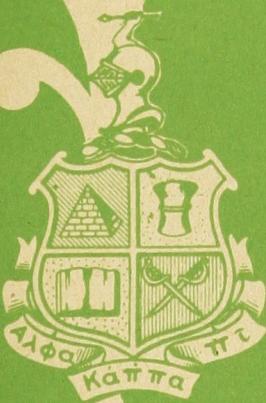


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Just a Minute Please—

THE ALPHA is more than just pleased, but highly honored to place before you a pen picture, with likenesses of some of the builders at Milton College. Particularly our beloved Dean Daland. Also to speak a word regarding Milton College and its fine contribution to the nation.

It is satisfying to call attention to the return of Alpha Kappa Pi to the University of Illinois campus. To Calvin Sifferd, Alpha Mu chapter, and Carthage College, we lift the praise for this splendid work.

With confidence the Executive Council of the fraternity has named Jackson W. Rafeld, Psi, West Virginia Wesleyan, and now in faculty at Mount Union College, to take up the work as second vice-president. A splendid Alpha Kappa Pi, takes up where the stalwart Alpha Kappa Pi, Brother Fraim, laid down the tasks. Vice-president Rafeld and family are featured in this issue.

Read the chapter letter of the Alpha Alpha chapter and then turn to the place showing the Geiselmann brothers, and the reason for the "Geiselmann Circus" at Hartwick College. These brothers in kinship and fraternity are shown in basket ball togs.

Again we point out the results of one man's labors, as the starting spark, when asked to read Mu chapter's letter, and discover that here is a power house that Bill Garda built. It is inspirational.

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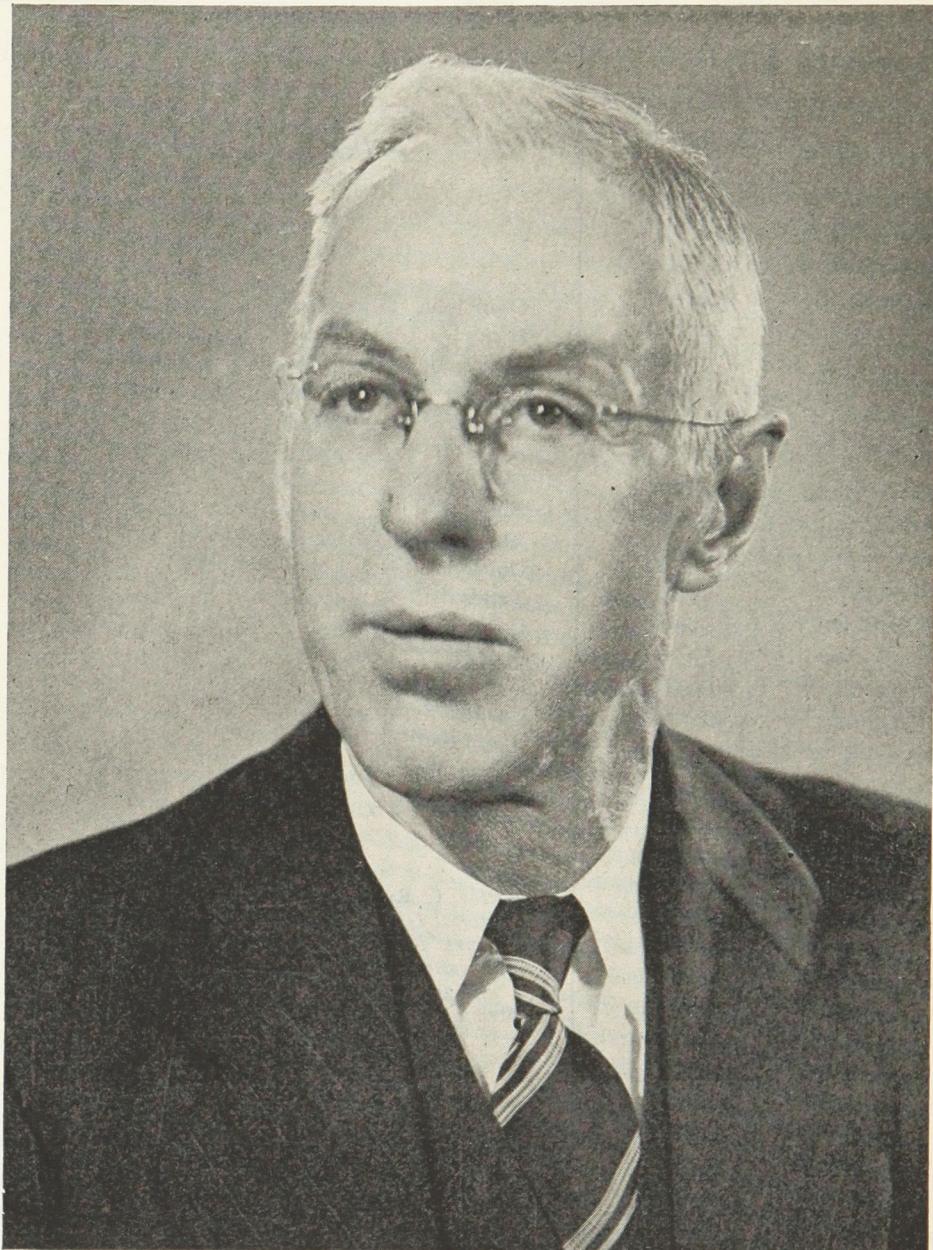
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DEAN JOHN NORTON DALAND
Milton College



The ALPHA of Alpha Kappa Pi



Our Best Loved Dean

Alpha Kappa Pi Is Proud to Speak of Dean Daland

■ THE ALPHA, of Alpha Kappa Pi, takes pleasure in setting before the chapters and friends of the fraternity, the name and characteristics of our best loved Dean—John Norton Daland, Milton College, Milton, Wisconsin, and charter member of the Alpha Eta chapter.

Dean Daland comes from pioneer American stock with its genesis along the Atlantic seaboard, with Elizabeth, New Jersey, honored with the birthplace of our distinguished brother. At the age of eleven years he was taken to London, England, and placed in a Boys' School. There he remained for four years, and in between school sessions traveled extensively about the British Isles and through the neighboring continent of Europe. Most of his traveling was done in the company of his scholarly father. At the age of fifteen years he returned to the United States and took residence in Milton, Wisconsin, where his father was made president of the college, from which place young Daland was graduated in 1906, and where he received his Master's Degree some years later, as well as his higher degree from the University of Wisconsin. In 1914 his alma mater, Milton College, called him to the chair of Latin and history and since 1921 he has been the full professor in these subjects, and since 1923 Dean of the college. Twice he

has been acting president of the college, the latest being in the interim between the presidency of A. E. Whitford and the present occupancy of Doctor C. L. Hill.

In the life of the college Dean Daland is both revered and respected. He has the gift to meet situations, secure the right results and still give no harmful offense. The names of Daland and Milton are interchangeable on that campus and regional area for high praise and integrity in service. Milton College without Dean Daland would be like Shakespeare without Hamlet—to say the least, rather drab and non-appealing. Dean Daland has his hobbies, like all great workers and thinkers, and his chief ones are wood chopping, rowing, and hiking over the beautiful hills surrounding the lovely grounds about Milton College.

It was a great day back in 1940, when as a member of the local Epsilon Society, he was initiated into the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity. During the difficult years of the war just ended, Dean Daland stood like a rock of refuge for his chapter and his college. Now that the war is history he is hard at work restoring his chapter to its former place and influence. When in Janesville drop out to Milton and see the Dean in the life of his beloved college.

History of Alpha Eta Chapter, Alpha Kappa Pi Fraternity, Milton College, *Milton, Wisconsin*

■ IN THE winter of 1938-1939 Loren Webb Abbott, then president of the Philomathean Literary Society, and other Philos felt the urgent need of reorganizing the Society as a social fraternity. The day of literary societies on the Milton College campus had apparently passed and the need of a second fraternity with strong national affiliations was realized. Largely through the efforts of Mr. Abbott the Epsilon Society was organized with the following membership: Loren Abbott, '39; Paul Erlinger, '39; William Garson, '39; August Fisher, '40; Wilbert Stewart, '40; Charles Abbott, '41; Orville Harris, '41; Glen Pound, '41; and Boydon Crouch, '42. Professors Carroll F. Oakley, '22 and L. M. Van Horn were invited to act as faculty counselors of the group. Loren Abbott was elected president.

Through a fortunate chain of circumstances, involving a fraternity jewelry salesman and Mr. L. G. Balfour, the Epsilons in May 1939 were placed in contact with A. H. Wilson, National Advisor of Alpha Kappa Pi. This contact led to extensive correspondence between Epsilon Loren Abbott and Advisor Wilson.

At the beginning of the school year in the fall of 1939 Riley Schloemer was elected president of the Epsilon Society to fill the vacancy left by the graduation of Loren Abbott. When Professor C. F. Oakley felt the burden of other work necessitated his release from the fraternity advisorship he

was succeeded by the beloved and respected Dean John N. Daland. Late in September 1939 the Epsilon Society formally petitioned AKII for a Chapter grant. Advisor Wilson made a visit to the Milton campus in January 1940 and realized in the group of Epsilons the makings of a fraternity chapter worthy of AKII.

On April 20, 1940 in a beautiful ritual revealed in the historic Gideon Room of the Janesville Y.M.C.A. the Epsilon Society metamorphosed into the Alpha Eta of Alpha Kappa Pi. National Advisor A. H. Wilson, Grand Secretary W. Samuel Kitchen, Grand Treasurer Frank J. Krebs and Chapter Advisor Dr. J. B. Bradeberry, University of Toledo, with the fine assistance of five actives from Alpha Delta of Toledo and three alumni from Alpha Beta of Tri State College, constituted the ritual team.

At the close of the initiation of the candidates into the fraternity a delightful banquet was served and in the midst of great enthusiasm, and fraternal cheer, the AKII fraternity had made its first entrance into the great State of Wisconsin, and at the old and forceful college of Milton. The succeeding years, insofar as the national fraternity is concerned, has proved the wisdom of the establishment. There is no more loyal chapter within the ranks of the fraternity. Well manned at the beginning the fine type of membership has continued down to the present time.

National Convention

Grand President Arba S. Taylor has named Ocean City, N.J. for 1946 Convention.
Time September 6 and 7.

Charter Members, Alpha Eta of Alpha Kappa Pi

Milton College, Milton, Wisconsin

Loren W. Abbott
Charles S. Abbott
Ralph G. Baum
William L. Burdick
Dean John N. Daland
Orville W. Harris
Alden D. Hayes
John P. Homsey
Malcolm E. Houghton
Frank B. Kauffman

Stuart W. Phelps
Glen M. Pound
Luther E. Preuss
Riley E. Schloemer
Maynard F. Sell
Graydon L. Severance
Donald P. Skelly
Wilbert H. Stewart
Prof. L. M. Van Horn
Paul F. Wilkinson

Complete Roster of Alpha Eta, Alpha Kappa Pi

Charles S. Abbott, Fort Atkinson, Wis.
Loren W. Abbott, Fort Atkinson, Wis.
George Barry, Janesville, Wis.
Ralph Baum, RFD, Janesville, Wis.
Roger Bell, 515 N. Garfield, Janesville, Wis.
Robert Blumriech, 535 S. Main, Janesville,
Wis.
Lt. William L. Burdick, Hdqts, OHAU
ENG. Sev. MIDPAC APO 950, c/o PM,
San Francisco
Pvt. Winton Burger, Med. Co. #1 Proc.
Bx. 64, Camp McCoy, Wis.
Norman Carle, Janesville, Wis.
Dean John N. Daland, Milton, Wis.
Julio C. Franco, Milton, Wis.
Blaine W. Gamble, Milton, Wis.
Robert Ganser, Milton, Wis.
Morris Hanson, Stoughton, Wis.
Orville W. Harris, Manning, Iowa
Alden D. Hayes 126 McDugal St., New
York City
Jack M. Hebbe, Milton, Wis.
David Heenan, Jr., 1027 Ruger, Janesville,
Wis.
Royal A. Hippe, RFD 2, Edgerton, Wis.
John P. Homsey, 320 Cornelia St., Janes-
ville, Wis.
Malcolm Houghton, Jefferson, Wis.
Hendric Hudson, Gaca Operations, San
Jose, Costa Rica

Morris Jones, Rome, N.Y.
Capt. Frank B. Kauffman, Janesville, Wis.
George Lake, deceased
Charles Lemke, Fort Atkinson, Wis.
Pfc. Elmer Lipke, 44 General Hospital APO
1003, c/o PM, San Francisco
Victor Lipke, RFD 3, Janesville, Wis.
Ensign John Neave, Janesville, Wis.
Delbert Newman, Milton, Wis.
Nolan Nelson, Milton, Wis.
Stuart Phelps, Milton Junction, Wis.
Glen Pound, 1001 W. Court, Waukesha,
Wis.
Luther Preuss, Janesville, Wis.
Hubert Richardson, Milton Junction, Wis.
Robert Roberts, Fort Atkinson, Wis.
Riley Schloemer, 559 Main St., Janesville,
Wis.
Maynard Sell, Milton, Wis.
Graydon Severance, c/o Dane County Farm
Bureau, Verona, Wis.
Donald Skelly, Milton Wis.
Wilbert H. Stewart, RFD 1, Milton, Wis.
Kenneth Strohbusch, Milton, Wis.
Donald Schumacher, 308 Chaucer, Edgerton,
Wis.
Paul Thompson, Milton Junction, Wis.
Prof. L. M. Van Horn, Milton, Wis.
Paul Wilkinson, 322 Doty St., Edgerton,
Wis.

Alpha Eta Plans Home

■ PLANS for an Alpha Kappa Pi house on the Milton College campus have become more than just speculations. All through the years of the War the brothers in service and those at home, bought war bonds for the Alpha Eta Chapter, and now we are in a position to go ahead with our ideas and have something concrete and material to show for this foresight. With the chapter becoming more active than ever we have still higher hopes for an enlarged treasury. We can start our home building, without hesitation, as soon as building materials become available. Then our house dreams will have come true.

Many of our alumni have already expressed

the wish to offer help in this undertaking, and with so many loyal members of this chapter, it is going to be seen to that Alpha Kappa Pi holds its place of supremacy on this campus. We are going forward confident and proud to be wearers of the seven pointed star, and to be able to do our part in advancing the name of our fraternity.

While marking time, until house building becomes possible, regular Monday luncheon meetings are held in a small private college dining room. These meetings foster the fellowship and fraternalism so characteristic of the Alpha Eta and Alpha Kappa Pi brotherhood.



ON THIS CAMPUS OF LOVELINESS ALPHA ETA WILL BUILD ITS HOME

Active Members, Alpha Eta Chapter

Dean John N. Daland, Faculty
Royal A. Hippe, 1947
Jack M. Hebbe, 1947
Victor L. Lipke, 1948
Kenneth W. Strohbusch, 1947
Prof. L. M. Van Horn, Faculty
Robert Roberts, 1947
Blaine Gamble, 1947
George Barry, 1948
Delbert Newman, 1947

David Heenan, 1947
Robert Ganser, 1948
Hubert Richardson, 1948
Roger Bell, 1949
Charles Lemke, 1949
Paul Thompson, 1948
Donald Schumacher, 1949
Robert Blumreich, 1948
Nolan Nelson, 1949
Julio C. Franco, 1948



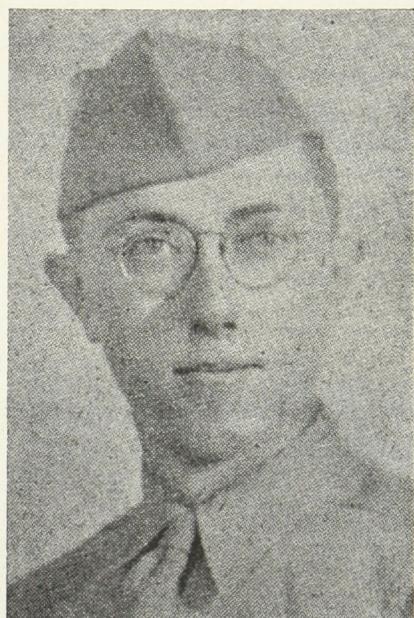
ALPHA ETA CHAPTER

Seated left to right—DEAN J. N. DALAND, KENNETH STROHBUSCH, JACK HEBBE, PROF. L. M. VAN HORN.

Standing left to right—ROBERT ROBERTS, PAUL THOMPSON, ROBERT GANSER, BLAINE GAMBLE, ROGER BELL, VICTOR LIPKE, JULIO FRANCO, CHARLES LEMKE, ROYAL HIPPE, DELBERT NEWMAN, DONALD SCHUMACHER, DAVID HEEMAN, ROBERT BLUMREICH, NOLAN NELSON, ALUMNUS NORMAN CARLE, HUBERT RICHARDSON, AND GEORGE BARRY.

George Lake

BROTHER GEORGE LAKE, son of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Lake, was born September 20, 1920, at Harvard, Ill. After com-



GEORGE LAKE

pleting his primary and secondary education in the local schools, Brother George chose to continue his studies at Beloit College, Beloit, Wis. He enrolled at Milton College in January 1940, and was a senior in Business Administration, when he was called from the E.R.C. into active military duty, March 29, 1943.

He trained in various camps throughout the United States and was sent overseas in 1944. It was on the second day of August 1944, that our Brother met his tragic death.

Brother George was an active participant in all school activities. He was pledged and formally initiated into Alpha Eta of Alpha Kappa Pi December 1940, after which he served diligently and laboriously, while holding offices in Alpha Eta. His good work, friendly personality, and pleasing friendliness will form a great divot, which will be hard to replace.

It is with deep regret that we, returning to resume our studies, in a World of Peace, mourn the absence of this our Brother, GEORGE W. LAKE.

Honor Roll

[†]Pfc. George Lake, Army
Cpl. Charles Abbott, Army Air Corps
Lt. Loren Abbott, Army Air Corps
Sgt. George Barry, Army Air Corps
Lt. Ralph Baum, Marine Corps
^{*}Lt. William L. Burdick, Engineers
Sgt. Norman Carle, Army Air Corps
S/Sgt. Blaine Gamble, Army Air Corps
S/Sgt. David K. Heenan, Jr., Army Air Corps
Yfc. Alden D. Hayes, Coast Guard
Cpl. Malcolm Houghton, Signal Corps
Lt. Hendric Hudson, Army Air Corps
Cpl. Morris Jones, Medical Corps
^{*}Pfc. Elmer Lipke, Medical Corps
^{*}Ensign John Neave, Merchant Marines
Cpl. Delbert Newman, Marine Corps
Pvt. Glen Pound, Air Corps
F. O. Luther K. Pruess, Army Air Corps
Sgt. Robert Roberts, Army

Pfc. Maynard Sell, Army Band
T/Sgt. Donald Skelly, Army
T/Sgt. Kenneth Strohbusch, Army Air Corps
Cpl. Paul Wilkinson, Army Air Corps
^{*}Pvt. Winton Burger, Medical Corps
Capt. Frank Kauffman, Army Air Corps
PhM 1/c Riley Schloemer, Navy
Sgt. Robert Ganser, Army Air Corps
S/Sgt. Hubert Richardson, Army Air Corps
Pfc. Nolan Nelson, Army
Cpl. Charles Lemke, Army Air Corps
S/Sgt. Donald Schumacher, Army Air Corps
Sgt. Robert Blumriech, Army Air Corps
Sgt. Roger Bell, Army
Lt. Paul Thompson, Army Air Corps

* Designates those who still remain in the service.

[†] Designates those killed in action.

Alpha Eta's Founder Joins Masons

■ LOREN ABBOTT, William R. Abbott and Charles Abbott, Fort Atkinson, pictured above from left to right, are unique in that they, the two young men and their father, were presented with the first degree of the Royal Arch Masons in special ceremonies Tuesday night. Never before in the history

of the Fort Atkinson chapter have three members of a family been presented with the degree simultaneously. The younger Abbotts have recently been discharged honorably from the armed forces. Will Abbott is a former post office employe at Fort Atkinson.



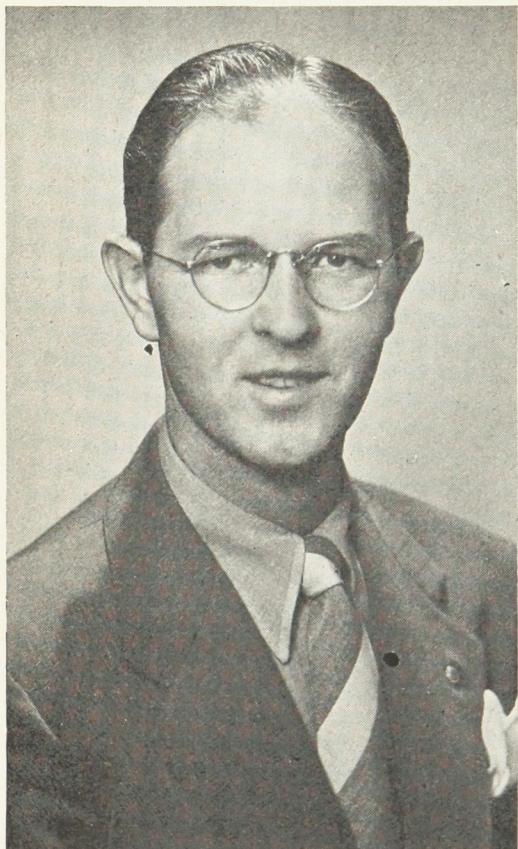
THREE IN FAMILY RECEIVE DEGREE

Ocean City, N.J.

Alpha Kappa Pi will meet in Ocean City, N.J., September 6 and 7, 1946. Begin now to be among those present. Fine Hotel, Board Walk, Bathing, Boating, Fellowship.

Our New Second Vice-President

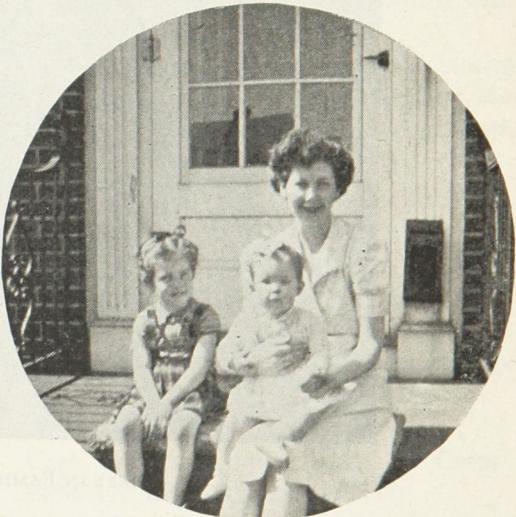
BROTHER JACKSON W. RAFELD has been a member of the AKII fraternity since the Spring of 1933, and the year that he was graduated with the A.B. degree from West Virginia Wesleyan, and as a charter member



JACKSON W. RAFELD, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan. Recently Chosen Grand Second Vice-President Alpha Kappa Pi Fraternity.

of the Psi chapter of the fraternity. In the work of petitioning Alpha Kappa Pi for charter privileges the Chi Alpha Tau local was led by Mr. Rafeld who was a standout figure on the Wesleyan campus. In his senior year he was both class president and head of his fraternity. Letterman in baseball and basketball. Although weighing only 140 pounds he was on the football squad for two and

one half years. Then permanently sidelined owing to a severe back injury. That he was a worthy exponent of the football game we need only mention that Wesleyan in those years gave two members to the All-American football selections and both of them members of the local Chi Alpha Tau fraternity. He was also Athletic Equipment Manager for all sports at Wesleyan, as well as one of a very few men ever to receive the Wesleyan Key (campus activities honorary) in his junior year. In 1944 he received his M.A. from Akron University and in 1945 started his work toward his Doctorate at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. Brother Rafeld is now the head of the physical educational department at Mount Union College, Alliance, Ohio.



INTERESTING FAMILY OF THE NEW SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

The snapshot features of Mrs. Jackson W. Rafeld, née Pauline Pitkin, and the two daughters, show the happy companionship our new Vice-President enjoys when home from college duties. Mrs. Rafeld is a graduate of the University of Akron, Ohio, where she became a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. Diana Lee, age 4 years, is sitting beside her mother, while Janice Lynn is being comfortably held in her mother's lap. Alpha Kappa Pi is proud to claim connection with this most interesting and appealing family.

When the office of second vice-president of the AKPi fraternity was made vacant through the untimely death of Professor Parke B. Fraim, Delta, Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Brooklyn, N.Y., the members of the Executive Council named Brother Rafeld to take charge of the duties of that of-

fice. Vice-President Rafeld is well-known throughout the fraternity as a most faithful attendant at the National Conventions, and as Chief of the Zeta Province. The fraternity takes pride in presenting him to the fraternity and college world.

National Convention

Dates: Friday and Saturday, September 6 and 7, 1946

■ PLACE will be bulletined to all chapters and officers immediately the selection has become definite. Watch for the special naming of the place which may reach the interested parties even before this appears in *THE ALPHA* for April 1946.

Crowded conditions in all hotels make it necessary to be absolutely certain before making the definite place naming. However the chapters should name their delegates and then watch the mails for that bulletin that is sure to come through.

This is Alpha Kappa Pi's first National Convention since before World War II, and should prove one of our most interesting and important in the history of the fraternity.

After the bulletin has arrived, and there are questions to be asked, then address your inquiries as to financial agreements to Grand Treasurer Frank J. Krebs, Scio, Ohio, and for information on place and room to Grand President Arba S. Taylor, 637 Salem Ave., Elizabeth, N.J.

Chapter Presidents

■ *THE ALPHA* is still calling upon the chapters to send in a complete roster of their members who served during the World War II. We are anxious to have a complete list of these brothers that their names may be filed for all future generations to consider and appreciate. Also to send once more the names of all those men who gave their lives in service for country that we may also carry in our files a complete roster of those mem-

bers who paid the supreme price and are listed under the GOLD STAR. The *ALPHA* is not only making this appeal but requesting the president of the respective collegiate chapters to make this a part of his program to see that these names have been sent in to this office. There is no honor too great to be paid in memory of these men who gave their lives freely for the preservation of our way of living.

FLASH!

Place for 1946 Convention, Ocean City, New Jersey.

Man of the Year

■ WILLIAM A. GARDA, Mu chapter, Marshall College, West Virginia, might well be called the man of the year, insofar as Alpha Kappa Pi is concerned. Less than two years ago he returned to his college and chapter as the only Alpha Kappa Pi on campus. From the one man turn to the chapter letter of Mu in this issue of the ALPHA and

read what happened when "Bill" got busy.

Besides piloting his chapter back to a great place at Marshall he won many honors, and among them president of the student body, and recently chosen for *Who's Who Among University and College Students of America*. Alpha Kappa Pi will keep an eye on this young stalwart.

Names Special

■ BRIEFLY these are the Alpha Kappa Pis, whose labors have been so significant the past few months, that they stand for special mention in this issue of the ALPHA: Bill Beggs, pledge, returned veteran willing to take up the restoration of Lambda chapter at Bethany, even before two veteran brothers joined him on that campus. Bill Garda who set in motion, single-handed, the work that lifted Mu chapter from the almost zero mark to one of the largest and most progressive chapters in the fraternity. Jackson W. Rafeld, Psi, for infusing Iota chapter, Mount Union College, with new notions of fraternalism and a winning complex. Phil Frisbie, Alpha Alpha, who never lost touch with the chapter at Hartwick and is still a sparkler between collegiate and alumni members. Dean Daland and Professor Van Horn's Alpha Eta, paying dues and raising the finances to build a chapter home at Milton College, while the brothers were in uniform of our country. Karl O. Mann, Jr., back from service and immediately set in motion the plan to restore Alpha Iota at American University. Henry K. Saunders, Xi, hundreds of miles removed from his old campus, North Carolina, busy at work to bring AKII

back into active goings. Henry Meyer, Alpha, discharged from service and immediately reviving the alumni of Northern New Jersey. Professor Herbert B. Anstaett for unfailing care for Alpha Gamma at Franklin and Marshall College, and still going. Dr. Wesley Rogler, Beta, scarcely out of uniform until calling a meeting of the Beta chapter alumni and getting all hands back of the Wagner chapter. Ralph Moyer, Nu, returned from the wars, and getting Nu at Lehigh, a going concern on the third floor of their chapter house, still occupied by family renters until July, and not afraid to sacrifice if need be for the common good. Ellsworth Wheaton, Jr., for his marvellous contacting of soldiers and alumni of Rho chapter during the war years. Robert Eskola for sparking things in Detroit for Alpha Zeta and Robert Douglass for duplicating the work in Toledo for Alpha Delta chapter. Charles Rabolli for leading the drive that placed Alpha Kappa in its adequate and comfortable home at Rensselaer. There are other names whose works make them stand out, and later on they too will be given the laurel touch.

Chapter Rejuvenated

THE House Association of Lambda Chapter met on 10 February 1946 at the Windsor Hotel, Wheeling, W.Va., to formulate plans in order to re-establish the active chapter on Bethany's campus. Present were: Brothers George Ferguson, president; Albert J. Kuti, treasurer; Newton W. Evans, faculty; William Hardesey; Charles W. Gilson; George Sitock; and Frank J. Krebs, Grand Treasurer of Alpha Kapp Pi. From all available information one pledge was returning to the campus. Plans were made to help pledge William E. Beggs in every way possible.

Brothers Kenneth Henry and Jay Newman arrived on the campus a few days after being discharged from the service to finish their college work. This made a total of two actives and one pledge.

By the work of this minute chapter eight

men were pledged on 22 March 1946. Brother James Miller, minister of the Bethany Memorial Church, spoke to the neophytes after the formal pledging ceremony.

Brother Frank A. Dole of Lambda has passed to Omega Chapter. Brother Dole, '30, was killed in action in the South Pacific 30 June 1943.

A "get-acquainted" party is planned in the near future by the Alumni-active chapter, which we will report in the next issue.

We, the Alumni Chapter, wish to thank Advisor A. H. Wilson, Grand Treasurer Frank J. Krebs, and Doctor Wilbur H. Cramblet, President of Bethany College, for the co-operation received in re-instating Lambda Chapter.

Fraternally,
GEORGE SITOCK

Three Cardinal Virtues

ALPHA KAPPA PI is building, even more the fraternity is rebuilding, after the terrific testings of the war years. If we are to inculcate more stately precepts and put on display a more concrete evidence of our worth as a brotherhood, then the three old landmarks, for genuine success, must be held as unshakable pillars in that rebuilding. Let us repeat them until they become chapter house slogans to inspire every AKPI to seek for a finer expression of the fraternity ideals: Scholarship, Financial Integrity, Sincere Fraternalism, With these elements working success is certain. Without these elements in operation nothing permanent will be accomplished. Let us therefore say them again, and again, and until these virtues become the guiding lights to keep the ideals and teachings of Alpha Kappa Pi an ever increasing and achieving possession. Scholarship, Financial Integrity, Sincere Fraternalism. These may well be named the cardinal virtues in our fraternity.

Future Pledges

Born to Brother and Mrs. Roy W. Reger, Psi, a son, Huntington, W.Va.

Born to Brother and Mrs. Hugh Kincaid,

Mu, Huntington, W.Va., twin sons.

Born to Dr. and Mrs. John B. Brandeberry, Alpha Delta, Toledo, Ohio, a son.

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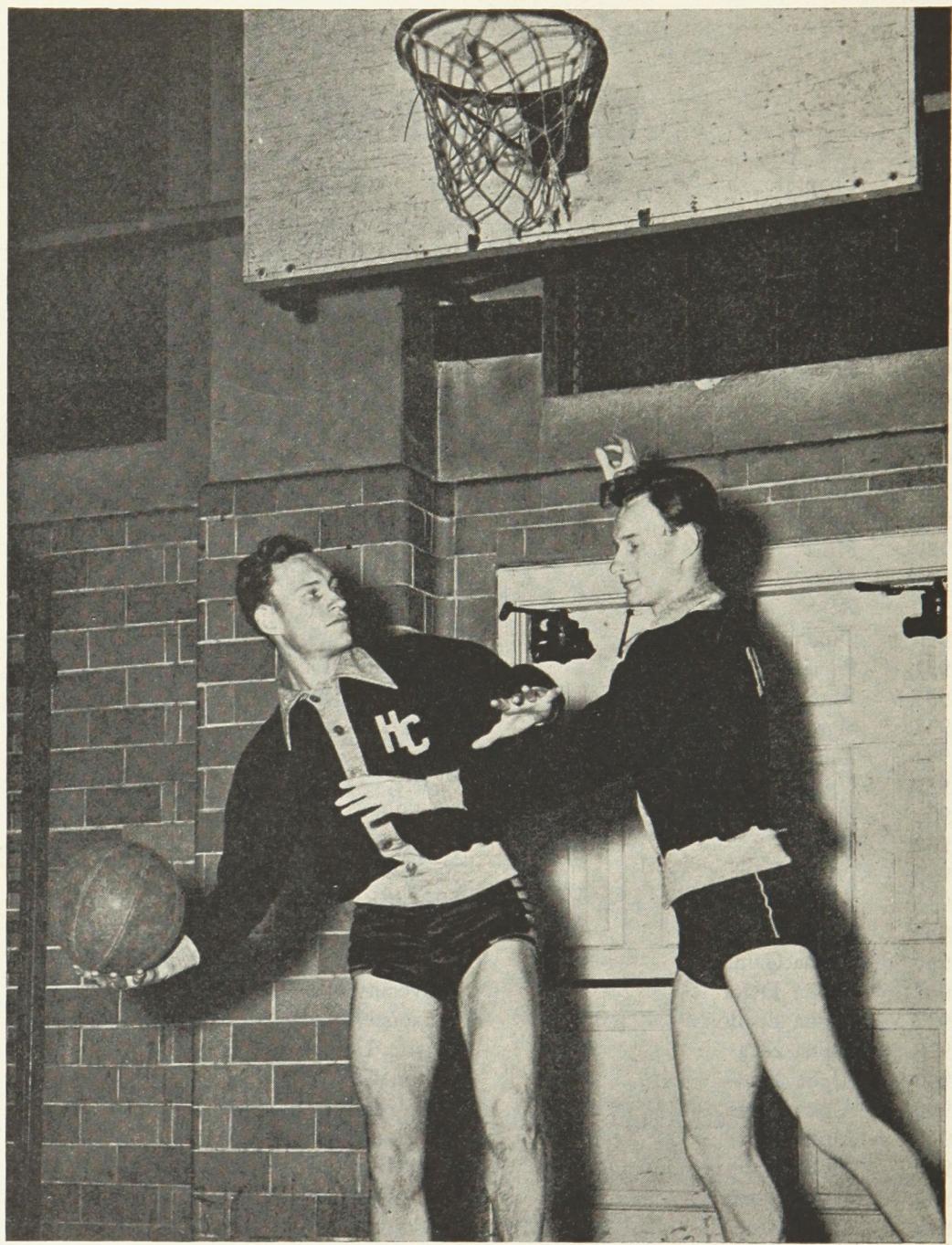
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Chapter Roll

Year	Chapter	College
1921	Alpha	Newark College Engineering
1926	Beta	Wagner College
1926	Gamma	Stevens Institute Technology
1926	Delta	Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute
1927	Epsilon	Ellsworth College (withdrawn 1929)
1928	Zeta	Coe College (withdrawn 1935)
1928	Eta	Presbyterian College
1928	Theta	Columbia University
1929	Iota	Mount Union College
1929	Kappa	Massachusetts Inst. Tech. (war casualty)
1929	Lambda	Bethany College
1929	Mu	Marshall College
1929	Nu	Lehigh University
1930	Xi	North Carolina State College
1930	Omicron	Pennsylvania State College
1931	Pi	University of New Hampshire (inactive)
1931	Rho	Rutgers University
1931	Sigma	University of Illinois
1931	Tau	Tufts College
1932	Upsilon	Centre College in Kentucky (inactive)
1932	Phi	St. Johns College (inactive)
1932	Chi	Wake Forest College
1933	Psi	West Virginia Wesleyan
1935	Alpha Alpha	Hartwick College
1935	Alpha Beta	Tri State College
1936	Alpha Gamma	Franklin and Marshall College
1937	Alpha Delta	University of Toledo
1937	Alpha Epsilon	University of Cincinnati (war casualty)
1938	Alpha Zeta	Wayne University
1940	Alpha Eta	Milton College
1940	Alpha Theta	Wofford College
1940	Alpha Iota	American University
1940	Alpha Kappa	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
1942	Alpha Lambda	Ohio Northern University
1942	Alpha Mu	Carthage College
1943	Alpha Nu	University of Connecticut



JOHN AND HARRISON GEISELMANN

The Geiselmann Twins, Reason for the "Geiselmann Circus," Hartwick College. Read Alpha Alpha Chapter Letter for Full Story.



CHAPTER NEWS

Alpha—Newark Engineering

Initiated: Charles F. Greene, '47, Newark, N.J.; Fred William Schmidt, '47, Newark, N.J.

Alpha chapter was pleased to welcome back to college and chapter two more of our soldier brothers. They are Jack Fagan and Ed Mankowski. Besides the presence of these two veterans in the active life we are constantly being visited by our many brothers since being discharged from the different branches of service. We trust many of them will return to college in September.

Our big Spring Formal dance will be held May 25. There has been great preparation for this occasion. This dance is given not only as a celebration but also as an appreciation that all the fighting is over, and that peace is with us once more. We must also keep in mind those men who gave their lives in order that we might continue to live in a free world today. The active brothers are working closely with the alumni in order that the dance will have the greatest success possible.

The alumni chapter gave a party for the active brothers at one of the fashionable spots in Newark. Plans were put into action at that time for the Spring Formal. The gathering also had its social and pleasure side in that tea and crumpets were served.

Bowling seems a very popular pastime at Newark College of Engineering. In order of high scoring Alpha chapter's top bowlers, in the order named, are: Bert Koehler, Jack Cunningham, Ray Wittman, Jim Vick, and Bill Velicky. Other high scorers are Dick Christians and Charlie Greene. Brother Koehler has high score of 219 for the present month.

Norman L. Kennedy, ex-treasurer, has been drafted and is now in the Army Air Corps. We receive mail from him regularly, and Alpha chapter gives him the news each week.

RAY WITTMAN

Beta—Wagner

Initiated: Sabin Oscar Mancini, '49, Staten Island, N.Y.

Beta chapter takes great pleasure in introducing as a brother in Alpha Kappa Pi Sabin O. Mancini, and a worthy wearer of the seven pointed star. On the occasion of his initiation Beta also

increased its active membership by the return to college of Brother Richard Izard, who has been discharged from the Army Air service. We now number thirteen active members.

It is a notable fact that at almost every meeting of the chapter there are one or two alumni brothers meeting with us. The alumni in Beta are always loyal to their chapter and to Wagner College. Recently the Beta alumni chapter was reorganized with approximately forty brothers attending this first alumni gathering since the war ending. The next meeting has been scheduled and will meet in New York City. There is the closest of co-operation between the active and alumni members in this chapter of the fraternity.

Beta chapter deeply regrets the death of Commander James Robb who was recently killed in the service of his country. Commander Robb while in college was an enthusiastic worker for the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity, and an outstanding athlete. He graduated in 1935 and within a few months of his graduation he enlisted in the Naval Air Corps. Then when war broke out at Pearl Harbor, Commander Robb then a junior officer, took off in an unarmed plane with only a rifle for a weapon. He received a decoration and a promotion for his heroic conduct in action. At the time of his death he was stationed in Puerto Rico.

Beta chapter is fully established once more at Wagner College and pledged to a faithful service to our fraternity.

DONALD STOUGHTON

Delta—Brooklyn Polytechnic

Pledged: Frederick Schreiber, '49, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Delta chapter's officers for the present time are president, Thomas Cahill; vice-president, Dominic Casale; treasurer, Edmund Hamburger; secretary, Anthony Portera; chaplain, Frank Raffa; historian, Robert Schorschinsky; sentinel, Arthur Bortz; marshall, Frank Lefor.

Through the efforts of Brother Casale we are now participating in a bowling tournament with the other fraternities at Brooklyn Polytechnic. In the different clubs and organizations in the college life the brothers of Delta chapter are more than holding their own through representation.

This chapter is happy to hear that Sigma at

University of Illinois is active once more, and herewith send the Illinois brothers our heartiest welcome into our fraternity.

ROBERT SCHORSCHINSKY

Eta—Presbyterian

Initiated: Alton La Fay Huggins, '48, Lake City, S.C.; Houston Moore Davis, '48, Spartanburg, S.C.; Lewis Scott Hay, '47, Charleston, S.C.; John Thomas James, '47, Seneca, S.C.; John C. Viser, '49, Greenville, S.C.; Leighton Wilson Warren, Jr., '47, Charleston, S.C.

The brothers of Eta chapter enjoyed an initiation gathering when the above named members were brought into the brotherhood. They are all fine men and Eta is proud to introduce them to the fraternity at large. We expect much assistance in our future growth from these most recent initiates.

The present quarter brought back some of our members from the armed services. Brother Norman Williamson is now active among as well as two of our former pledges Mack Fraser and Wallace Barnhill. We are happy to accord them a fraternal welcome.

Eta chapter started the new quarter off with a very colorful social, and we can state that an enjoyable time was experienced by all our brothers and friends. Until the next ALPHA the brothers down in South Carolina send fraternal greetings to all our chapters.

Iota—Mount Union

Pledged: Thomas Zorger, '49, Massillon, Ohio; Paul Diekmann, '49, Massillon, Ohio; Lincoln

Naumoff, '49, Granite City, Ill.; Bruce Younker, Cleveland Heights, Ohio; Robert Waltz, Spencer, Ohio.

Iota chapter was successful in pledging five splendid men and with the return of Brother David Wilson, from service, we are moving along to the end of the year in high spirit. Unfortunately our past president David Hively was taken ill and was absent from college for several weeks, but is now back hitting the line hard. Not to escape another loss for reason of illness Brother Melvin Rockwell, by the medical order is at his home in Sebring, Ohio, and will not return to college until September. David Wilson is now our chapter president with David Hively, vice-president and Charles Brown, secretary-treasurer.

Alpha Kappa Pi finished fourth among the five fraternities in the pledge interfraternity basketball, eliminating Sigma Alpha Epsilon in the tournament. The pledged brothers are most active about the campus.

Professor Jackson W. Rafeld has been most helpful with advice and fine leadership and recently entertained the chapter at his home. Brother Rafeld is the head of the Physical Education of Mount Union College and we are most fortunate in his presence.

The college is bulging these days with many G.I. students having decided to pursue their studies on the campus. Iota sends greetings to all the chapters and expresses wishes for a great and quick recovery from war disruptions. Right now Iota is working to buy or build a chapter house.

CHARLES BROWN



MU WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS WITH DANCE

Lambda—Bethany

Pledged: Alvin Jobes, '49, Wheeling, W.Va.; Frank Macklin, '49, Wheeling, W.Va.; Melvyn Novatt, '49, New York City; Alexander Treves, '49, New York City; Stanley Steckler, '49, New York City; Mun Meyers, '49, New York City; Walter Becker, '49, New York City; Raymond Kurtz, '49, New York City.

Lambda chapter, Bethany College, West Virginia, had a serious set back during the World War years, every member having gone into the service for country. Now that the victory has been won two brothers, Jay Newman and Ken Henry, and one pledge, William Beggs, returned to the campus, during the month of February, to resume their studies. Thus a life line was again extended toward the Alpha Kappa Pi chapter at Bethany College.

Lambda's chapter was leased to the college during the war, and as yet we have not been able to occupy it. However, with the coming of the new college year, in September and the return of more of our veteran brothers, we expect to move in once more.

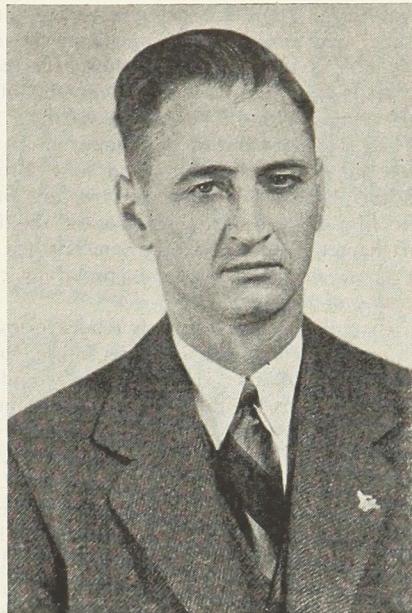
The chapter went into the work of rebuilding the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity on this campus and the above eight pledged brothers show the results of our labors. Lambda wished to express sincere thanks to those alumni brothers who aided and abetted us in renewing our life here. In May, when we come to the time of the Yellow Rose Ball the chapter should be in full organization once more.

BILL BEGGS

Mu—Marshall

Initiated: Elmer Maxwell Woods, '47, Huntington, W.Va.; James Thompson Calhoun, '48, Huntington, W.Va.; Robert Michael Rapp, '49, Huntington, W.Va.; William Page Pitt, '49, Huntington, W.Va.; John Leroy Forbes, Jr., '49, New Martinsville, W.Va.; Curtis William Miller, '49, Rome, Ohio; Charles Thomas Moore, '49, New Martinsville, W.Va.; George Franklin McFarland, '47, Huntington, W.Va.; Ralph Bennington, '49, Charleston, W.Va.; John Dale Elam, '49, Huntington, W.Va.; Ivan Carroll Doddridge, '49, Ona, W.Va.; Thomas Edward Curry, '49, Delbarton, W.Va.; Riley Kirk, '49, Kermit, W.Va.; William Legerides, '49, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Pledged: Robert Webb, '50, John Shafer, '50, Buckey Sowards, '50, Frank Childers, '50, Perry Tanner, '50, George Surgeon, '48, all of Huntington, W.Va.; Carl Cook, '49, Hurricane, W.Va.; James Cook, '50, Hurricane, W.Va.; Glen Fitzsimmons, '50, New Martinsville, W.Va.; Glen Newman, '49, New Martinsville, W.Va.; Guy Hoffman, '50, Parkersburg, W.Va.; George Bridgeman, '49, New Martinsville, W.Va.; Gene White, '50, Gilbert, W.Va.; Jack Keathy, '50, Hope,



ECONOMICS PROFESSOR

Lieutenant Commander Edwin Woodward Eckard, Mu '30, Marshall College, Huntington, W.Va., graduated with high honors with an A.B. degree from Marshall College and later on gained his Ph.D. at Duke University, N.C. After a splendid record in World War II, entering as an ensign and coming out a ranking lieutenant, Brother Eckard is one of many brilliant graduates from our Mu chapter and the ALPHA is pleased to set him forth as one of our best known teachers with a professorship at the Concord State College, Athens, W.Va. It is of such members and sustained loyalty that the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity is going forth to better achievements. Brother Eckard was at Marshall in the days of such Alpha Kappa Pi men as Grand Secretary W. Sam Kitchen and Harper Grimm. There were giants in those days. They are still growing.

W.Va.; John Storte, '50, Elmsford, N.Y.; Charles Rayburn, '49, Ashland, Ky.; Wilburn Triplett, '50, Sheridan, W.Va.; James Kiskin, '50, Oak Hill, W.Va.; John White, '50, Oak Hill, W.Va.; Joe Andregos, '50, Gary, W.Va.; Ford Bevans, '50, Dearborn, Mich.; Paul Williams, '50, Friendly, W.Va.; Kenneth Sharpe, '50, Webster Springs, W.Va.; Robert Valz, '50, Beckley, W.Va.; Maxie Campbell, '49, Charleston, W.Va.; Jim Barlow, '49, Marlinton, W.Va.; Robert Driver, '50, Gary, W.Va.; Jerry Honaker, '50, Gary, W.Va.; Justice Hesson, '50, McConnellsburg, Ohio.

This is a banner year for Mu chapter and we are out to make the most of the golden opportunity

to build our fraternity and thus serve it as a great privilege. Plans are being made to pledge many fine men when college opens in the Fall. The big task is to keep the list down for reason of the many fine men now in college and others who are coming with the new college year.

We had a fine turnout of the alumni on Founders Day and everyone had a grand time. Brother Roy Reger, Psi, was a guest and we are proud to have him with us as a member of the local alumni chapter. Grand Secretary Sam Kitchen was also a guest and Mu chapter is proud to claim him as one of our own.

Mu chapter is now earnestly endeavoring to plan in buying or building a chapter house. Brother Bob Bunch, alumnus, stated that he would dig and pour the forms for the basement, if the building plan should be followed. With men of such generosity backing us how can we fail in reaching our goal!

May 11 is the date for our annual "Star Dance," and is being looked forward to by the student body as the dance of the year. We will send full description of the dance and the decorations for the September issue of the *ALPHA*. Some of our chapters might care to know of the way this dance is carried along.

Mu chapter is in the best condition for many years and in the high spirit of success we send greetings to our brothers everywhere.

WILLIAM A. GARD

Nu—Lehigh

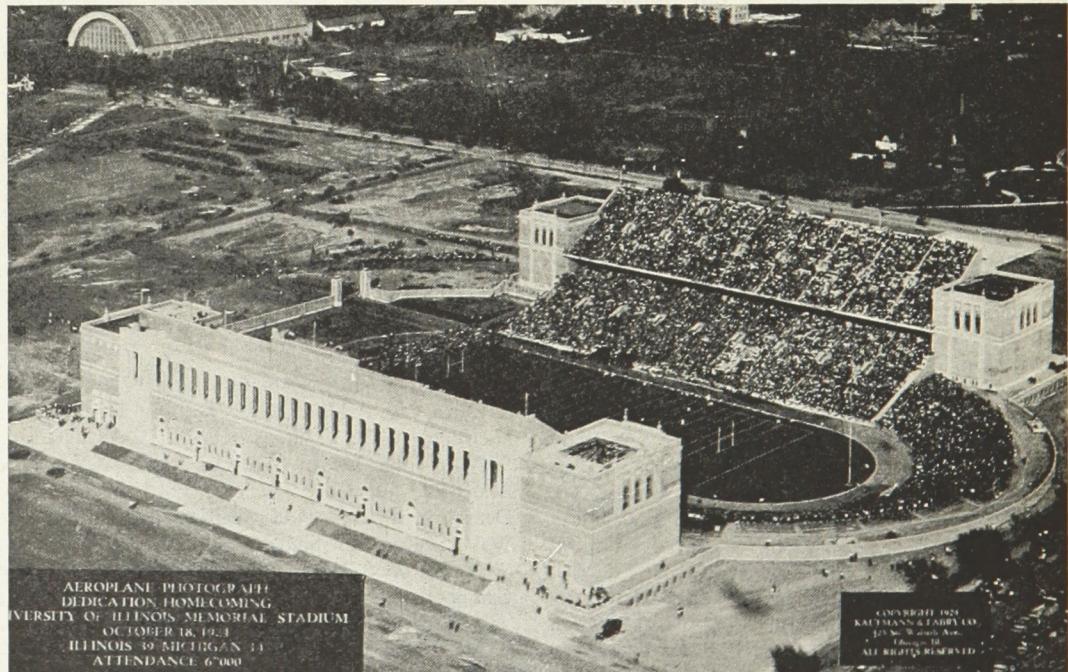
Pledged: Drew W. Hagerman, '49, East Orange, N.J.; George H. Hriunak, '49, Nanticoke, Pa.; Howard H. Ockelman, '49, Union City, N.J.; Kenneth M. Pike, '49, Matawan, N.J.

Seven brothers from Nu chapter are back after the war's end. They are Robert F. Huth, Herbert C. Rafetto, William C. Waltman, Harry Topliss, Robert W. Mountsier, and Ralph D. Moyer. Added to this number is a splendid transfer from Alpha chapter, Joseph M. Haynes.

These twelve members are even more than our present headquarters will accommodate. Nu does not get its chapter house back until some time during the Summer months, but meanwhile we are using the third floor of the chapter house at 514 Delaware Avenue. Thus we are laying the right foundation for the opening of college in September when Alpha Kappa Pi at Lehigh should be back in full swing once more.

Xi—North Caroline State

Xi chapter, North Carolina State, is still off the map insofar as activity on that campus is concerned. However, word through Brother Henry Saunders states that Brother Carter Williams, after a long and faithful service in the Armed Forces, is back at Raleigh once more. With Saunders and William, as past Province Chief in the fraternity, to rally the other alumni the day



MEMORIAL STADIUM, ILLINOIS, WHERE A K II MAKES NOTED RETURN

should not be too far distant when Alpha Kappa Pi will be a going affair at Carolina.

One brother is known to have returned to college. Brother John Holloway can be reached at 2126 Country Club Dr., Raleigh, N.C. Through him and the help of Chi chapter at Wake Forest College, the alumni of Xi should find the way to restore their old chapter and begin once more the building of lasting friendships. If any brother knows of a good man or men entering North Carolina State be sure to send name and home address to Brother Holloway at the address herein specified, and to Henry K. Saunders, 78 Parkway W., Bloomfield, N.J. The national fraternity is pledged to help in any way possible to bring about the revival of this Alpha Kappa Pi chapter.

Sigma—Illinois

Sigma chapter was reactivated April 3, 1946, when ten men were pledged. These men are: Robert D. Evans, Donald C. Bertossa, Wendell Tozer, Roy H. Goepke, Alfred H. Thoman, Jr., George C. May, Lyman P. Johnson, Jack Caveney, James M. Tabaka, and Robert Hofman. All are from Chicago except Pledge Tabaka, whose home is in Champaign, Ill.

The pledge ceremony was held in the McKinley Y.M.C.A. on the university campus with Calvin Sifferd, from Alpha Mu chapter, Carthage College, Carthage, Ill., officiating.

Before this article reaches the brothers through the offices of the ALPHA there will be at least fifteen more pledges. Initiation will be held within the month of May, and the university has given permission to continue pledging after initiation rather than wait for a new semester as has been the custom. Full cooperation has been given by Deans Turner and Stafford in getting the chapter established, and arrangements have been made whereby the new group may become immediately active in all intramural activities and become active in the Interfraternity Conference at once instead of waiting for a year's probation as is the usual procedure. A baseball team has been organized and plans are under way to take over one of the better fraternity houses on the campus at the opening of the university in September. Several members of the faculty will be initiated with the group and it looks as if Alpha Kappa Pi at Illinois will soon be on its way to becoming one of the strong chapters of our fraternity.

CALVIN SIFFERD

Tau—Tufts

Tau chapter is getting in shape to get the Alpha Kappa Pi life going once more on Tufts campus. The chapter house is still being used by the college as a women's dormitory but will return the place

to the fraternity at the end of the college year.

Arthur Crane has been named chapter president and may be reached at 12 Dean Hall, Tufts College, Medford 55, Mass. To recommend any promising prospects just drop a line to President Crane, or to alumnus treasurer, C. Philpott, 41 Homer Rd., Belmont, Mass. Financially the chapter is in good shape and alumni backing is of the highest order. Tau will be back in full swing before many weeks have passed.

Chi—Wake Forest

Initiated: Dr. Elton C. Cocke, Faculty, Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N.C.; Frank Crowell Ausband, Faculty, Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N.C.; Charles Gregory Powell, '47, Arlington, Va.; John Ray Byers, '50, Canton, N.C.; Wiley Carroll Johnson, '50, Canton, N.C.; William H. Powell, '50, Canton, N.C.; Isaac Call Prevette, Jr., '47, Pontiac, Mich.; James Middleton Rhodes, '50, West Asheville, N.C.; Dock Ted Whitted, '50, Canton, N.C.; Otis Mac Sacrity, '47, Reidsville, N.C.; Winfred Austin Fisher, '49, Clemmons, N.C.

Pledged: George Cross, Burlington, N.C.; P. W. Hamrick, Draper, N.C.; Stacey Thomas, Whiteville, N.C.; John Gauldin, Sarasota, Fla.; William Tharpe, Sarasota, Fla.; Jack Glenn, Asheville, N.C.; C. D. White, Whiteville, N.C.; William C. Haire, Winston-Salem, N.C.; Robert Ausband, Winston-Salem, N.C.

Chi chapter is coming along nicely now that Wake Forest College has resumed its pre-war routine. We are once again situated in the old Alpha Kappa Pi section with a full house. Our total strength is now twenty-nine men, twenty members and nine pledges. We are happy to have five of our brothers return to college from the Army and Navy: Charles Powell, Horace C. Kornegay, Henry Huggins, Jim Wilkerson, and Isaac Prevette. Also we are expecting shortly to welcome back to the college and chapter John Daniel, Ed Royster, Arthur Chesson, Wallace Harvey, Jack Lee, and High Hagaman.

Dr. Elton C. Cocke, professor of biology, Wake Forest College, has been selected for our faculty counselor to fill an empty seat left by Dr. Herman Parker. Dr. Cocke, although recently initiated into the chapter, has been most active and helpful to us since that time. Dr. Parker has been doing government work the past year. Dr. Parker, with two undergraduate members, kept the spark burning even though Chi was homeless, penniless, and now we owe much to their sacrificial loyalty.

This chapter is especially proud of its record over the past four years. Four members have been elected to Phi Beta Kappa. These men are: Nick Sacrity, All-Southern tailback, member Omicron

Delta Kappa, *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, and now enrolled in the College of Medicine; Glenn Miller, Instructor in Physics, Cornell University; Alden Kulthau, Instructor in Physics, University of Virginia; John Connely, now enrolled in Sorbonne University, Paris, France. Five members of Omicron Delta Kappa and members of *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities* have come from our ranks. We have three members who have been graduated from the school of Medicine. These are: Frank Kincheloe, Clarence Bridger, and Charles Lasher. Two men have just been graduated from the school of dentistry, Paul T. Baker and Robert L. Bridger. At the present time four Chi brothers are enrolled in the school of medicine; one of whom will graduate in June.

The social activity of this chapter has been somewhat limited. We have had, however, the annual Alpha Kappa Pi Spring Formal for the first time since the war began. It was a big success and enjoyed by the members and pledges as well as other friends on the campus. An "ice cream and cake" party was held recently honoring our new members and pledges in our attic recreation room.

The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation has recently made Wake Forest College a very handsome offer. If this offer is accepted by the trustees the college will be moved to Winston-Salem, N.C. Due to this fact we have decided to remain housed in our present campus location. We have been studying the problem of whether to remain in the campus fraternity unit or build a house off the campus.

Best wishes to all the chapters and special greetings to Sigma at the University of Illinois.

JIM WILKERSON

Alpha Alpha—Hartwick

Pledged: James Van Valkenburg, '48, Deposit, N.Y.; Sanford W. Sullivan, '49, Cooperstown, N.Y.; Richard T. Ebel, '49, Utica, N.Y.; Austin Dawson, '49, Shelter Island Heights, N.Y.; A. Brian Gardner, '49, Gloversville, N.Y.; Ralph A. Griffiths, '48, Winfield, N.Y.; Robert E. Heffner, '48, Kenmore, N.Y.

Alpha Kappa Pi brothers have been coming back to the Halls of Hartwick College, and from the four corners of the earth during the past few months. The following members, all of whom had their studies interrupted by the war demands, are once more active in Alpha Alpha chapter: Harold Bishop, Norman Bowmaker, John Chase, Eugene Drew, John Geiselmann, Harrison Geiselmann, Dewey Hornbeck, Clement Hulick, Robert Keehn, John Roberts, Gordon Roberts, Cyril Smith, Landin Van Buren, Milton Walsh, and Wilbur Waring.

Only one of the sixteen active members will graduate this year—John Geiselmann. Those broth-

ers remaining, together with the new pledge class we are going to take in at the close of the current season, should make the chapter as strong as it ever was before the war. Arrangements have been made to hold our first rush party of this semester on March 25. Our colors of Green and White will be pinned on by the new pledges on April 3.

Great credit should be given to several brothers who did so much to keep the chapter alive during the war years. Brothers Rowland Conklin, Henry Heins, Gordon Smith, and Glenn Nichols spared no efforts in their work for Alpha Kappa Pi. Conk and Hank sent periodic letters to all the members—I know that all of the boys appreciated every one of those letters. Brother Phil Frisbie, who lives in Oneonta, has always been present to lend a helping hand and especially to act as intermediary between the chapter and the alumni. Wils Worman of Watertown, N.Y., has continually collected data as to the whereabouts of the members during the war and has sent out bulletins, from time to time, so that the men could keep in touch with each other, and possibly meet, wherever they might be. Professor Hakanson, active faculty adviser, has been most helpful, and Dr. LeRoy Weller, one of the Founders of the chapter and for many years faculty adviser, has continued his loyal support. It was largely due to the efforts of these men that our chapter was able to remain active.

Brother Eugene Drew has been elected president of the chapter. He has always shown great interest in fraternity matters and we are looking for great things this year. Gene served in the E.T.O. for over two years, where he was in the Field Artillery of the Fifth Infantry Division. Other newly-elected officers are: Glenn Nichols, vice-president; John Chase, secretary; and John Geiselmann, treasurer.

Ward Merrell of the Physical Education department has accepted the office of faculty adviser. He is a graduate of the Cortland State Teachers College, Cortland, N.Y., and had taken up coaching duties here before going into the Armed Forces. We feel that we are most fortunate in having him as our adviser, since he is very active in the affairs of the college and will be able to do a great deal for Alpha Kappa Pi. He succeeds Brother Frank Hakanson, who has assumed his new duties in the Music Department, Drury College, Springfield, Mo.

The topic of conversation in the sports world at Hartwick this past winter has been the "Geiselmann Circus" of the basketball team. Brother John Geiselmann and Pledge Harrison Geiselmann, who, by the way will become a brother at our next initiation ceremony, have occupied the forward berths on the team, always piling up high scores. The team has won sixteen of their twenty games. Johnny and Harrison are identical twins who

started their basketball playing years ago when they starred on their high school team. They worked out many trick plays that kept both the fans and opposing team guessing. After high school Johnny came to Hartwick, while Harrison attended the School of Architecture, Syracuse University. Then came the war and both boys were called. They spent most of their time together in the Army, seeing combat action in the E.T.O. where both were awarded the Purple Heart. This was Johnny's fourth year on the team and its captain, so the Student Association paid him special honors. The night of the last game was set aside as "Johnny Geiselmann Night." On this occasion Dr. Henry J. Arnold, President of Hartwick College, announced the award of a gold basketball to be given to Johnny at commencement as a token of appreciation from the student body. The team has elected Harrison Geiselmann to succeed his brother as captain for the 1946-47 season. After the meeting the coach rushed in and congratulated the wrong men—that is mentioned to show how confused the other teams must have been trying to remember who was who in this "Geiselmann Circus." Harrison also received an award for being the "best all-round player" of the year.

Alpha Kappa Pi also had a third star player on the team in the person of Harold Bishop. Brother Bishop was recently released from the Air Corps.

Brother Gordon Smith, former president of this chapter, completed his college work in January and accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Wells Bridge, N.Y.

The sororities and fraternities at Hartwick plan to hold an all-Greek Dance after Easter. Brothers Drew, Gordon Roberts, and John Geiselmann are on the committee, with Brother Drew chairman.

Two Alpha Alpha brothers passed to the Omega chapter during the war. Earl Krumwiede lost his life on a transport in the Mediterranean area and William Moody was killed in action with the Marines on Iwo Jima. These boys are greatly missed by all who knew them.

The annual Founders Day banquet was held at the Hotel Wilson, Oneonta, on March 23, with many of the alumni present. Brother Milt Beemer acted as toastmaster and Brother Walt Whitney was the main speaker. Alpha Alpha chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity is on the map once more and the Seven Pointed Star the brightest to be seen in the skies canopying the life on the campus of Hartwick College.

CYRIL SMITH

Alpha Beta—Tri State

Initiated: James William Corbin, '48, Nashville, Tenn.; Robert Charles McGuire, '48, Oshkosh, Wis.; Edward Leslie Shones, '48, Cleveland Heights, Ohio; Zane Irvin Thomas, '48, Great Bend, N.Y.

In the last few months Alpha Beta chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity has really been going along in a most satisfactory manner. The members of this chapter stand high in all the affairs on the Tri State College campus. At the present time we have an active membership of thirty-four enthusiastic brothers. Of this number twenty-two are living in the Alpha Kappa Pi chapter house.

We have the word of several of our soldier members returning to Tri State from time to time and that means Alpha Beta chapter will be back to pre-war status before many months have passed. With the fine active membership now here, and the looked forward to increase from new pledges and returned veterans we have been able to make many needed improvements in the physical make-up of our house. The spirit is high and we wish to extend to all our chapters the best of wishes and the prosperity that is surely coming back to Alpha Kappa Pi at Tri State College.

CHARLES H. SEEGER

Alpha Gamma—Franklin and Marshall

Initiated: Richard Krick, '49; Chester Markle, '49; Richard Mansback, '49; William Atkins, '49.

Pledged: Harry Pierre, '49; Mervin Gerhart, '49.

The Alpha Gamma chapter was glad to welcome back three brothers and one pledge from the service. They are: Joseph Hagendorf, Richard Dougherty, Harry Goeringer, and Pledge Mervin Gerhart. At the same time we lost to the Army and Air Force two brothers, Ray Harwick and Herbert Umstead, and Pledge Richard Bauder. Thus we now have a total of fourteen brothers and two pledges.

Speaking of returning service men, we are happy to have Dr. Robert W. Higgins with us again as one of our ever faithful advisers.

In the recent elections the following brothers were elected: president, Raymond A. Faulds, Jr.; vice-president, J. Richard Glatfelter; secretary, William G. Field; treasurer, Francis E. Ringer; chaplain, Edward H. Rowe.

We are already making plans for the next interfraternity ball which will probably be held near the end of the semester. As the college is nearer normalcy than at any time the past two and one-half years, it is expected this ball will be a gala affair.

Although we are still living in one of the college dormitories, plans are maturing for obtaining a chapter house shortly. With the alumni leading in the plans for this new home we are confident of the successful issue.

To all Alpha Kappa Pis wherever they may be, Alpha Gamma chapter sends greetings and best wishes.

EDWARD H. ROWE

Alpha Delta—Toledo

Initiated: James Albert Ganoom, '49, Toledo, Ohio; Theodore Shaw Gregorek, '48, Toledo, Ohio; Bert Peter Nichpor, '49, Toledo, Ohio; Clarence Elbridge Smith, '47, Ottawa Lake, Mich.; Richard Thomas Snyder, '49, Toledo, Ohio.

Alpha Zeta—Wayne

Initiated: Karl W. Folley, Faculty, Detroit, Mich.

Pledged: Ronald Williams, '49, Detroit; William Burke, '47, Detroit; Allan Murray, '50, Detroit; Hal Erickson, '50, Detroit; Ralph Brown, '50, Detroit; Arthur Weiss, '50, Detroit; William Beaufait, '48, Detroit; Albert Schlenker, '49, Detroit; Donald Chalmers, '49, Detroit; Donald Cox, '48, Detroit.

The past few weeks have been very busy ones for Alpha Zeta chapter. Pledging has begun and although we have already pledged a fine group of men, we expect to add to their number very shortly. The confusion as to the eligibility rules here at Wayne due to the question of the status of veterans has at last been clarified, and we have our first pledge group since the Spring of 1943. The highlight of our rush parties was a dinner at Mackenzie Union in which our Mothers Club assisted very ably. This group of mothers has done many fine things for the chapter, remaining active and in contact with many brothers during the war years.

We of the active chapter and many of the alumni assembled for the Founders Toast at Alumnus Al Nelson's home. The alumni chapter is as usual very active and cooperative in their efforts in behalf of Alpha Zeta.

We are proud to be sponsoring the first strictly formal dance here at Wayne in several years, an Easter Formal. The date is April 13, at the beautiful Detroit Leland Hotel and to the music of one of Detroit's finest bands.

The return of Brothers McClure, Swarens, Killebrew, and Somerville from the service has swelled our number to almost a pre-war level, and the size and strength of our present chapter indicates that a chapter house will be obtained as soon as possible. Perhaps by Summer the critical shortage of houses in crowded Detroit will be alleviated.

Interfraternity sports are again in full swing at the university with ping pong and basketball completed, and at the present we are heading the league in bowling. It certainly is gratifying to see the return of interfraternity activities and Alpha Kappa Pi has lost no time in participating.

Our increased fraternity activities together with a full spring social calendar at Wayne seems to point to this year as one of the best for Alpha Zeta. We wish the rest of you as much good fortune as we have had in renewing the life of the

fraternity at Wayne University.

STUART C. HETU

Alpha Eta—Milton

Initiated: Roger Bell, '48, Janesville, Wis.; Robert Blumreich, '48, Janesville, Wis.; Robert Ganser, '48, Fort Atkinson, Wis.; Charles Lemke, '48, Fort Atkinson, Wis.; Nolan Nelson, '49, Milton, Wis.; Hubert Richardson, '48, Milton, Wis.; Donald Schumacher, '48, Edgerton, Wis.; Paul Thompson, '47, Milton Junction, Wis.

In a most impressive ceremony, Alpha Eta chapter of Milton College formally initiated eight excellent men into the fraternity. We are proud to receive these campus leaders into our chapter. All of them are resuming studies after being discharged from the service.

Paul Thompson is a member of the Glee Club and a letterman in football, basketball, and track. Donald Schumacher plays solo cornet in the band and sings in the Glee Club. Hubert Richardson has a major role in the Shakespeare play as does Nolan Nelson, who is also in the Glee Club. Charles Lemke, Robert Ganser, and Robert Blumreich are key men on the football squad. Roger Bell plays the tuba in the concert band.

We are also glad to welcome back to the campus David Heenan, George Barry, Robert Roberts, Delbert Newman, and Blaine Gamble after their recent discharges from the various services.

The brothers are losing little time in organizing an active schedule of events for the rest of the semester. Every year we carry out a project of service to our college, a tradition of which we are very proud. This year we are pledging our efforts for the purchasing of new furniture for the Lincoln Room in Main Hall. Our formal dances have come to be recognized as the climax of the social season for the college and we are determined to make the coming Spring formal one of the most colorful in our history.

Yes, we are looking forward to a bright future and we owe a debt of gratitude to Dean John N. Daland, Professor L. M. Van Horn, Jack Hebbe, Kenneth Strohbusch, Royal Hippe, Vic Lipke, and Julio Franco for their splendid efforts in keeping Alpha Eta active this past year.

BLAINE W. GAMBLE

Alpha Iota—American

Pledged: Leo Hofman, '47, Lapier, Mich.; Kenneth Jones, '48, Baltimore, Md.; Silas Provins, '49, Masontown, Pa.

Alpha Iota is again active! We started the present semester with three brothers and one pledge, and have since added three excellent pledged members to our chapter. By next September when the rest of our brothers will have left the services, and returned to college, Alpha Iota should be in

fine shape to carry on where we left off before the war.

Socially we are also getting back into good shape. Two rush parties in March went over well, and when the time came for pledging we received our share of the few men that were pledged at American University, and we have no hesitancy in saying they are the best. On March 29 we had a stag bowling party for our new pledges. Then on April 6 we had our first dance of the semester at Brother Edens' beautiful home. It was a huge success and a wonderful time was enjoyed by everyone present, including numerous alumni brothers who live in Washington or are stationed around this city. For the first time we have contacted Captain C. R. Kramer, Rho, and Editor of the *ALPHA* of Alpha Kappa Pi. He was of great help at one of our pledging parties. Alpha Iota is pleased with the way the Alpha Kappa Pis, alumni from our own chapter and other chapters help us in our work of reviving Alpha Kappa Pi on the American University campus. It shows the alumni do not forget their fraternity after college days are ended. It is a great inspiration to the brothers still in active service for Alpha Kappa Pi.

We are now getting ready for the song-fest, at which we hope to win the interfraternity singing contest. Although our numbers are few we have some good voices and we are determined to do our best toward winning this year.

This completes the news from Alpha Iota chapter, which extends its best wishes to all brothers of the fraternity.

KARL O. MANN, JR.

Alpha Kappa—Rensselaer

Initiated: John Louis Curran, '48, South Meriden, Conn.; Philip Jeremiah Horhan, '49, Pittsfield, Mass.; Philip Clarkson Hungerford, '49, South Euclid, Ohio; John Walter Locher, '48, Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.; David Barstrow Matthewson, '49, Bristol, R.I.; William Burr Peck, '48, New Milford, Conn.; Norman Francis Rauscher, '48, Elmira, N.Y.

Alpha Kappa Pi at Rensselaer is now in its own home. When the present term started many of the brothers and pledges took up their residence at the chapter house. It is the first time in the history of the chapter and of its predecessor, Lambda chapter, Theta Nu Epsilon, that we have owned our own home. From shortly after the First World War, when Theta Nu Epsilon changed from an honorary sophomore society to a social exclusive fraternity, to the Summer of 1943, each house that we had was a rented one. Now we are our own landlord and time will tell as to the sort of landlord we will be. We are happy in the present situation.

In the Summer of 1943, Rensselaer Polytechnic

Institute announced that the Navy, in setting up the V-12 program, would require housing for the additional students that would be trained under the V-12, V-5, V-7, and N.R.O.T.C. In order to supply this housing the Institute requested the fraternities, then active, to make available their chapter houses. All fraternities vacated their homes whether owned or rented. An inspection of our chapter house found it to be unsatisfactory for the Navy program. Since few civilian students would be at the college during the war it was decided to give up the house entirely. All our belongings were sold with the exception of those things needed for an immediate start at some later time. From the sale of the furniture we had quite a backlog which was deposited in a local bank and the account turned over to two of our Troy alumni, J. Swenson and James Walch, to be held until such time as the chapter became active again.

We were fortunate in finding our present home, located on the East Side, a fine residential part of the City of Troy. The owner desired to sell for the reason of its great size and no one cared to purchase it for family use. February 1 we took possession after all the legal angles had been attended to and the chapter properly incorporated as a holding concern.

The greatest part of the work in securing the chapter house was carried on by Harold Benel, chapter president, and Charles Rabolli. Even with the new home made available for twenty-two men, there is the prospect of what to do with six more of our brothers who will be returning to college in September and desire to be accommodated at the Alpha Kappa Pi house. Through the work of all hands, and particularly the pledges during hell week, the house has been put in good condition. Hell week was a constructive affair and all hands were happy.

Our new officers are: president, Richard Goon; vice-president and pledge master, Jack McDonough; treasurer, Ronald White; secretary, Philip A. Vautrain; historian, Karl G. E. Sharke; marshall, Edward Bousquet; chaplain, George Borthig; sentinel, Robert Giamarria; house manager, Anthony Di Marco.

Since the last appearance of the *ALPHA*, Brother Bennet has graduated and has been commissioned Ensign, U.S.N.R., and is now on active duty. Robert Christoffel was initiated on February 3 and entered the Naval service a short time thereafter.

Founders Day was observed with our first dance at the chapter house. The toast was given by President Arthur Goon. Plans are being made for the annual Soiree which will be on May 11. We plan to have a pre-Soiree dance at the house on May 10 to start the week-end in fraternal fashion. All Alpha Kappa Pi brothers welcome to join with us.

KARL G. E. SHARKE

Alpha Mu—Carthage

No fraternities have been reactivated at Carthage College but it is expected that the go-ahead sign will be given very shortly. Construction has been begun on a new men's dormitory which will take care of 130 boys in September. Also three wooden barracks have been moved to the Carthage campus from Camp Ellis. These are being made into apartments for married veterans.

As yet no member of Alpha Mu chapter has returned to the campus though several have signified their intention of finishing their college work at Carthage as soon as they have received their

discharge from the service.

Brother Waldo Berger writes from Peiping, China, where he is commander of the Marines of the 1st Division stationed there. The officers are quartered in the old German embassy and Berger reports it is the best duty he has had. By the time this article appears in print he should be home and ready to make things hum for Alpha Kappa Pi at Carthage. Brother Arthur Cox is also about ready to get back to the campus, and thus Alpha Mu chapter should be prepared to reorganize with good leadership as soon as the college gives the word to get busy.

CALVIN SIFFERD, *Chapter Counselor*

Recent Initiates

■ **ALPHA ALPHA** chapter, Hartwick College, Oneonta, N.Y., have added these initiates to their fast growing roll of members: Claude Austin Dawson, '49, Shelter Island Heights, N.Y.; Alfred Brian Gardiner, '49, Gloversville, N.Y.; Robert Earl

Heffner, '48, Oneonta, N.Y.; Clement U. Hulick, '48, Greenville, N.Y.; James Francis Van Valkenburg, '48, Deposit, N.Y.; Ward A. Merrell, Faculty, Hartwick College, Oneonta, N.Y.

Fraternity

■ **DR. PAUL DOUGLASS**, President American University, Washington, D.C., called an all day discussion conference of the fraternity members represented on his campus. The program was wholly favorable to the fraternities and for the purpose of getting the fraternity life adjusted, and off to the most profitable start, since the war years and its disrupting influence in all campus undertakings. Not only representatives from the

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active groups on campus were invited but national figures of those fraternities with chapters at American University. Fraternities represented are: Phi Sigma Kappa, Alpha Tau Omega, and Alpha Kappa Pi. Sororities are: Delta Gamma, Phi Mu, Alpha Chi Omega, and Kappa Delta. Alpha Kappa Pi was represented by active Karl O. Mann, Jr.; Province Chief Bert Heinmiller and Editor of *The Alpha*, Captain C. R. Kramer.

University of Illinois

■ **AT THE** present time, and exactly on the days of May 23 and 24, there will be much Alpha Kappa Pi activity on the University of Illinois campus. After an arduous and most careful campaign to re-instate the Sigma chapter of the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity at the University of Illinois, Brother Calvin S. Sifferd, Alpha Mu, is witnessing the fruits of his labors. While overseeing the initiation of some twenty-eight Illinois men into the fraternity, he is being aided by the Alpha Kappa Pi brothers from the Alpha

Eta chapter, Milton College, Milton, Wis. Headed by Province Chief L. Milton Van Horn, Dean John N. Daland, Alpha Eta President Jack Hebbe, the entire Milton College chapter has plans set to present when the ritual work is being revealed. The Alpha takes this opportunity to commend Brother Sifferd, compliment the Milton chapter and to offer fraternal congratulations to the men entering Alpha Kappa Pi at Illinois University.

Metropolitan Living

IT IS about time that fraternities become aware of a fact that is all too evident, and in a careful analysis of the situation discover there is nothing strange or occult, or even belittling to the fraternities as such. It is the obvious condition that chapter houses in the great cities are not worth the pretty outlay and are doomed to the days of the big display on small outlay. Taxes, upkeep, high cost in service and the deterioration of many residents, has brought the issue down to a crass commercial entity.

Let us repeat what a leading Dean in one of the great metropolitan universities stated along this very discussion: "There is no disgrace attached to the fact a fraternity chapter, in a great city, refuses to keep itself beggared in order to say we have a chapter house. Social and financial changes have come and only the immensely wealthy or entirely foolish care to own or to live in a city house when for far less outlay a far more sanitary and comfortable residence is obtainable in the carefully cared for and guarded apartment houses." Then he added: "If fraternities are wise they will make the change while they are yet strong enough numerically and financially to take up residence in the univer-

sity quarters and thus escape the high taxes, the demand to initiate men just to fill a chapter house, and to exclude home-residence young men with far better fraternity ideas and ideals than some taken just to insure a possible income."

We go a step farther in the matter than the Dean by expressing the belief that sooner or later college authorities are going to sense the possibilities of their best interests in this matter and will provide either separate living quarters for the fraternities or arrange one or more of their dormitories into living units and rent them to the fraternity as such instead of to the individual student, and yet keeping the rule to do the collection from their own treasurer's office. For example we have it splendidly exemplified at Duke University, Rollins College, Northwestern University, Wake Forest College, and presently at Bethany College, W.Va. It not only provides up to date living quarters for the students but it also provides a safe and profitable investment for the college funds.

All things considered it would appear that the college or university, even more than the fraternity, has been missing the boat.

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