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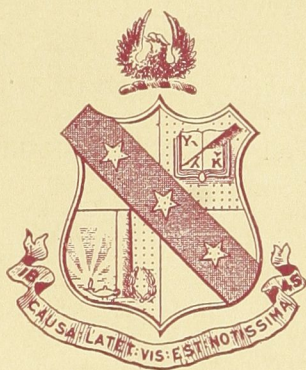
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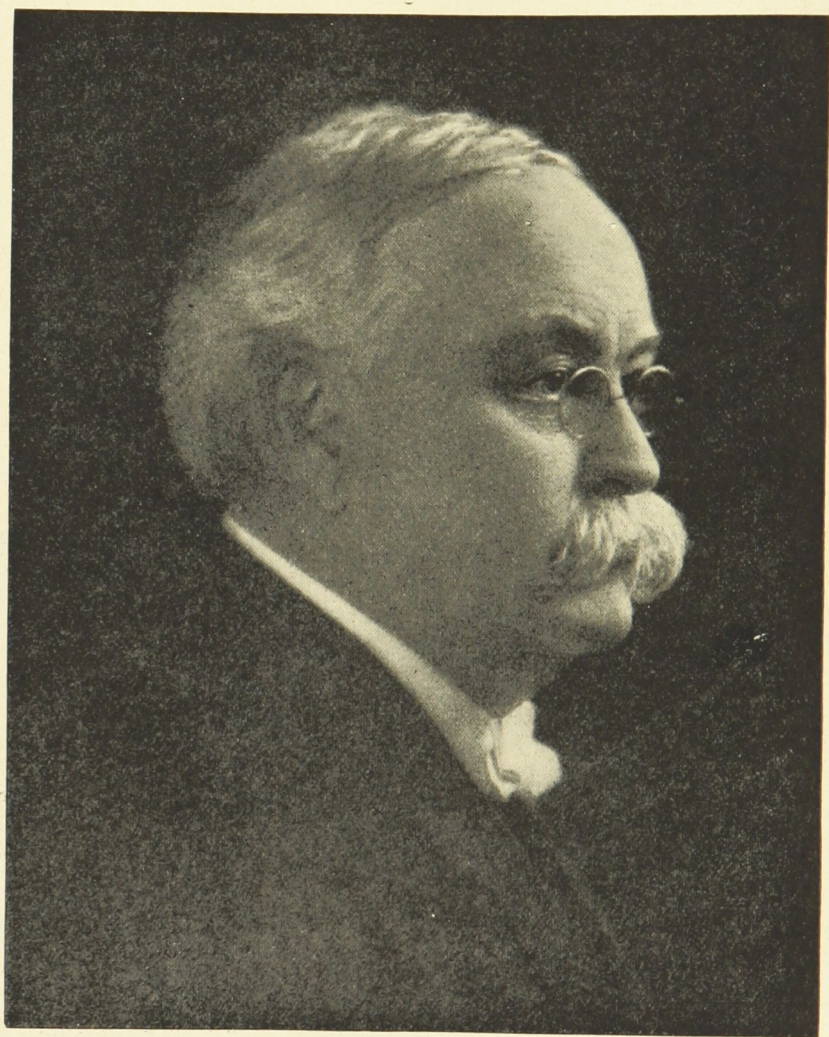
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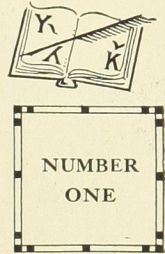
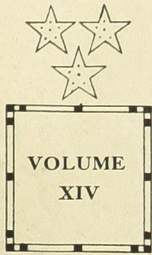


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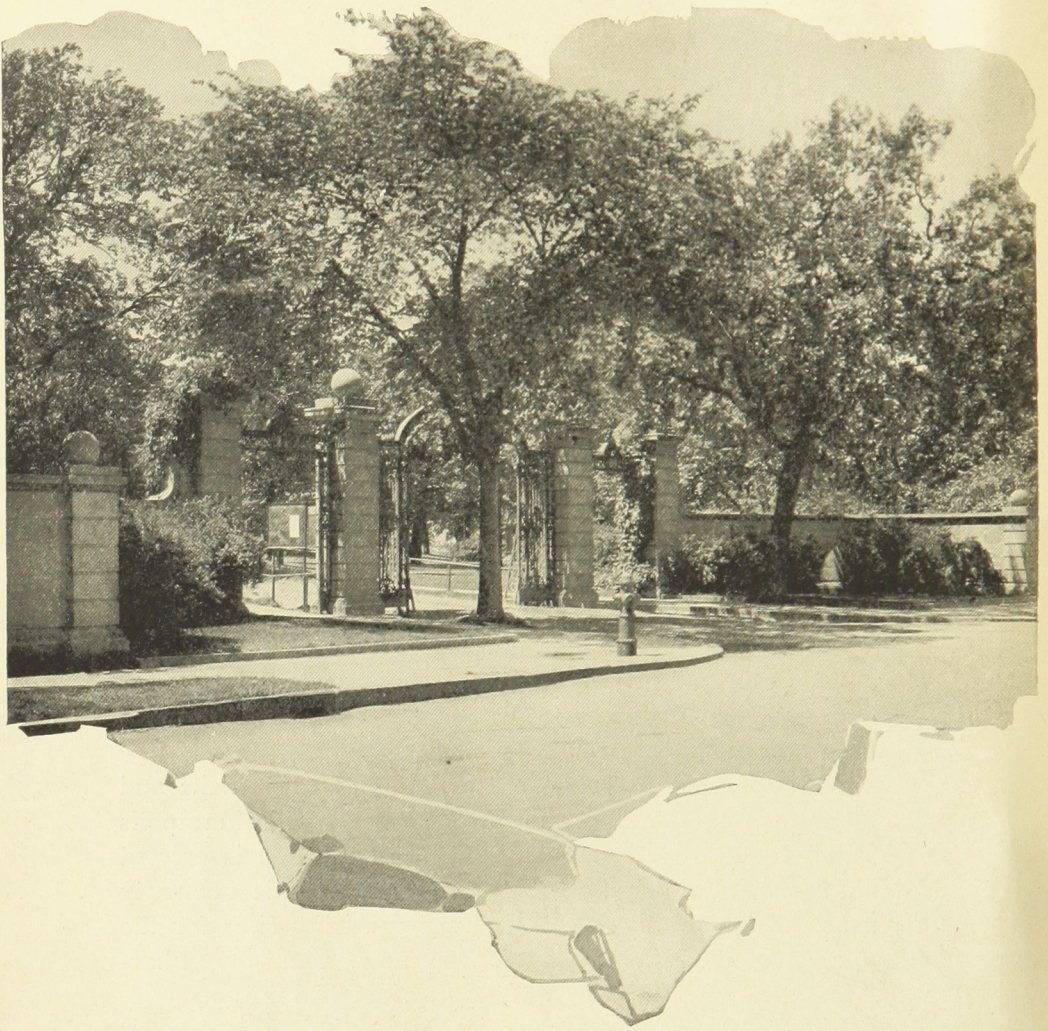
THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

THE University of Minnesota was founded while Minnesota was still a Territory and received its first land grant from Congress in 1851. The new school was located at St. Anthony (now Minneapolis), and was opened as a preparatory school the same year. It began collegiate instruction in 1869 and graduated its first academic class in 1873.

On a beautiful site overlooking the Falls of Minnehaha and the Father of Waters and within the city limits of Minneapolis the Main Campus of 120 acres is located, on which is erected 32 buildings. Adjoining the new campus is what is popularly known as the Old Campus, that in turn furnishes sites for the buildings devoted to instruction in the Law, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Institute of Public Health, School of Education, University Library, Men's Union and seven other buildings devoted to the College of Science, Literature and the Arts.

Upon a farm of 415 acres, half-way between Minneapolis and St. Paul, is located the Agricultural Campus, connected with the main campus by a special interurban car line, which covers the seven miles distance between recitation hours and enables students to take work in all subjects handled upon the different curricula without conflict or serious inconvenience. About twenty more buildings are erected upon the Agricultural Campus where, in addition to the Agricultural College, the Departments of Home Economics and Forestry are also housed.

The illustrations are taken from scenes upon the campus in Minneapolis, where the natural oaks that covered the ground



when the Indians roamed the fields of St. Anthony are still a part of the landscape effects of the University.

The first president of the University was William Watts Folwell, whose administration extended from 1869 to 1894. The real growth and progress of the University, however, began with the advent of the constructive genius, Cyrus Northrop, Yale 1857, who was called to the chair in 1894 and retired in 1911 from active duties the best loved man in Minnesota and one of the most prominent men in the great Northwest. At this writing he is President Emeritus of the University of Minnesota, the Grand Senior President of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, and is an alumnus member of Alpha Chapter and Rho.

The following figures will demonstrate the greatness of the University of Minnesota taken from the official lists of the Registrar :

Undergraduate	5,257	
School of Agriculture.....	2,197	
Short Courses.....	3,092	
Extension.	2,297	
		12,843



Minnesota today has a larger attendance than Harvard, Wisconsin, Illinois or the University of Chicago, and has an endowment, exceeded only by Harvard, with a slight advantage of less than \$800,000 to its credit.



HISTORY OF THE CHAPTER

THE germ of the present Rho Chapter of the Alpha Sigma Phi was a local Minnesota organization, organized in the fall of 1914, known as the Omar Club. The group composing this club consisted of thirteen men, most of whom had already been together at the University for two years or more. They had been associated in various lines of student activities, in literary society and debate, in Y. M. C. A., in the Military Department, as officers and members of the cadet corps and rifle team, in University and Intra-Mural Athletics, including baseball, track and football, etc.

The Omar Club (so named from the fondness of several of its members for the works of Omar Khayyam) was organized in October, 1914, at a meeting on Lake Minnetonka. The name of the club was changed shortly to the Alpha Theta Psi fraternity, under which name it was enrolled in the University records and activities. Using the unanimous vote of all its members as a test, before even approaching prospective members, the organization was built up rapidly, soon gaining the reputation for having a democratic group of prominent fellows such as no other fraternity on the campus had. It was at this stage, while already enjoying some measure of high regard from the rest of the student body, that the local Alpha Theta Psi petitioned Alpha Sigma Phi for a charter of admission into the Mystic Circle.

For two successive years this petition was submitted, the second time receiving a favorable vote. Accordingly, Brothers W. W. Butler, A. J. Carlson, R. S. Fallgatter, H. D. Harper and F. A. Ossanna were sent down to Madison to be partially initiated by Kappa Chapter. These men then returned to the "classic shades" of Minnesota, where they proceeded to unveil the mysteries of the Mystic Circle and the Pinnacle of Fame to the rest of our members. So thorough was this proceeding that it was extended over two days, and Brothers V. A. Dash, Fred. Gaumnitz, George Hicks, R. E. Overmire, Sydney Patchin, Joseph Sullivan, Paul Jaroscak, Ivan Lawrence and Percival Viesselman received their preliminary work. Three days later, on March 28, Brother Musgrave, G. J. P., arrived in Minneapolis and proceeded to complete the initiation of all and to install Rho Chapter.



Top Row—Tupa, Colby, Swanish, Wangensteen, Mitchell, Laskey
 Middle Row—Johnson, Friar, Gaumnitz, Hicks, Jaroscak, Sullivan, Iverson
 Lower—Overmire, Dash, Patchin, Viesselman, Butler, Fallgatter, Ossanna

Since that time “Baby Rho,” whose sobriquet, “Laughing Water,” was given it by our G. J. P. when he installed us, has endeavored to bear the name of Alpha Sigma Phi to distinction at the University of Minnesota. Brothers Conrad Johnson, Clifford Pickle, Floyd Friar, J. J. Murphy, C. Iverson, P. T. Swanish, C. T. Wangensteen, R. R. Mitchell and P. E. Norman have been taken in, and Frank Tupa, Donald Colby and Stanley Laskey pledged. The men of Rho Chapter have been, as in the years preceding their admission to this fraternity, leaders in all lines of work, as the past numbers of *THE TOMAHAWK* will testify.

The following excerpts from clippings from the *Minnesota Daily* and *Portland Oregonian* will attest the standings of Rho Chapter and fraternity men generally at Minnesota:

Alpha Sigma Phi Heads Fraternity List—Sigma Beta Heads Sororities

FRAT MEN BEST SCHOLARS

Letter Men at Minnesota University Have High Standings

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 3.—Fraternity men at the University of Minnesota were proudly exhibiting an announcement by President George E. Vincent showing that as a class fraternity men maintained a higher grade of scholarship in the last year than the non-fraternity men. Sorority women, however, fell slightly below the record of non-sorority students.

The announcement meant much for the upper classmen in the Greek letter societies, who, in their effort to pledge new members, have had to combat the belief of parents that fraternity activities hampered their studies.

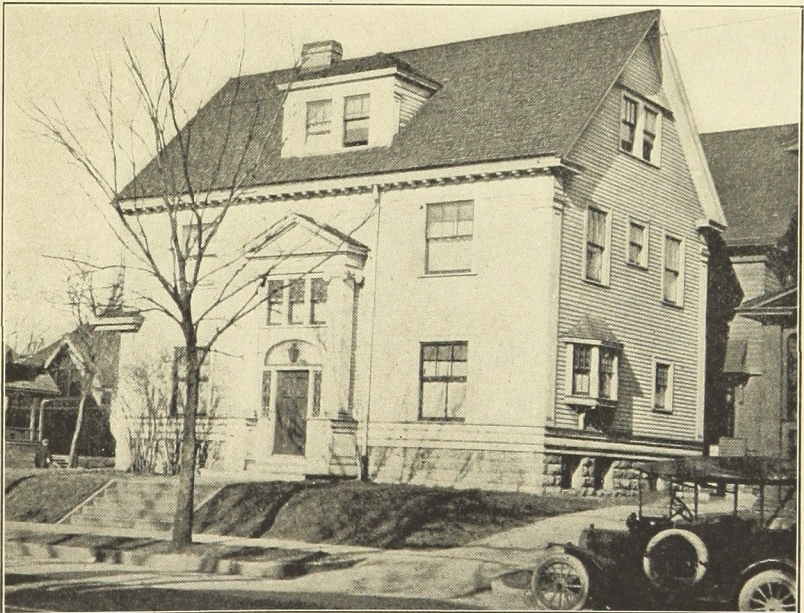
On the credit basis adopted by the inter-fraternity council and the Pan-Hellenic League, the fraternity averaged 975 points against 948 for the non-fraternity students.

The attainments of the fraternity men, who have passed the others for the first time, is credited to the co-operation between the members and the faculty, who have worked to improve the average of scholarship.

The comparative table from which the ratings were compiled follows:

Alpha Sigma Phi, 1.35; Acacia, 1.29; Sigma Phi Epsilon, 1.23; Beta Theta Pi, 1.206; Phi Kappa Sigma, 1.168; Delta Upsilon, 1.134; Alpha Delta Phi, 1.13; Delta Chi, 1.037; Kappa Sigma, 1.03; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 1.008; Zeta Psi, .954; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, .948; Phi Delta Theta, .932; Delta Tau Delta, 9.29; Phi Kappa Psi, .9079; Alpha Tau Omega, .885; Chi Psi, .884; Phi Gamma Delta, .831; Sigma Chi, .818; Theta Delta Chi, .814; Sigma Nu, .733; Phi Sigma Kappa, .725; Psi Upsilon, .618.—*Portland Oregonian*, November 12, 1916.

RAYMOND E. OVERMIRE, '18.



The New House at 1103 4th Street, S. E.

THE HOUSE

DURING the spring of 1915, while still known as the Omar Club, the organization leased a large house, built for fraternity purposes, at 704 15th Avenue, Southeast. While this served the fraternity well for that year, the admission into Alpha Sigma Phi and the rapidly growing membership necessitated a larger house in a better location. The old one, although a good building, was located some distance from the campus and several blocks away from the fraternity district. The membership had been brought up to 17 and, with several good men in view for the fall rushing season, all agreed that the old house had been outgrown, and a committee was appointed to look into the matter of securing a new one. This committee, consisting of Brothers Fallgatter, Carlson and Butler, got busy at once. Several buildings suitable for fraternity purposes were considered, and finally the committee reported favorably on the present one at 1103 4th Street, Southeast, formerly occupied by Sigma Chi, the building of their own house causing its vacation at that time.

No Sig need be ashamed of our new home, located in the heart of the fraternity district. Among our neighbors are Kappa Sigma, Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Xi Delta and Kappa Kappa Gamma. The structure is a white, three-story building, conspicuously situated on the corner of 4th Street and 11th Avenue. On the first floor we have a comfortable living room; adjoining it is a card room and across the hall is the large dining room. The kitchen, in the rear, is quite spacious, while the cellar contains a small room that is ideal for use in Scene Two. The second floor is devoted to study rooms, two or three fellows sharing each room. At the top of the house are two dormitories, as well as the apartments for the housekeeper and the maid.

The house is completely equipped with fumed oak furniture, which cost us over a thousand dollars. Our piano we had made to order, so as to have it match the rest of the furniture. All the men are enthusiastic about the new home and are optimistic about the future of the fraternity.

OUR ALUMNI

ALTHOUGH Rho Chapter is still the most recent of those who form the Mystic Circle, she is proud to count as her alumni the following brothers: Thorgny C. Carlson, '15; Harry D. Harper, '15, M. A. '16; Howard T. Lambert, '13, Law and M. A. '16; John F. Murphy, C. E. '06; Sydney A. Patchin, '14, M. A. '15; Percival W. Viesselman, '12, M. A. '13, Law '15; and Denzil R. Young, Law '16.

The prominence of these men during their undergraduate and graduate lives at Minnesota is attested by the following facts: Brothers Carlson and Lambert represented their respective colleges, Academic and Law, on the Board of Athletic Control. Brother Lambert won his "M" in track for three successive years, and his record for the broad jump is still unbroken at Minnesota. He also won his "M" in baseball, serving as pitcher for the 'Varsity team in 1913. Brothers Carlson and Lambert were very prominent in military affairs as well, the former serving as Cadet Major and the latter as Cadet Colonel. Both are members of Scabbard and Blade, the honorary military fraternity.

In literary societies our men also led. Brothers Carlson, Lambert and Viesselman were members of the Shakopean Society, holding various offices in that society.

As to the excellence of our alumni in scholarship, the records will serve to indicate the quality of their work. Brothers Carlson and Viesselman were elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Brothers Carlson, Patchin and Viesselman received their Bachelor of Arts degrees with distinction in history, economics and political science, respectively. After receiving their Bachelor's degrees, Brothers Harper, Lambert, Patchin and Viesselman took up research work along their various lines, each receiving a Master of Arts degree from Minnesota. While pursuing graduate work each of these men served as Scholar or Assistant in his department as follows: Harper and Patchin in Economics (1915-6 and 1914-16, respectively), Lambert and Viesselman in Political Science (1913-5 and 1912-3, 1915-6, respectively). Brother Viesselman won the Harris Political Science Prize in 1912.

As for the present occupations of our alumni, college teaching or college administrative work predominates. Brother Harper now holds the position of Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Kansas. Brother Murphy is Instructor in Mining at the University of Minnesota. Brother Carlson is Registrar of the University of Kansas, while Brother Viesselman is Assistant Instructor in Political Science at the University of Minnesota.

Brother Lambert is engaged in selling real estate, with headquarters at Anamoose, N. D. Brother Young was practicing law at Baker, Montana, when the call came for the Minnesota National Guard to proceed to Texas. He is at present located at Llano Grande, Texas, as a sergeant in the First Minnesota Field Artillery.

MEMBERS NOT IN COLLEGE, 1916-7.

Two of our active members did not return to college this fall. Brother Lawrence, ex-Eng. '18, received an appointment to West Point Military Academy, and will enter that institution in 1917. He is at present working in the offices of the Soo Railway in Minneapolis. During the two years that he spent at Minnesota, Brother Lawrence was a member of the Crack Squad, Rifle Club, staff of the *Minnesota Daily* and was a Lieutenant in the Cadet Corps.

Brother Pickle, ex-Ag. '18, answered the call to the colors last June, and is now a Lieutenant in the Second Minnesota Infantry, stationed at Llano Grande, Texas. He expects to return to college upon his return from the border. He was a Cadet Lieutenant last year and had received his promotion to the rank of Captain for the present college year.

PERCIVAL W. VIESSELMAN, '12, '13, '15.

INTER-FRATERNITY CONFERENCE

THE eighth session of the Inter-Fraternity Conference was called to order at the Union League Club, Saturday morning, December 2nd, by Chairman Henry H. McCorkle. Roll call of members disclosed thirty-seven Fraternities represented. Reports were made by the committee on college organizations antagonistic to fraternity ideals; by the committee on public

opinion; on standard form of scholarship; conference dinners in large cities; time of holding fraternity conventions; on what proportion of college fraternity men failed to graduate and the reasons therefor; on food values for steward's department; on high school fraternities in their relation to college fraternities; on obligations of under-graduate fraternity men toward their under-graduate fellows. These will be contained in the official minutes which will be supplied to our chapters in the course of time.

The discussion of college organizations antagonistic to fraternity ideals brought out a continued opposition to Theta Nu Epsilon, Quo Vadis and similar organizations. The committee on public opinion recommended the creation of new chapters and the encouragement of local societies to apply for national charters and that fraternities should so conduct themselves that their members will consider the general interests of the college first and those of the fraternity second. That the Greeks should discourage incivility toward non-fraternity members and that scholarship, good manners and morals should be at all times encouraged by Greek letter fraternities. Incidentally, this report precipitated a general discussion on rushing rules, due principally to the lifting of pledges on the part of one of the fraternities represented, wherein the victim in this instance was Alpha Sigma Phi in a large western university, and brought forth a general resolution condemning the practice in unmeasured terms by the Conference in general and the appointment of a special committee to study the question and make a report to the Conference one year hence in addition thereto. The names of fraternities generally were not mentioned in the resolution nor in the discussion that followed its introduction. The facts are as stated above.

Another very interesting paper, and one of real constructive value, was made by Dr. Nelson W. Janney. In this report, the discussion of food value, its relation to cost, the business organization of the steward's department and co-operative fraternity management were recommended and came up for discussion. Suggested menus and price of food values formed quite an important part of the report. We regret that space will not permit us to reproduce it entirely.

The relations of high school fraternities seemed to bring forth an almost unanimous condemnation of the institutions on the part of the committee in charge but there was so much said in favor of hearing the other side of the question that the matter was re-committed for another year with instructions to hear both sides of the controversy. This every man felt to be in the interest of fair play regardless of what the final and ultimate decision may be.

Taken as a whole this was one of the most successful Inter-Fraternity Conferences ever held. The amount of work accomplished was almost marvelous, due to the efficient system introduced by last year's officers and executive committee.

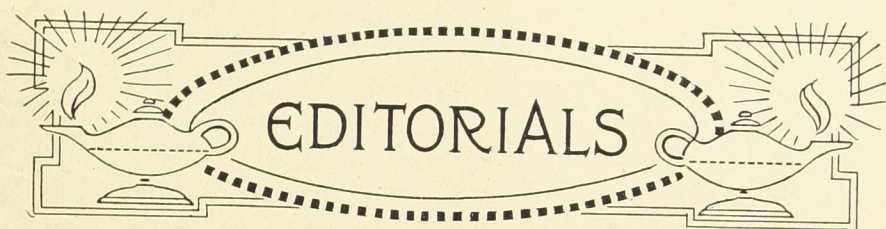
A new feature of the Inter-Fraternity Conference was the dinner at the Hotel Astor, at which about five hundred fraternity men were present. Practically every fraternity in the Conference had members in this audience. One of the most interesting addresses of the evening was made by Hon. John De Witt Warner, wherein he traced the origin of the American Fraternity system back to its source in early Greek life during the classical days of Athens and its continued living and breathing spirit throughout the medieval days through the Universities of Bologna, Padua, Upsala, Paris, Constantinople, Oxford and Cambridge, and thence to America. The underlying principle of his theme was that all of these institutions were originated and controlled by the students themselves.

The election of officers resulted in the election of Orion H. Cheney of Phi Gamma Delta, Chairman; Carl R. Ganter of Alpha Delta Phi, Secretary; James Duane Livingston, of Delta Phi, Treasurer; and members of the Executive Committee, class of 1916-1918: Dr. Jeremiah S. Ferguson, Kappa Sigma; Carlton J. H. Hayes, Alpha Chi Rho; and Henry H. McCorkle, Phi Kappa Psi.

Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity was represented in this Conference by Dr. Henry Edgerton Chapin (Γ) and Wayne M. Musgrave (A B); and at the banquet by Cyril J. Curran (Δ).

Frederick Boley Schell, Jr. (A) and Edmund Baldwin Hill (Γ) in addition.

One feature of past Conferences very much missed by those in attendance and the absence of which caused widespread comments of regret, was the omission of the "Editorial Dinner".



STANDING OF CHAPTERS

As far as reported the relative scholastic ranks of our chapters among the fraternities at their respective institutions are as follows:

Rho Chapter, University of Minnesota, first.
Kappa Chapter, University of Wisconsin, second.
Mu Chapter, University of Washington, third.
Xi Chapter, University of Nebraska, fourteenth.
Gamma Chapter, Massachusetts Agricultural College, last.

In the September *Banta's Greek Exchange* a suggestion is made that Theta Nu Epsilon should turn its back upon the past, and attain a place of honor in the fraternity world thereby in changing its character from that of a sophomore society to that of a general fraternity.

THETA NU EPSILON

We have generally acquiesced in the views of Brother Banta in the matter of fraternity sentiment and considered him a leader of constructive policies throughout, but we cannot indorse these sentiments. Theta Nu Epsilon is incapable of becoming an institution for good in the Greek world regardless of what its policies may become. It prided itself a few years since in claiming 63,000 members, of which more than 65% were members of other general fraternities, and rather bombastically proclaimed itself as "a melting pot for the fraternity world". For more than a generation it has been guided by the lowest ethical and moral standards in college life. Its votaries have indulged in excesses of every form from desecrating the resting places of the dead to debauching the morals of young girls and depraving the habits of young men. Gambling, cursing, predatory political activities, and imbibing the spirit of John Barleycorn have been its long suits. As well attempt to rob hell of its reputation as purge

Theta Nu Epsilon. It has been booted out of more colleges than any other institution that has invaded their precincts and has brought more trouble to the doors of other fraternities than all other causes combined. It has stood for poor scholarship and gloried in it, and while claiming to be a Greek letter institution has steadfastly violated every principle of fraternal life they represented save that of good fellowship. It has had a few misguided lights who were either ambitious to make it shine as something that it was not, or were victims of its infamous system of false representation. The fraternity world has banished it forever from its midst and placed it with Satan outside the pale of its pardon. Let no respectable publication like that of *Banta's Greek Exchange* re-open the door of hope to those who have forfeited so richly a place of honor among men.

No fraternity man should ever overlook the fact that thousands of its members have never reformed either themselves or their ways of outward or inward expression. These lurking dangers would exist ever present as influences within any fraternity that was compelled to recognize them as alumni members. Besides we would not for a generation get away from dual membership and dual claims upon its members and those who belonged to other general fraternities. Theta Nu Epsilon is dead and buried. Let it with its misdeeds remain a bad memory unworthy of resurrection either in this world or the next, and particularly so in this.

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Alpha Sigma Phi is the tenth oldest college fraternity in the country; there are, therefore, thirty-three general fraternities younger than our own. We are justly proud of the galaxy of notables who were active Sigs at Yale in the forties and fifties, and it is especially gratifying that all of the survivors of those days have shown an active interest in the Fraternity as it is to-day.

**ULTRACON-
SERVATISM**

But this is not all that enters into the building up of a strong fraternity. Numerous chapters and a large membership are other essentials. The question at once arises, Has there not been too much conservatism in the consideration of petitions? Con-

servatism is to be commended, but ultraconservatism is not. If strong influences are at work in opposition to every petition that is presented, the outlook for expansion is far from encouraging. When sound reasons (based upon unquestionable evidence) exist for opposition, such as a low standard of the college or university represented, or a valid objection to the petitioners themselves, let the petition be rejected. But such has not always been the case in the rejection of petitions for admission into our Fraternity. In several cases, unquestionably, the institutions represented by the petitioners rank high academically, and they are so rated by the Carnegie Foundation. In two or three notable instances, systematic campaigning has been conducted in opposition to petitions that have been before our chapters for consideration, and there is reason to believe that the underlying reasons would not bear investigation.

The latest statistics available show that the general college fraternities range in membership from 348 to 20,950. Of these, thirteen report over ten thousand members each; twenty report five thousand members or over, twenty-eight over two thousand members, and Alpha Sigma Phi ranks thirtieth in total membership. The number of active chapters ranges from eighty-two to seven, and Alpha Sigma Phi, with its seventeen active chapters, ranks twenty-ninth. These may not be pleasant facts for many of our members to read; but they should be faced squarely. Are we doing what we should to further the interests of the fraternity at large? Have we not been entirely too complacent?

Let us work together for expansion, ever maintaining our high standards for admission into Alpha Sigma Phi.

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Some of us have had an opportunity to watch the later phases in the evolution of athletics in American colleges and universities, and it has been an intensely interesting study. We have observed the wonderful strides made by football and the usual sports of the "field day", and we have wondered thereat. Our better colleges and universities have raised their entrance requirements; but it is a

THE ATHLETE
AND
THE COLLEGE

well-known fact that the young athlete in the preparatory school is eagerly sought after. Indeed, a veritable scramble develops in some cases when institutions are bent upon securing his valuable services. Liberal concessions as to tuition, board, etc., are freely made, and our hero enters upon his "studies". Then, behold the rivalry among the various fraternities represented in that particular institution, in their efforts to get this young champion pledged at the earliest possible date! Then, too, there are lesser lights in the athletic world that are "rushed" with all the vigor that remains after the strenuous efforts of the chapters to "land" athlete No. 1. And so it goes, until one or two of the frats have secured the lion's share of this kind of material. And what are the after effects? We do not have to go outside our own fraternity to see the disastrous results of excelling in athletics at the expense of scholarship; while, at the same time, our baby chapter leads all the other fraternities of the great University of Minnesota in the scholarship competition.

We do not wish to be understood as opposed, in any sense of the word, to college athletics; neither do we decry athletic attainments being taken into consideration in seeking new material for our chapters. But we do emphatically protest against making this the desideratum. Good scholarship is a far more important consideration, and Alpha Sigma Phi has always insisted that its chapters should be guided by this principle in their selection of members.

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For the past few weeks life has been strenuous and more or less unsettled in college fraternities. It could hardly be otherwise, THE RUSHING
SEASON because of the competition among the different fraternities, always keen, often exciting and sometimes bitter, to which must be added uncertainty as to the new recruits. It is to be hoped that our chapters, wherever located, have kept in mind the high ideals of our Fraternity in the pledging of new men. Large numbers of pledges are a very secondary consideration in comparison with an insistence upon character and ability, even though we may suffer numerically in comparison with other chapters. We need strong, capable men;

and the more we have of such men the better. But let no chapter lament its fate if it has gathered in only a few members, provided they are all of the right material. We have in mind, in this connection, one great university, where many fraternities are represented, in which Alpha Sigma Phi has been ranked among the first three fraternities of that institution by the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts; and it goes without saying that this is because of the good work done by the Sigs of that university, size and material prosperity not being considered. Such a record should serve as an inspiration for all.

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We are just passing through the most critical part of the academic year for our chapters. The "rushing season" is responsible for the expenditure of much energy; add to this the field sports and various other activities of these first few weeks, and the average man is liable to find the burden greater than he can sustain. It is important that every Sig should stop occasionally and consider the situation that confronts him. If the pressure is too great, shut off a little steam; if you are approaching the danger line, stop short where you are. The neglect of study now may be followed by disastrous consequences at the end of the semester or college year.

Although the pressure of outside attractions is probably greatest at this time, it is poor policy to borrow on the future; it is entirely too hazardous. The time to master one's work in the different subjects is when going over it the first time; not during the hasty review immediately preceding examinations. Alpha Sigma Phi has set a high standard for all, and each member owes it not only to himself but to his chapter that his scholarship is kept up to that grade. He must not drop behind. Eternal vigilance is the price of an honorable standing in our Fraternity.



ALPHA CHAPTER, YALE UNIVERSITY, NEW HAVEN, CONN.

Founded 1845

Tomb, 100 Prospect St., New Haven, Connecticut
Fraternity House, "The Celven Club", 70 Trumbull St.

P. O. Address, 1845 Yale Station, New Haven, Conn.

Meetings, Every Thursday at 9.00 P. M.

Alpha chapter begins the year with twenty-nine active members and everything points to a prosperous year.

The officers chosen for the Fall term at the election last June are: H. S. P., Norman B. Pilling; H. J. P., Gerard C. Besse; H. S., Cornelius F. Kruse; H. E., Cleaveland J. Rice; H. C. S., W. Henry T. Holden (resigned, Frederic B. Schnell elected to fill the vacancy); H. M., Allen B. Engle; H. C., Sidney B. Miner.

We were compelled to find new quarters for the Celven Club this year, as the Sheffield Scientific School wished to use the former house, which we leased from them, as a part of their new Freshman dormitory system. After consideration of several possible locations the Club decided on 70 Trumbull St., a large three-story brick building, formerly occupied by the Yale chapter of Phi Gamma Delta. The house was redecorated and wired for electricity in the course of the summer, and was thrown open for occupation on September first, when several of the brethren who were in town at once moved in.

So far there has been little of general interest to the fraternity, the early part of the Fall term being rather void of fraternity activities, owing to the fact that no rushing of Freshmen takes place here till the second term.

The Celven Club has held one informal dance, and by the time this article appears in print, the greatest social event of the Fall term, the Harvard game dance and house party will have taken place. Writing this, as I do, in the early part of the week

before, I must use the future tense, but perhaps the blue pencil will operate to put it in the past. There will be a special meeting of the Chapter on Friday, November 24th at the Alpha at 7:30 to 9:30 P. M., when the annual Sig bust or reunion will be held, for returning alumni and visiting brethren. The dance will begin at ten and last till three, and our guests and their chaperons will occupy the Club, while the members of the Club will sleep on bunks provided for the occasion in the Tomb, or else in the rooms of such brothers as room outside the Club. After the game, on the 25th, there will be a tea and dance at the Club. We hope that the visiting brothers from Beta and the alumni will attend as many of these affairs as possible.

It may be that some of the brothers in the other chapters are somewhat in doubt as to the nature of the Celven Club, and so I will venture to take the space to briefly explain the nature of this organization. The Celven Club is a club, whose membership is drawn from the active members and alumni of Alpha chapter. It is entirely separate in organization from the fraternity. It is also entirely separate from the chapter financially. It is pronounced as tho spelt Kelven.

WILLIAM HENRY TOWNE HOLDEN.

BETA CHAPTER, HARVARD UNIVERSITY, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Chartered1850
House, 44 Church St.
Meetings, Every Tuesday at 8:00 P. M.

The year being fairly well started, and having weathered the Hour Examinations with varied success, Beta now pauses a moment to scan the pages of the recent past, and even peep a bit into the scrolls of the future.

Nineteen regular members returned this fall. At present the number stands at twenty-eight. Of these seven are Seniors, eighteen are Juniors, one is a Sophomore, and two are in the Graduate Schools. Owing to the Club Agreement here at Harvard, no man can be elected, pledged, or even approached until the last of October of his Sophomore year. Consequently, we take in most of our Sophomores during the late fall and winter.

Beta is ranking unusually high in scholastic honors this year. Brothers Spaulding and Tucker were recently elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Brother Tucker was one of the "Junior Eight", that is, one of the first eight men taken in from his class. Several more hold scholarships of one sort or another, and a number of others have made First and Second Group.

Brother May has been elected to the Board of Editors of the *University Register*. Brother Fessenden is a Lieutenant in the recently established Federal Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

A number of Alumni are around the house this year. Brothers R. K. Fessenden, Harvey B. Hoffman, and Otto R. Frasch are now in the Harvard Law School. Brother Bill Mason is in the Medical School, and Brother Bob Holden is beginning his second year in the Law School. Brother Harold Brodeur, '16, is in the dry-goods business in Boston and manages to see us about once a week; Brother Frank Welsh, '14, who graduated from the Business School last year, is working in insurance around this territory and takes his meals with us whenever in Cambridge. Brother Buck Wilson is in Cambridge this year and comes around frequently. Brother Leo Foley is an occasional visitor.

We have initiated this year the following men:

William Joseph Adams, '18, of Wheelock, N. Dak.; Richard Fyfe Boyce, '18, of Lansing, Mich.; Martin S. Swanson, '18, of Ralston, Pa.; Rexford Sample Tucker, '18, of Arlington, Mass.; Clinton Palmer Wallace, '18, of Manchester, N. H., and have elected, but not yet initiated, Harmon Albert Curtis, '18, of Dorchester, Mass., and Philip Flagler LeFevre, '18, of New York, N. Y.

It seems to all of us here in the Chapter, that a distinctly new era is beginning in the history of Alpha Sigma Phi at Harvard. The most dominant, tho not the only factor in this is our change of location. For a long time we had been thinking and talking of a new house, but now it is actually realized. Those of you who remember the old place on Winthrop Street can appreciate what this move means to us. Not only was it inconveniently out of the way, but the immediate surroundings were decidedly not all that they might have been. The new house at

44 Church Street is big, attractive, and comfortable, with a large living room, and an artistic dining-room big enough to accommodate at least twenty-five places. Upstairs is the pool-room, a room for the initiation paraphernalia, and a small front bed-room. The table this year is excellent and extremely popular; there are about twenty "star boarders" and a dozen or more others who drop in from time to time. In spite of the very moderate rates, the table is eminently successful financially. In connection with the dining service we have tea-dances after the important football games, and, of course, our regular monthly smokers.

The football season draws to a close. One thought is uppermost thruout the length and breadth of Cambridge: "Delenda est Carthago!"*

CHARLES TREGO PRINDEVILLE.

* Good Latin, but poor prophecy. Yale wiped the ground with them.—*Ed.*

GAMMA CHAPTER, MASSACHUSETTS AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE,
AMHERST, MASSACHUSETTS

Chartered at Amherst College, Amherst, Mass....1856-1862
Massachusetts Agricultural College, February 14, 1913
House, 85, Pleasant St., Amherst, Massachusetts
Meetings, Every Monday at 7.00 p. m.

A new division of the year in which three terms have been substituted for the two semester method finds us within a month of first term finals.

The rushing season occupied first place in our attention. This rushing season has been a success not only in men pledged, but also in bringing out an especially fine unity and spirit of co-operation among the brothers. The season ended Oct. 23, and the following men were pledged: George W. Apsey, of Winchester; Frank S. Davenport, of Dorchester; Holland E. Gas-kill, of Hopedale; Carlisle F. Graves, of Stamford, Conn.; Andrew B. Magnum, of Holyoke; William H. Peckham, of Newport, R. I.; Howard J. Shaunessy, of Easthampton; and Walter M. Sullivan, of Lawrence—all of whom are 1920 men; and Frank Leary, 1919.

We wish to announce the initiation of William A. Foley, '18, of Munson and James E. Dwyer, '20, of Sunderland.

Our athletic status this year is especially good. At the close of the baseball season last year Brothers Em Grayson, '17, Jim Day, '17, and Chambers, '18, were awarded varsity letters. Brother J. H. Day, '17, was elected captain of varsity baseball for the coming season.

A new system of football coaching is in force this year—a three-man system. Brother Perry, '16, is the coach in charge of the linemen. We are carrying a hard schedule with practically a green team and playing Dartmouth, Harvard, Tufts, Springfield, and Cornell. In this branch of sport we are represented by Brothers Em Grayson, '17, captain; Jim Day, '17, now rounding out his third year as a varsity end; Forrest Grayson, '18, Moynihan, '18, Sullivan, '18, and Maginnis, '18.

The informals are again in full swing and each one finds a good contingent of Sigs. Brother Hill, '17, has again been elected to the informal committee. Brothers Thompson, '18, and Maginnis, '18, have been elected to the Junior Prom committee.

The musical clubs have been picked and we are represented by Brothers Sutherland, '19, Popp, '18, Chambers, '18, Sullivan, '18, and Maginnis, '18. The mandolin club claims Thompson, '18, Wilcox, '17, and Hill, '17, among its members.

The matter of a new chapter house has been making rapid headway during the fall. Plans have been received from Brother Murrin, '18; bonds have been issued by the trustees; and the new site is ready, it having been chosen some time ago. The location of the house is undoubtedly the finest on the campus, being directly opposite the newly projected library. We plan to have the largest and best house on the campus.

Owing to a vacancy in the college Senate (the student governing body), a new member was elected and Brother Jim Day, '17, received that honor.

The new year has failed to bring back Brother Murrin, '18, who has transferred to Harvard and is now affiliated with Beta chapter. Brother Howe, '18, has been forced to remain out because of injuries received during the summer. However, Brothers Baxter, '18, and Sutherland, '18, have returned to college with 1919.

During the past two months we have had the pleasure of visits from Brothers Draper, '15, Hall, '15, Carver, '13, Mooney, '16, and Bishop, '16.

Brother Andrews (O) made a short visit at the house recently.

Brother Farwell (A) made a lightning stop in Amherst early in November.

JOHN JOSEPH MAGINNIS.

DELTA CHAPTER, MARIETTA COLLEGE, MARIETTA, OHIO

Installed June 15, 1860
House, 205 Fourth St., Marietta, Ohio
Meetings, Every Tuesday at 8:30 P. M.

On September 19th, 21 men returned to Marietta to further the interests of Delta Chapter. This year there are 10 Seniors to guide Delta's star. Brother D. M. Auch, '18, is attending Ohio State this year, where he expects to find a course more suited to his needs. Brother George Williams is also attending State in order to get Medicine. Both have affiliated with Zeta and are rooming at the house. Brother A. C. McIntyre, '18, is Inspector of Paving at Toledo.

During the summer Brothers Lankford and McConnell, assisted by Brother Tasker Bosworth, '69, put the house in shape for the fall season. It was treated to a new coat of paint on the outside and many of the rooms have been refitted and finished, and the house was rewired. We have eleven men living in the house but could accommodate a few more.

One week after school started we held an informal smoker for the Freshmen. We succeeded in getting some of the best men in the present Freshman class. During the evening cigars, fruit and cider were served. Out of the class of 1920 we announce the pledging of Bennett Moore, Hillsboro, O.; Chester Bell, McConnellsville, O.; Fred Fest, Walter Stitt, Martins Ferry, O.; Worth Myer, Canal Fulton, O.; Arthur Muhlbaugh, Byesville, O.; and Thurmill Moore, Parkersburg, W. Va.

Delta Chapter is well represented in the student world this year. In football we have Brothers Aumend as captain, and

Artman, Skinner, Meister, and Preps Fest and Myer on the varsity. Several others are on the squad. In the Student Body Organization, Brother Meister is president. Brother Garrison is president of the Senior Class. Brother Keever is vice-president of the Junior Class, and Prep. Bell is president of the Freshman Class. Brother Freshour is president of the Y. M. C. A. Brothers Unger and Preston are assistants in chemistry. Brother Lloyd Byer is on the *Olio* staff.

November 3rd, Delta entertained with a semi-formal reception at the house. The house was decorated with bitter-sweet, palms and ferns, and huge bunches of chrysanthemums were placed in the dining room. During the evening a three course luncheon was served. We are indebted to Mesdames Merydith, Higgins and Hunter for the successful management of the dinner. Over a hundred guests called during the evening.

During the fall we have had several visits from alumni and members of other chapters. Brothers Blaine Darrah and John Curtis, of Lambda Chapter, helped us during rushing season while the "lid was off", and their unerring judgment served us well. Brother Dechman of Illinois has made the house his headquarters during a business visit to Marietta, and has told us many tales of our "western brothers". It is interesting as well as instructive to hear of customs and deeds of other chapters.

Perhaps the best thing which has happened to Marietta this year is the forming of a new fraternity, Nu Phi. For three years the fraternity problem here has been pushing more and more to the front. With ever-increasing numbers of students, three fraternities have been unable to cope with the situation. The results were many. For one thing fraternity co-operation was impossible. Then too, the non-fraternity men were becoming a menace to fraternities in general, and felt rather hurt at being left out.

Just now the Freshmen are busy with their 'exams. There are some innovations which Delta has made this year in regard to Freshmen. We now have a Freshman on duty every night from six-thirty to eight-thirty. It is his duty to answer bells and be a general bureau of information. This also insures his spending at least one night a week in. Then too we have one

Senior in charge of the Freshmen. They are directly responsible to him, and he to the fraternity. This eliminates little crises in dealing with Freshmen.

With best wishes to all her sister chapters for the best year they each have ever known, Delta wishes to remind all that the house is always open and visitors always welcome.

J. SHERMER GARRISON, JR.

H. C. S.

EPSILON CHAPTER, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, DELAWARE,
OHIO

Installed June 6, 1863
House, 110 North Franklin St., Delaware, Ohio
Meetings, Every Monday at 6:45 P. M.

The school year 1915-1916 closed at Ohio Wesleyan University with Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi more firmly established as a part of the University than ever before.

In the spring elections we took our share with the rest in the election of Brother John P. West, as Manager of Tennis, and Brother Charles F. West, as Secretary-Treasurer of the student body and Secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

The election of officers of the chapter resulted in the election of Brother Paul E. Smith, H. S. P.; Clay Dietrich, H. J. P.; Frank Welshon, H. S.; Pearl C. Davis, H. M.; W. Walden Sargeant, H. C. S.; Herbert G. Blakeslee, H. E., and Ernest M. Cole, H. C.

A fitting climax to the year was the chapter banquet at Hotel Allen in honor of the alumni returning for commencement and in honor of Brother Charles W. Schleich, '17, of Williamsport, Ohio, whom we had just initiated. Brother Glenn R. Phillips, on vacation from Drew Theological Seminary, acted as Toastmaster, and responses were made by Brothers H. E. Chenoweth, Edward Cleary, Avery G. Clinger, Ernest B. Cole, Ray Donnan, Glenn Hoffman, Charles Ketcham, W. I. Lacy, Glenn Oliver, Arthur Townshend and Henry Yoder. Among the graduated alumni at the banquet six out of the eleven were members of Phi Beta Kappa, and Brother Roscoe D. Leas, of the graduating

class, had that day been elected to that fraternity. Due to more stringent house rules and the determination of the members to become leaders among the fraternity men in scholarship, the scholarship standing of the entire chapter was materially raised during the second semester.

A change in the administration of the University became necessary when President Welch was elected Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church at the Saratoga Springs convention in May. His successor, the Rev. George W. Hoffman, D. D., of Duluth, Minn., a graduate of Washington and Jefferson, was selected as the new President on August 5. The new administration has encouraged a larger share for athletics in the activities of the school. It has inaugurated a home-coming day for alumni of the University by a football game with some school of the State Conference. The first of this series on November 11, brought back Brothers Carl G. Long, Roscoe D. Leas, Charles A. Fritz, Lawrence Morrison, J. Henry Curdes and Ray F. Donnan.

The football season closed November 18, when Ohio Wesleyan tied with Denison, 7-7. We won over Case, 16-7, and over Ohio Northern, 7-3. Games lost were to Ohio State, 12-0; Otterbein, 8-0, and Miami, 9-0, while another tie game of 0-0 was played with Ohio University. This is the first time in the history of the University that Case has been defeated in football by our team.

Due to the National Guards being called to the border Brother Davis did not return this fall, and Brother Harry W. Brokaw has been elected H. M. Brother Davis is a Corporal in the Fourth Ohio Infantry, while Brother Ralph H. Clinger is Battalion Sergeant Major, Fourth Ohio Infantry, Brother Avery G. Clinger, '14, is Chaplain Fourth Ohio Infantry, and Pledge Guy A. Hummon is Corporal in Second Ohio Infantry. Brother Avery G. Clinger is the youngest sky-pilot in the United States Army. The fighting spirit of these men is great, but their letters to the chapter show that it does not excel the Sig spirit maintained even on the scorching plains of Texas.

The freshman class of the University is not as large this year, nevertheless we believe we have the best aggregation of pledges that Epsilon has ever had, and we are sure they are not

surpassed by any other fraternity's pledges. They are Lloyd Hartzler and Maurice Longworth, Hicksville, Ohio; Creston Callahan, Gallipolis, Ohio; Terence Thomas, Meadville, Pa.; Albert Horn, Lewisburg, Ohio; Harold Weeter, New Matamoras, Ohio; Daniel Hefflefinger, Crestline, Ohio, and Walter Hargraves, Spearfish, S. Dak. These men are working hard in various activities, and especial credit is due Pledge Hefflefinger who made a place on the glee club and Pledges Hartzler and Longworth who made places on the freshman football team against stiff opposition. The positions of tackles will be hard fought for by the old varsity men when these men become eligible next year. Pledge Thomas will in all probability make the freshman basketball team. Pledge Hummon was called to duty on the border, but we hope to have him with us during the second semester.

On October 20th Avery J. French, '11, was initiated into the Mystic Circle. Since leaving school Brother French has been connected with the United States Army, and recently received an appointment as a commissioned officer in the Philippine Islands. He sailed November 9th.

In the fall elections Brother Wilbur H. Fowler was elected Treasurer of the sophomore class, and Brother W. Walden Sargeant Assistant Editor of *The Bijou*.

Brothers Charles West and Clay Dietrich are members of the varsity debate squad.

Brother Harry Brokaw won the tennis championship of the University in the fall tournament and is assured a place as forward on the varsity basketball team.

Brothers John and Eugene West are playing regularly on the soccer team, and have scored a majority of the points made this year.

Brother Frank Welshon made a place on the glee club.

Brother Ernest M. Cole is one of the best 'cross-country runners of the school.

Brother Herbert G. Blakeslee and Pledges Hefflefinger, Longworth and Hartzler have places in the varsity band.

Brother Paul E. Smith is Business Manager of the *Ohio Wesleyan Transcript* and is a member of the Toastmasters' Club.

The crowning event of the season up to this time was the fall party held Friday night, November 10, when each active and pledge entertained his fairest at the chapter house, which was decorated for the occasion as it had never been before.

PAUL ELDER SMITH.

ZETA CHAPTER, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS, OHIO

Installed May 15, 1908
 House, 1892 North High St., Columbus, Ohio
 Meetings, Every Monday at 6:30 P. M.

The past fall has been Zeta's most successful for many autumn seasons. The brothers returned from vacation this year to find the house adorned with the finest of new curtains, furniture, and rugs. All the brothers who did not graduate, with the exception of three, are in school again this year. Of the exceptions Brothers Leland Biery and Wayne Weinland are working at Gary, Indiana, while Harland Born is attending Ohio University at Athens.

Due to the initiation of eleven men, the affiliation of three, and the return of three graduates, our membership roll is larger than it has been for many years. The following are the initiates of this fall: Russel K. Annis, Lookout Mt., Tenn.; Murton L. Campbell, Wakeman, O.; Julius F. Sutter, Shelby, O.; Wm. L. Brownlee, Toledo, O.; Wm. P. Dumont, Lorain, O.; Warren B. Yontz, Melvin W. Pettit, Harold R. Nicklaus, E. Carson Blair, Burdette J. Landes, Columbus, O.; and Claire A. Bower, Ravenna, O. David Auch and George Williams affiliated from Delta, and Jay Forse from Epsilon. The graduates again in school are Brothers James Schreider, Paul Herbert, and Russel Cunningham, all being registered in the college of law.

Zeta entered into the rushing business with a vim this year, and, in spite of strong competition, pledged some of the most excellent and capable freshmen. Those wearing pledge-pins of Alpha Sigma Phi at Ohio States are: W. R. Ford and William Beeghly of Dayton; Stanley Stalter, Sylvania, O.; Irvin C. Henry, Marysville, O.; Lee Taylor and David Bradley, Painesville, O.; George Cunningham, Fostoria; R. C. Driscoll, Ashtabula; Louis Park, Salem, O.; Ralph Roehm, Ray Davis, and James C. Wallin, of Columbus, O.

Besides the many smokers and dinner parties, characteristic of a rushing season, we have had two dances this fall. One was an initiation dance, held at "Rader's Oak"; the other, our usual Hallowe'en dance, held at the house.

The chief topic of conversation on Ohio State's campus is "football". Victory on the gridiron over Illinois, Wisconsin, and Indiana has aroused an enthusiasm and spirit in the student body, that have never been equalled in the university's history. All are anxiously waiting now for the struggle with Northwestern, which game will, no doubt, decide the western-conference championship. Zeta is especially interested in the team for Brother Arthur Leonard made the varsity squad.

Some brothers are entering this fall into student activities for the first time, while others are adding to their honors of last year. Brother Packer, whose past works on the campus won him election to Sphinx, senior honorary society, is busy this year editing Ohio State's comic magazine, *The Sun Dial*. Brother Anderson is on the glee club quartette, and Brother Nicklaus on the stringed sextette. Another Sig on the glee club is Brother Hart, whose former services in the cadet regiment made possible his promotion this fall to majorship. Brother Sutter was recently admitted to Alpha Kappa Psi, national honorary commercial fraternity. Brother Blue again proved his skill in handling the big bass viol by making the university orchestra. The high grades made last semester by our new initiates presage a high standing for Zeta in the scholarship race this term. Brother Bloser is our representative in Pan-hellenic council.

Zeta's basketballers have already started practicing for games to be played in the inter-fraternity leagues. Having ended the season last year at the head of one of the leagues, we hope to do as well this year. The freshmen pledges have organized a team, and, judging from the form they have already shown, will undoubtedly give the regular Sig team some difficult practice games. Brother Dumont is basketball manager for Zeta, and will represent us in the inter-fraternity athletic councils.

This semester's officers of the chapter are as follows: H. S. P. Brother R. E. Bloser; H. J. P. Brother Leroy Frank; H. S. Brother C. J. Ryan; H. C. S. Brother D. L. Evans; H. E.

Brother D. D. Sims; H. M. Brother Elwood Hart; H. C. Brother John Keller; H. A. Secretary Brother Frank; Steward, Brother J. C. Ryan; Members of House Committee, Brothers Frank, H. Elford, and Ralph Anderson.

Brother Chauncey Henry of Lambda, who is now working in Columbus, has been with us quite a bit this year. We have enjoyed his company, and extend an invitation to all other Sigs who visit Columbus to look in upon us.

DANIEL LUTHER EVANS, Z 1914.

ETA CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, CHAMPAIGN-URBANA,
ILLINOIS

Installed.....October 24, 1908
House, 404 East Daniel St., Champaign, Illinois
Meetings, Every Monday at 7:30 P. M.

An increasingly successful year is anticipated for Eta Chapter with the following officers in power: Harry R. Pendarvis, H. S. P.; Raymond M. Gleason, H. J. P.; George O. Consoer, H. E.; Harold S. Reid, H. M.; Donald V. Chapman, H. S.; Arthur S. Van Deusen, H. C. S.; and John T. Thomas, H. C.

The chapter roll was materially increased in quality, as well as quantity, on the memorable night of May 16, last. The lucky victims were: Foster Mitchell Lalor, '19, Franklin Park; Maurice Holt, Ex. '19, Milwaukee, Wis.; Myron Day Downs, '19, River Forest; Conrad E. Sandvold, '18, Moorhead, Iowa; Howard Robert Ryan, '19, Elgin; and G. Wellington Rider, '19, also of Elgin.

They are all good climbers with regard to the "Pinnacle", fraternally, socially and in university activities. Every one of them is an athlete of some note. Ryan and Sandvold won freshman varsity numerals in baseball last year, while Lalor's grades were the only thing which withheld that privilege from him. Rider and Holt are wearing the double '19 for their endeavors in freshman varsity basketball. "Pudge" Rider is quarterback on the sophomore football team, which is strongly contending for the class championship. Downs is an ambitious sprinter and high-jumper.

The death of our beloved Brother Stiles, still hard to realize, has left a huge gap in every branch of Eta's activities. What a wonderful chapter this would be if we all had his spirit. It means that each one of us must work a little harder, and be a little more solicitous of the interests and love of our brothers, in order to, at least, partially, fill in the vacancy that "Stilly" has left.

Brother "Dave" Griffith deserted us, late last semester, after receiving an appointment to West Point.

We started the semester with 28 actives, but Brother Kroner transferred to Northwestern Dental School, at Chicago.

Our pledging has been super-successful up to the nine-point. The boys wearing the cardinal and stone-gray are: J. Arthur Friedland, '20, Chicago; Frederick B. Kompass, '19, Niles, Mich.; Claude E. Nogle, '20, and Lee Paul Rayburn, '20, both of Champaign; Harold C. Bullard, '20, and Chas E. Bullard, '20, Maywood; Harry W. Werner, '20, Blue Island; Alfred B. Carroll, '19, and Sam H. Wallace, '19, of Oak Park.

Wallace, with his speedy hurdles, was a freshman varsity track-man last year. Bullard played fullback on the freshman team this fall. Nogle, a pianist and drummer; and Carroll and Yeager, both drummers, are playing in the military band. We are sure that all the late arrivals will live up to our high expectations.

The Minnesota game, as a climax, showed the true color of Illinois' football team. And, what's more, Eta is the very proud possessor of three of the "modern heros". The team had the great misfortune of losing Brother Appelgran's services early in the season, when he fractured his leg. Brother Ross Petty's superior tackling does not need to be mentioned here, as one needs only to read the head-lines of any sporting sheet to get the "dope". Otis Petty, the "kid" brother, has played a magnificent game all season. He is only a sophomore—our future hope on the gridiron.

A football banquet was held at the chapter house on November 11, in honor of our three worthy brothers. The entire football team and coaches were the guests. It was a novel affair, and one of lasting benefit to the fraternity. Football men gen-

erally have a stomach for other things than speeches, so the thoughtful committee and the cook planned things in their favor. Coach Zuppke and Captain Macomber made short speeches in behalf of the team. "Zup" said, "This is the first time, I know of, that an Illinois football team has been entertained by a fraternity. It is a fine thing for the team, because it brings them together. I wish to thank this fraternity, in behalf of the team, for this banquet, and I hope that other fraternities of this university will pattern after the example set by you men of Alpha Sigma Phi. I thank *You*".

Brother Van der Burg Chapman won the two-mile event of the annual fall handicap, thereby assuring himself of a position on the varsity cross-country team.

We easily placed a team, composed of Brothers Pendarvis, Wallace, Downs and Lalor, in the finals of the Pan-Hellenic relay race to be held on the 18th of November.

Brother Ward Flock keeps in a good supply of smokes, cider and gasoline. He also shakes hands very enthusiastically with everyone who is likely to cast a vote for the senior class president, next semester. We've hung a rusty horse-shoe on a nail for him.

We expect to lay in a good supply of cigars and cigarettes this Winter with Brother Flock on the senior smoker committee, Brother "Hip" Starkel on the junior bunch, and Brother Thomas representing the sophs.

Brother "Hup" Stangel is planning to get in free to the sophomore cotillion, through services on the committee.

Brother Thomas spends his afternoons working for a baseball managership.

Brother Van Deusen has come into prominence in literary circles through his efforts as staff assistant on both the *Siren* and the *Illinois Magazine*. He is a member of the University Homecoming Committee. "Van's" untiring services on chapter committees, offices and hard work in general is worthy of our commendation.

Brother Chapman has an opportunity to display his artistic and jocund temperament as assistant art editor of the 1918 *Illio*, and as a member of the *Siren* staff.

Brother Yerington has been appointed first alternate for next year's baseball managership, and manager of the junior class baseball team.

We started the social season early by holding our first informal dance on October 13. It was a good opportunity for the brothers to bring out the fancy steps and get in trim for the winter's activities, particularly the sorority affairs. Brother "Dutch" Benner favored us with his presence.

Cupid had a busy time this Summer with four of last year's actives. Brothers Batholow, Owen, "Wes" Polk and "Bob" Polk are living doubly, yet as one.

Homecoming is at hand, with fine prospects of a goodly number of alumni lining up for round-trip tickets to the Twin-towns. The Chicago Game, a freshman-sophomore smoker, and an alumni banquet will be the big features of the week-end.

Brother G. E. McIntyre, '13, was down for the state architects' exams on October 12. He has been instrumental in formulating plans for our future home, which he submitted at the time of his visit.

We welcome Theta Chi and Alpha Chi Rho into the ranks of the nationals at this university.

CLARENCE WILLIAM CLEWORTH.

THETA CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, ANN ARBOR,
MICHIGAN

Installed.....October 24, 1908
House, 1315 Hill St., Ann Arbor, Michigan
Meetings, Every Monday at 6:30 P. M.

"Awake! arise! the hour is late!
Angels are knocking at thy door!"

Theta has found few angels knocking at her door, but, during the past two months, six likely youngsters have been pledged, making seven in all with Harold O. Fullerton, '19E, of Sharon, Pa., who was pledged last spring. The additional men upon whom we have placed buttons are: Frederick B. Snook, '20E, of Detroit, Mich.; Macquorn Secor Nuttall, '20E, Manistee, Mich.;

Lowell B. Genebach, '20, Battle Creek, Mich.; Herbert L. Dunham, '20E, Detroit, Mich.; Lander S. Butterfield, '19, Muskegon, Mich.; and Oscar W. Gilbert, '20, St. Petersburg, Fla. Although the faculty has raised the ban on freshmen living in the different fraternity houses, our pledges are rooming outside because of the fact that 28 brothers returned this year, filling the House to capacity.

Under the leadership of our new officers, the year has been started auspiciously. The following brothers are directing our destinies this semester: H. S. P., Edward F. Walsh, Jr., '17; H. J. P., Walter B. Steele, '17D; H. S., Walter C. Gernt, '17E; H. C. S., Clare M. Jickling, '17; H. E., C. W. Clarke, '19; H. M., Harry L. W. Bowles, '17E, and H. C., Thomas B. Oglethorpe, '17.

Our men, including the freshmen, are engaged in all varieties of campus activities from staging a mock J-hop for the Michigan movies to editing the *Michiganensian*. Brother Sprague played at Cornell when Michigan's come-back eleven made its annual eastern invasion. He played a trombone in the band, while Brother Breidenbach harmonized on a bass horn. Brother Krause helped publish the student directory in record breaking time. At the fall elections, Brother Piggott was chosen baseball manager of the 1918 engineers. Brothers Sullivan, Watson, and Lawton have made the glee club, which will make an extended trip during December and the first of the year. The club leaves the middle of the month for the Pacific coast and will return by way of the south.

Some of our men are becoming prominent in journalistic circles. Brother Walsh is editor-in-chief of the *Michiganensian*, the official year book. He has started work on the 1917 publication and prospects for another successful year are promising. Brother Taylor is one of the old men on the *Michigan Technic* staff and is in line for the managing editor's position next semester. Brother Smith is working on the business side of the *Michigan Daily*, while Brother Jickling is a night editor on the *Daily* and a member of the *Gargoyle* editorial staff.

Brother Steele has been serving on the Student Council. Brother Beardsley made his numerals on the "all-fresh track

team" last spring, and is a probable "varsity" man in the high hurdles this year. Brother Bowles earned his numerals on the 1917E baseball team. Brother Doty, vice-president of the student Y. M. C. A., and Brother Moore are particularly active in association work. Brother Sullivan has been appointed an assistant in chemistry. Pledge Genebach was awarded "all-fresh football" numerals. Several other pledges have entered different fields.

Thus, have we started the new year. We made a mediocre showing on the scholarship chart last year, and we are out to equal the fine record made by Rho Chapter. The chances for Phi Beta Kappa men are nil, but we have hopes of finishing somewhere near the top.

The campus and critics at large believe that coach Yost has developed one of the best Michigan teams he has had in years. Brothers from Delta, Iota, and Omicron Chapters will no doubt agree with this opinion. Several of the boys from Delta were with us the night of the Marietta game, and we expect some of the Omicron brothers to visit us at the time of the Pennsylvania game.

On the inspiration of Brother Oglethorpe, an impromptu informal was held the night of the Syracuse game, October 28. Although it was a last minute affair, practically the entire Chapter turned out. "A delightful time was enjoyed by all those present." Our annual fall house party will be held the week-end of the Pensy game. Many of the boys plan to attend, and a large representation of the alumni is also expected.

It was moved at one of the recent chapter meetings to incorporate in the TOMAHAWK letter a statement to the effect that each chapter ought to reply in some way or other to the recommendations of new men. The immediate cause of the motion was that various members of Theta have advised other chapters along these lines, and as yet we have heard from few of them. Theta has endeavored to acknowledge those recommendations made to us and to state the manner in which the man was received. Theta takes this means of thanking the brothers who have so greatly aided us in our rushing. We attribute much of our success to this interest shown by other chapters.

Theta is considering the adoption of new house rules to apply to our senior engineers. The embryonic force-and-material scientists have revived an ancient Michigan custom of wearing corduroy trousers as a distinguishing class insignia. The trousers are a superfluity as far as a mark of distinction is concerned.

CLARE MASON JICKLING.

Won't somebody loan them a barrel?—*Ed.*

IOTA CHAPTER, CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NEW YORK

Installed.....March 27, 1909
House, Rockledge, Ithaca, New York
Meetings, Every Monday at 6:45 P. M.

Goldsmith must have received his inspiration for the "Deserted Village" from Ithaca in the summer time. At least Brother Lowe found it so when he came up in the first week in September to work on his competition for manager of the "*Sun*". Two weeks later brothers Reese and Sturdevant came up to take examinations and to relieve his loneliness. On the 25th brothers Thomas, Modjeski, and Westing came up for the preliminary work in football. Brother Thomas has remained on the squad for the season.

Cornell opened late, as did so many other colleges. October 11th saw twenty-two of the brethren back. We all welcomed Brother Page after his absence of a year. He has been getting some practical farm work in Florida. We considered twenty-two a very good number with which to start the year, and expect to take in about a dozen more men this year.

The term work started very quickly, as the university is doing everything possible to make up lost time. Hardly were we settled when rushing came on. All the fraternities have returned to old system of first term rushing, and the competition is very keen. As a whole the freshman class this year is considered somewhat below the average and nearly all the fraternities rushed a large number of men. A rushing committee consisting of brothers Zeltner, Patton, and Lent has done good work. Rushing has been systematic; no details have been neglected.

As a result we have pledged Messrs. William Douglas, Jr., Washington, D. C.; Ralph Owens, Ithaca, N. Y.; Raymond Velsey, Grantwood, N. J.; Alfred Whitehill, Brooklyn, N. Y.; William Woolwend, Akron, O.; William Walker, Byron, N. Y. Wilbur Grant who was pledged last year will join at the next initiation when several others who are now under consideration will be initiated.

A very successful pre-initiation dance was held on Friday, November 17. This dance was formal and was well attended by brothers, pledges, and members of other fraternities.

Iota has had a number of visits from "Sigs." of other chapters, among them half of the M. A. C. football team. We deplore the inability of those of us who attended the Harvard game to visit Beta, but Cornell did not spend very much time in Boston this year. A large number of Iota "Sigs." expect to attend the Penn. game and hope to visit Omicron at that time.

Iota feels keenly the lack of alumni interest in the active chapter. But we also justly feel that the fault is as much with us as with the grads. Certainly the inauguration of a campaign to establish interest of the alumni in us should come from us. Under these lines we are now working on a plan to arouse alumni interest, and what is more we are going to keep at this work until the interest is sufficient to take care of itself. We do not intend to start by asking for money or help. We want our alumni to find out that we are "live wires", want to know them, and want them to know us. "Once a Sig. always a Sig." with a feeling of affection and interest in the chapter and the fraternity as a whole. We want to make "Rockledge" a meeting place for Sigs. who were chums or classmates when active.

To Brother Druard Allman, '14, we owe a great deal for his hearty co-operation in this work. He not only wrote us five pages of spirit and fine ideas, but took enough interest in us to come up for week-ends, look us over, give us a fine talk, and start us on the practical work of our alumni campaign. Brother Allman sacrificed his time and work for this week-end to do this for us, and our appreciation is inexpressible. We have also had visits from brothers V. R. Read, '13, K. W. Fisher, ex '16, T. Sauliner, '16, upon the occasion of the Michigan game. Earlier

in the fall Brother K. W. Hume, '15, was with us for a few days.

Now just a brief outline of university activities. Beside those already mentioned we have a number of men working hard. Brother Williams is playing right-half-back on the soccer team, while brothers Zeltner and Wolfe are doing early season work at wrestling and basketball respectively. Brothers Fisher and Kimball are spending all their spare time practicing mandolin club music. Shorty Reese is out for track, and is covering a great deal of ground on "Jack" Moakley's five-mile cross-country course.

The whole chapter is co-operating to make the coming year a banner one in every way. The spirit of unity is very marked and we expect to be able to report great progress in every way.

RALPH SUTHERLAND WESTING.

KAPPA CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON,
WISCONSIN

Installed.....April 1, 1909
House, 619 Lake St., Madison, Wisconsin
Meetings, Every Monday at 7.00 P. M.

It was an enthusiastic group of men that assembled in the halls of Kappa at the opening of the school year. Noses were counted, and only two of the brothers were found missing. They were Herner and Hinn. To offset this loss, we had with us two men that had been out of school last semester, namely the Wright brothers, Morris and Merton. This gave us a chapter roll of thirty active members with which to begin the year. This fact, and the additional one that a new heating system had been installed in the house enabled us to look into the future with untroubled minds and to set to work combing the freshman class for prospective Sigs with pep and confidence.

We were forcibly made aware of the fact that this is a world of competition the moment we entered Madison this fall. The usual stories of all summer rushing on the part of some of the fraternities here greeted us. Nevertheless, the results of our

efforts were highly gratifying. Fourteen men are now wearing the cardinal and stone button. They are Wallace R. Zimmerman and Eugene Mensch of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin; Waldemar Velguth of Milwaukee; Horace Wheeler of Beloit; Wayland Osgood of Eau Claire; Ralph Horton of Miles City, Montana; Earl Ruhsam, Frank Bacon of New London, Wisconsin; Clarence Phelps of Milwaukee; Roscoe Vanderbie of Platteville; Herb Kragh, Roy Pieh, Howard Schneider, and Kenneth Scott of Madison. That they are a bunch of hustlers is evinced by the fact that some of them have already made places on the band, glee, and mandolin clubs, orchestra, and athletic squads.

Our alumni have been particularly good to us. Many have dropped in during the past weeks and their response to our invitation to be with us during the homecoming festivities at the time of the Chicago game was all that could be desired. Brothers "Hod" Warner, Carl Doege, H. Roethe, "Red" Lightner, Carl Hinn, Clarence Turner, W. Schlemm, Herner, Sippel, Knoll, Heup, G. Esau, R. Velguth, C. Henry, Lucas, Burke, Ryme, Roethe, Hinn made us glad by their presence.

Kappa Chapter ranked second last semester among the fraternities here in the matter of scholarship. Chi Phi stood first, as she has for several years. We are particularly proud of our standing, for it means a climb from eighth place the year before. Our pledges ranked third. Nothing will keep us from making as good a record for the coming semester.

Richard Gray is sure of winning his "W" in football this fall. He has played in every game of the season thus far, and would perhaps have already made his letter if it had not been for injuries which kept him from playing full time in the Chicago and Ohio games. Brother William Horn, is also on the varsity squad, and will make his letter next year. He has played in some of the preliminary games of the season, and according to the critics, is bound to make good with a little more experience. Jacobson, is playing with the "all Americans", the second team. Brother Spengler has been placed on the varsity basketball squad, and with Schmidt, captain of the swimming team, and Yegen in wrestling, ought to swell our list of "W's" considerably.

Musically, the fellows have also been distinguishing themselves. Brother Fuller is leader of the mandolin club, and Brother Yegen and Pledge Pieh have made places. With Bohn, Kragh, and Vanderbie on the band, Alpha Sigma Phi is getting her full share of musical honors.

In dramatics, brothers Fairweather and Berger, have been elected to offices in the Edwin Booth Dramatic Club. There are several fellows, notably Velguth and Bacon, who are out for honors in comic opera under the auspices of the Haresfoot Club.

Lest we create the impression that it has been all work and no play, the social activities of the chapter must be mentioned. We have had three informal dances at the chapter house. Each one of them was a huge success. Jack Truitt, who takes care of the social arrangements is a genius in his line. Our house is wonderfully adapted for events of this nature, and we may look forward to many good times during the months to come. However, our major social sport is bowling. We have a bowling team that meets some other fraternity team every Tuesday evening. It seems that the result of their little meetings is going to be a nice, shiny cup on our mantelpiece next spring. The members of the team are Schapper, Phelps, Settle, Fuller and Horton.

I am afraid that this letter has been a mere catalogue. There has been so much to mention, that it has been just a series of mentionings. In the space allotted to me, I could do no more. Let me say now, what perhaps the clumsy diction of the foregoing has not imparted; it is the record of the attempts of Kappa to realize to the best of its ability the high aims embodied in the symbols, Alpha Sigma Phi.

CARL BERGER.

LAMBDA CHAPTER, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, NEW YORK CITY

Installed.....May 29, 1910
 House, 435 West 117th St., New York City
 Meetings, Every Monday at 6:45 P. M.

According to a plan adopted by the chapter last May, a large number of the brothers arrived at the house this autumn on September 18, a week before college opened. We spent the time in putting the house in condition for the reception of rushees.

The first smoker followed on September 27. It was a reunion for the twenty-three men who had returned, and a reception for several men in the class of 1920. Another smoker was held on October 3. The first meeting was held on October 2.

The chapter's first co-social affair was a tea after the opening game of the football season with Hamilton. The game was not very satisfactory, Hamilton winning by a 14-7 score. The depression caused by Columbia's first defeat since football was revived at the university last year was afterwards dispelled at the house.

The week of October 23 was set aside as a week of intensive rushing, and resulted in the pledging of Richard Merington Rogers, '19, Newark, N. J.; Linford Franklin Parker, '19 Bus., Waterbury, Conn.; and Philip Boyer Scott, '20, New York City. A recent pledge is Thomas G. Shafer, '19, New York City.

A Hallowe'en party at the house on October 30 was one of the most successful affairs that Lambda has ever enjoyed.

On November 2, Brother Arrigo Righi, in response to the official summons of the class of 1897 reservists, sailed for Italy. Brother Righi expects to enter the artillery school at Turin, Italy, before leaving for the front. The brothers went down to the dock in a body to see him off. Brother Righi was a prominent figure in the class of 1918, as business manager of the *Columbian*, the Junior year-book, and secretary of the Circolo Italiano. He was also manager of the Italian play last year.

Brother Thompson, '18, H. S. P., arrived from the border the day after Brother Righi sailed. Brother Thompson went with the New York First Field Artillery. He will probably return to college in February.

On Election Day, after the football team had held Stevens to a 0-0 tie, there was an alumni tea at the house, followed by a theatre party at the Century.

At Lambda's first initiation of the year, pledges Edward M. Race, '18 Bus.; Linford Franklin Parker, '19 Bus., and Richard Merington Rogers, '19, were initiated.

Lambda's next social event will be a tea after the football game with New York University on November 25.

Brother Elwood J. Mahon, '16, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa at commencement, and is now studying in the training school of the National City Bank, New York. He expects to be sent to South America very shortly.

Brother John J. Morch, '16S, was graduated second in his class, and is now safety engineer for the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, New York.

Many of the brothers are engaged in the various campus activities this year. Lambda is represented in the Philolexian Literary Society by Brothers Howard Palmer, '17, Laurence Nichols, '18, Roland Loiseaux, '18, and Ralph Hawkins, '19. Brother Nicholas is manager of the 1916 Philo play, "Eastward Hoe," which will be presented four times, beginning November 24. Brother Hawkins is carrying the most important rôle in the play. Brothers Loiseaux and Palmer are also members of the cast.

Brother Howard Look, '17, is captain of the 1916 cross-country. He took fourth place in the meet with Hamilton, Colgate and Union recently, and was the first Columbia man to finish. Columbia took second place in the meet. He will also run in the intercollegiates at New Haven on November 25.

Brother Ralph Hawkins won his numerals as a member of last year's freshman crew and pledge Gallico, '19, was awarded his crossed oars insignia as No. 6 in the freshman shell. In the Columbia regatta on November 4, pledge Gallico stroked the third 'varsity to victory over the scrub and two freshman crews, with brother Victor Schachtel, '19, rowing at No. 6 in the same shell.

Brother Richard Rogers, '19, swam on the freshman relay in the intercollegiates last year and is a likely candidate for this year's 'varsity swimming team. Brother George G. Rogers, '18, is out for water-polo.

Brothers Palmer, Loiseaux, Foos, '18, Eager '18, and Thompson are on the staff of the *Columbia Daily Spectator*. Brother Palmer is at present assistant managing editor, with the possibility of becoming managing editor next semester. He was elected to $\Pi \Delta E$, the honorary journalistic fraternity last spring. Brother

Foos has recently been promoted from the associate to the *News* board.

On the glee club are Brothers Laurence Nichols and George M. Rogers, '19. Brother Nichols is also secretary-treasurer of the Klef Klub. Brothers George G. Rogers, William Conrad, '18, and Robert Graham, '19, are playing in the mandolin club. The musical clubs will give their first concert of the year at the undergraduate smoker on November 23. We are represented in the university band and orchestra by E. D. Weldon, '18.

Brother Alanson Edgerton, '12, is back taking work at Teachers' College. Brother Arthur Irving Gates, N '13, is an instructor in the department of psychology at Columbia this year. Brother Clyde Stauffer, A '15, is living at the house and is employed by the U. S. Steel Corporation in the Hudson Terminal Building. Brother Harris Franklin MacNeish, A '12, is an instructor in mathematics at the DeWitt Clinton high school and is also living at the house.

Among the visitors to Lambda this year have been Brothers Robert Leonard Hooven, O '14; Raymond F. Lowry, E '15; Warren Breidenback, © '12; Ernest Dichman, N '13, and Harold J. Eckley, Lambda, '14, I '15.

IRVIN DEMAREST FOOS.

MU CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, SEATTLE,
WASHINGTON

Installed.....May 21, 1912
House, 1906 East 45th St., Seattle, Washington
Meetings, Every Monday at 7:15 P. M.

With twenty-eight members now in school and eleven good live pledges, Mu Chapter starts its fifth year in a most auspicious manner. Few fraternities on this campus can boast of a better return of old men and the freshmen can hold their own with any of them.

The brothers are getting a flying start in college activities, and some have already won the positions to which they aspired. Brothers Torkleson and Brandenthaler represent us on the football squad, but on account of injuries, neither is at present a

member of the first team. Brother Burdick, through hard and faithful work has been appointed one of the two "yell dukes" which with the "yell king" constitutes the yell staff.

Brother Coffee, who last year did so much toward chronicling the happenings of Mu for the TOMAHAWK, tried out for the debate team recently, and is hoping to hear a favorable verdict from his efforts. Brothers Len Martin, Aitchison and pledge Earl Martin are assured of places in the university band, while several pledges have enough musical talent to organize a small orchestra, which will play from time to time before university audiences.

The freshman crew claims attention of Brother Baldwin, who now strokes the first eight. We still have two glee club men, Brother Havel from last year, and Brother Cole, who succeeded in his first attempt here, although last year he belonged to the Montana club. Brothers Witherbee and Murray are again out for their class football teams. Brother Mitchell is a first lieutenant in the cadet corps, and has charge of Company K, and also is assistant sporting editor of the *University Daily*.

While we miss our regular housemother, Mrs. Hoblitzell, formerly with Delta, we are very fond of Mrs. Spear, who is at present filling the position. A reception was given in the chapter house on October 11 in her honor, to which over 100 guests were invited.

Brother Harry Sellick, our peppy H. E. was operated on for appendicitis about the first of the month, but with his characteristic "never-say-die" spirit was out of the hospital and home inside of a week. Harry hopes to be well enough to make the wrestling team this year, an achievement which he barely failed in last winter.

The boys miss greatly Brothers Winslow and Jones. The former was to be house manager, but took a position in Omaha instead. Win spends most of his spare time up at XI chapter and writes us many alluring tales of the boys at Nebraska.

The loss of Mrs. Sadie Croson, wife of Brother Carl Croson, Grand Marshal of the Fraternity, was a big blow to the boys here, who had learned to love her because of her ever helpful work in the interests of the chapter. Mrs. Croson was an officer

in the "Mother's club" and was always on hand to help in any way possible when Mrs. Hoblitzell or the boys had any large entertainment.

Word that Virgil "Snips" Hancock had taken unto himself a wife in Chicago on September 16, was received with approbation by the boys. Snips is now in his third year of medicine at Northwestern, and will graduate in June. We all join in wishing the old wrestler all sorts of success in his latent venture.

Plans for our big social function of the year, the Alpha Sigma Phi formal, have all been arranged for the night of November 25. We are sparing no pains or expense to make this event the peer of any given in this university, and the boys are all starting early to date up the class of the school.

Being under the handicap of having to rent our house, we started the semester somewhat behind financially, but with twenty-two men now living at the house, we figure on being above board by January 1. The situation of fraternities in this university demands that a large number live at the house, and with nearly half the students enrolled from this city, it is a problem among the Greeks to find enough good men from other towns to make the house a paying proposition.

The latest development in the fraternity situation here is the proposal of President Suzzallo to inaugurate semester pledging in the fall of 1917. As what the president says usually goes, it is expected that this institution will find itself in the throes of a scramble next year at this time and until February. The sororities tried the system two years ago and it failed. They at present have a two week rushing period, following which bidding can be done. This idea even is unsatisfactory, so it will be interesting to note the progress of the new rule with the fraternities.

Mu chapter was favored on October 22 with a visit from Brother Zulke, of XI chapter, a member of the University of Nebraska band returning home from the game with the Oregon Agricultural College. Brother Zulke was the only one of the Sigs on the trip who could visit the university, and a number of the boys went down town to meet Brothers Cameron and Dobson, whom they pronounced as interesting men as they would ever

care to meet. This was the first time a Mu man has met a Xi man in his own land, thanks to the advance notices sent us by Brother Winslow, now in Omaha.

Alpha Sigma Phi's basketball team, under the leadership of Brother Leonard Martin, won its first contest, but suffered a shut-out in the second game at the hands of $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$. The boys were swept off their feet by the fast work of the Phi Gams, but promise to play a better brand of ball in future contests.

Sixteen Sigs took the journey to Eugene, Ore., 300 miles distant, for the annual Oregon-Washington football game on November 4. Brother Terry a Beta graduate, who formerly attended Oregon, looked after the boys getting their share of the entertainment, and Brother Cuning, an old Mu man now attending the Oregon Agricultural College, joined the boys at Eugene for a short visit.

The annual formal ball of this chapter was given in the New Washington hotel on November 25, amid most beautiful surroundings. Invitations were sent out to sixty couples. The brothers worked to make this the crowning social event of the year, and succeeded well.

HIRAM SHERMAN MITCHELL, M '15.

NU CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY, CAL.

Installed.....February 1, 1913
 House, 2614 Dwight Way, Berkeley, California
 Meetings, Every Monday at 7:00 P. M.

As this letter is being written, the brothers here at Nu are well on the home stretch of the first semester. The two mid-term exes have come and gone and the finals loom up only four weeks away. Consequently the house is very quiet and such things as rushing are given little thought.

Two weeks after the 21st of August, which was registration day, Nu Chapter had finished one of its shortest and most successful rushing seasons. Eight men were pledged and initiated on September 17. The initiation was followed with the usual luncheon. Our new brothers are: Charles Parslow, '19, of Santa Ana; Edward Drew, '20, Oakland; Donald Fowler, '20, Bakers-

field; Norman Gallison, '20, Berkeley; Harold Fraser, '20, Oakland; Hiram H. Howard, '20, Des Moines, Iowa; Melvin J. McClean, '20, Corning; George Wightman, '20, Oakland. All of these freshmen are out for some activity. Ed Drew is "Frosh" yell leader. "Don" Fowler is playing center on the "Frosh" varsity and "Charley" Parslow sings in the glee club.

The other fellows have been getting into things, too. Harry Liversedge, who is now playing tackle on the varsity, went to the I. C. A. A. A. A. meet at Boston in June and took first place in the shot put. Roy Hill and Charley Miller are making good in football. "Clete" Howell is president of the rifle club. Brothers Smith, Herrick, Hunt, Howell and Parslow take prominent parts in the glee club. Harold Hyde is serving on the executive committee of the Associated Students and is a member of the intercollegiate debating team which meets Stanford this year. Phil Mathews is alternate of the same team. Hugh Herrick was California's delegate to the convention of Tau Beta Pi in Chicago in October. Brother A. B. Smith takes a leading part in the junior farce.

Practically every fellow in the house is engaged in some campus activity. In part, this is a result of our new committee system. Last year it was found that the Prudential Committee could not satisfactorily accomplish all of the work assigned to it. At the opening of the semester, in order to overcome this difficulty, H. S. P. Fussell appointed several committees which were to be subordinate to the "P" Committee. They are: Social, Scholarship, Rushing and Activities Committes. It is the duty of the last named committee to see that every "Sig" gets out for some kind of activity. In a similar manner, the other committees concentrate upon their particular tasks and as a result the work is accomplished in the most efficient manner and with the smallest possible labor by every one concerned.

We have had the pleasure of entertaining many visitors during the past summer and this semester, both members of our alumni and members of other chapters. Brother Clyde Atcheson of Mu was with us during the summer and it was with regret that we learned that he had to return to Washington. Brother "Beeny" Lynch of Xi was with us for a few days and enter-

tained us with several of his famous speeches. Several of the boys had met Brother Lynch at Xi when they were on a cross-continental automobile tour in June. The brothers at Xi entertained our boys royally and they will not soon forget it. Brother Haman of Iota was with us at our last meeting.

Brothers P. E. Mudgett, '10, of Fallon, Nevada; "Dutch" Rinn, '15, of Oakdale; Earl Kelly, '16, of Redding and Jim Fulmore, '15, of Ferndale, all alumni of Nu, favored us with short visits during the semester. Brother Frederick Gibson, ex '17, of Clovis and his bride, formerly Miss Elsie M. Polsen, surprised us by dining with us.

Brother Marius Scammel, '15, has just returned from the Mexican border where he has been serving as a lieutenant in the army, having been promoted from the militia.

Brother C. E., alias "Pat" O'Hara, '16, left for the Philippines in October. Brother O'Hara graduated with honors in the college of agriculture and accepted a position on one of the large sugar plantations in the Islands. Brother A. I. Gates, '14, is now at Columbia. We all miss "Pete". Brother Tracy Kittridge, '12, is still engaged in the Belgian Relief work in Belgium.

Our rushing season was started with a smoker and an informal dance which were on a par with all Alpha Sigma Phi functions. Following initiation an informal dance was given for our new brothers and Hallowe'en was fittingly observed with an informal dance with appropriate decorations. As a final act of initiation, the Frosh gave us a smoker at which they provided the entertainment with their original stunts. Exchange dinners have been held with Pi Kappa Phi, Pi Kappa Alpha and Sigma Chi fraternities and the Sigma Kappa sorority. The fellows welcome these functions as an opportunity to extend their circle of acquaintances on the campus. In order that our mothers and sisters might get acquainted we held a tea for them. A large number were present.

We suffered defeat in the first game of the inter-fraternity baseball series, despite the noble efforts of Captain Edson. Brother Leffler Miller vindicated our honor, however, by winning his first three rounds in the inter-fraternity tennis tournament. We are now in the midst of an exciting tennis tournament among the members of the house.

PHILIP STRONG MATHEWS.

XI CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

Installed.....April 9, 1913
House, 1340 R St., Lincoln, Nebraska
Meetings, Every Monday at 7.00 P. M.

We have four initiates who journeyed the road of mystery on the night of October 28, Robert V. Quick, Jeremiah Shumway, Leon W. Fay and Glenn A. Wallace.

It was well known before school closed last spring that the scholarship of Xi Chapter had taken a tumble mainly through the sudden absence of two or three men who left school without their work being in good standing. Two others failed in a good share of what they were taking and we found ourselves at fourteenth place in a list of only eighteen fraternities when once we had been fourth.

All possible emphasis is being brought to bear upon the importance of scholarship this semester and we are hoping to come up with a good showing again. This is in a large measure a selfish move for upon our scholarship depends our ability to pledge freshmen from now on according to a new ruling by our inter-fraternity conference. All men, active and pledges, are reported every other week and we try to keep especially close watch on our freshman. The freshman scholarship cup has been awarded to George Rohwer for the last year and a new one has been offered for this year. The first cup was presented by Brother Ned Allison who is now practicing law in Omaha.

The chapter house has been greatly improved in the interior. The entire downstairs and the big court going through all three floors have been redecorated. The parlor has new rugs and a re-polished floor. The smoking-room has been finished over again. A new grand piano has been secured to take the place of our old upright and the downstairs parlors are quite elegant. Besides this Brother Cole, who still acts as steward, has procured colored help for the year who give us the best kind of living and keep the house in good condition.

Following a plan suggested long ago, but never carried out before, the chapter has begun to establish a real library, and we have quite a successful start with six sections already full of

books (when the sections arrive). For this we have much thanks to give to Brother Raber, now at California, who had so long worked for such a move.

During the summer the house was kept open while several of the active men lived in it. During that time the Delta Zeta national convention was held in Lincoln, and we had the pleasure of entertaining them at the house at an informal dance.

During the past six months the following men from other chapters have visited with Xi Chapter: A. Brodie Smith, Robert H. Young, Donald E. Martin and Max C. Buest, all of California, stopped twice with us on their cross-country journey. Buest found that his work with the Burlington brought him to Lincoln, and we were glad to take him in as a real brother at Xi. Brother Warner Harwood of Iota spent a few hours at the house in November, Brother Schultz of Yale spent one night here during the late summer, Ira Smith of Epsilon, visited a little while one day during the fall, and Brother George McIntyre of Illinois, who is living at Hastings, finally managed to get this far away only a few weeks ago. Irving Winslow of Washington is working in Omaha, and has made friends there and here in abundance and has assisted in the preliminary work of establishing an alumni council.

Socially, we have not tried to do a great deal until the school work was on a more satisfactory basis. A week of constant entertainment at the opening of the school for the rushing week was considered successful and netted us all the good men we cared to take. A pledge dance followed shortly and only two other small dances have been attempted since until the homecoming game of football, November 18. A month after school started we asked our freshmen to give an all fraternity pledge dance and the active chapter offered a fair amount of money for them to work with. They accepted that with thanks and promptly made up more than as much again by themselves and put on a party that has seldom been equalled in our chapter. Dancing was the chief entertainment, but they had other things provided, a cabaret, a Japanese garden, a buffet luncheon, a raffling stunt and a fortune-telling booth that took care of one hundred twenty-five couples that jammed into the house.

Several other fraternities were kind enough to offer help and congratulated us upon the idea at Nebraska. It is not a new idea even here, but is the first time any fraternity has had a house large enough to accommodate so many people.

November 18 was our homecoming game and dance, and the majority of the alumni were with us for a day or two. Plans have already been laid for a repetition of the "All Greek Party" that was our biggest attempt last year, and that we hope to repeat and better this year on January 20. Our annual Christmas party will be held just before vacation and will be conducted largely by the freshmen.

Other fraternities have shifted around in many instances the past summer. Phi Kappa Psi is now our nearest neighbor in a very good chapter house owned, as ours is, by the university committee. Delta Chi and Delta Upsilon have new homes and Pi Kappa Phi, a new chapter here, has moved nearer the campus. Kappa Alpha Theta have a splendid new home and Alpha Phi has followed suit. Two professional fraternities have moved into houses, Phi Delta Chi and Phi Alpha Delta. Acoth has moved from their last year's home.

We are trying to develop our men to enter some activity as quickly as they enter school, but so far we have not been entirely successful. Paul Dobson and Roy Cameron have already won their "N's" in football this year and both made the trip to Oregon with the team where Dobson received much of the credit for the victory. Brother Zuhlka went along with the forty piece band that the school sent and the three visited at Mu and brought us back apples and a pennant that were greatly appreciated.

Brother Lynch is in Honolulu teaching in Mills school. Brother Dunnaway is teaching with "Bugs" Brother Shirey in Ogden, Utah. Elton Stone is principal of the schools at Weeping Water near here. Clear Golden is on the government survey and may return to do post-graduate work next semester. Brothers Lucas and Gayer have been initiated into Phi Alpha Delta and Carlisle Jones has pledged Sigma Delta Chi. Brothers Allen and Dobson are on the glee club and a number of our freshmen are active in their class affairs. Brothers Clark and Gayer will appear in the university players cast that presents

"Ready Money" during extension week over the state this year. Our men now in Omaha have been initiated into Phi Chi (medical) which has only recently come to the Nebraska Medical College.

CARLISLE LOGAN JONES.

OMICRON CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA,
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Installed.....May 17, 1914
House, 3617 Locust St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Meetings, Every Tuesday at 6:45 P. M.

During the first year of our existence we had to be contented with two small rooms for our meetings and entertaining. The summer of 1915, because of increased membership, we rented a house at 307 So. 39th Street, which was our home during the school year of '15-'16. This year, however, we are proud to say that we are living in our own home at 3617 Locust Street. We are not merely existing but really living and living comfortably.

Fifteen of last year's bunch are with us again. After the usual "summer talk" was over everyone buckled down to hard work in order to put the place in order. Brothers Smith, Campbell, Kaschenbach and Westerfield (A) had lived here during the summer, and as they were not very orderly there was some cleaning up to be done. It did not take us very long, however, to get things in shipshape order. After a great deal of trouble about contracts, etc., we were disturbed by the plumbers who put in our hot water heating system for us. We now have several other acquisitions besides the heating system. They are a baby grand piano and a pool table.

Brother Smith uses the piano to satisfy the tastes of the classical connoisseurs. Some of us could sit and listen to him all night. Brother Connelly caters to the ragtime fiends. Last but not least comes Brother Rath. Whenever he becomes tired of playing one of the tunes he knows he starts the other one. Then we have among us the leader of the Penn band, an organization which until this year has never come into prominence.

Under Brother Kaschenbach's guiding hand the band has come into its own. Besides having Brother Kaschenbach, leader and president of the band, we have three other members of that organization, Brother Connelly, the bass drum banger, Brother Bower, a snare drummer and Brother Herman who toots the slide trombone. Brother Connelly is also managing editor of *The Punch Bowl*. In the singing line there are three members of the musical club, Brothers Smith, Flynn and Ford. With these men as a nucleus we have formed a quartet of our own.

Brothers Gangwisch, Calhoun and Carter are in the cast of the engineers show and Brother Kerr is an end man in the Priestley Chemical Club minstrel show. As these shows are both in the preliminary stages we end our recital.

Our first initiation of the year was held on the nights of November 15th and 16th. Brothers Willets, Bolton, Bower, Ford, Herman and Flounders were taken into the fold. Brother Willets, Ph.D., is an instructor in the Geography and Industry Department of The Wharton School. Brother Bolton is an instructor in the Insurance Department of the same school.

After the Lafayette and the Dartmouth games we held teas at the house. They were a success in every sense of the word due to the untiring efforts of Brothers Boos, Rath and Hughes. We have made great plans for junior week. After the Cornell game there will be a "Thé Dansant" at the house. Then we will all go to the Hotel Normandie for a regular "Sig Bust", followed by a dance. We have written to the various chapters inviting them to participate and help make this a big time. I should mention that we have engaged two boxes for the Penn-Cornell Concert to be held at the Bellevue-Stratford Thanksgiving Eve. Friday evening we will trip the light fantastic at the Junior Prom.

A few weeks ago eight of our brothers, Gangwisch, Kaschenbach, Connelly, Carter, Bower, Flynn and Kerr took the trip to Pittsburgh to see the team play. There we were met by the Pittsburgh Council. The trip was a great success even though we did not beat Pitt.

We have had a number of visits from the brothers of other chapters. Among these are brothers Williams, Newell and

Curtis. Don Williams stayed with us for quite some time. Brother Goulson (O '16) paid us a short visit last week. He is now living in Detroit and gave us great reports about the Michigan chapter. Some more of the Omicron men who stop in and see us occasionally are brothers Hooven, Haines, Lutz, Masland, Schoenhut and Gordon. Brother Allman (I) is around during all his spare time. He has at last settled down to real work with an automobile body company.

The officers elected for the first term are as follows: H. S. P., W. F. Connelly; H. J. P., H. W. Kerr; H. S., W. H. Graves; H. C. S., D. W. Hughes; H. E., J. H. Carter; H. M., E. W. Kaschenbach; H. C., R. Flynn. As a last word Omicron would like to say that with our new house and the bunch of hard workers in the house we expect big things this year.

HAROLD WILSON KERR.

PI CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO, BOULDER, COLORADO

Installed.....February 6, 1915
 House, 1105 Eleventh St., Boulder, Colorado
 Meetings, Every Monday at 6:45 P. M.

The beginning of this school saw the Pi Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi hard at work putting the finishing touches to their new home. We are all more than pleased with our new location, and moreover we are proud of it since it is considered one of the best houses on the fraternity row. At the present time we are having a sleeping porch built on the rear of the house, and are seriously contemplating having a new stone porch built on the front before next year, which when completed will put us at the head of the row. Another factor in favor of our new home is that it is only two blocks from the campus. With this to our credit we have combined our efforts to make this the first year of a new age for Pi Chapter, in which we are bound to become the leaders of the campus at the University of Colorado; friends, and almost brothers to our competitors; and an honor to our alma mater.

During the late trouble with Mexico and mobilization of the national troops, Company B of Colorado Engineers was formed

here. Alpha Sigma Phi was exceedingly well represented among Uncle Sam's defenders in this company. There were about ninety students in the company, nine of whom were members of Alpha Sigma Phi, as follows: Captain Crawford, First Lieutenant Clarence Eckel, Second Lieutenant Walter Malery, Privates Tip-ton, Harvey, Woods, Keim, Tandy, Finlayson, and Green. The company was mobilized near Golden, Colorado, all summer, and was about three weeks late for the beginning of school. Captain Crawford, Lieutenant Eckel and Lieutenant Malery being members of the faculty in the University, held classes for the students at camp in order that they might lose no time in their school work.

We have added to our number ten pledges: Chas. Baird, Arthur Heilman, Monte Vista, Colo., Walter Bussell, Mount Moriah, Mo., Vivian Dougherty, Salida, Colo., Elmer Harris, Iowa, Donnell Kitch, Cheyenne Wells, Fred Fulmer, Colorado Springs, Colo., John Regan, Emmet Dwyer, Creede, Colo., William Stonebraker and George Richardson, Boulder, Colo. Elmer Harris has been appointed instructor in the University Gymnasium, and Geo. Richardson has gained much fame as a violinist not only in the school but in the entire city. We also initiated five members a few weeks ago: Erand Froese, La Junta, Colo., Jesse Brock, Kimberly, Idaho, David Moore, Idana, Kansas, Ralph Chapman, Clay Center, Kansas, and Carl Wood, Denver, Colo.

Two of our men made the football squad this year. Brothers Harvey and Keim represented us on the squad and made an excellent showing. Our basketball team is a little crippled this year, having lost two of our best players, Tandy and DeVol. With this handicap, we have only lost one game, and still stand a show to win the inter-fraternity cup, which is in our possession now, having won it last year. We intend to have at least five men out on the track team in the spring. Two of our pledges have almost made senior in Sigma Delta Psi. These pledges are Emmet Dwyer and John Regan. Chas. Baird and Donnell Kitch have also made several senior events in this fraternity.

With the present outlook we feel that we are in the embryo stage of the coming leading fraternity at the University of Colo-

rado. In closing, I wish to extend a most hearty Christmas and New Year greeting to every chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, in behalf of Pi chapter.

Fraternally yours in A Σ Φ ,

PAUL KEEFE DWYER.

RHO CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS,
MINNESOTA

Installed.....March 28, 1916
House, 1103 Fourth St., S. E., Minneapolis, Minn.
Meetings, Every Monday at 7:30 P. M.

As the greater part of the record of Rho Chapter is given in another part of this issue, little need here be said concerning our activities save what we have done since the TOMAHAWK last went to press. On October 6th we initiated Clarence Iverson and Floyd Friar, and a month later, on November 6th, put through four more men: Peter T. Swanish, Chas. T. Wangenstein, R. R. Mitchell, and Paul Emmeritz Norman. This brings the active membership of our chapter up to 20, not including our four pledges.

Alpha Sigma Phi started out the fall term in a fitting manner. In the international polity club we placed two men, Brother Jaroscak as president and Brother Norman as treasurer. In the junior elections, Brother Ossanna won the presidency and Brother Norman again was made treasurer. In the debating tryouts for the intercollegiate team, Brother Jaroscak won a place, while Brother Ossanna was made first alternate. The Forum Literary Society elected Brother Overmire to be its president. Scabbard and Blade, the honorary military fraternity, elected to membership Brothers Johnson and Friar, and at the same time made Brother Dash, first lieutenant. Brother Dash has also been placed upon the executive committee for the Military Ball, to be held on January 12th. The Masquers' Dramatic Club has chosen Brother Norman for its secretary-treasurer, while Brother Overmire is now treasurer of the university crack squad.

In the realm of football, the Sigs are well represented. Brothers Dash, Sullivan, and Carlson are playing again on the

aggie, law, and engineering teams respectively. The first two teams are now playing to decide which is to meet the latter for the title. The Sigs expect to put out quite a basketball team this winter, too, and are going after the cup offered by the inter-fraternity council.

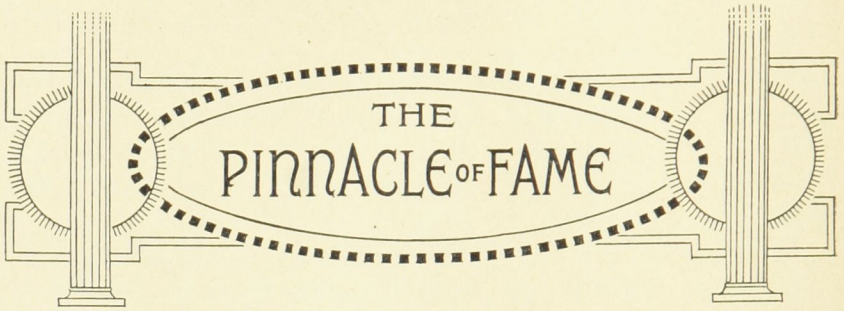
Brother Sullivan represents us not only on the law football team, but on the law council, the Students' Catholic Association, secretary of the board of governors for the Minnesota Union, and as an editor of the *Law Review*. Brother Patchin, who is secretary of the Minnesota School of Tutoring, is about to have his recent thesis printed in the *Minnesota Historical Bulletin*, an organ of the State Historical Society. The course of the past presidential campaign found Brothers Butler and Sullivan acting as president and secretary, respectively, of the Campus Woodrow Wilson Society. Brother Ossanna was re-elected as secretary of the Duluth Club, and also holds office this year as president of the Pan-American Society. Brother Wangenstein, who is also an active member of the prohibition club, was chosen to represent the Shakopean Literary Society in their debate against St. Thomas College.

Such are the activities of Rho Chapter. Holding the important offices of most of the campus organizations, including the *Gopher*, *Minnesota Union*, and all the societies, we are trying to impress upon the public of Minnesota what Alpha Sigma Phi means in plain English. Our crowning achievement came in October, when the lists of fraternity scholastic standings were published. Of the article, which appears in the front pages of this issue, only the headline need be quoted here: "Alpha Sigma Phi Heads Fraternity List".

Since the acquisition of our new home, we have been honored by visits from the following Sigs:

Ray E. Fee, Ξ ; L. W. Feezer, B; Lyle J. Roberts, B; M. C. Briggs, Θ ; C. T. Beglinger, K; Ray H. Kenyon, Λ ; T. B. Smith, Δ ; and X. H. Cook, Δ . This is a good start in receiving brother Sigs, and the men of Rho Chapter hope to see many more visitors drop in on them. We have a good bed and a hearty feed for every Sig who roams.

RAYMOND EDWIN OVERMIRE, '18.



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Herman Wolf Louser (I '14) is engaged in farming near Lebanon, Pa., and writes that he uses his little "Henry" in going to and returning from his place of business. He resides at 824 Chestnut Street. Truly, the manorial farmers of ancient England and Germany had nothing on Brother Louser.

Oramel Blackstone Irwin (Θ '10) is a son of Edward F. Irwin, who in turn is a law partner of Brother Clinton L. Conkling (Yale '62). Brother Irwin is junior member of the firm of Conkling & Irwin.

Frederick Stephan Van Woert (O '14) is a member of the firm of Dyer & Van Woert, with offices for the practice of medicine at McCallum-Hill Building, Regina, Saskatchewan.

Leon Arbuckle (H '13) is now located at Brocton, Ill.

Hon. Albert Blakeslee White (Δ '78) was a candidate for the nomination of U. S. Senator from West Virginia this year and very nearly landed it. His opponent at the primaries, however, was defeated in the elections in November.

Charles Adelbert Trafford, Jr. (B '13) is associated with the B. F. Goodrich Co., working in the truck tire department with headquarters at 554 Crosby Street, Akron, Ohio. He writes quite enthusiastically of his new work.

Thereon DeWitt Weaver (Θ '13) is now located at 144 Hawe Avenue, Detroit, Mich., and writes enthusiastically of his numerous visits to the old Chapter and his continued interest. He is now efficiency engineer with the Studebaker Corporation of Detroit.

John Caswell Campbell (O '16) is connected with the Chattanooga Bakery, at Chattanooga, Tenn.

John Laurence Stivers (A '10) was the Republican candidate for District Attorney in the Seventh Judicial District of Colorado, but in the recent Wilson sweep went down to defeat. Brother Stivers is County Chairman of the Anti-Saloon League of Colorado and was City Attorney of Montrose, Col., from 1911 to 1913. John is one of the boys who does things, as the future will surely attest.

Kenner McConnell (Δ '11) is with the Industrial Commission of Ohio, Department of Mine Inspection, and is receiving his mail at 8 University Place, Columbus, Ohio.

Samuel Monetta (Θ '12) is connected with Covert Bros. at 334 Superior Street, Toledo, Ohio.

Col. Homer Baxter Sprague (Λ '51) was the Commencement orator at the Commencement of the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, N. D., in June last; also made the Phi Beta Kappa oration and received the honorary degree of LL.D.

Howard Lawton Knight (Γ '13) is located at 1420 Buchanan Street, Washington, D. C.

Samuel H. Clinedinst (Δ '94) is president of the Menasha Paper Co., having succeeded his late half-brother, Samuel E. Smith, also of Delta Chapter. We have been unable to furnish an obituary of Brother Smith because the data is lacking. Brother Clinedinst is making a trip to the metropolis in the interests of his corporation.

George Edward McIntyre (H '11) is preparing the plans for Eta's new House and is an architect located at Hastings, Neb. George has some original ideas regarding Chapter House construction that we hope to place before our readers in the not distant future.

Clare E. Rowland (Δ '16), writing from Sumerco, West Va., says that he is bookkeeper in the field office of the South Pennsylvania Oil Co., in a very rough country. Speaking of the TOMAHAWK he says: "The official mouthpiece is my only way of keeping track of the boys, as they are the worst bunch of correspondents I ever knew." Delta Chapter take notice.

Henri Casimir Jacques (Λ '11) Grand Corresponding Secretary of the Fraternity, is located at 115 Broadway, N. Y., and

an associate of Hon. Joseph I. Green, formerly Justice of the City Court of the City of New York.

William Eben Schultz (A '15) is spending the year at his old home at Canton, Mo.

Charles Cullen Smith, Jr., (H '13) is at 7019 Stewart Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

George Stephen Veazie (I '11) is an architect at 114 Baldwin Street, Elmira, N. Y., and is making good.

Bruce Wesley Dickson (A '12) is State Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Illinois, at 19 So. La Salle Street, Chicago. Brother Dickson received the degree of M.A. from the University of Chicago in the Department of Practical Sociology and Scientific Theology.

Arthur J. Warner (Δ '89) is now located at Tukwila, Washington.

Russell Stuart Hume (I '13) writes: "I am farming it on the Hollywood Farm at Middletown, N. Y."

Dean Albert Ricker (Γ '13) is connected with the U. S. Entomological Laboratory at West Springfield, Mass. His permanent address is Flat A, Cary-Le Roy Building, Sixth and Brady Streets, Davenport, Iowa.

Fred Laurence Babcock (Ξ '12) is now City Editor of *Nebraska State Journal* and the *Lincoln Daily News*, at Lincoln, Neb., the two papers being morning and evening editions emanating from the same office.

Howard Daniel Atkins (A '09) is in charge of the Atkins Selling Department of T. Shriver & Co., at Harrison, N. J.; his father being the inventor of the Atkins-Shriver Filter Press. Brother Atkins is living at 170 North Broadway, East Orange, N. J.

Paul Van Pelt Carpenter (Δ '10) is teller in the Bridgeport Bank & Trust Co at Bridgeport, Ohio, and is living at 46 North Third Street, Martins Ferry, Ohio. He says: "I spend a couple of months each winter in Florida, where my parents moved two years ago. Any Sigs who may happen to be in Florida during January or February, 1917, will confer a favor on me if they will let me know their whereabouts. I will show them where the fishing is good." Piscatorial artists please take notice of the

above invitation, for the benefit of that class of literature ordinarily called "fish-stories."

William Edward Bandemer (Θ '16) is located at 806 Hoyt Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan.

Parkman Fisher Staples (Γ '14) is with the Stennox Farm, Sherborn, Mass.

Charles K. Reppert (Δ '63) spent commencement at Marietta and attended the Delta "Bust". Brother Reppert is still located at Pittsburgh, Pa.

Forrest William Andrew, DD.S., (O '14) is practicing his profession of dentistry at Suite 16, Walker Building, 476 Main Street, Springfield, Mass.

Morris Abel Slocum, M.D., (I '09) is practicing his profession at 509 Liberty National Bank Building, Pittsburgh, Pa. Dr. Slocum is doing well, as would be expected from a man of his character, ability and training. Iota Chapter may well feel proud of him.

Howard Charles Riggs (Δ '12) is a student at the University of West Virginia, Morgantown, W. Va. Address, 457 High Street.

Lewell Seth Walker (Γ '13) is located at Amherst, Mass.

William Norwood Sparhawk (A '07) is connected with the U. S. Forestry Service and is doing considerable traveling in the interests of the Department, being now on his way to the Pacific Coast, where he will take in Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, Salt Lake City and Denver.

Ralph Herbert Langley (Λ '11) is an electrical engineer, with the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co. of America, at Aldene, N. J., and resides at 47 West Plains Avenue, Roselle Park, N. J. Ralph is rapidly becoming famous in his particular line, wireless telegraphy.

Robert Ward Carroll, Jr., D.D.S., (O '15) is practicing his profession at 316 Bement Avenue, West New Brighton, N. Y.

Arthur Wells Hutchinson (Δ '12) is located at Dawes, W. Va.

Charles McLean Smith (A '07) is in business with his father, Frank G. Smith, General Agent for the Travellers' Insurance Co. and the Travellers' Indemnity Co., at 253 Capital Avenue, Hartford, Conn.

Thomas John Jones (Δ '98) is Manager of the Ohio Cities Gas Co. at Columbus, Ohio. Brother Jones is probably one of the most expert men in his line in America, although he would not admit it if you were to accuse him of such, on account of his excessive modesty. But the fact is, Tom Jones of $\Lambda \Sigma \Phi$ is a real success.

Thomas Webster Bean (Γ '13) is with the Connecticut River Conservation Co. at Turner's Falls, Mass.

Alfred Fred Walker (Θ '11), Masonic Temple, Erie, Pa., says: "Perhaps the only thing of interest regarding my activities within the past year is that there was born to my family our first little one on September 10th, 1916; a fine eight-pound boy." Congratulations are in order.

Ernest William Graves (Δ '13) is with the Oklahoma Petroleum & Gasoline Co. at 575 South Boston Avenue, Tulsa, Okla., and is associated with Brothers Charles Ludey, Charles Rosier and Anderson of Mu Chapter.

Irving D. Winslow (M '13) is connected with the Engineering Department of the Union Pacific Railroad at 207 Union Pacific Building, Omaha, Neb.

William Alvin Pittinger (B '12) in addition to being an attorney with offices at the Alworth Building, Duluth, Minn., has been elected to the Minnesota State Legislature.

Charles Ernest Hall (Λ '13) is now connected with the East St. Louis High School at 521 Brighton Place, East St. Louis, Ill., teaching music, and coaching the glee clubs and bands.

Harrison LeRoy Wyrick (N '13) is connected with a Mining Corporation at Happy Camp, Cal.

Arthur Henry Boettcher (K '09) is a patent expert and attorney at the Monadnock Building, Chicago, Ill.

Albert Adelbert Colvin (H '09) is with the Chicago & Northwestern Railway at 606 Main Street, Wheaton, Ill.

Claude Freeland Williams (I '12) is now at Camrose, Alberta, Canada, and says that "men of course get scarcer here all the time."

Hon. Charles Burke Elliott (Δ '72) is practicing law at 709 Palace Building. Minneapolis, Minn., and has recently codified the laws of the Philippine Islands, of which he was the former

Chief Justice. Judge Elliott was also a Justice of the Supreme Court in Minnesota before going to the Philippines.

Henry Chapman Engel (Θ '12) is at 412 Longfellow Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

Frank Spalding Welsh (B '13) is connected with the Underwriters Bureau of New England as Engineer and Inspector of Improved Risks. His address remains 11 High Street, Hudson, Mass.

Edward Joseph Burke (Γ '13) is in charge of the Agricultural Department of Hopkins Academy, Hadley, Mass.

Robert Guthrie Jordan (A '07) is Chief Clerk of the New Haven County Jail, and Deputy Sheriff of New Haven County, Conn.

James Courtney Chandus Avery (O '14) is employed in the Sales and Advertising Department of the Eagle Wagon Works, Auburn, N. Y.

The following brethren of Epsilon Chapter are engaged as follows:

Pearl Chalmers Davis (E '15) is at the Mexican Border.

Karl William Horn (E '14) is a student of medicine at the University of Cincinnati.

J. Charles Force (E '15) is a student at Ohio State University.

Harry Andrew March (E '16) is at 1043 Dodd Street, Lisbon, Ohio.

John Wilfred Morrison (E '13) is at Bidwell, Ohio.

John Henry Curdes (E '16) is at 126 East Washington Avenue, Napoleon, Ohio.

Edward William Locher (N '13) is president of the California Teachers' Association, Northern Section, and Secretary of the Schoolmasters' Club of Northern California, and member at large of the California Council of Education, and is located at Maxwell, Cal.

Cyril Wesley McLean, also of this Chapter, is a teacher at the Corning High School, at Corning, Cal.

Leonard Woods Horr (H '09) is travelling representative in Iowa for the H. W. Johns Manville Co., but retains his home address at 131 Eighth Avenue, La Grange, Ill.

John Ogden Merrill (K '15) is a student in Agricultural Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, retaining his address at 172 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Mass.

Guy Longnecker Hayman (I '10) is Manager of the Pocopson Inn Farm at North Brook, Pa.

Lloyd Royce Fraker (Ξ '13), of 604 Victor Building, Kansas City, Mo., is secretary of the Kansas City Alumni Council.

Francis Warton Kaan Smith (B '12) is practicing law at 50 State Street, Boston, Mass.

William Edison Detlor (Δ '06) is local manager for the Barrett Co. at Charlotte, N. C.

William Daniel Ahearn (Α '11) is practicing law and living at 907 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn, N. Y. He is also president of the New York Alumni Council.

Campbell Harvey (Θ '11) is in the Medical Department of the University of Michigan, but retains his home address at 51 Winder Street, Detroit, Mich.

Ray Harkinson Kenyon (Λ '12) is Chairman of the Minneapolis Alumni Council and has his law offices at 1044 Security Bank Building, Minneapolis, Minn.

Bernard A. Cruse (Α '14) was recently admitted to the New York Bar and is also a candidate for similar honors in New Jersey, where he eventually intends to practice.

George H. Chapman (Γ '13) was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in June by Massachusetts Agricultural College after two years' study in Prague at the University and an additional year in residence at Aggie.

Clyde Ross Newell (Α '10) has been selected as Bacteriologist and Chemist in the Public Health Laboratory, Fargo, North Dakota.

E. Warren Raeder (N '16) has a position with the American Bridge Co. His address is 2227 Warren Street, St. Louis, Mo.

Wilbur Edward Krebs (H '13) has opened an office for the practice of law at Belleville, Illinois.

Thomas M. Sechler (Δ '63) is President of the Moline Implement & Carriage Co., Moline, Illinois.

Oliver Lawrence Bracken (Z '13) is located at 247 Watson Boulevard, Pittsburgh, Pa.

William Christian Miller (H '10) is Superintendent of Highways, DeKalb County, Illinois, and since taking office has constructed 311 reinforced concrete bridges, 11 miles of concrete roads, and is arranging to float an additional million in bonds for further construction work.

Delbert Alexander Hessick (H '14) has opened a law office at Florence, Colorado.

Rev. Henry Preserved Smith (Δ '68) is Librarian of Union Theological Seminary, New York City.

Charles Cullen Smith (H '13) is office manager for the Library Bureau, 6 N. Washington Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, and will be glad to assist any brother in securing sales positions.

Howard Wakeman Wills (A '12) is an engineer in charge of the Central Union Telephone Company, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Roland Eugene Leopold (H '13) is with the law firm of Zimmerman & Garrett, 29 S. La Salle St., Chicago.

Hon. John E. Sater, LL.D., (Δ '75) United States District Judge for the District of Ohio, recently tried the celebrated cases against the Capital City Dairy Company of Columbus.

Charles Emmett O'Hara (N '15) is Assistant Superintendent, Calumba Sugar Estate, Canlubang, Laguna Province, Philippine Islands.

Clarke K. Beebe (H '14) is Chemist for the Illinois State Food Commission, 1627 Manhattan Building, Chicago.

Hon. Frank B. Loomis (Δ '83) formerly First Assistant Secretary of State, later Minister to Nicaragua and still later to Portugal, is on the editorial staff of the Oakland, California, *Tribune*.

Wm. John Cooper (California '06, N '13) has been elected to Phi Delta Kappa, an educational fraternity.

Joseph Leib Shell (N, '14) is in the United States Indian Service, and attached to the Swinomish Reservation at La Conner, Wash.

Arthur Clarke (Θ, '09) is a junior member of the law firm of McFadden & Clarke, Corvallis, Ore.

Jerome J. Kelliher (Γ, '15) spent the summer at Tully, N. Y., and is now located at Turner's Falls, Mass.

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THE NEW YORK ALUMNI COUNCIL.

In reviewing the activities of the New York Council for the past year, we must start with a word of praise for old Bill Ahearn, who was always on the job to hustle up a good time for the adherents of the Old Gal. A smoker held at the Lambda chapter house proved very efficient in getting the interest of the fellows up to white heat, so that from the beginning of the year it was difficult to be sure of having enough places at the cafes or at the theatres, these being the most popular forms of indoor sport indulged in by our New York brothers. One party of considerable refined joy was held at the "Pekin" where the supper was enlivened by the flitting of feminine feet, and the sipping of refreshing, even stimulating, beverages. The Secretary was distinctly shocked when a glass of some dark red liquid was publicly offered to our beloved brother and father Musgrave, but in justice to "Muzzie" it must be admitted that it was spurned. (N. B.—This party occurred in Lent.) After this merry colation, the brothers sought shelter in the "Palace", famous for its delicate songs and artistic scenic effects, where it is a pleasure to state that no damage was done to the furniture, and little to the brothers with the exception of Doc Myers, who tried to pay professional attention to one of the patronesses of the emporium. Other parties of last year would demand too much space to do entire justice to them, so I regretfully abandon the pleasant task of recalling happy moments of yesteryear to take up the plans of the Council for the present winter.

As yet there has been only time to get together in one of the famous alumni smokers to perfect arrangements, elect officers,

thank the departing incumbents, etc. The enthusiasm evident at this metropolitan event would do a wondrous good to the hearts of all loyal supporters of our fraternity. All the headliners of last season were present, and a number of acolytes who were recently permitted to stop their education. Brother Ahearn was full of the quips and cigars that have made him at least locally famous, while our lately married Herb Evans shone with a halo that only Benedicts can understand. Brother Bennie Leonard still had the same silk hanky draped languishingly out of his upper pocket, while Heinie Jacques, whom Heaven bless, was even more than usually full of pregnant thoughts for the welfare of the fraternity. Doc Chapin left a luxurious fireside to wade through ten inches of rain to obey the call of brotherhood. With this nucleus, then, what could be expected but noble works? And so it was. Brothers Evans and Leonard were chosen to take up the work of Brothers Ahearn and Beardsley, the retiring Vice-President and Secretary, while Brother Musgrave was unanimously chosen as the President of the Council. Not that he needs any honors that we of the inactive alumni can give him, but we do feel that even a little token of our individual and collective admiration and esteem is highly appropriate. So after lining up the leaders for the coming campaign of pleasure, a series of parties were arranged that promise even more munificent dis- and at-tractions than in the years of plenty just gone. Twice a month room will be reserved in the heart of the monied district of town, Wall Street, where the numerous Sigs representing the material success of this district will congregate to celebrate the midday feast in the midst of succulent viands and hyphenated foam. Besides this, at least one chance will be taken at a terpsichorean revel, and others at the exhibitions of beauty and of wit such as have been our delight during 1915-16. In closing, I wish to express the hearty thanks of the committee to the brothers who have so faithfully supported all the social activities offered for their delectation.

WILFRED A. BEARDSLEY,

Secretary of the New York Alumni Council.

KANSAS CITY ALUMNI.

On Thursday, June 22nd, 1916, an informal Luncheon of the Alpha Sigman Phi men of The Southwest was held at The Hotel Muehlebach in Kansas City, Missouri. Lambda, Delta, Mu, Theta and Xi, were represented and plans for an Alumni Council were discussed. It was voted to hold a general meeting at the Muehlebach Hotel on Saturday evening, September 16th, at Six Thirty o'clock P. M., and at that time to perfect a permanent organization. A Committee to arrange and prepare for this meeting was elected and consists of the following brothers: William E. Byers, Chairman; C. A. Ludey, Rexford Gray, Harry Allshouse and Lloyd R. Fraker, Secretary.

TWIN CITIES ALUMNI COUNCIL.

The Twin City Alumni Council of Alpha Sigma Phi came into existence on the evening of October 14th at a meeting and smoker held at Rho Chapter house. The installation of the aforementioned chapter last spring had provided food for thought and investigation which brought to light the interesting fact that there were enough Sigs in Minneapolis and St. Paul for the formation of an Alumni Council. As the result of the rounding up process conducted by Brother Ray H. Kenyon, the following membership has been formed which we hope will increase in numbers as Sigs realize the desirability of the Twin Cities as a home:

Lester W. Feezer, Lyle J. Roberts, and Francis Spaulding of B; Taylor B. Smith, Δ; Clarence H. Beglinger and Daniel T. Sullivan, of K; Raymond H. Kenyon, Δ; Ray E. Fee, Ξ; and William W. Butler, Ivan C. Lawrence, John F. Murphy, Sydney A. Patchin, and Percival W. Viesselman, of P. In addition to these, there are several older men whom age and limited time will not permit to be regular participants in our festivities.

We have decided to hold monthly meetings—the first Saturday of every month being set aside for that purpose—and in order that one city will not be unduly honored at the expense of the other, these meetings will alternate between the two. The meeting place will be a restaurant where everyone may choose anything in the gastronomic line that may suit his fancy.

Our first regular meeting was held the evening of November 4th—the day of the Minnesota-Illinois football game—at the West Hotel in Minneapolis. Brothers from P as our guests aided in making this first get-together an auspicious one, in spite of the emotions aroused in the hearts of Minnesotans by the defeat of their alma mater in the afternoon.

The officers of this Council are: President, Raymond H. Kenyon, 1044-48 Security Bank Building, Minneapolis; Vice-President, Clarence H. Beglinger, 394 Dayton Avenue, St. Paul; Secretary, Sydney A. Patchin, 1103 Fourth Street S. E. (Rho Chapter House), Minneapolis; Treasurer, Francis Spaulding, 1915 James Avenue So., Minneapolis.

We urgently request that every Sig who comes to the Twin Cities or neighboring towns for a stay, temporary or permanent, will get in touch with some of our members in order that he may enjoy our meetings with us.

SYDNEY A. PATCHIN, *Secretary*.

AMONG THE GREEKS

A Σ Φ has chartered its 18th Chapter at the University of Kentucky. Installation will take place soon after the new year.

Nearly 88 per cent. of the Bowdoin students are fraternity members.

The Toronto chapter of B Θ II has disbanded until after the war. The Fraternity contributed \$1.00 per active man to pay up its obligations.

High school fraternities at Los Angeles were forced to disband after a bitter fight, due to a state law in California.

Exchange dinners between the different fraternities and sororities have been established at the University of Washington. A splendid idea if extravagance is kept out.

Δ K E has purchased the old Yale Club on West 44th Street for a New York club house, and refitted it at an expense of \$250,000.00. Its national headquarters is also located here.

Fraternities at the University of Missouri invite members of the faculty to dine with them each Wednesday evening and give them talks upon subjects of interest.

Φ K Ψ has granted a charter at the University of Montana.

The K Σ *Caduceus*, with nine issues a year, is the largest fraternity magazine published. Last year's volume contained 935 pages.

Greek letter men at the Universities of Illinois, Washington, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Texas, and California maintained a higher average than non-fraternity men.

Within the last three years attendance at the University of Florida has more than doubled. Fraternities benefitted thereby are K A, Π K A, A T Ω and Σ A E.

Lawrence College at Appleton, Wisconsin, has but one national fraternity, Σ Φ E.

Because it is in disfavor with the faculty, Θ N E has agreed to withdraw from Ohio State University where it maintained its only house. It has been banned from nearly all the middle western institutions, but exists subrosa in some.

Banta's Greek Exchange notes that free building sites are offered to fraternities upon the campus by the University of Virginia, while Northwestern, in addition to the sites, also furnishes the buildings for a nominal rental.

The inter-fraternity conference at Columbia was abandoned because 3 of the 27 fraternities refused to abide by the rushing rules.

Fraternities at the University of Nebraska have adopted a plan whereby those whose scholastic standing falls below the fraternity average for 1915-16, can neither pledge nor initiate freshmen, while those above may do both. It is sought in this way to obviate the rule for sophomore pledging. This rule was enthusiastically passed by a unanimous vote of the active and alumni men of all the fraternities interested.

It is evident that Φ Δ Θ and A Σ Φ are not the only ones which fail to receive a square deal from Baird's Manual of College Fraternities. A Δ Π, which claims the distinction of being the oldest sorority, is set down by Mr. Baird as having been founded in 1904. The following is a part of the statement of Jewel Davis Scarborough, president of A Δ Π, appearing in the latest number of *Banta's Greek Exchange*:

For some unaccountable reason Mr. W. R. Baird in his *Manual of College Fraternities* has failed to give a just account of $\Delta \Delta \Pi$. The correct information was furnished him upon his request, and he utterly disregarded it. We are anxious for our friends to know the facts in the case, so it seems necessary to comment briefly on the information contained in this article.

Of course, it has been very hard to get a complete list of the members of our Alpha chapter, principally because of the fact that the records were not carefully kept. Many times names were recorded, but no address given. Frequently merely the state where a member resides was given and not the city. With the assistance of many of our early members, teachers in Wesleyan college, college records, and catalogues, we have been able to find the proper addresses of a number of the unknown. Mr. Baird states in one of his letters: "Some four years ago the officials of your fraternity estimated the membership of your first chapter as 1,600, and your present estimate is very much larger." This is very natural, and due to the fact that we have made every possible effort to locate and communicate with all of our old members. Then, too, Mr. Baird certainly should not assume that our Alpha chapter's membership remained the same for four years. Naturally, we initiated a few members each year, at least, and he has not even given Alpha credit for a single new member since he published his 1912 report of us. He underestimated the total membership of all of our chapters except in three instances.

Though $\Delta \Delta \Pi$ was founded in 1851, Mr. Baird did not recognize us as a sorority until 1904, when we decided to extend. In his article, he said we were "organized in 1904 upon the basis of a local society." We were not organized upon the basis of a society. The society itself was chartered at that time, and no change made in our organization. We were always a secret society, with all the customs and characteristics of such an organization. Our two living founders will tell you that we always had a secret motto, password, knock, grip, sign of recognition, secret initiation ceremony and obligation.

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It seems rather inconsistent to us for Mr. Baird to discredit Alpha Delta Pi's claims to organization in 1851, when he recognizes others. Several national sororities have changed both their name and the character of organization since they were first founded, though Mr. Baird fails to record their organization from the time of the change. Several others have even received national charters within the past few years, though they were credited as national organizations from the time of their founding. Is this a just discrimination?

The wording of the $\Delta \Delta \Pi$ report in Mr. Baird's *Manual* was most sinister, because the facts were stated in such a manner as to be misleading. $\Delta \Delta \Pi$ is not only the first secret organization for women in America (and we shall insist upon our right to that honor), but was first among women in fraternity journalism. The *Adelphean Chronicle* which was issued to members only appeared first in 1851, and was issued at regular intervals, first weekly, and finally monthly. Four editors were elected, one each from the freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes. Later a yearbook appeared.

The day has passed when justice can be expected from Mr. Baird. His viewpoint is quite too narrow for any man who assumes to sit in judgment.—Editor.

COMMUNICATIONS

HEIDELBERG,

Leopoldstrasse, 51^a, March 16, 1916.

DEAR BROTHER RICE, AND ALL OTHER SIGS WHOM IT MAY
INTEREST:

Your letter of January 10 asking for information for the Annual Report was forwarded to me and arrived a few days ago. Practically cut off from the outside world, and waiting sometimes three to four weeks between the arrivals of mail and newspapers you can imagine how glad I was to receive a word from you.

To give a full account of my activities since graduation is hardly possible, as the quantity of our correspondence is limited by the censorship, but perhaps in a few words I can touch upon several things which may be of interest.

After a very pleasant winter semester (1913-14) at the University of Jena, I decided to spend the summer elsewhere and during the spring vacation of 1914 enjoyed a most pleasant bicycle trip through southern Germany, and in April landed in the charming little town of Heidelberg, where I have been for two years. The summer semester had hardly closed when the war broke out. Such scenes of enthusiasm, uproar, and excitement, as I experienced during those early days of August I shall never forget. The clockwork precision with which everything connected with the military moved was wonderful. The exultation over the early victories was unbounded. Of course there was no thought of study under such circumstances, but gradually we have become accustomed to the abnormal conditions. The university was opened in October as usual, but very few students were in attendance. In the course of time most of those have been drawn into service, so that now the number is very small. If it were not for the co-eds it would hardly be worth while for some of the professors to hold lectures. Many of the younger members of the faculty are now under the colors. About 150 students and several faculty members have already fallen. In spite of the losses and the length of the war, there is practically the same determination to win and confidence in the cause as at the beginning. Even though it will be a hardship to hold out several years longer, I can say, as far as my observations go, that the end of the war will not depend upon England's policy of trying to starve the country both economically and industrially into submission.

We have had to dispense with several things, like butter, etc., and prices are about one-fourth higher, supplies of some articles being very scarce, yet vegetables seem to be plentiful, judging from the appearance of the stores and markets. We are receiving sufficient food, for it is folly to think that such a large district as Central Europe can be starved out.

It is interesting to go out into the country now and see in the fields swarms of prisoners. The red trousered Frenchmen are quite conspicuous. The prisoners look very healthy and well fed, and do not appear so very down-cast over their lot. In some of the larger businesses, prisoners, especially French, are used to help out. The English, I see from the *London Times*, which we regularly receive here, are now hoping that the supply of soldiers will fail. Such calculations are absolutely childish. In every garrison town it is evident that there are at least twice the number of new recruits as in times of peace, and therefore at least twice the number of soldiers as the standing army before the war, who have not yet seen active service.

Since the first months of the war, when it became well known here, how the United States was manufacturing munitions for the Allies alone, the feeling against our country has been very strong. Still I have experienced no unpleasantness because of the general animosity. Since the sinking of the *Lusitania* and the resultant notes and negotiations it has at times been very uncomfortable for me, and I am glad that the differences have been settled. Still I had no fear, knowing from observation that if worst came to worst, treatment in a German concentration camp is by no means bad. I would, however, most deeply regret it if our country should become the cat's paw for poor old England, which has seen better days. Perhaps you may suppose from my long stay here that I have become through and through a German. However much I admire the learning and advancement of this country—no amount of English argument can lower the standard of Germany's position in this respect—yet I do see principles represented here which I could never uphold, etc. I only hope that our country has learned from this war much that will be beneficial to our own future.

We have been requested by the censor to limit our letters to one sheet, and here I have written two. I shall, therefore, close with best regards.

Yours fraternally,

RICHARD JENTE (A '10).

The German censor passed this letter entire.—Editor.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Causley announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mayola Causley, to Wallace J. Piggott, ©, '18.

MARRIAGES

Mr. and Mrs. Willard H. Brown announce the marriage of their daughter Estella Wilde to Dr. Nathan Edward Van Stone, ©, '12, on Saturday, the fourth of November, One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, Battle Creek, Mich. At home after November the twentieth, Berwyn, Ill.

Leland Russell Mapes, A, '12, of Spring Valley, New York, was married on August 9 to Miss Ellen Hopper, of Suffern, New York. Mapes is with the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Mrs. Charles Francis Adams announces the marriage of her daughter, Dorothy Elizabeth, to Mr. John Brownlee Jewell, ©, '12, on Monday, the sixteenth of October, One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, Detroit, Michigan. Will be at home after the first of December, 40 Hazlewood Avenue.

Miss Mary Edith Scott, of Berkeley, Cal., to Brother Juan Benjamin Davalos, N, '17, of Buenos Ayres, at Newman Hall, Berkeley, Cal., October 30, 1916.

Miss Olive Libby, of Berkeley, Cal., to Brother Martin Gavin, N, '15, at Newman Hall, Berkeley, Cal., October 23, 1916.

Miss Helen M. Barker, of Boston, to Brother John Fleming Wilson, N, '15, at 8 Edlington Court, Berkeley, November 11, 1916.

Brother Frederick Gibson, of Clovis, Cal., N, '17, to Miss Elsie M. Polson, of Clovis, Cal., at Clovis, August 28, 1916.

Brother Charles Leon Hampton, N, '16, to Miss Myrtle June Griffin, of Napa, Cal., at the bride's home on July 6, 1916.

Miss June Milliken, of Champaign, to Robert E. Polk (H), ex-'17, April 22, 1916. Now residing at Carbondale, Ill.

Miss Edith A. Merwin, of Chicago, to Wesley W. Polk (H), '16, June 7, 1916. The Polks are living in Urbana, while he finishes his course in the University.

Miss Flora Jane Weinberg ($\Delta \Delta \Delta$, '16), of Rushville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Weinberg, to James Summerfield Bartholow (H), '16, June 15, 1916. At home 1001 W. Springfield Avenue, Urbana.

Miss Rosalie Gehant, '16 (A Δ H), of Dixon, Ill., to Harry Lea Owen (H), '16. "Huck" and his wife will make their home in Berkeley, Cal. Married November 10, 1916.

DEATHS

Arthur Edwin Ely (A '07), at Becket, Mass., September 7, 1916.

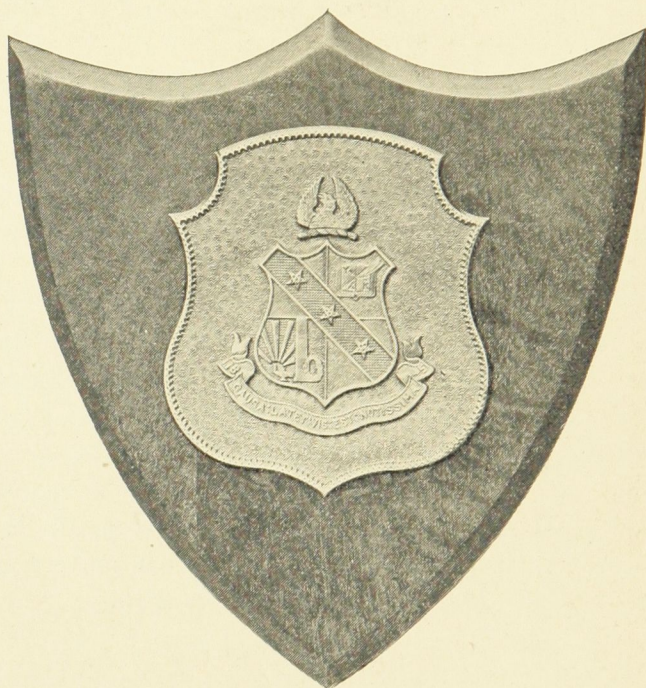
Leroy Christie Stiles (H '12), at Chicago, Ill., August 14, 1916.

William W. Seranton (A '63), at Scranton, Pa., December 5, 1916.

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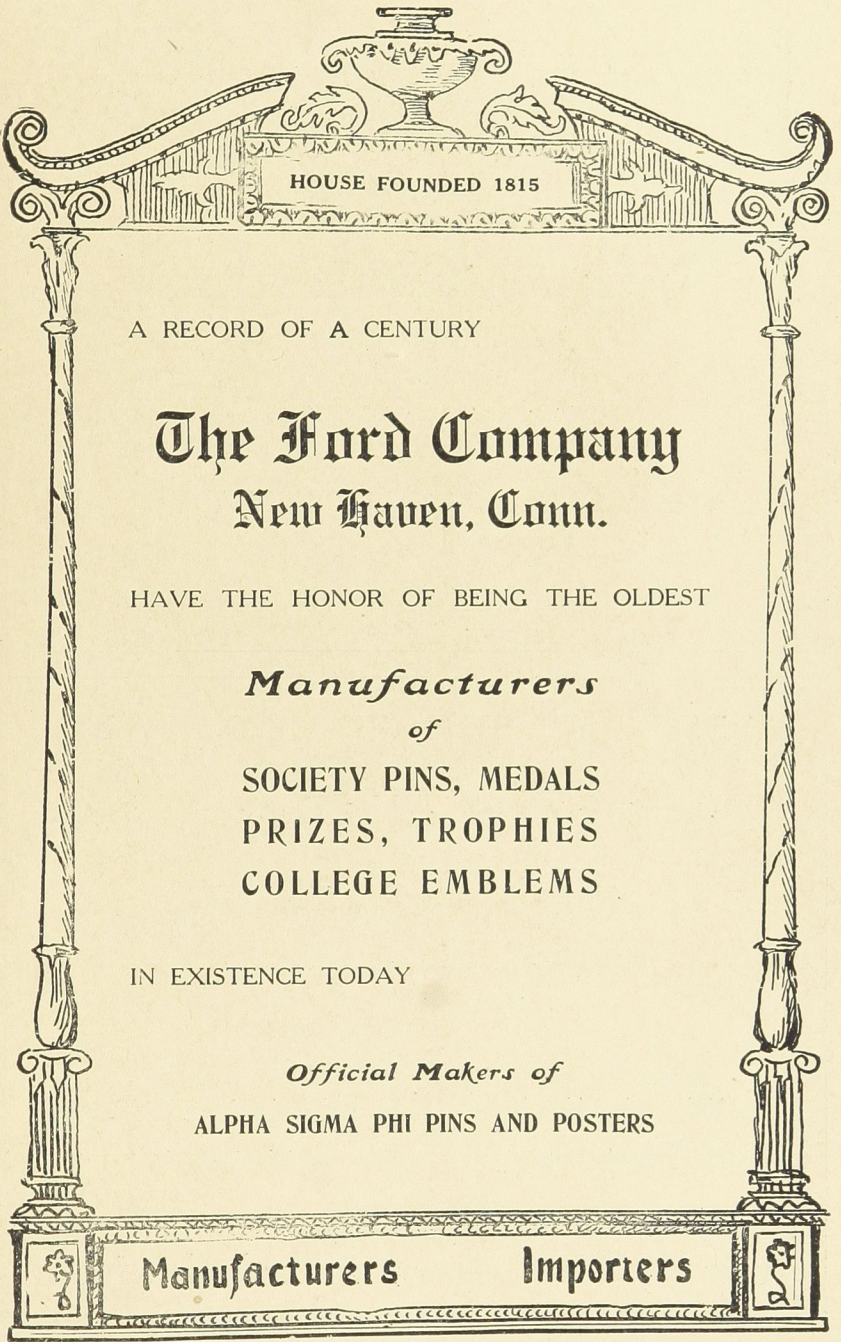
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