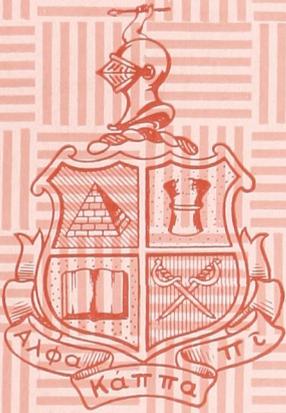


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WHAT SHALL A DIPLOMA PROFIT A MAN?

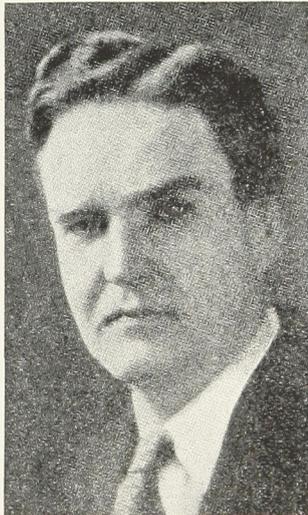
¶ Excerpts from the article "Sheepskin Blues" published in the June, 1930, *Good Housekeeping*. Reprinted through the courtesy of the author, Bruce Barton, and the editor, Mr. W. F. Bigelow.

(EDITOR'S NOTE.— We appreciate the kindness of Messrs. Barton and Bigelow in permitting us to reprint this article and also the excerpts from "Are You Happy In Your Work" in our November, 1931, issue. We offer these articles because we believe that they are thought-provoking, that they present ideas concerning which the man in college should think not only at commencement time but during his entire college career. A little more thought about the future during his undergraduate days will direct his efforts and better prepare him in his future combat to wrest a living from this world of ours.)

SOME twenty-seven years ago this June, a young man sat alone in his room in a college fraternity house, surrounded by the litter of his personal effects. Outside, the lingering twilight had faded gradually into darkness. The windows were open, and a bit of breeze drifted idly in to rustle the papers on the desk; but it car-

ried with it none of the familiar campus sounds. The streets, which only the day before had sparkled with the colorful costumes of alumni and the faces of pretty girls, were now deserted. The fraternity house was silent as a morgue.

During the morning our young friend had finished up the business incident to his management of the baseball team. In the afternoon he had begun the doleful process of packing up his belongings and cleaning out his desk. The drawers of the desk were a mass of memories.



BRUCE BARTON

All the letters from his mother were there, with their bits of news about the family, their fond assurances of trust and affection, and, carefully concealed but still evident to him, the reflection of the sacrifice which had been necessary in order that he, the only

boy, might become a college man. There was the menu of the banquet following his initiation into the fraternity—the proud night when he was made a brother in the bonds with the giants of older days who had stepped out of college to become senators and judges and famous authors and leaders of business. There were all his notebooks with the professors' marks, which had grown better in the last two years, until his average grade



had entitled him to the coveted key of Phi Beta Kappa. Finally, there was a copy of the college paper reporting the results of the ballot taken by the members of his class. Jim Frazer had been voted the handsomest man; Joe Hazelton was the laziest; "Shorty" Curtis was the biggest bluffer, and he himself was "the man who had done most for the college" and "the man most likely to succeed."

When he came across this paper, he stopped his packing, and lighted his pipe, and sat down to stare at the empty fireplace. The irony of it! How little they knew about him, these companions who had shared his life so closely for four years! What would have been their vote if they could have looked into his heart? They had seen the outward evidences of his progress, but no one knew that the sickness which had put him into the hospital for a week in February had left him nervous and sleepless and worried.

He was afraid; weakly, terribly afraid. The four years which had cost his parents so much, and on which they had built such brilliant hopes, were over, and for what? Where was he going from here? He cursed the earnest-

ness that had driven him to try to do so much, only to leave him on the edge of a nervous breakdown. He cursed his own versatility. He could do many things after a fashion, but he was not trained to do any one thing well. He envied the slower, single-track-minded men who had no fatal gift of imagination. Men like Joe Goss, who knew from the start that he was going to step out of college into a job in his father's store; or "Hi" Mix, who had got himself engaged in his junior year and had only one simple idea—to grab any job that came along and marry as soon as he was earning \$50 a week.

They had never taken things hard, these others. Life offered no problems for them. They knew their limitations. They were not troubled with any silly notion that they should try for big things. Give them a job and a wife, and money enough so that they could get back to reunions—that was life for them. And he who had "done most for the college," who was "most likely to succeed," who wanted a career—what was his equipment? Shattered health. No specific training. No job.

All during Commencement Week he had looked hopefully from one group of alumni to another. Surely one of these presidents, or general managers, or directors, ought to need a bright young graduate who was "most likely to succeed." They had been kind enough. They had complimented him on his record and told him that he had done a lot for the fraternity's prestige. They asked him what he was going to do, and when he answered that he had no definite plans he waited eagerly for one of them to say, "Why don't you come down to New York and talk to me?" or "We could use you in Boston." But they never said it. They wished him good luck and passed on their way. . . .

So he sat alone in the darkness, pulling on his pipe which had gone out, and looking into the fireplace which held no fire. He realized that his nerves were responsible for his depression. He was ashamed of himself. With a sudden impulse, he stood up and walked out onto the street that led to the college hill. There, under the stars, he said goodbye to the

shabby old dormitory which had been his home in freshman year, and to the ancient chapel whose walls had looked down upon the bowed heads of a hundred classes. Dingy buildings, both of them, but in the silver of the summer moon they gleamed. Behind the gymnasium he stood for a while looking out across the valley to the dim, silent shapes of the distant mountains. The moon was rising. He quoted to himself:

Yon rising moon that looks for us again—
How oft hereafter will she wax and wane;
How oft hereafter rising look for us
Through this same garden—and for one in vain!

He realized that he was crying, and he hated himself for it. But everything seemed too hopeless. He had come to the end of his training for life. By all the traditions he should be stepping out confidently into the waiting world. And he was sick and old and fitted for nothing.

It was years afterward that I heard this story from the lips of the man himself. We were seated in his office when he told it, and I was preparing to write an article about him for a magazine.

From the college campus that night he went to the nearest city and hired himself out as a laborer on a railroad. Little by little, the hard outdoor work steeled his muscles. His mind became rested and confident. He moved ahead in the ranks of the company and is now its president.

A man who is now editor of a great daily newspaper told me that his first efforts at securing employment were so discouraging that he was driven back, beaten, to his father's farm. For months he stayed there, humiliated by the realization that the sacrifice of his parents had been in vain. To their eternal credit he recalls that they never lost faith. After a

time he felt brave enough to set out again, and while the best he could get was an office boy's job in a publishing house, it started him on his career.

It is true that some young men and women do graduate with an exalted notion of their own abilities. I have met this sort; every business man has. But to a much larger number, the weeks that follow graduation are a decidedly unhappy period. Whatever brashness graduates may exhibit is a protective covering to hide the doubt and uneasiness underneath.

This was true in my day, and I have recently checked it with a number of more recent college graduates. Said one of them:

"To about a quarter of the men and women in my class the exit from college came in the nature of a release. They had obtained the serious things they went for, and the parting was a happy step forward. They were the sober-minded folks who disappeared promptly into relatively obscure jobs of teaching, research, small-town business, and professional work. Many of them will never be heard of again, though a few are likely to bob up in twenty-five years as the best of us all. They went to college for a definite purpose, in which very little sentiment was included. They took small part in undergraduate activities and will never be leaders in alumni affairs.

"Another quarter of the class were people who had prepared themselves for the break by some real thinking. They knew precisely what they wanted to do and, while there was a little wrench at leaving the familiar scenes, it was softened by the anticipation of new activities.

"This leaves fifty per cent of the class who will have vivid memories of 'sheepskin blues.' Generally speaking, I think the most popular members of the class are likely to



suffer most. They have been big people in their little world, and have pushed back the inevitable period of decision. They find themselves blue because they have to leave, bluer because they do not know what they want to do, and bluest when they discover that their unpreparedness is a handicap in the location of a job."

Whether this group of discouraged young folks is larger or smaller than my friend estimates, there is no doubt that it does exist. The editor has suggested that I address myself to it. Without any false optimism, without any of the glittering generalities which are characteristic of baccalaureate sermons, what can be honestly said?

First of all, the world of business is much more friendly than it looks to the youngster who gazes up at it from outside. There are some employers who regard every applicant as a nuisance and every addition to the payroll as only one more deduction from the net profits; but they are a minority, and they never become the leaders. The intelligent business man recognizes that the continuance of his operations is absolutely dependent upon his ability to persuade young people to lend him their youth and ideas.

One of my first employers was a man whose business was growing rapidly at the time and has since assumed a leading place in its field. I was hired as a sort of general assistant, and he gave me *Carte blanche* to relieve him of as many of the smaller duties as I could handle. He made only one reservation.

"It has been my rule to see every applicant for a position," he said, "and I want to continue to do so. Don't think you are doing me a favor by keeping out of my office any young man or woman who wants a job. This is a business of ideas, and we never can tell when some kid will pop in here with an idea that can be turned into a lot of money."

Whenever a boy or girl could show him something good that

had been published in a college paper, it counted in the applicant's favor.

"In order to write clearly, a man or woman must first of all think clearly," he said.

The young person who sent us an intelligent letter of application was almost certain to be given an interview.

Second, while the business world is, on the whole, friendly toward young people, it is also engrossed in its own affairs and has little time for those who are hazy about where they want to go. This young man had made up his mind that he would work for us and nowhere else, and ultimately opposition faded out before the strength of his determination.

So many boys and girls knock on the door, and say, "I want a job." So few have done enough thinking in advance so that they can say:

"I know that I can make money for this company. I have taken time to study something about your business. I know definitely the job I want, and I can tell you exactly why it would be to your advantage to have me in it."

That sort of conversation, backed up by facts, is usually enough to be pretty sure to get itself heard.

The third thing worth remembering is that the years go fast, and no one can afford to make more than two or three major mistakes. If you spend a year in a business and discover that you do not like it, that is unimportant. If you spend three years in three different businesses before you discover just what you want to do most, that also may prove, in the long run, to be a good investment. But if you drift along until you are thirty or thirty-five without having secured a firm foothold, business men begin to be doubtful about you. Thousands of younger men and women have graduated from college since your day; they have more youth to give and are willing to give it cheaper.

It may sound contradictory, but I believe there is more danger in taking too good a job at first than there is in taking too bad a one. Or, to put it another way, those who start in farthest down have the best probability of climbing highest up. There are plenty



of so-called "white-collar jobs" in the world, which pay fairly good salaries at the beginning. The man who takes one of these may go back to his first reunion to find that he is making more money than anybody else in the class. His initial success may give him a sense of false security. He may not realize that the job which he has mastered so quickly can, in turn, be mastered just as quickly by somebody else. Such jobs are always at the mercy of any younger college graduate who comes off the campus knowing how to wear his clothes well and meet people pleasantly.

Many successful men would not make the mistake of letting their boys start too far up the ladder. In this respect I sometimes think that rich men are wiser and more courageous than fathers of the middle class. When you read in the newspapers that a young Vanderbilt is working as a section hand on a railroad, or that a young Rockefeller is driving an oil truck, it is not merely an empty gesture. The fathers know that power goes inevitably into the hands that are able to wield it, and that they can not leave a business to their boys unless the boys have fought that business and licked it and can hold it against all comers.

When I said a minute ago that a boy or girl should determine as quickly as possible what business he or she likes, I think I should have added that this decision, in most cases, is not so difficult as it may seem. I might go further and say that it does not make very much difference in what business a young person starts, provided he starts at the bottom and works and will stick. For all businesses are interesting, and all are dull. In almost any job in the world, seventy-five per cent of the work is routine and only about twenty-five per cent is new, creative, and stimulating. But there is romance and thrill and opportunity in any useful enterprise, if one will stay long enough to discover it.

I happen to have been thrown early into contact with a printing press, and I have had a good time in the publishing and advertising businesses all my life. But if I had happened to begin soliciting insurance, or selling automobiles, or tending a drug store, I



am sure that I should have found any of those businesses interesting. Indeed, whenever I hear successful men in any industry talk about their work, I realize that, to every man who really gives his best, his own business is the most exciting and satisfying in the world. This is the fourth thing that can be honestly said to sufferers from the "sheepskin blues."

And the fifth is this—that youth has a powerful ally working always on its side. The name of that ally is Time.

I talked one day with Charles F. Kettering, the brilliant chief engineer of the General Motors Corporation, who invented the electric self-starter.

"What did you learn in college that was most useful to you?" I asked him.

"Two things," he answered, "and both of them came to me from outside the classroom. I was a member of the college orchestra, and we played in a theater one night when Joe Jefferson was there in his famous part of Rip Van Winkle. After the performance we were taken back-stage to meet Mr. Jefferson, and of course somebody asked him the inevitable question, how many times he had played the role of Rip. Taking a little notebook from his pocket, he gave us the exact number, which ran up into the thousands.

"Don't you get tired of playing the same part?" he was asked.

"I did at first," he said. "After I had been playing Rip for a year or two, I became thoroughly fed up with it. I thought I owed it to myself to freshen my interest and prove my versatility by learning another play. But the audience wanted Rip, and I went back to it. And then I made an important discovery. I discovered that every night's audience is different from every other, and that if I quit thinking about myself and thought

only about the people I was trying to entertain, each performance was a new and exciting adventure.' "

Mr. Kettering said he had never forgotten the old man's remark, and he added: "Until a man gets over the idea that his life was given him to provide pleasure for himself, and begins to think in terms of service to other people, he never gets very far. That was the first thing that was taught me in college. And the other thing came from a railroad president, a man of sixty, who spoke to us one morning in the college chapel.

"He said: 'Never forget, young people, that when you have learned enough to be able to handle my job, and the jobs of my contemporaries, I and they will have been taken out of your path, and the jobs will be waiting for you. Time is working steadily on your side.' "

These two stories need no comment. To Mr. Kettering they constituted in themselves a college education.

Emerson, in one of his essays, pictures youth coming into a world where no place has been provided for him.

"This is a nice piece of land," says Youth. "I will take it for mine."

"Oh, you can't take that," he is told. "That is Jones' land."

"Then I'll take this piece across the road."

"But that is Smith's land."

"Where, then, is my land?" the indignant Youth demands, and being informed that he has no land, he cries out against the system and becomes a radical. But he is compelled to struggle for a living, and almost before he realizes it his struggles have brought him a little property, and he, in turn, becomes one of the older owners against whose possession a new crop of youngsters will rebel.

Abraham Lincoln was thirty-nine when he went to Washington to serve his single term in Congress. His junior partner, Herndon, wrote him a sorrowful and reproachful letter because he suspected that, once seated, Lincoln would want to stay, and thus leave no chance for younger men. Lincoln took the letter seriously, and wrote in reply:

"I suppose I am now one of the old men;

and I declare on my veracity, which I think is good with you, that nothing could afford me more satisfaction than to learn that you and others of my young friends at home were doing battle in the contest, and endearing themselves to the people, and taking a stand far above any that I have been able to reach in their admiration. . . . The way for a young man to rise is to improve himself in every way he can, never suspecting that anybody wishes to hinder him. . . . I was young once, and I am sure that I was never ungenerously thrust back."

For the succeeding ten years of his life he seemed to be thrust back again and again; and he had almost resigned himself to the thought that he would never be anything more than a country lawyer, when a rapid succession of utterly unforeseeable events lifted him suddenly out of Springfield and into immortality.

Charles Sumner, who in 1851 was elected to the Senate at the age of forty, received a letter from a friend who commiserated him on entering national politics just after all the great issues had been permanently settled by Clay's Compromise of 1850. Clay and Calhoun and Webster had all voted for the measure, and died within a few months. It was supposed to be the last word on the slavery question. Nothing important was left to be said or done. Yet only one year later Sumner electrified the nation by an address, "Freedom National—Slavery Sectional." "The slave of principles," he cried, "I call no party master." The contest which had seemed so completely finished was actually only just beginning, and Sumner and his associates, who had come into public life "too late," were destined to play great parts in the most important period of our whole history.

Every era seems to Youth to be too late. Always the great things have just been finished—the great battles won, the great mergers completed, the great new industries started and brought to maturity. Always there is nothing great left to be done. Yet every age develops its unforeseen new problems, its new inventions creating new industries, its new opportunities for glory and for wealth. If

these opportunities seem invisible or unattainable on the day that one stands, with his college years behind him, looking into a world that is already full, such a one may encourage himself with the reminder that Time has never yet failed to provide the openings.

I think it is only fair to add that often those who suffer most severely from "sheepskin blues" experience that greater suffering because they are gifted with greater imagination, which in the long run will carry them farthest.



LIKE MOTHER USED TO DO

He criticized her pudding, he didn't like her cake; he wished she'd make the biscuits his mother used to make. She didn't wash the dishes and she didn't make a stew, and she didn't darn his stockings like his mother used to do.

Oh, well, she wasn't perfect, but she tried to do her best, until at length she thought the time had come to have a rest. So when one day he went the same old rigmarole all through, she turned and boxed his ears just like his mother used to do.

Biologist says man has always taken the lead in courtship, but the girl always catches up with him eventually.

—Morgan Cook in *Philadelphia Inquirer*

The buxom woman was standing in the street car, holding to a strap. The cantankerous looking man was seated reading. The car swung and she stepped on his foot.

"Madam," he barked, "will you please get off my foot?"

"Put your foot where it belongs," she replied sharply.

"Don't tempt me, madam. Don't tempt me," he countered.

BOYS, BE CAREFUL

She: "We've been waiting a long time for my mother."

He: "Hours, I should say."

She (rapturously): "Oh, George."

Husband: "If a man steals—no matter what—he will live to regret it."

Wife (sweetly): "You used to steal kisses from me before we were married."

Husband: "Well, you heard what I said."

She: "Say, it's past midnight. Do you think you can stay here all night?"

He: "Gosh, I'll have to telephone mother first."

HAD ONE CHOICE

Head Librarian: "Young man, we are about to close the desk. Is there anything you would like to take out?"

Frosh: "Well, yes; how about the tall one in the tan dress?"

ASK DAD—HE KNOWS!

Abie: "Pappa, vat is science?"

Pappa: "My, how could you be so stupid! Science is dose tings vat says 'No Smoking.'"

Golfer (to members ahead): "Pardon, but would you mind if I played through? I've just heard that my wife has been taken seriously ill."

An insurance company wrote out a \$1,000 life policy in the name of one Samuel Johnson. Premiums were paid promptly for a few years but suddenly stopped. After sending a few delinquent notices, the company received this reply:

"DEER SIRs: Please excuse us as we can't pay no more premiums on Sam. He died last may. Yurs truly, Mrs. S. Johnson."

"Hoot, Sandy, I ken there's a man under the bed."

"Dinna disturrb him, wife, and in the mornin', we'll charge him for lodgin'."

"Going to the dance tonight?"

"Nup; I got a gangster date with Jimmie."

"A gangster date?"

"Yeah; he's going to take me for a ride."

INTERESTING ALUMNI

King James McCristal

King James McCristal, recently elected vice-president of the alumni of Sigma Chapter, has been on the faculty at Illinois for two years. He is instructor in physical education and athletic coaching. His specialties are calisthenics, marching, gymnastics, tap



KING JAMES MCCRISTAL

dancing, tumbling, apparatus stunts, and corrective physical education work. Ask Grand President Fraim if Brother McCristal can dance; sometimes he entertains different campus gatherings.

King, or as he is better known, "Mac," was born in Peoria, Illinois, May 19, 1907. His family later moved to Hastings, Minnesota, where he entered high school. His chief activities were athletics (track and football) and dramatics. The high-school coach, a man of high ideals and a devotion to make his boys fit men and constructive citizens, inspired "Mac" by his words and actions. It was not surprising then that the youth resolved to take up physical education and coaching as a life work and emulate his teacher.

In the fall of 1925 he entered the University of Illinois and began the study of his chosen profession. Social fraternities had their appeal but he was interested in the challenge of establishing a new fraternity so he became a charter member of Kappa Zeta Rho, the new local. This was in the spring of 1926. Brother McCristal began his efforts in behalf of his fraternity and he has never lost interest. It was he and Brother Treece who first considered the possibility of merging our locals as an aid to nationalization. He attends Alpha Kappa Pi house meetings and functions and is always ready to advise or encourage our younger brothers.

Other activities began to interest King. He was initiated into the Adelpic Literary Society, almost as old as the university itself. The story is that this society was founded by several faculty members of the old Illinois Industrial University to give the students (only men students were admitted) some genteel activity for their evenings. It appeared the citizens of Champaign and Urbana considered the students a rough lot and would not allow their daughters in the company of these rude young men. The Adelpic revealed the students as earnest young men seeking true culture.

Soon Delta Theta Epsilon, professional and honorary physical education fraternity, added McCristal to their membership. This fraternity is especially interested in professional spirit and betterment. The scholastic requirement is rather high, too.

The modern olive branch, which used to be the reward of athletes at the Olympic games, is Sigma Delta Upsilon, national honorary athletic fraternity. The candidate must be eligible for varsity competition, he must demonstrate his ability and fitness in thirteen different athletic events, including the 100-yard dash and swim, mile run, shot put, rope climb and 120-yard hurdles. One might judge the standards of this organization and the difficulty of meeting the requirements by the

fact that there is a waiting list of over seventy men and only about ten qualify each year. McCristal did attain this distinction. McCristal was a major in the cavalry unit of the university brigade. One year he was intramural light-weight boxing champion; another he was runner up for the same title. He has won two nice loving cups for these events. Another distinction McCristal has achieved has been his election to Phi Delta Kappa, a national honorary educational fraternity. This fraternity honors high scholarship.

Upon graduation in 1929 Brother McCristal joined the teaching staff of the university and immediately began his graduate work. He received his master's degree this summer.

Enough for the accomplishments of our brother. He is a modest, likeable fellow. He has a knack of co-operating with people. He is an interesting and witty conversationalist. He has courage to do things right. He is much interested in his fellow men. He has made a good beginning for a life of service. Since graduation he has been chapter adviser of this fraternity.

While attending high school at Hastings, Minnesota, he met Miss Alice Erickson. This friendship developed until Miss Erickson became Mrs. McCristal on January 3, 1930. Mrs. McCristal takes an active part in the Alpha Kappa Pi auxiliary. She is a musician of note and a homemaker of the first order. The McCristals live at 506 South Mathews Street, Urbana, Illinois.

FRANK E. HANGS

Professor Edwin Butler Rollins

No alumnus of Tau has won the respect from the undergraduates of the fraternity that Professor Rollins has. Long before the fraternity ever aspired to nationalization, Professor Rollins, then an undergraduate at Tufts, was a sincere, hard-working fraternity man. As the college and the fraternity prospered and developed, and idea of nationalization became more and more popular, Professor Rollins became the alumni leader of such a progressive step. It is to Professor Rol-



EDWIN B. ROLLINS, ADVISER OF TAU
*Professor of Electrical Engineering,
Tufts College*

lins that Tau Chapter owes much of its success and prosperity.

Professor Rollins graduated from Tufts in 1901 and he immediately began teaching here. With the passage of time he won his way upwards until he became the professor of electrical engineering. Despite his constant work in engineering, he always has been able to serve the fraternity as an adviser, and perhaps no other alumnus of the fraternity has maintained such a helpful and constant interest in our organization.

HAROLD KAESE

Sverker N. Hedman

Sverker N. Hedman was born on January 10, 1905, at Waltham, Massachusetts. His early education was acquired in schools at Temple, New Hampshire and he later entered the Wilton (New Hampshire) High School from which he graduated in June, 1921. In the following autumn he enrolled in the electrical engineering course at the University of New Hampshire at Durham, New Hampshire. After graduation, Brother Hed-



SVERKER N. HEDMAN
Sponsor of Tau Chapter

man became associated with the General Electric Company in Lynn, Massachusetts. Since the completion of his training in the company student engineering course, he has been with the centrifugal compression engineering department.

During his university days. "Pete" was a member of the band, orchestra, engineering club, Phi Lambda Phi, and Phi Kappa Phi. He was a member of the local fraternity, Delta Pi Epsilon, and was a charter member when it was installed as Pi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi. As an alumnus he has maintained the same interest in his chapter that he possessed as an active.

Shortly after his affiliations with Alpha Kappa Pi, "Pete" became acquainted with the men of the local fraternity, Delta Phi Sigma, at Tufts College. Due to his fraternal interest and efforts, this group was installed as Tau Chapter on May 30-31, 1931—a worthy achievement for a brother newly enlisted in our ranks.

On September 26, 1931, "Pete" became a member of the Benedicts' Club. The charming bride was Miss Edna Dagny Brodeen of Stoneham, Massachusetts. The Hedmans are now "at home" at 20 Waverly Street, Stoneham, Massachusetts. To them the brothers extend their best wishes for a pleasant journey together through life.

However, Brother Hedman still maintains an active interest in his first love, our fraternity, and is continuing his efforts to make Epsilon Province one of the bright spots of Alpha Kappa Pi.

CLARK E. SWAIL

PLAYING SAFE

Business man (after interviewing his daughter's suitor): "I regret that I cannot see my way to allow you to marry my daughter at present, but give me your name and address, then, if nothing better turns up in the near future, you may hear from us again."

—Exchange

"Really, Bill, your argument with your wife last night was most amusing."

"Wasn't it though? And when she threw the axe at me I thought I'd split."

Little Oswald (in the presence of the family circle, plus a few additions): "No! I don' wanna kiss Miss Jones—she slapped Daddy for doing it."

A CRY IN THE WILDERNESS

It is reported that one of the fastidious newly married ladies of the town kneads bread with her gloves on. This incident may be peculiar, but there are others. The editor of this paper needs bread with his shoes on; he needs bread with his shirt on; he needs bread with his pants on, and unless some of the delinquent subscribers to this Old Rag of Freedom pony up before long he will need bread without a damn thing on, and Wisconsin is no Garden of Eden in winter-time.

—Editorial in a Wisconsin Country Weekly

First: "Who was that hag you just danced with?"

Second: "That's my sister."

First: "Oh! Well, you ought to see mine."

GREEK NEWS

At the 1931 convention, of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity, the charter of the City College of New York chapter was withdrawn and this chapter ceases to function as a part of Theta Delta Chi after fifty years of service in that fraternity. This withdrawal takes Theta Delta Chi off the island of Manhattan so far as an active collegiate chapter is concerned since in 1929 Theta Delta Chi withdrew her charter from Columbia University after forty-seven years on that campus. City College maintains chapters of the Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Sigma Kappa, and Delta Sigma Phi, the last named having her Alpha Chapter here. Dormant chapters at this campus are: Alpha Delta Phi, Chi Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Upsilon. A number of the Hebrew fraternities and several local orders are found in active service.

At Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, the fraternities are not worried as to their chapter house plans since the university has provided homes for these groups by building sections, in conjunction with the dormitories, where all the conveniences and comforts of the chapter house are found, and at the minimum cost in upkeep. There is no question that other colleges and universities will follow this example.

Missouri Valley College, Marshall, Missouri, has admitted fraternities to its campus after prohibiting them for almost forty years. Sigma Nu has revived her chapter at that place and thus far is the only national order on the campus. At present the plan is to house the fraternities in lodges rather than houses.

Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida, has doubled in attendance within the past five years. Tuition has been raised from \$200 to



\$400 per year and still the numbers were twice as large this year as last. The only national fraternities there are Kappa Alpha and Theta Kappa Nu. Several sororities have entered Rollins.

At St. John's College, Annapolis, Maryland, the college provides houses for the fraternities on the campus. This makes for a very fine community spirit at this place.

Theta Kappa Nu has entered a chapter at Muhlenberg College, Pennsylvania, where Alpha Tau Omega and Phi Kappa Tau are established.

Sigma Chi has revived her chapter at the Hampden-Sidney College, Virginia, and now carries chapters at the University of Virginia, Washington and Lee, Roanoke, and Hampden-Sidney within that state. Dormant chapters of Sigma Chi Fraternity are found at Richmond University and Randolph-Macon College.

Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, North Carolina, prohibited fraternities for a great number of years. However, the ban is lifted and Kappa Alpha has been on that campus for some few years and more recently Theta Kappa Nu has entered. Several locals are there also. It is a college for men.

Alpha Chi Rho has withdrawn her charter at the University of California and is being petitioned by a strong local group at the Iowa State College.

Lambda Chi Alpha has granted a charter to a group of students at the University of Maryland, College Park. Among the fraternities already there we find: Kappa Alpha, Sigma Phi Sigma, Sigma Nu, Phi Sigma Kappa, Alpha Gamma Rho, Theta Chi, Alpha Tau Omega, and Phi Delta Theta.

THE VALUE OF A COLLEGE EDUCATION

HAVE you ever asked yourself, "What is the primary purpose of a college education?—to fill a young man's head with facts; to prepare him to earn a prosperous living; to give him the ability to think; to teach him to live a more complete life?" An elderly, scholarly professor, lecturing to a class in college, gave them a bit of friendly advice offered from his experiences gathered during a useful, cultural life: "Young men, you are not here to gain an education so that you can go out into the world and earn more money—you are here to acquire an education so that you may be better able to appreciate life." To these remarks the practical-minded individuals countered with, "In these days money is necessary to acquire the finer things in life." But is it? We wonder what a group of college graduates, who have considered the subject, would think they got out of college—what the college should give its students and what suggestions they would offer to improve present college conditions?

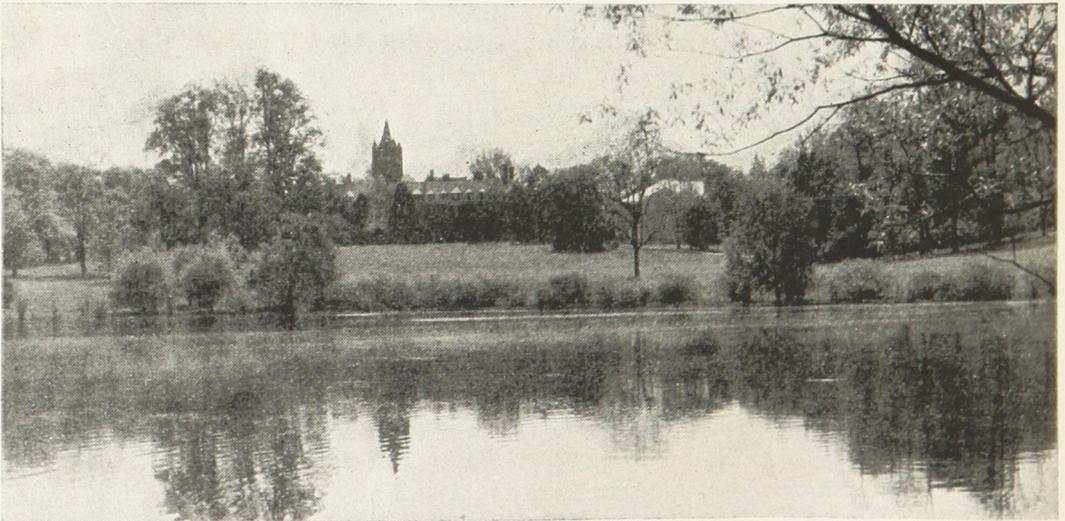
And so thought the Alumni Association of Haverford College of Haverford, Pennsyl-

vania, when, in the spring of 1931 it sent the "Haverford Centenary Alumni Questionnaire" to its members. Approximately two-thirds of the 1891 alumni, members of classes from 1859 to 1930, responded and the results were tabulated. Following are some of the thoughts expressed by the alumni in answer to the various questions:

A. *What a College Should Give Its Students.*

(Ranked by Alumni in order of importance.)

1. Ability to reason and analyze facts.
2. Ability to distinguish important things in life from unimportant.
3. Ability to express and communicate thoughts.
4. Broad intellectual interests.
5. Solid and sane foundation in religion and morality.
6. Ability to concentrate.
7. Interest in and appreciation of beautiful things.
8. Preparation for business or professional career.
9. Specific knowledge of one subject.
10. Memory training.



Haverford College—Looking across the skating pond to Barclay Hall, a dormitory

Additional Items a College Should Give

1. Ability to get along with others, co-ordination.
2. Poise, self-reliance, self-confidence, ideals.
3. Friendships.

B. *What the Alumni Think Haverford Gave Them*

(Ranked in order of Importance)

1. Broad intellectual interests.
2. Ability to reason and analyze facts.
3. Ability to distinguish important things in life from unimportant.
4. Solid and sane foundation in religion and morality.
5. Ability to express and communicate thoughts.
6. Ability to concentrate.
7. Specific knowledge of some subject.
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9. Preparation for business or professional careers.
10. Memory training.

Additional Items

1. Ability to get along with others, co-ordination.
2. Friendships.
3. Poise, self-reliance, self-confidence, ideals.

C. *Subject Most Useful in Alumni's Life Work:*

- English
- Mathematics
- Economics
- All subjects
- Chemistry
- Engineering

D. *Subject Most Valuable in Alumni's Cultural Life:*

- English
- Philosophy
- History
- French

SUGGESTIONS ON HAVERFORD POLICIES

A. *Most Frequent Suggestions Concerning Educational Policy*

1. Concentrate more attention on courses fitting men for politics and public service.
2. Develop more courses in Fine Arts.
3. Haverford seeks to give a liberal education, to teach students how to spend their leisure time throughout life. Let it do that well, and nothing more. Let Haverford be one place where love of wisdom is instilled.
4. A drastic raising of requirements for staying in college.

5. Make Haverford known as a good school with a Quaker background. It must be known as the best small college in the world.
6. More emphasis on practical training for professional careers and business.
7. Fewer compulsory courses and more chance for individual work.
8. Institute a department to analyze the student, determining his abilities, etc.

B. *Student Life*

Comments

1. Haverford should produce gentlemen—to counteract the universal lack of courtesy, manners, and breeding existing today.
2. Improve the dining-room fare, even if the tuition must be increased. Encourage good manners and conversation.
3. I request that Haverford men be thrown more in the company of young women. It is too difficult and expensive under the present system for college men and women to know each other. The social life of a men's college is in many ways abnormal.
4. Abolish hazing or rules in all forms.
5. Give more responsibility to the undergraduates.
6. Keep athletic and social interests subordinate to the intellectual and spiritual.
7. Give the better students greater freedom.

Suggestions on Student Adjustment

1. Really help the student—don't take him for granted. Find his real needs. Help him to mature more quickly and thoroughly.
2. Haverford is small enough so that individual differences can be attended to. Help intelligently all students with problems.

THE ALUMNI

A. *How Haverford Can Best Serve Alumni:*

1. Continue to improve the college, maintaining scholastic excellence.
2. Holding to the best of tradition, adopting the best of the new, etc.
3. Better co-operation between the college and the alumni.
4. Keep the alumni in touch with current college conditions, events, etc.

These are but a few of the important facts gathered by the questionnaire. As a result of the information obtained, a revision of the entire college function was made at Haverford and put into effect at the beginning of this scholastic year. In support of the conclusions arrived at there is a letter from Owen D.

Young, business man and originator of the Young Plan for German-Allied Reparations. "In my view," Mr. Young wrote Dr. Rufus M. Jones, international quaker leader and Haverford professor of philosophy, "the ob-



OWEN D. YOUNG—B Θ II
*Chairman of the Board, General
Electric Company*

jectives of an American college should be to assist a student:

1. To develop his character.
2. To stimulate his intuitions and emotions.
3. To discover his mental aptitude and to train it.
4. To learn enough about our organized machinery of society to apply his gifts effectively.
5. To acquire skill in communications with others. That means languages both oral and written, and manners, too.

I think I have stated these objectives in the order of their importance. We teach men to rely so much on their minds alone that the thousand and one nervous reactions become dwarfed in the process of our education. Our emotions suffer too from our science and mathematics and our fashionable scientific methods of dealing with history, art, and literature. There is not enough of human contacts and understanding of human emotions."

The views of these alumni, whose answers came from forty-five states and twenty for-

eign countries, representing the opinions of men from ninety to twenty years of age, were based on experience. Fifty per cent were in business, with forty per cent of these in executive positions. Thirty-seven per cent were engaged in the professions including teaching, law, medicine, writing, clergy, and miscellaneous, in order. Sixty-two per cent of all alumni answering the questionnaire went to graduate schools. Only one and one-half per cent of the alumni reported themselves unemployed.

The domestic history of the group was interesting, eighty per cent of them being married and the average family is listed with 1.8 children. In the classes ten or more years out of college, 93.5 per cent were married and among the recent graduates 40 per cent were married. Forty-four per cent of the graduates married college women. An interesting, if not significant, fact was the excess of sons to daughters, that figure being 14 per cent.

A summary of the most frequently repeated facts and opinions offered in these questionnaires is listed here:

1. An education at Haverford College is an education with a purpose.
2. The small percentage of Haverford men reported unemployed today—one and one-half per cent—indicates that the majority are able to make themselves indispensable to the business or profession they enter.
3. The surprising number of Haverford men taking graduate work seems to show that the college is very successful in creating a desire for further intellectual betterment.
4. Haverford men appreciate a good home. All but a small percentage marry.
5. Haverford should admit chiefly the well-rounded boy, even though he may not be brilliant mentally.
6. The plan of study should be individualized so far as possible so as to develop each undergraduate to the fullest.
7. If the undergraduate fails to show promise of meeting Haverford's standards he should be eliminated as soon as this is ascertained.
8. Haverford develops a sense of community responsibility.
9. Things of the spirit have a definite contribution to make to the education of youth.
10. There is a general desire among Haverford men to continue their intellectual development after leaving college.



President W. W. Comfort of Haverford, diploma in hand; Dr. Augustus T. Murray, personal minister to President Hoover; President Thomas S. Gates of the University of Pennsylvania; and President A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard University at Haverford College on Pre-Centenary Day when the new Haverford Program was introduced.

These interesting facts present a clear picture of the things that Haverford alumni feel that their alma mater has given them. It should certainly be of interest to every man in college as well as to every college graduate to ask himself the questions that the Haverford alumni were requested to answer. And incidently you might add, "What did I do to get the most out of my college days?" If the answers to these questions are not as favorable as you would desire them, then there is definitely room for improvement either in the functioning of your alma mater as an educational institution or in your attitude toward and efforts to acquire learning.

The data presented was selected from, *A Thousand Haverford Alumni Speak Their Minds*, published by the Alumni Association of Haverford College. We extend our thanks to Dr. Rufus M. Jones of Haverford College for his kindness in supplying us with the re-

sults of the questionnaire and for permitting us to publish them.

A few facts about Haverford might be of interest to the reader of this article: Haverford is a privately owned college for men, controlled by the Society of Friends. It was founded in 1833 and is located at beautiful Haverford, a suburb of Philadelphia. The value of its 215 acres, twenty-five buildings, and excellently equipped laboratories is about \$4,000,000. The endowment is also \$4,000,000. There is a library of over 108,000 volumes. Approximately 300 students are enrolled in the college. There are sixty scholarships or about one to every five students. The chief aim of the curriculum is to give a broad general education and the best preparation for professional schools. Among American colleges, Haverford ranks high in the number of its graduates listed in *Who's Who*.

THE ADVISER'S CORNER

THERE IS ONE TRUTH that is as clear as crystal and only the self-willed refuses to perceive its significance. That is—the big danger sign for the life of a chapter is financial looseness. As a rule this disaster does not hamper the collegiate chapter at the immediate time of the carelessness in things financial, but begins to exact its pay the following year and mostly from the members who have had little to do with the making of the debts. This affliction is not confined to any one fraternity, but is all-inclusive. Not a fraternity but could count off its sorrows for reason of this slip in chapter maintenance. Alpha Kappa Pi has already felt the pinch in that certain seniors and leaders in a particular chapter contracted for a chapter house, saw that it was furnished, opened a dining room, and then when the bills came due these men were scattered and the active men were unable to meet the bills that were forthcoming. This should be a lesson to all the chapters in this fraternity. Then make as a vital part of the chapter's budget this old time slogan, to wit: Pay as you go, or better still, go only as you pay. It is good training and good education to be able to say "no" or to point a reason when tempted to spend moneys that you do not possess and that do not even belong to you. Financial integrity is one of the pillars on which all fraternalism is builded and is also just as essential in establishing a fine personal integrity.

The old bugaboo of extension is always with the fraternity, and especially with a younger and growing order. Right now there are members in Alpha Kappa Pi who are most anxious that new chapters be added. This is not a criminal reaching after, but before we lose balance in this ambition, let us look over the roll of the Alpha Kappa Pi chapters and note that the extension part of the fraternity has kept a very even tenor and

a gradual improvement in the groups of men taken into the brotherhood. Alpha Kappa Pi will grow, there is no doubt of that; the thing to place uppermost is the type of college she enters and the character of the men she privileges to wear the badge. As for the number of chapters in Alpha Kappa Pi, time and judicious selection will take care of that item.

In the pledging of new men, there appears a tendency to seek out the boy who enters college already "a finished product." No greater mistake is made than when a chapter turns down a freshman simply because he does not show every mark of the well-groomed dandy. Oftentimes these boys are not trained to take the bumps of life and will drop out of college through mere disinclination to meet the exactions of the class or campus requirements. Not that we are to condemn these freshmen wholesale, but to be broadminded enough to find the diamond in the rough—the boy who may have come from the farm or small village but whose antecedents are the finest in the world. Once this type of boy has been brought into the chapter, it is often true that there has been a leader initiated whose influence will be the moulding sentiment of that group before his four years of college life have ended. The strong chapter is that chapter which is able to see beyond the surface. It is the man and not the manikin that counts.

IT STRIKES US that too few alumni appreciate the fine work that THE ALPHA is doing to join up the chapters and to keep the individual members informed of fraternity doings. THE ALPHA has received the finest possible tribute from other fraternity editors, but to keep up this excellent standard there must be monetary as well as fraternal support. We urge here that every collegiate chapter appoint a known working brother and

make it the task of this appointee to try and secure a 100 per cent alumni subscription for *THE ALPHA*. Here, as elsewhere in life, "not failure but low aim is crime." Make the effort and watch the *ALPHA* readers grow in number.

THE ACTIVE CHAPTERS should guard zealously the good name of Alpha Kappa Pi within their respective homes. Be courteous to all guests, whether Alpha Kappa Pi members or other visitors. Answer the door bell quickly and in a well-mannered way. When a desired member is in some other part of the house, go speak to him and do not stand at the foot of the stairway and yell raucously. The same

holds for the telephone. A good telephone voice is one of the best ways, and the simplest, of giving your house a good name on any campus. It is these little hall-marks of good breeding that are cumulative of building for Alpha Kappa Pi a well-spoken favor among our friends and neighbors. If the small things are observed the larger ones have a distinct way of taking care of themselves. Alpha Kappa Pi is not just a club or a group of college men residing under the same roof, but Alpha Kappa Pi is a fraternity, a brotherhood of college men striving for the best possible expression in daily living.

ALBERT HUGHES WILSON

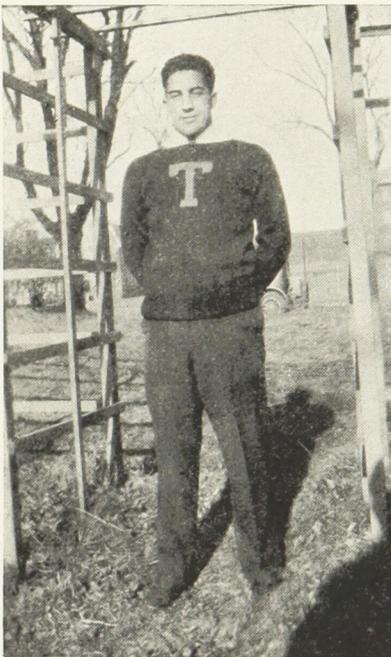


HAVERFORD COLLEGE—A WING OF LLOYD HALL, A DORMITORY

INTERESTING NEWS FROM HERE AND THERE

*Donald Cochrane, '33, Elected Tufts
Football Captain*

For the second time in three years, we of Tau Chapter have been honored by having one of our brothers, Donald Cochrane, '33, chosen as captain of the Tufts football team. The election took place on December



DONALD COCHRANE, TAU
*Captain-elect of Football
Tufts College*

5. In 1930, Harry Arlanson, '31, now coach at Montpelier Seminary in Montpelier, Vermont, was captain of the team. The ability of Brother Cochrane to successfully fill his rôle of captain is well expressed by a recent article in the *Boston Transcript* which stated:

For years it has been a tradition that the Tufts sport captains, and particularly the football leader, shall be named at the annual dance of the Tower Cross Senior Honorary Society. And so when the various athletic groups retired during intermission

on Saturday night and balloted in privacy, it was done according to the best Medford Hillside form. When it was over, Donald Cochrane, whose guarding has been one of the features of Tufts gridiron play during the last two seasons, came out to receive congratulations and applause from the colorful throng on the dance floor. Another Tufts football captain has been added to the long roll, and still another captain, Victor Knapman of Lynn, retired from the active list.

Cochrane has been reckoned among the outstanding players, at his guard position during the past fall, and a member of the mythical All-New England Small College eleven. Three years ago, after preparing at Somerville High School, he entered the Tufts School of engineering and maintained an average of B in his class work for that season. He was slightly under the same average during his sophomore year. This fall he changed his course to civil engineering, in which he will graduate in 1933.

He holds an "iron man" record in football which is unsurpassed by any other Tufts player having started every game of the 1930 season and six of the seven games this year. In the fall just completed he played a total of 334 minutes, an average of almost forty-eight minutes to the game. As a "running guard" he was counted among the best at this specialized line of play that Coach Lew Manly has had during his seven years of coaching at Tufts.

During the summer vacations Cochrane has worked hard at manual tasks that have included the placing of underground storage tanks for the Standard Oil Company and driving a delivery truck for the New England Coal and Coke Company.

We of Tau Chapter take great pleasure in presenting Donald Cochrane to the men of Alpha Kappa Pi. We offer him our congratulations and wish the team a most successful season under his leadership in 1932.

HAROLD KAESE

Church Day, Founders' Day and an Insurance Plan Are Discussed by Our Grand President

Alpha Kappa Pi was represented at the Interfraternity Conference held in the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York, November 27-28,

by the following officers of the fraternity: Grand President Fraim, Grand Second Vice-President Kugler, Grand Secretary Heinmiller, Fraternity Adviser Wilson, and Editor Jahn. It is impossible to give in a short article an adequate résumé of the papers and reports presented and the discussions which followed. The Interfraternity Conference publishes the proceedings of this meeting each year in a volume known as the *Interfraternity Conference Yearbook*. In order that you may gain the full benefits of this conference, your Executive Council has ordered a copy for each one of the active chapters. It is the hope and wish of your council that when the volume comes you will read it carefully. I think that it would be a good plan to read a report or two from the book at each meeting and discuss the findings of the various committees in order that each and every member of Alpha Kappa Pi may know the problems which confront the fraternity world and what steps are being taken to solve these problems. The active members of our chapters today will be the alumni members of tomorrow who will be called upon to solve similar if not greater problems which will be presented by the conditions at that time. Every man should have a hobby to turn to for diversion. I beg of you to make Alpha Kappa Pi your hobby. Throw your energies unreservedly into this hobby and I am sure you will be rewarded.

The month of March carries two important dates for every member, active, alumnus, and pledge of Alpha Kappa Pi. The executive Council at its meeting in New York, on November 28, designated Sunday, March 13 as "Go To Church Day" or "Memorial Sunday." Each chapter should arrange to attend a church service on that day. I am sure you will find the clergymen in your locality more than willing to co-operate by reserving a section in the church for your members and arranging, if you wish, some special form of service. Alpha Kappa Pi has been very fortunate in having so few members called to join the chapter eternal, Omega, in the ten years of the existence of the fraternity. I, therefore, as Grand President of Alpha Kappa Pi, urge that each chapter of the fraternity arrange to



attend in a body a church service on Sunday, March 13, which will be an expression of our regard for our departed brothers and our thankfulness to the Supreme Creator of the Universe for his constant care and guidance.

"Founders Day," March 23, is the second date in March which is important to members of Alpha Kappa Pi. Each chapter in the fraternity should arrange to celebrate it in some fitting way. May I suggest that again this year every Alpha Kappa Pi member, wherever he may be, drink a toast to the future success of his beloved fraternity and, as last year, in order to have unison in the performance of this rite, arrange to drink the toast at ten o'clock Eastern Standard Time. I speak for myself, and I am sure that I voice the feelings of each member and pledge who was able to be present at the Founders Day Banquet of Delta Chapter last year, when I say that there was a peculiar feeling of brotherhood and unity of ideals as with glasses poised we awaited the signal of the radio announcer that ten o'clock had arrived and we, together with other members of Alpha Kappa Pi scattered throughout the country, were to drink a toast to our fraternity. Then, as the reports came in from the various chapters how this one at a dance, another at a banquet, and still others having no special function, had gathered together in the meeting or living room and participated in this rite, one was sure that the feeling of brotherhood and unity had not been pure imagination.

Scattered as the chapters are in the various parts of the country, the observance of these two days in March will give us a feeling of oneness which I am sure will benefit each one participating as well as the chapters individually.

The *Neophyte Guide* is in circulation and is doing good work but the Executive Council is disappointed in the number of copies in use. It was written as a textbook on the fraternity and the idea was that it would be used as such. It is hardly likely that all the brothers in one chapter study their college work out of the same volume. It is just as impracticable to expect a pledge to study the work in the *Neophyte Guide* unless he has his own copy. Start a library of the required number of volumes of the guide so that each pledge may have his copy. Allow him to purchase it if he wishes to or present him with a copy if the chapter can afford it. Again I advise holding classes in which the various chapters are taken up and discussed. The few chapters where each pledge has a book and classes are conducted regularly report excellent results. Let each chapter put its shoulder to the wheel and order as many copies of the guide as they can afford and then put it into use.

Do not forget my request that you send fraternity songs to me. I promised to act as a clearing house for all efforts in song writing and will endeavor to compile a song book by convention time. Here is a problem which does not require higher mathematics to solve. Each chapter knows how many songs they have submitted. The total number of songs in my possession to date is as many as any one chapter has submitted. I cannot broadcast the answer but please see that the statement of the problem is altered in the next issue of THE ALPHA. This can be accomplished by contributing your share towards compiling the song book.

Grand Chaplain Horner recently sent your Grand President a plan whereby alumni may aid their chapters financially as well as protect themselves. I have gone over the plan carefully and have discussed it with a number of persons and feel confident that it is a plan I can recommend to the chapters which are looking for some definite plan to propose to their alumni whereby the alumni may build up a reserve fund for purchasing quarters for the fraternity, refurbishing the quarters which are occupied at present, or do what they will with the money. I have talked with insurance

men about it and find that the conditions mentioned in the plan can be incorporated in the policies.

Every fraternity is interested in any plan whereby an endowment fund can be enhanced. The practice of securing notes or pledges from alumni on graduation has proved unsatisfactory. Such pledges or notes are too apt to be neglected. It is not satisfactory practice for a fraternity to rely upon a few faithful graduates to be at call when additional funds are needed.

The following plan is suggested as a substitute for notes and pledges and seems to have a number of desirable features, both from the viewpoint of the fraternity and the alumnus:

The student upon graduation or before takes out an ordinary endowment life insurance policy of one thousand dollars upon which he pays the premium. The insured names the beneficiary and assigns one hundred dollars of the proceeds of the policy to the fraternity. The dividends are left with the company to accumulate at interest. At the end of eleven years this accumulation amounts to approximately one hundred dollars which is then paid to the fraternity and the assignment is released. The insured has 90 per cent interest in the policy at the outset and at the end of eleven years has 100 per cent interest.

This plan may be varied to pay fifty dollars to the fraternity when dividends accumulate to that amount and then another fifty dollars when the dividends have again reached that amount. The fraternity may collect the dividend accumulated whenever desired, but in no case in an amount greater than the assignment.

Among the advantages of the plan the following are the most prominent:

1. The premiums may be paid semi-annually if desired. This makes payments small and easily met.

2. The lapse or termination record on this business seems to have been most favorable. Figures available from one company state that only 7.3 per cent have lapsed or 73 out of 1066 policies in the last three years.

3. The alumnus continues an active inter-

est in his chapter by making his regular contribution and inquiring how moneys are spent.

4. The insurance company reminds him of his obligation and not the chapter or the alumni organization.

5. The treasurer of the active chapter is relieved of writing solicitous letters to alumni, who are thus relieved of receiving them.

6. Alumni are more likely to return to the house for reunions if they know they are contributing to the fraternity fund and will not therefore be asked to contribute further.

7. The fraternities address file is kept up to date, for the insurance company has the changes of address of its policy holders.

8. The future financial income of the fraternity is assured and may be used to meet current expenses, pay interest on borrowed money, retire bonds, or create a building fund.

As an army travels better on a full stomach than on an empty one, so the progress of a fraternity is more uniform and peaceful with a full pocketbook rather than an empty one. Should any chapter wish to adopt this method of securing funds and be unable to find a company willing to write the conditions specified into the policies, I shall gladly furnish you with the name of one or more companies with whom satisfactory arrangements may be made.

*Carl Langner—Wagner's 1932 Football
Captain*

Carl Langner, pledge of Beta Chapter and hailing from Waterbury, Connecticut, has been elected captain of the Wagner College football team for the season of 1932. A junior



CARL LANGNER, BETA
Star half-back at Wagner

at Wagner, he has been on the varsity team ever since his freshman year. He has had a particularly brilliant career in football and has won several "tough" games by scoring the decisive touchdown in games such as Wagner vs. New York Aggies. In the Cooper Union game he threw a 58-yard forward pass, something unheard of in the annals of Wagner's football history.

Being an all-round sportsman, he not only plays halfback in football but plays in the outfield in baseball as well. We of Beta Chapter are proud of him and his athletic prowess and extend to him our very best wishes and heartiest congratulations.

J. EDWARD VESPER

DO YOU FEAR THE WIND?

Do you fear the force of the wind
The slash of the rain?
Go face them and fight them,
Be savage again.
Go hungry and cold like the wolf,

Go wade like the crane:
The palms of your hands will thicken,
The skin of your cheek will tan
You'll grow ragged and weary and swarthy,
But you'll walk like a man!

—HAMLIN GARLAND

EDITORIALS

When You Consider a Petition

When you consider the petition of a local fraternity for admission to the ranks of Alpha Kappa Pi, what features do you regard as important? A fine house, the apparent wealth or lack of it in the group, the appearance of the petitioners, their record of athletic and scholastic accomplishments, the college or university—its size and reputation, other national fraternities located there, and the recommendations of persons qualified to give them? Several of these features are well worth considering, others are of negligible importance. Ask yourself, "Do we want men of character or those with only material possessions, accomplishments and background? Do we want men who will become good brothers or only those who will attract attention to the fraternity because of certain achievements?" Of course, the ideal is a combination of these qualities but we cannot expect too much of any group.

Looking a little deeper, under surface appearances, we might consider the ties between the active chapter and its alumni; the character and spirit of the group—these may be sensed from their history, progress, aims and general tone of their petition; and then their future possibilities. In these modern times it is the usual custom to endeavor to regard things from a realistic rather than an idealistic point of view. This striving for the practical can be overstressed—so thinks an elderly gentleman who is a fraternity worker with years of experience, and who is greatly interested in and constantly working for Alpha Kappa Pi. He writes, stating his desire to include a chapter at a small college, in the ranks of our fraternity:

I am so old, and useless, and what the French call *passé*, that I suppose I do not sense properly the influence of the almighty dollar. To me human character is much, and human possessions, beyond

actual want, little. I have seen so many big men come up from poverty, and with everything against them, that personally I had rather take a college group without a chapter house, on the ragged edge of finances, and without Beau Brummel clothes or manners. I should expect something in after-life from men coming from such a chapter. And there is such a group at ——. —says it would not be right to put any additional financial burdens on this group for it might be the means of driving them out of college. But, if the thing were left to my possibly blundering hands, I should tell this group to strengthen itself by taking in all the members of the faculty who were not fraternity men, and to appeal also to the half-dozen students at — who were not fraternity men but good fraternity material; that is what my chapter did at the University of — successfully, and that carried our newly founded chapter from the foot to the head of the fraternities at the university. Perhaps it worked hardship on those of the chapter who could not afford to pay their share of the expenses, but it gave to — Fraternity what Brother — is so kind to call one of its most valued chapters. And the president of the university stamped the work with his approval by giving us his two sons.

Perhaps I am doing wrong to press for the chapter at ——. Like — University, it has a name in the scientific world far beyond its size and far beyond its outside reputation. So it attracts the student of the large, quiet, investigating turn of mind. I should like to see such in Alpha Kappa Pi. But to the engineer, to the man of business, — University is evidently not attractive. — leans rather to — where all the older fraternities have been camped for years but where Alpha Kappa Pi would only get the pickings and leavings. New buildings and hustling atmospheres are attractive to a man like ——. And the students at — probably have money; which the students at — have not. Doubtless I am getting too old for fraternity work and ought to retire.

Perhaps it might be well, when we consider petitions in the future, to look a little deeper than the surface and a little further than the present, to judge with a broader, more thoughtful point of view and with a bit more idealism. For, after all, isn't it men that we want for our fraternity, rather than material possessions and accomplishments?

CHAPTER NEWS

Alpha

Final arrangements are being made for the annual fall smoker which will be held this year on Friday, December 4, at Anderson's Tea Room in East Orange. A large attendance is expected from alumni and active members. An invitation has been extended to a great number of freshmen and sophomores and all indications signify that the occasion will be the customary social success.

Two sophomores have been pledged by the chapter and will be initiated shortly before the smoker. The two pledges, Ralph Sayre and Paul Schwarzwald, have been active about the campus, Sayre having served as vice-president of his class last year, and as president this year. Sayre is also somewhat of a singer and has been elected president of the glee club this year.

Bill Arnott, chapter president, has been selected by the school administration to serve during his co-operative periods in the school publicity department. Bill is seen frequently about the campus with his little pad and pencil gathering the dainty morsels of spicy news. Morty Hull, vice-president of the chapter, likewise is employed every alternate month by the administration, and he serves in the mechanical engineering laboratory where he is incidentally gathering valuable pointers about the operation of the "big steam," the Diesel engines, and other laboratory equipment.

The chapter regrets the resignation of Kenneth Fiester as historian. Ken's time ostensibly is taken up with duties incident to the yearbook which he is editing this year. His former duties as historian have devolved upon Wilbur J. Kupfrian who will attempt to maintain the high standards of chapter news provided by Brother Fiester.

The loss of Howard Dorer from among the actives is keenly felt by the chapter members. Dorer, who was very active in his sophomore year, did not return to Newark this year, but we look forward to seeing him on the campus again next year.

George Wilkinson, who served as class vice-president in his freshman year and as secretary in his sophomore year, is pounding a gavel this year, serving as president of the junior class. George is co-operating at the Western Electric Company at Kearny.

Morty Hull, who has been serving efficiently as business manager of the *Technician*, was elected chairman of the junior promenade committee at

a recent class meeting. Samuel Shaw, who was chairman of the sophomore hop committee last year, also was elected to a position on the prom committee. Sammy is also on the staff of the school paper, serving as exchange editor.

The *Technician* is edited this year by Wilbur Kupfrian, vice-president of the local mechanical engineering society chapter. The staff of *The Technician* has inaugurated many changes in the publica-



tion this year, and has received many favorable comments from readers and especially from alumni members. Through co-operation from the respective classes, cost of subscription to the paper is now included in each member's dues.

WILBUR J. KUPFRIAN

Beta

Beta Chapter takes pride in announcing that they have pledged eleven fine new men to be future chapter brothers. Our pledging committee, under the able leadership of George E. Miller, acted promptly and successfully. The names of the men pledged are as follows: Robb, Harris, Berglund, Horgan, Langner, Corbin, Bross, Rogler, Koch, C. Voiges, and G. Voiges. All the brothers feel that these men are splendid additions to the chapter and will maintain the purpose and traditions of Alpha Kappa Pi here at Wagner.

Not long ago, Brother Dr. De Walsh had a birthday. This auspicious occasion naturally gave rise to the question, "What are we going to do about it?" Well, we decided to surprise him, which we promptly did. Assembling in all sorts of motor conveyances (I mean autos), we "tore" down to his house to find him attending to his furnace. He heartily welcomed us and we spent a most enjoyable evening singing songs, telling stories, and even heard a few reminiscences from the doctor.

Beta is very proud of the fact that three of the brothers have important positions on the staff of the *Kallista*, our school yearbook. These brothers are Miller, Ludders, and Rogler, to whom, we believe, the excellence of this issue will be due. They

are fine men and we expect great things of them. Ludders is editor-in-chief and Miller is business manager.

Jimmie Robb, one of our pledges and one of the best football players in the school, had the misfortune to break his collarbone in the charity game which Wagner played against Cooper Union at the Thomson Stadium. He did not go to the hospital but convalesced at home. He has now entirely recuperated, and is back smiling as much as ever.

Beta is scarcely what one might call prosperous, but we have decided to get our clubroom fixed up as well as possible. We have laid the floor with linoleum and the effect is mutually agreed upon to be splendid.

Last month, John Everetts, Jr., paid us a visit and gave us a talk on the work of the Alpha Province. He gave us greetings from the other chapters he had visited, and also gave us some financial advice which has been observed. We wish to thank Brother Everetts for his visit and hope he will meet with us soon again.

J. EDWARD VESPER

Gamma

The end of November has signaled the completion of the first half of the semester, and heralded the approaching initiation of several of Gamma's seven pledges from the class of 1935. We take this opportunity to present them to the rest of the chapters: Charles Wood, Rutherford, New Jersey; Edward Szita, Bayonne, New Jersey; Karl Logosch, Union City, New Jersey; Walter Rogers, New York City; John McSweeney, Brooklyn, New York; and Edwin Manson of Plandome, Long Island, New York. With the help of the weekly pledge meetings and the *Neophyte Guide*,



GAMMA'S PLEDGES

Left to right, back row: Wood, Rogers, Szita
Front row: Kent, Manson, Logosch, McSweeney

all are ready for initiation on the evening of December 11, 1931.

Individual activities have not been neglected during the term. Justin Hayes, '32, has been elected captain of the cheerleading team for his work of the past two years, which has already won him his megaphone "S." Bob Keowen was one of the two Steven's delegates to the national Interfraternity Conference. George Green, '34, has been appointed to the committee in charge of the annual sophomore class banquet, to be held in New York City in the near future.

The freshmen in the house are candidates for many *Stute* activities. Jack McSweeney is making good as a reporter on the college paper, while Ed Szita and Charley Wood are serving on the business board of the same publication. Wood, in addition is kept busy displaying his saxophonic talent, both in the college and in his own orchestra. A third member of the *Stute* business staff is Wally Rogers, while Ed Mason is a candidate for the glider club.

After a quiet week, while the seven house seniors were away on the annual senior trip, we started plans for a Christmas dance, finally deciding on December 26 as the date. This, combined with an alumni dance at the chapter on New Year's Eve, will finish the old year with a bang! Plans will then be in order for the next rushing period at the beginning of the second term. So until the next issue, *adios*. Drop in and see us when you are near New York. Every Monday night is meeting night.

Alumni News

The engagement of H. A. Hendrick, '29, to Miss Gertrude Schrader, the sister of Carl Schrader, '29, another Gamma alumnus, was recently announced.

On Thanksgiving morning, Thomas Phelan, '29, was married to Miss Mary Crompton in Brooklyn, where the couple are now residing.

Word has been received of the high scholastic standing of Cadet Wilford Voehl, now a yearling at West Point. The chapter is hoping to see him a member of the Army lacrosse team next year.

ROBERT B. MARTIN

Delta

I suppose that by the time you read this, the year 1931 will have slipped by in the wake of previous years and I trust and hope that it will have left behind it only fond memories of a happy and successful year which has advanced you one more step towards your ultimate goal. We are entering upon a new year. Let's all do our best to make Alpha Kappa Pi the fraternity we want it to be, and to earn for it a name of which we may well be proud.

And now, let's get down to the business "on hand." The first event of the school year was the formal initiation held at the chapter house on Monday evening, October 5. On this evening four new men entered the ranks of Delta. They are George Ast, William Specker, William Kollman, and Arthur Kramer. George Ast is an instructor in chemistry at Poly, William Specker is a senior, and William Kollman and Arthur Kramer are juniors. The formal initiation ceremony was followed by a supper after which a regular formal meeting of the chapter was held. After the meeting, a general "confab" was held while a few of the brothers exercised their vocal cords with the aid of our pianist, Brother Joseph Rogers. "And so, far, far into the night."

Pledge day at Poly this year was on October 26. During the rushing season, which extends from the opening day of school to pledge day, each house on the campus is assigned two nights on which to hold social functions for the prospective pledges, on which nights no other house is supposed to hold any social function. This chapter drew October 8 and October 23, which were the first and last dates assigned, the evenings assigned to all the other houses falling somewhere in between these two. Smokers were held on both evenings. At the second smoker, held on October 23, a very novel idea was put into execution. Anyone who happened to pass the house at about ten o'clock, when the excitement was at its highest pitch, would probably have thought that the Stock Exchange, for some unknown reason, had been recently moved to 54 Sidney Place. He would probably have paused startled, and marveled at the large number of names of stocks, which he had never seen or heard of before, that he now distinguished with great difficulty because of the hoarseness which seemed to characterize all the bawling voices that reached his ear in such confusion. Now and then, however, one voice would rise slightly above the others and he would be able to catch such names as "Gold Brick," "Canned Steam," "Submerged Real Estate" "Strainless Steel," etc. This scene of feverish activity certainly belied the thought of existing depression. The passer-by, upon closer observation, would have discovered, however, that it was not really a stock market at all but only a good imitation which the boys of Delta Chapter had created to amuse their guests. The experiment was a huge success and it was unanimously declared by all present that the evening was one of the most interesting they had ever spent.

Brother Hal Spaans, an alumnus of Kappa Chapter at M.I.T., left his home in Philadelphia to visit the "Big City" over the Columbus Day week-end. During his stay in this city he took up quarters at the chapter house. Hal, by the way, is one of the men who does a great deal of work in assembling this book which you are now reading.

On Halloween, October 30, Delta held an informal dance at the house. If the number of people present is any measure of the success of the dance, it certainly was a "winner." In fact, if it had been more successful we would have had to build an extension on the house. Sixty people may not sound like a very large number; but when they are "packed" into two ordinary size rooms along with two sofas, a number of chairs, and a five-piece orchestra plus instruments—well, draw your own conclusions.

I guess that's about all I can give you this time. I suppose it's kind of late to wish you a merry Christmas, but at least—best of luck for the New Year.

CONRAD W. JAKOB



Eta

We moved into that beautiful new hall that I told you about in the last issue of THE ALPHA about the middle of September and opened a glorious rushing season. We pledged ten fine freshmen: Meyer Frank, J. O. Buchanan, S. W. Monroe, Norman Kirkland, Johnny Cannon, Banks Good, George H. Young, James R. Davis, Mack Davis, and D. Avant. We were honored by a statement from one of the most outstanding men of the faculty when he said that he sincerely believed that Alpha Kappa Pi pledged the best group of fellows among the freshman class.

I'll tell you, fellows, Eta has fought hard but we have passed through the crisis. Everything is just rolling along with us now. We are on easy street at last. We are in perfect shape with the possible exception of finances but by the end of this year I believe every little debt will be cleared away. Now as never before there is among the upperclassmen a feeling of success and pride in our fraternity and you can see in the freshmen that they are proud to be with us. Pardon me, please, but I can't keep my personal feelings in; I am just sold on these freshmen of ours.

The "superlative contest" was held at P.C. last week, and Eta is proud to have as its members, S. L. Abrams who was voted best business man, and Mike Caskey, the best all-round athlete, best sport, and the wittiest. Beside this, they say that Mike is the best all-round athlete who ever attended P.C., having won six letters in athletics last year.

From the standpoint of games won, P.C.'s foot-

ball team was not a success this season but it showed the usual fight and clean sportsmanship that is characteristic of Presbyterian College teams. With this year's strong freshman team and the majority of the varsity letter men returning next year, Coach Johnson hopes to lead P.C. back to the heights that were hers in 1930.

Arthur H. McQueen, our loyal brother who left us last year, has successfully completed his first season as football coach at Clinton High School. Arthur was a sturdy guard on P.C.'s S.I.A.A. championship team of 1930.

Eta sends best wishes for the New Year to her brothers in Alpha Kappa Pi.

JAMES F. DAVIS

Theta

With the realization that this semester is already two-thirds over, and that our back work is piled twice as high as the last time, Theta sits down to unburden itself of some chapter news. Things have begun to percolate here at Columbia. They had to!

It seemed, at the opening of school this year, that everyone had a pet idea for the up-building of our chapter to greater honor and glory. Each idea was so novel, so different! But the depression forced some of them out, and others instead of being of the genus of new and startling notions, turned out to be somewhat similar—if this or that were dropped—so that, with one thing and another, we have finally straightened ourselves out into an actual line of attack.

Up here where student editors delight in throwing monkeywrenches into the publicity machinery, so that football looms as a semi-professional bogey and a smoothly running interfraternity agreement goes smash, the opportunities for a small group, such as Theta now is, to take advantage of a tumultuous situation are great. To celebrate our partial success under this millenium we have planned a pledge dinner for the new men on December 11.

It would seem that the sea of matrimony suffered a tidal wave this summer, for it carried off four of our brothers and left another languishing on its shore. Brothers Missal and Lambe said "I will." Thomas Schoch was married very quietly, and Wusthorn, a pledge, pulled a big surprise by announcing his double blessedness when school opened.

Brother Fegan still has a job and a bachelor apartment, but we have not as yet met Ed Mueller there. He has developed a studious streak that has

been latent for the last five years. It is his last year in law school. Johnny Bruns, another tome-toter,

is the luckiest football guesser in the chapter, unfortunately for the rest of us.

Maurice Pinel is discovering something in nickel alloys—at least he's convinced us he has. Ken DeHart, up at Rochester Med School, writes once in a while. We're still hoping to find a skull or something when we open his letters. Rennie D'Angelo and Ed Rudolph seem to know where to find plenty of "it," but the girls are still a secret with them. They won't have any peace until we know. Meanwhile, Barney Hanneken is looking for an unfortunate love affair so that he can write the Great American Novel. At which Brother Henderson smiles knowingly from the heights of his Ph.D. candidacy and in a judicious reply (for publication) says, "Yeah?"

Theta extends its sincere wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a most happy and prosperous Nineteen Thirty-two to all its fellow chapters.

BERNARD J. HANNEKEN

Iota

Iota again leads the men's fraternities at Mount in scholarship and consequently the scholarship cup will remain on the mantel in the chapter house for at least another semester. The award was based on the grades of the second semester last year. We need only to win the cup once more to retain it permanently and the gang feels that the cup is just about as good as ours already.

The chapter won the college volleyball championship plaque, the team going through the season undefeated. Members of the crack championship squad are Del Gard, Bill McGlaughlin, Hugh Niuman, Frank Leyda, John Fairless, Paul Haas, and Don Hefflefinger, manager. This is the second consecutive year that a team from the house has had little or no competition in the intramural volleyball league and most of the team will be back next year.

Iota announces the knighting of Brother Robert Preston Ostergard of Canton, Ohio. Brother Ostergard is a pre-med student in the science department of the college and dotes on organic chemistry and basketball. Bob is out for varsity ball along with Brothers Gerve Brady and Lowell Lamb—the latter was a varsity man last year.

Mount will place the same team in the field this year that has won the Ohio Conference championship for the last two years. It has always been a tradition at Mount to produce one of the strongest cage teams in the country, since Mount is the parent of intercollegiate basketball.

Basketball was introduced at Mount in 1891 and, once acquainted with the game, the students made efforts to contend with teams from other colleges. From one college after another, word was received that no teams were sponsored and from one school a reply came "that we have no girls in our school to play that game."



Left without intercollegiate competition, the Mount team played Y.M.C.A. teams until several years later, in 1896, the game having spread to other colleges, Mount won her first intercollegiate championship. Mount has won the Ohio Conference championship nine times since then, six of the championships coming in the last eight years.



So Mount Union prides herself on being the parent of the game that holds sway in every college in three months of every year and so Iota prides herself on having men on the Mount cage team.

Brother Lowell Lamb was named secretary of the senior class at the recent student elections and Rufus McDonald and Delmar Gard were given positions on the senior committee in charge of commencement exercises next June.

Iota has placed men in the various campus activities this year. Pledge John Fairless was appointed assistant cheerleader by the student body while Howard W. Brown was successful in landing a glee club berth and is looking forward to the eastern tour that the Mount glee club will make next spring.

"Deacon" Al Muller has just about cinched his berth on the varsity debate team. The debate team holds an enviable record—no defeats in three years of competition, with scalps such as Harvard, Pittsburgh, University of Vermont, Buffalo U., etc., to boast about.

The Iota football team traveled to Bethany for the annual Thanksgiving struggle but came out on the short end of the score. After a desperate struggle, Lambda nosed out a 25-0 victory. However, Iota usually evens up the score when Lambda comes to Alliance for the annual basketball fracas.

Monday, October 26, was a red-letter day for the girls at Mount for Iota gave her annual fall serenade on that date between the hours of tenthirty and twelve.

After loading the chapter's "grand piano" on Hugh Niومان's truck, the gang (about thirty strong) marched over to Elliot Hall, the girl's dorm. With Darrel Minard banging at the baby grand, and Del Gard trying to coax something besides notes out of his sax, the fellows led by George Leyda charmed the ears of the young damsels for nearly a half-hour.

Then, proceeding to the Alpha Xi Delta house, the fellows serenaded for another half-hour, only

to return to Elliot Hall when applause carried by gentle whispering winds reached our ears while we were serenading at the Alpha Xi house, from said Elliot Hall a quarter of a block away. Well anyway, the dean of women said "halt!" at twelve bells and we went home, much to the disappointment of the girls.

Hugh Niومان reported the loss of his jeweled badge and heart to Miss Molly Glauser (Alpha Chi Omega) of New Philadelphia, Ohio, a sophomore at Mount. Iota extends to Miss Glauser and Hugh best wishes for a happy future together.

MATHIAS KOHL, JR.

Kappa

As the year comes to a close, the men of Kappa find themselves increasingly occupied with the things an engineer supposedly must know. The activities synonymous with rushing and the like have given away to the seasonal brown-bagging, as the old bugbear of final exams once more becomes real.

Notwithstanding this, the spirit of the times was emphasized by a Poverty Dance held in the chapter house on the evening of November 27. The affair was a decided success, with informality the password. Kerosene lamps furnished a harmonious background to the decrepit clothes worn by the couples, and the only note of luxury was a cozy log fire. The dance was staged and managed by Paul Monier, Kappa's maestro in the art of tersichore.

Several men of the chapter are planning a five-day mountain climb to take place the first week in February. We wonder if there are any other Alpha Kappa Pi men who are interested in this sort of thing. If so, we welcome an exchange of notes and ideas on the subject.

Although the previously mentioned brown-bagging is the rule and not the exception, the chapter continues to be on the lookout for good men. As initiation approaches, the older members realize more keenly our aims and standards, which we hope will never be impaired.

The following officers were inadvertently omitted in the previous letter. They are: Chaplain, Paul A. Monier; and sentinel, William Robinson.

Kappa extends to the other chapters its best wishes for a successful and happy New Year.

RALPH PETERSON

Lambda

Among our most enjoyable events this last autumn, was a well programed house party, Saturday evening, October 17. We were honored in having with us Dr. and Mrs. Weimar, and Prof. and Mrs. Sumpstine, as the chaperones of the evening. There were about sixty to sixty-five present. The pledges, as well as the actives, came out and all joined in for a good time. A general get-together

took place at first, followed by bridge games, and then the prom came gradually into the picture. Such entertainment characterized the evening's events. During intermission, refreshments and special features added to everyone's enjoyment. Sandwiches, cakes, and ice cream were served with hot drinks. Fruit punch appeared on the scene during the latter half of the prom. A newly organized fraternity quartette and orchestra presented several comic and up-to-date numbers in commendable style. Last, but not least, was a guitar and cornet duet by our comedian brothers, Bud Bryan and Bill McIlroy. Their "Brave Caballero" went over with a bang for it was recently in the movies at Bethany College. A good time was had by all. We do not claim or strive to be social hounds at Lambda, but we believe that a certain amount of



some social life is essential in a sound college experience.

The pledges took charge of another house party on November 21. We are having a fraternal stag party December 11. A co-ed dinner party will be held on January 9, following Christmas vacation. We are considering a big formal dance next spring.

We wish to honor our brothers who possess musical ability. They represent the largest group of musical participants in the college orchestra and are quite active in other musical affairs. Brothers Hanes, Bryan, McIlroy, and Greskovitch have qualified for the college glee club consisting of sixteen members.

Frank "Greski" Greskovitch, fullback; Charles "Hen" Gilson, halfback; Frank "Zing" Zingle, fullback; Colin "Worsy" Worsencroft, halfback; and Charles "Chuck" Wells, tackle, were successful gridders on the varsity squad last fall.

As candidates for varsity basketball, we have Schaffer, Gilson, Worsencroft, Wells, Livingston, and Hedden.

We are looking forward to the annual Iota vs. Lambda basketball game in the near future at Mt. Union College, Alliance, Ohio. Our brothers of Iota had a decided edge on us last year but Lambda hopes to offer a better game this year with the help of a few new brothers.

Our football brothers of Iota spent Saturday, November 28, with us. The annual football game was staged and an enjoyable reunion was held. The game was, in several respects, the most exciting of any played on Bethany's field this year. We had

a muddy field which made the game very interesting to watch. The following men played for Lambda: Sowers, Wells, Davis, Pratt, Thomas, Doubty, Roberts, Gilson, Bramhall, Worsencroft, Zingle, Bryan, and Horner. Iota made no first downs—Lambda made seven or eight. Because of the muddy field, forward passing was at a minimum. However, there were few fumbles during the game. In the first quarter, Sowers received a pass and ran sixty yards being brought down ten yards from the goal line. After a great battle Worsencroft carried the ball over for a touchdown. Iota's line put up a great battle throughout the game. In the second quarter Worsencroft ran forty yards for a first down and later Bramhall carried the ball over for a second touchdown. In the third quarter Worsencroft again ran forty yards and scored another touchdown. Roberts received a pass for the extra point. In the latter part of the last quarter Horner intercepted a pass and ran fifty yards for a touchdown. Three outstanding players on Iota's team were the two Ostergard brothers at quarterback and fullback, and their center. Fine sportsmanship was displayed throughout the entire game and a real fellowship was prevalent during the dinner and sociable hours that followed it.

H. BYRON K. HORNER

Mu

With Harper Grimm already in office as student president of Marshall, the fall elections did much to strengthen the position of Alpha Kappa Pi on the campus. Our faction took every major and minor office on the ballot with the exception of senior class president. The ballot included student council representatives and class officers.

Alpha Kappa Pi scored an innovation in changing her customary mid-winter formal to a fall formal. It was the first event of the kind this season and as other Greek organizations were extended blanket-date bids, the turnout was record-breaking. The thing so surprised everyone that it was dangerous to go near fraternity or sorority houses because of the preps who were made to run around the block airing moth balls out of tuxes and evening dresses. Music was furnished by Howard Jennings and his orchestra—the best in this locality. It was a tremendously successful affair and even a sprained ankle couldn't keep the social committee, Paul Winters, from enjoying his handiwork.

The delightful "deception" of and for the Alpha Kappa Pi given by Mrs. J. R. Keesee was voted the most enjoyable evening spent this year. The fraternity and pledges were invited to the home of Brother Budd Keesee after meeting, under the impression that they were to partake in a simple stag party and so dressed and neglected shaving accordingly. The fellows bore down on the house in a body and the door opened on a Mohammedan's heaven. In a row stood the "steady" girls of those

who felt that way and unsteady ones for the rest. Happily, no one was injured in the rush to get brushed up, and after a sleek-haired return it was noticed that the house, the orchestra, the girls, the cakes and the ice cream were beautifully decorated in the fraternity colors.

Following a successful rushing season, Mu came out with seventeen pledges: Dorcie Huffaker, Chelyan; Kyle Keeney, Chelyan; Lawrence Blankenship, Wyoming; George Garner, Huntington; Henry Sowards, Huntington; John Skorvaga, Huntington; Delbert Smith, Kenova; Percy Galloway, Kenova; Glen Sikes and John Harlow, Huntington; Olin Williamson, Friendly, West Virginia; Plymale, Kenova; William Bays, Huntington; Foley and Harry Scott, Williamson; George Miller, St. Albans; and Bill McCown, Huntington.

Four upperclassmen were formally initiated on the last Sunday in November: Lawrence Blankenship, Wyoming; Delbert Smith, Kenova; and Henry Sowards and Glen Sikes of Huntington. We feel that every Alpha Kappa Pi will be glad to congratulate these men and welcome them as brothers.

A dozen or so of our men wish to thank Lambda Chapter at Bethany for their hospitable treatment during our football invasion in October.

A house party is planned in honor of Founders' Day and as with other house functions held here, it will be a closed function restricted to members, pledges, and dates only.

Professor Gullickson's program of intramurals is now running to a volleyball tournament with the Alpha Kappa Pis standing well toward the top. We stood second in the float decoration contest Thanksgiving Day just missing another cup to go on the chapter room mantel.

Harry Thomas Moreland, hitherto dormant, enabled us to procure a long needed piece for the living room. Winning an eighty-dollar payment on a piano, he very graciously turned it over to the fraternity with the result that we can now form our own orchestra and all the neighbors are threatening to move. Dennis Roy was very bitter about the noise of the piano but since he fell in love it takes something larger than a piano to even evoke notice from him.

New Year's greetings to our brothers in Alpha Kappa Pi.

DONALD BAKER

Nu

In our last article Nu Chapter had just pledged its freshmen and was beginning the school year, but now mid-semester exams have passed and we are enduring the average school year with a few gay week-ends mixed in to supply pleasure with our work.

Brother Rankin returned to Lehigh again this fall to take graduate work in psychology. Draper

is a member of the class of '31 and his unexpected return was a pleasant surprise to us all. There's just something about the place. . . .

Nu Chapter has continued her redecorating in the past few weeks. All the floors on the second and third floors have been repainted, and several of the study rooms have been entirely redecorated. Jaspe parquetry flooring replaces the old flooring in our reception hall and adds a great deal to the general appearance as one enters the house.

October 31, November 1-2 was the week-end of the semi-annual house party at Lehigh. The party consisted of a senior ball, Friday night; football game, tea dance, and house dance Saturday afternoon and evening. The week-end was brought to a close on Sunday with a special dinner served at the house at 2 P.M. Fortunately the depression was not felt at Nu and the ma-

majority of the fellows accompanied by their "weaker moments" took in the occasion. As was mentioned before, house parties only come twice a year at Lehigh, and consequently a great interest is taken in it. For fully two weeks beforehand everyone



worked to get the house in shape for the party. We had the downstairs very cleverly decorated with orange and black streamers covering the ceiling in a checker board fashion and also hung from the ceiling in alternate colors, covering the side walls in a very ornate design. From the chandeliers and various other places were hung masses of fringe which finished off the decoration in a unique style. Brother Blankenship attended the Saturday evening house dance, and we certainly hope he had an enjoyable evening. For all of us, the house party was a success.

Several of the brothers dropped in at Rho Chapter on Saturday, November 14, when Lehigh played Rutgers. We were glad to have the opportunity to better our acquaintance with Rho and we extend our invitation to them to visit us.

This year, November 21 was the day of the annual Lehigh-Lafayette football game. The game between these two schools was started in 1887 and is the longest series in college football. Naturally, there is a tense rivalry between the schools, and on and around that date everyone forgets everything but the game. The sad part of the story is that Lafayette was the victor this year. Alumni Brothers Freese, Austin, Hunt, Klien, Michael, and Whitaker were back to witness the defeat. Nu Chapter served tea to approximately seventy-five friends after the game.

Brother Oppelt spent Friday, November 27, at

the home of Grand President Fraim in Brooklyn, New York, where a meeting of the trustees of Alpha Kappa Pi was held.

Although the wrestling season hasn't officially opened as yet, the fellows have been out for some time getting into shape for the team. Pledge Hump-hill is among the group. He has had previous experience and has received favorable comment from the coach. Bud has been working hard and there is little doubt but what he will hold a position on the freshman team. He, too, is a very promising wrestler. On the basketball floor we find Rowe and Christman each afternoon. Rowe has received the position of center on the team, and Christman has been showing up very nicely. Brother Lubbers who reported late for football this fall immediately got a position on the squad and saw action in several games. Pledge Brown and Brother Lubbers are planning to try out for lacrosse this spring. Lubbers was on the team last year and will have little trouble finding a berth this year. Brown attended prep school in Baltimore, Maryland, the heart of the lacrosse country, and from his past experience he should make an excellent showing.

In the journalistic realm at Lehigh, we find Haller and Brother Herrick on the *Brown and White* staff. Both these fellows are feature writers for the paper, and they have a particular habit of getting several front page articles in each issue.

In the musical activities around school are Brothers Rankin and McConnel. Both these boys play with the Brown and Maroon Collegians, a dance band composed entirely of Lehigh and Lafayette fellows. It is a popular band on both campuses and is kept busy playing for social functions at one or the other schools. McConnel is also in the Musical Club's dance orchestra and the university band.

Brother Stem, the lone senior engineer in the house, was elected to Eta Kappa Nu, honorary electrical engineering fraternity, last week. We feel that this is quite an honor for the house because only four men from the entire senior class were elected into the organization. Brother Stem is also a member of Pi Mu Epsilon and Newtonian Society—both honorary math societies.

Only last week "valentines" (mid-term reports) were sent out; and, as usual, Nu Chapter held their scholastic rank by remaining in the upper fifth of all the living groups.

On November 1, Brother Klien, '30, became the father of Wilson Klien, Jr. The family is living in Bethlehem at present, and we are kept informed daily concerning the health of the young

son and it has always been favorable. Another good A.K.Pi, Wiggy?

JOHN H. McCONNELL

Xi

Xi Chapter nominates, for the Alpha Kappa Pi Hall of Fame, the president of the chapter, Brother H. E. Karig of Livingstone, New Jersey.



H. E. KARIG—Xi

*Athlete and honor student
on North Carolina's campus*

Karig, or Ed, as he is more familiarly known, has set a mark in scholarship, athletics, and leadership which Xi feels will be hard to equal.

Scholarship, by tradition ranks first at Xi and Karig ranks first in scholarship. He is a member of Pine Burr, scholarship society, and Blue Key, leadership fraternity. He is also a member of Golden Chain, a society which each year selects the twelve outstanding men of the college.

Although scholarship has been much in the foreground, athletics have not been neglected. In his freshman year, Karig won his numerals in cross country, track, and wrestling. He has been a members of varsity track, wrestling, and boxing teams and this year he climaxed his athletic career by being elected captain of the varsity boxing team. As one of the best bantamweights in Southern collegiate circles, he will be a real contender for



the Southern Conference championship. Needless to say, he is also a member of the Monogram Club.

Karig, as a junior, won the White Spades Scholarship Cup which is given to the fraternity man with the highest scholastic average. During his senior year, he has been outstanding in aeronautical engineering. He is secretary-treasurer of the senior class, member of Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternity and also an officer of the college chapter of the A.S.M.E. During his junior and senior years he was a member of the house in the student government, and also president of the Dormitory Club.

Ed is a charter member of the chapter, was historian in his sophomore year, secretary during his junior year, and climaxes his career as president of Xi Chapter during his senior year.

Xi has every reason to feel proud of Brother Karig and under his able leadership we hope to produce many other brothers who will help to make up for the loss which the chapter will feel when he graduates this spring.

Chapter News

The chapter's social activities began on Friday, September 25, with a housewarming. Everyone was well pleased with the new house and welcomed the opportunity of a get-together after the summer vacation.

Five exceptionally good men have been pledged this school year. What Xi lacks in quantity they more than make up in quality. Pledges to date are: E. P. Galba, McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania; E. C. Lewis, Jamaica, New York; G. R. Mumford and J. B. Sauls, Ayden, North Carolina; J. D. Van Arsdale, East Orange, New Jersey.

On Thursday, October 15, the night of the State-Wake Forest game, an open-house dance was held at the house in honor of the new pledges. Many of the guests were heard to say it was the best house dance they had ever attended, and the members of Xi were pleased to hear that.

The chapter attended the Wake Forest interfraternity council dance as guests of the Lambda Tau Fraternity and were highly impressed with the way their hosts entertained them. The Lambda Tau men are a fine group and Xi cannot recommend their petition too highly.

Boxing season has started and Captain Ed Karig is leading the squad in its daily workouts. Pledge Sauls is also out for the team. Dave Whitehead is one of the best men on the rifle team as a result of his competition in the national matches at Camp Perry last summer. Four Alpha Kappa Pi men are in the band this year. They are Jack Lindstrom, Bill Kirchheimer, "Pop" Sauls, and Ed Galba. Pledge Lewis shows promise of making the freshman basketball team.

Chess is another of the indoor sports that are popular in the house. Brothers Bennett, Karig,

Lindstrom, Saunders, Van Arsdale, and Kirchheimer are often seen with heads bowed in thought. Brothers Norlander and Henry also play at the game.

The chapter is facing the sad fact that Secretary "Yank" Norlander will soon leave us, as he graduates in March, at the end of the second term. "Yank" is an invaluable man, known and liked by everyone on the campus. The chapter wishes you the best of luck, "Yank," and knows that the star of another chemical engineer will soon rise over the horizon of fame.

A new project has been started to keep the active and alumni members in constant touch with each other. A miniature newspaper is put out monthly by the alumni committee, regularly giving chapter and campus news to each alumnus. The college paper is also sent each week as it is published. Each alumnus pays a small fee, which makes the news-letter self supporting.

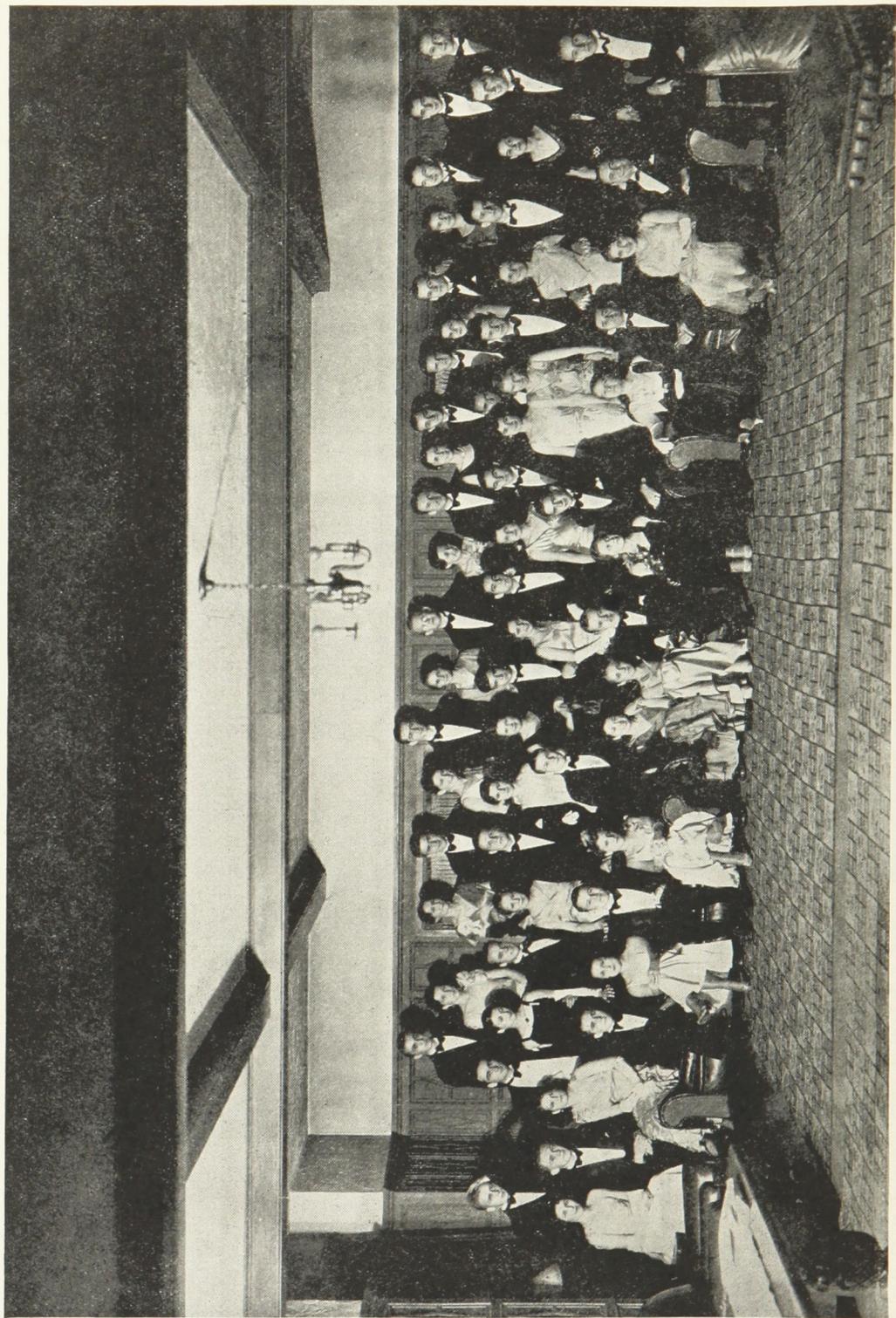
On Friday, November 20, the chapter entertained at the house with a dance. Among the guests were several members of the Lambda Tau Fraternity of Wake Forest and their dates. A public address system was used, so that everyone was able to hear the music and the wisecracks which were put out from the control room.

All the men who lived within a reasonable distance went home for the Thanksgiving holidays, and those who lived too far to go home visited the fellows who live closer; so all the men were able to partake of the good old turkey on Thanksgiving.

WILLIAM G. KIRCHHEIMER

Omicron

With the first semester of this academic year at its halfway mark, we find many of the brothers interested in extra-curricular activities. Brothers McCarter and Hartman will continue their cheer-leading at the winter contests—basketball, wrestling, and boxing. Now that the Eastern boxing eliminations to decide Olympic material will be held at State, the boys will work overtime. "Mac" and "Bill" also appeared in the house party Thespian show. Brothers Adam, Anderson, Harris, King, Hunt, Hamilton and Pledge McDermont are functioning for the same club. In Penn State's reputed "Blue Band" we have Brothers Miller and O. Uhle as representatives. Brothers Bast and J. Uhle are members of the sophomore R.O.T.C. band. Pledges Keech and Clark are bidding for recognition on the freshman wrestling squad. Austin B. Moore, Jr., is trying for the lead in the Penn State Players' new production, "The Black Flamingo," by Sam Janny. "Auttv" did superb work in "Broken Dishes" and should receive much consideration when the cast for this new play is se-



OMICRON'S FALL HOUSE PARTY—NOVEMBER 6-7-8, 1931—"A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL"

lected. Brother Bailey, as associate editor on the staff of the *Penn State Engineer*, has been contributing articles regularly to that publication. Brother Becker and Pledge Keech, winners of the house tournament, will represent our House in the fall bridge tourney sponsored by the intramural council.

Since house party is the first social event of the fall season, it is always enthusiastically welcomed by the fraternity men of Penn State. It provides a much-needed break between registration in September and the Thanksgiving holidays. House party at Omicron, the week-end of November 6, was a huge success. Harvey Marburger and his band from Reading, Pennsylvania, furnished the rhythm. The favors were gold pendant vanity cases. The guests attending the party were: Miss Dorothy Cassidy, Altoona; Miss Edith Port, Huntington; Miss Lucille Wingate, Wellsboro; Miss Molly Chadwick, State College; Miss Alice E. Huff, State College; Miss Claire Kettering, Annville; Miss Mary Alice Reilly, Lancaster; Miss Elizabeth Reed, Downingtown; Miss Helen C. Uhle, Allentown; Miss Sally Miller, Montgomery; Miss Bernice Sherer, Allentown; Miss Ruth Hand, Scranton; Miss Margaret Buchheit, Allentown; Miss Marion Roberts, Peckville; Miss Emma Whistler, Quakertown; Miss Ruth Shepherd, Kingston; Miss Genevieve Heisler, Schuylkill Haven; Miss Josephine White, Marysville; Miss Judith Stauffer, Schuylkill Haven; Miss Sarah Ross, Linden Hall; Miss Jane Ross, Linden Hall; Miss Ethel Althouse, Reading; Miss Esther Wauker, Chadds Ford; Miss Juanita Sarzano, Swarthmore; Miss Norine Engleman, Pittsburgh. Mr. and Mrs. John A. Harris of State College; Mr. and Mrs. Austin B. Moore of Downingtown; and Mr. and Mrs. L. Arnold Hamilton of Scranton were the chaperons. We hope that our guests enjoyed themselves as much as we did—perhaps we shall see them again at spring house party.

For quite a long time the members of Omicron have sensed the need of a code of so-called house rules. Only recently did we become positively aware of the fact and proceeded to take definite action. A very informal meeting was held and a set of regulations were drawn up which undoubtedly cover every detail of fraternal activity. Although these laws were originally compiled by the two upper classes, they have been submitted to, and approved by, the underclassmen. At the next regular house meeting the new system will be accepted and go into immediate effect. This movement has as its ultimate aim, a well-founded co-operation between classes and yet the installation of a modified class distinction. There are restrictions placed on all classes but the sophomores and freshmen are more restricted than the seniors and juniors. The major violations are punishable by fines which are in proportion to the seriousness of the violation. Petty misdemeanors are subject to small fines and in the case of repeated offences by underclassmen, the

case is referred to a tribunal. This tribunal is empowered to assign work to these chronic offenders. We cannot predict complete success in this venture but we are confident of securing a great deal of improvement over the present condition.

Alumni News

Brother T. A. Krum, formerly of Penn State and now a pre-law student at the University of Virginia, is a target for congratulations from Omicron. Several weeks ago "Ted" became the proud father of a baby boy. The family is living at Charlottesville, Virginia, until "Daddy" Krum finishes his college career.

The family of John Savolaine, '24, has been increased by one—a son, John Carlton, born on Friday, November 20, 1931. The Savolaines had something to be thankful for on Thanksgiving Day. To them we extend our congratulations and best wishes.

On Sunday, November 29, 1931, a few of Omicron's alumni got together for a reunion dinner at the Hotel Taft in New York. Among those present were Bill Stamm, '23, Bob Martin, '27, Ray Roush, '30, Emile Walters, and "Connie" Confehr, '29, all of New York City; P. D. Andrews, '23, of Schenectady, New York; Johnny Horting, '23, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania; and A. G. Jahn of Philadelphia. Everybody enjoyed the renewal of friendships, reminiscing over old times and discussion of progress of the active chapter and the fraternity at large. It is planned to hold another reunion dinner soon in either New York or Philadelphia and have the brothers of one city visit those of the other.

ALFRED F. KNOLL

Pi

Greetings brothers—though this will reach you a little late, we at Pi wish you a right merry Christmas and all kinds of happiness for the New Year.

Homecoming day was celebrated this year on October 23. It is the policy of the students of the university to elect a mythical mayor each year for this event. His slogan must indicate the method he will employ to win the homecoming game. There were five candidates in this year's race for the distinguished office—Mayor of Durham. Each candidate raved and promised until he was so hoarse he could be heard no more.

Harry Croke brought forth the "rubber platform" which he said "could be stretched to suit the needs of the people." When the hot air had cooled and the votes had been totaled, it was found that Harry, by the wishes of the "citizens of Durham," had been chosen to guide the destinies of their city for the ensuing year.

In past years we have "rammed Connecticut with Ramsey" and "hazed Vermont with Hazeltine"



HOMECOMING DAY AT NEW HAMPSHIRE

*Left to right: Manager Alex Currie,
Mayoress Jean MacDonald and
Mayor Harry Croke*

but this year we "croaked Tufts with Croke" to the tune of 9-6.

As well as being a member of the Blue Key and Forestry Club, Brother Croke received honorable mention on the All-American hockey team of 1930. He is coaching freshman hockey this year.

Harry shares his success with Alex Currie, '29, a member of our local house. "Alex" was captain of the soccer team in 1928 and 1929, also intramural boxing champion, 135-pound class, in 1929. Defeated for mayor in 1929, he spurned the candidacy this year to manage our present "executive."

Miss Jean MacDonald played the rôle of the mayor's wife for homecoming day. She is a member of the senior class, Alpha Chi Omega, and is president of the Panhellenic association.

Homecoming day was closed by the fall house dance. Collaborating with the Pi Kappa Alphas, we had a real old-fashioned Bowery Ball in the town hall. Much credit for its success is due to "Dick" Scott, the co-chairman of the decorating committee. Many of the alumni of both the old and new house returned. A group from Tau Chapter remained for the party. Soon after the "Maestro" had struck up the band, they forgot their defeat by the Wildcat that afternoon.

For the second time in three years the University of New Hampshire won the New England Small College Football Championship. We closed the season with seven victories and two defeats, both of which were class A games, Harvard and Brown. Mark Moore, '32, was manager.

On November 28, the annual Scabbard and Blade dance was held. At the last meeting, Waldorf Bartlett, '32, was elected secretary of the organization.

The winter sports team received its call from Coach Sweet, who aims to recapture the intercollegiate title which U.N.H. lost by a small margin. Last month the cross-country harriers captured the N.E.I.C.A. at Boston. Lawrence Blackey, '34, is trying out for cross-country skiing. President Rogers is the manager.

We have pledged Frank Rosi, '34, a member of last year's basketball team and a member of the varsity football squad.

CLARK E. SWAIL

Rho

*David S. Kusanobu—President of Rutgers'
Student Council*

The brothers of Rho Chapter take great pride and pleasure in presenting to Alpha Kappa Pi their chapter president, David S. Kusanobu. "Dede," as he is known to everyone in Rutgers, comes to us from Arlington, New Jersey, where he was a prominent leader in Kearney High School. He entered Rutgers University in the business administration curriculum and has attained a high scholastic average in his three years of college work so far, besides taking part in numerous extra-curricular activities.

Although "Dede" is just a mite in stature he is, nevertheless, mighty in other ways. At the end of last year he rose to the height of his glory when he was elected president of the Rutgers Student Council, the highest position that an undergraduate at Rutgers can obtain. He automatically became a member of the student council when he was selected as head cheerleader of the university, and was elected president at the first meeting of the new body. At this time "Dede" was further honored when he was tapped third man for Cap and Skull, the honorary society at Rutgers comprising



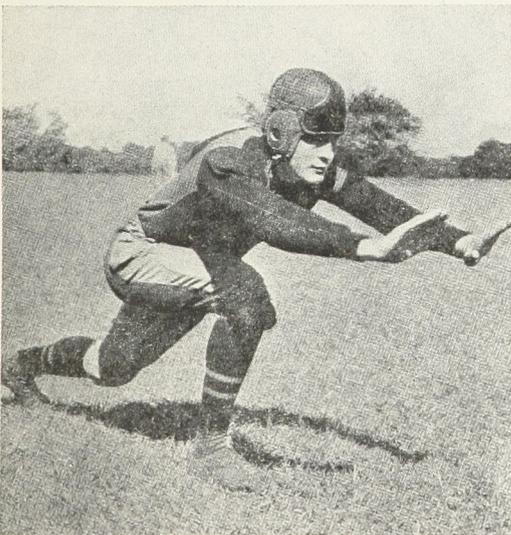
DAVID S. KUSANOBU
Campus and chapter leader

the twelve most active seniors in college, selected on a system of points awarded for leadership and participation in college life, scholarship, character, personality, and service. He was later elected treasurer of this society.

"Dede" has done plenty of hard work to merit the honors bestowed upon him. In addition to being a cheerleader for the past two years, he is a mainstay on the wrestling team, holding down a regular berth in the 118-pound division. Last year he was the second highest point scorer on the team and is expected to go a long way in the current season. "Dede" is also a debater of considerable ability as well as being manager of the forensic team. He is a member of the honorary debating society, Tau Kappa Alpha, and of Peithessophian, honorary literary society. He is secretary of the Association of Campus Activities, a member of the executive board of the Council on Athletics and a member of the interfraternity council. He also served on the sophomore hop committee and on the junior prom committee along the way.

Harry Karakas—all-round athlete

Now that the football season is past history, there are two men in the house whom we can tell what they should have done. Harry Karakas ended his football career at Rutgers by playing a sterling game at the end for the Scarlet team. His greatest efficiency was shown on the defense when his 200-pound hulk many a time broke up the opponents interference to throw the ball carrier without a gain. Harry has played football for quite a few years so there is a reason for his marked ability at the game. He started his career at Stuyvesant High School in



HARRY KARAKAS
Star end at Rutgers



GEORGE KRAMER
A promising quarterback

New York where he played for four years at the pivot position. From there he went to Rutgers Prep where he again held down the center post. The next year he entered Rutgers and had little difficulty in gaining a position on the freshman eleven which that year went through the season undefeated. In his sophomore and junior years Harry earned his letter by alternating at center and guard. With the advent of a new coaching system at Rutgers and the desire for big ends, Karakas was groomed for the wing position and filled the place well. In addition to playing football, Harry also plays defense on both the water polo and lacrosse teams.

George Kramer—starred for Rutgers

Our other football luminary is George Kramer, who held down the regular quarterback position this season until he was forced to "warm the bench" because of an injury to his collar bone after the N.Y.U. game. George is also a man of football experience, having played for two years on the North Side High School championship team in Newark, at the signal-calling post. Last year he came to Rutgers and starred on the freshman eleven of which he was elected captain at the end of the season. He was given only a slim, outside chance of breaking into the line-up this year, but by continuous hard work and fine spirit he made his presence greatly felt, and when the whistle blew for the first game Kramer was in at quarter. To quote a New Brunswick paper: "One of the brightest spots of the Rutgers impressive win over Providence Saturday was the play of George Kramer, signal caller, who ran the Scarlet machine in faultless fashion. And he's only a sophomore." The *Newark Evening News* has this to say about

Kramer: "The opinion is that within another year Kramer will be hailed as a great field general."

Besides playing a little football around Rutgers, George won his numerals last year in basketball and lacrosse and was also president of his freshman class.

Chapter News

Rho Chapter held its first house party of the year on the evening of October 10, following the Springfield football game which marked the third successive victory for Rutgers to the tune of 26 to 0. Needless to say, everyone was in high spirits after the victory and a good time was enjoyed by all dancing to the strains of the Rhythmic Jesters from Plainfield.

The morning of Friday, October 23, found a small caravan of Alpha Kappa Pis starting on a pilgrimage to Worcester, Massachusetts, where the Scarlet gridders were to engage the Holy Cross aggregation the next day. The trip was made without mishap (in spite of a few close shaves) by Brothers Kusanobu, Keller, Frederick, Wheaton, Turner, Brockhurst, and Smith, and Pledge Strassburger. After losing a tough battle to the Crusaders the next day, the troop set out for Medford where the brothers of Tau Chapter entertained in first-class style by throwing a most enjoyable house party, even to the extent of getting dates. The chapter house of Tau was used as a hostelry on Saturday night and Sunday was spent in "looking over Boston." A good job was done as is indicated by the arrival back in New Brunswick on Monday noon. It sure was a royal week-end, and every fellow who was present on the expedition wishes to express his sincere appreciation for the generous hospitality shown him by the brothers of Tau Chapter.

Saturday, October 24, witnessed the annual, Father and Son Week-end at the house which was held in conjunction with the university alumni day. The Delaware football game in the afternoon, supper at the house, and a smoker at night gave the visiting fathers, of whom there were many, an opportunity to become well acquainted with Rutgers and Rho. It was considered one of the best affairs of this kind held at the house in a long time.

The second house dance of the season was held on November 14 at which we celebrated another gridiron victory when Lehigh was handed a 26 to 12 trouncing at the hands of the Scarlet, in the closing game of the season. The Rhythmic Jesters again furnished the music for the dancing, and they are fast gaining the reputation of one of the best orchestras on the campus. At this function we had the pleasure of entertaining brothers from Delta, Omicron, and Nu chapters.

The Womens Auxiliary of Rho Chapter held its first bridge of the year at the house on the afternoon of November 21 and it proved to be a

success from all angles. The mothers of several of the pledges were present as well as those of the brothers and a good opportunity was afforded them to become acquainted. We find that affairs such as these are a great help in getting our parents to know each other and in arousing their interest in the house and its progress.

Since the last writing, three new pledges have been added to the roll of Rho. They are Thomas W. Blair of Red Bank, New Jersey, Robert DeHart of New Brunswick, New Jersey and Chalmers Gates of Haddonfield, New Jersey. These men are all members of the class of 1935.

Rho Chapter is extremely happy to welcome back to Rutgers, Brother John T. Axton, chaplain of the university, who has been on a leave of absence for two months because of illness. "The Colonel," as he is known to all of us, had been recuperating at his home in Washington until November 30, when he returned to Rutgers to take up his duties once again. We wish to express at this time our sincere best wishes for his good health in the future.

N. ELLSWORTH WHEATON, JR.

Sigma

Homecoming was a success! The week-end of October 24, Sigma initiated five men as active members and two alumni, bringing our membership to fifty-eight: *Actives*: John Brownlee, '33, Coalton, New York; P. W. Legge, '34, Wilton, Maine; A. R. Rowe, '33, Dryden, Maine; E. W. Siler, '33, Decatur, Illinois; Walter Weber, '33, Melvin, Illinois; *Alumni*: C. M. Hadley, Jr., coach, Thornburn Junior High, Urbana; Joseph Turgliatto, salesman, National Biscuit Company, Chicago.

Sunday morning, the twenty-fifth, the Alumni Association of Sigma Chapter was organized. Our faculty members were elected to fill the offices: W. J. Treece, president; K. J. McCristal, vice-president; O. S. Orth, treasurer. Brother W. D. Teare, our aspiring journalist of Bondville, was elected secretary. These officers are all local men and are in close contact with the active chapter and all its affairs. At one o'clock a banquet was held to celebrate the occasion, with the alumni association and the new brothers sharing the honors.

We have two new pledges, D. J. Manning, '33, of Manhattan, Illinois, who is majoring in chemistry, and B. F. "Benny" Powell, '33, from Joliet who is enthused over a career in the commercial world. Pledge Manning has already distinguished himself. He is a second lieutenant in the engineer corps, R.O.T.C. and has recently been initiated to Phalanx, national honorary and professional military fraternity. Brother Bunge, also a lieutenant, has been elected to the Cavalry Officers' Club.

Persistence does win! President Ken Lowe has entered a team in the intramural cross country (four mile) for four years. This year his team consisting of himself, Brother Curran, and Pledges Lowe, MacLean, and Powell, won the first place cup in the fraternity division! The Alpha Kappa Pi soccer team has won every game to date. The water polo team has not yet been so successful. Intramural basketball will soon start.

"Swede" Jackson won his letter in football. He played a good game at tackle. Illinois didn't show up so well this season, but watch the Illini next fall. Brother Glen Orth is out for varsity wrestling in the 125-pound class. Pledge Sheahan is trying for the freshman wrestling squad. Our chaplain, John Lehwald, is on the varsity basketball squad. He should be able to use his 6' 2" height to good advantage.

Our secretary, J. H. Boyd, is a new member of Alpha Zeta, honorary agriculture fraternity. Vince Curran has assisted Brother Hadley coach the Thornburn Junior High team this year. Brother Murch, a senior in athletic coaching, has been coaching a freshman basketball team in the junior league. A tournament is played and the varsity coaches are on the lookout for new material. Needless to say a senior who can achieve success with his team deserves credit. This system gives valuable experience to all concerned.

It is a tradition at Illinois for the fraternities to decorate their houses at homecoming. Sometimes they form fanciful castles with drawbridges or triumphal arches, or settings mimicing our visitors. Last year when we played Northwestern at homecoming there had been a smallpox scare at Evanston and all the Northwestern men had been vaccinated. One fraternity erected large red crosses and converted their house into a hospital, bearing signs "Sanitarium for Vaccinated Football Players." Bunting in Illinois orange and blue and also the colors of our opponents were used in the decoration schemes. Signs, "Welcome Alumni," "Welcome Wisconsin," were everywhere. Even on lamp posts on the campus. This year Brother Rockwell worked up the effects for Sigma Chapter. On the east side of the porch was a life-size Illini Indian with tomahawk upraised to strike the Wisconsin badger charging from the west. This was illuminated by floodlight at night. The other side of the porch was set off by a huge cardboard melting pot, with the nameplates of our local fraternities being fused together, symbolizing the union into Alpha Kappa Pi.

May we add our encouragement to Grand President Fraim's objective of an A.K. Pi song for this year. We hope this ambition is soon realized.

Two brothers are here from Mu. We did not know of their presence until looking through the chapter letters in the November ALPHA. Sigma wants all the brothers to feel that a hospitable wel-

come and friendly interest is extended them from all the A.K. Pis at 309 East John, Champaign.

One of Sigma's ambitions is to have a pennant representing each school with a chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi. These make striking decorations in the den. We can point these out to visitors and new men and explain each pennant represents a chapter. There is no question but that these pennants are impressive and inspiring. We have pennants from Brooklyn Polytechnic, Penn State, Rutgers, and North Carolina State. Thanks Delta, Omicron, Rho, and Xi.

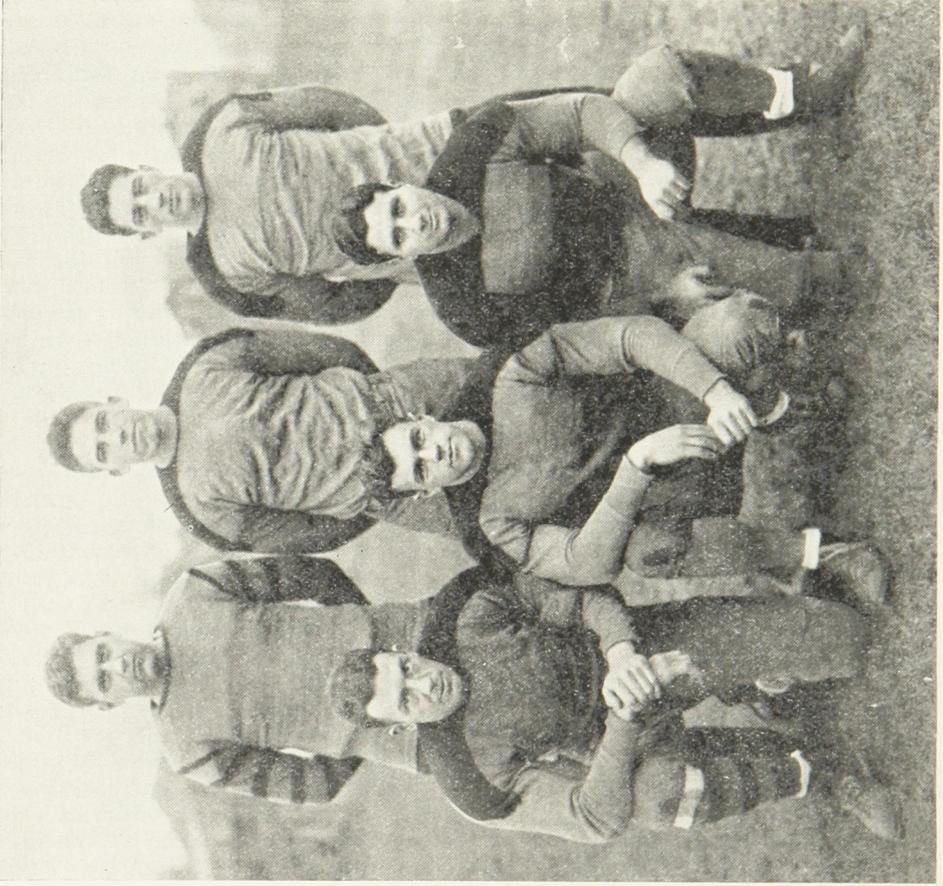
Sousa has called the University of Illinois band the "World's greatest college band." There are three hundred sixty musicians in the football band, all in the neat blue uniforms with orange cord and trimmings. The band has spelled out "Hello," "Welcome Dad," "Chicago" and other words in huge living letters which move across the field between the halves of a game. This year a new stunt was tried. The band men formed the dial of a gigantic clock which was perfect in all details, the hands moved and kept the correct time during the spectacle, to the accompaniment of the music. At the last home game, with Chicago, the band spelled out "Rockne" while the buglers sounded taps and the spectators stood with bared heads—a remarkable tribute to a remarkable man.

November 7, the boys rolled up the rugs and carried the furniture upstairs. Bales of hay were placed about for seats. Lights were dimmed as much as permissible; jack-o-lanterns grinned grotesquely in corners and on the mantels. The front porch was enclosed in canvas. One entered by raising the canvas and crawling under like a small boy at the circus. Some rustic horn blowers and noise makers arrived upon the scene. Whoa! git over Maud! By 9:30 the A.K. Pi barn dance was in full swing. The farmers in overalls with the women folk in gingham went 'round and 'round: "Forward, up and see-saw back." Even the young stable hands (pledges) and their lassies took part in the festivities. Sheep herders (chaperons) preserved the decorum—and enjoyed themselves. Old favorites—"Turkey in the Straw" and "Comin' 'round the Mountain" resounded to stamping feet. Refreshments!—apple cider, apples, and doughnuts. The novel programs had part of an ear of corn sawed in two lengthwise as a covering and a thin piece of wood as the back with the Greek letters A K II burned in. A loop of binder twine served as handle. The Corn Huskers' Committee, in charge of the affair, Brothers Archie M. Walker, Ellsworth Dorton, Warren Bunge, George Westwood, are to be commended for the success of the affair.

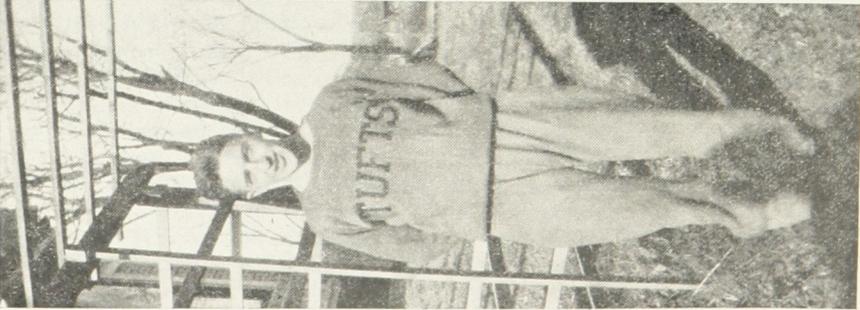
"Come over fellows, let's go skating and see the hockey game." Illinois' new ice-skating rink is operating and the student body has given it an enthusiastic reception. A clear sheet of ice 125' x 192' invites one to try his skill. Students are per-



JERRY COSTELLO
Vice-President
Class of '33
Tufts College



TAU'S CONTRIBUTION TO TUFTS' FOOTBALL TEAM
Front row (left to right)-Kennedy, Child, Iervardi
Back row (left to right)-Russell, Ellsworth, Cochrane



JOSEPH MORAN
Captain of Tufts
Cross-Country Team

mitted to buy tickets in books of eight for a dollar. Dressing rooms are provided; there is also a balcony for spectators. Those who desire may rent skates reasonably. This rink is one of the largest in the world. There are fifteen miles of brine coils embedded in the concrete floor. The building can be used for other purposes too before the season of winter sports.

Three brothers expect to graduate in February, Clarence Hanover in agriculture, and Alois Kressek and F. E. Hangs in mechanical engineering. Hanover and Hangs plan to take advanced work. Brother Treece is to receive his master's degree at this time also.

There were thirty-eight men in the house picture taken for the *Illio*, the university annual, this year, including the faculty members. It is hard to describe just what pride and joy thrills some of the older members who have labored so long and so earnestly to advance our fraternity. Ambitions are being realized. Our fraternity is growing in strength, in wisdom, and in favor with our fellow students.

F. H. Goss '31 reports he is with the Davey Tree Surgeons at Tonowanda, New York. Brother D. M. Knotts, who is out of school this year, is working in Chicago for the Kresge stores.

FRANK E. HANGS

Tau

The passing of the football season leaves a large gap in the doings up here at Tufts. Tau Chapter found the past football season highly exciting; it had several members playing on the varsity football team, it was busy rooting for the cross-country captain, and a large number of house parties kept it setting a fast pace. We have decided to have no house parties until the basketball and wrestling season starts; we are looking forward to the first basketball game, when we meet Harvard.

Our pre-season expectations were given an unforeseen, yet happy twist, when five men from Alpha Kappa Pi were awarded the Tufts varsity football letter. Donald Cochrane, '33, the outstanding lineman of the year, Thorburn Kennedy, '32, a hard-running halfback, Bill Ellsworth and Luther Child, '32, both wingmen, and Don Ierardi, '32, a substitute guard, were the members to win the varsity insignia.

In Don Cochrane the fraternity has one of the finest linemen who ever donned a Tufts suit. Don, a junior, has played in every game during the past two years, and he started everyone with a single exception—when he was injured. Don comes from Somerville, Massachusetts, where he was a regular on the high school team for three years. Brother Cochrane is a wrestler, and his chances of winning the 165-pound berth on the team are good.

Thorburn Kennedy, a senior, was the first back-

field man Alpha Kappa Pi has had on the team in the last three years. After playing on the freshman team, Thorburn spent two years on the junior varsity because of his lack of weight. This year, however, when Tufts needed a punter, Kennedy was called upon, and how he came through! Not only was he the best punter on the team, but he also developed into a consistent ground-gainer. Kennedy has been a letterman in baseball for two years, and in his freshman year he played on the only hockey team Tufts has had in modern times.

Bill Ellsworth and Luther Child had the distinction, several times during the past season, of starting a game at the opposite ends. Both were strong defensive men, and their ability to cover kicks was a great help to the team. "Lute" is a regular on the lacrosse team, and is a candidate for the mile relay team. Bill is a half-miler, and he wrestles on the house team.

Don Ierardi, also a senior, was the fifth Tau man to win his letter and he certainly earned it. Three years of hard, consistent plugging won him a place as a first-string replacement in the Tufts frontier. His unusual steadiness was of value in many games during the season, and his valuable work was rewarded with the grand prize.

Tau Chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi was well represented on the junior varsity this year. Bob Russell, Jim Levesque, "Screw" Hammonds, George Jewett, and Ed Monier were all on the second team. Ben Carlyn, an all-star player from Lynn, was first-string center on the freshman team.

One member of whom we at Tau are all proud is Joe Moran, captain of the Tufts cross-country team. Although Joe is only a little fellow, he had the stuff to lead a weak team to a fairly successful season. Joe finished first in several meets and only once did he finish as far behind as third. Considering the teams against which Tufts runs, this is great going. No wonder members of Tau are caught boasting of Captain Joe's abilities.

Last year in the interfraternity cross-country run—the Turkey Trot—Alpha Kappa Pi returned to the house plus a turkey. This year, however, the going was too fast, and in spite of secret practice, fight talks, and fighting cheering section, the best we could do was to finish fourth. Better luck next year, we hope!

Every home football game this year was the occasion for a house party. In several instances there were parties that were not preceded by football contests. In spite of their frequency, we enjoyed them all. One was so good that it deserves elaboration. On October 24, ten of our Rutgers brothers came up on a visit after seeing the Brown-Rutgers game, and we sure did our best to make them feel at home. Good old "Vic" supplied the music, and the decorations and refreshments—previously advertised—drew a crowd of fifty couples. Ed Monier did such a good job at running this affair that we

are still pestering him to take charge of another. But he claims he needs an incentive, so come again Rutgers! come again Rho!

Here's a bit of good news. The conclusion of the rushing season found the following freshmen pledges wearing buttons: Frank Murray, of Lynn, Massachusetts; Ben Carelyn of Lynn; Robert Bradley of Lynn; Joseph Donovan of Allston; Gene Arcand of Allston. At the same time, upperclassmen Russell Peverly, '32, Gabriel Buonagurio, '34, Melvin Kelly, '34, and Dana Lewis, '34, have been pledged.

On Monday evening, October 26, Carl Lindstrom, '32, Philip Hartson, '32, and Edward Leary, '34, were formally initiated with the proper ceremonies. Another formal initiation is scheduled for December 7.

Chesley Russell, who graduated last year, and who is doing engineering work for the state, is living at the fraternity house. It is near to his work, and he says he still enjoys the environment. Besides, he gets a big kick out of watching the lads trying to study, while he lounges around telling stories.

In the class of 1933, we have two class officers. Jerry Costello was elected to the vice-presidency for the third consecutive year, and pledge Frank McNiff was elected historian. Frank has won a place on the college debating team, and is a junior manager of wrestling.

Two brothers were outstanding in the tennis tournament to determine the championship of the college. Harold Kaese was the winner of the tournament, and Edward Monier reached the semi-finals before he was defeated in a hard match by the defending champion.

The pledge-walk provided the usual entertainment for the neophytes. About the middle of October, about the middle of a brisk night, the pledges were packed into cars and given a long ride in the country. After they tramped a short fifteen miles, they were fortunate to pick up a ride back to school. But we are satisfied. After all, fifteen miles—

With Thanksgiving past, the fraternity is looking forward to winter sports. Brothers Cochrane and Buonagurio will seek positions on the varsity wrestling team, Harold Kaese will try to make another letter in basketball, Cliff Dow, Jerry Costello, Luther Child, and Bill Ellsworth will be out for positions on the mile-relay team. We hope they all make it. The rest of the athletes are looking forward with savage anticipation to the opening of the fraternity basketball league and to the fraternity wrestling championships.

And that's all for now!

Tau Chapter hopes that the other chapters had a merry Christmas, and we are still wishing you all a happy and successful New Year!

HAROLD KAESE

MISTAKES TRAFFIC LIGHT FOR XMAS DECORATIONS

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 17 (AP)—Two long-eared farm mules driven by an aged negro pulled a rattling wagon past a red traffic light. Traffic became paralyzed. Motorists shouted. Horns tooted in swelling bedlam.

"Hey, you," roared Policeman W. H. Collier, trying to disentangle the snarl. "Didn't you see that red light?"

"Yas, suh, boss, I seed it long 'fore I got here," the old negro replied with a disarming grin. "I been watchin it flash red and green as I driv' up the street. Ain't no tellin' what you city folks gwine do next for Christmas decorations."

Police Collier, hands on hips, watched the wagon draw away.

—*Evening Public Ledger*

Professor of Philosophy—"The conclusion to be drawn from today's lecture is that man is free, absolutely free-willed—I shall not be able to give tutorial instruction tonight as I must accompany my wife to a dinner party."

—*Die Wochensheu, Essen*

The local church was making a drive for funds, and two colored sisters were bearing down on Uncle Rastus.

"I can't give nothin'," exclaimed the old negro, "I owes nearly everybody in this town already."

"But," said one of the collectors, "don't you think you owes de Lawd somethin' too?"

"I do, sister, indeed," said the old man, "but He ain't pushin' me like my other creditors is."

—*Forbes*

A divinity student named Tweedle, Once wouldn't accept his degree, 'Cause it's tough enough being called Tweedle, Without being Tweedle, D.D.

Awgwan, Nebraska

First He: "Woman's greatest attraction is her hair."

Second He: "I say that it is her eyes."

Third He: "It is unquestionably her teeth."

Fourth He: "What's the use of us sitting here lying to each other?"

INTERFRATERNITY EXCHANGES

" . . . Fraternities must be something better than mere rooming houses if they want to live!"

Many of our colleges, more affluent than formerly, now are erecting and planning new dormitories large enough to accommodate nearly all of the students who have been living in fraternity and sorority houses; they are building them so well, so modern and comfortable in every respect, that they will be, in some cases, more desirable quarters than even the fraternities can furnish. If a place to live is all that a fraternity chapter can offer its members it will soon begin to find stiff competition for the students' interest in the new dormitories of which Chicago's are a leading example.

Also it is competition that cannot be beaten, for the colleges have it within their power to force students to lease college-owned quarters rather than select rooms in a fraternity house, though few colleges are likely to adopt so narrow a policy as long as the fraternities command respect by providing a wholesome influence upon their members and by serving the cause of education in some substantial manner.

Obviously, it is foolish for a chapter to try to outdo all other fraternities and the college in a race to provide luxurious living accommodations. In the words of police department publicity—"You can't win."

But our chapters can engage in a race that is bound to reap a reward if they will try to outdo all others in furthering the very idea for which colleges are provided, the cultivation of a better appreciation of life. No college can be antagonistic to a chapter, no educational system can be opposed to a fraternity, which uses its influence and resources to develop a richer intellectual life among its members, inspiring a thirst for knowledge and an appreciation of the arts.

—*The Caduceus of Kappa Sigma*

First of all, fraternities which have as yet failed to do so must banish such customs and methods as are antiquated. Such useless, meaningless and altogether unjustifiable practices as rough pre-initiation of students must be entirely abolished. Chapters must submit to alumni guidance and, if necessary, control, to put their houses in order financially. Fraternities have no right to take in students only to burden them with financial worries. Scholarship must be emphasized, and fraternity grades must average at least as high as those of the men students of the universities. Per-

sonal behavior must be supervised to the extent that fraternity men and fraternity chapters will be generally recognized to stand only for honorable, moral conduct.

There are innumerable things for the fraternities to do. It is not enough to maintain a certain figure in scholarship. Fraternity houses must become the seats of culture. The radio and the pool table must make room for the library. The bull session must yield at times to scholarly discussion. Campus politics and the search for mere recognition must give way to an earnest striving for a real education. Fraternity chapters must take on a new atmosphere which involves no contempt for intellectual endeavor, but which nurtures and brings about its achievement. It is not enough to say that fraternities reflect the times, that the boys on our campuses are no more crass than their fathers. Fraternities must aggressively and positively stand for things above the average. Theirs is a position of influence. As such it should become a position of leadership.

—BRUCE MCINTOSH, *Administrative secretary of Lambda Chi Alpha*

Whence cometh this bashfulness? Why do you and your fraternity brothers steer clear of serious mention of God and religion? Here you are, in the bosom of your intimate friends, draped about the hearth of that place which you call home during your college years, where all of you (except freshmen) are monarchs in your own right, free to speak your mind with a frankness of which you never would have dreamed back home. Then why this silence on matters spiritual? Do you refrain because you are not well-grounded in the subject? Cherish the thought! It has been our personal experience that ignorance is an encouragement rather than a deterrent to the average college man in his fireside dissertations. So let us forget ignorance as an explanation in this awesome silence.

We would offer two explanations of the fraternity man's neglect of religion in his verbal menu. First, it is not *in fashion* to mention *God* reverently in the average fraternity house. Secondly, most college boys are afraid to inject religion into conversation, lest they be considered queer. And Heaven help the youth who is stamped "peculiar" and forced to live with twenty or twenty-five other boys. He'll revert to standard type or move out of the house.

—*Zeta Beta Tau Quarterly*

JUST A FEW THOUGHTS

To each is given a bag of tools
A shapeless mass and a book of rules,
And each must make, ere life has flown,
A stumbling block or a stepping stone.
Isn't it strange, that princes and kings
And clowns that caper in sawdust rings
And common folks like you and me
Are builders of eternity.

There is no wisdom like frankness.

—Disraeli

There is no moment like the present. The man who will not execute his resolutions when they are fresh upon him can have no hope from them afterwards: they will be dissipated, lost, and perish in the hurry and scurry of the world, or sunk in the slough of indolence.

—Maria Edgeworth

We are all blind until we see
That in the human plan
Nothing is worth the making
If it does not make the man.
Why build these cities glorious—
If man unbuilt goes?
In vain we build the world, unless
The builder also grows.

—Edwin Markham

They can conquer who believe they can. . . .
He has not learned the first lesson of life who does not every day surmount a fear.

—Emerson

Much good work is lost for the lack of a little more.

—E. H. Harriman

PLAYTHINGS

The streets are full of human toys,
Wound up for threescore years,
Their springs are hungers, hopes and joys
And jealousies and fears.

They move their eyes, their lips, their hands,
They are marvelously dressed,
And here my body stirs or stands,
A plaything like the rest.

The toys are played with till they fall,
Worn out and thrown away.
Why were they ever made at all?
Who sits to watch the play?

—Robert Louis Stevenson

The finest eloquence is that which gets things done; the worst is that which delays them.

—Lloyd George

Life is the acceptance of responsibilities or their evasion; it is a business of meeting obligations or avoiding them. To every man the choice is continually being offered, and by the manner of his choosing you may fairly measure him.

—Ben Ames Williams

Let no youth have any anxiety about the upshot of his education, whatever the line of it may be. If he keeps faithfully busy each hour of the working day, he may safely leave the final result to itself. He can, with perfect certainty, count on waking up some fine morning to find himself one of the competent ones of his generation, in whatever pursuit he may have singled out.

—Professor William James,
famous Harvard psychologist.

Words are things, and a small drop of ink
Falling like dew upon a thought, produces
That which makes thousands, perhaps millions,
think.

—Byron

True religion is the life we live, not the creed we profess, and some day will be recognized by quality and quantity, and not by brand.

—J. F. Wright

Reflect upon your present blessings of which every man has many, not on your past misfortunes of which all men have some.

—Dickens

Some men spend so much time looking before they leap that all they accumulate is a scared look.

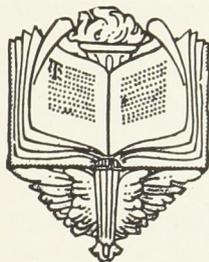
—*Reliance Bulletin*

The greatest victory is that which is achieved over one's inclinations.

—Alcala Zamora

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Phi Beta Kappa, the college honor society, parent of all Greek-letter societies, founded in 1776 at the College of William and Mary in Virginia and now having chapters in one hundred and twenty-six American colleges and a living membership of over 63,000, announces the appearance in January, 1932, of a new quarterly, *The American Scholar*. This periodical is designed not only for members of Phi Beta Kappa but for all who have general scholarly interests. It will be a non-technical journal of intellectual life.

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The contents are described as including articles scholarly but non-technical by eminent leaders of thought and action at home and abroad; introducing creative minds to the intellectual world; carefully selected from the work of young scholars, even undergraduates; and interpreting literature to non-critics, physics to non-physicists, and economics to non-economists, for example; and education, art, philosophy, and religion not merely to the profes-

sionally interested but to the intellectual generally.

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—Carlyle

The educated man is the man with certain subtle spiritual qualities which make him calm in adversity, happy when alone, just in his dealings, rational and sane in the fullest meaning of that word in all the affairs of his life.
—Ramsay MacDonald

Employ your time in improving yourself by other men's writings so that you shall come easily by what others have labored hard for.
—Socrates

Thoughtful people no longer speak of "finishing their education," each day of life is recognized as getting part of its best meaning as a fresh opportunity.
—Griggs

The recipe for perpetual ignorance is to be satisfied with your opinion and content with your knowledge.
—Elbert Hubbard

The mind is like the stomach. It is not how much you put into it that counts but how much it digests.
—Albert Jay Nock

'Tis the mind that makes the body rich.
—Shakespeare

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