C. Schultz, Scranton, Pa.; William B. Bailey, Carmichaels, Pa.; LaVerne Casner, Jersey Shore, Pa.; Marshall Huey, Reading, Pa.; J. Boyd Landis, Carlisle, Pa.; Joseph Shomock, Fredericktown, Pa.; Edward H. Wilder, Bethlehem, Pa.; and Clayton Williamson, Jersey Shore, Pa. We are also pleased to announce the pledging of Henry A. Spangler, of Carlisle, who transferred from U. S. Naval Academy this semester. Henry bids fair to prove a valuable addition to the 1928 pledges. At the initiation we greatly missed the presence of our beloved college president and brother, Dr. James H. Morgan, who has been confined to his home for the last two months. However, we rejoice at his recent public appearance again, and signs of his regaining strength.

Ray Mentzer has just been elected captain of next year's basketball team. Sweely, Bowes and Hitchens finished their final cage game under Red and White's famous team last Saturday with the decisive defeat of Gettysburg in the last game to be played in the old gym. (This reminds us that study hours during the day are seriously interfered with by the incessant riveters on the new gymnasium being erected next door to our house.) Shomock, Casner and Wilder look good for baseball. Capehart, assistant manager of the track team, promises to bring the managership to Phi Psi next year. Sweely hopes to repeat the feat of breaking the college high jump record of 5 feet 11¼ inches which he now holds.

Of the ten college students who recently participated in the annual American Legion show, "Little Bit of Bluff," eight were Phi Psis. Macklem, Schultz, Green, and Hertzler (Pa. Lambda) assumed leading roles, while Cameron, Buchanan and Ruffell starred in the glee club ensemble. Geibel and McCrea have parts in the annual college spring play.

James A. Strite has brought fresh honors to himself and his chapter by his recent election to Omicron Delta Kappa, honorary scholastic fraternity, and Alpha Gamma, honorary journalistic society. William Green is now president, and Willard head of program committee, of Belles Lettres, one of the oldest literary societies in American college history. Paul Smith received the business managership of the Hand-book for next year.

The brothers unite in congratulating four of our number, Brothers Thompson '24, Sommers '23, Bradway '23 and Horner '26 upon their recent marriages.

The officers elected for the present term are: Hitchins, G. P.; Strite, V. G. P.; Smith, P.; Willard, A. G.; Angle, B. G.; Kronenberg, S. G.; Kline, Hod.; and Hartshorn, Ph.

We were honored recently by the visit of Jack Hemstead of Oregon Alpha, who is manager and member of the world tour of the Oregon University debate team. Dickinson's defeat was fully recompensed, as far as we were concerned, by the pleasure of having Jack with us. Any other brothers touring the country in like manner, or otherwise, are urged to drop in.

*Carlisle, Pa.*  
*March 9, 1928*

WILLIS W. WILLARD JR  
*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Eta—Franklin and Marshall College

On March 23d we initiated five freshmen, namely: James K. Bowman, Harrisburg, Pa.; George C. Crudden, Lancaster, Pa.; George B. Killian, Philadelphia, Pa.; Melvin H. Martin, York, Pa.; and Samuel B. Stein, York, Pa. Great things are expected of these new brothers and from the way things have started much will be accomplished. Jim Bowman is class president and won his numerals in football. George "Pug" Killian won his numerals in football and is also playing with the freshman basketball team. Sam Stein earned his varsity letter for cross-country, running on the team that won the Eastern conference championship and of which Montgomery was captain.

On the varsity basketball team Phi Psi is well represented. "Tiger" McCune is captain, "Mope" Cole is playing regularly at forward and "High Test" Blose is substituting at guard.

"Stumpy" Ness, who has returned to the fold after an absence of a semester, is eagerly looking forward to the approach of spring and baseball. We are glad that "Stumpy" is back with us and expect him to do his stuff on the diamond this spring. We regret, however, that we had to lose "Hook" Roberts, center, and last year's captain of basketball, due to graduation.

We now have four pledges, the newest being Rowland Ackenbach of Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pa., reputed to be a fast tennis player. Pledge Bushey is playing regularly with the freshman team. Pledge Mullan has been taking several leading roles in the productions presented by the Greenwood Club. Due to an injured leg, Pledge Fitzwater is forced to convalesce and await the approach of track season when he may be in condition to pole vault.

Captain Lehman will bring his wrestling season to a close on March 10th when the team meets C. C. N. Y. at New York. Whalen was also wrestling till he pulled a tendon of his leg in one of the meets.

Wilson Feagley, who is captain of tennis, and Appel have been practising on an inside court in preparation for a tough schedule in the spring. All in all, Pennsylvania Eta was represented by four captains of major sports at Franklin and Marshall.

Outside of athletics, the chapter is well represented. Klein is one of the debating team and has just been elected editor in chief of the *Student Weekly*. Crudden is the managing editor of the new comic magazine, *The Hullabaloo*, and Appel is an associate manager. Klein was recently elected vice president of the Diagonthean Literary Society and Bear was made secretary of that society.

A most successful dance was held on February 24th and all who attended enjoyed themselves with the usual Phi Psi spirit.

Visiting brothers have been scarce and we hope that any in the vicinity of Lancaster in the future will make an effort to visit us.

Lancaster, Pa.

March 10, 1928

J. TYLER BAKER

Correspondent

### Pennsylvania Theta—Lafayette College

The outstanding event since the last chapter letter has undoubtedly been the initiation of what we believe to be one of the finest freshman classes ever pledged to Pennsylvania Theta. It took place, as usual, on February 19th, Founders' Day, at the chapter house. The new brothers are as follows: Howard Friebely, Chestnut Hill, Pa.; Harold W. Soles, McKeesport, Pa.; Bradford Yaggy, Santa Barbara, Cal.; Robert L. Klotz jr, Hazleton, Pa.; William S. Ramsay, Uniontown, Pa.; John

H. Fraser, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Nicholas G. Richards, Germantown, Pa.; James Morrison, Jersey City, N. J.; Edward M. Dorhman, Ridgewood, N. J. We are proud to present these men to the Fraternity at large, feeling confident they all will make real Phi Psis. John C. Burr, of White Plains, N. J., and Leslie Leithead, of Duluth, Minn., two other freshman pledges, were unfortunately not able to be initiated due to not quite measuring up to the scholastic regulations. We hope to have them in before long, however.

The usual formal banquet was held after the initiation, and Grant, commissarian, outdid himself in putting a lavish layout before us. Much to our regret, there were very few alumni here to enjoy it with us. Albert Cummins, of Wilmington, Del., ever faithful, was on hand for the entire day. Jack Magee and Henry Chidsey, of Easton, also came around for the banquet, and participated in the speechmaking. Yaggy made a short but creditable speech on behalf of the freshmen. The George D. McIlvaine scholarship cup was awarded at this time to Fraser as being the highest in rank among the new initiates.

Junior week, "a week of teas, dances and entertainment," was held the first week in February, after midyear exams, and was remarkably successful. Pennsylvania Theta seemed to have the choicest girls on the campus, and the formal dance which was held in our halls was without a doubt one of the most popular given. In preparation for the house party, a renovating crusade was started, under the leadership of Addams, Ashcraft and Grant. The bathrooms were entirely redecorated, the stairways and parts of the woodwork revarnished, and the radiators painted. New curtains and new dining room accessories were purchased, as well.

After recovering from the double effects of examinations and junior week, the chapter settled down to a period more or less studious, during which nothing of stupendous importance has occurred. Interfraternity basketball and bowling have been going on apace, and Phi Psi, though not on the top rung, is somewhere above the midway mark in these activities. An interfraternity bridge tournament is to be started this week, which should be equally interesting. Hooker has turned into a four-letter man, representing the house on all three of these teams, besides being a member of varsity lacrosse. The brothers are also at work at this time preparing for the annual publication of *The Thetan*, which will probably go to press next week. The annual audit is also in the process of being made, which is keeping the "P" busy for a couple of days.

With regard to individual activities, the freshmen seem to be doing the most at the present time. Klotz has made himself into a valiant varsity wrestler, under the managership of Ashcraft. Soles is still playing regularly on the freshman basketball team, though the season is about over. Hartje is continuing to take unto himself the swimming laurels of the college, while Fraser, Friebely and Addams are working harder than ever on the board of *The Lafayette*. Yaggy and Pomeroy, as members of the Student Council, are at present working to insure a successful "dads' day" next Saturday—the first to be held in the history of the college. One and all of us are looking forward to the 4th of April, when Easter vacation begins, and lasts for eight days.

The officers who are piloting the chapter through this second term, elected the last of January, are: Hooker, G. P.; Bole, V. G. B.; Hartje, P.; Pomeroy, A. G.; Cox, B. G.; Schreyer, S. G.; Ashcraft, Hier.; Coddington, Hod.; Sutliff, Ph.

Easton, Pa.  
March 5, 1928

THOMAS W. POMEROY JR  
Correspondent

### Pennsylvania Iota—University of Pennsylvania

After the strain of an unusually hard-fought rushing season, Pennsylvania Iota takes great pleasure in announcing the pledging of thirteen men. The new men are: Robert Allen, Rutland, Vt.; Carlton Austin, Auburn, N. Y.; Emory Chenoweth, East Orange, N. J.; Peter Cloke, Montclair, N. J.; Charles Cole, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Harrison Bindley, Terre Haute, Ind.; James Crane, Montclair, N. J.; Thomas Donaldson, Warren, Pa.; Herbert Lawrence, Bristol, Pa.; George Hoft, Philadelphia, Pa.; Morris Maxwell, Villa Nova, Pa.; Russel Shaffer, Altoona, Pa.; Alan Lockhart, Philadelphia, Pa. The pledge banquet and the show following it were highly successful and were enjoyed by quite a few alumni as well as the active chapter and pledges.

Plans are now being made for the annual alumni smoker which is to be held about the first of May. For the past few years the show put on by the active members has been absent from the evening's entertainment; however, this year the show is being revived and we can assure the alumni of something really worth while.

The brothers are continuing to take a great part in outside activities, as well as keeping up the scholastic standing of the house. In this connection the members of the scholarship committee, Huesmann and Stewart, deserve much credit for their work in getting the chapter safely through the midyears. The freshmen are taking an interest in all forms of activities. Lockhart, Hoft and Austin were members of the freshman football squad. Hoft and Lawrence were on the basketball squad. Crane and Shaffer are out for crew. Bindley is working hard to win a key as a member of the *Pennsylvanian* editorial board and is also out for the soccer managerial competition. Allen is one of the most promising half milers on the freshman track squad. Baseball practice has attracted Hoft and he seems to have a good chance to make the team. Maxwell is getting into shape to make a strong bid for a place on the tennis team. Lockhart and Austin are fighting for places on the lacrosse team.

The other brothers have been busy and successful in varied activities. Wright has been elected to the Hexagon senior society. Diven has succeeded in winning the Pennsylvania Triangle key. Because of a bad knee, Stewart was forced to drop out of basketball. Peck was elected to Phi Kappa Beta, the junior honorary society. Button and Monk are back at their usual positions on the lacrosse team. Beaumont has the leading masculine role in this year's Mask and Wig show, "Tarentella." Gittins is in the dancing chorus. The show promises to be one of the best in recent years and starts on its road tour the last of March. It will play in Philadelphia for two weeks after Easter vacation.

Indoor tennis has attracted Bosler, Keith and Wampler and they are getting in shape for the outdoor season. Crew continues to hold many of the brothers. Coates, Kissel, Huder, Whyel and Trowbridge can be seen working hard on the river every afternoon. Peck is busy making arrangements for the baseball trip to the South during Easter vacation. Amelia and Lytle are out for the track and crew managerial competitions, respectively. White, our big political boss, is busy scheming and planning for the coming senior class elections. The fine spring weather has turned the minds of Gittins and Keith to the golf links where they are getting in shape for the golf team.

The more socially inclined brothers are making great preparations for the annual interfraternity ball which is held on March 23d this year. The fraternity basketball team, after a rather slow start, really

got going and won its last six games, finishing well up in the league standing. We have great hopes for next year.

The chapter officers for the second term are: Roger Stevens, G. P.; Arthur Loehr, V. G. P.; Talbot Gittins, P.; Jack Wampler, A. G.; Ralph Peck, B. G.; George Whyel, S. G.; Dillon Huder, Hod.; Robert Kissel, Ph.; Worthington Button, Hi.

*Philadelphia, Pa.*

*March 7, 1928*

JACK K. WAMPLER

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Kappa—Swarthmore College

Pennsylvania Kappa points to February 8th as a red-letter day, for the nine men then initiated form a class of which any chapter of Phi Psi might well be proud. They are Clement M. Biddle, Mount Vernon, N. Y.; R. Hulburt Douglas, Swarthmore, Pa.; William E. Kirsch, Clementon Heights, N. J.; J. Gordon Lippincott, White Plains, N. Y.; William McCune, Petoskey, Mich.; Daniel Sinclair 3d, Norristown, Pa.; John P. Skinner, Swarthmore, Pa.; Robert L. Testwuide, Sheboygan, Wis.; and C. Brooke Worth, St. Davids, Pa. Two freshmen are pledges: Irwin Burton of Philadelphia and Donald Turner of Swarthmore.

After reaching the finals in the interfraternity basketball series, the chapter is well represented in this sport. Testwuide is on the varsity, and Biddle, Kirsch, Sinclair and Pledge Burton are playing well on the junior varsity.

Interest in athletics is now turning toward the spring sports. The start of lacrosse practice finds Captain Bishop and Bush as letter men from last year, with Wagner, R. Bishop and I. Barnes trying for varsity berths. In track, Phi Psi is ably represented by Clothier and Maxwell, both on the medley relay team, and Parrish, who also made a letter last year, in the hurdles. Lippincott, a freshman, promises to develop into a first-class weight man. The baseball team is ably managed by Colket, while several freshmen will make strong bids for varsity posts.

Phi Psi is represented in every field of campus activities this spring. Fetter, retired editor of the *Portfolio*, literary quarterly, has had a successful year, and makes way for Dawes and I. Barnes on the new staff. The glee club ranks are well filled with Phi Psis, with Brown, Passmore and Wood members of the quartet. Fetter, Maxwell and Dawes are our leading actors, and Calhoun manages the debate team.

Pennsylvania Kappa was gratified at the turn-out of alumni at the banquet on January 14th and at initiation. We hope that alumni and visiting brothers will continue to come and share our enthusiasm for Phi Psi and for the chapter.

*Swarthmore, Pa.*

*March 3, 1928*

JULIEN D. CORNELL

*Correspondent*

### Maryland Alpha—Johns Hopkins University

February 17th was the date of our initiation this year; we are glad to say that we lost no men because of the "100 per cent" rule. As a matter of fact, we have not lost any men because of this ruling for several years. The initiation was held in the chapter house and was attended by a fair number of alumni. After the initiation a dance was given for the freshmen by the chapter; but more of that later.

All of the men initiated are out for at least one activity. Selden Crane has started on the rather long grind toward his goal of lacrosse manager in his senior year. John Miller is out on the cinder path, as is "Pete" Johnson; "Pete" is also a member of the band. Henry Redue is going in for Hopkins' traditional sport, lacrosse, and Carey Tucker is a candidate for the property staff of the Barn Stormers.

Some of the upperclassmen who are engaged in activities at this time are: Carroll, manager of lacrosse; Kegan on the lacrosse team; and Campbell, Deets and Lotz out to make the squad. Deets also has a part in the coming production of the Barn Stormers, "The Champion." Coney is a promising candidate in the field events. Ashton Devereux is out with the track squad, while his brother, Edward Devereux, is an excellent prospect as one or two man on the tennis team. Varella is also a likely member of the tennis team; incidentally, he has just completed a most successful season with the banjo club and the glee club. Besides the activities mentioned, a number of the brothers are connected with the various publications on the campus. In the last week or so several of the brothers have been helping to raise money for Levering Hall. It is to be the new activities building on the campus, supplanting the ancient and only slightly renovated "Barn."

On the night before our initiation the Baltimore A. A. held its annual meeting at the chapter house. After the meeting refreshments were served. Hearing the older men talk surely was a treat for the undergraduates at the meeting.

Socially, Maryland Alpha has been rather active of late. The dance following the initiation was held at the Belvedere Hotel under almost ideal conditions. The floor was excellent and the music splendid, which, combined with plenty of pretty girls and just the right number of stags, could produce nothing but a party calculated to raise the enthusiasm of the Sphinx or of that well-known old man, the oldest living alumnus. We had no such "hard-boiled" customers to deal with; consequently everyone enjoyed an exceptionally pleasant evening.

A few Sundays ago the Mothers' Association gave a tea at the chapter house. Nearly all the undergraduates and several alumni were present with their parents. The tea was very pleasant and it served as an excellent get-together. The chapter is having a tea this Sunday which, with the assistance of a number of young ladies, we expect to enjoy thoroughly.

As a semisocial activity we would like to mention the bridge team. We won the interfraternity cup last year and, according to Edward Devereux, one of the star players of the chapter, we are going to win it again this year. He says that he has made all preparations and that he has his team in strict training.

The chapter has lately received a scholarship plaque from the Executive Council. This was in recognition of the fact that we had higher grades than any other national fraternity on the campus during the scholastic year 1926-27.

At the chapter elections held tonight William Kegan was elected G. P.; Ashton Devereux, V. G. P.; John Miller, B. G.; William Swope, S. G.; Carey Tucker, Hod.; Eldridge Johnson, Ph.; and Selden Crane, assistant to the P.

*Baltimore, Md.  
March 7, 1928*

ELDRIDGE H. WOLFF  
*Correspondent*

## Virginia Beta—Washington and Lee University

The Virginia Beta Chapter takes great pleasure in announcing the initiation of five men, and feels that the Fraternity will be greatly benefitted by their membership. These men are Joe Durham, Alexander Veech, Gilmore Nunn, Guy Montgomery and William Hill. The initiation was held on February 16th instead of the 19th, because of the latter falling on a Sunday. Following the initiation the annual banquet was held at the Robert E. Lee Hotel and was a most momentous occasion. Several speeches were made, and Nunn responded in behalf of the new men. The brothers present were also much entertained by Brother Fluernoy telling of some of his experiences with the fraternities in Germany.

Officers for the second semester are: Wilkenson, president; Spotts, vice president; Smith, treasurer; Gooch, corresponding secretary; Chamberlain, recording secretary; Adamson, historian; Bush, messenger; and Hamilton, doorkeeper.

With the opening of this semester we find Phi Psi well represented in the many organizations on the campus. Collins was elected to Sigma, honorary senior society, Sutherland and Little became members of P. A. N., and Pete Justice was elected to White Friars, both being honorary sophomore societies. Adamson was elected to Phi Alpha Delta, law fraternity, and Veech has become a member of the Custis Lee Engineering Society. Holt is president of Sigma and Spotts is president of P. A. N.

Basketball has come to a conclusion and Spotts was second high scoreman in the state. Phi Psi had two men on the regular team, Captain Spotts and White.

We hope that this spring we may be honored by your visit and when ever you come down this way you are not only asked to pay us a call but you are urged to do so, for we like to take advantage of becoming better acquainted with as many of the brothers from the other chapters as possible.

*Lexington, Va.*

HORACE GOOCH JR

*Correspondent*

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**THIRD DISTRICT**

## Pennsylvania Alpha—Washington and Jefferson College

Pennsylvania Alpha was well represented at the Founders' Day banquet at Pittsburgh on February 25th. The correspondent was unfortunate enough not to be able to attend the affair, but from all reports of those brothers present there seems to be no doubt of a unanimously favorable verdict. Not wishing to steal Brother Williams' thunder, however, suffice to say that all the boys from the house were greatly impressed by the eminent speakers as well as the faultless manner in which the banquet was handled by the Pittsburgh A. A.

We are proud to announce the initiation of the following men: Franklin T. Schultz, Washington, Pa.; Harry Von Heim Henderson, Wheeling, W. Va.; Donald Wright, Uniontown, Pa.; Andrew Cochran, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Raab K. Hamilton, Johnstown, Pa.; Robert Wood, Norristown, Pa.

Following a tough probation week, formal initiation took place at the chapter house on the afternoon of February 18th. A delicious banquet followed initiation, at 6.30 p. m., and despite the roughest kind of weather there was a fair-sized gathering of alumni present.

Wally Johnson and Andy Cochrane are receiving congratulations on their recent successes in the class elections. Johnson was elected to the junior prom committee, while Cochrane drew the vice presidency of the freshman class.

If the present plans of the brothers in the house for the coming summer are carried out, Pennsylvania Alpha will attend the G. A. C. in a body when that gathering convenes in Buffalo in June.

*Washington, Pa.*

*March 8, 1928*

JOSEPH M. THOMPSON

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Beta—Allegheny College

On February 18th Pennsylvania Beta initiated twelve men. Of our sixteen pledges only four failed to make the grade. The new brothers are: William Wallace Youngson jr, Portland, Ore.; Robert S. Bates, Meadville, Pa.; Laurence Boylan, LeRoy, N. Y.; Wayne H. Stewart, Coraopolis, Pa.; Walter C. Ferer, Meadville, Pa.; Paul Noonan, Meadville, Pa.; George E. Hutchings, Erie, Pa.; George Minch, Coraopolis, Pa.; Donald W. Severn, Johnstown, Pa.; Robert V. Thompson, Coraopolis, Pa.; Kermit E. Forsgien, Warren, Pa.; Paul Marnen, Meadville, Pa.

Whether or not we attained the goal we set for ourselves at the beginning of the year—that is, first place in scholarship—is not definitely known. Three fraternities are bunched at the top with less than a single point separating them, and the college registrar has not yet published the final averages. However, it may be safely said that we are among those first three.

The annual interclass basketball tournament is nearing its close. Phi Psi has been represented well on each team. Boylan was captain of the freshmen and Thompson high scorer; Gornall was high scorer of the sophomores; Corbin starred for the juniors; and Leffingwell was captain and high scorer of the seniors. Nor were we unrepresented on the Allegheny varsity. Pledge Allison, a freshman, broke into the lineup the opening game and has starred at his guard position ever since.

Founders' Day banquet was altogether a memorable occasion, the new men meeting the alumni and the alumni renewing old acquaintances. About fifty attended the banquet, which was served at the house. Ben F. Miller of Meadville acted as toastmaster and did a most excellent job of it. We are still laughing at some of his jokes.

The house received a thorough shining March 2d; the first party of the semester was held in the evening. The Highlanders furnished the music. Already plans are being laid for the spring party, and the boys are hunting out the good dates, for we are hoping to make it the event of the season.

*Meadville, Pa.*

*March 6, 1928*

BRADFORD A. BOOTH

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Lambda—Pennsylvania State College

The gentle zephyrs of something that without a doubt resembles spring are blowing their welcome messages around the Nittany valley—and that does not irritate the brothers one bit. What it always does to the scholarship average is another thing—but then it is rather difficult to change Nature.

Along with spring comes the elections in the various activities, and

as a result many wait with bated breath and others just wait. Cal Barwis and Harry Dowdy were both elected assistant business managers of the *Collegian*, the undergraduate newspaper, and are now working for the position of business manager. The fact that both were successful is a creditable feat; it is not often that two men from the same chapter win out for the positions. Carl Buck is a leading candidate for one of the three positions of first assistant wrestling manager.

Abby Payne, first assistant baseball manager, is working with the diamond laborers in quest of the coveted post of manager. Jack Hawke, first assistant lacrosse manager, has hopes of winning out in the managerial elections that always follow the end of the season. The entire chapter is of the one hope that both are successful, and expresses appreciation for the honor that they have earned thus far.

Drop around and see us.

*State College, Pa.*

*March 12, 1928*

WHEELER LORD JR

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Mu—Carnegie Institute of Technology

We have just completed a very busy week of initiating and banqueting and as a result we feel wonderfully well, speaking purely from a mental point of view. Physically, I should say everyone is exhausted.

We initiated seven men out of a possible eleven of our pledges. The only reason that the others were not initiated is because they did not realize soon enough that they were attending the Carnegie Institute of Technology and not Podunk High School.

We enjoyed a really remarkable banquet at the University Club on the evening of our formal initiation. We were favored by having as speakers for the evening: Howard C. Williams, President of our national Fraternity; John H. Frizell; Greer McIlvain, symposiarch; D. R. Davis; and General "Billy" Mitchell, formerly head of the United States air forces. Brother Mitchell gave a very interesting talk on the aeronautical situation as he sees it to be in the various countries of the world. Our good brothers, John L. Porter and C. F. Williams, were also present at this memorable banquet. The attendance was estimated at about 300.

The more we see of men and brothers like General Mitchell, John L. Porter and Howard C. Williams, the greater grows the warmth in our hearts for our "Noble Fraternity." It is our great aim to make at least one of our newly initiated brothers President of the United States or an aviator. We feel that we may have the whole Phi Psi Fraternity helping us to attain the goal of "President, Aviator or Fight."

We appreciate your reading this.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.*

*March 2, 1928*

PAUL F. DROSTE

*Correspondent*

### West Virginia Alpha—West Virginia University

West Virginia Alpha announces that the following pledges have been initiated and takes pleasure in introducing C. William Wade, Bluefield; Charles B. Hart, Wheeling; Henry S. Schrader, Wheeling; Scott C. Lowe jr, Fairmont; Elsworth Van Sichel, Confluence, Pa.; and Eugene Beardsley, Point Merion, Pa. We are justly proud of the members of this year's class and feel with surety that they will carry on in a way well befitting Phi Psis.

Initiation was held February 25th, in conjunction with Founders' Day banquet, at which helpful and interesting talks were made by Sion B. Smith, Dr. Allen W. Porterfield, and Prof. Enoch Vickers. We had the honor and pleasure of entertaining Brother Smith throughout the entire week-end. Although not so young in years, Brother Smith is still a youth in spirit and has attended nearly every G. A. C. since 1886. During this time, he has garnered fraternity information which is invaluable and most interesting to those who have had the privilege of hearing him. The banquet was attended by sixty-five brothers, the total being added to greatly by a large delegation from the Fairmont A. A. During the evening a beautiful bronze tablet to the memory of Rev. Aaron Moore Buchanan was unveiled in the front hall. Brother Buchanan, who died in 1924, was largely instrumental in the installation of this chapter, though an alumnus of the mother chapter at that time. He was eulogized on this occasion by Prof. Vickers and was referred to as "George Washington of West Virginia Alpha." We are honored to know that a man of such integrity and high idealism fathered our chapter in its infancy and furthered its progress during early growth.

William Winfield has been elected president of Torch and Serpent, sophomore honorary society. George Jackson is "Summit" of Mountaintain, the highest honorary society on the campus. John Phillips and Jackson have been pledged to Phi Delta Phi, honorary law fraternity, whose pledges are, scholastically, the first ten of the class. Fred Kopp is pledged to Phi Alpha Delta, the second law fraternity on the campus. Phillips is president of the freshman law class. It is needless to say that our embryo lawyers are making good. William Wade was recently elected president of Chi Sigma Delta, honorary business fraternity.

Truehart Taylor, captain of this year's basketball team, is high point man of the aggregation, having contributed 229 points to date. Four games are yet to be played. Louis Sturbois also has made the squad and has accompanied the team on all of its trips.

George Viewig, one of West Virginia Alpha's most loyal and true supporters and president of the Morgantown A. A., has moved to Wheeling to take up his duties as vice president of the South Side Bank and Trust Company. Brother Viewig's absence will be a keen loss to us all.

Members of West Virginia Alpha invite any wandering brother to stop with them and enjoy some real sub-Mason-Dixon hospitality.

*Morgantown, W. Va.*

HAYMOND MAXWELL JR

*March 5, 1928*

*Correspondent*

### Ohio Alpha—Ohio Wesleyan University

Ohio Alpha is proud to announce the following newly initiated brothers: Frank Beebe, Sandusky; E. K. Bryan, Shaker Heights; John Birkmeir, Fremont; Jacque Jones, Shaker Heights; Loyal Phillips, Shaker Heights; and Robert Weston, Toledo. The initiation ceremonies were held February 22d, and several alumni were able to attend. Two men have also been pledged this semester. They are William Montgomery of Columbus, and George Flint of Syracuse, N. Y.

February 18th the Ohio Delta Chapter and ourselves held the annual Founders' Day banquet at Columbus. Frank Monnett '75 and Ralph Westfall '88 were the principal speakers. As usual, the whole affair was extremely well managed by the brothers of Ohio Delta.

The election of officers for this semester resulted as follows: Edward Cawood, G. P.; Robert Helwig, V. G. P.; Alton Atkinson, P.; Ken-

neth Miller, A. G.; Roger Beane, B. G.; Evan Owens, S. G.; Louis Syester, Hi.; and Robert Kyle, H.

Ohio Wesleyan has just completed a successful basketball season, finishing second in the Buckeye Association. Magly and Helwig were awarded their letters. Helwig received the honor of being elected captain at the end of the season. Other activities are rather quiet at present. Beane and McFarland sang with the glee club that won the Ohio championship. Syester debated against Western Reserve and Oberlin, and won first place in the local oratorical contest.

The annual election of Ohio Wesleyan's representative men was held recently and resulted in the selection of Helwig among the seniors and Syester and Beebe among the juniors.

Plans are being formulated for the biggest alumni homecoming celebration ever held by Ohio Alpha. This will be held at commencement time, and all alumni should plan to attend. More details will be forthcoming later.

*Delaware, Ohio*

*February 29, 1928*

KENNETH MILLER

*Correspondent*

### Ohio Beta—Wittenberg College

Ohio Beta takes pleasure in announcing the initiation of the following: William Ultes and John Cory, Springfield; John Schneider, Urbana; Gene Fast and Harmar MacConkey, Lima; James Bricker, Shelby; James Olson, Elkhart, Ind.; Loren Wiles, Lexington; Rudolph Raabe, Delphos; Frederick Scheiderer, Marysville; Albert Keck, South Bend, Ind.; Marion Bullock, Hebron, Ky.; Joseph Keyser, Richmond, Ind.

While the official results are not available from the registrar's office for the first semester, the scholarship committee reports that the chapter average is almost identical to that of last year which led all other fraternities on the campus. The freshman class grades were exceptional and a continuation of supremacy in the field of scholastic achievement is expected.

In the activities of the season Ohio Beta is well represented. Keyser led the Ohio conference in total number of points scored during the basketball season just ended and was the unanimous choice of coaches for the position of captain and forward on the all-Ohio team. At the recent basketball banquet he was selected to lead the Lutheran team next year. Bullock and Olson have regular positions on the varsity debate team, Bullock being captain of the negative squad. Keck is active in freshman debate and Y. M. C. A. work. Raff and John Schneider recently returned from the annual tour of the glee club. Phi Psi is now leading in the bridge tournament being conducted by the Interfraternity Council and should have little trouble in the remaining games.

The annual Founders' Day banquet of the Springfield A. A. was held March 10th, at which plans of the new house committee were unanimously approved and the committee instructed to continue with the project. George A. Moore, Vice President of the national Fraternity, delivered the principal address. His inspiring talk was well received and rejuvenated in the brothers present the enthusiasm which characterized them at the time of the Springfield Grand Arch Council. Frank E. Monnett, Ohio Alpha, also addressed the meeting. Dan Shouvlín outlined briefly the needs of the chapter and the trustee plan of finance, which the committee favored, and received an encouraging approval of his work. The chapter feels that a critical time has come in the history of Ohio Beta but it has no doubt as to the success-

ful outcome of the project. Dr. Rees Edgar Tulloss, president of Wittenberg College, presided at the banquet.

With the approach of spring the attention of the chapter is directed to the G. A. C. Most of the brothers are planning to attend and special efforts are being made to charter a boat to take the men of this locality from Cleveland to Buffalo. Many of the alumni are planning to attend, having already made advance registration.

The entertainment committee announces that the spring formal will be held April 27th and cordially invites all brothers to make advance reservations.

*Springfield, Ohio*  
*March 10, 1928*

EARL P. SCHNEIDER  
*Correspondent*

### Ohio Delta—Ohio State University

As had been planned, our joint Founders' Day banquet with Ohio Alpha went off with a bang. Dr. R. E. Tulloss, Ohio Beta and president of Wittenberg College, was toastmaster and Brother Monett, Ohio Alpha, and Brother Westfall, Ohio Alpha, were the principal speakers. Several specialties, which brought down the house, were given by brothers and pledges of both chapters. We sincerely look forward each year to such get-togethers with Ohio Alpha, and are planning to make our banquet next year still better.

On Founders' Day Ohio Delta's Mothers' Club was reorganized, and fifteen enthusiastic mothers were on hand to put the club back on its feet once more. To O'Shaughnessy much of the credit for the successful reorganization of this club is due. We have every reason to believe that in a short time we shall have a very fine club. The next meeting will be held at the chapter house on the afternoon of March 29th.

Last month we held the election and installation of officers. The following are the officers for the rest of this year: DuBois, G. P.; Zuber, V. G. P.; Brunson, P.; Popp, A. G.; Morgan, B. G.; Machetanz, S. G.; Loop, Hod. With these men guiding our chapter, we feel that nothing but success can be our lot.

The refurnishing and remodeling of our house has long been a topic of discussion but under the capable leadership of Hollington, chairman of the refurnishing and remodeling committee, things are really beginning to happen. Tentative plans have been submitted to the brothers and we may now rest assured that we are soon going to realize our fondest hopes.

DuBois, captain of our tennis team, left this week-end for the indoor intercollegiate tennis tournament at Cornell University. DuBois is a consistent player and we are expecting great things from him this year.

Several new honors have recently come to DuBois. At the National Undergraduate Fraternity Council held Thanksgiving in New York, he was elected secretary of the convention and representative of the northern district on the executive council. He was also recently chosen one of the eight representative seniors on our campus.

Our tracksters have been whipping themselves into top-notch form and the work of the brothers on the team has been very gratifying to say the least. Dick Rockaway was high-point man at the fifth annual Big Ten quadrangular indoor meet held at Evanston on February 18th with two firsts in the 40-yard high hurdles and 40-yard low hurdles. He also tied the Big Ten records for these events. Besides these two events, he placed fourth in the 40-yard dash, which netted him a total of 11 points. The following week a dual meet with Indiana was held in our

stadium and again Rockaway ran away with the honor of high-point man. This time he took two firsts, one in the 70-yard high hurdles and the other in the 60-yard dash. Machetanz also crashed through with a first in the high jump, so in these two men we feel that we are well represented in this line of sport.

Monday night the curtain will ring down on the athletic career of Fred Grim when we tackle Northwestern in our last basketball game of this season. Grim will be remembered as one of our mainstays in football and basketball for the last three years, and during this time countless honors have been given him. We all feel that we are losing a valuable man when he hangs up his suit for the last time tomorrow night.

Ohio Delta was well represented in the university intramural boxing tournament held several weeks ago. We were able to annex only one championship but two other brothers advanced to the semifinals and finals in their classes. Pledge Murphy, fighting at 160 pounds, put his man out cold in the second round of the final match. It was a great fight, with Murphy fighting against size and weight advantage. Cory advanced to the semifinals where he lost by a close decision. Addison lost in the finals to Glenn, who outweighed and outreached him considerably. We also have a wrestling champion in the 158-pound class. Pledge Les Lisle won his match without much trouble and now is the freshman champion in his class.

The pledges gave a dance for the active chapter on February 25th, and not only gave a snappy dance, but also some lively specialties which we all enjoyed very much. With Pledge Reagan at the piano, Pledge Woleben gave some very fine clog dancing which met with the approval of all. Pledge Hollington sang several of our songs and with this specialty the dance was brought to a very successful ending.

We have with us a new pledge, Chester Crist of Wilmington, Ohio. He comes to us highly recommended and we feel that he is true Phi Psi material.

Having thus covered most of the activities of Ohio Delta within the last seven or eight weeks, I feel that it would not fall far amiss if I should again turn my attention to the books, for the hour of crisis in the form of the finals comes in something less than two weeks.

*Columbus, Ohio*  
*March 4, 1928*

MILTON F. POPP  
*Correspondent*

### Ohio Epsilon—Case School of Applied Science

The last lap of school is well under way and the brothers consequently are deeply involved in their studies. Early this semester the chapter held initiation. The products were seven fine initiates whose names are as follows: J. N. Crawford, W. O. Koski, J. R. Courtney, A. C. Brooks, H. A. Pennington, H. F. Graff and R. H. Gardner.

These seven brothers were taken in just in time to attend the annual Founders' Day banquet held at the Allendorf (one of Cleveland's finest eating establishments). After the enjoyable repast the freshmen offered a bit of entertainment. This was followed by several good speeches by alumni.

Pledge R. E. Haas has had more than his share of misfortune, it seems, for just the week before initiation he was taken to the hospital for an operation on his knee. This not only caused him to miss a lot of school work but it is believed it will seriously interfere with his football chances. However, he can continue swimming, a sport in which he excels.

The interfraternity basketball season has come to a close and the highly coveted cup rests once more upon our mantel. Our team played hard all season, with a fine spirit that never once showed contention among the players. They rightly deserve congratulations for going through the season of nine games undefeated. This is a record to be proud of and has not been duplicated very many times in the past few years. The cup is one of the ten-year variety on which we hold three legs, while our nearest competitors, Zeta Psi and Sigma Nu, each have two legs in their possession. One year remains to be played and Phi Psi must win it.

An enjoyable dance was held on the eve of Washington's birthday and as a result the brothers had a legitimate excuse for utilizing our one day of grace for sleeping. The Case prom is near at hand and is a date everyone has set aside for concentrated dancing. Breakfast, as is the annual custom, will be served at the house afterwards.

*Cleveland, Ohio*

*March 5, 1928*

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#### FOURTH DISTRICT

#### Michigan Alpha—University of Michigan

Pro-week is successfully over, and everyone is glad, including the freshmen. Saturday night, the 25th, the annual reunion and initiation banquet was held, following formal initiation. George Moore, Vice President of the Fraternity, was the speaker of the evening. His address was very excellent and contained much sound advice. Dan G. Swannell, ex-President of the Fraternity, was the toastmaster and added not a little to the enjoyment and profit of the evening. Several other alumni—of Michigan Alpha and otherwise—gave talks, all of which were of much interest and value to the brothers.

In the afternoon six freshmen were initiated: Edmond C. Austin, Detroit; William W. Wessels, Detroit; Arthur H. Smith, Detroit; Robert J. Patton, Springfield, Ill.; Arthur W. Highfield, Duluth; and Whitfield Hillyer, Evanston, Ill. Michigan Alpha welcomes all these brothers, who undoubtedly will uphold all of Phi Psi's traditions.

Michigan Alpha is glad to state that her scholastic standing has been materially raised, due in part to a system of study described in a former issue of THE SHIELD, but chiefly to a whole-hearted cooperation on the part of all the brothers—a realization that scholarship is the chief aim of a college education, and that it should be one of the chief of Phi Psi traditions.

Ann Arbor has been having most excellent spring weather, and the seniors have been going around with their chests out in anticipation of cane day, swing-out and the various other activities which prepare them for the exalted positions they will soon be holding in the world of affairs. None of them report having had any trouble with leap-year, however.

*Ann Arbor, Mich.*

*February 29, 1928*

B. L. CARVER

*Correspondent*

## Indiana Alpha—DePauw University

Indiana Alpha initiated eight men of this year's freshman class of eleven on February 26th. The new brothers are Charles Crackel, Vincennes, Ind.; Robert BonDurant and Frederick Axtell, South Bend, Ind.; C. E. Sullivan jr, Sturgis, Mich.; Charles Rogers, Henry Marsh and John Shaw, Chicago, Ill.; and L. Bowne Eckardt, Greencastle, Ind. At a banquet which followed the ceremonies, speakers were William Baxter, member of the faculty of the English department, and Robert BonDurant, in behalf of the initiates. Harold Klemeyer '24, and Shirts and Luther of Indiana Beta attended the initiation and banquet.

The chapter scholarship average for the first semester showed an increase over the first semester of last year. This year our average was 28.7 per man, and for the first semester of 1926-27 it was 26. Sullivan topped the freshmen in scholarship with 33 credit points, and Guernsey Van Riper led the rest of the chapter with 54 points.

Mountz and Marshall were awarded letters for basketball. Marshall, a senior, played regular backguard, and Mountz, a sophomore, was regular center all season. Gunn was on the squad and played in a number of games.

Murdock, Marlatt, Marsh, Scott and Urban Fowle have held regular positions on the swimming team all season, and should all get letters, with the exception of Marsh, who is a freshman and can earn only a numeral. Murdock is swimming captain this year.

Emison was recently pledged to Duzer Du, dramatic fraternity. He has played some part in every dramatic production so far this year. Guernsey Van Riper was pledged to Sigma Delta Chi, national journalistic fraternity.

The question of second year pledging is receiving much discussion at DePauw at present. The faculty recently censored probation week, and threatened to enforce second year pledging and compel all first-year men to live in university dormitories. This rule, if enforced, would be very detrimental to Indiana Alpha and most other fraternities on the DePauw campus, and would force us to increase our chapter to keep up our house.

*Greencastle, Ind.*  
March 6, 1928

GUERNSEY VAN RIPER JR  
*Correspondent*

## Indiana Beta—Indiana University

Since the February issue of THE SHIELD, Indiana University has won a Western Conference basketball championship. Three members of Phi Psi played prominent parts in bringing the title home. Douglas Scheid was regular backguard all year; Maurice Starr filled a forward berth; and James Johnson served as senior manager. All three are in line for "I" sweaters, which this year will be adorned with a gold star, emblematic of Big Ten supremacy.

Coach Everett Dean's Hoosier netman have never finished below second place in the conference. They have won two championships in three years. Dean also coached a title-winning baseball team in his first year here. At the close of the season Scheid was chosen all-state backguard, and was mentioned on several mythical conference teams. He starred especially in the Purdue game here when he smothered "Stretch" Murphy, at the same time garnering nine points; and also in the Michigan game here, when he held Bennie Oosterbaan to two

field goals. Indiana won both games by close margins. Scheid and Starr are juniors, and will be back next year to fight for another championship.

Dick Trueblood is handling the duties of editor in chief of the *Indiana Daily Student* with effectiveness. Scott Chambers is ably filling the duties of city editor of the publication, and Dow Richardson is conducting a column, "Not That It Matters." Richardson's venture is meeting with a big response from the student body and faculty. "Not That It Matters" is the first intelligent, worth-while column ever conducted here. Graffis is further carrying on the chapter's literary enterprises as athletic editor of the *Arbutus*, Indiana's yearbook. Since the Cream and Crimson has really accomplished things in sports this year, he has plenty to write about.

Several alumni and brothers from other chapters have visited us this winter. Ted Wood, John Mutz, Nelson and Gus Wasmuth, George Kidd, Quentin Wert, Phil Cornelius, and many others have come back at different times to renew the bonds. Brothers Sprackling of Wisconsin Alpha, Klemeyer of Indiana Alpha, Grim of Ohio Delta, and others stopped for short visits.

Initiation will be held March 11th. A formal six o'clock banquet will be followed by the formal initiation of ten candidates. A dance will be given soon, breaking a monotony in social affairs that has existed since our Christmas formal. Plans have been tentatively made also for the spring rush dance.

The death of Sanford Teter on February 21st was a severe blow not only to every Phi Psi in the state, but also to Indiana University, of which he had been a trustee and staunch supporter for many years. Brother Teter was one of Indiana Beta's most active alumni. He did not confine his assistance to advice alone, but took an active part in many important matters. He assisted us materially in our rush for the fall of 1927. The entire chapter attended the funeral, and, as the concluding part of the ceremony, sang "Old Phi Psi."

Several members of the active chapter also attended the funeral of Inman H. Fowler '93, at Spencer, on February 12th. Brother Fowler was the oldest Phi Psi in the state, and one of the oldest in America. He was initiated in the first class after the granting of a charter to Indiana Beta.

Johnson has been appointed chairman of the Siwash committee, in connection with senior class arrangements for graduation this spring. Graffis was initiated into Sigma Delta Chi. Our sophomore sports managers, of which we have more this year than ever before, are eagerly awaiting announcements of junior managership appointments. Some of them are certain of places. Since Indiana schedules have become more ambitious than ever in the past two years, managerships are highly desirable.

Scholarship ratings for the first semester have not been released. Johnson and Trueblood, the scholars par excellent, turned in their usual straight "A" work, however, and others scored high averages. Dice won the right to have his name engraved on the scholarship cup by turning in nearly 40 credit points. Brenton, Hubbard, Charles and Burris were not among those who returned to college for the second semester.

We are preparing for a big spring rush, and have already entertained several promising prospective pledges.

This week the weather man smiled on Bloomington, and spring's eternal optimism began to score heavily in the chapter. With the orthophonic on the poop deck, we have been furnishing Memorial Hall,

the girls' practice house, the Alpha Delta Pis, and the Kappas with all-night music.

Tad Jones was chosen leading man for the Jordan River Revue, the I. U. annual musical comedy production. Earl Swain has a minor role. The revue opens here next Monday for three days, after which it will go on a two weeks' road trip over the state. Phi Psi has had the leading role four out of the last five years, in the revue.

Whenever you can visit Indiana Beta, you will be welcome.

*Bloomington, Ind.*  
*March 8, 1928*

JEAN A. GRAFFIS  
*Correspondent*

### Indiana Delta—Purdue University

With the first semester behind them the brothers are plunging into the new one with more or less zeal. Despite the fact that the preceding semester has been an unusually difficult one from the standpoint of fraternity scholarship averages, we believe we forged a little farther toward the top of the ladder. Considering everything, our freshmen turned in very good grades and we hope to be able to initiate a large class before long. We had several distinguished students on the scholastic honor roll, S. S. Kittelle and W. C. Otto, among the pledges, and Brothers Milford and Stoever attained that high honor.

At the beginning of this semester, election of officers for the remainder of the year took place. Milford was reelected G. P. and the following were elected to the other offices: Denny, V. G. P.; Cox, P.; Poole, A. G.; Jackson, B. G.; Roark, S. G.; Lester, H.; Stone, Hod.; King, Ph.

At midsemester we pledged several men whom we think will make good Phi Psi material. They are: William C. Otto of Indianapolis, Ind.; Robert E. Watts of Princeton, Ind.; Henry Hodell of Cincinnati, Ohio; and Paul Zook of Hoopeston, Ill. Richard K. Hodgins of Richmond, Ind., was repledged. We intend to have a spring rush party before long for prospective pledges for next year and would appreciate hearing from any of the brothers about men entering Purdue next fall.

We have one social function in which the chapter as a whole will take part before long. March 23d has been set as the date for our formal dance and we hope to spring a real party under the capable management of our entertainment committee.

At the present time our athletic teams are just in the middle of their respective seasons. We are well represented in all the various sports and believe that our men will receive letters in most of them. Pledges Van Bibber and Worthington are playing regularly with the freshman-varsity basketball tossers, while Boots is one of the main cogs in Piggy Lambert's conference-leading basketeers. Hook has been making points for Purdue in swimming and water polo, and is certain of receiving letters in each sport. Stoever has won his letter in gymnastics, and when the water polo season is over he will be awarded another letter there also. We have sophomores out striving for managers in all the above sports and expect to reap a handsome harvest in senior managers. Lester at the present time is accompanying the wrestling team on trips in the capacity of manager.

In the athletic carnival held at the gymnasium this week we trounced our ancient friendly rivals, the Sig Chis, in a wheelbarrow race, which was replete with thrills from start to finish. Incidentally, we received a handsome trophy for our victory.

*West Lafayette, Ind.*  
*March 6, 1928*

GEORGE M. POOLE  
*Correspondent*

### Illinois Alpha—Northwestern University

On February 18th Illinois Alpha initiated seven men, as follows: John Ainsworth, Amarillo, Texas; Frank Baker, Milwaukee, Wis.; William Griffin, Chicago, Ill.; Byron Laycock, Dayton, Ohio; Richard Scott, Norfolk, Neb.; Clarence Taylor, Rochelle, Ill.; and James White, Chicago, Ill. Immediately following the initiation the entire chapter attended the Founders' Day banquet held at the Palmer House in Chicago.

We also have had two new pledges to introduce. One of them, George Meigs, is already known to many Phi Psis. He hails from Long Beach, Cal., has two cousins from Illinois Beta, and was himself a pledge there for the short time during which he attended the University of Chicago. George just said that he is a "Hell of a good fellow," so we shall let that serve as his introduction. Charles Wilson is the other new pledge. He is from Oak Park, Ill., and while he is not here to give his own introduction, we feel the same way about him that we do about George Meigs.

In scholarship Illinois Alpha again crashed through with an average which looks good enough to lead the fraternal organizations on the campus. The house average was 1.55, approximately, and while the official list is not out as yet, we feel certain that this will at least lead all the national fraternities, thus making it four straight semesters that we have achieved this distinction.

Our basketball team went up to the finals of the intramural tournament, losing the championship to the Scribblers, a local organization, by a score of 25 to 24. The team was composed of Kempf, Griffin, Baker, Scott, White, Taylor, Hand and Wienke. We are proud of the record these boys made.

Laycock and Thomas won their numerals in freshman basketball. The competition was very strong and the showing our boys made gives us hope of seeing them with the team next year.

The attention of the campus is now directed toward the great Northwestern circus which will be staged the latter part of April. Illinois Alpha is laying plans for its part in this event, and in the next letter we shall tell all about it.

*Evanston, Ill.*

*March 10, 1928*

S. J. DEXTER

*Correspondent*

### Illinois Beta—University of Chicago

Paddles and pledge buttons have been put aside, and we now have twelve new Phi Psis who have sworn to our oaths and written their names on the long roll of Illinois Beta. On February 18th we held our annual initiation with the usual solemnity, and immediately afterward the entire chapter and the pledges went to the Palmer House where the annual Founders' Day banquet was in full swing. The banquet was the same as the others of its kind—only still greater, still more lavish, and still more indicative of sturdy Phi Psi strength behind it. Our new brothers are Roland Scott, Oak Park, Ill.; Rolland Cohee, Frankfort, Ind.; Allen East, Don Moore, James Hall jr, Harry Coy jr, Scott Rexinger and Clarence Davis, all from Chicago; Charles Best, Watertown, S. D.; Jesse Johnson, Madisonville, Ky.; Dale Letts, Elmhurst, Ill.; and Fred Towsley, Downers Grove, Ill.

A week previous to this wonderful gathering we held our annual winter party, which was a decided success from all angles. Incomparable music, incomparable food, incomparable favors, incom-

parable women—you're right if you guess the party was incomparable. On the 24th of February we held our great annual parents' banquet. We entertained about 40 or 50 parents and made them all sorry they couldn't come and be Phi Psis with us, but happy that their sons "got took in."

In spite of this extensive and pretentious social program, we managed to uphold our standards in other lines. In the intramural basketball championship our "A" league team won its league title, but lost out in the semifinals of the elimination tourney. Our "B" league team, composed mainly of freshmen, won its own division championship and went through to the finals where it lost the university title by a one-point margin.

The greatest campus honor of the quarter was bestowed upon Lalon Farwell, one of our seniors. Bro. Farwell, who is playing his third year of varsity basketball, is senior intramural manager, a college marshal, and a member of the senior honor society, was appointed as student manager of Stagg's national interscholastic basketball tourney. This is a great climax to his impressive college record.

*Chicago, Ill.*

*March 6, 1928*

PERRY R. THOMAS

*Correspondent*

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### Illinois Delta—University of Illinois

Illinois Delta held its annual initiation and Founders' Day banquet on February 18th in the chapter house, and at this time the following men received the badge: T. G. Brennan, Charles Coleman, John Detrich, Russell Elwell, O. R. Hills, Thomas Howell, James Karraker, J. W. McElroy, Carl McLaughlin and N. D. Pancoast. Charles B. Judah presided at the banquet as toastmaster, and Madison Bentley, Neb. Alpha, who is leaving Illinois at the end of this year to become head of the department of psychology at Cornell, delivered the principal address. Francis S. Ronalds, T. R. Palfrey, Ind. Beta, and C. R. Bear also spoke, each impressing upon the newly initiated brothers the ideals of the Fraternity, and especially the necessity of strong endeavor along scholastic lines. O. R. Hills, as spokesman for the freshmen, indicated an understanding among them of the meaning of membership in Phi Kappa Psi and a willingness to cooperate with the chapter and with the national Fraternity.

The fraternity scholastic averages for the first semester have not yet been published, but we are expecting Illinois Delta to stand fairly high in the list. Three brothers—Detrich, Karraker and McElroy—have been elected to Phi Eta Sigma, the national freshman honorary scholastic organization; this is a unique record for our chapter, and an unusual record on the campus. Bennett has been notified of his election to Phi Beta Kappa—an honor that has not often come to a member of Illinois Delta. J. K. Knipp, who has recently been pledged, has also been elected to Phi Eta Sigma.

J. A. Wells has added another cup to the mantel piece by winning a place with his stunt in the post-exam jubilee, thus repeating an achievement of last year. After only a few weeks of experience, this same brother is most decidedly making good as president of the chapter, and a highly successful semester is indicated.

The athletes in the chapter are in the midst of an intramural basketball tournament. Two teams are entered, Class A and Class B; the B team has already won one trophy by taking first place in its division, and the prospect is bright for its winning further honors, while the A team won second place in its division. At the same time, an intramural

swimming team, composed of Spies, Fix, Kremer, Smith, Burroughs and Brennan, is preparing to enter that tournament.

Shaw, a varsity baseball aspirant, is sure of a place in the infield; Archon O'Connell is warming up his racket arm in preparation for making tennis history by winning the conference singles for three consecutive seasons; McNeill has already taken a successful dive into campus politics by managing the campaign of the successful candidate for the junior class presidency; Detrich, who all but made a perfect scholastic average for the first semester, is also on the freshman-varsity swimming team; and Wells has a good part in the student opera, "Nada."

Much interest in the G. A. C. is being shown among the brothers. Illinois Delta could easily use that hundred dollars.

*Champaign, Ill.*

March 7, 1928

CHARLES H. BENNETT

*Correspondent*

### Tennessee Delta—Vanderbilt University

Our Founders' Day banquet went over big and everyone who was there declared he enjoyed himself to the utmost. With the completion of our formal spring dance and annual treasure hunt, the major social events will come to an end for this year.

All the brothers are "burning the midnight oil" overtime, as our second term exams begin the tenth of this month. Encouraged by our good scholarship record of the first term, we are striving hard for the fraternity scholarship cup. And if things keep going as they are at present, we will surely win out.

Since our last letter to THE SHIELD Elgin Wilson has been made a member of the glee club and the Vanderbilt wrestling team. Bill Pierce has been elected to the *Masquerader* and *Hustler* staff. T. A. and C. D. Grimes were elected to the Artus Club, an honorary economic organization. Clay, Turner and Wilson were elected to Eta Sigma Phi, an honorary classical fraternity. Milliken and Pledge Gaffney are out for varsity baseball, and their chances for places on the team look mighty good. We also have three freshmen out for assistant manager of football and baseball.

Again the chapter urges all her alumni to visit us more often.

*Nashville, Tenn.*

March 7, 1928

JOHN B. MORRIS

*Correspondent*

### Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin

The end of last semester witnessed some conscientious scholastic effort on the part of the brothers, preparatory to the dreaded exams, and it looks as if Phi Psi would have a very enviable record when the dean's office discloses the fraternity standings.

A most successful annual junior prom afforded recreation between semesters for twenty-two of the brothers and their dates who joined in Wisconsin's popular three-day affair. Everyone pronounced it a most enjoyable week-end.

With the beginning of the new semester two new men were pledged, namely, Ted Wood of New York City, a former pledge at Northwestern University, and Bill Mueller of Aberdeen, S. D. Now that the middle of March is drawing near, the thought of the probationary period is uppermost in the minds of the freshmen, and from all appearances there will be but two men who will be ineligible for initiation.

With the advent of freshmen into the house necessitating the re-arrangement of rooms to accommodate the newcomers, many of the boys were inspired to improve the appearance of their quarters, and as a result several of the rooms have been redecorated and refurnished.

Don Hinderliter, captain of the gym team, has been showing up exceptionally well in conference meets and has already succeeded in garnering sufficient points to entitle him to his major "W." The hockey season has ended with Wisconsin's team, composed mainly of Phi Psi, winning second place in the Big Ten. Captain Don Mitchell has this year again earned the well-deserved title of the "best 'goalie' in the country." John McCarter, after a year spent in Russia, returned and ably held down a defense position on the hockey squad, while Jimmy Drummond, after hastily writing off a necessary exam, became eligible in time to accompany the team on its trip to Michigan and Minnesota, and starred at center position.

The interfraternity hockey team of the chapter, after several hard-fought and closely contested battles, worked its way into a tie for first place. This tie has not as yet been played off but our team is confident of victory.

Bill Pearce was chosen freshman hockey manager and was appointed sophomore manager, as well as sophomore manager of the cross-country team. Bob Weber is out for freshman track and is doing good work. Harry Emigh, Harley Hawes, Bill Pearce and Don Morrison are trying for baseball managerial positions. Ted Wood is trying for a berth on frosh crew, while John McCarter, now that the hockey season is over, will be out stroking varsity crew.

Dave Willoch has made the *Octopus* staff and will draw for Wisconsin's humor magazine. Wilfred Roberts, Haresfoot star, took part in the College Humor movies and again distinguished himself dramatically in Molnar's "Swan," produced by the University Players.

At present we are enjoying the visit of Brother O'Connell, Archon of the fourth district.

Brothers of Wisconsin Alpha again remind you to drop in at the house when you are in this vicinity.

Madison, Wis.  
March 2, 1928

RALPH W. SMITH  
Correspondent

### Wisconsin Gamma—Beloit College

Wisconsin Gamma is pleased to announce the initiation on February 26th of the following men: Max Albin, Geneva, Ill.; Alexander Frost, Fred Ryner and Frank Hildebrand, Hinsdale, Ill.; Don Stewart and Ted Gehle, Milwaukee, Wis.; Allen Thomas, Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y.; Peter Black, Chicago, Ill.; Thomas Huntley, Elgin, Ill.; and Thomas Mitchell, La Grange, Ill. Each is active on the campus and we are sure they will maintain Phi Psi's auspicious position. Kent Childs acted as toastmaster at the initiation banquet, which was attended by thirty alumni. The five men that did not qualify for initiation at this time are striving to make the grade this semester.

William Mesenbrink, of Hinsdale, was pledged at the semester. Bill received frosh football numerals at Illinois first semester and is now playing with the weights on the frosh track squad.

Bert Stephens, Whitty Whitson and Doc Surensen of the active chapter, and our alumnus adviser, Lyle K. Munn, were among the thirty Wisconsin Gamma men that attended the Chicago Alumni Association's Founders' Day banquet. Some of the brothers are plan-

ning to attend the G. A. C. and are already saving their nickels. Wisconsin Gamma will have a large representation of active men and alumni. We feel that the more men we have in attendance from the chapter the more we shall gain by the G. A. C.

Phi Psi is unusually active in campus activities this year. Mort Balch, Lou Bottino and Ken Williams were awarded football letters. Bill Ethier, Bert Stephens, Howie Stevens and Doug Williams were also on the squad. Bill Fitzgerald and Ray Dowd were awarded numerals for frosh football.

The three Phi Psi members of the basketball squad were awarded "Bs". The men are K. Williams, Lou Bottino and Jack Dupee. The house basketball team is at present tied with Sigma Chi for first place in the intramural league. We did not open the season in a very auspicious manner but have gained in strength and team play. We are confident that we will win another championship.

Phi Psi is especially active in Beloit Players, eleven men being members of the dramatic organization. Verg Moen, Pete Black and Jack Dupee were members of the cast of "Outward Bound" and "The Trysting Place." Whitson, Stephens and Stewart, and Pledge Hurlbut are members of the cast of a musical comedy now being produced by the Beloit Playfellows.

Don Van Wart is the "Arthur Brisbane" of the college paper, *The Round Table*. Frank Hildebrand is sports editor and is assisted by Jack Frost. Several other brothers are members of the editorial staff.

Wisconsin Gamma's scholarship has shown improvement this year. At present we rate fourth among fraternities on the campus in scholarship. Interest in scholarship was stimulated last semester by the closing of the haunts of the bridge fiends during the evenings, and the limiting of evenings devoted to recreation outside the house. We feel that, having started on the upward grade and having improved the attitude toward studying, we will be able to attain a still higher average this semester.

We wish to remind transient brothers that the boys at 1125 Chapin st. are always ready and glad to show their midwestern hospitality.

*Beloit, Wis.*

March 7, 1928

A. O. SURENSON

*Correspondent*

### Minnesota Beta—University of Minnesota

From a well-planned rushing season, Minnesota Beta emerged strengthened by a pledge group of sixteen new men. The close cooperation and enthusiastic efforts of the brothers was more than compensated for by the excellent results of this rush week. The roster of our new class is: Fred Becker, George D. Maves, Henry C. Carlsen jr, Warren F. Parsons and Walter C. Smith, of Minneapolis West High School; Charles L. Dickey of Blake School, Minneapolis; Raymond W. Roney and John F. McCool, of Central High School, Minneapolis; Malcolm Hackney, of St. Paul Academy, St. Paul; John A. Record, of St. Paul Central High School; James H. Tyler, St. Paul; Alan R. Paulson, Minneapolis; Herbert and Frank Allen, of Carleton College and Staples, Minn.; Warren W. Ward, of Shattuck School, Valley City, N. D.; and Arthur William Fowler, of Fargo, N. D.

Each of these men is worthy of his position as a Phi Psi pledge, and it may be reasonably concluded that these will serve to keep Minnesota Beta in the foreground on this campus during the next few years.

Our chapter team recently won the intramural hockey championship,

defeating the Chi Psi entry 2-0 in the finals. Our pledges have won their division championship in basketball, and are contenders for the title. It is probable that our already powerful golf team, strengthened by the playing of Pledge Bill Fowler, the amateur golf champion of North Dakota, will have little difficulty in retaining the title.

In varsity hockey, Byers has started this season at wing on Minnesota's championship squad. This was his third year of first-string competition in this sport.

Crowley has won the pole-vault in each of Minnesota's indoor track meets this season.

Kopplin, captain, is easily the star of this year's wrestling team.

Our social activities this season have consisted of several parties at the chapter house, and will be continued by a formal dinner-dance at Lowell Inn in Stillwater, Minn., on March 17th. As this event is planned for the last night before our spring vacation, it is anticipated with pleasure by everyone concerned. Our parties at present are rather large events as we have a pledge-class of 16, an active chapter of 23, and an alumni group which has 10 couples as a minimum number at each of our social functions. However, they are well managed, and are very colorful and lively events.

Interest in the coming G. A. C. meeting this summer is running high at Minnesota and we can promise a good delegation at Buffalo when the convention is called.

John Coolidge is the new G. P. of the chapter as a result of the recent elections. He is attempting to incorporate into our system the appreciated suggestions of Bro. O'Connell, the Archon of this district, who recently favored us with a visit.

More additions to our chapter house are helping us to enjoy a very pleasant and successful year at Minnesota.

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

*March 6, 1928*

JOHN C. STROUSE

*Correspondent*

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## FIFTH DISTRICT

### Iowa Alpha—University of Iowa

In selecting topics for the chapter report we naturally turn to activity and achievement, and it is here with all due modesty that Iowa Alpha retires satisfied to mention only a few of the high lights since the last report. A complete and detailed analysis would sound not unlike a report of the leaders in each campus activity. With the Big Ten track meet here in Iowa City at our new field house, we are particularly proud of "Bab" Cuhel, Iowa track captain and potential Olympic contestant. Cuhel, besides being the anchor man on Iowa's famous mile relay team, finds time to turn in firsts in the hurdles and the dashes. Burton Jerrel, participating in varsity meets for the first year, seems a formidable entrant in the high jump for the conference meet and has already succeeded in placing well with the old-timers in the dual meets.

Founders' Day marked the passing of a successful probation for our thirteen pledges and their initiation. We were pleased to have a large number of alumni present and they seemed to appreciate the program of speeches as much as did the undergraduates. The initiates included "Bricky" Johnstone, who has just completed a very successful year with the varsity basketball team. Johnstone played reserve guard and succeeded in playing in almost every game. In all events he will

make his letter this year and will be practically assured of a berth next year.

The social committee is working on the spring formal, which will be March 30th. This promises to be the party of the year. Many alumni are planning to attend this pleasure orgy. In the line of an organized social schedule, Iowa Alpha will have as their dinner guests next Sunday the sisters and daughters of Phi Psis. This dinner will include some dozen celebrities in the Who's Who among the comely Iowa co-eds. The committee is also working on an alumni bridge which will be given soon at the chapter house.

*Iowa City, Iowa  
March 8, 1928*

ERNEST GERDES  
*Correspondent*

### Iowa Beta—Iowa State College

Well, sir, the boys are all gettin' fixed to hit the final exams of the winter quarter which ends a week from now. Talk about being anxious to hit the homeward trail—this bunch around here has been all set for a vacation for about two months. General consensus of opinion seems to indicate that the winter quarter is about as necessary as a box-car coupling on a baby carriage! Anyhow, we're not bemoaning the fact that it'll soon be over so we can come back and take some pleasure in working without freezing to death.

Of course, I got to tell you about what the athletes in the house have been up to since my last writing. Thornburg, one of the seniors, has been running as anchor man on the famous Iowa State two-mile relay team. McFarland, a sophomore, has been making trips with the mile relay team and, in recent workouts, made the best time (which was 53 flat) for the quarter mile of any of the members of the relay team. His outlook is bright and we are expecting him to develop into an exceptionally fast track man before the season is over.

Smith, another sophomore, has been laid up with a bad leg during the fall quarter and has just recently been out for actual work on the track. In the all-college meet this week he took first place in the high hurdles, 50-yard dash, and the broad jump. His specialty is hurdling and, when he gets rounded into shape again, we expect to see him showing his heels to the other boys in this event.

Pontius, a freshman, brought home a dandy medal the other day to prove that he had won the all-college wrestling meet in the 175-pound class. It looks like he is going to follow in the footsteps of our old and famous alumnus, Ralph Prunty, the national A. A. U. champ.

The boys brought home some cups and statuettes to place on the mantels of the fireplaces, which are well covered with trophies right now. They were awarded to us for winning our league in intramural baseball and basketball. These not only add to our collection of silverware, but also add to our points toward winning the large cup for the largest number of points won in all sports throughout the year.

Keefer, a senior, came through as expected this year and was elected into Phi Kappa Phi. He has been honored by nearly every scholastic honorary on the campus. If there are any he has missed, it's because he isn't taking that type of work. He keeps about the same hours as the famous Edison when it comes to sleep. We have almost decided to lay a special assessment on him for light bills, but as long as he accomplishes what he has we won't bother him.

An unusually large number of alumni were on hand to attend the Founders' Day banquet this year. They had the pleasure of witness-

ing the initiation of Harley B. Wilcox of Perry, Iowa, shortly before the banquet was served. Each alumnus was called upon for a short talk and one of them enlightened us upon Phi Psi history during the Civil War as well as at the time of its founding. It was a very successful day and one which we will long remember.

The house has just been assembled again after our final house dance of the winter quarter. As usual, it was a gay evening for all those present, which included a large number of guests. The boys still have the art of picking the cream of the campus when it comes to good dates. A colored orchestra furnished the music and it "sho' was cullafull." It was a new stunt around here and we were well pleased with the results.

It won't be long now until the boys will be out in the front yard with the silverware every noon looking for dandelions. We pride ourselves on the appearance of the house and believe it to be the best-looking one, especially when old mother nature starts doing things. The house will soon receive a new coat of white paint at the expense of some of the industrious brothers. If you don't think this will improve the looks of the place, pay us a visit any time you are down around Ames in the near future and see for yourself.

*Ames, Iowa*

*March 11, 1928*

LEN LESSENICH

*Correspondent*

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### Missouri Alpha—University of Missouri

The second semester has started off in great shape for Missouri Alpha. Everyone has settled down for what seems to be a bumper semester for us. Both the brothers and the pledges have gained an additional interest in activities and we are represented in all the worthwhile activities on the campus. Our outlook in scholarship is exceptionally bright again as everyone is spending a great deal of time on studies.

The Archon's visit to the chapter was enjoyed greatly. Although he came at a very inopportune time, during the final examinations, we thoroughly enjoyed it, and sincerely hope that Brother Larabee can visit us again. His suggestions to us were greatly appreciated and already actions are taking place in accordance with them.

Founders' Day was a big success, due mainly to two things: first, the initiation of Thomas E. Elliot of Tulsa, Okla., and, second, the banquet. Bro. Elliot is a man who did a great deal toward establishing Missouri Alpha, and it is indeed a pleasure to introduce him as a brother. The banquet took place after the initiation and everyone enjoyed it a lot. The interesting speeches by the alumni and by the undergraduates were extremely interesting as well as beneficial.

We take great pleasure in introducing the following new brothers, initiated on February 26th: E. Stanley Field jr, Floyd Gibson, Allen Crane and Jack Goetze, from Kansas City, Mo.; Richard L. Martin, Boonville, Mo.; and William Johnson, St. Louis, Mo. These men are of very high calibre and will make excellent Phi Psis. The chapter also has the pleasure of introducing two new pledges: William Peckham and Dudley Brewer, both from St. Louis.

The date of the spring formal has not been definitely decided upon but will be announced later. We extend a hearty invitation to all the brothers to this dance. We hope that we can have a large number of alumni and visiting brothers present as it promises to be the best dance of the year on this' campus.

The scholarship report of the fraternities has not come in yet, but we feel sure that we are well up toward the top. In the other forms of activities Missouri Alpha is well represented. In football, Paisley and Brewer are on the varsity squad, and in the next two years should develop into good linemen. In baseball, Major is expected to be one of the bright lights in the outfield. Hough is still leading all other men on the staff in the work on the *Savitar*. Swearingen is dragging out his old clubs and should make a place on the varsity this year.

The freshmen are also well represented in their various activities. White is topping the high hurdles in great style, and is also burning up the hundred in around ten flat. Richards is doing well in the high jump. Poorbaugh is also running the hurdles in good time. Johnson and Brewer are playing a great game on the tennis courts, and will probably be the outstanding players on the varsity next year.

*Columbia, Mo.*

G. M. SWEARINGEN

*Correspondent*

### Texas Alpha—University of Texas

Texas Alpha wishes to announce the initiation of five new brothers, initiated after the first term, and the pledging of one new man. The following we initiated: Joe Gus LeGory, Crockett; J. Fuller Lyon, San Marcos; Arthur Dietert, Kerrville; Gus Hodges, Greenville; Con-Del Ellis, Thornton. Special credit is due to three of these men in that they made the grades requisite for initiation during their first term in college and so were brought into the Fraternity in the shortest possible time.

Founders' Day was celebrated this year with the annual banquet at the Driskill Hotel, the entire chapter being present. All Phi Psis in the city and on the faculty were invited. After the dinner, Cox, our G. P., Dr. Patterson, professor of government, LeGory, one of the initiates, and Pledge Jones each said a few words. The banquet was a success in that it brought all the Phi Psis in the city into a closer touch with one another and revived the spirit and feeling of brotherhood for which the Fraternity is noted.

The chapter is unusually well represented in spring athletics. Ward and Green and Pledge Mundrick are out for track, Pledge Camp has just finished basketball season by receiving his letter and has started out for baseball, LeGory has acted as assistant manager of basketball, Scott is assistant baseball manager, and Smith is one of the four intramural athletic managers. There will, therefore, be quite an increase in letter-men in the chapter next year.

Much strength was taken from the chapter this term when Oliver and Wilbanks were both forced to withdraw from college. Both will be back next year, however, but their absence will be keenly felt for the rest of this year.

Roy Campbell Crane, of Cleveland, Ohio, was married recently in that city. His chapter wishes to congratulate him and wish him happiness.

*Austin, Texas*

*March 5, 1928*

BEN CONNALLY

*Correspondent*

### Kansas Alpha—University of Kansas

Kansas Alpha is quite proud of the rise in its scholarship average for the past semester, but it looks as though we will be on the rocks in no time, if this beautiful spring weather hits many more of the boys.

Basketball is now a thing of the past for a while, but we're still pretty proud of "Dutch" Hauser's work on the court for Kansas during the past few months.

Track being the main event now, let us sing the praises of "Lud" Grady, who is certainly emblazoning his own name, and Phi Psi, in the hall of fame in great shape.

Baseball is beginning to unfold its wings, too, and Bret Wallar has been handling the horsehide pretty nicely lately. Bret has had a bunch of tough luck lately, having been hit in the nose by a baseball (he says he was just going around a corner when it hit him), and also sprained an ankle, and that's not all. One morning last week we woke up and found someone had taken a great fancy to a lot of our suits, coats, watches, etc. There was high excitement, and also many loud groans, that morning in the Phi Psi house at Kansas. Bret was also one of the heavy losers in the robbery.

February 18th was the big day for eleven neophytes here. The new brothers are Burton Lyman, Paul Brooker, Lawrence Skinner, Charles Neal, Dan Esterly, Corlett Cotton, David Evans, Foster Payne, James Kleyser, Sennet Kirk and Bernard Fink. We hope they carry on the traditions of Kansas Alpha, and the standards of Phi Kappa Psi. We also announce the pledging of Herbert Wray, of Colby.

Several of the brothers have acquired new pins. Bill Hook, Herb Hadley and Ken Sentney are now members of Phi Delta Phi, and Ken Duncan has been initiated into Scarab.

We are sorry to announce that Floersch is not with us this semester. He is attending St. Mary's College, but we hope he will be back in the fall.

Now that spring is here, don't be afraid to drop in on us. The frosh can sleep on the lawn.

*Lawrence, Kan.*

KEN DUNCAN

*Correspondent*

### Nebraska Alpha—University of Nebraska

In addition to first place in scholarship on the Nebraska campus, Nebraska Alpha finds itself heading the list in the national Fraternity. This is an honor we hoped for but did not dream of attaining. We are striving this year to keep it there.

The university is host this week to the world's largest basketball tournament. Twenty-two hundred high school athletes are here in the annual state meet. This affords an excellent opportunity to line up possible rushees for next fall. Most of these men will take their college courses at Nebraska.

Elmer Holm has just finished his second season as guard on the basketball team. Holm was given a position on one of the all-valley teams. He has the honor of being football captain next year, and has an excellent chance of securing the basketball captaincy. Glen Milhollin played with the freshman team this year and will make splendid varsity material this next season. Jim Gilbert and Bob Young made fine showings both in football and track. Cobe Tomson is making a creditable showing in the 100-yard dash and broad jump. Wilbur Mead has charge of

university night March 24th, and is going to make it a real success. George Ray was elected to Phi Delta Phi, national law fraternity.

The chapter will soon be able to introduce several new brothers. The date for initiation has been set for March 25th. After the ceremony the alumni will give their annual banquet to the chapter.

*Lincoln, Neb.*

*March 8, 1928*

PAUL H. ROBINSON

*Correspondent*

### Oklahoma Alpha—University of Oklahoma

We are pleased to announce the initiation of the following men on February 19th: George Lynde, John Houchin and Sam Fryer of Muskogee; Robert Berry and Carl McAlister of Oklahoma City; Donald Feagin, William Kistler, Eugene Minshall and Paul Smith of Tulsa; Robert Strader, Amarillo, Texas; and John Lee, Charleston, Mo. Chilton McLaughlin, Kansas City, Kan., and Robert Simpson, Eu-  
faula, Okla., were pledged at the beginning of this semester.

Founders' Day banquet was a great success and the best one that we ever had. Shackelford, Jordan, Putman, Shaw and Buford of the Western Oklahoma A. A.; Padget, who is on the faculty; Earl C. Chesher, chapter adviser; Ross and Kennedy, Tulsa; Loughney, Muskogee; and Ted and Jeff Neely, Amarillo, Texas, were our guests on this occasion. We are glad to have I. C. Thurman of New Hampshire Alpha in college here this semester.

Lee and Pledge Wooden were granted freshman numerals in football and both of them have a good chance to make the varsity next year. Mason, who is captain of the tennis team for the second time, is working hard trying to whip into shape another winning team, but the squad has been hit hard by ineligibility. The intramural track meet and the first game of the baseball season are about three weeks off and at the present time there is a great demand for linament around the house.

*Norman, Okla.*

*March 5, 1928*

W. ROBERT BROWNE

*Correspondent*

### Colorado Alpha—University of Colorado

Colorado Alpha initiated four men on the morning of February 11, 1928. These tired but happy boys were Henry Glaze, J. D. Banks and Tyler Shinn, all of Denver, and J. Stuart Cambier of Pueblo. We who wielded paddles during "mock" were greatly surprised, but relieved, to see them comfortably seated among us at the next meeting. Following initiation ceremonies, the annual Founders' Day banquet was held at the University Club in Denver. The banquet was splendid, followed by a reunion and an alumni meeting.

The winter formal was held at the chapter house on February 25th. The house was uniquely decorated with playing cards ranging in length from one inch to six feet. What probably made the dance a success was a cold night and the absence of the moon—meaning that everyone danced.

Rushing is again upon us and will be more spirited than ever before. We have the situation well in hand, but we would appreciate hearing about any boys coming to Colorado next year. We especially want to hear about those coming from out of the state, and who are not coming to Colorado for their health.

Basketball season is over. Our intramural team did not win the championship because it was not good enough—a departure from the usual “hard luck” alibi offered by the losing fraternity. However, it might be said that the team lost to the champions by three points after a hard game. With our entire team back for next year, prospects look very bright.

It is a little early to predict for spring quarter, but Phi Psi should show up well on the Colorado campus. Art Bailey has been chosen as the university middleweight to enter the state boxing tournament. There are also a number of men going out for track, baseball, tennis and spring football.

The chapter has just been honored by a visit from Frank “Tub” Merrill, Kan. Alpha. His stories made him the center of a “session” constantly. The chapter enjoyed his visit immensely, but felt that it was too short; we hope he will return soon.

*Boulder, Col.*

*March 7, 1928*

GEORGE REILLY

*Correspondent*

## SIXTH DISTRICT

### Washington Alpha—University of Washington

February 18th is a memorable day in the lives of nine men of Washington Alpha, for on that day they became members of Phi Kappa Psi. The new men are: Harold and Rhody Ringrose, San Francisco, Cal.; Clarence Dailey, Everett, Wash.; Van White, Spokane, Wash.; Jack Ferguson, Los Angeles, Cal.; Julius Ramstedt, Wallace, Idaho; Donald Welch, Portland, Ore.; Walter Coy, Seattle, Wash.; and Herbert Schu, Tacoma, Wash. These men have already proved themselves in their studies, in their activities on the campus, and in their interest in the house. We feel that these men will be a great asset to the future of the chapter.

As a fitting climax to the ceremony, the initiates were honor guests at the Founders' Day banquet held the same evening at the New Washington Hotel. The banquet proved a decided success; both entertainment and speeches were of the first order. An important feature was the enthusiasm shown over the financial reorganization which is on the present program. The alumni demonstrated their interest and willingness to work with the chapter in our efforts to secure a new house.

Spring athletics are already claiming the time of a good many of the brothers. Jack Ferguson and Julius Ramstedt, both numeral-winners last year, are prospects for “W's” in track this spring. Jack's specialty is the mile event, and “Oxo” heaves the shot. Pledge Williams, an Idaho high school star, is out for the frosh high jump. Several others are out for track, and four of our frosh plan to answer the call for baseball.

Welch won the university wrestling championship, 145-pound class, in the recent intramural contests.

As the end of the quarter approaches, the boys are all working diligently, and we hope to see a great improvement over our average of last quarter. If the attitude prevailing at present is indicative, we should stand near the top of the list of fraternities, in scholarship for the year.

*Seattle, Wash.*

*March 3, 1928*

J. THEODORE POWELL

*Correspondent*

## Oregon Alpha—University of Oregon

With winter quarter examinations but a week hence, the brothers are getting down to work on their books in the hope that Oregon Alpha again may lead the campus in scholarship. Last term we came out second among the fourteen men's nationals on the campus, and present indications are to the effect that the chapter will equal or better that mark this quarter, since most of the burdensome college and social functions came in the fall session.

By far the most important accomplishment of the chapter during the past months, to ourselves at least, has been the consummation of plans whereby we may build a new house within a period of seven years. After a careful investigation of the situation that covered a period of nearly half a year, in which many proposals were considered, the chapter finally adopted the plan of establishing a sinking fund through monthly payments into a building and loan association. Although the house which we now occupy is fairly adequate for our present needs, we realize that a new building will soon be essential, and the new plan will care for the erection of a \$45,000 or \$50,000 structure at the time when it will be most needed.

A large number of the brothers journeyed to Portland on February 18th to attend the 76th Founders' Day banquet, which was held at the Sovereign Hotel. It was pronounced the "biggest, best and most enthusiastic" banquet ever held by Oregon Alpha. The chapter gave its eighth annual Washington's birthday breakfast dance on February 22d, completing the social functions for this term.

Roy Herndon, by his appointment as chairman of the Canoe fete, has brought considerable honor to the house, as has McCook and Newbegin, who recently earned their letters in swimming, and Foard Smith, who won his numeral in the same sport. Francis McKenna has recently been appointed assistant chairman of the Greater Oregon committee, Fred West has been elected to Beta Alpha Psi, national accounting fraternity, and Ted Denson to Pi Delta Phi, national law fraternity.

Oregon completed its basketball season in a creditable manner, finishing in second place in the northern division. This is somewhat of a comedown from the position it has held for the past two years as champions of the Pacific Northwest, but from the excellent showing made by the team it is evident that Oregon will make a strong bid for the title next year. The swimming season has been finished without a single defeat.

In keeping with the university's policy of conservative expansion, a large new dormitory is being erected on the campus which will house about 350 men. It is expected that this will ultimately result in a plan for deferred rushing, although no announcement to this effect has yet been made.

Oregon Alpha wishes again to extend an invitation to alumni or members of other chapters to visit the chapter house whenever possible.

*Eugene, Ore.*

*March 5, 1928*

VERNON MCGEE

*Correspondent*

## California Beta—Leland Stanford University

Typifying the Phi Psi spirit, California Beta opened the present quarter with unusual enthusiasm and energy directed toward making this spring the biggest ever enjoyed by the house in campus activities.

Coming as a fitting climax to last football season was John Long's

football manager's award. John Will be in charge of things next fall and, if the team is as good as its manager, Stanford will have another championship team. Guido Cagliari completed a very successful season on the freshman team, being eligible through a late registration.

But even greater things are expected this spring for there are four brothers out for the track team and two on the baseball squad. Among the former are Syer, who is a veteran quarter miler, Don Nelson, who is the fastest low hurdler out so far this season, and Berry, who is out for the sprints. The fourth member is a sophomore, Virgil Dowell, who has broad jumped 23 so far this season and promises to go still farther.

On the baseball team is William Maguire, who has played first base since his sophomore year and who is in for his greatest season yet. Kern has developed into a varsity pitcher over night and is one of the mainstays of the staff.

We are ably represented in golf by having three men as well as the manager of the team. Anderson, Syer and Shattuck are all veteran golfers. In the opposite side of campus life we find Bob Speers in line for the editor of the campus paper and Norman Larson busy with his dramatic managership duties.

Our intramural prospects are the best in years, the house placing high in every sport to date, including fall track, swimming, basketball and tennis. There is a trophy to be given to the team scoring the most total points during the year and we stand a fair chance of copping it.

Al Brown was initiated on January 25th, an elaborate banquet being held in San Francisco afterwards. We are most happy to welcome Al into the secrets of Phi Psi and feel assured that he will prove a capable man and an asset to the chapter. Of course, all the brothers attended the Founders' Day banquet, held in conjunction with California Gamma at a fashionable hotel in San Francisco, and had a most enjoyable evening. Interesting speeches were given by the alumni, whose classes dated back to 1883.

Social life on the campus has been rather at a standstill, due to an epidemic of infantile paralysis that touched the university a while back, but with the coming of warmer weather and the lifting of the infantile ban, the chapter will hold its annual tennis court dance that is the sensation of the campus every year.

Plans are already under way to send seven or eight men back east for the convention this summer and a sincere effort will be made to try and win the prize for the most number of miles traveled by the members of any chapter. All the brothers join in warmly inviting any of the traveling brothers or old alumni to stop at the chapter house if they are in the vicinity, for they will always be more than welcome.

*Stanford University, Cal.*

KENNETH C. BERRY

*February 28, 1928*

*Correspondent*

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### California Gamma—University of California

On February 5th California Gamma initiated seven new brothers. We are mighty proud of this class, which is composed of the following: Tom Hickey, Harold Odmark, John Ramsey, John Hazzard, George McDaniels, James Sheridan and Charles Luper.

On February 19th the Northern California A. A. held the big annual Founders' Day banquet at the Mark Hopkins Hotel in San Francisco. California Beta and California Gamma Chapters were there en masse. Brother Kennely of Texas Alpha acted as toastmaster and proved

himself the best of the toastmasters we have heard for a long time. He also gave an inspiring talk upon the founders of the Fraternity. A big crowd was out and the party was everything that could be expected, perhaps more. We are sure not one of the crowd could be kept away when the time for another one comes around.

On the campus this spring the house is unusually active. The basketball season is past. California tied with U. S. C. for the southern division, but U. S. C. was awarded the chance to play Washington, due to a conference agreement. Sedgwick received an appointment as junior basketball manager for next year.

The baseball season is just getting under way and two Phi Psis are playing regularly on the team. Bert O'Neil, a letter-man, holds down second base, while Mike Sullivan, from last year's freshman team, chases flies directly behind Bert. Sullivan is one of the fastest men on the field, while O'Neil's main strength is in his bat. Roger Williams is a sophomore manager and will be heard from again.

Our main strength, however, lies on the cinder path where we have three men on the varsity and one on the freshman team. Chambers runs the half mile, Rust the 440 and Coltrin is a sprinter and discus man. Sheridan can be seen any afternoon leading the freshman hurdlers over the barriers, and leading is just where you will find him.

Down on the estuary the crew works out every night. When the varsity shell takes the water there are two Phi Psis aboard. Logan, a fighting coxswain, and Stimson, who pulls a big oar at number 2 position. Pledge Moore is Logan's protege in the freshman boat.

The backbone of the swimming team is Captain Fred Ducato, who also stars at water polo. The "Duke" will probably score for Uncle Sam at the Olympic games this year.

On February 29th came the traditional Labor Day and Big C Sirkus. O'Neil had the honor of being general chairman of the day, and he earned the honor for he certainly worked. It was a big day: parades, labor, Sirkus, sideshows, nickel dance, etc. O'Neil also polled the largest vote to give him the chance to learn to fly under the tutelage of Martin Jensen, Honolulu flier.

On March 23d the brothers will don Tuxedo for the annual house formal. We have only one dance a semester, but that one makes up for whatever others we miss.

The chapter had the pleasure of visits from three of the Southern California alumni this month. Brothers Jones, Meserve and Ramsey all spent a few days at the house and we hope they will return again before long. We also extend a hearty invitation to all other brothers to make our house your house while in this vicinity. You are always welcome.

*Berkeley, Cal.  
March 7, 1928*

WALLACE SEDGWICK  
*Correspondent*

# ΦΚΨ Obituary ΦΚΨ

## E. Pusey Passmore, Pa. Kappa '89

E. Pusey Passmore, Pa. Kappa '89, president of the Bank of North America and Trust Co., former president of the Union League and former governor of the Federal Reserve Bank, all of Philadelphia, Pa., died January 22d after an illness of several weeks. He was born in Rising Sun, Md., February 1, 1869. He was graduated from Swarthmore College in 1893, and later became a trustee and treasurer of the college. He had been engaged in the banking business ever since he left college, rising from minor clerical positions to the presidency of the oldest banking institution in North America.

Brother Passmore was more than a leader in financial circles. Many times he demonstrated notable civic qualities, especially during the World War, when he served as chairman of the Liberty Loan committee in Philadelphia. He was also active in Red Cross work.

Brother Passmore was always actively interested in his Fraternity. He presided at the seventy-fifth anniversary dinner given by the Philadelphia A. A. in 1927. He had, abundantly, those fine, lovable and forceful qualities that our Fraternity seeks to develop among its members. He loved Phi Kappa Psi and his entire life was a glowing reflection of its highest aspirations.

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## Edward C. Fitch, Ind. Beta '81

Edward Churchill Fitch, Ind. Beta '81, died in a hospital in Springfield, Ill., on March 1st after a short illness following a stroke of apoplexy. He was born in Vandalia, Ill., May 11, 1862. From 1886 to 1890 he served as county superintendent of schools, and then went to Chicago to practise law. In 1905 he was appointed assistant state's attorney, and as such had charge of important litigation. He served one term in the state senate. Brother Fitch attained much renown as the originator of the nationally known Good Fellow idea, to dispense Christmas cheer and aid to the needy and unfortunate. For the past eleven years he was assistant attorney general of Illinois.

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## William K. Hunger, Pa. Epsilon '23

William Kingsley Hunger, Pa. Epsilon '23, died December 20, 1927, from cerebral hemorrhage. At the time of his death he was a student in the law school of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, N. C.

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 Clarence W. Stroh, Ind. Gamma '98

Clarence W. Stroh, Ind. Gamma '98, died in Crawfordsville, Ind., May 22, 1927, after a long illness. He was in various lines of business in Crawfordsville until ill health compelled his retirement.

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## William D. Ward, Ind. Gamma '77

William Dennis Ward, Ind. Gamma '77, died in Los Angeles, Cal., on August 20, 1927, at the age of 67 years. After graduation from Wabash College in 1881 he entered the Presbyterian ministry. In 1892 he accepted appointment as professor of Latin and dean of Emporia College, Kansas, and served until 1896. During the last year of his service there he was also acting president. From 1896 until his death Brother Ward was professor of classical languages in Occidental College, Los Angeles, and during the first three years was also dean of the college. For many years he was the faculty member called upon to participate in student affairs and was known as "The Grand Old Man of Occidental."

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## Joseph G. Phipps, Ind. Alpha '93

Joseph G. Phipps, Ind. Alpha '93, of Frankfort, Ind., died on January 23d. At the time of his death he was lieutenant governor of the Kiwanis Clubs of Indiana.

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## Walter D. Condie, Mo. Alpha '08

Walter D. Condie, Mo. Alpha '08, died at his home in St. Louis, Mo., on November 27th, due to blood poisoning. Brother Condie was graduated from the Missouri Law School in 1912, and then went to St. Louis to practice law. He became connected with the St. Louis Insurance Company and was the attorney and manager of the claim department of that company. He was a hard and earnest worker for Missouri Alpha and for Phi Psi. His work with the St. Louis Alumni Association will be greatly missed by all of the men who worked with him.

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## James F. Boyle, Mo. Alpha '18

James F. Boyle, Mo. Alpha '18, was killed in an automobile accident near Wichita, Kan., on February 29th. Brother Boyle was graduated from the University of Missouri with the class of 1923 and received a B. S. and an A. B. degree. His home was in St. Joseph, Mo., but during the past few years he had been in the candy manufacturing business in Wichita, Kan. Brother Boyle was very active in fraternity affairs both while in college and after his graduation, and the loss will be greatly felt by the men of Missouri Alpha.

## Harry L. Wheeler, R. I. Alpha '06

Harry L. Wheeler, R. I. Alpha '06, for the past seven years librarian of the Hackley Public Library of Muskegon, Mich., died on March 3d after a six months' illness. He had made an enviable record both as librarian and civic leader, and his death was widely mourned in Muskegon and among his friends and professional associates elsewhere.

Brother Wheeler was born in Bridgewater, Mass., January 11, 1889. He was graduated with honors from Brown University in 1910, and later completed the course at the New York State Library School. He served two years in the Library of Congress at Washington, and organized the Insular Bureau of Porto Rico. He was chief librarian of the Hamilton Fish Branch of the New York Public Library, and in 1916 became head of the library of the Missouri School of Mines. He left that position in 1921 to go to Muskegon.

He had served as secretary and as president of the Muskegon Rotary Club, and last year was a delegate to the international convention of Rotary at Ostend, Belgium. While in Missouri he served as president of the state library commission, and in 1923-24 was president of the Michigan Library Association. His brother, Joseph L. Wheeler, librarian of the Enoch Pratt Free Library of Baltimore, is a member of Rhode Island Alpha.

## Horace L. Carncross, Pa. Iota '93

Dr. Horace Leedom Carncross, Pa. Iota '93, died suddenly at his home in Philadelphia, Pa., on March 4th, at the age of 59. During the war Dr. Carncross enlisted as a captain and retired with the rank of major. He was the author of a book called "The Escape from the Primitive," published in 1926.





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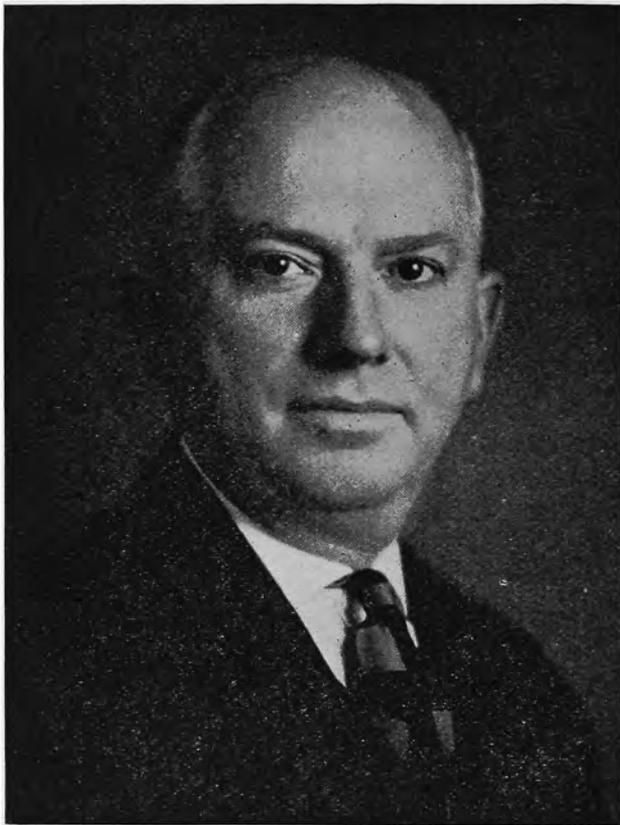
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## Everything Ready for G. A. C.

**R**EPORTS from committee chairmen and other workers in the Western New York Alumni Association indicate that plans for the Diamond Jubilee Grand Arch Council, to be held in Buffalo June 27-30, are already nearly complete. Assurance is given that those who attend this convention, celebrating the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Fraternity, will find that everything has been done to make their visit pleasant and enjoyable.

General Chairman Harry R. Templeton, who is giving his personal attention to every detail of the convention plans, has expressed the ambition to make this G. A. C. a milestone in Phi Psi history, and an event that will mark many forward steps in the organization, spirit and influence of the Fraternity. He has urged his committee chairmen to make their plans on an ambitious scale and to leave no item undone in carrying them out.

The real purpose of the G. A. C., after the necessary business matters have been disposed of, is to recement the bonds of the Fraternity, not only between chapters from coast to coast, but also between the individual members. For these reasons, says Brother Templeton, all Phi Psis who have the future of the Fraternity at heart should consider it not only a pleasure but a duty to attend the G. A. C. and assist the regular delegates. Regardless of how efficient and conscientious are the various officers and delegates, the inspirational value of the G. A. C. is largely lost unless there is a large attendance of brothers who, by their presence and enthusiasm, create a spiritual background for the occasion.

The brothers who attend out of such motives will be repaid for the effort, as those who are habitual G. A. C'ers well know. The opportunity will this year probably be greater than ever, due to the convenient location of Buffalo and to the program of events that are being planned for the utmost enjoyment of all.

Brothers Walter Baker and Marshall Jackson, in charge of entertainment, promise a review of events in which five professional entertainments will be happily combined with special Phi Psi features. Especially are they planning upon Phi Psi singing of a kind that will be long remembered.

Golf enthusiasts will find plenty of attractions and many desirable courses available. Buffalo is noted as a center for splendid golf courses, and local Phi Psis are arranging for a wide choice for delegates and visitors.

The business sessions this year will also prove of unusual interest. It is likely that there will be presented a large number of petitions for new charters, including those from groups at the University of Rochester, Oregon State College, Toronto University, University of Florida, Hobart College, Washington University, University of California Southern Branch, University of Mississippi, and others.

### **Hotel Rates**

The official G. A. C. headquarters will be at the Hotel Statler, at which the following rates will obtain: single rooms for one, with shower bath, \$3.50, with both shower and tub, \$3.50 to \$7; double rooms for two, one double bed, with shower, \$5.50, with both shower and tub, \$5.50 to \$9; twin bed rooms, for one or two, with both shower and tub, \$6.50 to \$15. If two or more persons desire to room together, they can be accommodated very well in the majority of Statler rooms by placing an extra bed in the room. When this is done an additional charge of \$2 for each additional person per day is made.

There are several other hotels easily accessible to the convention headquarters. At the Hotel Lafayette rooms with shower baths may be had at \$3 and \$3.50 a person, with charges of \$1.50 and \$2 for each additional person.

Other rates at this hotel and at the Hotel Touraine are about the same as at the Statler. The Hotel Ford, two blocks from headquarters, has rates somewhat lower.

Reservations should be made at once, as another large convention will be held in Buffalo at the same time as the G. A. C. Requests for reservations should be sent to Brother Fay E. Snyder, 319 Parkside av., Buffalo, who will be glad to give such requests prompt attention.

### Transportation

Unusually favorable railroad rates may be secured to Buffalo. Those making the trip by rail should ask for the summer round-trip tourist rate to Niagara Falls *by way of Buffalo*. Summer round-trip tourist rates to Niagara Falls from various centers are approximately as follows: New York, \$28.24; Boston, \$35.57; Chicago, \$30.10; Memphis, \$53.65; St. Louis, \$41.10; Dallas, \$80.30; Los Angeles, \$124.92; Indianapolis, \$26.90; Detroit, \$14.40; Cincinnati, \$25.15; Washington, \$28.73; Philadelphia, \$26.97; Pittsburgh, \$16; Minneapolis, \$53.60; Seattle, \$124.92.

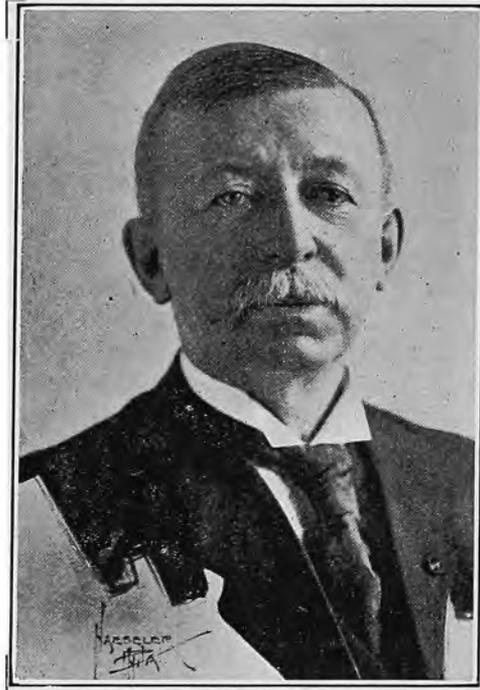
The water route to Buffalo by way of the Great Lakes offers an attractive trip to delegates from the west. There is good service from Duluth, Chicago, Detroit and Cleveland.

Excellent automobile roads lead into Buffalo from every direction. There is ample garage accommodation near the Hotel Statler.

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At the last convention of Delta Kappa Epsilon, one of the committee reports had this to say concerning expansion: "We believe that the educational and social conditions of the territory between the Mississippi river and the Pacific coast will not, for many years, be such as to produce additional Delta Kappa Epsilon chapters which will blend harmoniously and sympathetically with our present chapters. . . . We further feel that the tendency in latter years towards legislative tyranny over educational institutions and the apparent drift to petty paternalism in state universities should make us most cautious in considering the granting of a charter to a group in any state university."

Chi Phi, founded in 1854, recently entered the University of Minnesota, this making its thirtieth chapter.



**DR. EDGAR FAHS SMITH, Pa. Epsilon '73**

## Dr. Edgar F. Smith Dies of Pneumonia

**D**R. EDGAR FAHS SMITH, Pa. Epsilon '73, former provost of the University of Pennsylvania and first Editor of THE SHIELD, died on May 3d in Philadelphia following an attack of pneumonia. He would have been 72 years old on May 23d. He resigned as provost of the University of Pennsylvania in 1920, after nine years of service in that position, and became professor emeritus of chemistry.

He was a former president of the American Chemical Society and in 1926 was awarded the Priestley Medal for outstanding achievement in the science.

Dr. Smith had served at various times as president of the American Philosophical Society, member of the United States Assay Commission, a trustee of the Carnegie Foundation, member of the Commission for the Revision of the Pennsylvania State Constitution, as technical adviser to the Disarmament Conference and as member or officer of other important organizations.

He was born on May 23, 1856, in York, Pa., where his ancestors settled several generations ago. He prepared for college at the York County Academy and subsequently taught there. In 1872 he entered the junior class of Pennsylvania College, at Gettysburg, and was graduated with the degree of bachelor of science in 1874.

While a student at Pennsylvania College, young Smith devoted himself to a study of the sciences, particularly chemistry and mineralogy. His work in chemistry attracted the attention of the professor of chemistry at the college, and he encouraged Dr. Smith and advised him to go to Germany and continue his chemical study there. Acting upon this advice, Brother Smith entered the University of Goettingen, Germany, where he studied chemistry and mineralogy. In 1876 he received his doctor's degree from Goettingen and then returned to the United States, where in the fall of 1876 he became assistant in analytical chemistry at the Towne Scientific School of the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Smith held that position until 1881, when he was called to Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa., as professor of chemistry. Two years later he went to Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio, as professor of chemistry. After remaining at Wittenberg until 1888, Dr. Smith went to the University of Pennsylvania to take the chair of analytical chemistry. In 1892 the university's department of chemistry was reorganized and Dr. Smith was named as its head.

In 1898 Dr. Smith was elected vice provost but he still retained the professorship of chemistry. Dr. Smith became the thirteenth provost of the University of Pennsylvania in 1911, following the resignation of Dr. Charles Custis Harrison, and he continued to serve as provost until 1920, when he resigned both as provost and as Blanchard professor of chemistry. He was then elected emeritus professor of chemistry.

Known to students throughout the world for his contributions in the field of chemistry, recipient of probably more honorary degrees than have been conferred upon any American now living, skilled as a teacher and administrator, and with a personality that won him the affection of all with whom he came into contact, Dr. Smith was long one of the outstanding men in educational circles.

The former provost was gifted with rare ability as an investigator, and during his career had developed many lines, but he was best known in the field of electro-chemistry, particularly in the application of the electro-current to analytical chemistry.

Altogether Dr. Smith published more than 200 scientific papers as well as numerous books on chemistry.

Dr. Smith received the degree of bachelor of science from Pennsylvania College in 1874, and the degree of master of arts and doctor of philosophy from Goettingen University in 1876. In 1899 he received the degree of doctor of science from the University of Pennsylvania. The honorary degree of doctor of laws was first conferred upon Dr. Smith in 1904 by the University of Wisconsin. In 1906 the University of Pennsylvania similarly honored him, and later he re-

ceived honorary degrees from many other colleges and universities in this country and abroad, including Pennsylvania College, Franklin and Marshall College, Rutgers University, University of Pittsburgh, University of North Carolina, Princeton University, Wittenberg College, Brown University, Allegheny College, Temple University, Muhlenberg College, University of Dublin, Yale University, Swarthmore College and Queens College, Canada.

In addition to the honorary degree of doctor of laws which the University of Pennsylvania conferred upon Dr. Smith, it also honored him by conferring upon him the degree of doctor of medicine in June 1920, when the university's commencement exercises were made the occasion of a stirring tribute paid to Dr. Smith by students, faculty and friends upon his retirement as provost.

Although continuously engaged in research, teaching and administrative work and writing, Dr. Smith found time to take an active interest in the affairs of many organizations and frequently was called upon in various capacities to serve the public interests. In 1893 he was appointed a member of the jury of awards at the Chicago Exposition and was a member of the United States Assay Commission in 1895 and from 1901 to 1905. He was appointed adviser in chemistry to the Carnegie Institute in 1902 and was a trustee of the Carnegie Foundation from 1914 to 1920.

From 1911 to 1922 he was president of the Wistar Institute, Philadelphia. In 1919 he was on the Committee for Public Safety and also on the Commission for the Revision of the Constitution of Pennsylvania. From 1911 to 1920 he was a member of the College and University Council; from 1920 to 1922, a member of the State Council of Education; in 1915 and 1918, a research associate in the Carnegie Institute; and in 1921 was appointed by President Harding to the Board of Technical Advisers for the Disarmament Conference.

Dr. Smith also was a member of the National Academy of Sciences, president of the American Philosophical Society from 1902 to 1906; president of the American Chem-

ical Society in 1898, 1921 and 1922; vice president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 1898; member of the Society of the Chemical Industry, and of the Philadelphia School of Pharmacy and Science; an honorary member of the American Electro-Chemical Society, the Societie de Chimie Industrielle, in France, and the Chemical, Mining and Metallurgy Society of South Africa, and a member of the University and Union League Clubs in Philadelphia, and the Chemists Club in New York City.

In 1914, Dr. Smith was awarded the Elliott Cresson Medal by the Franklin Institute, and in 1922 he was the recipient of the Chandler Medal awarded by Columbia University. He was made an officer of the Legion of Honor by France in 1923, and in 1926 he received the Priestley Medal from the American Chemical Society. The Priestley Medal is bestowed every three years upon a chemist for outstanding achievement in the science and its award confers upon the recipient one of the highest honors which can be given to a scientist.

During his career at the University of Pennsylvania Dr. Smith became known personally to thousands of students and alumni of the institution and was one of the best loved of all the provosts who have served the university. He was endowed with a remarkable memory for names and faces and this fact, combined with the interest which he took in students and alumni with whom he came in contact, was a constant source of delight to men who, returning to the campus after years of absence, found that Dr. Smith had not forgotten them. His unusual administrative ability and qualities of leadership also made him an outstanding figure and were reflected by the steady progress which the university made during his ten years of service as provost.

In 1879 Brother Smith, together with Otis H. Kendall of Pennsylvania Iota, began the publication of *THE SHIELD*. "The story of the struggles of these brave souls to found upon a firm basis a journal of the Fraternity," says Van Cleve in the History, "reads like a romance, although

there was little of romantic adventure in their struggle, unless the hopeless task of 'two into one, you can't,' may be regarded as having in it the seeds of thrilling achievement. . . . The loyalty of these two brothers to the cause of Phi Kappa Psi has never been surpassed. When it is known that much of the type of the first volume was set by the founders of THE SHIELD, the Fraternity of this generation will know 'of how much labor it is to found' a fraternity paper."

The first volume was published at a financial loss, the amount of which was never known as it was met by the editors themselves. These two brothers edited and published the first three volumes of the magazine, and gave freely of their meager incomes to maintain the journal.

Following Dr. Smith's death, Dr. Josiah H. Penniman, Pa. Iota '89, present provost of the University of Pennsylvania, said: "In the passing of Dr. Edgar Fahs Smith the university loses one of the greatest scientists of America, a teacher whose influence was an inspiration and benediction to every student who entered his classes, an administrator of unusual abilities, a beloved friend of all who knew him."

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## **Watson Wins in Indiana**

Senator James E. Watson, Ind. Alpha '81, was successful in the Indiana state primary last month for the Republican presidential preference race with Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover. Senator Watson won by about 30,000 votes. The contest was generally regarded throughout the country as one of major importance in relation to the presidential nominee of the Republican party, and was followed with a great deal of interest. The significance of the contest, as it may relate to the nominee to be selected at Kansas City, has been variously interpreted, but the result clearly indicated that Senator Watson continues as Indiana's favorite son.

## Why Do We Love Phi Kappa Psi?<sup>1</sup>

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

**I**F there is any subject for the remarks I have in mind making tonight, it might be styled "Why Do We Love Phi Kappa Psi?"

My friends, we love her because she stands for the finest and best in life. Deep down in the soul of every man there is an innate longing to attune his life to the best. There is an inner urge to catch step with his ideal, a determination that some day, somehow, he is going to be somebody. And that is the patrimony of every one of us. We have a right to be somebody. In Phi Psi we learn that the way to be somebody is to be oneself. A very great preacher once said, "To thine own self be true, and it follows as the night, the day, thou canst not then be false to any man."

We love her because she taught us a lesson none of us has ever forgotten, a lesson phrased in words as fine as Holy Writ, the shortest sermon I ever heard and the finest, "Never forget that as you honor yourself you honor her, and as you disgrace yourself, you disgrace her." Was there ever a more powerful challenge to one's manhood? Doesn't it thrill you every time you hear it, and aren't you the better man merely for repeating it?

We love her because she understands us. She understands the strength that lies within us, the power for good we can become—but she knows the danger of unrestrained strength, of inordinate ambition, of consuming pride. She counsels wisely. She cautions against excess.

Then, too, she understands our weakness—for who of us is not weak? She warns us against the pitfalls and obstacles in the pathway of life, she lifts us when we fall, she guides us over the rough and stony places, she strengthens us when weakness threatens to overwhelm.

We love her because she inspires us to achieve. Tell not me that Phi Psi had no part in shaping the lives of those of her sons whose names shine with an effulgence

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<sup>1</sup>Address delivered at the Founders' Day banquet of the Philadelphia A. A. Brother Van Fossan is a member of the United States Board of Tax Appeals.

as of the brightest stars. Statesmen like Woodrow Wilson and Senator George Chamberlain and Senator James Watson; and lawyers like Justice Pierce Butler of the Supreme Court and John W. Davis, and Colonel Bill Donovan, two-fisted, hard-hitting, straight-shooting Irishman, fighting in peace as in war for the welfare of his fellowmen; and Judge Kenyon, fearless, able senator and judge; and who more finely exemplifies her among the clergy than Bishop Ernest Stires; or in the army than General Bliss and General Hull and General Billy Mitchell; or who sings more sweetly than Robert Lowry, and there are many others whom I might name. Why! when I read the honor roll of Pennsylvania Kappa I am moved to remark as did Cassius of Caesar, "Upon what meat doth this our Swarthmore chapter feed that her sons are grown so great," a chapter roll containing an Attorney General of the United States, a governor of this great commonwealth, another state governor, and many others, illustrious all, who have dared to do, and, daring wisely, have achieved nobly.

Phi Kappa Psi is a Fraternity of ideals—of standards. She beckons you ever on. Her lighted torch illumines the way. She is never satisfied with an achievement if it be less than your best. Yet she does not chide. She counsels.

We love her because she taught us the meaning of friendship. Of a truth, friendship is one of God's richest gifts to men. Someone has said that a friend is one who knows all about you and loves you still. There is nothing in life more beautiful than the relation of true friendship among men. It must be unselfish; it must be generous; it is loyal. It is not easily broken; it is made of the tough fibre of the heart. It does not wear out or become shoddy; it renews itself. It persists through trial and adversity. It tests itself in time of sorrow and grows the richer thereby. True friendship has nothing to fear from the burning cauldron of life. The greater the heat, the purer the quality of the product.

We love Phi Psi, I say, because she brought us to a realization of the beautiful possibilities of friendship—friendship that elevates, that inspires, that lasts through all the years.

We love her because she taught us to put first things first, to despise meanness, to admire nobleness, to sympathize with those in sorrow, to help those in need, to choose wisely, to be slow to criticize, to understand the bigness of the little things in life, to aspire to do something really worth while.

We love her as the sweetheart of our college days, the bride of our early manhood, the helpmeet and inspiration of our mature years, the devoted, loving companion throughout the long recessional.

My brothers, only in part have I outlined why we love Phi Kappa Psi. But such being our possessions, what are our responsibilities, what do we owe in return?

To our fellows we owe sympathy, courtesy, friendliness and fidelity. To society we owe honesty, candor, loyalty to trust, diligence to duty. To our Fraternity we owe a steadfastness of purpose that will strengthen our hearts and uphold our faltering hands as we carry toward the goal of our lives the torch she gave us.

And when at last the burdens we bear are shifted to younger shoulders, only if by our lives we have proven our merit may we expect our names to be enshrined among those who, nobly serving, nobly deserved the honor of Phi Kappa Psi.



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



DR. WILLIAM GORDON LETTERMAN, Pa. Alpha '02

## **Gordon Letterman Honored**

Dr. Gordon Letterman, Pa. Alpha '02, of St. Louis, Mo., former Vice President of the Fraternity, has been elected a trustee of Harden College at Mexico, Mo. This is a junior college for girls, and enjoys a high reputation in that part of the country. While it is conducted under the auspices of the Baptist Church, it is not a strict denominational school.

A further honor was recently bestowed upon Doctor Letterman on the occasion of a testimonial dinner given by the Missouri Alpha Chapter at Columbia, Mo. At that time the scholarship cup, which Brother Letterman presented to the chapter several years ago, was awarded to the freshman who made the highest scholastic grade. This was the first scholarship cup given to any of our chapters, and inaugurated a custom which has since been widely followed.

Brother Letterman, who is the son of Dr. William H. Letterman, one of the founders of the Fraternity, served as Vice President from 1920 to 1922. He was initiated at the fiftieth anniversary Grand Arch Council at Pittsburgh in 1902, and is looking forward with unusual interest to the seventy-fifth anniversary G. A. C. at Buffalo this month.

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## **Knight and Merrill Receive City Offices**

Edward H. Knight, Ind. Gamma '93, former Treasurer of the Fraternity and veteran G. A. C'er, has recently been honored with the appointment as city attorney of Indianapolis, Ind. Brother Knight still retains his private law office in the State Life Building. Following a trip through the Adirondacks and attendance at his class reunion at Yale, Brother Knight, as has been his custom since his initiation, will attend the meeting of the Grand Arch Council.

Frank J. Merrill, Kan. Alpha '99, likewise a well-known G. A. C'er and member of S. C., has recently been reappointed city attorney of Paola, Kan. Brother Merrill has already served one term in this office, and his reappointment came in recognition of his successful administration of legal affairs of Paola during his first term.

# The Metamorphosis of the Undergraduate Mind<sup>1</sup>

Being an Analysis of the Undergraduate by One of Them

H. STANLEY KRUSEN, N. Y. Alpha '24, Contributor

**A** TEARFUL mother and a fearful father bade their son farewell as he boarded an eastern express for Cornell. At last Johnny was on his own, free from family ties, confident in his own ability to make his way, yet perplexed as to what the future might have in store. There was no tear in his eye; there was a gleam of determination and expectancy.

Such might be the portrait of the average freshman—a much different person than his parent of “the gay nineties.” One is liberal, independent and resourceful; the other filled with mothering tendencies, hesitant and fearful.

Thus we come to the present freshman, “bewildered” as one undergraduate editor styled him. He thinks of little, at first, except of joining a fraternity and becoming a campus god and idol. His scholastic aspirations are muffled, other than to get him by the exacting requirements of his dean, in his first quest for undergraduate prominence. He thrills at his first numeral cap, his fraternity pin and the envious glances cast at him by less fortunate classmates. His first outlook on college life is a selfish one—a desire for undergraduate recognition, and all efforts are bent in satisfying that one personal aspiration.

As a sophomore Johnny casts a thoughtful and longing eye on a junior and senior society pin. But a year's arduous athletic training begins to make him doubt the value of the long grind. He is irked by the comparative oblivion into which he has been unwillingly thrust. Glory is not his. Studies annoy and baffle him. It is a year of stagnation and depression.

He resolves to plug on and his selfish motive is quashed by a desire to be of service. For two years Johnny has

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<sup>1</sup>Reprinted from the *Cornellian Bulletin*.

been trained and guided by older men and as he starts on the last half of his college career he begins to realize that he can not continue receiving forever but must sometime give. As a junior, he feels the first burdens of undergraduate responsibility and honor. He senses that he is marked by all for his personal qualities and that now, more than ever before, he must adhere to the ideals of the university and of a gentleman.

The carousing usually found during the sophomore stage is smothered. His taste is slowly changing. Percy Marks no longer allures. The musical comedy is replaced by drama; the *Cosmopolitan* by the *Atlantic Monthly*. His interest in Cornell, in his fraternity, or other social group is heightened. He questions the honor which he sought. He debates its comparative value with what he might have gained from books.

The transition from junior to senior is not as radical as that from sophomore to the former. As a senior, Johnny begins to manage things. He has an administrative office in his fraternity. He is chairman of an undergraduate committee. At last he has achieved the goal which, as a freshman, he so eagerly sought. Johnny now shares his burden calmly and thoughtfully. He has been of service. He hopes it has been appreciated.

That is one point of view and a superficial one at best but underneath it all there is a deeper, a more fundamental outlook which portrays more clearly the metamorphosis through which any college youth necessarily goes.

A man comes to a university primarily for the purpose of educating himself in that which will be of most use to him in after life and of learning how to better his own life and the life of others. This may be idealistic but I think it is generally true of the average intelligent college student. It takes him the major part of four years to realize this. The trivialities of a sophomore give way to sterner stuff. His desire for a Phi Beta Kappa or Tau Beta Pi key surpasses the satisfaction of a managerial emblem or a publications charm. The undergraduate of today is continually doubting. This is inevitably a sign of

youth. The Cornell undergraduate questions the university's paternalism as exemplified in minor regulations concerning conduct; questions the faculty's right to require him to pursue certain courses, including compulsory military drill. He doubts the value of lectures, the value of the curriculum in general, and the value of college other than for its broadening qualities and contacts.

Underneath this camouflage of a doubting Thomas there is a deep-seated respect for the liberal doctrines inherently Cornell's. Nonsectarianism, coeducation, and the absolute freedom of the individual are cherished.

Although Cornell undergraduates are in the midst of cultural surroundings and few appear to maintain a real interest in the aesthetic, actually the university lectures, concerts, daily Willard Straight musicals, weekly organ recitals, Sunday afternoon concerts, and art exhibits find a great group of appreciative students.

In short, the Cornell man is possessed with those qualities of liberalism and intellectual freedom which typify the American college youth of today. Scholastic dignity is maintained in a diversified university life—a life that is preparing the undergraduate for his next step into the great shadowy world of experience.

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### **John W. Webster Dies in Sanitarium**

John W. Webster, Ind. Alpha '95, died in a sanitarium in Battle Creek, Mich., May 6, 1928. At the time of his death he was one of the trustees of the Endowment Fund, having been appointed when Henry H. McCorkle resigned as a trustee in 1926.

Brother Webster lived practically all his life in Danville, Ill., except the years he was in college. He was graduated from DePauw University in 1898, attended the University of Illinois for one year and then was graduated from Harvard Law School. Brother Webster was a man of large affairs, being secretary of the Fidelity Building & Loan Association of Danville and operating a large insurance

agency as well as being connected with many other business interests in Danville. He was a very public-spirited man and was usually at the head of every drive for any public matter in his home city. At the time of his death he was a member of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A., the Lakeview Hospital and the Salvation Army and many other organizations.

Brother Webster was always interested in young men but especially young college men, and for many years he had been helping from two to five men each year to get a college education. He was most liberal in this respect and it is doubtful if anyone really knows how many boys he has helped to complete their college work.

From the date of his initiation into Phi Kappa Psi he took a deep interest in the Fraternity. He assisted in the organizing and founding of Illinois Delta and contributed liberally to their chapter house. He always had a deep interest in his own chapter, Indiana Alpha, and had charge of raising funds and the building of the new chapter house a few years ago. No member of Phi Kappa Psi ever appealed to Brother Webster in vain.

The Rev. Henry Hitt Crane of Malden, Mass., at Brother Webster's funeral said, among other things: "Supremely significant was his capacity for friendship. It was his religion. His wonderful unselfishness and generosity were typical of a widely loved man. His superb enthusiasm, his buoyant optimism, his humanitarian principles, his splendid sense of humor, his tender gentleness, and his forgiving spirit are the highlights of his human existence." This tribute well characterizes John W. Webster. A great heart, a great human man has gone from the life of Phi Kappa Psi.

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Of the eighty fraternity chapters killed at the University of Mississippi by the passage of antifraternity laws in 1912, all but that of Phi Kappa Psi have now been revived, Delta Kappa Epsilon having been the latest to reenter. The other six are Delta Psi, Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Delta Tau Delta and Kappa Alpha (S). New chapters have been installed by Kappa Sigma, Alpha Tau Omega, Pi Kappa Phi, Phi Pi Phi, Sigma Nu and Pi Kappa Alpha. Locals are said to be petitioning Beta Theta Pi and Phi Kappa Sigma.



**ELMER HOLM, Neb. Alpha '26**



**JOHN W. WEBSTER, Ind. Alpha, '95**

## Nebraska Captain Leads in Scholarship

Elmer Holm, Neb. Alpha '26, captain-elect of the 1928 University of Nebraska football team, has not only an athletic record of note, but is also a student of distinction. With four letters to his credit in his junior year, Holm was recently elected to Beta Gamma Sigma, national honorary commercial fraternity, corresponding to Phi Beta Kappa. In addition, he has partially supported himself through college, working for his room and meals.

Elmer, or "Louie," went to high school at Omaha, Neb., Technical High School, where he was prominent in athletics, captaining the basketball team and being chosen as all-state in both basketball and football.

During his freshman year in the university, Holm received numerals in freshman football and basketball. He was enrolled in the College of Business Administration. His average for the first semester was 87 per cent; he had the second highest average in the pledge class and was second to be initiated that year. Later in the year Holm received the Gold scholarship award, given to the ten best students in the College of Business Administration.

In his sophomore year, Holm made his debut in Nebraska athletics. He held down a regular guard berth on the football team. The coach recognized his ability but was not sure where to use him. Before "Louie" took over the guard position permanently, he played every position on the team except center, and was known as "the jack-of-all-positions." He started at end, then played for a short time in the backfield, was tried at tackle and finally set at guard, where he has since been a tower of strength. The same year, Holm was a familiar figure on the basketball court, and with his long shots from guard position was always good for several points in a game. He kept his scholastic average higher than 80 per cent during that year.

This year Elmer has started reaping his honors. At his old place at guard on the eleven, he was one of the mainstays of the heavy Husker line. He was selected by several sport writers on all-Missouri Valley teams. When the captain was voted on, it was found that Holm and "Blue"

Howell, backfield star, had tied for the honor, and instead of taking a second vote, the athletic board decided to have co-captains. Again, "Louie" starred at guard on the basketball team, and campus politicians said he would have been elected captain of the hoopsters for the coming season had there not been a tradition against captaincies in two major sports the same year. Within the last month Holm was elected to Beta Gamma Sigma; one of four students elected from 140 eligible members of the College of Business Administration, on the basis of scholarship. For five semesters in college Holm has an average of nearly 86 per cent.

Nebraska Alpha is expecting further honors to fall to Holm. He is expected to be chosen one of the 13 Innocents, honorary senior society. Football fans predict him as unanimous all-valley selection, with possibilities for all-American.

Holm has saved the greater expense of his education by working since he has been in college as desk man at the University Club, where he gets board and room for his work.

Nebraska Alpha feels that some tribute is due "Louie." Working as he has for three years, keeping a very high average in scholarship despite absences from classes entailed by long athletic trips, and making an enviable record as an athlete, Nebraska Alpha is proud of him.

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### The Importance of Scholarship<sup>1</sup>

GEORGE A. MOORE, III. Alpha '98, Contributor

**I** WANT to tell you in a brief way how the national Fraternity looks at the matter of scholarship.

There is no intent on the part of the Fraternity to elevate scholarship to an undue prominence. There is no desire to make it the only and supreme test of a college man's or a chapter's standing. Just a few days ago I had a letter from Brother O. M. Stewart, our Scholarship Director, in which he wrote that he was always fearful lest in his zeal and enthusiasm he might overemphasize the

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<sup>1</sup> Extract from an address delivered at the initiation banquet of a mid-western chapter.

importance of scholarship in his efforts to improve the general level. Neither he nor any member of the Executive Council has any desire or intention of making Phi Psi a fraternity of Phi Beta Kappa men, or of men whose whole aim and purpose is to accumulate as many "A's" as possible in their college course. No worse calamity could befall Phi Psi than that.

But any fair-minded person must agree that no man who enters college without a desire to improve his mind is fair to himself, or to the family who are sending him, or to the college itself. Any man who does not seriously intend to get something out of his college course except a good time or a bunch of athletic insignia, is not a desirable member of the college body or of any fraternal organization. President Hopkins of Dartmouth wrote recently that the primary purpose of a college was to train its students how to think. That purpose cannot be achieved on the dance floor, or on the athletic field, or at the bridge table, or in the movie theatre. It must be developed in the classroom. There the foundation must be laid of accurate knowledge upon which a man can rear those habits of logical and clear thinking that will stand him so well throughout his life.

That being the case, it naturally follows that scholarship *is* of importance, and that the rating of an individual, or of a group as to their value, must be largely dependent upon how well directed their efforts are in the attainment of this knowledge that is so fundamental. The man who gets a fair grade by hard, conscientious effort is often more to be praised than the brilliant mind who with little study easily gets his "A's." And frequently a group who are participants in athletics and college activities, and most desirably so, must necessarily sacrifice something in their scholarship record. Consequently, rating a chapter entirely on its scholarship record is unfair and unwise—but our reports *do* show that those chapters that are strongest in their internal organization, in their financial condition, and in their standing on the campus are invariably above the average in scholarship, and those chapters

that are consistently weak in scholarship are weak in all other departments.

I do not see how anyone can question the importance to a chapter of maintaining its scholarship standing and I have never heard a legitimate excuse offered for a low scholastic standing, either on the part of an individual or a group, except a general indifference to the essential things in college life.

I have heard the argument advanced that it was not the function of a chapter to lay down firm and fast rules for the conduct of its members—that such action took away from the undergraduate the possibility of development of his own individuality—and that the man who attends college was of an age where the greatest good to him could be obtained by allowing him a free and untrammelled choice of just how he should conduct himself.

Personally, I am very sympathetic with the greatest possible opportunity to the undergraduate for self-development. Obviously, development of character cannot be obtained to the fullest extent without definite placing of responsibility. Obviously, curtailment of liberty of speech and liberty of action is not conducive to the forming in the young man of that strength of character and wisdom of selection that is so much to be desired. But when liberty of speech and liberty of action conflict with the rights of others, then limitation and restriction must be used.

So it is at this point that the chapter must protect its members. You cannot make a man study or get high marks by telling him that he must stay in his room for so many hours a day, if he is unwilling to devote those hours to the improvement of his mind, but if he is willing and anxious as most men are, you do him a grave injustice if you permit his room to be invaded by others, if you divert his mind by loud noises or disturbances, if you entice him away from his study table to the bridge game or to the movies. You are duty bound to give to every member the opportunity of studying peacefully and uninterruptedly, and it is most unfair if you permit either

those who are indifferent to the value of study or those who are so brilliant that they do not need to devote themselves to study, to interfere in any way with those who are desirous of realizing to the full the value of their college days. It is primarily the function of a chapter to develop the highest type of manhood among its members, and if it permits, either through an unwise selection of its initiates or through improper provisions in its government, an atmosphere to be created in the chapter house which is hostile to the attainment by its members of the best out of their lives—then that chapter is failing miserably in its purpose, and the members of that chapter are the worse for belonging to it.

My wife tells of an old New England acquaintance of hers that expressed her philosophy of life in the following words, "I believe in letting everyone go to hell in their own way, and then they won't go a-grumbling." Now, that's a very comfortable sort of philosophy by which to live. It throws the entire responsibility for the acts of others off our own shoulders. If we could isolate those who want to go to hell, it would not be so bad—but unfortunately we cannot do so, and invariably their way crosses and recrosses the path of those who are bound elsewhere, and when that happens the right of way must be given to those who are traveling the higher road. Stevenson expresses it a little better: "It is our duty to ourselves to make ourselves good. It is our responsibility to our neighbor not to make him good but to make him happy." We may not have the right to inflict upon an unwilling neighbor our own code of morals and standards, but we certainly have the right to demand that we be protected from his.

To offer as an excuse for poor scholarship or lack of discipline in a chapter the plea that this is not consistent with the liberty of action that is necessary for the fullest development of character is a bit of sophistry that is the product of shallow thinking. If such procedure is not in line with the traditions of a chapter, then the traditions are wrong and should be promptly scrapped.

But, brothers, we are talking of things that are after all not the greatest things in college or fraternity life, or in life itself. Important as are the things of the mind, the greatest things in life issue from the heart. A man's mind may bring him riches in abundance, it may give him a large income, expensive limousines, luxurious yachts, a beautiful estate, winter homes in Florida or California, everything that money can buy—and yet his home may be a mockery, his life barren, his whole existence a most unhappy one because he has permitted his mind to dominate his heart. And beside him may be a man with a limited income—but, oh! so rich in the things of the heart, the love of his family, the love of his friends, the affection and esteem of his fellow men—all because he has shared the wealth of his heart with those who have come to him. If choice must be made, there is no question about the decision.

Phi Kappa Psi teaches above all that the great things of life spring from the heart. However exalted he may become in his community; however high in his business—all won by brain power; a real Phi Psi never permits his heart to be ruled by his mind. The great decisions in life are always made by listening to the counsels of his heart.

And so I want to leave with you this final word, particularly with those young men who have just been initiated; that important as is the development of the body, important as is the training of the mind—most important is the culture of the heart, and no greater service can you do for yourselves and your fellow men than to inculcate into your daily life those great ideals that are so beautifully and forcibly expressed in the ritual and the oath of this grand old Fraternity of ours—Phi Kappa Psi.

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Lambda Chi Alpha has installed a chapter in the University of North Dakota. This fraternity, founded in 1909, now has 76 chapters scattered in 33 states and Canada.



#### STANFORD UNIVERSITY QUAD AND CALIFORNIA BETA CHAPTER HOUSE

*Here is an interesting view of a portion of Stanford's main quad, and California Beta's chapter house, the white one on the hill near the right side of the picture. At the extreme left is the top of the library. The largest structure is the University Administration Building, and its wings are the English Building and the Assembly Hall. At the right center can be seen the memorial court and the two pillars are what remain of the immense arch which was shaken down in the earthquake of 1906.*

## Arranges Air Tour of Europe

EVERETT O. STOOHOFF, N. Y. Epsilon '24, Contributor



ROBERT B. LITTLE

Imagine flying over Europe, while touring, instead of depending upon stuffy trains and motor busses. That has long been the dream of Robert B. Little, an alumnus of New York Epsilon, and recently he has achieved his objective. Together with another Colgate graduate, he is in partnership, under the firm name of Mercury Tours, in the Woolworth Building, New York. After spending months of research and planning, Brother Little has at last conceived a plan whereby American tourists, tiring of the conventional trains and busses, may

now travel over the European continent in the beautifully appointed and comfortable cabins of huge Handley-Page and Junkers airplanes, operated by the British Imperial Airways Ltd. and the German Lufthansa, respectively.

This is the first known attempt of any tourist company to cover Europe from above the ground, and it is a feather in Brother Little's cap that his organization is the first on the field with the idea. After graduating from Colgate in 1926, he almost immediately entered the tourist business under his own management, and in the ensuing two years he has made many advances in the means of touring Europe in comfort. Last year his company presented an innovation in the collegiate tour by having an orchestra, the Green

Serenaders of Dartmouth, accompany a tour throughout Europe, playing for private dances for members of the party two or three times a week. Brother Knight, of New Hampshire Alpha, was director of the orchestra and aided greatly in making it a Phi Psi conducted tour. So this year, with England, France, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland and Germany to be seen from a bird's-eye view, we find a brother Phi Psi showing the way in means of travel.

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### Some Thoughts on Extension

ALLEN EMERY, Cal. Beta '13, Contributor

**T**HE Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity today stands in a fortunate position as regards the number and position of its chapters. The Fraternity falls in the middle class of well-expanded organizations sometimes termed "semiconservative." This is contra-distinction to the "extremely expanded" fraternities and the "conservative" fraternities.

As regards the future, Phi Psi is also fortunate, for the geographical distribution of its chapters, their strength and the caliber of the institutions in which they are placed offer pleasing expansion possibilities. It has been aptly said that an organization must expand, must grow continually or it will decline in strength. Phi Psi has an opportunity to grow continuously over an almost indefinite period of years. It should be a simple matter to secure footing in a limited number of colleges and universities, which boast resources and student body of the type necessary for a Phi Psi chapter.

In the past, expansion has at times been rather haphazard, as was the case at one time with all college fraternities, and chapters have been established which have become dormant through lack of good material or decline in prestige of the institutions wherein they were placed. Of these, the two which come most readily to mind are Brooklyn Polytechnic, on the Atlantic, and the College of the Pacific, on the Pacific. What could have animated the old-timers to plant these charges when at the same time Boston Tech and the

University of California were available as locations? It may be added that nothing derogatory is here intended as to the caliber of their personnel.

Even today we establish a chapter at the University of Oregon but ignore Oregon State College, which has a larger student body of equally high class, and boasts of far superior chapter houses. We go into Carnegie Tech but ignore the University of Pittsburgh. We grant a chapter to the University of Southern California but overlook the University of California, at Los Angeles, which is destined to a glorious future.

And what of Tulane, of the University of Mississippi, of North Carolina and South Carolina, of Duke University, of Washington University at St. Louis, of Rochester, of Williams, of Florida, of Georgia Tech, of McGill and the University of Toronto? These are all institutions of exceptionally high grade, chapters in each one of which would be of inestimable advantage to us. And Yale! The only one of the Big Three maintaining chapters of national college fraternities. And the opportunity has been there, for only last year Chi Psi established itself at Yale at the invitation of and with the assistance of the five Yale fraternities, namely, Alpha Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Zeta Psi, and Beta Theta Pi. At that future time when the good of Yale demands the entrance of another national fraternity into the field, what fraternity is more deserving of the honor and what one could more aptly fit into the Yale scheme? With three chapters of extremely conservative fraternities, Alpha Delt, Psi U and Chi Psi; one chapter of an extremely expanded fraternity, Beta; and one chapter of a semiconservative fraternity such as Phi Psi, namely Deke, it would seem that another semiconservative fraternity would be most appropriate.

There are many other institutions offering as good, perhaps better, fields. Those named above are only conspicuous examples that come readily to mind.

What means we shall utilize in extension is another question. The article in the December SHIELD on the new expansion plans and accredited list of colleges gotten up

by the Theta Chi fraternity, is very pertinent. Such a system would be very helpful.

The Chi Psi fraternity also has a very interesting method, whereby they decide the possibilities of petitioning bodies. From their alumni directory, together with the student directory of the college wherein the petitioning group is located, they deduct the possible strength of a Chi Psi chapter, were it installed. For instance, the fact that Chi Psi has prominent and influential alumni in Portland, Oregon, who had sent men to eastern chapters, as well as to Stanford and the University of California, was one of the reasons for the entrance of that fraternity into the University of Oregon.

Whatever methods are to determine the colleges which shall be placed on our accredited list, there yet remains the problem of securing the petitioning bodies. Whether we shall grant charters to established local fraternities, as is the usual thing, or whether alumni shall organize petitioning bodies, as we did at the University of Washington, and as, we presume, Chi Psi had to do at Yale, is beside the point. The goal is the thing, and the means unimportant, so long as the means shall not be inconsistent with the dignity and prestige of Phi Kappa Psi.

### **New Alumni Association Directories**

The Chicago Alumni Association has issued a new directory, containing the names, business and residence addresses, telephone numbers and chapter affiliations of over 700 Phi Psis residing in the Chicago district. The directory contains a brief review of the association's activities during the year 1927-28, together with a list of the officers of the association and of the Fraternity. There is also included a directory of all chapters and alumni associations. An interesting feature added this year is a list of the members arranged by chapters. Phi Psi business and professional men made the directory possible by generous use of advertising space.

The St. Louis Alumni Association has also published a new directory, prepared in much the same style as the Chicago directory. Information is given about 58 members of the Fraternity living in or near St. Louis.

## Indiana Delta Loses Brother

W. C. JACKSON, Ind. Delta, Contributor



FELL DAVID ROBERTSON

On March 27, 1928, in the midst of preparations for spring initiation, Indiana Delta lost a brother who will always be remembered by those who knew him. Fell David Robertson died suddenly from pneumonia after being sick for only five days. So quickly was he taken that it is hard to realize that he has gone.

"Robbie" attended Culver before he came to Purdue, and he attained high honors while there. When he was pledged, he knew comparatively few people on the campus, and it is a tribute to his personality to note that, though

only a sophomore, he was one of the most popular men in the house. Possessed of a keen mind and a ready wit, his winning personality made everyone like him. He had unquestioned ability and if he had desired he could have made straight A's, but to be a grind was not his strong forte. He passed his work creditably and spent rest of his time in making friends and enjoying life. He really enjoyed living. Considering how much of a burden life is to many students, it is hard to realize why one who was getting so much from life should go so young.

Brother Robertson was a civil engineer and, with two other brothers, went to Civil camp last summer. After living with him, therefore, for almost two solid years,

knowing him so well, one could hardly expect to put an adequate tribute to him in writing. He was not a hero or anything so exceptional, but he was just a good boy, and the thought of his death will ever bring sharp regret to his countless friends.

The following poem was written by one of the brothers just after Brother Robertson's death:

### Halfway

Old Pal, you're gone,  
Or so they say,  
Those you can't know  
Of halfway.

They say "Goodbye"  
And not "So long."  
But then, Old Man,  
We know they're wrong.

You've started out  
A different way;  
New worlds to conquer  
New troubles sway.

And so as kids  
Who part halfway,  
As they leave at the end  
Of a happy day,

From halfway here,  
To halfway there;  
"Good luck, Old Man,  
And put it there."

## Does Business Want Scholars?

DR. O. M. STEWART, Ind. Alpha '89, Contributor

**U**NDER the above title President Walter S. Gifford of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, discusses in Harper's Magazine for May 1928 the question of whether there is a marked correlation between the grades made by a man when an undergraduate and his success in later life. He points out that it is commonly recognized that in the case of the professions of law and medicine there is such a correlation, that big firms and hospitals seek the men who have made high marks. But

business, on the other hand, has, in general, not selected men on the basis of their marks in college. This attitude of some business men flies counter to the theory of educators. It should be expected that a man who gets high marks will have had to use his brains and that the habit and ability to use his brains will make him valuable and successful in whatever he tries to do.

In order to tell whether high scholarship has a direct relation to success, the Bell System has made a careful study of the record of some 4000 college graduates who are in its employ. In the article in Harper's Mr. Gifford tells some of the results of this study. Graphical diagrams are used and show clearly the results. In this study the employees were classified as to whether they ranked in the first tenth of their class while at college, or in the first third, or in the middle third, or in the last third. It was found that for the first five years after graduation there was little difference in the average salary of these groups. But after the first five years marked differences developed. For example, those who ranked in the upper tenth in college received 15 years after graduation, on the average, 20 per cent larger salaries than the average of all those who had been out 15 years. After 30 years, those who ranked in the upper tenth in college received, on the average, about 55 per cent more salary than the average of all graduates who had been out 30 years. Corresponding differences are shown for those ranking in the upper third. On the other hand, those who ranked in the lower third received after 30 years of service only 80 per cent of the general average of salaries of the graduates who had been out 30 years. Almost exactly the same results are obtained separately for the graduates in engineering and the graduates in arts and business.

Mr. Gifford summarizes the results in the following:

"In general the normal expectation is that any college graduate entering business has one chance in three of standing in salary among the highest third of all the college graduates in his company. From this study, as illustrated by the chart, it appears that the man in the

first third in scholarship at college, five years or more after graduation, has not merely one chance in three, but about one in two of standing in the first third in salary. On the other hand, the man in the lowest third in scholarship has, instead of one chance in three, only one in five of standing in the highest third in salary. There is also nearly one chance in two that he will stand in the lowest third in salary."

In conclusion, Mr. Gifford says:

"By organization, by the power to use nature which science has provided, industry has shortened the hours and eased the burden of making a living. Men work eight hours where they used to work twelve and fourteen. Vacations are longer and more frequent. Success in life, both for the individual and for the nation, depends on the use of this leisure time just as it does on the use of the business time. Perhaps a mind trained to scholarship in youth may more easily find success and happiness in that leisure than one untrained.

"If studies by others corroborate the results of this study in the Bell System and it becomes clear that the mind well trained in youth has the best chance to succeed in any business it may choose, then scholarship as a measure of mental equipment is of importance both to business and to business men. Business will have a surer guide to the selection of able young men than it has used in the past, and the young men who train the muscle of their brains can feel reasonably certain that such training will add to their success in business and, in all probability, to the fruitful and happy use of the leisure which success in business will give them."

## Governor Sproul and the Presidency

*The following interesting article about the late Governor William C. Sproul, Pa. Kappa '89, is a part of "Girard's Talk of the Day" column in the Philadelphia Inquirer of March 24th. An article about the Five Musketeers (all Phi Psis), referred to in this story, and also written by Mr. Herman Collins, was printed in the April number of The Shield.—*

EDITOR

**N**O SOONER had death, after thirty-seven years, made its first claim only a couple of months ago upon Swarthmore's famous Five Musketeers, than it now makes a second.

William Cameron Sproul quickly follows Ellis Pussey Passmore. When the latter died I told how these two with Morris L. Clothier, E. B. Temple and A. Mitchell Palmer had formed a remarkable group at that small college.

Fraternity brothers and linked in other ways as you rarely see five eminent men held together for forty years after they were college freshmen.

Each one a headliner in his own field. One head of a great store. Another president of our country's oldest bank. A third chief engineer of the world's greatest railroad. The fourth Attorney General of the United States.

And William C. Sproul more than twenty years a state senator, big business man, president of the Union League and governor of Pennsylvania.

Sproul came closer to being President of the United States than a majority of people know.

He told me himself that had he insisted he could have won. It rested between Harding and himself.

During that red-hot Republican convention in 1920, so Governor Sproul assured me, Harding came into his room at the hotel where both were stopping. They were personal friends.

Said the handsome Harding: "Sproul, have you a great ambition to be President? If you have, I'll stand aside

and turn my support over to you right now. You can be nominated."

Sproul replied: "I am Pennsylvania's candidate, as the balloting shows. But I have had no consuming ambition to be President."

"Well," returned Harding, "that is my own supreme ambition, but if you want it more than I do I'll get out."

The Governor insisted, when he related this to me, that Harding, whom he knew well, was sincere.

"Had I asked him to throw his support to me for a couple of ballots Harding would have done it without a word."

"But," continued the ever-likeable and kindly Sproul, "I saw that such a course would crush him. He wanted to be President ten times more than I did, so I told him I would be the first to get out and give my support to him."

The rest of it is public knowledge. Harding was nominated and then elected by a popular plurality of seven million votes.

Sproul would have done as well. The loss of that vast prize he so nearly won did not in the slightest embitter the governor.

What is more, he ever insisted that Harding was personally true blue and that his troubles, like President Grant's, came from trusting dishonest politicians.

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### Fraternity Statistics at Cornell

In a recent report issued by a committee of the trustees and faculty of Cornell University, there are given some interesting financial statistics concerning the fraternity chapters at that institution. Fifty-three fraternities own their own houses, while seven others lease homes. The average cost of owned houses is \$42,264, and the maximum cost is \$137,000. Two houses cost more than \$100,000. Twenty-one houses were listed as costing between \$26,000 and \$50,000. The estimated average value of these houses is \$58,348.

Forty houses reported as to total indebtedness, showing an average of \$19,569, the highest being \$75,000 and the lowest \$1000. Thirty-seven paid an average rent to a

holding corporation of \$3858. The average rent of the seven leased houses was \$1957.

Sixty houses reported 1924 members, an average of 32, of which 1316 live in the houses, an average of 22. Payments to national organizations average \$11.56 per man in fifty of these houses.

The average number of meals served weekly in 58 dining rooms was 28, at an average per week per man of \$9.35. Average room rent was \$195.65 per year, and the average initiation fee was \$85. Ten houses reported an average of five men wholly or partially self-supporting, with average earnings of \$280 per man annually.

The average yearly total expense for the fraternity man is \$1420, the maximum being \$1900 and the minimum being \$850.

Figures given for the cost of living for the general student body included the following: room rent, \$217; board, \$8.99 a week; club memberships, \$16.02; total expenses, \$1398.62.

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### **Buffalo Ideal Convention City**

Buffalo long has had the reputation of being an ideal convention city. In the first place, it is centrally located, with 60 per cent of the country's population being within a night's run of the city and one-half of the cities of the country being within a radius of 500 miles.

Also the climate gives Buffalo an advantage over other cities. Especially in the summer months is the weather delightful and Buffalonians point with pride to the claim that it is the coolest city in the country in the summer.

One attraction that aids in bringing many conventions to Buffalo, and there were more than 200 held there in 1927, is the proximity to Niagara Falls and the great international territory called the Niagara Frontier. There are numerous other attractions that offer great interest to visitors—the art gallery, the Peace Bridge, the lake and river, the beaches, the parks, the colleges and schools—all providing entertainment and education.

In addition to the splendid rail facilities for transportation in and out of Buffalo, it is accessible by boat and modern highways from all directions.



# PHI KAPPA PSI NOTES



F. B. DORMAN, Pa. Lambda '25, is living at 140 N. Bennett st., Bradford, Pa.

RALPH E. WAGER, N. Y. Beta '01, is a member of the faculty of Emory University.

JOHN W. TYLER, W. Va. Alpha '27, is living at the Bellrose Apartments, Jamaica, N. Y.

THE SHIELD acknowledges receipt of *The Thetan* (Pennsylvania Theta) and *The Ohio Betan*.

HERBERT F. HAMILTON, Mass. Alpha '96, is now living at 728 North Normandie av., Los Angeles, Cal.

WILLARD F. BURR, Ohio Delta '05, is with the Youngstown Rubber Products Co., of Youngstown, Ohio.

W. C. LITTLE JR, Cal. Gamma '07, is chief engineer of the Caribbean Petroleum Co. at Maracaibo, Venezuela.

The BOSTON A. A. holds luncheons at 12.30 p. m. each Friday in the Men's Grill, Filenes Department Store.

JAMES P. BURNEY, Cal. Gamma '01, was recently elected vice president and cashier of the First National Bank of Fontana, Cal.

A son, Donald Joyce, was born on March 11th to Bro. and Mrs. RAYMOND MCFARLAND, Mass. Alpha '95, of East Aurora, N. Y.

SAM E. GATES, Ind. Delta '00, is president of the Engineers Club of Los Angeles, an influential organization of over 700 members.

F. A. COLLMAN, Ill. Alpha '02, is president and manager of the Morris Plan Co. of San Francisco, and also president of the Morris Plan Co. of Oakland, Cal.

LEON FRASER, N. Y. Gamma '10, has recently opened law offices on the twenty-fifth floor of the new Equitable Trust Company Building, 15 Broad st., New York.

W. C. SUTHERLAND, Wis. Alpha, general superintendent of the Pittsburgh Steel Company, has been elected a director of the People's National Bank, Monessen, Pa.

M. F. WARNER, N. Y. Alpha '10, is located at Langeloth, Pa., as chief engineer of the American Zinc & Chemical Co., producing slab zinc and sulphuric acid from ores.

JOHN R. SPROUL, Pa. Kappa '13, has been elected a director of the Lehigh Valley Railroad to fill the vacancy caused by the death of his father, former Governor WILLIAM C. SPROUL, Pa. Kappa '89.

T. W. POMEROY, Pa. Theta, associate general agent of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Co., has recently moved his offices from the Benedum-Trees Building, Pittsburgh, to 1702 Clark Building, Pittsburgh.

CHARLES R. MCGRAIL, presiding officer of Pennsylvania Mu Chapter at the time of its installation, has been appointed chemist and metallurgist at the Sheffield works of Fairbanks, Morse & Co., Three Rivers, Mich.

THOMAS B. DONALDSON, Pa. Iota '95, former insurance commissioner of Pennsylvania under Governor Sproul, was married to Mrs. Margaret S. Hershey of New York City on April 21st. Brother Donaldson is now associate manager of the Eagle Fire Insurance Co. in Newark, N. J.

"The Rocking-Chair: an American Institution," by WALTER A. DYER, Mass. Alpha '96, and Mrs. Esther Stevens Fraser, was published by the Century Company on June 1st. "Chronicles of a Countryman," by Bro. Dyer, is scheduled for publication in September by Ives Washburn, Inc.

DR. WILLIAM WALLACE YOUNGSON, Pa. Beta '89, preached the Easter sermon before the Knights Templar at Portland, Ore. Brother Youngson is past grand prelate of the grand encampment, Knights Templar, U. S. A., and is pastor of the Rose City Park Methodist Episcopal Church of Portland.

GEORGE BRAMWELL BAKER, Ind. Alpha '83, former President of the Fraternity, and Mrs. Baker recently returned from a three months' trip abroad. Brother Baker, who is president of the very successful Boys' Club of Boston, visited several boys' clubs in Egypt and found much of interest in the work they are doing.

KARL E. HARRIMAN, Mich. Alpha '94, is vice president and editorial counsel of J. H. Sears Co., publishers of books at 40 W. 57th st., New York, and is also editorially associated with the Ladies Home Journal. Last September he moved from Chicago to Philadelphia, taking up his residence in Wyncote, a suburb of the latter city.

GEORGE S. STEWART, Pa. Iota '11, has been appointed chief of the Legal Aid Bureau of the department of public welfare of Philadelphia. Brother Stewart is chairman of the Philadelphia county committee of the American Legion. In the war he served as adjutant of the twenty-ninth division with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

D. D. ROWLANDS, Pa. Kappa '04, has recently been made vice president of Associated Seed Growers, Inc., with head offices at New Haven, Conn. Since 1916 Brother Rowlands has been president of the John H. Allan Seed Co. of Sheboygan, Wis. This concern has merged with two other large seed companies to form the new corporation.

ROBERT J. LEEBRICK, Cal. Gamma '11, has been sales manager for George M. Ra Shell, Inc., in Long Beach, Cal., for the past eight years. Following Mr. Ra Shell's death and the sale of his business, Brother Leebrick formed a company of his own in a similar line of business, as dealers in building materials, under the name of Leebrick & Fisher, Inc.

"BABE" MEIGS (Ill. Beta '07), formerly a giant football player at the University of Chicago, now publisher of the Chicago Herald and Examiner, calls attention to the fact that Ford's all-metal trimotor planes have flown millions of miles without loss of life. The other day Meigs flew in one of the Ford planes, used by Standard Oil of Indiana, from Chicago to Detroit in three hours, spoke at an advertising luncheon, flew in another Ford plane from Detroit to Cleveland that afternoon, and took the Twentieth Century to New York. In twenty-four hours he went from Chicago to New York, stopping to speak in Detroit.—*San Francisco Examiner*

Prof. WILLIBAND TRINKS of the Carnegie Institute of Technology at Pittsburgh, and a member of Pennsylvania Mu, was given a write-up in the New York Times of April 15th for a recent address on "The High Cost of Fuel Saving," and because he advanced an entirely new theory in discussing this subject, which theory may be tersely described by quoting the first paragraph of the article: "To offset the 'tremendous' waste of energy Professor Trinks advocates a government tax on fuel to provide an income and a surplus out of which the government could pay a large part of the cost of fuel-saving equipment. Furthermore, he says, the plan would furnish a strong inducement to save fuel by careful operation, and instruments as well as fuel engineers would become indispensable."



# ALUMNI CORRESPONDENCE

## Kansas City Alumni Association

DERE EDITER:

Well editer I been a doin a little bit of travelin a round sinse I last rote you and I called on the boys in the Windy City but never seen this here Mad again whitch has been a writin things in the SHIELD but some of the rest of the guys was on deck to do some eating so we did but about all they was talkin about was the high cost of stayin on erth and one or 2 made some remarks about throwin cantaloes whitch same went over my head of corst. Now there aint been much a goin on here xcept a effort to get some of the boys pepped up on a goin to Buff a low and to do same why Ernie Clark sent out about 200 letters a tell all about it and got five ansers and one sed he wood go so it looks like the Kay See gang wont show up much may be because they has seen Niagra Falls before and may be its becawze of the expense of stay in on erth.

Sense the new prescident has tooken office there has been more of the guys attendin the lunch every Thursday at noon even if he dont show up like he ust to but it aint because he dozent choose to any ways the turnout has been about ten per cent an you can figger that out yourself if you are good at figgers.

I seen what these Chicago boys sed a bout not gittin the Demokratick convension for there town an about how they had some guys that was prime for the job for whitch the thing is held well the guys here sez that they has one or two prospects whitch should ought to have perty good chances to and one of them by the name of Crow sez that he ought to be elected on a platform for bigger and better cantalopes whitch may be is a good plank at that an Ernie Clark sez that he can insure every thing if they only elect him.

Well now this hear wether is a warmin up and cawzing the worms to turn and the golf ball to bark so that it is sort of hard to think about things to write and such bean the case why then I gess I had better clothes.

*Kansas City, Mo.  
April 30, 1928*

Yores Truely  
CACTUS PETE

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## New York Alumni Association

The annual meeting of the New York A. A. was held at the Fraternight Clubs on May 15th. Prior to the meeting a dozen of the brothers had dinner together and enjoyed an hour of followship. I will not summarize the reports of the various committees as the results of their work have already been reported to THE SHIELD. Harry Gorgas, Ill. Beta, reported for the outing committee, William E. Staats, N. Y. Gamma, for the membership committee, Stanley Weiner, N. Y. Gamma, for the entertainment committee, Walter I. Hughes, Minn. Beta, for the directory committee, and Horace O. Westmen, Ind. Alpha, reported as treasurer. The Phi Psi Club of New York was shown to have 152 resident members and 68 nonresident. The treasurer's report showed a deficit for the year and the executive committee was given authority to adjust the club dues in 1929 to meet the financial situation.

Richard Remsen, whose year as president has been marked with a reawakening of the fraternal spirit in New York, reported on the year's work as it appealed to him, giving liberal credit to all those who had worked with him for the success of the association and the club. He pointed out several lines of effort which he thought desirable in the year to come, notably a larger representation at Buffalo and closer cooperation with New York Gamma and other chapters in the district in rushing.

Harry S. Gorgas replied happily to the president's remarks, commending him for his contribution to the association in the twelve months gone and assuring him of continued loyal effort on the part of the executive committee and membership in the year to come. Brother Gorgas then moved a vote of thanks to Brother Remsen and the acceptance of his report, which motion was carried unanimously by a rising and applauding vote.

The following were elected as officers of the club for the ensuing year: president, Richard Remsen, N. H. Alpha; vice presidents, Stanley Weiner, N. Y. Gamma, Frank Cook, Mass. Alpha, Robert C. McCorkle, Pa. Theta, George H. Beattie, Pa. Gamma, William Staats, N. Y. Gamma; treasurer, Horace O. Westmen, Ind. Alpha; secretary, Louis E. Orcutt, Iowa Beta; auditor, N. C. Lenfestey, Ind. Alpha; delegate, board of governors, fraternity clubs, Cecil Page, Ill. Beta; board of governors of club, Walter I. Hughes, Minn. Beta, and Lloyd Thomas, Tenn. Delta.

The annual meeting was advanced one month and will be held next year during the first two weeks of April.

The delegates of the New York A. A. to the G. A. C. at Buffalo are Richard Remsen, Harry S. Gorgas and H. H. McCorkle. The delegates were authorized to appoint an alternate at Buffalo if necessary.

Considerable discussion arose over the official Phi Psi hat band and the consensus seemed to be that the color bands were too wide. In order that Phi Psi intelligence might not be further overweighted with superfluous color, Stanley Weiner was appointed a committee of one to go to Buffalo and attend to the matter.

Before adjournment an informal discussion of New York Gamma and the G. A. C. was participated in by Brothers Morrill, Gorgas, Ballou, Chollar, Westmen and Hughes. It was decided that a letter should be drafted to the chapters of the Fraternity to apprise them and the Fraternity at large of the present fine condition of New York Gamma. Considerable interest was also manifested in the coming G. A. C.

Following the meeting a majority of those in attendance repaired to the excitement of bridge to complete the evening, while those not addicted to bridge engaged in conversation until time to rush for the next train.

*New York, N. Y.  
May 22, 1928*

LOUIS E. ORCUTT  
*Correspondent*

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### Philadelphia Alumni Association

The Philadelphia A. A. held its first annual meeting recently for the purpose of affecting a closer organization; the following officers were elected: president, Rev. A. C. Carty; vice presidents, Judge H. C. Thompson and A. Linn Walker; secretary, Franz Ralston (reelected); treasurer, W. Norman Morris (reelected); corresponding secretary, D. N. Cortright.

It is felt that Brother Carty will make an excellent leader. His work in the church has been of the most distinguished and he has

contributed much to the success of the present organization, not only through his filling of lesser offices but by good general work.

A meeting of active men was held May 9th in the quarters of Judge Thompson for the naming of aggressive committeemen. The committees include executive, entertainment, finance, membership, fellowship (welfare), etc. Brother Carty will ask especially active work from the new committees.

Regarding membership, there are 1200 Phi Psis in the city and it is the purpose of the membership committee to include all of these in due time.

The following delegates were recently elected to attend the G. A. C.: J. H. R. Roberts, William I. Mirkil, Johns S. Williams 2d and Edward Bassett. This group includes alternates.

Retiring President Wolfe will continue active committee work.

One innovation of the summer will be an outing. Many hope this will take the form of a chartered boat on the Delaware.

The death of Edgar Fahs Smith (obituary in another part of this issue) adds to the list of prominent Phi Psis Philadelphia has lost in the last few months. Few men have typified the combination of greatness and simplicity as did Brother Smith. It is such losses as this that must impress the younger men with the voids to be filled in life and Phi Psi circles. His memory must be our ideal, his aims ours.

*Philadelphia, Pa.*

D. N. CORTRIGHT

*May 9, 1928*

*Correspondent*

### Pittsburgh Alumni Association

Activities of the Pittsburgh A. A. during the past two months have been just about equally divided between preparations for the big Diamond Jubilee G. A. C. in Buffalo and organization by the new executive officers of committees, etc., for the ensuing year. The personnel of the various committees will be announced in a later number of THE SHIELD.

Local interest in the G. A. C. is growing in inverse proportion to the distance between the present and June 27th. President D. R. Davis, Pa. Lambda, recently announced that if a sufficient number of Western Pennsylvanians are planning to go to Buffalo by train, one or more special cars will be arranged for. This should prove a very delightful method of traveling and those in this vicinity who are interested should keep in touch with the Pittsburgh A. A. The usual special rates may be obtained from the railroads if a sufficient number are in attendance at the convention.

Reports of several committees held over from our annual meeting in February have recently been submitted and are of considerable interest. One is the report of the faithful and perennial chairman of our membership committee, Robert P. Crawford, Pa. Theta. Bob, the demon statistician, compiled (frankly, we have a strong suspicion that his secretary deserves a large part of the credit) figures showing the number of chapters represented on our mailing list, the number from each chapter, and the representation by states. An abstract of this report is as follows: The total number of live names on our mailing list at the present time is 361. The number of chapters represented is 39. Space will not permit a tabulation of the number from each chapter, but the first eleven will be recorded as a matter of interest: Pa. Alpha, 64; Pa. Lambda, 53; Pa. Theta, 39; Pa. Beta, 33; Pa. Mu, 30; W. Va. Alpha, 17; Pa. Iota, 13; N. Y. Alpha, 11; Pa. Gamma, 9; Ohio Beta, 8; Pa. Epsilon, 8. The number of states repre-

sented is 20, of which Pennsylvania, naturally, holds the lead with a total of 223 favorite sons. Ohio runs a poor second with 24, West Virginia third with 13, New York fourth with 12, and so on. We also have one member from each of the following foreign countries: Scotland, England, Sweden and Germany.

John L. Porter, Pa. Beta, another faithful and apparently perpetual chairman, in this case of the library committee, read a very interesting report covering the activities of his committee for the past year. Without attempting to go into details, it is gratifying to record accessions to the library as follows: 24 books, 3 records, 1 song book, 3 magazines and 9 pamphlets, all of which were written by or contain articles by Phi Psis. Brother Porter reports that the total number of items now in our library is 751, and that the lack of volume III of THE SHIELD prevents us reporting a complete file of this publication. Anyone desirous of making Brother Porter very happy can do so by presenting him with the missing volume or informing him how it may be obtained. Brother Porter, as custodian of archives, also reported a number of valuable accessions to the archives of the association.

In speaking of the activities of the two committees above, it seems appropriate to make further comment upon the loyalty of Brothers Porter and Crawford as chairmen of their respective committees. Any president of Pittsburgh A. A. would just as soon disband the organization as fail to appoint Brothers Porter and Crawford chairmen, respectively, of the library and membership committees. They have been the incumbents so long of these posts and have discharged their duties so successfully that the association can ill afford to let them resign. The penalty of faithfulness.

In our April letter we had the pleasure of heralding the arrival of a daughter at the home of Bro. and Mrs. J. R. Wylie jr, the former of N. H. Alpha. On March 30th, however, spurred by the spirit of competition and in an effort to "show up" the Wylies, Bro. and Mrs. Greer McIlvain, the former a member of Pa. Theta, announced the birth of twins. They have been named Nancy May and Mary Elizabeth. We wonder who will go the McIlvains one better.

Out-of-town Phi Psis who have recently visited with us at our weekly luncheons at McCreery's are L. W. Reeves, Ohio Epsilon; Ralph C. Grimm, Pa. Alpha; James A. Farr, Pa. Mu; Carter List, Ohio Gamma; and A. P. Reed, Pa. Alpha.

During Easter vacation we were also fortunate in having a number of students with us. From N. Y. Alpha were Howard C. Browning jr, John B. Atwood, Will H. Rowand and Joseph J. Bradac (pledge). From Pa. Lambda were J. R. Thomas and H. I. Hagmaier (pledge) and Thomas W. Pomeroy jr from Pa. Theta.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.*

*May 11, 1928*

C. R. TEXTER

*Correspondent*

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### Rocky Mountain Alumni Association

The Rocky Mountain A. A. covers a lot of territory, and as the wandering brothers are scattered over about five states, it's a difficult job to keep an eagle eye on all of them. We've probably missed a few, so we hereby take this means of requesting all brothers who do not receive our notices, bulletins and other communications to get in touch with the correspondent so that your name may be listed in our files.

Luncheons are held the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at the Denver Dry Goods Tea Room and all brothers in the vicinity are urged to come up and have lunch with the gang.

The Phi Kappa Psi Auxiliary, composed of Phi Psi mothers and wives, was recently organized and is now a very active organization. Regular luncheons are held at different homes and have been very well attended. Funds have been raised by rummage sales and various other methods and are being used to redecorate the chapter house at Boulder. In cooperation with the alumni association, the auxiliary recently staged a delightful bridge party and dance at the spacious new home of Brother Ira C. Brownlie. One hundred twenty-five guests attended and all pronounced it most enjoyable.

Judge James Owen has been selected as one of the two delegates from Denver to the Republican convention at Kansas City. We will be able to name the new President shortly. Dr. Ira C. Brownlie, the West's foremost dental radiologist, has found business so rushing that he is opening an office in the new Republic Building. Frederick Sass, president of the Big Ten Alumni Association, and Dr. Brownlie, representing Iowa, threw a large party in honor of Alonzo Stagg on his recent visit to Denver. The dinner was held at the "Denver" and was a notable event for all Big Ten alumni.

Frank L. Webster, Sunday editor of the Denver Post, has been granted a leave of absence and is now taking life easy. Lawrence C. Blunt has just returned from New York and Cuba where he was doing some work for the Nevin Candy Company.

H. W. and R. W. Ballard, Iowa Alpha, are newcomers to Denver and have opened up the Ballard Dental Supply Company in the Mack Building. Mike Owen is now a partner in Boettcher & Company, Denver's best known investment bankers. Ralph Hall has retired from the furnace business and is now devoting all his time to flying. He is instructor and pilot for the Mile High Club. Wallace (Tiny) Cassell is now a full-fledged engineering professor at Colorado U.

Earle (Casey) Shaw is busy arranging his annual cross-country automobile tour. Last year he had one hundred fifty-nine punctures (actual count) in a 4000-mile trip, and he reported that his clients enjoyed every minute of their journey. Casey is planning on taking two or three carloads this year, but we suspect that one of them will be filled with extra tubes, casings and perhaps a couple of new engines. Anyway, we hope these printed facts won't prevent anyone from putting their dough on the mahogany and taking the trip, for we're sure they'll have plenty to talk about when they return.

*Denver, Col.*

*May 8, 1928*

JOE L. CAMPBELL

*Correspondent*

### Southern California Alumni Association

The annual banquet and Founders' Day celebration was held at the Elks Lodge, Los Angeles, Cal., February 18th. Frank Stormont, president for the year 1927-28, presiding. The banquet was well attended, there being 225 of the brothers present. After the banquet, the brothers were entertained by musical and vaudeville acts. Brother Les Cummins spoke on behalf of the U. C. L. A. petitioners. Addresses were also made by Orra Monette and Shirley Meserve. Music by the Phi Psi band.

The following officers were elected for 1928-29: Allan E. Sedgwick, president; Guy L. Woodwin, vice president; Arthur C. Platt, secretary; Allison G. James, treasurer.

Heard at the "Tobasco" nursery :

"Hush-a-bye baby, pretty one sleep,  
Daddy's gone golfing to win the club sweep.  
If he plays nicely—I hope that he will—  
Mother will show him her dressmaker's bill.  
Hush-a-bye baby, safe in your cot,  
Daddy's come home and his temper is hot;  
Cuddle down closer, baby of mine,  
Daddy went 'round in one hundred and nine."

The pledges at California Delta were initiated on Founders' Day, the entire active chapter attending with some two dozen of the alumni and several visiting brothers from out-of-town chapters, who were in the city enjoying the salubrious climate of Southern California. Shirley Meserve presided. John Rush gave the charge and Burke Long administered the oath. Owing to lack of space at the chapter house, the initiation was held at a Masonic Temple, where accommodations permit of the ritual being properly bestowed. A banquet followed, with addresses by Brothers Meserve, Rush, Sedgwick, Durkee and Schramm. California Delta is coming along this semester at a rapid rate, both as to study and finance, with a fine class of pledges in view for the fall semester.

The Thursday Phi Psi luncheons are well attended, generally from 25 to 30 of the brothers dropping in to exchange ideas on the quality of the food, etc. On March 15th we enjoyed a special luncheon, at which time Leo Calland, Cal. Delta, was guest of honor, with retiring Captain Bruner and newly-elected Captain Thomas, of the U. S. C. basketball squad. Leo is the basketball coach of the U. S. C. team which won the Pacific coast championship this year.

The "Tobasco" theatre party March 19th, at the Vine Street Theatre, was a huge success, Bro. Edward Everett Horton presenting his new play, "A Single Man." Brother Winter Horton is manager of the Vine Street Theatre, which is one of the show theatres of Hollywood. The theatre was beautifully decorated. In the lobby were six beautiful "Tobasco" girls (blondes), who distributed corsage bouquets (Phi Psi colors) to the ladies. The lobby proved so attractive that the ushers found it difficult to seat the audience for the curtain rise.

At the end of the first act, the Southern California A. A. put on a Phi Psi show, supervised by Shirley Meserve. Music and speeches were encored to the echo. At the end of the third act (Brother Horton's feet having again touched the ground) the entire cast was introduced, the stage meanwhile being arranged for the banquet which followed. Many brothers, never appearing on the stage before, had their opportunity that night—and made the most of it. The house was a sell-out, none but Phi Psis and friends being present, the S. R. O. sign being much in evidence.

While the theatre party was given by the Southern California A. A. for all brother Phi Psis, California Delta as usual profited most. Many of the ladies present represented various sororities on the U. S. C. campus and California Delta stock has boomed along with General Motors and the Radio Corporation. There is a great demand for another party without delay, which the powers that be have vetoed for the time being, but you cannot keep a good thing quiescent for many moons. Long live "Tobasco."

The association will entertain all Phi Psi brothers at the Girard Country Club on May 12th. A story of the records made will be sent you in our next. More anon.

*Los Angeles, Cal.*

TOM PLATT  
*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

Since the last edition of **THE SHIELD** many things have happened which deserve mention in this letter, and which we hope will prove of interest to those brothers with whom we have become acquainted—and to those whom we someday hope to meet.

Spen Foster received his letter for his most excellent performances during the winter track season, and is carrying on this spring. Spen, Art Gow and Brad Carnell have just returned from the Syracuse-Colgate-Dartmouth meet. Bill Blanchard and Bob Noeltner, who are on the squad, did not make this trip.

Dick Johnson was on the hockey squad this last season, and on the swimming squad we were represented by George Scheller, who swam number 1 on the relay and who earned his letter in that position.

Just before spring vacation we pledged Howard Gage Nichols; his initiation took place two weeks ago. He is a junior.

We are entering the interfraternity baseball, golf and tennis activities which are due to start in about a week. There are a great many varsity sports having games in Hanover this season and we expect to see Jack Gunther playing goalie on the lacrosse team, and Ted Stone playing tennis.

A spring house party starts May 11th. A great deal of work is being done, as usual, toward getting the house and grounds in shape for it. We are having a single party, as at carnival, owing to the large number of girls that are going to be our guests for this short week-end.

Of interest to a great many brothers is the announcement of Art Gow's engagement to Miss Elinor Jarvis of Tenafly, N. J., now at Wellesley College.

We also announce the election of Slim Corrigan, Ted Gurney and Chris Born to the Dragon Senior Society, and that of Jack Gunther, Dick Johnson, Jim Hodson and Gus Wiedenmayer to the Casque and Gauntlet Senior Society. The senior members in the former are Paul Knowles and Charlie Hazzard, while those in the latter are Art Gow, Howie Serrell and Walt McKee. Wes Smith is a member of the Sphinx Senior Society.

Our delegates to the G. A. C. this June are George Case and Carl Jensen.

The new officers of the chapter are as follows: George Case, G. P.; Gus Wiedenmayer, V. G. P.; Chris Born, A. G.; Ted Baehr, B. G.; Hal Knight, S. G.; Nels Ranney, Ph.; John Taylor, Hod.; Dick Burke, H.; Bill Blanchard, P.

As a result of the nonathletic competition which has extended over the last year, we wish to announce the election of George Fisher to the best job in the competition, musical clubs manager. This also makes him an ex-officio member of Palaeopitus, the student governing body, during his senior year.

Paul Knowles brought a police dog pup back with him at the end of spring vacation which he is thinking of leaving to the house—and which he has named Psi, although most people think it's Si.

The athletic competition, which has just ended, has placed three men of the sophomore delegation in managerial offices. Rusty Morrill is manager of track, Nels Ranney is manager of gym, Pat Weaver is manager of tennis. These three men, by virtue of their office, are now eligible for nomination to an office on Palaeopitus during their senior year.

Jim Hodson, a member of the junior delegation, who has been a member of the Players, the dramatic society, since his freshman year, was elected today to the office of president of this organization. He is now in a position to be nominated, as representative of the Players, for election to next year's Palaeopitus. Unfortunately, this election will not take place in time to be recorded in this letter—but we hope that next fall the first issue will contain good news in reference to this.

Green Key, the junior honorary body, voted tonight on those sophomores who are to be members thereof next year, and we are very pleased to be able to mention that Rusty Morrill, George Fisher and Spen Foster are soon to be initiated into this society.

The senior delegation, which is leaving us this June, is composed of the following group: Dick Canton, Art Gow, Charlie Hazzard, Paul Knowles, Walt McKee, Howie Serrell, Wes Smith and Fred and Harry Stone. We are very sorry to see them go—they have been wonderful friends and brothers, and we earnestly hope that they will pay us as many calls in after years as they can spare from their business activities.

And may I also add that, although we seem to be quite a ways from the nearest center of civilization, we really are not so far, and we extend to you all a very hearty invitation to visit us whenever you may be heading in our direction.

*Hanover, N. H.*  
*May 8, 1928*

CHRISTIAN E. BORN  
*Correspondent*

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### Massachusetts Alpha—Amherst College

The spring term, which often is characterized by a general let-up in fraternity activities and interests, has brought new life to the house this year. The rushing committee has communicated with all of our alumni, and has the hearty support of this body in the selection of pledges from the class of 1932; the social committee is working hard to make our part of the prom week-end Round Robin dances the success they always are. In other ways, too, the brothers are bearing down—these are good signs.

Stanley Ellsworth, initiated several weeks ago, is now one of our brothers.

The chapter has always been a leader in the singing activities about Amherst. In the recent elections for next year, Kells was chosen president of the combined musical clubs, and Tracy was selected manager for his senior year. Besides these offices, which are the two highest on the organization, there were six brothers singing with the club.

Interfraternity sports were emphasized during the winter term. The house track team was beaten for first place by one-third of a point, taking second. The swimming team took fourth and the basketball team did well also. These activities, with the fall winnings, have placed Phi Psi second in the race for the interfraternity trophy.

The house takes pleasure in announcing the election of Mackey to the office of G. P. and Kells as V. G. P. Kibbs was chosen at the same time to be B. G. Schnepel is rushing chairman and Martin Kellogg is head of the house committee.

We may exaggerate a bit, but it seemed as though, on the evening of March 22d, half of the college joined in an effort to make the Phi Psi party the biggest and best party for many years. We thank these gentlemen—it was.

With this wish we close our letter: that the new scholastic year may bring to all our brothers and their chapters the success and happiness which the bonds should always bring.

*Amherst, Mass.*  
*May 9, 1928*

HUGH PERRY  
*Correspondent*

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### Rhode Island Alpha—Brown University

We would like to take this opportunity to express a cordial invitation to all brothers of Phi Kappa Psi to visit us in our new home at 43 Waterman st.

After various delays on the arrival of new equipment, the chapter moved into its new quarters about a week ago. There is no need to write of our deep satisfaction. With all the bustle and readjustment taking place, however, Rhode Island Alpha has more than maintained her place on the campus in every activity.

N. S. Keith was not only elected editor in chief of the *Brown Daily Herald* but also to Phi Beta Kappa. Francis was made chairman of the Press Bureau, and Jim Laadt was elected as one of the assistant editors. Altogether the chapter has five brothers on the editorial staff of the university paper.

We are greatly pleased to retain our major standing in Pi Kappa, the junior honorary society. "Bud" Edwards and Russell were elected on May 11th to this society, composed of only eleven members.

The university baseball team has four Phi Psis playing regularly in the field, namely, Wright, Chase, "Jim" Edwards and Heffernan. Synder is a mainstay of the freshman baseball team. White, Demarest and Wensley are doing exceptionally well on the '31 track team.

In tennis, Weaver is playing 3d man. In fact, Rhode Island Alpha is very proud to point out that all the brothers are successfully active in every field—both athletic and nonathletic—of the university and interfraternity activities.

Preparations are being made for the coming class night dance which is really a farewell party to the brothers graduating in the class of '28. Rhode Island Alpha wishes them every possible success in the future.

We would like to extend to every brother our best wishes for a successful and happy summer.

*Providence, R. I.*  
*May 9, 1928*

E. K. CARPENTER  
*Correspondent*

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### New York Alpha—Cornell University

Spring vacation being over, the brothers have settled down again and have been knocking off quite a bit of work recently. The long grind to summer vacation will be interrupted on May 11 and 12 by a house party of twenty-five guests. Among the recent social activities was the annual house picnic held on May 6th at Taughannock Falls, eight miles from Ithaca on Cayuga Lake. The house had the pleasure of entertaining over the week-end of May 5th T. Pomeroy, Pa. Theta,

H. Dodge, Pa. Lambda, and W. Gamuaer, N. Y. Epsilon, who were delegates to the Model League of Nations.

Since the last correspondence many honors have come to the brothers in New York Alpha. J. S. Thompson, Macomber and Joyce have been elected to Sphinx Head, senior society. R. Quick has been elected to Book and Bowl and Manuscript Club, literary societies, Brown to Pyramid, civil engineering society, Widenmayer to Hebs-Sa, senior agriculture society, Hunter to Sigma Xi, and Abell and Joyce to the Crew Club. John Atwood has won the competition for manager of soccer, and Emeny is serving on the sophomore smoker committee. Our team, composed of A. Thompson, E. Becker, F. Becker and Wright, won the interfraternity relay race with ease and dexterity.

Those now engaged in activities are Tieman on the lacrosse team, Erda, E. Becker, F. Becker and Elmer on track, and Hackstaff, Joyce and A. Quick on crew. Browning is on the editorial competition of the *Cornell Daily Sun*, Harder on the track competition, Brown on lacrosse, and Apgar on musical clubs. Crogan is managing the baseball team. Joyce is running for treasurer of the Student Council and Emeny for junior member at large.

New York Alpha expects to be well represented at the G. A. C. Macomber and Rowand will be the delegates, while E. Batchelar '03 will be the alumnus representative.

*Ithaca, N. Y.*

*May 8, 1928*

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### New York Beta—Syracuse University

During the past two months we pledged John B. Watrus of Nicholson, Pa., and Harry J. Anderson of South Richmond, Chicago, Ill.

Social functions included an invitation from Delta Gamma to a dance at the chapter house. Interfraternity smoker was featured, among other skits, by a fraternity song contest. For the third time in as many years New York Beta won with "Old Pal of Mine." Matanle took the solo part. We shall have to look around for another soloist before long. Some promising material is at hand.

Marty, the editor in chief of our bulletin, has his material ready for publication. The G. A. C. will be the feature. Syracuse at present stands third in the number of counts for G. A. C. registration.

Putnam ran with the track team in the interscholastics. Hume, Deming and Sibus are regulars on the baseball squad. Frawley, captain, and Hal Deming are with the varsity crew, while Cosgriff numbers among the frosh rowers. Bob Mains carried Tambourine and Bones through another season as its manager.

Elections for the ensuing college year resulted in the following officers: G. P., Hume Deming; V. G. P., Sibus; P., Putnam; A. G., Yaeger; B. G., Bill Prescott; S. G., Edwards; H., Stafford; Hod., Cosgriff; Phu., Stacy. The new officers take their responsibilities just as a dance is in process of materialization. The entire affair is to be held within the house, dance as well as dinner. We expect a hundred persons. This is our largest dance of the year and is expected to be our most successful.

*Syracuse, N. Y.*

*May 10, 1928*

ROSS L. ANDREWS JR

*Correspondent*

## New York Gamma—Columbia University

We are nearing the end of one of the most successful years ever enjoyed by New York Gamma. The brothers can look back with justifiable satisfaction on the fine record achieved by the group as a whole and individually. Starting the year with a house of thirty-two active brothers, the chapter pledged the finest group of freshmen, as well as the largest, that has ever been taken in by any fraternity on the Columbia campus. Of the twenty-one pledges, seventeen have already been initiated.

After this fine start, the chapter kept sailing smoothly along. With men in every activity on the campus, we certainly were well represented. In the recent general elections held, our seniors carried off a major share of the glory in their class. Dave Millar, who was editor of the daily paper during the past year and a member of Student Board, was chosen permanent president of the senior class, with Fred Rieger as first vice president, Stuart Chambers, second vice president, and Fred Dassori, secretary. Stuart Chambers is, at present, the president of the senior class, while Fred Rieger, who has won varsity letters in football, basketball and track, has turned his attention to rowing and will probably win his fourth letter in this sport. Despite his lack of experience, he took to the water well and at present is pulling a No. 3 oar in the Jayvee boat. Bill Sanford, a sophomore, is stroking this shell, with D. Phillips as coxswain. Al Forsyth, who has been in the swimming team for the past two seasons, has recently been elected captain for next year.

In the recent elections held by the honorary societies, Al Forsyth was elected to Nacoms and Dave Bouton, George Donaldson and George Raddin to Sachers. These societies elect fifteen men each from the junior class and they are considered one of the highest honors on the campus. In the Van Am elections, a sophomore society, six of our freshmen were chosen. This is the largest number ever chosen from one house in a single election, and it is impressive when one considers that the entire group, chosen from the whole freshman class, is rarely more than twenty. Besides these honors, George Lusk, acting president of the frosh during the past year, has been elected president for next year, and Don Williamson has been chosen secretary. Williamson is also playing on the yearling tennis team. Vic Nordstrom is at No. 4 in the first frosh shell and Floyd Sanford is No. 6 in the second boat.

The chapter recently elected new officers. George Donaldson was chosen G. P.; Dave Bouton, V. G. P.; your correspondent, A. G.; Edgar Martinson, B. G.; and Lawson Paynter, S. G. The big event ahead of the chapter is the G. A. C. at Buffalo in June. A good number of the brothers are planning to be there at this time and hope that they will meet brothers from the other chapters. A good showing at the G. A. C. is the last step in making this year a banner one for New York Gamma, and next fall about thirty-six active brothers will be back to take up the good work and carry it still further along.

*New York, N. Y.*

*May 8, 1928*

S. G. MANSOUR

*Correspondent*

## SECOND DISTRICT

## Pennsylvania Epsilon—Gettysburg College

The spring formal of Pennsylvania Epsilon was a splendid success; the date, May 4th, was picked because of the occurrence of a full moon, and no one was disappointed. Lloyd Major's orchestra of Harrisburg furnished the music for the forty couples present. On the night of the 5th a party was held, preceded by a buffet luncheon, which completely achieved its purpose to make the week-end a success.

The latest faculty rating of the ten fraternities on the campus has given our chapter fourth place. This rating covers the first semester of the present year, and we anticipate going up another notch for the second semester.

The chapter has not been lacking in getting its share of the spring elections to various activities. Cockley has been taking an active part on the Mothers Day committee in preparation for Mothers Day, May 13th. He has also been elected as a senior class representative on the student council, and is secretary of that body.

Thomas has been elected to the Blue Crocodiles, and will preside as toastmaster at the annual Debating Council banquet. Ensminger is president of the Campus Beautiful Club. Weaver is on the *Mercury* staff and the *G-Book* staff. Hensen is president of Beta Beta Beta and of Scabbard and Blade. Several of the freshmen are out for managements on the baseball and track squads.

With the election of new chapter officers for the coming year, Drawbaugh is G. P. and Cockley, V. G. P.; both are excellent and well-qualified men and assure the betterment of the chapter. Commendation is due Bell and Hall, the G. P's for the past year, for the remarkable work which they have done for the chapter.

It is with sorrow and grief that we announce the death of two of our well-known and distinguished alumni. Edgar Fahs Smith '74 died in Philadelphia on May 4th and Charles S. Duncan '82 in Bethlehem, Pa., on May 5th. These brothers had always displayed an active interest in the chapter and their loss will be keenly felt.

With the close of the year the brothers realize the necessity to settle down to work in order to crash through the usual exams. This year we lose three seniors, Hall, Bell and House. Hall will be back on the campus next year working for his master's degree, while Bell and House are experimenting in the field of business.

Gettysburg, Pa.

May 10, 1928

HENRY M. HENSEN

Correspondent

## Pennsylvania Zeta—Dickinson College

Springtime is here again with its multitude of activities. Pennsylvania Zeta, as usual, is entering wholeheartedly into every phase of this busy season. In the annual interfraternity track meet, one of the main events of Dickinson's May Day fete, Phi Psi easily won the laurels, triumphing over the other eight national fraternities on the campus. Our boys piled up a total of 64 points, their closest rival being Beta Theta Pi with 49½ points. Laverne Casner was the "iron man" of the occasion, scoring 18 points for individual honor. He came in for first place in the 100-yard dash, the 220-yard dash, the 220-yard low hurdles, and second in the broad jump. Marshal Huey ran away from everyone in the mile and took second place in the pole vault and javelin

throw. Others who helped win the palm of victory are: Smith, second in high hurdles, 440-yard dash, and half mile; Bailey, first in pole vault; Schultz, first in javelin, second in high jump; in the shot put, Mentzer second and Kline third; Lee, third in the mile; and, last but not least, was the unique mile-walk, hotly contested by a dozen or so and spectacularly won by Green in a brilliant last lap spurt, while Hitchins followed a close second. Out on the diamond, Shomocks' speed and accuracy over the plate ruined Phi Kappa Sigma's hopes in the interfraternity baseball contest and strengthened our own.

The annual spring formal on April 20th brightened the social horizon. Our own "Bill" Green and his gang furnished the music for the brothers to "trip it lightly with fantastic toe."

All our easy chairs and cushions have been "taking a beating" the last few days—and, incidentally, Schultz was initiated into Skull and Key, junior honorary fraternity. Our sweet songster, Macklem, is president of the glee club for next year, and Green is secretary-treasurer. Kline and Bowes will represent us on the Interfraternity Council. Kline also has gained a position on the editorial staff of the *Dickinsonian*. Sweely is given an honorary oration on the commencement program, being voted the best athlete in the graduating class by the faculty committee.

Recently elected officers for the coming term are as follows: G. P., Strite; V. G. P., Macklem; P., Smith; Asst. P., Wilder; A. G., Willard; B. G., Kline; S. G., Kronenberg; Ph., M. H. Huey; Hod., Casner; Hi., Green; Steward, F. A. Huey.

We are looking forward to the fast-approaching commencement festivities, May 31st to June 4th. Fraternity events come as follows: commencement dance, May 31st; fraternities "at home," Friday evening; annual symposium, Saturday at 6 p. m. Beautiful Dickinson, the new gymnasium cornerstone laying, and Pennsylvania Zeta beckon to all the alumni and visitors.

Now we must "get on the books" for final exams only a week and a half away. We are still striving with high hopes for the scholarship cup.

Carlisle, Pa.

WILLIS W. WILLARD JR

May 10, 1928

Correspondent

### Pennsylvania Eta—Franklin and Marshall College

The time for swan songs has arrived and unfortunately we lose five good men: "Mac" McCune, Bill Feagley, Joe Goosh, Hen Ness and "Dutch" Lehman. These men have all been assets to Phi Kappa Psi and everyone regrets to see such good men leave, but time and tide await no man.

Phi Psi has been quite active on the campus this spring. In tennis we are represented by Captain Bill Feagley and Charley Appel, who play numbers two and three, respectively. So far the team has gone undefeated, having defeated such strong teams as Gettysburg, Temple, Dickinson and Johns Hopkins. In track we have Sam Stein in the distance races, "Pug" Killian, Les Bushey and "Dutch" Lehman in the dashes and Joe Goosh in the pole vault. With a well-balanced team, Phi Psi won the intramural track cup by a top-heavy score and established somewhat of a record by garnering every first place from the hundred to the two mile with the exception of the quarter mile.

Dave Boyd was elected president of the Interfraternity Council to succeed "Mac" McCune.

The chapter has seen fit to reestablish the *Penn Etan*, an annual

publication which will appear shortly before our symposium, so all alumni will get notice of the proceedings taking place in the vicinity.

As is true of all the Phi Psi chapters, Pennsylvania Eta welcomes any brother at any time.

Lancaster, Pa.

May 10, 1928

J. TYLER BAKER

Correspondent

### Pennsylvania Theta—Lafayette College

The last two months of the college year have gone successfully and quickly, and we are now looking apprehensively toward final exams, two weeks off, and with somewhat more anticipation to the commencement week activities. The fact that our present senior class must inevitably leave us, however, is not a pleasant thing to contemplate. Hooker, Bole, Addams and Ashcraft are the ones who will be graduated, and who will be missed greatly next year. During the last week they have been very busy taking the new comprehensive exams on every conceivable subject, which are being substituted this year for the usual exams. Grant, socially a senior, will not be able to be graduated until next January, we are glad to say, since he lost some credits in transferring from Carnegie Tech.

As for the various recent activities, it seems that the chapter has turned into a lacrosse club. There are four men on the team—Hooker, Cox, Grant and Morrison. They have all helped the team to break about even so far, Hooker and Cox having played the most regularly and brilliantly. Hooker has also been recently chosen to have a prominent part in the class day activities in June. Ramsay is still doing well on the varsity tennis team, playing first place steadily in both singles and doubled. Sutliff also is on the tennis squad. Fraser has won out among the competitors for a place on the editorial staff of *The Lafayette*, and since then has been busy in procuring interviews from various prominent alumni. Yaggy has been reelected to his seat on Student Council, on which he has been doing good work, and has been made marshal of that body. Hartje and Cox have been honored by election to the Maroon Key Club, honorary junior society, and Klotz has been honored by election to the Calumet Club, dedicated to the subjugation of freshmen. Pomeroy has recently been made vice chairman of Student Council, to which body he was elected for a two-year term last year.

The annual edition of *The Thetan* was published in the early part of April, Pomeroy having been editor, Addams assistant editor, and Bole business manager. As a result of having sent the copy of Frank M. Potter, of Rome, N. Y., to a wrong address, the chapter was most pleasantly surprised to receive from him a check for \$50 to be used in bringing our alumni address files up to date in every respect. Information cards have recently been sent to all alumni, and the number of cards returned "unclaimed" shows that such a checking up was much needed. Following is a list of brothers whose correct addresses we do not have, and we should, of course, be glad of any information received concerning them: R. A. Beers, Edmund S. Boyer, Robert Buchanon, Allan M. Carson, Harvey Freeman, John J. Hagerty, Clarence Halloway, W. A. Jayne, John Kenyon, Theodore Van K. Lyman, David More, Agha B. Musa, Ernest F. Wheeler, F. C. Wheeler, A. R. Wolf.

The usual spring formal dances are being held this week-end, and

Pennsylvania Theta is giving one this evening. Quite a few importations have already arrived, so that a good dance is assured.

During the last two months the chapter has had the pleasure of entertaining Brothers Muscoe M. Gibson, of Norristown, Pa., one of the six men responsible for the building of the chapter house; Charles L. Bryden, of New York City, nephew of one of the founders of the chapter; Albert M. Cummins, of Wilmington, Del.; Robert L. Klotz, of Hazleton, Pa.; Thomas W. Pomeroy sr, of Pittsburgh; W. P. Shriver, graduate from Maryland Alpha; and Mrs. T. F. Soles, wife of Brother T. F. Soles '00, of McKeesport, Pa., and mother of Harold Soles. We hope that during commencement week, and for the annual alumni banquet, June 11th, we will have many more alumni visitors. A cordial welcome will certainly be extended.

Opportunity is taken here to again advise alumni of the drive now being made by the alumni association for the redemption of the \$100 pledges made by all initiates since 1910, for the purpose of making some much-needed repairs on the chapter house. J. F. Magee, of Easton, is the one to whom all contributions should be sent.

The chapter is now anticipating the G. A. C. to be held in June at Buffalo, and the indications are that around a score of undergraduates from here will attend. Grant and Hartje, both of Pittsburgh, have been chosen as the chapter's official undergraduate delegates, and they should make good ones.

As an item of general college news, it might be stated that the engineering building for which Mr. John Markle gave half a million dollars, is about to be built, the ground having already been broken. It was announced the other day that Lafayette was to have another new building, dedicated to the teaching of civil rights and law. \$200,000 was given by Mr. Fred Morgan Kirby for the purpose. Another addition that is being made to the college is the erection just now of a half dozen new lamp posts, which, as a traditional means of support, should prove very useful.

*Easton, Pa.*

*May 12, 1928*

THOMAS W. POMEROY JR

*Correspondent*

## Pennsylvania Iota—University of Pennsylvania

The arrival of summer weather and final exams finds the chapter finishing a most successful year. The chapter has taken a prominent part in all the varied activities on the campus and feels that it has completed a very well-rounded year. With the strong nucleus that will be back for the next college year, we are looking forward to an even more prosperous year in the fall.

The annual picnic was the usual gala and successful event. A large number of brothers attended and made the affair one of the best in recent years.

Many of the brothers have been engaged during the spring in athletics and various activities. Coates is rowing number 2 on the varsity crew. Button and Monk are playing with the lacrosse team. In the recent crew managerial elections, Lytle was elected assistant manager. Bosler is on the varsity tennis squad, while Maxwell is on the freshman squad. Diven has been appointed departmental editor of the *Pennsylvania Triangle* for next year and Hartley was recently elected to the pictorial staff of the *Pennsylvanian* board. Lockhart is playing on the freshman lacrosse team and will probably get his second set of freshman numerals. Spring football saw Monk, Stewart, Beaumont

and Lockhart reporting for practice. We expect to see several of these men on the varsity next year. Crane is out for the football managerial competition and Bindley is one of the candidates for soccer manager. Cloke is working hard to make the *Pennsylvanian* board.

This year's Mask and Wig show finished an unusually successful tour in a blaze of glory at the final performance in New York City. Beaumont, the leading man, was acclaimed as giving one of the best performances, both in singing and acting, in the show. Gittins, as a dainty miss in the first dancing chorus, really displayed some rare dancing ability. The show played to capacity houses throughout its tour and ran for two weeks in Philadelphia. Beaumont and Gittins were both elected to the Undergraduate Club.

The chapter will lose by graduation the following seniors: Worthington G. Button, David W. Coates, Arthur W. Loehr, Lee P. McGean, Roland B. Pond and I. Roger Stevens.

*Philadelphia, Pa.*  
May 8, 1928

JOHN K. WAMPLER  
Correspondent

### Pennsylvania Kappa—Swarthmore College

As commencement draws near, we of Pennsylvania Kappa think with regret that seven of our most loyal brothers will not be with us next fall. As leaders of the chapter, and examples of true Phi Psi spirit, we shall always remember this graduating class as of the finest. The senior brothers are Bishop, Bush, Clothier, Colket, Fetter, Lippincott and Maxwell. This class has won eight varsity letters this year, as well as the following positions: editor of the *Halcyon*, editor of the *Portfolio*, football manager, president of the class, lacrosse captain, baseball manager, captain of golf, executive council of student government, and business staff of the *Phoenix*. An imposing list of titles, this, and a fine class of men to bear them.

Recently Phi Psi was honored by the election of two brothers to Book and Key, the honorary senior secret society. There was much applause when Brown and Wood were two of the seven members of the junior class to be chosen.

The Phi Psi extemporaneous speaking contest for high schools of the vicinity was held last week, and cups awarded to the winners. This contest gives the Fraternity publicity in the schools from which we draw many of our men.

The chapter has started pre-season rushing with the same pep and earnestness which brought such excellent results last fall. On April 20th we held a smoker, and some of the freshmen-to-be were entertained. The rushing committee, Brown and Wagner, is planning another smoker to be held soon, which will give us a good start on the rushing season next fall.

In reviewing the past year, we need not list the numerous achievements of Pennsylvania Kappa, or her athletic and social successes. But we can say that the chapter has had a period of well-being which can measure up to the standards set in the best of former years.

*Swarthmore, Pa.*  
May 7, 1928

JULIEN D. CORNELL  
Correspondent

## Maryland Alpha—Johns Hopkins University

Generally speaking, activities at Maryland Alpha have not been at fever heat; however, everything has been running smoothly, in fact, so smoothly that there is nothing in the occurrences of the past two months worthy of any extended writing.

Jack Deets and Edward Devereux have been made members of the Cane Club, an organization which avows as its purpose the preserving of the ideas and ideals of the past and the promoting of good fellowship. Charles Wyatt and Eldridge Wolff have been pledged by Scabbard and Blade. They are to be initiated May 14th. Henry Redue was elected one of the eight most popular men in the class of '31.

The domestic affairs of the chapter have been getting along quite nicely of late except for the illness of the steward, Ashton Devereux. The finances are in excellent shape and we hope to lay aside a considerable sinking fund for next rushing season. Deets, aside from his other activities, keeps close tab on the freshmen and makes them enjoy learning their quizzes.

Baltimore, Md.

May 7, 1928

ELDRIDGE H. WOLFF

Correspondent

## Virginia Alpha—University of Virginia

With the rapid approach of the June examinations, the attention of Virginia Alpha is being focused a little more sharply on work. The warmish weather has not helped much but we hope it will not be entirely ruinous. In connection with work, we are pleased to state that the chapter came up from twenty-sixth place in 1926 to seventh place with an average of 81.9 in 1927. The chapter is well represented on the dean's list for the third term by Broun, Dame, Orrick, McCoy, Baker and Little Charles Nelson.

On May 2d the chapter was pleased to initiate Charles Shepherd Nowlin of Lynchburg. "Shep" is in the Engineering School, where he is doing extremely well with sines and cosines.

Bob McClannahan was recently elected from the third-year medical class to Alpha Omega Alpha, an honorary medical fraternity. Broun and McCoy have been pledged Lambda Pi, one of the two academic societies.

Gammon is representing the chapter on the varsity baseball squad, and Lancaster is doing well on the freshman squad. Broun is our only representative on the track squad, where his feet are gaining him statewide prominence. James Plus Hunter has been proving himself equally versatile at bridge and golf, much to the discomfort of "Little Charles."

Speaking of managers, McCoy has been made an assistant manager of basketball and Bob Morrison, Dame and Loving are hard-working bat boys in their positions as adjunct managers of baseball.

Tom McEachern, editor of *Corks and Curls*, the annual, has put out an edition that has been labeled "the best ever" by all who have been financially able to read it.

The new house which has finally been started shows signs of emerging from the ground. All the brothers inspect the foundations every evening and seem to be well satisfied that they will support even a Phi Psi house.

University, Va.

May 6, 1928

C. B. McCoy

Correspondent

## Virginia Beta—Washington and Lee University

With the arrival of spring Virginia Beta has many reasons to feel as if it is more than just a season of spring fever and the arrival of exams, for besides the two above-mentioned things it brings several honors of which we are very proud. Probably the foremost is the announcement of two new pledges. These are Thomas J. Sugrue, Naugatuck, Conn., and John T. Raymond, Niles, Mich. We feel sure that the standards of the chapter will be raised and carried on by these men.

Spring sports have been anything but neglected by the members of the chapter, for in baseball "Babe" Spotts and Gene White are holding down their old berths at first and second, respectively, as they have done for the last three years. In track, Baiclay is on the varsity and has shown up exceptionally well in all the meets this spring. Gooch has made the varsity tennis team, which gives us letter men in every branch of spring athletics.

Not only in athletics are we well represented, but in many other campus activities Virginia Beta has done exceptionally well. Three of the brothers, Durham, Nunn and MacIntyre, went to the state competitive meet with the glee club. With the announcement of new members to O. D. K., national fraternity for campus leadership, White and Collins were elected from this chapter, while Holt was elected president. Also, in the mock national convention that was held by the university, Holt was the national chairman. Hill and Pledge Sugrue are both members of the *Southern Collegian*, literary publication, Sugrue being editor in chief and Hill assistant editor.

Plans are now being made for rushing season for next year and Sutherland has been chosen chairman of the rushing committee.

With the fateful days of examinations creeping upon the campus, the house is beginning to take on a more serious nature, with the reward of the final dances being the lot for the weary after the tedious days of exams.

Virginia Beta bids farewell to all until next September, and wishes that all may start off next year with a jump that will leave all others behind!

Lexington, Va.  
May 7, 1928

HORACE GOOCH JR  
Correspondent

## THIRD DISTRICT

## Pennsylvania Beta—Allegheny College

Well, we are entering upon the last lap of the college year, and everyone is preparing for the long grind of final examinations. Final tabulations showed that we were second among the nationals on the campus last semester, losing first place by only the smallest fraction of a point. This semester our grades as a whole show considerable improvement, and, though we promise nothing, there is a good chance that we hold our scholastic supremacy.

Interfraternity baseball is again topping the list of sports. We have a pretty fair team this year and are expecting to land well up in the first division. Two teams have been organized in the house, and nearly every evening finds them battling on the athletic field. Everybody is getting a lot of fun out of it.

It looks as though we are going to be well represented at the G. A. C. At least half the fellows have signified their intention of going, and by June 27th there will be others who feel they cannot afford to miss it. Herbert A. Monk and William C. Wycoff have been elected delegates from the chapter and John L. Porter will serve us as alumni delegate.

On April 24th the college celebrated the 113th anniversary of its founding with a huge banquet attended by the whole college. The banquet was a colonial dinner served on plain pine tables. One of the features was the appearance of a genuine old-time fiddler, an 85-year-old Civil War veteran. After the banquet a pageant presenting the founding of the college in 1815 was enacted. Following this was a Virginia reel, given by students of the college. After the dinner the college listened to the speeches given at the annual banquet of the Pittsburgh Alumni Association and broadcast over station KDKA. The Allegheny glee club appeared on this program. And to crown the evening came a dance at the gymnasium; music by Ev Jones of Cleveland. The whole performance was one of the most elaborate affairs ever given here and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. Charley Slaven, Jack Lindsey, Larry Boylan and Ken Bowman took parts in the pageant, and Wendell Gornall appeared in the Virginia reel.

We are all looking forward with anticipation of a great evening at our spring party. It is to be held May 19th at the Hotel Oakland, Conneaut Lake. Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Lee will chaperone, and Carson Miller of Farrell, Pa., will furnish the music.

Meadville, Pa.,  
May 9, 1928

BRADFORD A. BOOTH  
Correspondent

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### Pennsylvania Lambda—Pennsylvania State College

May we be granted a pardonable pride in the assertion that a resume of the past year evinces nothing but the greatest satisfaction from the members of this chapter? Everything points to the fact that the season of 1927-28 has been a highly successful one for Pennsylvania Lambda.

When a very satisfactory rushing week had become history, the brothers began their annual quest for achievement in both book and activity under the capable guidance of Ran Thomas. Everyone was very grateful for an enlarged, renovated and newly furnished chapter house.

The results of competition in all activities prove that the tradition of honors in all fields has been upheld, and Phi Psi has maintained its position of prominence on the campus. Weedy Lord served as editor in chief of the *Collegian* and vice president of the Eastern Intercollegiate Newspaper Association, and also received the honors incidental to these offices, being a member of the Student Board, Parmi Nous, and Lion's Paw. He finishes his career in June as pipe orator of the senior class and chairman of the moveup day committee. Lew Gwin has made his mark as the outstanding man of the Engineering School, being the president of the Y. M. C. A. for this year. Fred Nickel was also a member of the Y. M. C. A. cabinet. McDade, as house manager, was very active and was responsible for many much-needed improvements. Vic Schinnerer, president of the Interfraternity Council, inaugurated the first interfraternity conference to be held at Penn State, setting a precedent for the future, and in addition marked his administration by the passage of a very complete rushing code, a thing which has

failed at each previous attempt. Paul Nagle, member of the glee club, tenor in the varsity quartette, and warbler par excellence, is to journey to Europe this summer with the college songsters. Al McLean and Ran Thomas were the able combination that ruled our destinies as treasurer and president. Thomas was a member of the senior ball committee.

Abby Payne and Jack Hawke are striving for managerial positions in baseball and lacrosse. They are first assistants in these sports at the present time, and are anxiously awaiting the elections in June. Both are members of Blue Key, junior society. Payne also sings in the glee club and has written two song hits for the Penn State Thespians. "King" Dodge was recently elected secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and throughout the year has diligently contributed his talents as a member of the debating team. Tom Fannin spends his spare time with the mandolin club, and because of his ability along this line is an asset to any twilight group.

Cal Barwis and Harry Dowdy, the Siamese twins of the chapter, have been elected assistant business managers of the *Collegian*, while Bill Schinnerer was successful in the editorial competition and is now one of the six junior news editors of this publication. Schinnerer is also a member of the forensic council. Johnny Batdorf is doing well in the spring football practice at right end. More will be heard of him when the gridiron season opens in the fall. Kirkpatrick, member of the sophomore hop committee, is manager of freshman football for next year, and has been elected to Druids, sophomore society. Dana Buck was rewarded for a winter of hard work by being elected first assistant wrestling manager for 1928-29.

Andy Berger starred at left tackle on the freshman eleven. Lew Srodes is showing promising talent as a freshman reporter on the *Collegian* staff, and Hagmaier is working on the business end of the paper. Randy Martin is laboring faithfully as a second assistant football manager, and Scott Trexler seeks the opportunity to use his long wing on the pitching staff of the yearling nine.

We are represented in the scholastic honor societies by several brothers. Lew Gwin is president of Chi Epsilon and a member of Sigma Tau, both engineering fraternities. Al McLean belongs to Delta Sigma Pi, international commerce and finance organization. Weedy Lord is a member of Pi Delta Epsilon, journalistic society, and Spence Williams has been elected to Pi Lambda Sigma, prelegal fraternity.

During the past year Lew Gwin, Weedy Lord, Vic Schinnerer and Loyal Ball held places on the Student Council. In the recent college elections these outgoing brothers were replaced by Jack Hawke and Dewitt Andre from the junior class, and Spence Williams from the sophomore class.

Spring elections in the chapter found the following brothers taking the oath of office: G. P., Albert S. Payne; V. G. P., G. Loyal Ball; A. G., Paul S. Williams; B. G., Malcolm Kirkpatrick; S. G., Henry R. Dowdy; Phu., Carl Buck; Hod., William H. Schinnerer; Hier., Robert Warner.

The chapter takes this opportunity to bid farewell to the seniors as they leave Penn State this June. They have distinguished themselves in every way, and their graduation will be a great loss to the chapter. They are Wheeler Lord jr, Victor O. Schinnerer, Paul G. Nagle, Robert B. McDade, Alfred A. McLean, Frederick W. Nickel, Lewis L. Gwin and John Randall Thomas 3d.

With only a month of the college year remaining, the brothers are

anticipating a very enjoyable June house party. Until that gala event occurs, Cal Barwis, as chairman of the scholarship committee, will be kept busy exhorting the brothers not to succumb to the lure of the balmy spring weather.

Any information relative to the rushing season of next fall will be appreciated by the committee. Letters may be addressed to B. A. Brooks, Wyndmoor av., Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pa., Malcolm Kirkpatrick, 5333 Catherine st., Philadelphia, Pa., or Paul S. Williams, 331 Akron av., Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh, Pa.

*State College, Pa.*

*May 7, 1928*

PAUL S. WILLIAMS

*Correspondent*

### Pennsylvania Mu—Carnegie Institute of Technology

We have just survived the time of times at Carnegie Tech, that is our campus week celebration. One day of campus week is set aside as "call day" for the honorary fraternities on the campus, and our chapter was favored by having had James Traa elected to "Druids," sophomore honorary, and Kenneth Owens elected to Delta Skull, junior class honorary. Class officers were elected for next year, and we have Owens as president of the junior class in the Arts College, and Sid Warner as secretary of the junior class. John Stout was president of the freshman class last semester and missed becoming sophomore president by only three votes. Dan Cook, one of our pledges, is now secretary of the sophomore class.

Quite a number from our chapter went to W. and J. College to a very fine house party at the Washington Country Club. With us we took Thomas Fitzgerald, from Pittsburgh, a prospective pledge, and after the evening was over we had the pleasure of congratulating him on accepting the button.

Today we held our election of officers and we are proud to introduce our new G. P., William P. Murdoch, under whose guidance our house is sure to progress. He has as his very capable co-worker Neal Russell, the newly elected V. G. P. We will greatly miss Stump and Basset, the retiring G. P. and V. G. P., but they insist upon graduating, so what can we do with two persons of that sort?

Goehring and Ahlbrandt were elected delegates to the G. A. C. and Thomas Griggs was chosen alumni delegate. They anticipate with great pleasure the coming convention when they will have the opportunity of meeting the brothers who will represent the other chapters of our Fraternity.

We will soon be having our final exams, and the boys are really striving to keep up our scholastic standing which we have raised to the position of fourth place among the national fraternities on the campus. We were previously fourteenth in the ranks. It is a very simple matter to see that if we can make as successful a jump as we did, we will be in a position of sixth above the possible highest and of course this is the position we wish to attain.

Through the efforts of G. Miller, L. Orrill and John L. Porter, we have planted a fraternity tree on the campus. It is a pin oak about 10 feet high, and if you are well acquainted with the growing possibilities of this brand of tree, you will know that in 10 years we will have a tree 11 feet high. The advantage is the psychological effect on the graduates. They can look upon the tree and fail to recognize the fact that they have been out of college for possibly 7 or 8 years. Although

the tree is one that will grow slowly it will, I am sure, prove exceedingly handsome and some day we may be able to enhance its beauty by placing about it a marble bench engraved with the fraternity emblem or letters. I personally suggested an apple tree so that we would be benefitted at one season of the year by a harvest of delicious "Roman Beauties," but I never get the proper support from the chapter on my ideas; of course they planted the sturdy oak.

We have been favored recently by visits from the alumni of Pittsburgh, and if they only knew how much we appreciated having them visit us, they would not confine their visits to meeting nights.

There will be quite a number of men staying at the house this summer, and we wish to extend an invitation to any brothers who may happen to visit Pittsburgh during this time to visit us. I say happen to visit because very few people come to Pittsburgh intentionally. At any rate, we will certainly be glad to see you at any time.

*Pittsburgh, Pa.*

*May 7, 1928*

PAUL F. DROSTE

*Correspondent*

### West Virginia Alpha—West Virginia University

With the arrival of those balmy days which tend to turn the minds of boys to those thoughts with which the opposite sex has been occupied all winter, the men of West Virginia Alpha have taken a new lease on life, have dragged themselves from the monotonous rut of winter, and are now looking forward to a big spring and a bigger G. A. C. A large delegation of actives and alumni is being formed to accompany Delegates John Phillips and Jimmie Coston to Buffalo in June, and, to say the least, we will do our best to make the convention a success.

Summer rushing plans are progressing rapidly and a well-regulated system of "prospecting" for our fall rushees is being formulated and perfected by the membership committee.

Scott Love and Jim Brewster received important roles in the last two university plays, and are rapidly becoming "Barrymorized."

Harvey Simmons, Trueheart Taylor and Raymond Maxwell were recent initiates into "Mountain," the highest honorary group on the campus. Phi Psi now has six active men in the organization, a representation exceeded by no other fraternity.

Many Phi Psis are attempting to land managerial jobs with the various athletic teams. Track managers include Jimmie Coston and Warren Williams; spring football managers, Lyle Jones and Matt Warren; and Wilt Davis is our candidate for baseball manager. Bill Winfield, Mark Trach and Pike Phillips are out for spring football training. Track claims the most interest and the largest contingent, members of the varsity track team being Bill Simmons and John Phillips, dashes; True Taylor, broad-jump and javelin; Charles Hart, broad-jump; and Sturbois and Maxwell, hurdles. Gene Beardsley and Pledge Dave Jacobs have been doing good work on the plebe team, taking part in the pole vault and low hurdles, respectively.

Our personnel will be broken this spring by the graduation of Ernie Gilbert, Joe Keener and George Kittle. We regret the loss of these seniors, but hope that we will return otherwise intact for the fall term.

On to Buffalo!

*Morgantown, W. Va.*

*May 7, 1928*

HAYMOND MAXWELL JR

*Correspondent*

## Ohio Alpha—Ohio Wesleyan University

Ohio Alpha is proud to announce the pledging of James Talyor of Wooster, Ohio. Pledge Taylor is a sophomore and came to Ohio Wesleyan this year from Dartmouth College. He is a good baseball prospect and a fine student.

Ohio Alpha also takes great pleasure in announcing the election of Louis D. Syester to the highest office on the Ohio Wesleyan campus—that of president of the Student Body. Syester's election was unusual in that he was the first person ever elected to that office without opposition. This, together with George Beebe's election to the presidency of the Y. M. C. A., gives Phi Psi the outstanding position politically on the campus.

May 8th the brothers from Ohio Delta came up from Columbus to meet our sluggers in a baseball game. After a free-hitting game, the visitors returned home winners by an 18-15 score.

We wish to emphasize once more for the benefit of the alumni the commencement celebration planned for the 9th of June. This promises to be the biggest homecoming affair ever held by Ohio Alpha.

*Delaware, Ohio*

*May 8, 1928*

KENNETH P. MILLER

*Correspondent*

## Ohio Beta—Wittenberg College

Ohio Beta announces the pledging of Herbert Wolfe, Springfield, freshman at Wittenberg.

The chapter, on the home stretch of the second semester, finds itself at the climax of spring activities. Optimistically facing the steadily approaching finals, all the brothers are striving to maintain the high scholastic record which has placed Phi Psi first among nationals at Wittenberg for the past two years. The Interfraternity Council recently bought a new scholarship cup, and it now rests on Ohio Beta's mantel, given to Phi Psi in recognition for scholastic honors received at the close of the first semester.

Aside from scholastic efforts, the chapter seems to be seriously involved in other campus activities. Bullock is pitching a good game of varsity baseball, and is supported by Merickle and Keyser in the outfield. Jackson, Keyser and Pledge Wolfe represent Phi Psi on the varsity golf team, while Pledge Shaffer is making a good showing in spring football.

The elections for next year's campus leaders have resulted very favorably for Ohio Beta, and the chapter feels optimistic for its future. James Olson is next year's Y. M. C. A. president, and was chosen to be a member of Pick and Pen, junior honorary society. Enck will be treasurer of the Y. Earl Schneider is next year's president of the Boost W. Association, men's governing body of Wittenberg; was chosen for membership in Blue Key, national boosters' fraternity; and elected, with White and Larimer, to membership in Scroll and Quill, national journalistic fraternity. On the staff of the *Torch*, the college weekly newspaper, Ultes will succeed Kemper as business manager; Fast will succeed White as advertising manager; Raabe will succeed Larimer as circulation manager; and Bricker will hold the position of junior editor.

The annual election of officers in the chapter resulted as follows: Enck, president; Kemper, vice president; Al Keck, treasurer; Rauch,

corresponding secretary; Nelson, recording secretary; Root, historian. Merickle, chaplain; Krumm, doorkeeper; and Ritter, messenger; The chapter welcomes these men to their respective offices, and promises its hearty cooperation in helping them discharge their duties in the coming year.

The chapter is looking forward to the G. A. C. in June, and has elected three representatives to attend. Jackson will be the senior representative, Schneider, junior, and Volney F. Trout, alumnus representative.

On April 27th Ohio Beta entertained with the biggest and best spring formal ever. Thanks to the kindness of Billy Wilson, the chapter was able to secure the Springfield Country Club for the event. The club is an ideal place for such an entertainment, and, with good music, preceded by a tasty dinner, the brothers all decided that it was a successful affair. On May 26th the Mothers Club will entertain the chapter and rushes with an afternoon tea, and in the evening it is planned to hold a rush dance at the K. of C. hall. Realizing the importance of advance rushing, the chapter is doing everything possible to make May 26th a successful rush day. Ohio Beta would appreciate the help of any alumni in securing prospective material for next year's pledging, and asks any alumnus who knows of anyone coming to Wittenberg next fall who would make a good Phi Psi, to send his name and address to the membership committee as soon as possible.

In a former edition of THE SHIELD, the dedication of two new college buildings was announced. These, the Science Hall and the Education Building, were completed last year and are edifices of which any college could be justly proud. Still continuing its building program under the capable leadership of Brother Prexy Tulloss, Wittenberg is now planning the erection of a \$400,000 gymnasium. Brother Tulloss has already initiated the drive for funds, and, judging by the success of his former ventures, it is safe to predict that the college will soon have its much-needed gym.

Ohio Beta, too, continues its building program. In the last letter it was stated that definite plans had been formulated for securing a new chapter house. Under the leadership of Dan Shoumlin, the trust certificates are now being sold, and with the whole-hearted support of the alumni the chapter feels that there will soon be a new Phi Psi house at the campus entrance.

Wittenberg's commencement will be June 3d to 7th. The chapter house will be kept open all summer, and any brothers interested in the college's summer course can receive good accommodations at the house.

*Springfield, Ohio*  
*May 11, 1928*

JOHN H. RAUCH JR  
*Correspondent*

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### Ohio Delta—Ohio State University

It has always been a problem for our university intramural department to keep the Phi Psis from copping the intramural track meets but again their attempts were in vain, since we crashed through and won the fourteenth annual intramural festival held March 10th. It was a great meet but after the smoke of competition had finally cleared away it was found that we had more than doubled the score of our nearest competitor. Some of the most outstanding results were: first, second and third places in the 45-yard hurdle event; first in the fraternity relay race; first in the group broad jump; first in the 220-yard

dash; first in the heavyweight wrestling and first in the shot put. These results were supplemented by a number of seconds and thirds. Pledge Knourek was individual high-point man and received a beautiful trophy.

Ohio's track team has been going big guns and two of the most prominent men on the squad are Dick Rockaway and Fred Strother. Strother has been on the sick list for the last two weeks, but he has come out of it in fine shape and is now well on the road to recovery. On May 1st the junior honorary society, the Bucket and Dipper, elected, and we are proud to announce the initiation of, Art Huston and Dick Rockaway. For the last three years Ohio Delta has been represented in this organization by two men and this year proved to be no exception to the rule. Robert Brunson and Jack Ullery were elected on May 9th to the Sphinx, senior honorary society. This is the highest honor that can be conferred on seniors on our campus. We are indeed proud to have them represent us in this organization.

With Dubois as pilot, the Ohio State tennis ship has an able leader and their record thus far has been very favorable. It looks like a great year for the Ohio tennis team. Al Loop has been directing the destinies of the Ohio golf team and as captain led the Buckeye outfit to a victory over Illinois, Big Ten champs of last year.

Ohio Delta takes great pride in introducing eight new brothers who were initiated April 14th. They are: J. E. Williams, Greenville; E. J. Meyers, Columbus; F. R. Reagan, Cincinnati; J. M. Brashear, Columbus; J. B. Hatcher, Columbus; W. A. King, Findlay; F. W. Barratt, Lansing, Mich.; Robert Stegner, Cincinnati. With such an addition to Ohio Delta we feel that we may expect great things in the coming years. The initiation dance was held on the same evening in honor of the newly initiated brothers.

The membership committee has been functioning exceedingly well under the direction of Snypp, and a number of men who expect to enter Ohio State next year have been entertained. Robert Stewart, Columbus, Ohio, was pledged early last month and he looks like true Phi Psi material.

In a baseball game held at Delaware, Ohio, on May 8th with Ohio Alpha, our hard-hitting crew slipped it over on the Alpha boys to the tune of 13 to 8. It was a hard-fought game and not until the ninth inning was the game off the ice. We sincerely wish to express our gratitude to Ohio Alpha for the good time they showed us and we are looking forward to the continuation of the series later this month.

On May 18th we are having our spring party, which will be held at the chapter house this year.

*Columbus, Ohio*  
*May 8, 1928*

MILTON F. POPP  
*Correspondent*

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### Ohio Epsilon—Case School of Applied Science

The brothers certainly are busily employed of late. Not only does school draw near a close, but finals of a different nature are but a week off. These latter ones are the interfraternity baseball finals. To date we have lost not a single game and are sure of being in the grand finale. We are fighting hard for the interfraternity athletic cup. We have a good chance to get possession of the unique baseball trophy, have already secured the basketball cup and finished third in the swimming

meet, all of which may help to explain the air of excitement and anxiety prevalent about the chapter house.

Spring elections were just held and the chapter shared nicely in the honors bestowed by the student body. L. G. Courtney was elected chairman of the Boost Case Association, and his brother and our brother, J. R. Courtney, was given a berth on the board of managers, and W. R. Johnston received the editorship of the *Differential* for the following year. L. G. Courtney was recently pledged to the senior honorary society, Owl and Key.

Three brothers were elected as delegates to the G. A. C., namely, L. W. Fraser, W. O. Koski and B. W. Welch. It will not be long before we will lose our senior class of A. C. Ellsworth, C. A. Brashares, A. B. Focke and H. A. Grundler. Though their number is small, they have done big things and we will certainly regret their leaving.

May 26th has been set aside as the day for our annual May party. Food, dancing and games will comprise the main features; other subsidiary activities will be left to the initiative and discretion of individuals.

Cleveland, Ohio

May 8, 1928

B. W. WELCH

Correspondent

#### FOURTH DISTRICT

#### Michigan Alpha—University of Michigan

Election and installation of officers for the coming year was held April 16th. The following officers were sworn in: G. P., Wachs; V. G. P., Wallace; P., Atkins; A. G., Watling; B. G., R. Patton; S. G., Smith; Hod., Highfield; Ph., Hillyer; Hier., Maney.

Michigan Alpha is now working in preparation for final exams, which come about the first of June. But with spring has come a host of new fields of recreation to be exploited once more. The golf tribe is coming out of hibernation by twos and threes. Interfraternity ball games are not uncommon. And nearly every afternoon sees the greater part of the chapter playing indoor out in the side yard.

Most of the brothers are engaged in extracurricular activities. In track, Jack Tarbill has been hindered all season by a game leg. Will Maney recently finished his second season with the varsity hockey team, which he captained. Sam Atkins is partly responsible for the coming *Michiganensian*, of which he is on the business staff. Paul Kelly, besides being out for track manager, is also on the *Gargoyle* business staff. Bob Halsted has just finished his third season of varsity swimming. Wallace is assistant football manager, and spring practice keeps him busy.

The freshmen are quite active, now that the first semester rule on their eligibility for extracurricular activity no longer affects them. Bob Patton is out for spring varsity football as well as track, and is showing up well in both. Pledges Pottle and Flood are out for track and should both receive numerals. Art Highfield is out for football manager. Wally Wessels is busy at the *Ensign* office. Whit Hillyer is a contributor to the *Gargoyle*, and Art Smith is signed up for the opera.

The freshmen are working on the yard now, raking and rolling it. It bids fair to be in fine shape for the mothers' house party, to be held May 12 and 13. A June house party is being planned for the week-end immediately after final exams. The February party was plenty

good, and with the spring weather and environment this one in June should be well-nigh perfect!

We are always glad to see any of the brothers who may be in these parts; drop in on us, the latchstring is always out.

*Ann Arbor, Mich.*  
*May 9, 1928*

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### Indiana Alpha—DePauw University

Indiana Alpha announces the pledging of Edward Lee of South Bend, Ind. Lee is a sophomore in the university, and a letter man on the swimming team. Spring spike work is progressing very well. We have a large spike file, and are keeping in touch with a number of outstanding men who intend to enter college next fall.

John Marshall, a senior and this year's house president, was recently elected to Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity. Marshall and seven other Indiana Alpha men will receive their diplomas June 11th. Five other members of the present senior class, Robert Emison, Bert Fowle, Arnold Fisher, Carl Turner and Stuart Smith, and two others, John Burkhart, who left college in midyear, and John Lockwood, who completed his last year at Harvard, are the men who will be graduated.

Lemuel H. Murlin, Ind. Alpha '91, this year completes his term as president of DePauw. Dr. Murlin has been back at his Alma Mater and with his home chapter for the last four years. He will go to Germany to take over the American church in Berlin.

Cyrus Gunn, a junior, was elected chapter president for next year. Vaughn Scott is now vice president, and is also the chapter delegate to the G. A. C. Daniel Wentworth is recording secretary, Frederick Axtell is chaplain, Robert Bon Durant is doorkeeper, and Charles Rogers is messenger.

Approximately thirty-five mothers visited the chapter the week-end of May 5th, in accordance with our custom of observing Mothers Day. We turned the entire second floor of the house over to the mothers for Saturday night. Sunday mothers and sons attended special university church services together.

Vaughn Scott is captain of the DePauw swimming team for next year. Scott and James Murdock, this year's captain, have handled the diving for the team for the last two years. Walter Marlatt and Urban Fowle also won letters this year in swimming, and Henry Marsh won his freshman numerals in the tank sport.

Elbert Fowle, a pitcher, Don Lamphear, first baseman, and Urban Fowle, outfielder, are representing Phi Psi on the DePauw baseball team this spring. Cyrus Gunn, Vaughn Scott, and George Mountz are members of the Tiger track team, which is undefeated this year. Charles Matthews is a member of the golf team. All these men should win their letters.

Raymond Thompson has been initiated into Scabbard and Blade, national honorary fraternity, and John Rupe and Joseph Watson have been initiated into Brooklyn Club, campus bowling organization.

Mr. Eugene C. Oberst, an outstanding athlete at Notre Dame several years ago, has been selected as head baseball coach at DePauw, commencing next fall. He has made a remarkable record as a player and coach, and we hope he will raise our athletic reputation, which has been down for several years.

*Greencastle, Ind.*  
*May 9, 1928*

GUERNSEY VAN RIPER JR  
*Correspondent*

## Indiana Beta—University of Indiana

Regardless of lazy, dreamy weather, brothers in Phi Psi have not forgotten their duty on the campus. Foremost among their recent achievements was the junior prom, which Robert (Kokomo) Smith managed very successfully. One of the largest attendances in years filled the profusely decorated men's gymnasium for the event.

James Tucker, Carl Rinne and Tom Jones became charter members of Phi Delta Gamma, national professional debating and dramatic fraternity. Jones took the leading role in Jordan River Revue this year and has appeared in other campus affairs; Tucker was on the debating team and a member of the glee club; and Rinne was on the glee club. Tucker was elected vice president of the organization.

Douglas Scheid was inducted into Sphinx club with due ceremony—the first Phi Psi to enter the mysterious fold since more than half a dozen of its Phi Psi members were graduated last spring. Earle Swain and John Rawley, members of the freshman class, have been elected to Skull and Crescent, sophomore honorary.

Our own initiation, impressive and inspiring to participants and guests alike, was held March 11th, for William Teter, George Richardson, James Shattuck, Tom Jones, Richard Baker, Jack Groninger, John Rawley, Earle Swain, Andrew Powell and Robert Smith (Lebanon). Many alumni were present, and helped with the ceremony. The Brothers Groninger, with others, made the oratory session afterwards a huge success. The event was capped with a military serenade, which received unusual response from sorority dormitories.

Our list of lettermen is gradually growing. Two more were added when Scheid and Johnson received their awards for basketball. Maurice Starr won his second letter in this sport also, this spring. Both Scheid and Starr will be eligible for another year.

House directors met with us late in March, and tentative plans were laid for a new addition to the house. If carried through, the project will lend even greater prestige to what is still considered the best house on the campus, in spite of the recent chapter house building boom.

Holdeman and Boyd have survived heavy choppings with the axe on the freshman baseball squad. Holdeman is an outfielder who wields a telling bat; Boyd is trying out for a twirling position. Both have excellent prospects. Robert Smith of Lebanon is working hard with the freshman track team. Rawley was out as sophomore assistant manager of football during spring practice.

Phil Pike and Neal Hines constitute one of the best double tennis teams in the state. They have participated in all the matches this year. Both are good singles players as well.

Our intramural football team, which reached the semifinals in the campus tournament before bad weather ended the elimination last fall, recently lost a play-off game to A. T. O., 12 to 6. Phi Psi played four tie games during the series.

Last Saturday more than 100 persons attended the spring rush dance at the chapter house. It was the best affair of the year, and was followed by a successful dinner party Sunday. Pledges are: Alfred Beck of Bloomington, who has more Phi Psi relatives than anyone in the chapter; John Charters of Peru, talented as a debater; Bob Waugh of Bluffton, football player of excellence; Paul Sarles of Lafayette, student and activities man; and Bob Carter of Indianapolis, who is active in high school dramatics, and is a grade A student. John and Dick Holdeman of Elkhart were pledged previously. John has won numerals in basketball and is on the baseball squad.

Trueblood officiated as co-chef at the annual gridiron banquet given by Sigma Delta Chi, journalistic fraternity. Richardson and Graffis were responsible for some novel entertainment features at the session. Chambers is holding up our journalistic reputation, as copy editor of the *Daily Student*. He was promoted from the city editorship.

Freshmen presided at the strawberry banquet in the chapter dining room this week. A real dinner, followed by strawberry shortcake and endless helpings of strawberries and ice cream, followed by cigarettes and cigars, comprised the menu. While the assemblage was resting after dinner, the frosh took the sophomores to task personally for their "bad breaks" throughout the year.

College is almost over, and with the feeling that we are ever realizing more success in upholding the standards of Phi Kappa Psi, we look confidently to another year of competition on the Indiana University campus.

*Bloomington, Ind.*  
*May 9, 1928*

JEAN A. GRAFFIS  
*Correspondent*

### Indiana Delta—Purdue University

With summer vacation looming up before us, spring sports are well under way at Purdue. The basketball team finished a very successful year—tying with Indiana, our ancient rivals, for the top berth in the Big Ten race. With that behind us, the activities of the golf, track, tennis and baseball teams are occupying our attention at present. The chapter is represented on the golf squad by Thomas, who is playing for the first year with the varsity. Lester is accompanying the team in the capacity of manager. In tennis, Burnett, a sophomore, is playing regularly with the varsity, and Milford is captain of the squad. Pledge Beadell is out for golf and apparently has a very good chance to make the varsity next year. Pledge Brown is out for track. Van Bibber and Folley are playing baseball with the freshman-varsity, and apparently we will be represented on the baseball team next year for the first time in several years.

The Harlequin Club presented "Castles in the Air" on April 27, 28, 30. The play turned out to be one of the most successful presentations ever offered by the club, both from a dramatic and financial standpoint. Every performance was given before a packed house. Denny played a character role, which he handled excellently. Dow, Beemer and Stoever were in the chorus. Koeppen was advertising manager, and King was electrician. Jackson was wardrobe manager, Hodgin was out for stage carpenter, and Henry was out for electrician.

Uland and Hook have been initiated into Gimlet, Purdue's activity fraternity. Pledge Otto was initiated into Tau Kappa Alpha, honorary debating. Thomas made Pi Tau Sigma, which is the scholastic honorary for mechanical engineers. Baker was initiated Sigma Delta Chi, honorary journalistic fraternity, and Poole was initiated Phi Lambda Upsilon, which is the scholastic honorary for chemical engineers. Kelsey was elected assistant football manager for next year at the end of spring football practice.

Besides the above, the chapter has men in practically all the activities on the campus and the close of the semester will mark the completion of a very favorable year for Indiana Delta. The following seniors are to be graduated this year, and we feel that they will be keenly missed

and their places difficult to fill: Denny, Dow, King, Koeppen, Lester, McMahon, Milford, Smith, Stoever and Wardlaw.

On May 7th the officers for the new year were elected. The results were: G. P., Poole; V. G. P., Henry; A. G., Jackson; B. G., Schwartz; H., Gerhart; Hod., Dickson; Ph., McDonough; Steward, Uland; S. G., Kittelle.

Indiana Delta wishes to pay a tribute at this time to the memory of her recently deceased member, Fell David Robertson. Brother Robertson was taken sick with what first was thought to be a bad cold, but which rapidly developed into pneumonia. He died at the St. Elizabeth hospital in Lafayette March 27, 1928. Brother Robertson was very well known to the student body and was a real friend to all. His passing has cast a shadow over the chapter and his memory will live long as exemplary of a true Phi Psi.

*West Lafayette, Ind.*  
May 6, 1928

GEORGE M. POOLE  
*Correspondent*

### Illinois Alpha—Northwestern University

The dance is over, but the memory lingers on. On May 5th we held our spring dance—a party that proved conclusively that Kellogg's famous "Pep" does not compare with Phi Psi enthusiasm. The house was beautifully decorated to represent a flower garden, and dolls were given the girls as favors. Sam Givens and Lew Smith showed to advantage their ability at interior decorating and they were even so influential as to arrange for a wonderful spring evening.

The Phi Psi basketball team succeeded in winning first place in League 3 of the interfraternity league and its success was acknowledged with a suitable trophy. We were defeated in the race for campus championship by the Scribblers, a local fraternity.

The annual university circus was held April 26 and 27 and repeated its success of last year. Several Phi Psis were prominent in its organization. George Dixon held the important position of performance manager, Harvey Weinke was stunt manager and Al Barney had charge of the tickets. Phi Psi had an excellent acrobatic stunt for the center ring and won first place over the other fraternities. The cup awarded us was unusually large, so we feel that the effort was well worth while.

The spring football season is just over. John Singleton, Bill Griffin, Frank Baker, Dick Scott and Pledge Bartholomew represented Phi Psi in the spring practice. Seymour Dexter is playing on the university golf team and Dave Kempf is a member of the baseball team.

In the recent election for Deru, senior men's honor society, George Dixon was chosen. George is prominent in golf and circus work and is one of the football managers for next year.

Final exams will be here in three weeks, so the intervening time before college closes will be more or less tranquil.

*Evanston, Ill.*  
May 7, 1928

WILLIAM H. NIMS  
*Correspondent*

### Illinois Beta—University of Chicago

With the first warm days of the spring quarter, the baseball bug has bitten the members of Illinois Beta very severely. Six freshmen have reported for the freshman squad and four of them secured regular berths. The rest of the chapter is playing indoor baseball in the intra-

mural league and only a few games separate them from the championship.

Continuing with the intramural department, a new cup rests on the mantel for the winning of the basketball championship. The water polo team is in the final round and hopes to add another cup in the near future. The tennis tournament is just getting started, but it seems safe to predict a first place for Scott Rexinger, as he is the outstanding man of the freshman tennis squad. The chapter is very proud of Virgil Gist who has been elected captain of the 1929 basketball team. This makes Illinois Beta's second basketball captain in three years. Virg finished tenth in the Big Ten scoring column, and was the outstanding player of the Chicago squad. With the basketball season over, Virg is running anchor on the Maroon mile relay team and has been clocked under 50 seconds for the quarter. He is working toward the Olympic trials, hoping to repeat his last year's performance in the half-mile.

Lalon Farwell was again awarded his "C" in basketball. Lalon's outstanding guarding held some of the high-point men of the conference practically scoreless. He is also G. P. for this quarter and is getting the spring and summer rushing organized in great shape.

In the contest for individual honors among the members of the freshman track team, Dale Letts turned in a score 1000 points above his nearest competitor. East took third in the same contest and has a "ten-second century" to his credit. Our freshman class was further strengthened by the pledging of Kenneth McKensie and John Zahoric. Zahoric is playing regular first base on the freshman ball squad, while Mac is in the outfield.

Bucky Harris is at present leading the field in the senior mustache race, and seems to have the coveted shaving mug "cinched."

Illinois Beta is well on the way for a greater quarter for rushing, athletics and scholarship.

*Chicago, Ill.*

*May 8, 1928.*

GEORGE C. RAY

*Correspondent*

### Illinois Delta—University of Illinois

Events are crowding upon us thick and fast, as they always do toward the end of the year, and there will be few leisure moments for any of the brothers until the last final exam has been completed and handed in to the perspiring proctor. The approaching week-end, for example, is brightened by the advent of that institution which has been perpetuated through the decades by the advertisements of resourceful tradespeople (flower dealers, bakers, candy manufacturers, and unnumerable others)—I am referring to Mothers Day. On the following week-end the annual interscholastics, which are attended by great hordes of high school youths, will be celebrated. Illinois Delta on this occasion will participate in both the circus and the SACHEM sing, and expects to add a third, if not a fourth, cup to the trophies of the year which have been accumulating on the mantel.

The formal, held in the chapter house on May 5th, was slightly more decorous than usual, but (or and) it was a distinct success. The Walnut Hill Boat Club orchestra, with all due respect to Brother Donahue, was at least as good as any we have ever had, and the other usual elements which go to make up a party satisfactorily measured

up to the music. The attending alumni assisted financially as well as convivially, and we are grateful to them.

Shaw and O'Connell are in the athletic limelight. Shaw, after two years of bad luck and stiff competition in the infield, has at last acquired a permanent berth on the varsity ball team, out on second base. O'Connell, captain of the varsity tennis team and for two years conference singles champion, is going better than ever, and there is no reason to suppose that he won't win the crown for the third year, which will be the first time that little thing has been done in the Big Ten. Tim does not allow his work with the racket to interfere with his duties as Archon, and he also manages to keep his grades up, which I hope you will agree with me in thinking is quite an achievement. The freshman-varsity tennis team has not yet been chosen, but McElroy, paired with another freshman, defeated two varsity men in the doubles match, which looks pretty auspicious.

Several brothers have been chosen to serve on committees: Watson is chairman of one of the Mothers Day committees, Scott is on the senior ball committee, McNeill is on the junior informal committee, and Fix has been elected as a member of the board of directors of the Interfraternity Council. Boling and McNeill are, with some trepidation, awaiting the arrival of May 23d, on which date the two positions for which they are contending are to be assigned. If they are successful, Boling is to be baseball manager for the ensuing year and McNeill will be varsity cheerleader.

Yes, they have all done well. But, of course, I think Bennett's Phi Beta Kappa key is about the best thing in the house.

*Champaign, Ill.*

*May 8, 1928*

CHARLES H. BENNETT

*Correspondent*

### Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin

The beautiful spring weather we are having now in Madison is hardly an incentive to study, but Wisconsin Alpha has a scholarship rating of which it can well be proud. Out of some sixty fraternities on the campus, both pledges and actives are ranked in fifth place for last semester, and John McCarter has recently been elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

We are pleased to announce the initiation of the following men: Owen Nicewarner, Michigan City, Ind.; Dave Willock, Chicago, Ill.; James Hibberd, Richmond, Ind.; John McBrady, Evanston, Ill.; Bob Weber, Harry Emigh, Billy Pearce, all of Milwaukee; Cort Newman, Superior, Wis.; Bill Bindley, Terre Haute, Ind.; Don Morrison, Oak Park, Ill.; Bill Conway and Bill McCarter, both of Madison.

We are sorry to lose by graduation this spring Wilfred Roberts, Bill Schroeder, Ralph Schuetz, Dick McKee, Leland Shriver, Sam Kennedy and George Miller. We wish them the best of success in their various fields of endeavor.

Wisconsin Alpha still maintains her high place in athletics and other activities. Don Hinderliter, captain of this year's gym squad, has garnered a major "W" for himself. Don Mitchell, captain of the hockey team, has not only been reelected to that position for next year, but was elected president of the Athletic Board of Control as well. Although Mitchell has been forced to drop out of college for the balance of the semester on account of illness, he will be back with us again next fall to resume his work. Jimmy Drummond received his "W"

for hockey, and McCarter, also a mainstay with the hockey team, was elected vice president of the Athletic Board of Control.

Owen Nicewarner made his numerals in frosh track and Harry Emigh and Bob Weber are showing much ability on the freshman track team. Sam Kennedy, our star golfer, has secured a berth on the varsity golf team which goes into action soon. Harley Hawes and Billy Pearce are baseball managers and Don Morrison is assisting the coach of the baseball yearlings in the capacity of trainer.

Wade Boardman has recently been elected president of the Interfraternity Council. John Geib has been initiated into Tau Delta, professional art fraternity, and was elected to membership in the Beaux Art Club. Wilfred Roberts scored a great success in the leading role in "The Swan," produced by the University Players. Bill Schroeder has been reelected business manager of the Haresfoot Club for next year and "Tommy" Thompson and Ralph Smith were recently initiated to membership in that organization.

Plans are well under way for the biggest and best party of the year; the spring formal, which is being given here at the house on May 11th.

These balmy spring days in Madison make the old college doubly alluring, and we take this opportunity of extending a most cordial invitation to all alumni and brothers of other chapters to spend a day or two with us here at 811 State.

*Madison, Wis.*  
May 2, 1928

RALPH W. SMITH  
Correspondent

### Wisconsin Gamma—Beloit College

Wisconsin Gamma will hold her forty-sixth annual reunion Saturday evening, June 16th, at the chapter house. It is of utmost importance that as many of the alumni return for this occasion as is possible, not only for the pleasure of meeting old friends again, but also to discuss with the active chapter plans for the fourth District Council that comes to Beloit in 1929.

By the concerted efforts of every active member of the chapter, Wisconsin Gamma has won the intramural athletic award. In recognition of this achievement, the chapter has received no less than five trophies and, in addition, the large silver intramural award.

Phi Psi's chief social function of the year, the spring formal, will be given at the Beloit Country Club May 26th.

Burton Stephens and Irving Newberg have been chosen to represent the chapter at the G. A. C.

*Beloit, Wis.*  
May 7, 1928

JOHN M. SORENSON  
Correspondent

### Minnesota Beta—University of Minnesota

On April 16th, Minnesota Beta initiated ten men, and takes pleasure in introducing as brothers: Herbert B. Allen, Henry C. Carlsen jr, A. William Fowler, Malcolm Hackney, John McCool, Allan R. Paulson, Walter C. Smith, James Tyler, Willard W. Ward and John Record.

We are able to announce also the pledging of Robert Bardwell of Minneapolis and Frank Helemak of St. Paul. Bardwell was a star quarterback at Blake School, Minneapolis, and also at Lawrenceville,

in New Jersey. He is showing up very well under "Doc" Spears in spring practice. Frank Helemak is northwestern junior interscholastic tennis champion, and is devoting his spare time to this sport this spring.

We have elected as our delegates to G. A. C. John H. Coolidge and Raymond Chabot. We hope also to have a number of unofficial representatives on hand for the occasion.

Having annexed the all-university hockey trophy to our house, we have now turned our attention to obtaining the kitten ball championship. Under Captain Stevens as pitcher, the team is doing very well.

We will conclude our social activities of the year with a house party at Inwood, on Gull Lake in northern Minnesota, about 160 miles from Minneapolis. We expect this party to be a very entertaining function; about 35 couples will be present.

*Minneapolis, Minn.*  
May 14, 1928

JOHN C. STROUSE  
*Correspondent*

### FIFTH DISTRICT

#### Iowa Beta—Iowa State College

With vacation and commencement only a few weeks off, Iowa Beta is about to bring to a close a year in which much improvement on the chapter house has taken place. Although six years old, the house has not as yet been completely furnished as we hope to have it. This year we added several pieces of furniture, a new orthophonic, new drapes, new carpets in the living room, hall and stairs, a new hot-water heater and a new icebox. The painters are about through with their job on the outside of the house and, when they are done, we are going to call it quits for the year.

The seniors are beginning to look down in the mouth, and it's not hard to see that they are going to feel rather low when the time comes when they must leave the arms of Phi Kappa Psi as undergraduates to join the ranks of the mighty alumni. Most of them are going into engineering work and have positions waiting for them already.

At a recent election McFarland was chosen president of the junior class for next fall. He just can't keep out of campus activities, it seems, and if you knew him you could easily see the reason why. Keefer added another honorary to his list by being elected into Phi Kappa Pi. He is leaving us this spring with a record in scholarship which is hard to approach. Kelly's ability in military tactics was recognized when he was recently elected into Scabbard and Blade.

Thornburg, Smith and McFarland are tearing up the cinders on the varsity squad in the mile and two-mile relays and the hurdles. Smith is somewhat bothered with a bad leg, but he should show the boys some real hurdling by next year if he doesn't have any more bad luck. Treadwell is out for baseball and does his work from the mound. Baurle, a freshman, is also playing ball on one of the frosh teams. Pospishil is going strong in tennis and will, no doubt, hit varsity caliber in a short time.

Spring football is over and things look mighty good for a good team next fall. Several of the preps were out under the hot sun pushing the pigskin around. Schwertley and Pontius, both husky freshmen, came home with numerals as a reward for their work and we expect to see them on the squad next fall. Pontius also won a numeral in wrestling. He tips the scales at about 175 pounds and is certain to make the wrestling squad as a sophomore.

The intramural athletic season is about to close and, on looking over our list of points for the year, we find that we are fighting for first place with about two other fraternities. Tennis, horseshoe, and the remainder of the baseball season lies before us and we are all working hard to hang onto the big cup which we won last year as intramural champions.

The big task at hand at this time is rushing. We are having our spring rushing dance this Saturday and we are expecting several rushees and alumni to be here on that evening. We hope to get a line on quite a large number of prospects before the season opens next fall and we would greatly appreciate a word from any of the brothers or alumni who know of any good men who are coming to Iowa State next fall.

Iowa Beta extends her best wishes for the success of the brothers graduating this spring and hopes that those who are coming back next year will have a most enjoyable time.

Ames, Iowa

May 9, 1928

LEN LESSENICH

Correspondent

### Missouri Alpha—University of Missouri

Missouri Alpha recently elected officers for the fall term next year. The following brothers were chosen: J. T. Martin, G. P.; R. S. Hackett, V. G. P.; F. W. Board, P.; R. A. Ramsey, A. G.; J. S. Poe, B. G.; J. D. Goetze, S. G. We are confident that these officers will lead Missouri Alpha through another successful year.

The fellows are just recovering from a very strenuous and successful campaign for Hugh, who was elected as editor in chief of the 1929 *Missouri Savitar*. The office is quite an honor since it is one of the major offices elected by the student body.

As for other activities, Missouri Alpha seems extremely fortunate. Our rifle team, composed of Major and Pledges White and Brinkley, carried off the interfraternity honors. As a reward for the accomplishment the chapter takes possession of a beautiful cup offered to the winner. Our intramural tennis team survived the second round of play and, with the favorites out of the way, Phi Psi looks like a winner for the second straight year. Johnson is a member of the varsity tennis team, and so far he is proving to be a stumbling block for the best players in the valley. Two pledges, White and Richards, are burning up the cinders on the freshman track squad. They finish one-two in all the hurdle races and we look for them to be real material for the varsity next year. Phi Psi received another honor when Board was elected vice president of Panhellenic Council for next year.

Along the social lines all the brothers are looking forward to what promises to be a real party. Our farewell dance is to be held June 2d, which happens to be the last day of examinations. We are expecting a number of Kansas City and St. Louis alumni down for the dance and, coupled with the idea of exams being over and a summer ahead, it looks like a live party is in store for the brothers.

A large number are planning on going to the G. A. C. this summer to represent Missouri Alpha. The official delegates elected were Martin and Gill, with Scott as alternate. We are looking forward to a big convention and, from the spirit shown around the house at present, one might gather that it will take a lot more than 155 miles to keep a great number of brothers from attending. On to Buffalo!

Columbia, Mo.

May 7, 1928

R. A. RAMSEY

Correspondent

## Texas Alpha—University of Texas

This letter finds Texas Alpha in a very confused state. Final exams start in about two weeks, so everyone is trying to forget the pleasures of early spring and put in their time on their books. The seniors, who have had ample time to realize the importance of finals, are spending all their time either studying themselves or urging others to start reviewing.

With this studious atmosphere prevailing, one would expect entire quiet to reign around the house, but this is not the case, due to a circumstance far more important than exams. Next Friday night, May 11th, the chapter is giving its annual dance. A colored orchestra from San Antonio has been secured to furnish the music, and plans have already been formulated for attractive decorations. This dance is the last fraternity dance on the social calendar this year.

Last week-end it happened that several of the alumni were in Austin for short visits and came out to the house to stay. Brothers Curtis, a football and basketball star when he was in college, Murphree, former editor of the *Cactus*, and Ross Boothe, a prominent alumnus, were all back. The chapter was indeed glad to have them back during their short stay here.

Plans are being made now for rushing at the beginning of next year, and Ward, rush chairman, wishes again to ask anyone acquainted with any prospective rushees to send him their names and addresses.

*Austin, Texas*  
May 7, 1928

BEN CONNALLY  
*Correspondent*

## Kansas Alpha—University of Kansas

As the term draws to a close, the chapter is in the midst of preparation for final exams and graduation. Kansas Alpha will lose seven men this year because of graduation. William C. Hook and Frank Taylor will receive degrees of L. L. B., Barrett Hamilton, Herbert Schnur, Leonard O'Bryon and Lowell Grady will receive A. B. degrees and Bret Waller a degree of B. S. in business. The chapter regrets the departure of these men, for they have all been active in both the university and the Fraternity.

At the annual spring election of Kansas Alpha Harold Hauser was elected G. P. Hauser has made two letters in football and is captain for the coming year. He also played forward and center on this year's basketball team, making his letter in that sport. Other officers elected are: Charles Longaker, V. G. P.; Webb Woodward, S. G.; Burton Lyman, B. G.; and Paul Brooker, A. G. A. G. Longaker and Hauser were elected delegates to the G. A. C. at Buffalo.

In interfraternity boxing Phi Psi accounted for itself very well. Wheeler and Pledge Wray met in the final round of the 135-pound class. A technical knockout was awarded Wheeler. This was planned sometime before the fight. All of our fighters survived and the only results were several black eyes and broken hands. Phi Psi took third place in this event, amassing a total of 52 points.

Phi Psi has been well represented in athletics this spring. Grady, although retarded by a tonsil operation, has been winning the hundred-yard dash in most of the meets entered this spring. He is also anchor man on the quarter-mile relay team, which won first place at the Kansas relays and second place at the Penn relays. If his old strength returns, we expect him to make a favorable showing in the final Olympic

tryouts this summer. Payne has been doing well on the freshman track team, holding the broad jump record. He also does well in the sprints and field events. In spring football under our new coach, Hauser, Payne and Grimes made good showings. Much is expected of these men on the field next fall. Neal and Pledge Little have been out for freshman baseball and will probably make their numerals.

"Lud" Grady has been initiated into Schem. This is an honorary fraternity for senior men which is based on qualities of leadership, unselfish service, breadth of interest, character, and scholarship. O'Bryon was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Our annual spring homecoming, held at the time of the Kansas relays, was very successful this year. We also had our spring rush party at the time of the relays. Judging from the men here for the party, our fall rushing should be very successful.

In accordance with the university plan of having a Mothers Day, we have invited the mothers of the men in the house to a Mothers Day dinner to be held May 13th. We want this to be successful because we expect to make it an annual affair.

By a vote of the building committee, an enlargement of the house has been made possible. The plans are in the hands of architects and the contract is being bid for. Work is expected to be started by June 1st and finished in time for rush week in September. This enlargement will give the house a better appearance and will give us a great deal more room.

All brothers are cordially invited to visit us at any time they are near us. We will do our best to make you feel at home and show you a good time.

*Lawrence, Kan.*  
*May 8, 1928*

PAUL K. BROOKER  
*Correspondent*

### Nebraska Alpha—University of Nebraska

On March 24th Nebraska Alpha added the names of five new brothers to the chapter roll: Lloyd Kennedy, Norfolk; Julius Sands, Fremont; Roger Robinson, Lincoln; Tom McCoy, Omaha; and Robert Young, Norfolk. Lloyd Kennedy received twenty dollars in gold from the alumni for having the highest scholarship in the freshman class.

At the recent elections the chapter was successful in placing two men on the Student Council. George Ray was chosen as the representative from the Law College and Douglas Zimmerman from Business Administration.

Nebraska Alpha also received another scholarship award from the Interfraternity Council, being second among national social fraternities. Bro. William Ramsey, president of the Nebraska Alumni Association, gave the main address at the interfraternity banquet. His talk on scholarship and upon the ideals all should have in university and fraternity life was very interesting and beneficial.

Interfraternity athletic events are nearly concluded, and from all indications Nebraska Alpha will make a creditable record. Gilbert, Holm and Tomson have been earning substantial points in the track events. Svenson and Tagg appear to have the winning combination in the tennis tournament. The golf team is also bidding strongly for first honors. Johnny Goodman, trans-Mississippi golf champion, recently made the course in 59, two strokes under the previous record.

Elmer Holm and Wilbur Mead were elected to Beta Gamma Sigma, honorary scholastic society.

## The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi

Edward Dickson and Joe Hunt were chosen to represent the chapter at the G. A. C.

We were pleased to have our Deputy Archon, Brother Griffith, visit the chapter during the past month.

Our rushing program for the next year has already begun. Martin Aitken is in charge of rushing and we would greatly appreciate the names and addresses of men who are coming to Nebraska next fall.

*Lincoln, Neb.*

*May 8, 1928*

PAUL H. ROBINSON

*Correspondent*

### Oklahoma Alpha—University of Oklahoma

The college year is rapidly drawing to a close and everyone is trying to make plans to be at the G. A. C. It is a pretty long jump for the boys of Oklahoma Alpha to make, but all of us who can beg, borrow, or have the money will be there when the fireworks start. The campus as a whole has been bothered with a bad case of spring fever and our famous "no week date" rule has been somewhat stretched these pretty moonlit nights. "Tub" Merrill has been our guest during the past week. We are always mighty glad to see "Tub," for we consider him as one of the chapter's best friends.

Classes have been interfering with our horseshoe pitching to some extent, but the elimination contests are nearly over and a house champion will soon be selected. Pledges McLoughlin, Brewer, Goddard and Charles Smith are going out for freshman baseball and all have practically clinched a numeral. The last two named have been forming the regular freshman battery.

Stangel has been initiated into Sigma Gamma Epsilon, honorary geology fraternity. Bob Strader and Pledge Brewer were initiated into Bombardiers, honorary military fraternity, and Browne was elected 1st lieutenant for the coming year. Coe was elected vice president of the Interfraternity Council and Griffing secretary-treasurer of Tri-Chi, honorary junior-senior fraternity.

The following alumni were down for our annual dinner dance on May 4th: Ross, Rone, Shackelford, Gordon, Frost, Shaw, Curtice Smith and Miller. Without question, this is one of the outstanding dances given on the campus each year. We are looking forward to another banner year and wish to ask the cooperation of all Phi Psis to let us have the names and addresses of any prospective rushees who are planning to attend Oklahoma next fall, so that we can correspond with them this summer.

*Norman, Okla.*

*May 9, 1928*

W. ROBERT BROWNE

*Correspondent*

### Colorado Alpha—University of Colorado

Spring quarter at Colorado University is very unique. Arduous activities and conscientious study must take second place so as not to interfere with the student's "real education." The beautiful trails of the Rocky Mountains beckon the youth of this seat of learning. Spring love affairs are not unknown, and it is rumored that the hearts of hard-boiled professors do soften in this lovely season. This situation must be considered when one looks at the doings of Colorado Alpha in the spring of the year.

Intramural sports are in full sway. Our chapter has teams entered in baseball, softball, golf, tennis, handball, and track. Our teams are doing very well and bid fair to cop one or more cups. In the university bridge tournament just finished, P. Reilly and Davis walked off with the high honors in the men's division. A match with the winners of the girls' has been proposed; but it has as yet failed to materialize, either because the boys are bashful or because Bailey won't stay away from his girl friend, one of the winners, long enough for her to play the match.

Our men have been very prominent in student organizations of late. George Philpott has become a member of Tau Beta Pi, honorary scholastic engineering fraternity. He is our second member this year, and we are proud of his achievement in the line of scholarship. Cambier has been pledged to Scimitar, sophomore honorary. P. Reilly is president of Pi Epsilon Pi, student pep club; Nevins was elected president of the student chapter of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and, also, of Sigma Tau, engineering honorary.

Colorado Alpha's social activities have been rather prominent. Several of Colorado's noted—or perhaps notorious—beefsteak fries have been held. One of these was confined exclusively to the Theta chapter. We have had this type of fry with several sororities, and they have proved a splendid way of making friends on the campus.

On Easter Sunday we had an Easter egg hunt. This may seem very childish, but the young men and women enjoyed their brief return to childhood. The success of the party resulted from the presence of "a bunch of good eggs."

In the future we have several events along the social line. On Mothers Day, May 13th, the chapter is to entertain the mothers at dinner. On May 29th the spring garden dance will be held at the chapter house. As usual, all Phi Psis are welcome, and we assure everyone attending a very pleasant evening. On June 9th, immediately following final week, we are going to celebrate the close of the college year in Denver. The party, a dinner-dance, is being given the chapter by the Mothers Club, and it further shows their interest in Colorado Alpha.

Our rushing has been progressing nicely, but we would appreciate any help which Phi Psi alumni can give us. A large number of students at Colorado come from without the state, especially from the Middle West. Therefore, if Phi Psis should hear of any good boys coming to the university from outside of Colorado, we would be very glad to hear about them in time to get the jump on the other fraternities.

*Boulder, Col.*

*May 6, 1928*

GEORGE REILLY

*Correspondent*

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## SIXTH DISTRICT

### Washington Alpha—University of Washington

Spring initiation has brought four new men into Phi Psi at Washington Alpha. They are Rube Nichols of Wapato, Les Browne of Seattle, Jim Williams of Kellogg, Idaho, and George Danenbauer of Maricopa, Cal. We are very glad to be able to introduce these men to the Fraternity.

Washington Alpha has this year succeeded in improving its position in several fields, notably scholarship and activities. The grade chart for winter quarter gave us tenth place on the campus, and seventh among national fraternities.

Jack Ferguson was a member of both the two- and four-mile relay teams in Washington's ninth annual relay carnival and thereby earned his big "W." Jack is a sophomore and specializes in the mile run. Jim Williams is out for the jumps and weights on the frosh squad. Bob Rose was manager of the relay carnival this year and was pledged to Oval Club, upperclassmen's honorary, at the annual Campus Day pledging. Dick Rickard is also an Oval Club man and is managing "Bigtime," the all-university vaudeville production.

Phi Psi is represented at spring football by Nichols and Ramstedt and Pledge Wessig. All three boys stand a good chance of breaking into Bagshaw's first eleven next fall. Don Welch divides his time between frosh baseball, the *Tyee* business staff, and campus politics. Pledge Dave Tripple is working on the track manager's staff until crew is under way next year. George Danenbauer made his frosh numerals on the basketball squad and will be out for the varsity next year.

The house occupied by Washington Alpha is rapidly ceasing to be a credit to the Fraternity, and the chapter, in cooperation with the alumni, is endeavoring to frame some plan of financing a new house. With the interest that is being shown, some plan should be developed in the near future.

*Seattle, Wash.*

May 5, 1928

ROBERT ROSE

*Correspondent*

### Oregon Alpha—University of Oregon

When Deacon Jones gets up in revival meeting and cries aloud that he's been a sinner, no one pays any attention to him. But when he admits he's been flirting with the Widow Smith, that, theoretically, is real news (even better than the one about the man biting the dog). Which is just another way of saying that this will be a very short letter unless something is executed in a hurry.

While this is being written, a crew of the boys is at work in the back yard constructing a thing which looks for all the world like a Noah's ark or the restoration of a fallen Babylonian temple. It is the Phi Psi-Delta Gamma float, which will be entered in the annual canoe fete May 11th. When finished it will be an elaborate duplication of Aladdin's lamp. Roy Herndon is general campus chairman of the event, and Bill Brown is handling the entry for the house.

Spring term, usually the most delightful period of college life, has turned out to be more or less of a failure this year. With only four weeks of college left, the skies are but now beginning to clear up, and it is yet unsafe to venture far from home without a slicker and a pair of rubbers. However, several of the boys have taken advantage of the first indication of spring for week-end trips, drives and picnics.

Oregon won its first conference baseball game of the season yesterday, playing against the University of Washington nine on Reinhart field. On the other side of the fence, Bill Hayward is trying to run out a track squad that will be able to hold its own against the other colleges on the coast, and he's having quite a hard time doing it.

Oregon Alpha finished second among men's nationals on the campus last term with a scholastic rating of 44.18. The general average was higher than it had been for several years.

Herndon is to be Oregon Alpha's "political" representative next

year. He was elected to an important office at the student body elections two days ago.

† The house is giving a spring dance on May 18th, in place of the formal that has usually been given in the past.

*Eugene, Ore.*

*May 5, 1928*

VERNON MCGEE

*Correspondent*

### California Beta—Leland Stanford University

California Beta is pleased to announce the successful culmination of the 1928 rushing season with the following men pledged: Alexander Black, James Coleman, Robert Dohrman, John Saunders, Carol Weaver, Don Davis, Mario Perrilli-Minetti, Virgil Hepp, Ralph Campiglia, Warren Johnson and Homer Burnaby. We believe that this is one of the strongest classes in the history of the house, and we are proud of Phi Psi's showing this year.

Phi Psi made a good record on the diamond this season with Bill Maguire completing his third consecutive year at first base. Gene Kern pitched strong, heady ball throughout the season and was considered one of the outstanding hurlers on the squad. The Stanford team will probably journey to Australia this summer, and if the trip is made Phi Psi will have two men on board.

Coach Dick Templeton's Cardinal track outfit is this year the strongest in the history of Stanford, and Bob Syer and Don Nelson are rounding out a successful season. Syer ran on the relay team and Nelson performed in the hurdles. Virg Dowell, who did good things in the broad jump as a frosh last year, had the tough luck of getting a pulled muscle toward the end of the season and was forced out of competition.

In other activities Phi Psi is maintaining its consistent record, with Bob Syer on the varsity golf team and Don Anderson manager of that same outfit. Pete Crowl was one of the six sophomores selected as junior managers of the basketball team this year. Bill Shattuck is out for baseball manager. Guide Caglieri and Al McCone are working out in spring football practice and look good for next fall. Don Anderson and Bob Lasley are among the six who survived the semifinal cut for junior yell leaders who will be chosen at a student body election in about two weeks. Harry Dietrich was captain of the Stanford gym team this spring, and has been elected to Circle "S" society. Harry will be studying medicine at Harvard next year, and his going will be greatly felt by the house. Norm Larson, Stanford dramatic manager, has supervised the producing of several very successful plays this spring. Johnny Long, varsity football manager, is helping prepare for another championship Card eleven with spring practice. Jim Sapero has held a prominent position on the Cardinal rally committee. Bob Speers was recently promoted to the sports editorship of the *Stanford Daily*, and Bud McGonigle was elected to membership in Phi Lambda Upsilon, national honorary chemical fraternity.

Phi Psi's intramural baseball nine has won in our league in this year's competition and is going strong for the university championship.

California Beta had the pleasure of entertaining many visiting brothers and friends at the time of the meet with California last month. Several alumni and members of other chapters have dropped in on us this spring, and we are always pleased to see them.

The Phi Psi tennis court dance, which we may say with all truth is one of Stanford's outstanding social events, will take place on June 1st.

Almost a full moon is due about that time, and in California a full moon is—well, the tennis court dance is going to be great.

California Beta is glad to welcome Bob Brooks, who affiliated with this chapter at the beginning of the current quarter.

Again let us urge all brothers who visit the vicinity of Stanford to make the white house on the hill their headquarters.

*Stanford University, Cal.*

*May 4, 1928*

KEN BERRY

*Correspondent*

### California Gamma—University of California

On February 5th Pledges Odmark, Luper and Ramsey of Long Beach, Hazzard of Los Angeles, Sheridan of Chicago, and McDaniel and Hickey of San Francisco were welcomed as brothers in Phi Kappa Psi. The formal initiation was followed by a banquet at the chapter house.

The Founders' Day banquet was held at the Mark Hopkins Hotel in San Francisco and was attended by the active membership of California Beta and Gamma and by alumni from all parts of the country.

On March 23d the spring formal was held at the chapter house and not only the active chapter was present, but many alumni from the bay region as well.

The midyear rushing season closed with the pledging of Wallace Moore, son of Brother Herbert Moore, who founded the chapter; Jack Plant, brother of Brother Corin Plant; and Paul Moore. All the new pledges are from San Francisco.

Ted Burnett has just closed a successful season as captain of the 145-pound basketball team. Fred Ducato earned his letter playing on the university water polo team, as well as on the Olympic Club team which reached the finals in the Olympic games elimination. "Duke" is to be captain of the California team next year. George McDaniel played on the varsity golf team, thereby securing his letter. The crew regatta at Washington was successful for California and Phi Psi. Stimson rowed in the junior varsity, while Logan coxed the four-oared shell. Both won their letters. Sheridan won his numerals in track. Jim ran the low hurdles and placed first or second in every meet.

As for honor societies, we find Murray in Beta Beta and Logan and Rust in Winged Helmet. John Hazzard has recently been initiated into Sigma Xi.

Coltrin, captain of the 1927 varsity football team, was appointed colonel of the R. O. T. C. This is the highest military honor given at the university. Coltrin is also to be assistant line coach for the next football season.

"Dinnie" Evans received the Percy Hall trophy, given annually to the most valuable player on the football team. Evans is to represent the chapter at the G. A. C.

The chapter is greatly indebted to the Mothers Club for its assistance this year. An entire new set of furniture for the "bumming room" was purchased for the house by the Mothers Club and paid for by a bridge tea and a rummage sale.

The chapter has been visited by brothers from many chapters, including such distant chapters as Pennsylvania Theta and Rhode Island Alpha. We are always anxious to meet the brothers who are visiting this part of the country and hope that they will always look us up.

*Berkeley, Cal.*

*May 6, 1928*

T. W. HICKEY JR

*Correspondent*

## California Delta—University of Southern California

Alex Graham, low hurdler, Al. Bowen, high jumper, and Bill Livingston, pole vaulter, won their letters in track this year. Willie Lewis, a letterman from last year, had difficulty in getting into shape this year and didn't quite make his letter. We are expecting big things from him next year.

Karl Krieger and John Von Aspe just finished a successful conference season on the Trojan baseball team and are now with the team on its 12,000-mile playing tour of Japan, Manchuria, Korea and Hawaii. Pledge Burke Tanner made his numerals as a member of the freshman baseball team.

In university golf, Rhodes Elder and Dick Walker won letters as members of the team, which won second honors in the Pacific Coast conference minor sports tournament here last month. The team also won the Southern conference championship.

In intramural athletics, California Delta has been the great second placer. Our seconds came in basketball, track, handball and golf. We advanced to the quarter final in baseball.

Morgan B. Cox was chancellor of Quill Club, is a member of the staff of the *Wampus*, campus comic magazine, and of Pi Delta Epsilon. Herschel Bonham was business manager of *El Rodeo*, university annual, and was also a member of the staff of the *Southern California Alumni Review*. He is also a member of the By-Liners Club and of Pi Delta Epsilon. Kenneth Callow and Pledge Wesley Wilson were on the business staff of *El Rodeo*. Pledge James Grant is a member of the *Wampus*, *El Rodeo*, *Daily Trojan* and *Alumni Review* staffs and is a member of the By-Liners Club, as well as being the only freshman member of Delta Kappa, campus journalism honorary organization. Pledge George Moore is a tryout for the staff of the *Daily Trojan* and will undoubtedly be a member next semester.

Social activities of our chapter were climaxed with our annual formal dance, held April 21st at the Uplifters' Club in Santa Monica Canyon. Approximately fifty couples attended the affair. Six rushees and their guests were entertained. All in all, the party was a huge success. During the evening Brother Tom Platt was presented with a silver water pitcher in recognition of the services he has rendered the chapter during the past year.

An innovation this year, and one that has proved highly successful, is the serving of dinner at the chapter house for brothers and their guests twice each month. Our social committee, under Byron Osborne, has given the members a wonderfully successful social season.

Two rushing parties have been held since the last issue of THE SHIELD. About 25 rushees, from various high schools and academies, attended one April 28th, while approximately 15 were at the house the evening of April 14th. We are planning a dinner at the house for the parents and rushees on the evening of May 27th. Herschel Bonham has been appointed chairman of the rushing committee for the summer, and, although much work is in store for him, we are confident of his ability to line up a good pledge class for next year.

California Delta expects to climb from the middle position she occupied in the university scholarship report to the top, or near it, next semester. We believe the strides forward have been made in this regard due to longer and more strictly supervised study hours.

Morgan B. Cox and Bus Blanchard were elected to membership in Skull and Dagger on May 4th. This is the highest all-university honor society on the campus. Herschel Bonham, a junior, was elected to

membership in Sigma Sigma, junior honorary fraternity. Bonham, Blanchard and Bill Livingston were also initiated into the Varsity Club, lettermen's organization, during May. Ray Broomfield and Bill Seitz were elected to membership in the Bachelors' Club.

Carroll Sagar, last semester's G. P. and a senior in architecture, was the third member of the chapter to apply for a passport to foreign lands. Sagar will spend six months in France to round out his brilliant career here. With Kreiger and Von Aspe in Japan, and Blanchard and Graham ready to go to Cambridge, Mass., on the annual Trojan track trip to the intercollegiate meet, California Delta is likely to look like a deserted village during the last month of college.

Our house was broken into last month, several of the sleeping brothers losing money to a marauder with a big gun and a cigar lighter which he used as a flashlight. Following this, our G. P. broke out with an absolute rash of locks on all our doors. We even have one on our front door, but California Delta takes this means of telling the world that locks don't mean a thing where visiting brothers are concerned. The girls who attended our Friday night dinners simply raved about the food, so please come in and see if you can't praise Gus, too.

Much enthusiasm is being aroused over approaching G. A. C., and it is possible that nearly all Buffalo-bound freight cars will have their quotas of baby chapter men clinging to convenient brake beams along about the last of June. Fords, long since past their prime, are being looked over with a speculative eye and the brothers are wondering if the old boat will hold together as far as New York. As things stand now, the chapter will surely be represented by Ray Broomfield and Paul McFadyen from the chapter and A. C. "Tom" Platt from the alumni. There probably will be others, and there is a chance that California Delta, grabbing off its mileage points in bunches of 3000, will win that \$100 prize.

*Los Angeles, Cal.*  
*May 10, 1928*

ROSCOE W. BLANCHARD JR  
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# ΦΚΨ Obituary ΦΚΨ

## Charles M. Niesley, Pa. Theta '86

Charles Merkel Niesley, Pa. Theta '86, a prominent physician of Manhasset, N. Y., died in Atlantic City, N. J., on January 3, 1928, where he had been for some time in an effort to recuperate from a long illness. He was 62 years of age. He had been in practice in Manhasset for thirty years, and was a diagnostician of the Nassau Hospital in that place.

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## J. Burleigh Albrook, Iowa Gamma '69

The Rev. J. Burleigh Albrook, Iowa Gamma '69, financial agent emeritus of Cornell College, Mount Vernon, Iowa, died in March last. He was one of the founders of the present Methodist Conference in the state of Iowa and, at the time of his death, was the oldest member of that conference.

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## Henry C. Allen, Ind. Beta '69

Henry Clay Allen, Ind. Beta '69, a veteran of the Civil War and a former judge of the circuit court of Marion county, Indiana, died May 5, 1928, at the home of his daughter in Indianapolis. He was born in Indiana 84 years ago. In 1861 he entered the Indiana Asbury (now DePauw) University, but with the beginning of the Civil War he enlisted with the 16th regiment, Indiana volunteers. He was severely wounded at the battle of Sabine Cross Roads in 1864. After the war he returned to college and was graduated in 1869. He moved to Kansas where he practised law until 1876, when he went to Indianapolis to become general attorney for the Indianapolis Street Railway Co. He remained with that company until 1894. He was elected judge of the Marion circuit court and served two terms from 1896 to 1908. He also served one term as a member of the board of park commissioners of Indianapolis. While he was initiated at the Indiana Alpha Chapter, he later became one of the founders of Indiana Beta, and was transferred to that chapter.

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## Robert W. Freeland, Pa. Mu '27

Robert W. Freeland, Pa. Mu '27, works manager of the Hubbard Steel Foundry Company, East Chicago, Ind., died April 5th at his home in Hammond, Ind. After graduating from Carnegie Institute of Technology in 1913, Brother Freeland took the special apprentice work of the American Steel Foundries, Chicago. Later he became foundry superintendent of the Ohio Steel Foundry Company, Lima, Ohio, and subsequently held a similar position with the Edgewater Steel Company, Pittsburgh. He also served as special engineer for the Steel Founders' Society of America. Brother Freeland was one of the Woodlawn Club delegates to the Grand Arch Council at Minneapolis in 1920.



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