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## By the Way—

■ ARE fraternity magazines worthwhile? This question has often been raised in fraternity circles and provoked considerable discussion at the last National Interfraternity Conference. The first article in this issue by John C. Scott, Grand Historian of Sigma Nu, is a timely and scholarly presentation of the worth and value of the fraternity journal. THE ALPHA subscribes to his views and is at the same time honored by being able to present Mr. Scott's opinions on the subject.

■ APOLOGIES are due all the brothers for the lateness in appearance of this issue. Brother Roy Cleveland who together with Brother Jack Skinner, has so ably shouldered the responsibility of managing and editing THE ALPHA for the past year, has been caught in the rush attendant upon the opening of the New York World's Fair. Jack Skinner, who is an engineer with the Federal Ship Building Corporation has been rushed with orders as a result of the new National Defense Act. This has necessitated a change in THE ALPHA headquarters. You will note that all correspondence should hereafter be addressed to 163 East 111th Street, New York City, which is the new headquarters for THE ALPHA staff. Because of this change, we ask you to be lenient upon us if correspondence in the past few months has not been taken care of as promptly as it might have been. With the shift of headquarters and regular stenographic assistance, we promise increased efficiency in the future.

■ MAY WE again remind the chapters that now is the time to lay the groundwork for and commence the rushing program for next September.

THE EDITORS

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# MEMORIES OF ALPHA KAPPA PI

Words and Music by  
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The years take me back To days I once knew; By the fire-side I sat with my

broth - ers. . . . For a moth - er's fond prayers, And a sweetheart who cares, We

live for the crest that we bear. . . . Through joys and through sor - rows Our

man-hood we've shared, But ne'er has one's friendship been spared; . . . Since oth - ers we've

met, But still can't for - get The name that we love, A K Pi. . . .



# *The* ALPHA of Alpha Kappa Pi



## What Is the Purpose of the Fraternity Magazine?

By John C. Scott, *Grand Historian of Sigma Nu*

THE question has been raised in discussion at a meeting of fraternity secretaries: "What is the purpose of fraternity magazines?" The statement was made in a report at that meeting that "there is considerable feeling that a great many fraternity magazines do not serve a definite purpose and are not sufficiently read to justify their expense of publication."

In any intelligent consideration of these questions, the fundamental purposes and eventual usefulness of the fraternity magazine should be understood, with a view to ascertaining wherein the fraternity magazine has fulfilled its fundamental purposes and what are the needs it may serve in the present order.

Fraternity magazines were established primarily to draw and hold collegiate chapters in closer relationships as units in a national organization; to develop and maintain alumni interest; and to promote expansion. Once the national organization became a reality, the magazine was effective in developing the influence of fundamental spiritual aims. Through exaltation of deeds and motives of founders and builders of fraternities, their altruistic aims were expressed in terms of unselfish service, often heroic in sacrifices involved. Thus fraternity magazines developed inspirational influence that en-

couraged members to exemplify in service the fraternal ideals and purposes that motivated the founders and builders of fraternities.

The fraternity magazine has been a major factor in developing a sense of pride in the fraternity relationship. However some fraternity magazines may fail to measure up to a standard, their extensive publication and widespread circulation have contributed a great deal to prestige of college fraternities, outside as well as within the membership.

Today the fraternity magazine is needed as much as ever, possibly more than ever before, to accomplish some of these things that are essential to perpetuation of fundamental purposes, and hence to justify continued favor for college fraternities. During years of development of the system, fraternities had the inspirational benefit of personal contact with their founders and builders. Today the fraternity magazine must be depended upon largely to preserve and to promote inspirational influences. Printed histories are the repositories of inspirational assets. The fraternity magazine should utilize these assets by constant dissemination of facts and teachings of fraternity history.

At least during every four-year period, the magazine of every fraternity would do well to review in some way underlying his-

torical facts, historical side-lights and high-lights, references to outstanding historical personages—educational and inspirational material necessary to the enlightenment and spiritual stimulation of every generation of initiates, if the distinctiveness and spiritual appeal of college fraternities are to be preserved. Through editorials, the intended effect of such features should be made more impressive. At least once every four years, interesting cuts of historical scenes and of notables of history should be reproduced.

One great fault with some modern fraternity officials is that they seem to forget that collegiate members today are in the same formative period these elder brothers were in when they were receptive to inspirational influences to which their enduring interest in fraternity work may be traced. Too many of them expect collegiate members to take up where they are about to leave off, without the stimulating and sustaining inspirational influences out of which their own interest and loyalty developed. Officials of this type are likely to be the most unreasonable critics of fraternity magazines—most doubtful of their value.

Naturally, the more interesting a fraternity magazine is to collegiate members the more it is likely to bore grown-ups who have lost understanding of normal characteristics of young men, and who seem to forget that young men of this era are subject to much the same emotional appeal they themselves were affected by when they experienced the youthful thrill of the fraternity relationship. Whatever difference modern influences may have made in spiritual responsiveness of young men, the more responsibility rests on our editors to make our fraternity magazines have more appeal to the spiritual natures of the members. The ideal fraternity magazine is one that will have some interest for those approaching spiritual sterility; but most consideration should be given to departments and features that interest younger members.

The extent to which fraternity magazines are read by collegiate members, or by alumni, is not a reasonable measure of their usefulness. Sometimes the general appearance

of an issue is effective in strengthening a collegiate member's sense of appreciation in the fraternity connection. There is a stirring of a collegiate member's sense of pride in his fraternity by merely a cursory rambling through the pages of an attractive issue. The character of some of the weightier material as indicated in the titles sometimes makes a beneficial impression even if the articles are not read. The cuts and their legends, if thoughtfully prepared, serve to quicken a collegiate member's interest, and sometimes succeed in getting across some information and inspiration strengthening to his fraternity spirit. If he reads only his own chapter's letter, he must be impressed with the national character of the relationship as evidenced by the number of letters from other chapters from all sections of the country. There is something personal in connection with the fraternity magazine that is not duplicated in the possession of any other publication. The badge and the fraternity magazine are the two tangible possessions binding a member to the fraternity relationship in an enduring way.

Fraternities of the present era are handicapped by having to combat causes of materialistic trends and breakdown of influence affecting every organization whose purpose is primarily spiritual. More than ever before the influence of fraternity ideals is needed. More than ever before are needed the force and inspiration of agencies and influences that brought fraternities through trying times during the period of the system's development, contributing something worthwhile to the spiritual natures of their members. The fraternity magazine was invaluable in building the organic structure of fraternities and in generating fraternity spirit when the system was being developed. If fraternity magazines are given constructive, intelligent, enthusiastic support of officials and devoted service of their editors emulating the spirit of their early predecessors, they will have important influence in perpetuating the fraternity system and in helping fraternities fulfill their fundamental spiritual aims.

## Massachusetts Institute of Technology

▪ BROTHER Rea William Stanhouse, *Alpha Alpha*, Hartwick College, is about to end his first year as a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and is now residing at 527 Beacon Street, Boston. Next year, however, he will take up residence in one of the college dormitories. Brother Stanhouse is a loyal Alpha Kappa Pi and his chapter at Hartwick has been given many evidences of that spirit. Naturally Brother Stanhouse is interested in the possibilities that may be surrounding the Kappa chapter. Brother Stanhouse may be reached by addressing the Beacon Street address.

## Charleston, West Virginia

▪ MR. HARPER GRIMM, a leading light and first president of the Mu chapter, Mashall College, Huntington, West Virginia, graduated in law at the West Virginia State University, after finishing at Marshall, and then was connected with certain oil interests down in Texas, until recently. However Brother Grimm has hung out his shingle as an attorney at law, Masonic Temple, Charleston, where he will be happy to greet any of his Alpha Kappa Pi brothers. That the same old spark is there is shown in a letter ending "once an Alpha Kappa Pi always an Alpha Kappa Pi." He has contacted the alumni in that city and recently addressed a group of friends and fraters at a well attended banquet.

## Congratulations

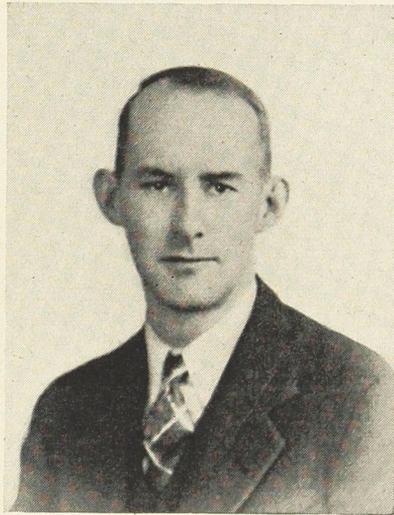
▪ THE entire fraternity sends congratulations to Brother and Mrs. David S. Blankenship, Jr., Atlanta, Georgia, in the birth of their first born, Margery Anne. A warm welcome is also extended to little Miss Blankenship.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fairless, Massillon, Ohio, are to be congratulated also in the birth of their son, John, Jr. Father and mother are graduates of Mount Union College where Brother Fairless was a star end on the football team. He is now president

of the Iota building corporation. One day John, Jr., will be wearing the seven pointed star at this ancient and venerable college.

## Iota's Financial Wizard

▪ ONE OF the most popular members, of the Iota chapter, is Brother Grant Hansen '34 of Canton, Ohio. He is one man who is always on hand when there is any-



GRANT HANSEN, *Iota* '34

thing to be done for the chapter at Mount Union College, or for the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity.

It is only natural that when Iotas met in June, 1938, to map plans for the purchase of the present chapter house, Grant Hansen was chosen secretary-treasurer of the newly created Iota House Corporation. Since that time the house has come into the possession of the chapter and Grant Hansen has been one hundred per cent on the job. Not only has he put into effect an annual payment from each alumnus but he has reorganized the financial setup of the active chapter and as a result Alpha Kappa Pi holds a high name for integrity in financial matters with the Alliance Banking House holding the first and only mortgage on the purchased property. Monthly payments are met on time and there has been a great surge up-

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# THE ADVISER'S CORNER

▪ THOSE OF us, at the most recent convention, will recall the discussion as to the proper place for wearing the badge. It is an old subject, but worthy attention. Let us state first off that the accepted place is on the vest, left side, and just a trifle below the heart. Some years back the badge was worn in almost every conceivable place. On neckties, upper pockets of the jacket, and above all others on the left lapel of the coat. Outstanding fraternity men and workers did this very thing. Among them the famous George Ade, Sigma Chi, Purdue University. In more recent years some one asked him why he wore the badge in this manner and his reply was illuminating: "I guess because I was not ashamed of it." However the proper place has been named for displaying the badge of the fraternity. More or less concealed not because we are ashamed of it, but for the reason of proper usage.

Members of the Fraternity should appreciate the fact that one of the most beautiful things that can be said of a human being is that he is a friend to man. It does not matter how much learning one has, or what his accomplishments are, he will live a cold, friendless, isolated life unless he comes in close contact with other lives, unless he has cultivated his sympathies, and has taken a real interest in others, has suffered with them, rejoiced with them, helped them. Nowhere is the opportunity so happily given as in the relationships we are privileged to

know in the ways of the Alpha Kappa Pi. Why neglect so priceless an inheritance and fail to appreciate the opportunity offered? Herein we find the real reason for fraternity.

The worst accident which can happen to a person is to get into the past-perfect tense. There is a crack of doom about the words. It's all over. There is nothing more. The same disaster is ever present with fraternities. Imagining there is nothing more for them to do. The glory of life is in its expectancy. For a person to be truly great in character there must be ever present a great and expectant future in the mind of the individual. The same holds with fraternities. Plus Ultra! More beyond.

The sorrow of some orders has been their willingness to quit growing and serving just when the foundation had been laid for a splendid and far reaching service to their fellows. Let us make it a definite purpose in the Alpha Kappa Pi never to reach the past-perfect tense either in the chapter life, or in the larger endeavors of the national fraternity. Our foundations have been laid. May Alpha Kappa Pi not use them for self adulation but for the stepping stones into a greater future and for a nobler service to the young men of our American colleges and universities. Not salutes but service presents the golden key that unlocks the door that leads to new horizons. Alpha Kappa Pi must never become a perfect or a perfected entity.

ALBERT HUGHES WILSON

# COMMENTS OF FELLOW



# ACTIVITIES OUR GREEKS

- PI KAPPA ALPHA has placed a chapter at Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, North Carolina, and is numbered among those fraternities established on the campus residing in the dorm-units. In this row of houses are found: Tau Kappa Nu, Kappa Alpha, Alpha Kappa Pi, Chi Tau (local) and Pi Kappa Alpha. Still off campus are Sigma Pi, Delta Sigma Phi and Kappa Sigma.
- ALPHA CHI RHO is studying conditions at Columbia University. If the Lodge plan for fraternities appeals to the Alpha Chi Rho the old Phi Omega chapter, now dormant, may be revived. This chapter is the home of Dr. Carleton Hayes, one time National President of Alpha Chi Rho and of President Dixon Ryan Fox, Union University, Schenectady, New York.
- BETA KAPPA has become the second national fraternity at Susquehanna University, Pennsylvania. The other one being the Phi Mu Delta.
- PHI DELTA THETA has lifted its roll of chapters above the 100 marker by placing chapters at the University of Richmond and the Louisiana State University.
- PHI KAPPA TAU recently burned the mortgage on its house at Muhlenburg University, Allentown, Pennsylvania. Several national officers have come from this chapter and among them one Grand National President. Other fraternities at Muhlenburg are Alpha Tau Omega and Sigma Phi Epsilon.
- KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA, one of the oldest and most distinguished of the national sororities, has placed a chapter at the University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida.
- THE Theta Chi *Rattle* has this to say about fraternity men meeting their obligations: "Don't permit your chapter to develop dead beats. Make every man pay his fraternity bill every month. A fraternity is a character making institution. Right or wrong, a fraternity chapter suffers if an individual member is responsible for a discreditable act. That means that each individual must be made conscious of his responsibility." To all of which THE ALPHA says a fervent Amen!
- FRATERNITY MONTH sends out this rather compelling saying of some wise fraternity leader: "A fraternity badge is a letter of recommendation not a letter of credit."
- BETA THETA PI has placed its third chapter within the state of North Carolina and at the Duke University. The other chapters are found at University of North Carolina and Davidson College. At Duke the Betas join a great list of other nationals as well as a few local groups.
- CHI PHI is preparing to restore an old chapter that once existed at Trinity College, Durham, North Carolina, and now known as Duke University. The local being absorbed for this purpose is the Alpha Chi.
- ACACIA, the Masonic Fraternity, has revived at Syracuse University. The requirement for membership, we understand,

no longer states that a student must be twenty-one years in age and the son of a Mason before initiation. At Syracuse Acacia will find much competition with a great array of fraternities, but with the growth of the university there is room and to spare.

▪ LAMBDA CHI ALPHA is the latest of a number of fraternities to establish at the Mississippi State College. For years anti-

fraternity laws kept fraternities at a distance. With their revocation there has been a constant march toward this campus.

▪ ALPHA KAPPA PI is pleased to welcome a chapter of Sigma Pi at the Newark College of Engineering and the home chapter of the Alpha Kappa Pi. With some 800 men, and other strong locals, the time seems ripe for other nationals to enter here.

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### Iota's Financial Wizard

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ward in enthusiasm and achievement, among actives and alumni fraters since this bigger undertaking has commanded the attention. All hands have been busy but to Brother Hansen, the financial wizard and unrelenting collecting genius, must go the accolades for present successes. In a labor of love he

has won the esteem and the plaudits of all his chapter brothers. To this forceful, unassuming gentleman, and worker, we pay this sincere, if abbreviated, meed of praise. May his numbers increase at Iota chapter and in the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity.



# CHAPTER NEWS

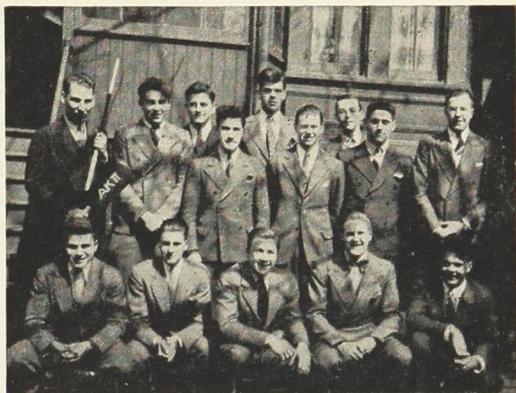
## Alpha—Newark Engineering

*Initiated:* Fletcher B. Overman '40; Fred M. Conran '40; Gordon M. Manhard '41; Edward N. Schwalje '41; Gregory M. Moelter '41; Walter E. Skinner '41.

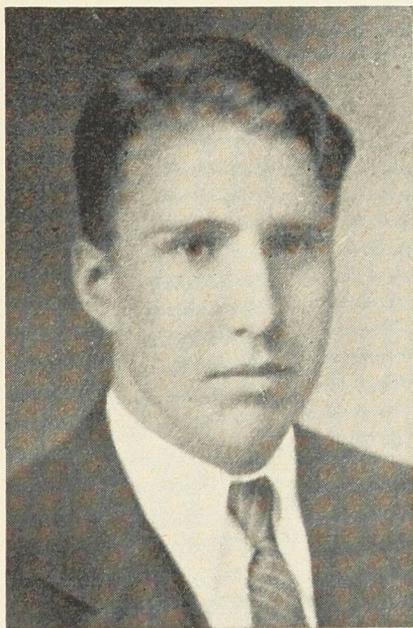
*Pledged:* Peter Skurla, John Stillwaggon, and Henry Pruner, sophomores; Thomas Johnson, Walter Horner, Ernest Fischer, Edward Heider, Ward Houck, Matheson Cole, James Ellor, and James Saverese, freshmen.

In spite of the many various kinds of social events which were inaugurated this year, along with a marvelous display of feminine pulchritude by the brothers, the men of Alpha seem to have taken the past mid-year exams with a fair degree

of parties for alumni brothers embarking on the sea of matrimony to sophisticated tea parties which are held on the first Sunday of each month. Alpha chapter is pleased to have been host to many



ALPHA PLEDGES WITH THEIR  
PLEDGE MASTERS



CLIFFORD T. GRAHAM, *Delta '32*  
*New Chief of the New York Section of  
Alpha Province*

of ease and have been looking forward to spring vacation the week after Easter.

The functions participated in so far have certainly been grand successes, ranging from bachelor

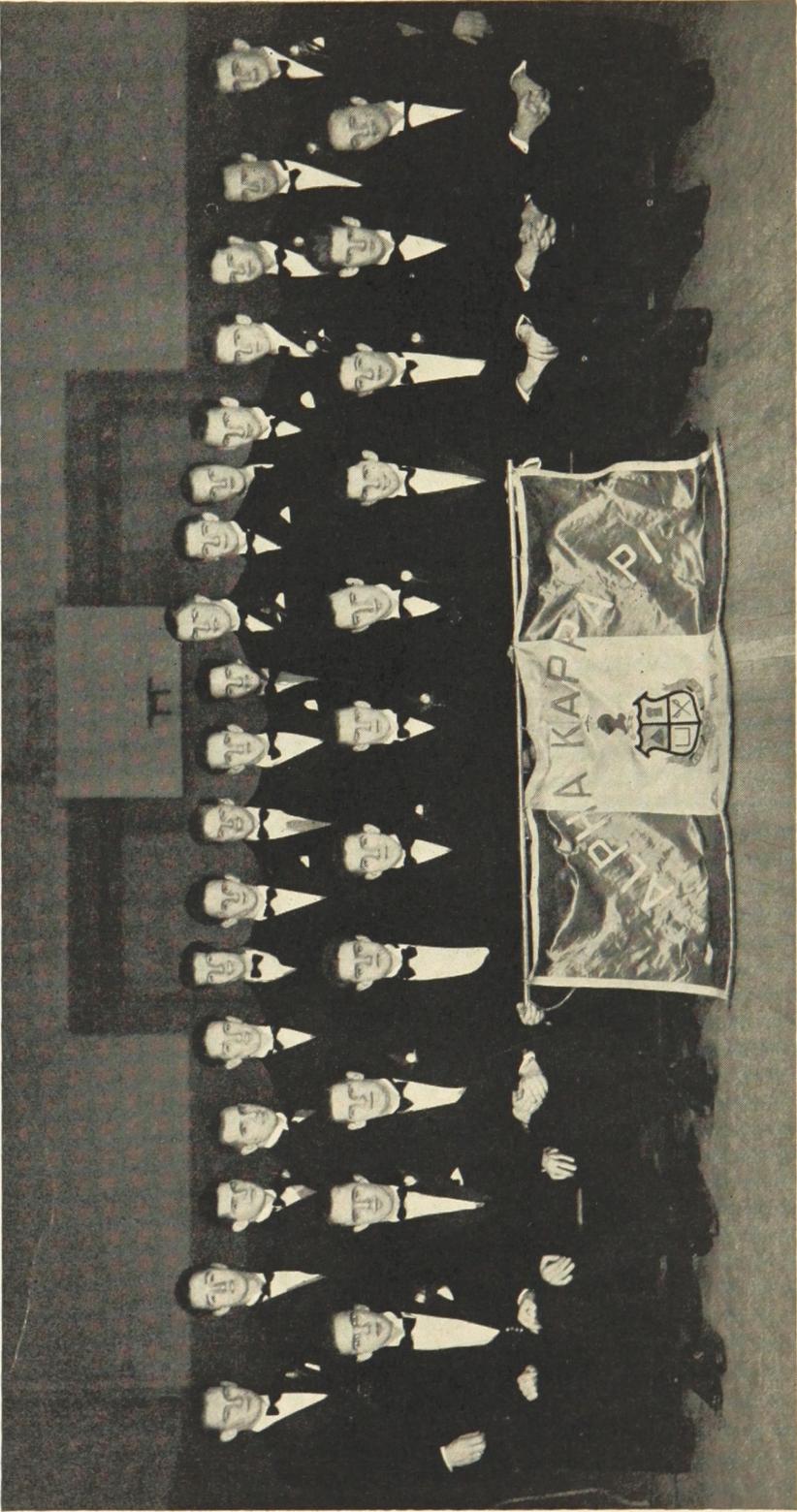
brothers from other chapters on several occasions and hopes that more will come to visit us here at Newark.

Several of our brothers were recently entertained at a party given by Beta at Wagner, while another group had the pleasure of visiting Rho at Rutgers and beating them in a bowling match. The hospitality shown us on such occasions is truly typical of Alpha Kappa Pi's abounding fraternal spirit.

The chapter organ, the *Alpha News*, started by Brother Roy Cleveland in 1937 and carried on by Brother Doug Benedict last year, is being ably edited this year by Brothers Heizer and Bolton; the "rag" has been greatly improved by the new photo-offset type of printing instead of the old mimeographing job.

Founders Day was celebrated in the form of the traditional toast(s) on March 23 by a large gathering of both active and alumni brothers at the chapter house. The affair was made very enjoyable through the arrangements of Brothers Stan Pasternak '37, and Herb Steffens '39.

Another new form of entertainment was started in the way of a Father and Son Night which was held on March 31. The affair under Brother Wenzel's direction was well attended, and the high



ALPHA CHAPTER AT NEWARK COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

# ALPHA ALPHA INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS 38-39



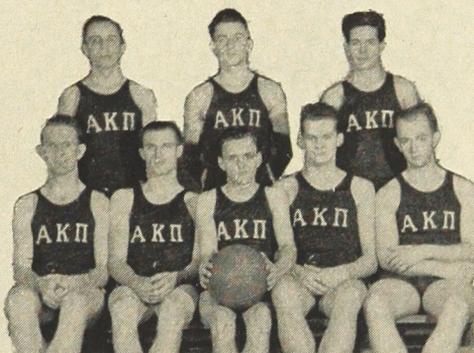
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"Milt"  
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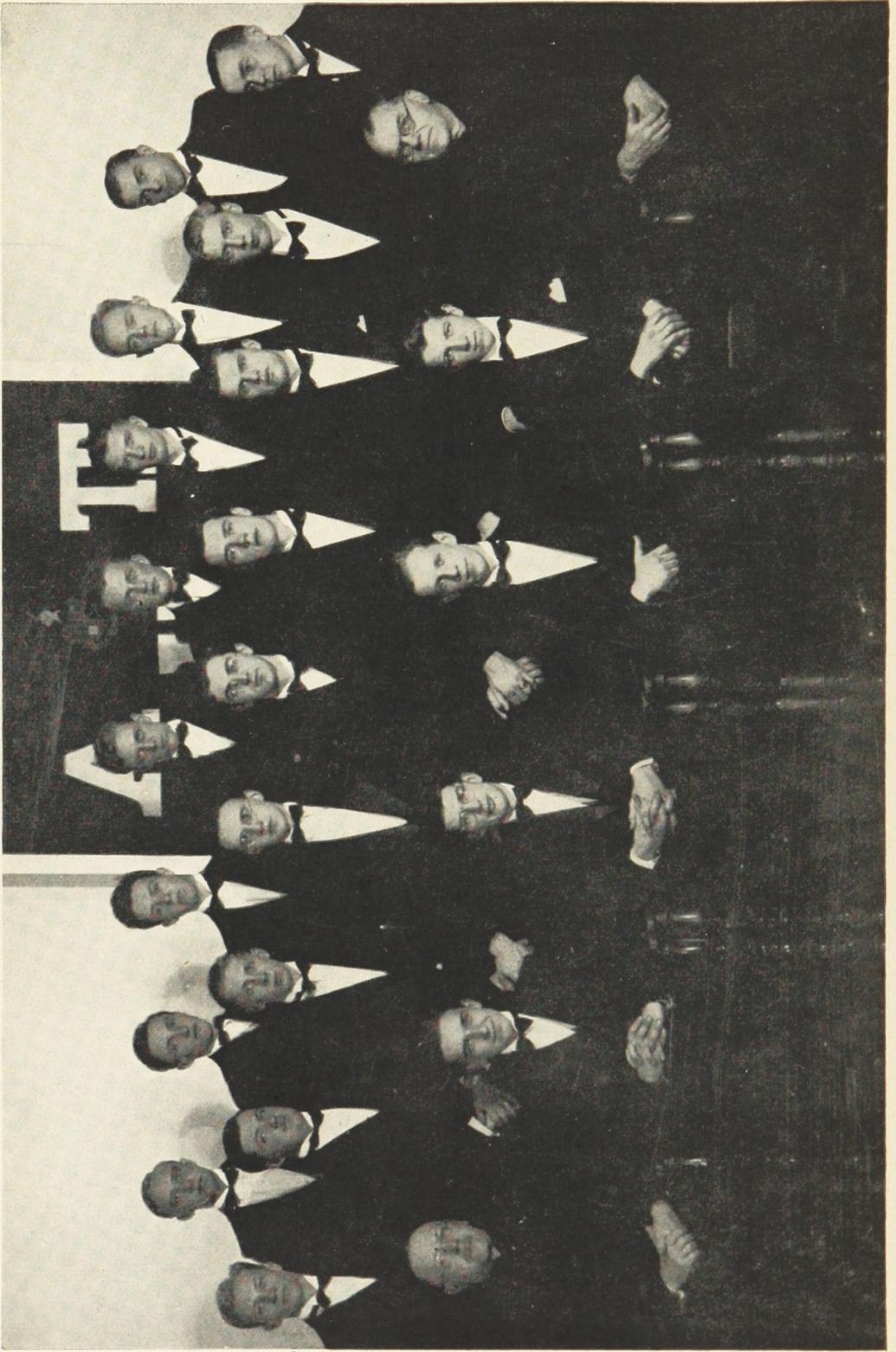
"Bob"  
Clifford



"Norm"  
Burton

lights of the evening were a Professor Quiz contest and an illustrated talk by Brother Steffens on "Chemistry and Criminological Investigation." Alpha chapter is very much pleased with their

new Board of Governors with Brother George Wilkinson, chairman, and Brothers Stanley Pasternak and Theodore Feurbach. The brothers realize the necessity of a very active board for the con-



BETA CHAPTER AT WAGNER COLLEGE

tinal betterment of the chapter, and the experience and advice of our older brothers are heeded to a good advantage. The chapter also wishes to congratulate Brother Paul Schweizer, Faculty Adviser of Alpha, on his appointment to the position of Province Chief and to assure him of even greater co-operation in our work toward a common end—the success and well being of Alpha Kappa Pi.

Plans are being made for the informal initiation which will be held on May 6 and for the formal initiation which will follow on May 11.

Although arrangements have not as yet been definitely completed, the Tenth Annual Spring Formal of Alpha chapter will be held on May 20. Brothers Gene Sauerborn and Doug Benedict promise a delightful opportunity to make new acquaintances and renew old ones amid gorgeous surroundings enhanced by dancing to smooth syncopations of modern melodies with beautiful girls in a fresh summer atmosphere and a silvery full moon!

Do drop up and see us soon.

M. DOUGLAS BENEDICT, JR.

### Beta—Wagner

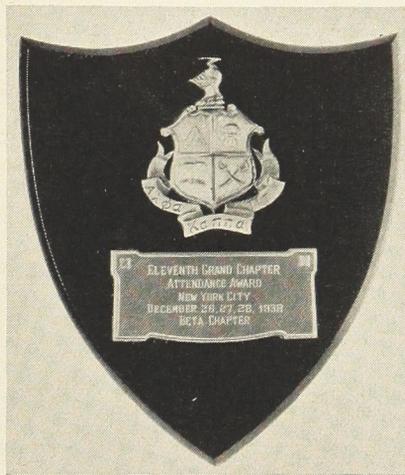
*Initiated:* Robert Intemann '41, Liberty, New York; Leonard Klemann '42, St. Albans, New York; Martin Schroeder '42, Staten Island; Raymond Miller '40, New Haven, Connecticut; Frank Betancourt '40, New York City; Herbert Gibney '41, Brooklyn; Luther Eberhardt '40, New Haven, Connecticut; Robert Vomacka '41, New York City.

The ranks of the Beta chapter have been lengthened by the addition of eight worthy brothers since the last issue of THE ALPHA. The above mentioned brothers are now displaying the seven pointed star with much pride and honor.

We wish to thank the Grand Officers of the Alpha Kappa Pi for the beautiful bronze plaque which we received for having the greatest number of brothers at the most recent national convention. Besides our delegate Christian Holmstrup and alternate Henry Raisch we were represented by thirty others from the active and alumni chapters. Every Beta Alpha Kappa Pi had a profitable and enjoyable time at the convention as well as having the honor of seeing three of our pledges inducted into membership by the Grand Officers: Herbert Gibney, Frank Betancourt and Robert Vomacka.

We are anxiously awaiting the annual Spring Formal to be held on April 29 at the Downtown Athletic Club, West Avenue, New York City. This dance will be held jointly by the active and alumni chapters of Beta, and all brothers in Alpha Kappa Pi are invited to attend. Plans are being made by the committee, consisting of Brothers Wesley Rogler, Van Pelt, Koch, Chris Holmstrup

and Raisch, for arrangements with the other Metropolitan chapters whereby each member attending will benefit his own chapter. Get in touch and find out the how in this arrangement. The Penn-Staters will furnish the music.



*The Grand Chapter Attendance Award which was won by Beta chapter at last convention.*

Friday evening, January 27, 1939, was a festive time at Wagner College as the three fraternities gave their first Interfraternity dance. President Holmstrup represented Alpha Kappa Pi on the committee. It was a complete success. The proceeds will be used to establish a scholarship fund, and all such like dances will augment this financial undertaking.

The brothers were treated to a social given by the pledges of the chapter, Monday evening, February 20. It was a poverty social and every one was asked to wear his oldest and most disreputable clothes. The committee members were: Werner Johnson, Eugene Smith, Leonard Klemann, Ray Miller and Martin Schroeder. Among those present were our faculty advisers Dr. and Mrs. de Walsh, and Dr. Davidheiser. Several brothers from Alpha chapter added to the success of the occasion.

Saturday evening, February 11, eleven brothers, three alumni, and two pledges, visited the Alpha chapter and enjoyed a few hours of that far flung and famed Newark hospitality. We saw the basketball game between Newark Engineering and Wagner (does it really matter which team won?) and then explored the chapter house, and danced.

Our chapter paper, *The Beta*, is again in full swing with Brother Gibney as Editor-in-Chief.

The brothers of Beta played a large part in the inter-class basketball tournament this year. The winning Juniors had as their high-scoring star Gerry Deitrich with Sheldon, White and Eber-

hardt assisting him in fine style. The Seniors were aided by Sig Deitrich, Sondergaard, Mullin, Roy Holmstrum, and Scala. The Sophomore ace was Ken Rogler, with Vomacka, Gibney, Intemann, and Danielson also playing. Pledges Saul, Hinkley, Sterner, and Mische played with the Freshmen.

In the football election for captain Brother Bob White was named to lead the team in 1939. Brother White is an aggressive and consistent player at all times and an inspirational leader. Good luck for the coming season.

Sunday morning, March 12, twenty brothers attended Brother Nickels' church. The service was a memorial for Pledge Richard Barnhardt who passed away last year.

Brother Frank Betancourt has transferred to Columbia University and is making arrangement for the Theta chapter to visit Beta on some meeting night. The Alpha Kappa Pi brothers at Wagner will be sporting green bush jackets, with the Alpha Kappa Pi emblem on them, shortly. Just another sign of Spring. Best wishes to the new officers of the Executive Council and to all the chapters in the fraternity.

ANTHONY SCALA

### Gamma—Stevens Technology

*Pledged:* J. Cipolla '40; E. Israel '41; C. Fishkin, '41; L. Mayo '41.

Greetings to all Alpha Kappa Pi brothers from the Gamma chapter. The long awaited basketball plaque, which we won last year in interfraternity competition, has arrived and is proudly adorning one side of our fireplace. Right now we are busy winning a second one to balance the other side of this same fireside wall. So far we have won three games and lost none. In the first game Brother Quirolo went on a scoring spree and made twelve points in the first half. Pledge Mayo, just accepting Alpha Kappa Pi, the night before, showed his worth by contributing ten points in the second game to be high scorer. One more winning game and the second plaque is ours.

The annual college masquerade given by the Beta Theta Pi fraternity was attended by most of the Alpha Kappa Pi brothers, and an almost riotous time was enjoyed by those present. Brother Peterson thought of the novel plan of having the brothers go as girls and all the girls as young gentlemen. We are indebted to the Betas for a most pleasant evening of good fun.

Gamma's annual open formal dance will be held at the Crestmont Country Club, West Orange, New Jersey. Gamma alumni and brothers in all the neighboring chapters, and alumni from other chapters, are most cordially invited to be with us. Watch announcements and get in touch with Brother Peterson, 500 Hudson Street, Hoboken, New Jersey.

We are happy to announce the pledging of four good men, one junior and three sophomores as follows: J. Cipolla, E. Israel, C. Fishkin and L.

Mayo. Cipolla is assistant manager in baseball and a member of the glee club. E. Israel is a junior editor of *The Stute*, and a member of the varsity squads in tennis and soccer. This year he won his letter in basketball. Fishkin is a member of the orchestra and band, and assistant manager in lacrosse. He is also on the Dean's list in scholarship. Mayo is assistant manager of the tennis team and ranks in the upper quarter of his class scholastically.

Brothers Barchi, Peterson, Douwes and Yeankis visited Rho chapter, with their dates, a few days ago and had a wonderful time. They wish to thank Rho for their splendid hospitality.

An ice-skating party was held in the Ramapo Mountains. Actives and alumni were there and featured the occasion with a hard fought tussle that the actives won 11-10. What a game!

Since Gamma has rigged a record player to the radio a craze for swing music is with us. The collection of popular records is proceeding at a rapid rate. Pledge Cipolla has organized a house glee club and, with a few rehearsals, we will be in fine shape along that line of entertainment.

Gamma is enjoying a fine year in college and fraternity and thus bids adieu until the next time.

MAURICE NOYER, *Historian*

### Delta—Brooklyn Poly

*Initiated:* Thomas A. Foster, Jr., '42; Albert Borer '42; Charles Edward Walsh '42; and George Arvid Fernstrom '40.

*Pledged:* Walter Marcinowski '42; William Porter, Special.

The group of freshmen we pledged last September, with the help of our politically inclined, Brother Hunter '41 and sophomore president, captured every class office. The following are the winners: president, William Preston; vice-president, William Criss; secretary, Warren Krege; treasurer, William Pool; Board of Athletic Control, William Morrison; Student Council, Albert Loranger. This shows that Delta did a rather good job in pledging last fall. We are proud of our younger brothers.

The following brothers were selected to lead Delta this year: president, John Laestadius; vice-president, George Alexion; secretary, Alvar Johnson; treasurer, Carl Bruan; chaplain, George Wambold; sentinel, Edward Paprocki; marshal, John Lerstang. Brother Hunter is our pledge captain and most able house manager while Brother Braummuller is our pledge instructor.

Sunday, March 12, 1939, Delta gave a tea at the chapter house with Grand President Parke B. Fraim and his mother present. After the tea the brothers and friends attended Memorial Services at the Plymouth Church of the Pilgrims.

On Founders Day a fine group of the brothers, with Grand President Fraim and Province Chief Graham, gave a toast to our fraternity as we were gathered about a very cozy fireside.

Alpha Kappa Pi athletes have performed ably, and even nobly, for the college. Brother Ferrante, captain of the wrestling team, finished the season with the highest score of the team. Pledge Davison finished a successful season on the mat also. Brothers George and Robert Meagher were two other stalwarts representing Delta on the squad. Basketball was not so successful but Brooklyn Poly came through with a great victory over our traditional, Pratt Institute. Brothers Lindeman, Schwartzing, Walsh and Pledge Brunotte were outstanding court performers. The rifle team had Brother Braummuller as manager and captain as well as a consistent scorer in all the meets.

If any of our brothers or pledges, from out of the city, are coming to the World's Fair, and they should wish to stay at the chapter house, they are very welcome to do so. Get in touch with John Laestadius, 54 Sidney Place, Brooklyn, New York. Our house is very centrally located in regards to transportation to the Fair Grounds as well as to all parts of the big city. Delta is hoping to meet a great many of the Alpha Kappa Pi brothers during the time of the Fair.

JOHN ALEXION, *Historian*

### *Eta—Presbyterian*

*Initiated:* John Alexander Abercrombie, Gray Court, South Carolina '40; Milton Madgett Norton, Marion, South Carolina '40.

In the recent Presbyterian College student body elections, Eta chapter has distinguished itself by having several Alpha Kappa Pi brothers selected for various offices. For next year's annual, the *Pac Sac*, Milton Norton was elected editor. Jule McGregor was elected business manager, and Alex Abercrombie was elected advertising manager. Charles McDonald and Hugh Gettys were chosen as sophomore student councilmen. Jack Norton was selected as president of the sophomore class. For next year's *Collegian*, the student's quarterly literary magazine, Fred Allen was elected business manager and Walter Arnold was elected advertising manager. We were very pleased over the outcome of this election and think that Eta chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi is well represented in extra-curricular activities on the campus of Presbyterian.

Spring sports are in full swing at Presbyterian and we're well pleased to see Eta well represented. On the baseball team we have: Richard DuBose, ace pitcher who won several games last year; Philip Rogers, a catcher who will be in there lots this year; Mac Reid, as sweet a shortstop as you ever see; W. K. Cox, a very promising pitcher; Jule McGregor, a pitcher who saw lots of service last year. We'll be expecting these men to come through in fine style this year. Walt Arnold is depended on to run the 440 in track this year. We are hoping that Walt will come through in fine fashion. We are very proud of the fact that

these men are out there taking part in these various sports.

We are happy to announce that Milton Norton and Alex Abercrombie were recently initiated. We are planning to initiate a large number the latter part of April. A number of pledges are planning on being initiated and I am sure that everything will come off in fine style.

Brother Alpha Kappa Pis, I really don't like to brag, but Eta chapter is really going places this year. We had the greatest pledge season that Eta has had in many years. All of the new men seem to have taken great interest in the chapter. All of them are looking forward to being initiated. Alpha Kappa Pi is recognized by the students and faculty of P.C. as one of the best fraternities on the campus. Just you watch our smoke.

We are hoping that in the near future more chapters of Alpha Kappa Pi can be organized in the south. It is indeed a handicap not having many chapters near by. We are hoping that chapters can be organized at Furman U. and the University of South Carolina sometime soon.

All of the members of Eta join in wishing all of you the best of luck. I'll be seeing you.

JULIUS S. MCGREGOR

### *Theta—Columbia University*

*Pledged:* George Koury '41, Roy Kremen '41, George Miles '41, and Dante Bove '41.

*Initiated:* John Gilligan '39, and John Castronuovo '41.

Ho-hum, well, well, well. Spring is here with poems and bath-tubs and, of course, fever—mostly fever. And how did you do in your mid-years? Now, now, don't be self-conscious!

Theta Chapter extends a hearty handshake and the best of good wishes to all of our brothers from Hartwick to Wake Forest and from Kappa to Alpha Zeta. May Alpha Kappa Pi enjoy a most fruitful fraternity year. I hope all you tipplers threw your heads back and drank to our mutual success on March 23.

The dreaded fever that taunts even the Ides of March was about to engulf Theta, too, when one of our most virile brothers and newest of acquisitions, John Castronuovo, snatched the reins from the old guard. He made Alpha Kappa Pi's vehicle here at Columbia lurch forward awakening the remainder of us from a dreamy sleep. For the last four weeks, he has been preparing luncheons for as many as twenty persons. We blinked our eyes and joined the band-wagon of spring rushing. At the time of writing, he has succeeded in pledging four very fine men, and has gained the confidence and interest of an equal number of prospective pledges. Joseph Lawler, last year's president and a graduate, has been doing his utmost to attend these Thursday noon luncheons. His spirit adds

zest and congeniality for his heart is as warm as his hair is red. Yes, Brothers Lawler and Castro-novo are worthy representatives of Alpha Kappa Pi "in the Wilson tradition."

Our second initiate has been adding prestige to Theta as a member of Columbia's rather successful 1939 basketball team—John Gilligan (another red-head to carry on the Lawler precedent)—jes' call him "Buttahcup."

If this is not a false presumption, you have probably guessed that this article was inspired. It certainly was. Buttahcup was shaving with an electric shaver that sounds more like a vacuum cleaner, and our chaplain, Brother Mitchell, ranted over the din, "What this country needs is more constitution, institution and property!" And while I'm at it, may I refer all you chapters in need of a house mother to box 430, Livingston Hall. . . . Augustan Schatzel, our crew man who earns his letter by sitting on his backside going backwards, is a marvelous curtain and drape hanger.

PHILIP UNHOCH, *Historian*

### **Iota—Mount Union**

*Pledged:* Edward D'Angelo '42; New York City; David Wilson '42, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

*Initiated:* Robert Hoiermann '41; Henry Boehm '41; Cecil Coleman '42; Kenneth Stoffer '42; Eugene Whipple '42; Ryder Cooke '42; William Corwin '41; Carl Parks '39.

Continuing its growth under the progressive leadership of President James Weldy, Iota has increased its prestige on the Mount Union campus, since the last issue of *THE ALPHA*.

Alpha Kappa Pi men continue to capture offices and positions in all college affairs. Alpha Kappa Pi holds the following offices: chairman committee for commencement speaker, James Weldy; chairman of the Junior-Senior prom, Louis Morris; junior class treasurer, Harley Roth; managership of the gospel team, Malcolm Kienzle; secretary Y.M.C.A., Malcolm Kienzle; vice-president International Relations Club, Malcolm Kienzle; laboratory assistant, Carl Parks; vice-president Interfraternity Council, George Cukro.

More glory came to Alpha Kappa Pi when Clyde Parks, an economic major, won second prize in a nation-wide contest answering the question: "What Constitutes a Fair Profit?" This is not the first time that Brother Parks has demonstrated his knowledge of economics, as he is one of the most promising of all economic majors at Mount Union College.

Congratulations are in order for Brother Robert Ogle whose seven pointed star is now being worn by Miss Bertha Schlarb. Following the unwritten law, which requires that all brothers at Iota who give their badge throw a banquet, Brother Ogle last month treated twenty Alpha Kappa Pi couples to a fine dinner.

Iota is now making plans for an elaborate tenth anniversary on this campus during the week of May one to eight. Alpha Kappa Pi is Mount Union's youngest fraternity and yet its accomplishments have been equal to many of the older ones here. It is our desire to celebrate fittingly this first ten years of fraternity service.

Several Iota brothers visited Lambda chapter one week end and, according to reports, everyone had a fine time with our more southern brothers at Bethany College. We wish to take this opportunity to again thank our brothers at Lambda for the enjoyable time they showed us. We only hope that sometime in the future Iota may have the pleasure of returning the favor by playing host some week end.

Congratulations are also due Brother Henry Boehm, one of our most recent initiates for the fine performance he gave us in the college dramatic production, "The Night of January Sixteenth."

In spite of the fact that graduation will take seven of our brothers from our ranks Iota is looking forward to next year with eager anticipation. The accomplishments of this year are insignificant compared to those that loom on the horizon.

To all chapters, we of Iota, extend our wishes for increased success.

MALCOLM KIENZLE

### **Lambda—Bethany**

*Initiated:* Frank Belluardo '41; Wayne Burdue '42; Thomas Grim '41; John Weber '42; Raymond Henry Dick '42.

Lambda, with the initiation of the four named brothers, is looking up on this campus. Pledges Belluardo, Burdue, Grim and Weber were initiated in the first formal ceremony held by Lambda chapter. The ritualistic work was impressive and plans are under way to make formal initiations the practice here.

Alpha Kappa Pi men at Bethany are holding their own in the line of sports. Pledge Blank is a winner in boxing. He is soon to participate in a bout which will decide the winner who is to go to the Pacific coast in the Golden Gloves national competition. Pledges Parker and Ryan are hard at work warming up for cross-country running. The past three years has seen many Alpha Kappa Pi brothers engaged in this form of athletics. President Cutlip is Bethany's local spider-weight boxer.

The social calendar has a big red letter marking Thursday, May 13, 1939, for that night Lambda chapter will hold the annual Yellow Rose Ball. Definite plans are now forming for the great event. Programs, decorations, orchestra and chaperons are already selected. Friday evening dinner dates serve to fill in the slack season in social affairs. These prove most enjoyable.

The brothers are making determined efforts to

regain the scholarship cup which we lost last semester. One more win and the cup becomes the property of Lambda. This trophy is awarded by the Bethany Interfraternity Council.

At Bethany's spring homecoming, held the first week-end in March, a number of Alpha Kappa Pi alumni renewed contacts with Lambda and alma mater. The program featured a minstrel and novelty presentment. Brothers Cutlip and Perry filled chairs as end men in the minstrel show. Brother Decker, with Miss Jean Vetter as partner, was billed in a dancing act. The Men's Glee Club did the chorus work. In this Lambda contributed Ryan, Grim, Carr, Sowers, Seidel, Sparks, Thomas, and Perry.

In this year's pledge group two men are outstanding in musical circles. Pledges Carr is our piano virtuoso, while Pledge Sowers, a sophomore transfer, is one of Bethany's prominent vocalists.

The seniors are looking forward to comprehensives, and then commencement and farewell. Thomas, Sparks and Perry will graduate in June, while Adamson completed his work last semester, but will receive his degree in June. Brother Adamson was married recently and is now preaching at Elm Grove, a most attractive suburb of the city of Wheeling. To these departing brothers Lambda bids every good success. They are worthy wearers of the seven pointed star, and we shall miss them.

SCOTT W. PERRY

## Mu—Marshall

*Initiated:* George Evans '41, Iaegar; Ralph Belcher '41, Charleston; Harry Nenni '42, Matewaw; Wayne Barnett '41, Point Pleasant; Freedom Gore '41, Logan.

*Pledged:* Edward Irvin '42, Hamlin; Ralph Dye '41, Reedy; George Withers '42, North Carolina; E. E. Morrison '42, Chattaroy; John Henry '42, Weston; Danial Ireson '41, Williamson; Coleman Collins '40, Portsmouth; Robert Brooks '40, Roanoke, Virginia.

Well, it seems as how our rent came due February 1, and we had to get out and find ourselves a new house. We found one that we had been trying to get for a long time. It is located at 1645 Fifth Avenue. It is by far the best setup we have ever had. We have eleven actives and pledges in the house. It seems for once we don't have to work so hard to get the boys in the house because they are all asking for a room, but we haven't enough to go around. I think we need to build a dormitory.

Brother Carl Winter, who was with us last year, has passed on to Omega chapter. He was killed February 26, in an automobile accident. All the brothers of the local chapter attended the funeral. "Ott" was a splendid character; a real pal whose exceptional generosity and undying consideration won him his great number of friends. Now that

our dear friend and brother has journeyed on to a better land, may we hope to greet him again some day.

Brother Raymond Hage, who was formerly vice-president of the student body, has now been appointed president of the organization. Brother Willis Stinson has been elected president of the Chamber of Commerce. With the coming student election we feel we have several possible candidates that will have excellent chances to win offices in the student council.

Everyone is running around here like a chicken with its head cut off. The reason is that with all these social events coming up everyone is trying to do his part. Founders Day banquet is to be held March 23, at the Fredrick Hotel. This is one of the outstanding events on our spring social calendar and we are trying to make a great success of it. Our spring formal is set for May 12, at the Guyan Country Club and from where I sit now it looks as though it will be a great success, but I'd better not count my chickens before they hatch. Our alumni have promised us their support to the last member. While on the subject of the alumni, I would like to thank them on behalf of the active chapter for their loyal support and interest in the local chapter.

Along the line of intramural sports we have a mixed team intered in the duck pin tournament. The team is composed of three boys and three girls. When you want to have some fun you should try it. As yet we have no idea what we will have in softball this spring. We lost so many boys from last year's team that we haven't much left. As to the new preps I cannot say what we have.

Back in school with us again this semester we have Brothers Maurice Ellis and Ted McCoy. Announcement was received by the local chapter of the marriage of Brother Harper Grimm to Miss Nellie Thompson Simmons of Point Pleasant. Brother Grimm is now practicing law in Texas.

The alumni chapter met Tuesday, March 14, at the active chapter house. There was a very good turnout of the members, most all of them being present. New officers for the year were elected. They were as follows: George Garner, president; Wylie Dunfee, vice-president; James Bobbit, secretary and treasury. Plans were made for regular monthly meetings.

Graduation this spring bites heavily into our membership. We lose this spring nine of our best members. They are: Everret Thompson, Willis Stinson, Maurice Ellis, Frank Snyder, William Ranson, Raymond Hage, Paul Dempsey, Charles Allen, Clifford Slater. We certainly hate to lose these brothers but I suppose they can't stay here all their lives. We wish these graduates and all the graduating Alpha Kappa Pis the best of luck and all the happiness and success that is due them.

RUDOLPH THOMPSON

## Nu—Lehigh

*Initiated:* Joseph N. Ambrogi '42, Upper Darby, Pennsylvania; Harry L. Boyer '42, Upper Darby, Pennsylvania.

On March 14, Nu chapter held its annual elections. The following officers were installed by the retiring president, Frank L. Jackson '39: Jacob S. Hartzell '40, president; Loring Lane '40, vice-president; Charles G. Myers '40, secretary; Richard M. Shepherd '41, treasurer; Frank L. Benedict '40, chaplain; Robert D. Marsden '40, historian; and Howard V. Donohoe '41, sentinel.

With these men to guide Nu during the coming year, we are confident that the year will be a banner one. Brother Hartzell has been very active both on the campus and in the chapter. He has carried the lead in several musical comedies and productions of the Mustard and Cheese dramatic club and has served as chairman of the house social committee during the past year.

Nu's formal initiation was held at the chapter house on February 11, with Pledges Ambrogi and Boyer becoming brothers. The initiation was followed by an excellent roast turkey banquet, and the turkey by Brother Herrick, chairman of our Board of Governors, who gave the new brothers the customary warnings and good wishes.

For the fourth consecutive time, our annual mid-winter formal was held jointly with Pi Kappa Alpha on March 11 in the Hotel Bethlehem. Judging both from the 200 couples which attended and the music of Harry Romig's orchestra, the dance set a new standard for the future.

Brother Boyer, who has chalked up an undefeated season with the freshman wrestling team, brought home a large silver cup the other day. The cup is awarded each year to the outstanding member of the freshman team. The intramural wrestling tournament drew six of the boys out on the mats to fight for Alpha Kappa Pi; Brothers Blanchard, Betz, Shepherd, and Donohoe, and Pledges Murphy and White.

Not to let athletic and social activities completely steal the show from scholastic achievements, we mention here that Brother Marsden was initiated by Tau Beta Pi, national engineering honorary, on March 11.

Dick Blanchard and Loring Lane won their letters again this year for the uncanny ability of being able to hit the bulls eye with their trusty muskets. Brother Lane will be on the team that enters the intercollegiate competitions this year. Last year Lehigh's rifle team took first place in the Eastern division of the New England Intercollegiates, and this year they are planning a repeat performance.

Our basketball team which entered the intramural tournament climbed to the semi-finals before they finally met their match. Brother Hood, who backstroked for the swimming team, managed to

acquire acute appendicitis early in the season, thus eliminating himself from further competition.

The house bowling team is so far enjoying an undefeated season with three consecutive wins. Brother Weis, Marsden, Shepherd, and Boyer, and Pledge Murphy are the proud ten-pin mutilators.

Our second annual Father's weekend attracted nearly a dozen of the older generation on February 25. Though pinochle and basketball games were popular, the "old men" liked nothing so well as a chance to dig into their memories and exhume some choice deviltries of their own college days.

A spring sport seems to be the best way to alleviate that annual spring fever, and so the boys turn out for baseball, track, and football. Brothers Weaver and Thierry are working for positions on the baseball team; Harry Boyer and Cal Murphy are putting on their cleats preparatory to burning up the track, and "Whiffer" White, Bob Stowbridge, and Joe Ambrogi have donned their shoulder pads for spring practice with the pigskin.

ROBERT D. MARSDEN

## Xi—North Carolina State

*Initiated:* Joseph Louis Padgett '41; Ralph Warren Perry '41.

Since last hearing from Xi chapter two excellent men have been initiated into the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity at this college. Brothers Padgett and Perry have proved their worth over a period of pledgship and will do their part in keeping Xi on a high plane on this campus. Besides these men we have other pledges preparing to take the ritual.

Xi and Chi chapters have been associating together a great deal this year and we at Xi chapter feel that it has been of mutual profit. We are always happy to have the Alpha Kappa Pi brothers from Wake Forest drop in to see us. Likewise brothers from any other chapter. The latch-string is always on the outside.

Brother Henry Saunders, one of the best treasurer's this chapter ever possessed, has been of much inspiration to us this year through his hopeful letters. Xi is proud of its alumni and more so of the Brother Saunders. He has made certain propositions to this chapter that would be of immense benefit when we are able to meet them.

With the refitting of the third floor for a dormitory more brothers have been able to reside in the chapter house and likewise there has been a better spirit among all of us. We hope to open next fall with a full roster of members and a house filled to capacity. Xi is doing well and extends best wishes to Alpha Kappa Pi brothers everywhere. Come and see us and you will find us most cordial.

CARL H. PETERSON

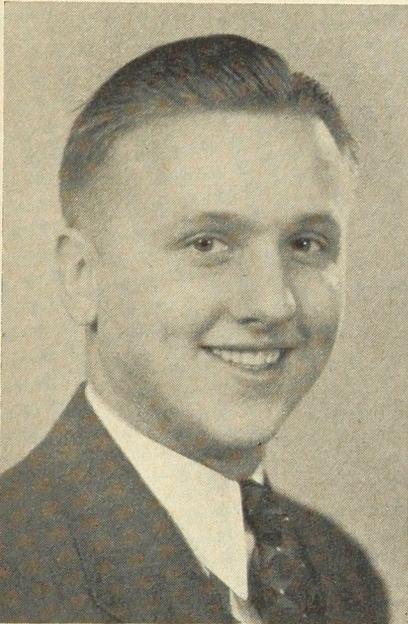
### Omicron—Penn State

*Pledged:* Charles Mattern '42; William Ziegenfus '42.

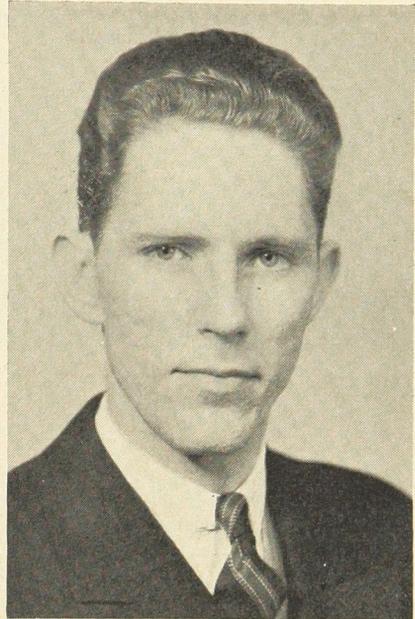
*Initiated:* Donald Rhodes '40, Norman Herz '40, Lisle Russel '40, Herman Fogel '40, David Morgan '40, George Halbig '40, Robert Menapace '40, James Oliver '42, Milton Erwin '42, Merritt Jayne '42, Wilson Garinger '42, Joseph Craddock '42.

Well, we're on the home stretch now and the boys will soon be sitting back in their chairs with their feet on their desks; musing and bulling over another bang up year at Omicron.

The fellows are really doing all right for themselves. Brother "Skeeter" Erwin brought in a couple of firsts in diving, winning his class nu-



JOHN R. VERBALIS, *Omicron '40, to lead Omicron next year.*



ARTHUR J. HICKS, *Omicron '39, completes term as chapter president.*

is out there again this year and we are sure he's going to come through.

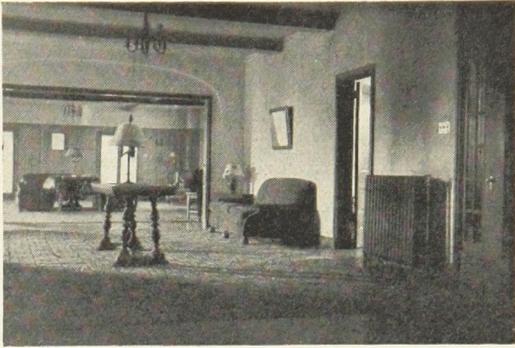
Brothers Erwin and Fogel, and Pledge Siwy recently organized a Lehi-State Club for the benefit of State students from Lehigh County. Their program is in full swing and promises to be of lasting value to the school.

On the social side, recently we've been seeing some beautiful girls around this firetrap on date nights, many of them right out of the chorus of the Thespian's "Stuff 'n Nonsense"; and the tuxes are already being smoothed up for the Interfraternity Ball (Larry Clinton will swing it). Incidentally, Brother Thomas and Morgan have been around bragging that "Stuff 'n Nonsense" was the smash hit of the past ten years (the tough part on us is that it was).

merals and Brother Don Rhodes did a swell job of warming the bench for States' varsity basketball team (kidding aside, he really hung them up). Brother Herm Fogel earned a position as copy editor of the *Penn State Engineer* while Brother Dave Morgan won his membership into the Thespian Club, after working and worrying away about ten pounds (In between worrying, both the aforementioned boys were active in campus politics). Brother Lin Zulick and Pledge Bill Ritzel are training for track and baseball respectively and all the brothers and pledges are beginning to think of the coming mushball season. Brother Max Houser, varsity baseball pitcher in his sophomore year, though laid up with a sore arm last spring,



*Cramming for Exams at Omicron.*



*Spacious Entrance Hall and Paneled Reception Room in Omicron Chapter House.*

At the semi-annual meeting of the Delta Sigma Chi, Alpha Kappa Pi Corporation, the brothers of Alpha Kappa Pi elected the following officers: John Verbalis, president; J. Albert Wunderlich, vice-president; James Uber, treasurer; John Dorn-sife, secretary; Merritt Jayne, historian; Benny Moss, chaplain; Lisle Russel, sentinel; and Harry Martin, marshal. George Halbig was appointed house manager.

Brother Verbalis, newly elected president, though he will be back for another year, is graduating this year after only three years of study. Johnny has a major in both English and Literature and the classical languages. He is a member of the campus clique and Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honorary fraternity.

Johnny replaces brother Art Hicks as house prexy. Art has been active in intramural sports; worked on the stage crew of the Thespians; been associated with the Ag Economics Club; pursued a course in Agricultural Economics; and still has been able to find time to be one of the finest prexys this chapter has ever had.

In order to stimulate activity among the undergraduates, prexy Verbalis will present a key to the Alpha Kappa Pi recognition man; the man who has been most active in rushing and other supplementary activities. It will be presented at the senior banquet and Johnny will continue to give it each year.

Incidentally, in addition to our senior banquet we are holding an Easter banquet the night before vacation. Some of the brothers also are planning a play.

We'll say goodbye now until May. Lots of luck and plenty of April showers.

W. MERRITT JAYNE

### **Rho—Rutgers**

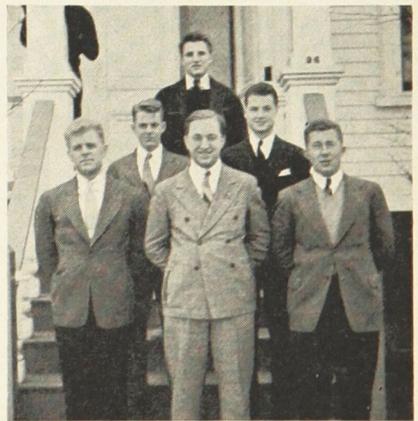
*Initiated:* Kenneth Ross, Alexander Miller, Larry Blair, Charles Salvato and Jack Daniels.

Since the last issue of *THE ALPHA* many events have taken place at Rho chapter. Initiation week,

initiation, election of officers, and installation of a new administration. With the aid of some of the brothers, and under the direction of Jim Cortright and George Van Dillon, pledges Ken Gebler, Larry Blair, Chic Salvato, Jack Daniels, Bill Perkins, Alex Miller and Ken Ross, the reconditioning of the house, which has been under way since last spring, was given much attention. Then on March 14, 1939, these pledges were initiated into Alpha Kappa Pi: Kenneth Ross, Alex Miller, Charles Salvato, Larry Blair, and Jack Daniels. Immediately following the initiation election of officers took place. The results follow: president, Thomas E. Reichelderfer; vice-president, George L. Van Dillen; treasurer, Ransom Gladwin; secretary, Phil Stowell; chaplain, Fred Potter; marshal, Zolie Tackacs; sentinel, Frank Kuszen; and Cliff Radus, historian.

In other activities Rho has been busy winning its way to the semi-finals in intramural basketball. Ken Gebler, who was elected for the all-intramural team, paced the Rho basketballers through four victories before the team was defeated in the semi-finals. Ken Ross, Jimmie Cortright, Al Strassburger, Will Darby, Fred Prosser, Jim Dean, Giv Cuthbert, and Cliff Radus also participated.

With the coming of winter sports we were well represented. Wilbur Darby was a member of the varsity swimming team, Ken Gebler played frosh basketball, Phil Stowell shot on the rifle team, Jack Daniels managed the crew, Alex Miller worked as wrestling manager, and Larry Blair breast stroked the freshman swimming team. On the intellectual side George Van Dillen, Tom Reichelderfer, and Cliff Radus were members of the varsity debate squad.



OFFICERS OF THE CHAPTER

Along the first of March Ken Moss was elected business manager of *The Targum*, bi-weekly undergraduate newspaper at Rutgers, and Cliff Radus was appointed a junior editor on the news staff.

Two of our seniors have brought much honor to

the chapter and fraternity by being chosen to wear the Phi Beta Kappa key. These men are Al Walsh and Ray Quadt.

As we come to the end of another quarter period of college, we at Rho, send our best wishes to the other brothers in the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity.

CLIFFORD R. RADUS

### Sigma—Illinois

*Initiated:* Allen John Baldwin '40, John West-Wood Conway '41, John Marvin Nelson '41, Anthony Volta Curatola '41.

Sigma chapter has been pleased to initiate the above named pledges and to thus introduce them to the readers of THE ALPHA as worthy to wear the badge of the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity. They are all good workers and enthusiastic brothers.

W. C. HUNTER

### Tau—Tufts

It has been a long time since I wrote my last report for THE ALPHA, so I'll try a Neal O'Hara style of hit or miss column this issue and try to cover the most important happenings for the last four months.

February 20, 1939, saw the initiation of six new brothers; J. Larson Bishop, Jr. '42, Lawrence C. Bommarito '42, John B. Scopa, Jr. '42, David L. Smith '42, Bernard C. Thompson '42, and William K. Woodard, Jr. '42.

The next night we held a gala initiation banquet with all the boys dressed in their glad rags and cleaning up their rooms for the first time in weeks because the new President of the College, Dr. Leonard Carmichael was the guest of honor. Besides Prexy, we had Professor Robinson Abbott, *Tau* '18; Mr. Robert Lybeck, *Tau* '15; and Mr. Theodore Higgins, *Tau* '20 as guest speakers. Everything went off first rate with the Delt's silverware, borrowed table cloths, and real flowers. Bill Ward did a fine job as toastmaster reserving the spicier jokes until after the president had left. Harry, the cook, put out a wonderful meal. We hope to have many more such banquets.

David Pollard of the class of 1940 was elected to Tau Beta Pi, national honorary engineering society, in February and initiated. We are mighty proud of our "little" brain trust. Dave is also vice-president of his class, member of the honor society, and star athlete specializing in the shot put and high jump at present.

Al Hatch, another Junior, and the pride of the South, is showing his stuff on the mound during these months pitching the apple for the Tufts varsity. If Al turns in any exhibitions like the one against Harvard last year, we shall have a potential Feller or Hutchinson in our midst.

Billy Wells, the house giant and mouse all in

one (the giant referring to size, and the mouse to noise) is going great guns in the freshman class. He took part in the last dramatic production "High Tor" and ran across the stage very expertly. He is on the staff of the *Weekly* and at present is a hot contestant for the office of secretary of the freshman class.

Laurie Grant is still trying to break his own college high jump record and not trying very hard to find his missing pin. Laurie has done a fine job as sports chairman of the house during Intramural sports season.

Which brings up the matter of pins. We seem to have formed three cliques in the fraternity. One club is composed of members (and the number would encourage any Hitler or Mussolini) who have bestowed their pins on some fair maiden. Another club is composed of those who are practicing up on the right speech to make when they do bestow the pin. And the third club is composed of loyal bachelors who swear on bended knee (with their fingers crossed) that they will never weaken.

Tau has gone to town in the bowling league as usual. Buzz Haas holds the high three string record, the house holds the high total three strings, and both Haas and Clarence "Carry Me Back to Old Virginie" Morehouse are among the leaders in accumulative averages. The boys hope to keep the cup which they have won for several years. Those bowling include: Haas, Morehouse, Tremberth, Thompson, Ward, Johnson, Plumley, and Loring.

The squash season is all over with the boys finishing in a tie for first place in the league. Those who wielded the racquet this winter included: Dave Pollard, Al Hatch, Laurie Grant, Bill Mann, Buzz Haas, Ed Plumley, Perry Cumming, and Johnnie Bielecki.

The boys split even in the basketball league with four wins and four defeats. Those on the team included: Bill Ward, Art Sundermann, Buzz Haas, Laurie Grant, Wally Lapham, Doug Leggatt, Al Hatch, Bill Harrison, Al Budzynkiewicz, Ed Plumley, Bernie Thompson, and Bill Woodard.

As I am writing this the boys are just entering the wrestling matches. We came out on top last year winning the coveted cup. Brad Lawrence is coaching the boys this year, and everyone is going to give his best from little Billy Wells to heavy Red Parker, our unpinnable unlimited (he just rolls over and over).

Two of the boys have been hospitalized this winter. First Johnnie Bielecki stuck part of the seat of the local theater into his leg. He spent a week or two in the hospital escaping mid-years and running up a nice bill which he hopes he doesn't have to pay. Then Charlie Ernst, one of our freshmen, went and got appendicitis and had to have that delightful part of his anatomy removed. He is now convalescing at his home in New Jersey, but we hope to have him back with us soon.



*Fireplace in chapter room of Tau's new home*

Bill Harrison, our erstwhile newspaper man has turned his talents to practical purposes and produced the original and unique *Tau Topics*, a four-page mimeographed paper which threatens to come out four times a year if January can get along with a two page letter once in a while instead of the eight page epistle. The first issue came out on the occasion of that initial banquet and contained articles on the banquet, the game room, the class officers, and the new house policy. There are alumnotes and a column by Billy Wells.

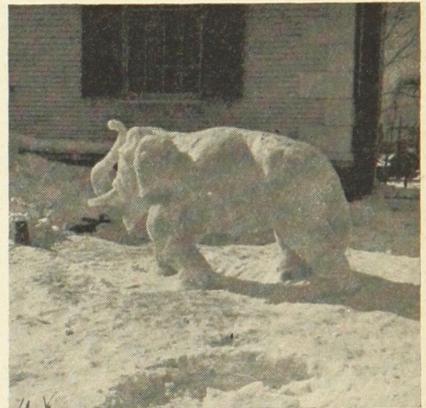
The house finally acquired a new "vic" after the old one just simply refused to be fixed anymore. The new one is a beauty, playing eight records automatically and offering automatic tuning and three wave lengths. Some of the boys threaten to use it in place of an orchestra at the spring formal to save money. It has a beautiful tone and as long as my roommate leaves it alone, it promises to give us splendid service.

We had an unexpected snow storm March 13, and the Hill appeared very beautiful for several days in its white decorations. To celebrate the occasion, the boys turned out in force and built a magnificent model of Jumbo, the college mascot, on the front lawn. The model stood three or four feet high and attracted considerable attention. The other fraternities followed our example, and soon the campus was transformed into a miniature Dartmouth Carnival Campus with models of Ferdinand the Bull, Abraham Lincoln, Eve Seduced, the College Chapel, and a model (?) Jackson Girl. The

rain two nights later did a miserable job on Jumbo, and he just laid down and died. Lincoln went out for lunch.

Several of the boys tried their skill at skiing this winter. They practiced on the Hill and showed their real talents on the numerous Ski Club Trips and Snow Trains. Plumley, White, and Bielecki, made out all right, but poor Dave Costello got mixed up with the ground or a tree or something, anyway he came out with part of his scalp missing.

The juniors are now looking forward to the



*Jumbo, college mascot, sculptured in ice by artists of Tau chapter*

junior prom which will take place April 28 in the Cousens Gymnasium.

FREDERICK DICKERMAN

### **Phi—St. John's**

*Pledged:* Albert Jaeggins '41, Cameron Sherrard '41, John Ainsworth '42, John Mussiter '42, Francis Williams '41.

This has been a very quiet year for fraternities at St. John's College. Due to much revising of college courses in study, and the revamping of residence quarters the usual placid, if forceful life on this campus, has been greatly disrupted. However we are hopeful for much better conditions during the next college year.

To make it more difficult for the fraternities there was a very small freshman class and the entire student body was greatly reduced in numbers also. Phi chapter was most fortunate in pledging five excellent men. Their names and classes being given at the head of this letter to THE ALPHA. We are certain these new men will help us carry on the work of the fraternity.

Province Chief A. W. Lubbers, 7819 Eastern Avenue, N. W., Washington, D.C. has been most attentive and Dr. Paul Allen, our chapter counselor, is always a source of much inspiration.

To the Alpha Kappa Pi chapters everywhere fraternal greetings.

ROBERT F. HODGES

### *Psi—West Virginia Wesleyan*

*Initiated:* James Cain '41, Red House, West Virginia; Richard Reppert '40, Buchannon, West Virginia; John Edmiston '41, Buchannon, West Virginia; and Brooks Lohan '41, Charleston, West Virginia.

*Pledged:* David Casto '42, Buckhannon, West Virginia.

With the "Hell Week" festivities now history, and warm sunshine beginning to bring on symptoms of spring fever, Psi chapter is cheerfully heading into the "stretch" of the present school year.

Four illustrious new actives, whose names appear above, have further fortified the active chapter roll, which now carries thirty-nine names. Brother Cain, an athlete by trade, has won considerable prestige in the football and basketball line since entering Wesleyan. His plucky fullbacking on the gridiron, and sparkling forward "pinch" roles on the indoor boards have given the Bobcats many a needed tonic, and "Silent Sugar" is heralded as a welcome addition to the active ranks.

Reppert, a "town" boy who lives in the fraternity house more than he does at home, is a prominent member of the Progressive Junior class, adept ping-pong artist, and able intramural basketballer; Edmiston follows Big Brother Matt into the fold, and Lohan, an embryonic sports writer on the college newspaper, is majoring in "Mathematics." Congrats, quartet!

The brothers of Psi hailed Founders Day with a special dance in the downtown Rotary rooms, March 23. Gil Berry, prominent local orchestra to which Pledge "Filbert" Casto contributes plenty of hot trumpet wacky-dust, and Brother Don Gatewood croons the lyrics, played for the occasion. The hall was attractively decorated with a green-white color scheme. Matt Edmiston was in charge of the outing, which climaxed at 10 o'clock, when everyone drank the toast, sang the "Highball Song," and made merry in general.

Spring football drills got under way here March 21, with eleven Alpha Kappa Pi candidates out of a comparatively small Bobcat squad of holdovers. With Kenny Moore, Don Gatewood, Pete Kurlinski, Paul Gatskie, Dave Tennant, Allen Mackey, and Moon Mullen all lost this year via the four-year rule, the chapter will carry on with a capable group of undergraduates.

Returning backs from Psi include "Sugar" Cain, Addison McKown, George Grubb, Del Walker, and Charles Poundstone. Linemen are headed by George Snyder, Jim Campbell, Bill Wilson, Eddie Kosko, Jack Moore, and Sam Gwosden.

Kenny Moore, with whom several professional football clubs are dickering for his next season's

services, is aiding Coach Cebe Ross with the coaching chores. Brother Kurlinski, who has announced he will return to school next year to complete his work in education subjects, has landed the post of head trainer of the squad and will also assist in the coaching duties.

We are happy to welcome to our midst Brother "Big Jim" Campbell, who returned to college at the opening of the second semester. The popular man-mountain athlete has taken up quarters in the chapter house.

Psi's annual formal frolic, held on January 21 in Weston and featuring the smooth rhythms of Brother Kent Warner and his "Kings of Swing" from Charleston made a hit with the femmes of ye college. Attractive favors, distributed under the "Monte Carlo" lottery plan, were given at intermission. Brother Matt Edmiston headed the committee on arrangements.

Plans are already under way for the spring informal, which will be held the latter part of May.

A disastrous Methodist basketball campaign that netted only five victories out of a twenty-game schedule saw several Psi cagers establish themselves in the scoring columns' Jimmy Herndon, ace half-pint forward garnered 182 tallies, and "Sugar" Cain followed him, raining in 101 points. Ed Kosko and Jack Moore collected 98 and 79 markers respectively.

Five mainsprings in the hardwood machinery, Kenny Moore, Allen Mackey, Mede Mullen, and Don Gatewood, and Herndon, hung up their togs after four years of service. Sam Gwosden, a freshman, Kosko, Cain, and Burl Shaw also showed their wares during the winter season.

Intramural sports are going strong on the campus, and some torrid rivalry has developed among the scores of locals who are participating. The conclusion of the basketball wars will be followed by softball and baseball.

Listed prominently among Psi's contribution to the field of dramatics in Pledge Ralph Dobbins, budding Charleston sophomore who has been given prominent billing in a supporting role of the college's commencement play, "You Can't Take It With You." Dobbins, who also appeared in the cast of "Devil's Disciple," an earlier play, is also performing in several one-act dramas, together with Brother Lohan and Pledge Alan Stanley. The Charleston trio were recently initiated into the Play Shop, college dramatic club.

*Just Items*—Macel (Sheriff) Vande Linde, who made a week's sojourn to Florida during Christmas holidays with the biology class, recently appeared on a broadcast from WBLK, Clarksburg. . . . "Gentleman Jim" Cox, the busy, bespectacled man-of-the-campus, did it again. . . . His report card carried another string of straight A's at the end of the first sem. . . . Brother Joe Galuskey has had his nose to the grindstone, practice-teaching at the local high school. . . . Dale (Zeke) Turner,

Dick Reppert, and Brooks Lohan, all ping-pong wizards in their own right, composed half of the Wesleyan table tennis squad which is currently playing other nearby schools. . . . Turner is captain. . . . Brother Albie Coleman, who has been in flying school, Randolph, Texas, since early October, returned to Buckhannon and Psi the middle of March. . . . Bill Kiddy made all-tournament team in a recent independent cage meet. . . . Del Walker's mother instinct has blessed Psi with a puppy mascot. . . . Walker, who has provided quarters for the homeless pooch in his second-floor room, has dubbed the little fellow "Psi". . . . Congratulations to Mu chapter, Marshall, now set up in a swell new chapter house!

Once again let us extend to everyone a cordial invitation to pay us a visit, and wish for all our brothers best wishes throughout the remainder of the present term.

JAMES L. ELLIS

### *Alpha Alpha—Hartwick*

Things have been happening at Alpha Alpha since January! Our secretary, the handsomest, quietest, most rugged, most bashful, John Post up and married! He and his lovely wife, Louise Campbell, have taken a little apartment "just around the corner" from the chapter house. We all wish you and Louise every possible bit of happiness and good luck John.

Another shock, just slightly less than John's marriage occurred when Richard Clifford returned in February minus his fraternity pin. His engagement to Kathleen Holley is to be announced when this issue of *THE ALPHA* comes out. "Kay" was a home town girl that held her man. We wish you and Kay every bit of happiness and good luck, Bob!

As soon as we had recovered from the shock of John's marriage, and Bob's engagement, we settled down to the serious business of rushing. You see, rules at Hartwick concerning the time and tactics of rushing are very forcefully regulated by the Interfraternity Council.

The first party was a formally chaperoned party at the house. The men and their lady guests danced and played games. Mid-way in the evening we took time out for refreshments and two of the "spirited freshman ladies" led the men in singing.

The following rush parties, due to the severe winter in Oneonta, consisted of theater parties followed by pancake suppers and informal get-togethers at the house. The second night after the new men had pinned on the "green and white," Ray Beecher, last year's president, threw a stag party. It was also Ray's birthday.

The week-end of March 4 and 5, Grand President Fraim, and Alpha Province Chief Clifford Graham honored Alpha Alpha with a visit. President Fraim kept the fellows busy and entertained

all the time that he was here. We took to "Cliff" like a duck to water. Alpha Alpha wishes to thank you all, and may you come again.

President Charles W. Leitzell of Hartwick College paid us a visit, and closer fellowship was created between him and the fraternity. Brother Fraim also aided us in getting closer to Rev. Frank Gollnick, formerly from Beta at Wagner. Rev. Gollnick aided us in rushing.

Five good men pledged Alpha Alpha. We finally found an athlete that filled the bill—and Ray McMillan, a scholarship man, is wearing our colors. We think that Ray will go places. John Pesto, just a freshman, is already one of Hartwick's leading debaters. Jerol Kent bats 1000 in the Normal School League and still manages to hold down a "B" average on the hill. William Butters and Kenneth Berning were co-managers of Hartwick basketball team. Bill is a "ladies man" in any league and Ken is doing very well as "fraternity adviser."

Our basketball team went places; it was the best team that Alpha Alpha has ever seen. The fellows pulled a couple of close ones through to win 10 games out of 13 played. They won the intramural championship at college, and only lost one game outside the college.

"The green and white" team scored 442 points as against 381 for the opponents giving them an average of 34 points a game. The fellows never lost their heads and always pulled together as a unit. It was this factor plus good sportsmanship that won some of the intramural games.

Captain "Bob" Clifford was the "spark plug" of the team. His sharp eye on the long ones netted him 68 points for 9 games, and helped the team in the pinches.

"Norm" Burton, the best ball handler and cleverest floor-man, carried his 6'3" to a tune of 117 points for 13 games.

"Grandpa" Hebbard was the most dependable man when the going was tough. "Baldy" will shoot from the position which he holds in the picture. Just a "flip" of those wrists garnered "Milt" 115 points for 13 games.

President Tennant was the speed of the team. His good dribbling and clever one-handed shots got for "Wes" 68 points for 13 games.

"Bill" Fisher, a potential scorer at any time, devoted himself to "feeding" the other men. Bill took time off from lunch to get 54 points in 13 games.

"Ray" Johnson was the most dependable substitute and could be counted on to "click." Ray, playing only part of 7 games, netted 16 points.

"Pledge" Daley, the five minute man, came through with the coveted 2 points. Harry cheered loudest of all while sitting on the bench itching to play.

"Ben" Berning is the best bench warmer for my money. "Short change" smoothed out the splinters

on the bench game after game when he was not used. Still there was never a peep out of "Ben." He did get in long enough to net his two points. A big cheer for Ralph!

ORRIN D. HOPKINS

### Alpha Beta—Tri-State

Congratulations, brothers, on such a fine representation at our annual convention. This attendance not only shows the enthusiasm of all the chapters but determination to keep Alpha Kappa Pi in the limelight.

As the winter term at Tri-State draws to a close, six brothers leave us and twelve pledges enter our fold. Brothers Sprague Mackenzie, Elton Thoreson, Arthur Coval, Jean Smith, Joseph Juras and Francis Hoagland leave, all having full intentions of returning to the Alpha Beta Spring Frolic in June. A banquet in their honor was held at Ft. Wayne which was very much of a success. Some of these men stated that it was the finest banquet they had ever attended.

The new men entering our fold are: Joe Common, Sam Conrow, Robert Dague, Robert Scott, Jack Gardner, Warren Metzger, John McGuinness, Oliver Francis, Bill Johnson, Carl Orr, Jack Hammerschlag and Gus Velthaus. These men have been taken from the best to be found at Tri-State. They shall take their final ritual the first of next term.

The social functions of this semester started off with a bang with a banquet for prospective pledges. A steak dinner was served at Hoosier Hills, after which speeches were given by the officers and Professor Hoke.

An open house was our next fete. It was well attended by friends of Alpha Beta including professors, girl friends, other Greek letter men on the campus, independents, and several townspeople. Entertainment was furnished by Brothers Hoeske, Kasberovitch, and Miller. A buffet luncheon was served which was followed by games such as monopoly, Chinese checkers, etc. Many compliments on our new house were passed our way by the guests.

The interfraternity dance which was scheduled for last fall was held this term. At this time Alpha Kappa Pi was officially presented with the baseball cup and Alpha Lambda Tau with the scholarship cup after nosing us out by a very small margin. Novel programs made up as T-squares with the body of the square printed as the program were the idea of Brother Poweska. We might add at this point that Brother Poweska was elected the new president of the Interfraternity Council. Congratulations are expressed.

On Friday evening, February 18, the pledge dance went into full swing. The pledges and members worked hard in the afternoon to arrange the house and prepare for a big time. The social committee had arrangements planned to a T. While

dancing was taking place on the first floor, games of skill and chance were participated in on the second floor. Everyone made lots of money (counterfeit) and the couple with the most cash at the end of the evening was awarded a prize. A fire in the fire-



TRI-STATE COLLEGE  
HEAD CHEER LEADER

place gave a homey atmosphere to one of the living rooms which was enjoyed by every couple at the party during some time of the evening. A good time was had by all.

As things stand at present, Alpha Beta had a very good chance to capture the bowling championship among the local fraternities. We are now three games behind the Phi Sigma Chis but they have played that many more games than we. Although we lose a very good man, Brother Joe Juras, because of graduation, we look forward to taking the bowling title at the end of the playoffs.

Last spring a job of landscaping presented itself at Alpha Beta and this spring it arises again at our new home. Spading, raking, seed planting, etc., shall be the constructive duties of pledges next term. With this job accomplished and the house newly painted Alpha Kappa Pi shall have the finest looking fraternity house at Tri-state.

A question has long been prevalent at this chapter and is about to be answered and acted upon. The question is this: Shall we buy a new home? The question has always been answered affirmatively but the big step towards purchase has never been taken. Recently Brother G. C. Smith sent questionnaires to the alumni asking if they would support a plan for buying a home. The majority of them answered "Yes." The plot thickens when the thought of down payment arises. As one of the other of Alpha Kappa Pi's chapters solved this problem by issuing and selling bonds to its members and alumni why can't Alpha Beta do the same? Hoping that we can obtain full support of our

graduates we are going to go into this matter until some ground is covered toward being home-owners. How about a few suggestions from you, brothers, as to a solution of our house-buying problem? They certainly would be appreciated and acknowledged.

The spring term brings us new officers. The following men took over their respective positions March 12: Brother J. LaClair, president; Brother J. Poweska, vice-president; Brother G. C. Smith, secretary; Brother Miller, treasurer; and Brother Remington, historian. We know that they shall handle their responsibilities in the best fashion.

JACK REMINGTON

### Alpha Gamma—Franklin and Marshall

*Pledged:* Harold Ankrim, Henry Godshalk, Thomas Weyandt, Robert Wilhide, Richard Wiker, Richard Hyde and Warren Scheneman, all freshmen; Robert Weyandt, sophomore, and George Guyer and Arthur Burkett, juniors.

Before beginning this letter we wish to apologize for not being represented in the January issue of THE ALPHA. We hope this mishap will not happen again.

Since last being heard from Alpha Gamma has pledged ten fine men: two juniors, one sophomore, and seven freshmen. Orientation Week has been held for these pledges and needless to state all of them came through like true Alpha Kappa Pi gentlemen.

As for some of the highlights at Alpha Gamma. It is with great pride we are able to announce that Brother John Ruth, our chapter president, has been accepted for entrance to the Jefferson Medical College, where he will enroll in September. Brother George Raab, varsity 165-pound wrestler, went through the entire schedule without losing a match and pinned every one of his opponents. Then Brother Raab entered the Intercollegiate and placed third. No small achievement. Brother Winter brought honor to himself and chapter by being chosen manager of the college band. Brother Hershey has been elected by the junior class to the editorship of the 1940 *Oriflamme*, college annual.

Friday, March 17, the college and the fraternities played host to the Hood College glee club. Our campus was overrun with the many beautiful girls from this fine old college. Alpha Kappa Pi entertained six of them, including Miss Jane Hepburn, who, later in the evening, was crowned Queen of Franklin and Marshall College. Yea, verily did she deserve it!

Since the New Year we have been highly favored with visits from our alumni and among them: Leroy Brumbaugh, Charles Davenport, Ewald Kaltoff, Jacob Ruth, Walter Haun, and Curt Thomas.

The biggest social event of the college year took place, Friday, March 24, when the first interfraternity ball was held at the Moose Hall, in Lancaster, with Red Norvo and his band supplying the music. Alpha Kappa Pi was in the very middle of this affair. So until the next time, and another issue of THE ALPHA, we will say fraternally yours.

JOHN H. HERSTEY

### Chi—Wake Forest

*Initiated:* Glenn Houston Miller '42; George Thomas Lumpkin '40.

Spring has come to Wake Forest once more, bringing with it the usual assortment of green grass, budding flowers, spring fever and, in addition to that assortment, a new conception of Founders Day. Chi and Xi are combining their forces this year to make Founders Day a real event, something to write home about and to look forward to with delight and impatience.

The boys in our chapter have heretofore paid little attention to Founders Day as such, but this year a new feeling is arising from our closely united ranks. We have decided that Founders Day should be a red letter day on our school and fraternity calendar. We have visited Xi chapter frequently in the past few months, and have decided that they are, indeed, worthy brothers even if they are students at North Carolina State. We have become great friends while planning for Founders Day. We are having a banquet together in Raleigh, which will be followed by an informal dance. The dance of course will be a major part of the evening, but the banquet is not to be overlooked, because—in the first place—food is very important to all of us, and—in the second place—we are planning to have some very fine food, such as T-bone steak and strawberry short cake. No fooling, fellows, Chi and Xi are really going to pull a huge one, and I do mean a *huge* one.

Our dances this spring, that is the Panhellenic Council dances, were of unusual brilliance. We had Blue Barron and his orchestra down, and they played for two dances in the evening and one in the afternoon. The tea dance was, we Chis thought, very good. Most of us had girls down, and when I say girls I do mean beautiful girls. I am convinced that the Chi boys know how to pick them. We have great plans in store for our fraternity dance, which will probably come in April.

All of our pledges have been issued bids to join, and several of them have already made arrangements for joining. They are, as a whole, a splendid group, and some prospective leaders are to be found within their ranks.

We have been unable to resist our urge to play basketball; so we have gotten together a team and are planning to play Xi chapter's quintet in the near future. Possibly our urge to play basketball

has been aroused by the success of our college varsity. They have been chosen as one of the leading eastern teams and as the leading south-eastern team; as a result our varsity is attempting to win the national title. They play Ohio State tonight. Pledge H. O. Barnes is an outstanding member of our college team and is coaching our fraternity team.

Perhaps I had better save some space for the rest of the brothers as Chi is intensely interested in what they have been doing. Chi now signs off with best regards to all of you mugs.

GEORGE LANCASTER

### *Alpha Delta—Toledo*

*Initiated:* Charles Richard McCarthy '42; Richard H. Herringshaw '42; Lyle Kenneth Nollenberger '42; Robert Waiter Schauss '42.

Salutations, brothers! We of Alpha Delta have been plenty busy of late, what with Hell Week beginning March 15, plans for the Spring Formal already under way, and numerous other activities claiming our time and—ahem—money.

On March 7, we threw an all-university roller-skating party, with which we succeeded very well, both financially and socially. Since the public was invited to this party, there were some gals stagg—yes, stagg—and the fellows who didn't bring dates were compensated at least in part. Incidentally, these brothers vigorously disclaim all premeditation in the matter.

On Sunday, March 12, we attended Memorial Day services at Old Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, where we were, we thought, warmly welcomed by Rev. Benedict Williams. The attendance at these annual services is indeed gratifying.

We were extremely active in the recent campaign and election here; we ran Brother Shoemaker for representative to Student Council, only to have him defeated, or rather nosed out, by the margin of one vote.

Monday night, March 13, we held a potluck supper in the fraternity house, with Professor Soucek of the engineering faculty and prospective co-adviser with Dr. Brandeberry as our distinguished guest. Professor Soucek is a young man and a swell fellow.

Last year at this time, Dean Parks of the Personnel Department, in an effort to spur on the Greeks of the University to greater scholastic deeds, awarded a revolving trophy to the fraternity with the lowest grade average. This trophy is in the form of a lovely, hand-painted cuspidor, adorned with pictures of Dopey, patron saint of all morons, and fitted with handles in true loving-cup style. Well, we walked off with it with dubious pride. This year, however, we ranked first among the recognized fraternities on the campus, and the "mickey" was duly presented to another fraternity, whose alibi was, of all things, that its mem-

bers had concentrated so hard upon the scholarship of its pledges that they neglected their own. Now, that's true fraternalism, if they are to be believed. The trophy becomes the permanent and valued (?) possession of the fraternity holding it for three successive years.

As usual, our pledges will fare the best of all pledges here when Hell Week begins on March 15. Along with our reputation for general excellence in social affairs, we hold the unofficial title for best treatment of pledges—and best pledges.

Our Founders Day celebration and banquet on March 23 will be held in the Fort Meigs Hotel.

But here must end "Dull Doings by Alpha Delta," because we have a class right now, so, so long.

JAMES LAFRANCE

### *Alpha Epsilon—Cincinnati*

*Initiated:* Ralph Charles Swartz, Howard Edward Redding, Robert Taylor Henning, and Earl William Ganslein.

Alpha Epsilon chapter started the second term of the college year by initiating four fine men. This event took place, Sunday afternoon, February 26, 1939. On that occasion Ralph Swartz, Howard Redding, Robert Taylor and Earl Ganslein were honored with the badge of our fraternity. After the initiation a dinner was served in their honor and at the popular "Paradise Gardens," one of Cincinnati's most fashionable places.

In intramurals Alpha Epsilon entered a rifle team for the first time. The following men composed the team: Brothers Baffa, Swartz, Redding and Pledge Sponseller. Fourth place came to the wearers of the green and white and only forty points separated Alpha Kappa Pi from the winners. Pledge Sponseller was the real hero of the shoot since he put the bead on the target for 97 out of 100 tries. The next intramural meet will be a track event in which Alpha Kappa Pi will be represented by Redding and Henning in the dashes and jumps.

The biggest social event of the year, on this campus, will take place April 14, when the King of Swing, Artie Shaw, will be at Castle Farm. Alpha Epsilon plans to be fully represented in this big holiday.

The first president of this chapter, and now our chapter counselor, Brother Ray Allison, is to reside in the city of Cincinnati, and with the Planner Co. of this city. Brother Allison is now apartment hunting since he was married on Easter Sunday, in New Philadelphia, Ohio. His roommate and fraternity brother, Ray Tilton, was his best man. Alpha Epsilon will be proud and happy to have Mr. and Mrs. Allison with us.

With the best of greetings to all the chapters we wish success and prosperity to Alpha Kappa Pi everywhere.

EARL W. GANSLIN

### Alpha Zeta—Wayne

At the present time, the Alpha Zeta social committee have got their heads together and are in a huddle straining all intellectual powers trying to formalize a social calendar that will include even more entertaining events and utilize more of the brethren's leisure time than ever before. And if their results are anything like the last two rush parties that they have just produced, the brothers and pledges are in for some very enjoyable entertainment this spring.

Speaking of pledges, for our first rush party we had thirteen guests (you will note that we are not superstitious). Of these thirteen men, we honored twelve of them at a second party one week later which was a roaring success, and at our next meeting we plan to pledge these twelve. We pride ourselves with the selection of these prospective pledges for we have been very "choosey" and believe that we have obtained the cream of the freshman and sophomore class here at Wayne.

The time has come for the Alpha Zeta to change officers, and we can truthfully say that we are sorry to see our present leaders go. However the past officers are clearing up the last minute business and are making final preparations for the worthy successors while industrious candidates for the offices are busily preparing (repairing) their platforms. James Jones will "wield the gavel" as president for the last time next Tuesday evening. Likewise: Rodgers Liddle, vice-president; Richard Chase, secretary; and Alex Jerenscik, treasurer; along with the other officials will hold office for the last time Tuesday. No matter who the next officers will be, we are assured of strong and efficient leadership. Donald McElroy, president of our rapidly increasing alumni, promises us a statute whereby the alumni will further stress the guidance of pledges and of the younger brothers in their studies and fraternal activities. The alumni are also providing for the Founders Day activities

which will be highlighted with a banquet.

The qualities of our brothers are being recognized more and more at school. Brother Frank Megenity and Brother Robert Nelson have been called upon to make complete arrangements for the basketball banquet honoring Wayne University's basketball squad whose recent performance has created national fame. The whole university will be invited to this banquet so the boys have got quite a job on their hands. These two above mentioned men are also active on the interfraternity ball committee and have been instrumental in obtaining the music of Will Osborne and his orchestra for said dance.

The Alpha Zeta men are becoming more interested in social affairs than ever before. We had almost a complete turnout at the Junior Prom and have the assurance of a complete turnout at the next dance.

Last Saturday several members were on hand to do our pre-spring housecleaning. They were aided and supervised by the president's and secretary's mothers. After the house cleaning, all the boys took in a movie. It also must be added that our newly established mothers club has presented us with a new three-piece living-room suite and a new rug. More power to them!

Herb (Don Juan) Georgilas has been spending his evenings at other things than studies, which caused some of our more conscientious brothers led by Joe Tigue and Ted Scott to do a little sleuthing and they found it was a brunette that was taking up Herb's spare moments and drawing him away from fraternity meetings fifteen minutes early.

It should also be mentioned that roommates E. Peugh and R. Ossman are both shortly to become prospective bridegrooms.

With the promise of several pictures for the next issue, we bid best regards to all our brothers.

LEONARD L. SIDWELL

## Alumni Chapters

### Philadelphia

Leon R. Fencil *Omicron '27*, has succeeded Grand Historian Albert G. Fahn *Omicron '23*, as Secretary of the Philadelphia Alumni Chapter and asks all alumni in Philadelphia and vicinity, who are not regularly enrolled members of the chapter, to communicate with him at 5942 Reach Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. There are no dues and meetings are held once a month. He would like all chapter historians to send the names and addresses of their alumni located in the Philadelphia area to him so that they may be invited to the next meeting.

### Staten Island

This is my initial venture into the news items of our ALPHA. Where are you other alumni correspondents? Come on, let us hear from you too.

Our chapter numbers about twenty-five active members of the local alumni. On February 21 we attended the annual Wagner alumni dinner and had the largest group of any of the fraternities at the school. We are all going to meet this month and celebrate Founders Day, a most significant occasion for all loyal Alpha Kappa Pi members.

Our most important function of the year will be held on April 29. This is Wagner's Alpha Kappa

Pi annual spring formal. It is to be held at the Downtown Athletic Club, New York City. The music will be supplied by a really fine orchestra including ten pieces of harmonized music, the Penn-Staters, and a smooth vocalist. Of course you are interested in the price of admission. The subscription price is three dollars. For every ticket which is bought by either a member of an outside active chapter or alumni member we will refund one dollar to the respective chapter to which the mem-

ber in attendance at the dance belongs. This refunded dollar is to be placed in the chapter's treasury. We would like to make this dance an All Alpha Kappa Pi Dance and have representatives from as many nearby chapters as is possible. Perhaps our financial proposition will aid and inspire added attendance. We cordially welcome all members to be present and we will try to make you feel at home with us.

WESLEY E. ROGLER

## Omega

Carl Winter *Mu* '40, of Chapmanville, West Virginia, was called to Omega chapter on February 25, 1939. Brother Winter was initiated into Alpha Kappa Pi by Mu chapter at Marshall College, Huntington, West Virginia. He had completed two years of his college work in the Arts and Science Department, and at the time of his untimely death was associated with his father in business.

Upon graduation from the Chapmanville

High School, Brother Winter enrolled at Marshall College in the fall of 1936. He served as treasurer of his chapter, and his friendliness, manliness and zeal in fraternity affairs will always be remembered. The brothers of Mu chapter were honorary pallbearers at the funeral services in the Chapmanville Auditorium.

The sympathies of the fraternity are extended to Paul C. Winter *Mu* '34, brother of Carl and the members of his family.

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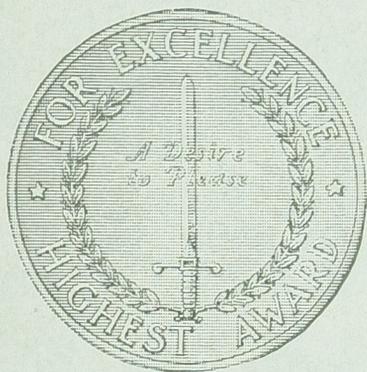
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