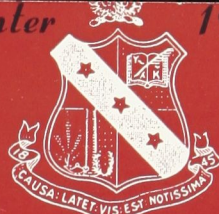


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As the new year begins, we are caught up in the activities of other writers and reporters who are reviewing the events of 1954, and we have a desire to review a few accomplishments for Alpha Sigma Phi.

Phi Chapter was reactivated at Iowa State College with the initiation of twenty-one men on June 5th, and the presentation of the charter on October 16th, and the chapter is flourishing and healthy.

Sigma Chapter at the University of Kentucky, Beta Theta Chapter at Rutgers University, and Gamma Delta Chapter at Davis and Elkins College purchased new chapter houses.

Colonies were started at the University of Arizona and at Michigan State College, and a petition received to reactivate Gamma Chapter at the University of Massachusetts. It is hoped all three will become active chapters during 1955.

A new leather bound pledge manual, considered by us at least to be the finest of the fraternity world, was turned out by the Fraternity Staff.

The recently discovered and most outstanding document in the Fraternity's history was made available to all Sigs with the publication in this magazine of the complete manuscript volume of Founder Louis Manigault.

The National Interfraternity Conference was headed by an Alpha Sig for the first time in its history with Lloyd S. Cochran, Omicron '20, serving as Chairman.

The Grand Council appointed a Grand Historian, Edmund B. Shotwell, Alpha '20, and a Grand Chaplain, Bishop Glenn R. Phillips, Epsilon, '13.

Results of the 1954 Alumni Campaign when compared to the one in 1953 show a 19% increase in the number of contributors and a 13% increase in the total amount contributed.

We are proud of the record for 1954 and sincerely hope that the achievements of 1955 will be even greater.

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Gathered at Alpha Alpha to celebrate the 109th Anniversary are, left to right, H.S.P. Nick Fox, Oklahoma; Mrs. Underwood, housemother; Grand Secretary Calvin Boxley, Oklahoma '23; Past Grand Senior President Wilbur H. Cramblet, Yale '12; and Neil Stewart, Chairman of the Chapter Alumni Relations Committee.

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Men of Beta Chi Chapter had to visit another campus in order to retrieve their stolen bell. Picture shows the American University Alpha Sigs cutting down the bell from a tree. Article on the next page tells the story.

Who Stole the Ding Dong

Who Stole the Bell?

by George E. Geesey, Beta Chi

The story behind the bell belonging to Beta Chi Chapter is not simply one of retrieving a prized possession, but one which has resulted in good relations between the Alpha Sigma Phi Chapter at American University and the Tau Kappa Epsilon Chapter at the University of Maryland; but let's start at the beginning.

The Alpha Sigs returned to their chapter house in the fall for the school year. Much to their disappointment, they learned that their prize bell had disappeared from its usual place in the front yard. The rather large, weighty bell actually isn't the flare-mouth, clapper-type variety you'd expect to find in a church steeple or on a ship's bridge. This sacred trophy was fashioned from the warhead of a torpedo and painted cardinal and stone.

The first question to arise was who could have taken it? The second was who could have lifted it up? In the past, at least five or six men had been needed to move the 400 pound bell. This meant that only a group of fellows could have done it.

Rivalry, being what it is among the campus fraternities of American University, brought the suspicion upon the other groups. However, searching, scouting, and investigation failed to locate the prize bell.

Two or three weeks had passed when word came that the bell had been spotted in front of a fraternity house on the campus of the University of Maryland. An expedition was organized and sent out from Beta Chi to penetrate the Maryland territory. Surprisingly enough, there hung the bell from a tree in front of the Tau Kappa Epsilon house. It had been repainted silver and red, the colors of its new possessors, but was still identifiable as the one belonging at the Beta Chi house.

The investigating group returned to organize a raiding party for that night. At midnight the men advanced to the lawn of

the TKE house and recaptured the bell. No sounds came from the sleeping TKEs whose house had been watched for the previous thirty minutes.

The half-inch chain holding the bell to the tree limb was snipped with chain cutters. The bell was dragged across the slippery grass to a waiting convertible and lifted into the back by seven men. The top was put up to hide it and the crew sped back to their own campus to celebrate the completed job.

Soon, however, the TKEs discovered that not only was the Beta Chi bell gone, but also one of their many bells was missing. Both were found at the American University campus. The TKEs, who are masters at the art of bell stealing, extended their congratulations for a very slick job.

Beta Chi formally returned the TKE bell to the house at the University of Maryland, and both fraternities had to admit that the bell stealing has ended in a draw.

But the bell exchanges were not at an end, for when Maryland played Missouri in football, the TKEs came over and asked if they could borrow the bell for the game. And it might be added that they used it, too; for the score was 74 to 13, providing them with many opportunities to annoy the Missouri fans with its ringing. As promised the TKEs returned the bell after the game.

Both fraternities are geographically distant from other chapters of their own fraternity, and have hence taken to visiting each others houses, and some friendly intramural sports activities have been held between the two groups.

So what started as a somewhat bitter rivalry between two fraternities on two different campuses has resulted in a good interfraternity story wherein two groups learned a mutual respect for each other and were able to develop a friendly relationship quite beneficial to both.

1954 Alumni Contributions

Results of the 1954 Alumni Campaign when compared to the one in 1953 show a 19% increase in the number of contributors and a 13% increase in the total amount contributed.

University of California alumni lead with the greatest number of contributors for 1954, reflecting an 83% increase over last year.

Penn State leads in the total amount contributed in 1954, moving 1953 leader Ohio Wesleyan into second place. California is third, Illinois is fourth, and Washington is fifth.

Wisconsin, Ohio State, Michigan, Cornell, Pennsylvania and Iowa State hold the next six positions respectively.

Chapters, with ten or more contributors in 1953, showing over a 50% increase in number of contributors are; Stanford (130%), Iowa State (120%), U.C.L.A. (113%), California (83%), and Rutgers (64%).

Another figure is interesting, the percentage of alumni of a chapter who contributed. This is figured only for chapters with rosters of over 100 initiates. Leaders are: California (14%), Chicago (13%), Ohio Wesleyan (13%), Stanford (12%), Illinois Tech (11%), Ohio State (10%), and Wisconsin (10%).

Chapter	Number of Contributors	Total Contributed
Alabama	12	\$ 60.00
American	11	55.00
Baldwin Wallace	15	72.00
Bethany	13	65.00
Bowling Green	10	55.00
Brooklyn Poly	11	55.00
Buffalo	6	30.00
California	77	431.00
U. C. L. A.	34	175.00
Carnegie Tech.	12	55.00
Case	9	45.00
Centre	1	5.00
Chicago	29	241.00
Cincinnati	2	10.00
Coe	2	10.00
Colorado	22	110.00
Columbia	29	145.00
Connecticut	12	60.00
Cornell	56	275.00
Dartmouth	3	15.00
Davis & Elkins	10	50.00

Chapter	Number of Contributors	Total Contributed
Franklin & Marshall	2	10.00
Hartwick	6	30.00
Harvard	14	68.00
Illinois	72	375.00
Illinois Tech.	38	195.00
Iowa	17	85.00
Iowa State	22	270.00
Kentucky	19	95.00
Lehigh	16	100.00
Marietta	40	206.00
Marshall	12	60.00
Massachusetts	11	55.00
M. I. T.	1	5.00
Miami	2	10.00
Michigan	56	280.00
Middlebury	10	50.00
Milton	6	30.00
Minnesota	21	105.00
Missouri	16	78.00
Missouri Valley	13	65.00
Mount Union	6	30.00
Nebraska	24	140.00
Newark	5	25.00
North Carolina State	2	10.00
Ohio Northern	11	85.00
Ohio State	55	281.00
Ohio Wesleyan	74	480.00
Oklahoma	43	215.00
Oregon State	18	95.00
Pennsylvania	48	270.00
Penn State	73	503.00
Presbyterian	6	30.00
Purdue	23	115.00
Rensselaer	10	50.00
Rutgers	23	115.00
Stanford	53	267.00
Stevens Tech.	9	45.00
Syracuse	16	80.00
Toledo	14	70.00
Tri State	16	76.00
Tufts	20	100.00
Wagner	16	88.00
Wake Forest	7	35.00
U. of Washington	49	348.00
Wayne	5	25.00
Westminister	30	150.00
West Virginia	11	55.00
West Virginia Wesleyan	11	55.00
Wisconsin	43	320.00
Wofford	4	20.00
Yale	50	266.00
Members at Large	5	25.00
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Philadelphia Alpha Sigs met to honor Lloyd Cochran during fall N.I.C. meeting. At Head Table are Executive Secretary Burns, Grand Councilor Graves, Brother Cochran, Brother Frederick C. Schoenhut, Omicron '15, and Brother John M. Wehner, Omicron '43, President of Omicron's Board of Trustees.

Philadelphia Alumni Honor Cochran

Nearly fifty Philadelphia area alumni and undergraduates, representing seven different Chapters, gathered on Saturday, December 4, 1954, for a luncheon at the Union League honoring Past Grand Senior President Lloyd S. Cochran, Omicron '20, who was retiring as Chairman of the National Interfraternity Conference.

The Toastmaster for the event was Grand Councilor H. Walter Graves, Omicron '16, who presented Lloyd with a lovely attache case and brief case as a remembrance of the occasion and as indication of the high esteem with which Lloyd is regarded by his own Chapter and by all who know him personally.

Brother Cochran spoke briefly on what the Fraternity has meant, and continues to mean, to him, suggesting to alumni and actives present a broader perspective of Fraternity membership and obligation. His remarks were given deeper significance by the presence of several of his fellow initiates as well as several original members of his Chapter.

In paying tribute to Brother Cochran during the Forty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the National Interfraternity Conference, the Philadelphia group took cognizance of his

outstanding leadership in interfraternity affairs, a leadership which has been widely acclaimed by other fraternity officers.

Of special note concerning the Conference Meeting itself, awards were presented to the Undergraduate Interfraternity Councils at Hanover, Illinois, M.I.T., Michigan, Ohio State and Wake Forest, with the Grand Trophy awarded to Ohio State in recognition of the most outstanding program of interfraternity activity.

Two resolutions adopted by the House of Delegates merit the attention of all undergraduate members:

"Resolved that the House of Delegates adopt as basic requirements of sound fraternity operation among and between its members:

1. The maintenance of satisfactory scholastic performance by their active chapters subject to suitable effective penalties by the member fraternities, where and when necessary, and,

2. The observance by their chapters of college regulations or recognized standards of gentlemanly conduct in morals and the use of alcoholic beverages subject to effective penalties imposed by the member fraternities in instances of abuses."



W. Raymond Brown, Omicron '30, owner and manager of the St. Elmo Hotel at Lake Chautauqua, N.Y., was included in a report on eight Pennsylvanians, graduates of the "Depression Class," in the October 1953 Issue of *Coronet*. That article is reprinted in part by special permission from the Publisher.

Class of '33

later. 'None of my senior interviews led to a permanent job. I was a reporter, a sales clerk, a hotel handyman. I had 22 different jobs in four states and half-a-dozen cities'

"No matter what Ray Brown did, fate, it seemed, kept leading him a circuitous route back to Chautauqua, New York. He got his first job there and, between jobs, kept coming back. It was there that he met Helen Parks and there that the tide started running for him, at last.

"There was a small resort hotel in my wife's family. She was tired of the responsibility and needed help. Right after the honeymoon, I took the reins. It was a steady up-hill grind.' How well it paid off is indicated in a gross almost double that of 1945 for the now-modernized, 68-room St. Elmo Hotel.

"The future looks promising to Ray Brown now, but earlier experiences kept him an 'optimistic pessimist'. He well remembers the summer of 1931: 'My father came home without a job one night and I offered to quit college . . . I keep saving because I have known rainy days in my time and I don't know when the next ones will come.'

"Ray's amiable good humor makes his job as hotel manager a good deal easier." But he is still so busy that "my two-year-old rowboat hasn't been in the water yet".

For Ray Brown and his fellow graduates, as for most Americans, the twenty years since graduation have been the most important years in history.

"In those two decades the world changed . . . and millions of Americans, not only the Class of '33, awoke to the hard truth that none of life's good things—neither peace nor prosperity—is guaranteed. It meant that, just as the Class of '33 would never forget the Depression and its grim lessons, so all Americans, now and in the future, would remember that happiness, like freedom, must be earned anew by each generation."

"On a warm June day in 1953, the 177th graduating class of the University of Pennsylvania sat in assembly and listened solemnly to the advice, the prophecies and the valedictories. They were a group of young men about to face one of the darkest, most challenging periods in history.

"In the four years these men spent in college, the Jazz Age faded and the Jazz Agers grew up . . . and the student with the promise of a post-graduation job was more envied than the one with a roadster and a racoon coat.

"Some premonition of the troubled days ahead must have been with them even as freshmen, for at their first class meeting, they had chosen as their rallying cry, 'Toughest Class, U. of P., Pennsylvania, Thirty-Three.' Long after they left their ivy-covered sanctuary and went out to face a world they never made, they found themselves forced to live up to that cry."

Coronet reviewed the subsequent careers of eight graduates of that class through years of depression and international conflict. What happened to one of that selected group is of particular interest to members of Alpha Sigma Phi, for the story of Brother W. Raymond Brown, who was initiated at Omicron Chapter in 1930, is one of those drawn from the record of the Class of '33.

"Most of life's bounties came late to Ray Brown and so were doubly sweet on arrival. He didn't meet his wife until 1940 and was 33 when he married her four years

Alpha Sigma Phi has occasionally benefited from the interest and effort of one who is not listed among the membership of our Fraternity. An outstanding example of such long-lived loyalty is "Grandma Propst," a tradition to scores of Eta Chapter Alpha Sigs and an inspiration to all who know of her devotion.

Tribute To A Great Lady

Traditions and legends frequently have their beginnings in circumstances which at the time give little indication of their long-lived influence. Such an occasion in the fall of 1937 has enriched the lives and experiences of several college generations at Eta Chapter, for in that inauspicious fall Brother Bob Stienecker pledged Alpha Sigma Phi at the University of Illinois.

The then rushing chairman probably noted with passing interest that "rushee" Stienecker was from Attica, Indiana. Yet that quaint town in one of the rural regions of the state was to become in time the center for a remarkable story of Fraternity loyalty and interest, and all because of a charming whitehaired lady named Mrs. Charles Franklin Propst, Bob Stienecker's grandmother.

Grandma Propst made several visits to Eta Chapter during that first school year of her grandson's pledgship and initiation. Then on Mother's Day in the spring of 1938 she conceived the idea of an Alpha Sig Mothers' Club. Through her efforts and the efforts of some of the other mothers, the club was formed, and the Mothers' Club embarked upon its annual program of furnishing some small improvement to the Chapter House. This custom has continued to the present time, supplying not only material gifts but providing also the basis for family loyalties to Alpha Sigma Phi.

During all the time that Brother Stienecker was in school Grandma Propst made frequent visits to the House, giving to memorable occasions a more lasting impression through her presence, always arriving punctually and laden with flowers, table decorations and cheerful greetings. And whenever she was unable to attend some special celebration or Chapter anniversary, Grandma Propst always sent some token of her interest and good wishes.

It's difficult for her to visit now, for at



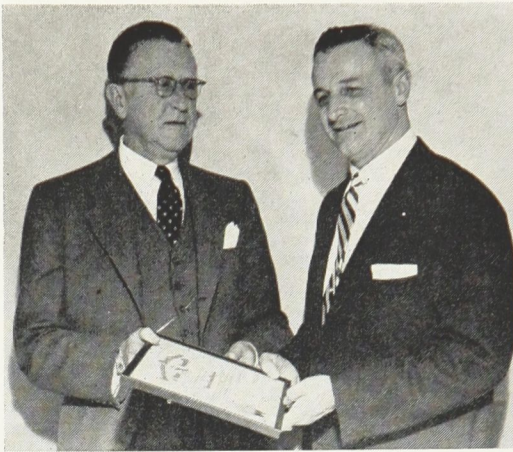
the age of 86 she is confined to a wheel chair. Yet she keeps still in touch with her ever increasing family of Alpha Sig "grandsons" which now includes grandson Charles L. Butler, Alpha Pi '43.

Her home has always been a place where Alpha Sigs have been welcome and she has carried on correspondence with many of the Brothers throughout the years. She has many pictures of "her boys" in her home and she remembers a great many of them at Christmas time and on their birthdays. Her return mail is abundant too and the post office requires but one address, "Grandma Propst, Attica, Indiana".

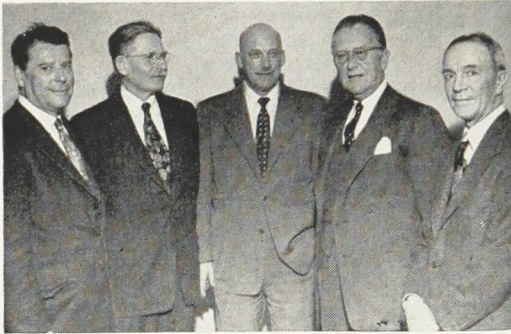
Few people have been so closely identified with the spirit of Eta Chapter as has this charming lady. At different times she has praised, admonished and consoled her various Alpha Sigs. Always a constant booster, she has been quick to analyze chapter shortcomings and, when able, has always been ready to give assistance or suggest improvements.

Wherever Eta men are, spread out across this broad land, they are united by this additional bond of common Fraternity experience. Grandma Propst has become a living tradition, passed on from class to class, and quite often from Alpha Sig to rushee.

As she reflects the spirit of unselfishness which marks our Brotherhood, and as she symbolizes the devotion of the mothers and wives of many of our Brothers, we salute Grandma Propst, in a tribute to all of the great ladies of Alpha Sigma Phi.



President of the University of Minnesota, James Lewis Morrill, Zeta '11, receiving the 1954 Distinguished Merit Award from Executive Secretary Ralph F. Burns, Epsilon '32.



At the dinner honoring Brother Morrill were, left to right, Thomas F. Galliger, Rho '17, Associate Justice of Wisconsin State Supreme Court; Paul Jaroscak, Rho '16, District Judge for Minnesota; John A. Weeks, Rho, '22, District Judge for Minnesota; J. Lewis Morrill, Zeta '11, President of the University of Minnesota; and Fred A. Ossanna, Rho '16, President of Twin City Rapid Transit Co.

Distinguished Merit Award to J. L. Morrill

The Grand Council selected as the fifth recipient of the Distinguished Merit Award, James Lewis Morrill, Zeta '11, President of the University of Minnesota.

The Distinguished Merit Award was established in 1950 to convey recognition by the Fraternity to those Brothers who have attained positions of prominence and distinction in their professional careers.

Executive Secretary Ralph F. Burns made the Award presentation at a dinner in Minneapolis honoring Brother Morrill.

The citation of the Award reads: "Brother of Zeta Chapter, Ohio State University, Distinguished Educator, Inspiring Teacher, Discerning Editor and Writer, Respected Advisor to Government, Community Leader, Helpful Counsellor of Youth, Efficient Administrator, International Leader in the Cause of Higher Education."

In addition to serving as President of Minnesota, Brother Morrill serves as President of the Association of American Universities.

Other recipients of the Award have been: Ralph S. Damon, Beta '16, President of Trans World Airlines; Robert G. Wilson, Beta '12, Past Imperial Potentate of the Shrine; Arthur S. Flemming, Epsilon '27, President of Ohio Wesleyan University and Chairman of Defense Mobilization; and William C. Mullendore, Theta '12, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Southern California Edison Company.



Sigs gathered from Minnesota and nearby Wisconsin for the banquet in Minneapolis honoring University of Minnesota President, James Lewis Morrill.

New Pledge Manual Is Prepared by Fraternity Staff

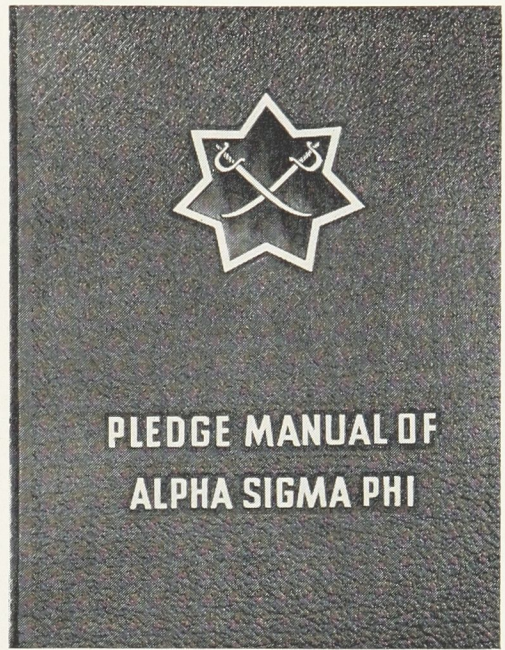
The newest addition to the Alpha Sigma Phi publications is a 104 page *Pledge Manual*. The book is approximately 7 x 9 inches in size and has a black leather cover stamped in gold.

This Manual was turned out by the Fraternity Office Staff during the summer, and its production may help to answer the question that is constantly asked of the three Secretaries, namely, "What do you do in the summer?" Lynn Arbeen of Illinois did four of the new drawings for the book.

The first pledge manuals of the Fraternity were written, probably in the '20s, by chapters for the use of their own pledges. Tau at Stanford and Iota at Cornell were leaders in this field.

However, it wasn't until soon after the merger of 1946 that the Fraternity itself produced a manual for the use of all chapters. This mimeographed manual was used primarily by the new chapters added to the roll by the merger.

Prior to the 1948 Convention, the Purdue Chapter offered to write a more complete and comprehensive manual for use by the entire Fraternity. At the Convention, the Grand Council appointed a committee of undergraduates, Robert Sartoris of Purdue, Alfred B. Wise of Baldwin Wallace (then at Ohio State), Robert M. Smith of Marshall, and William H. E. Holmes, Jr. of Purdue as chairman.



Through much correspondence and by using devious means of collecting data, the material was gathered and put into shape by the committee members, who afterwards met and decided upon the wording for all 80 pages between the hours of midnight and dawn one night in Columbus, Ohio. All was ready for review by the Executive Secretary and Grand Council by July, 1949. It might be added that nearly every Brother and Pledge of the Purdue Chapter was coerced into typing parts of the final draft. This paper bound manual was used, with minor revisions, for five years.

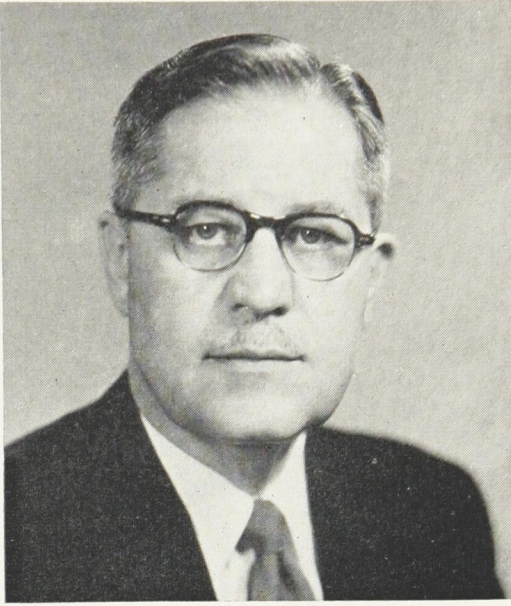
The current Manual was completely rewritten to be a source for all types of information concerning Alpha Sigma Phi. The history section was enlarged from 9 to 26 pages, due primarily to the inclusion of material from the Louis Manigault papers, and an enlarged section on the history of the *Tomahawk*.

Other additions were traditions of the Fraternity, founding dates of all fraternities and sororities, and a section on public relations taken from Alpha Sigma Phi's *Public Relations Manual*. A Pledge Creed was also an addition.

At the end of the Manual are eight pages of personal record of a man's pledgeship and initiation, his alma mater, and chapter history, to be filled in by each pledge.

The cost of the Manual is \$1.50, and it may be ordered from the Fraternity Office by any Brother desiring a copy.

Who's Who in America



OTIS L. ANDERSON, Xi '23

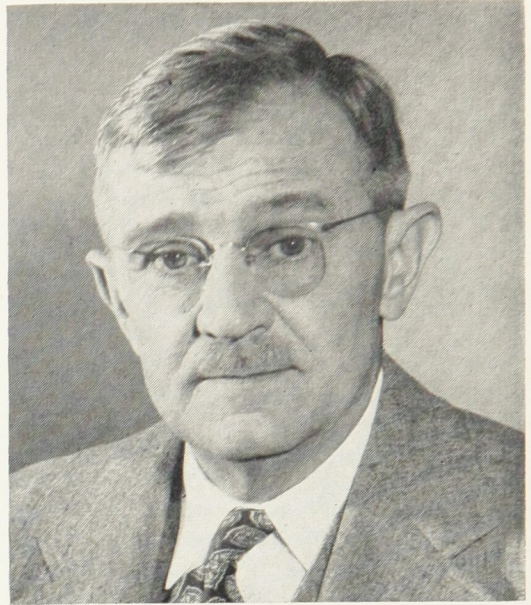
Brother Otis L. Anderson has been associated with the United States Public Health Service continuously since his graduation from the University of Nebraska College of Medicine in 1929 and subsequent to an internship at the United States Marine Hospital in Baltimore.

He was commissioned as an Assistant Surgeon in the Regular Corps on July 1, 1930, and has since served with various district offices throughout the country.

An Assistant Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service since 1949, his assignments with a number of State Departments of Health and Industries have especially qualified him for his present duties as Chief of the Bureau of State Services, to which position he was appointed in 1952.

Brother Anderson is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians and of the American Medical Association, a Diplomat of the American Board of Preventive Medicine and Public Health, and a member of numerous other professional societies.

His special appointments include the chairmanship of the Advisory Editorial Board of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, Consultant to the Committee on Professional Education of the American Public Health Association, and Vice President of the Armed Forces Relief and Benefit Association.



CARL B. BENDER, Beta Theta '31

After receiving his Bachelor of Science degree from Penn State in 1918, and after brief service as a farm manager, Brother Carl B. Bender became associated with the New Jersey Agriculture Experiment Station and with Rutgers, at which university he earned the Master of Science degree in 1924.

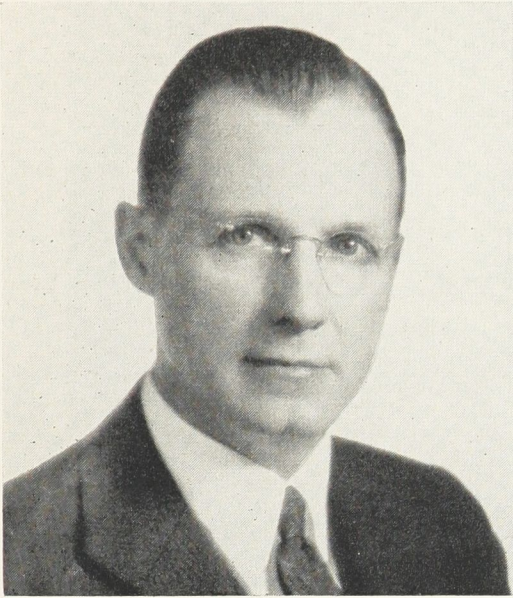
Brother Bender continued at Rutgers until 1951, at which time he was named an Honorary Professor in recognition of many years of outstanding service. During his tenure at Rutgers he served as the United States delegate to the Fourth International Grassland Conference held in England in 1937 and as New Jersey Advisor to the United States Regional Pasture Laboratory.

Upon leaving the teaching profession, Brother Bender became Director of Research in Grassland Farming for The Sperry Corporation, a position which has enlarged the field of his research activity to cover the entire United States.

Brother Bender is a member of the American Dairy Science Association, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Joint Committee on Grassland Farming, as well as Sigma Xi, the honorary fraternity recognizing scientific research.

Brother Bender was initiated as a Faculty Member on March 28, 1931, as a Charter Member of Beta Theta Chapter.

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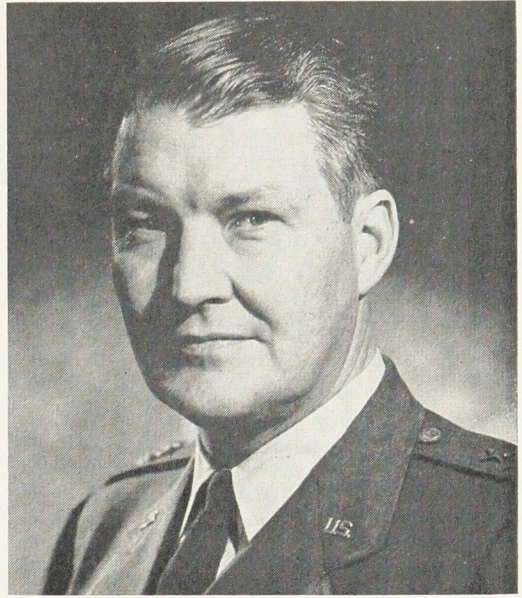
ARTHUR C. BEVAN, Epsilon '13

Brother Arthur C. Bevan was born just a figurative stone's throw from the present location of the national office of the Fraternity which he joined while an assistant in geology at Ohio Wesleyan University, his Alma Mater which later awarded him an honorary Doctor of Science degree.

For 18 years Brother Bevan was State Geologist of Virginia and he has served since 1947 as Principal Geologist for the Illinois Geological Survey, heading the Geological Resources Section of about 50 geologists. His field work has been done in all but five states and in all of the southern provinces of Canada.

Several professional and honorary societies have elected Brother Bevan to high-ranking positions, including the American Association for the Advancement of Science, of which he was vice-president and chairman of the Geology and Geography Section, and the National Research Council, of which he was chairman of the Division of Geology and Geography.

Brother Bevan, the author of numerous articles, finds relaxation in the many activities of a naturalist, supporting the theory that for most scientists science is both their vocation and their avocation. He did, however, deviate from that maxim by serving as President of the Trustees of Epsilon Chapter.



HOWARD G. BUNKER, Kappa '34

After one year at the University of Wisconsin, where he was initiated into Alpha Sigma Phi in the second semester of his freshman year, Brother Howard G. Bunker received an appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point.

He was graduated with the Bachelor of Science degree in 1928 at which time he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army, thus embarking upon a military career which has seen him advanced to his present grade of Major General.

From the very first he was associated with the air branch of the Army, beginning with his assignments at the Air Corps Flying School in 1928, and later as Research and Development Officer at Wright Field.

During the War he was connected with the Strategic Air Force Staff of the European Theatre, and then came an assignment as Deputy Chief of the Research and Development Division, Headquarters United States Air Force.

Formerly Commanding General of the Air Force Special Weapons Command and Deputy Assistant for Atomic Energy, he is now Deputy Inspector General, Norton Air Force Base, California.

His decorations include the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal and the Cross of War with Palm.



The new Alpha Sigma Phi home at Davis and Elkins College has living accommodations for thirty-five men. Gamma Delta Chapter has initiated 248 men into the Fraternity since it was chartered on April 2, 1949.

Davis and Elkins Buys Old Mansion

September 1, 1954, marks one of the red letter days in Gamma Delta's short five year history. On this day, the new chapter house at 430 Randolph Avenue was formally occupied. It took a great deal of long hard work by the active chapter along with the cooperation of our hard working alumni. Also in line for a good part of the credit are Professor Stephen P. Toadvine, Iota '19, one of our faculty advisors, and Phil Graziani, an alumnus of Gamma Delta who is practicing law in Elkins.

The new home has long been considered one of the finest buildings in Central West Virginia. The building is solid brick construction throughout with white granite trim and a slate roof. The first floor of the house contains two living rooms, a dining room, pantry, kitchen and trophy room. All of the furnishings downstairs are new and among them is a brand new piano, acquired through the cooperation of the alumni corporation. The second and third floors, which are the sleeping quarters for thirty-five brothers, consists of nine spacious bedrooms and seven baths with showers. Five of the baths have been modernized since the end of the war. Rounding out the inside

of the house are two separate cellars, one a rumpus room with a ping pong table, piano, pool table and several card tables, the other a laundry complete with washing machine, mangle, iron and several large wash tubs. Other features of the house include nine fireplaces, intercom system, a modern heating plant, plate glass windows throughout and a 21 inch television set. The property is completely landscaped with beautiful trees and shrubs including boxwood, silver birch, weeping willow, pines and oaks, while the house itself is covered with ivy during the spring and summer. The property has a frontage of 150 feet on the main street of Elkins and the rear overlooks the City Park. The condition of the building and grounds is excellent and to date there have been no expenses for repairs.

Gamma Delta had the distinction to be the first Fraternity on campus to purchase a chapter house and now adds to this, the first Fraternity to obtain its second home. The active chapter is proud of the work it and the alumni, without whom a new house would have been impossible, have done in five short years.

Third Thursday Thirsters Meet for Lunch in New York

Ed Shotwell, Alpha '20, Grand Historian of Alpha Sigma Phi not only records history but makes it as well. His memo to the Editor gives the following historical note:

A downtown group of the New York Alumni Council meets at noon on third Thursdays at the Hotel Martha Washington, 29 East 29th Street. At the final meeting for 1954 an election of officers was held and Dennis P. Donovan, Upsilon '23, better known as "Pete," riding on a well oiled political machine, was swept into office as President of the Third Thursday Thirsters (who thirst for knowledge) by a clear majority of two votes, no recount asked. The displaced leader of the group, Ed Shotwell, being one of the few members who can write, was made Secretary. Thus far no need for a Treasurer has been found as the Thirsters have neither cash nor credit.

For further information as to when the next third Thursday is (for those Sigs without calendars) Ed can be reached at 61 Broadway, New York City.

Beta Iota Successful In Varied Program at Tufts

Once again Beta Iota went over the top. Though less than 20% of the freshman class at Tufts displayed fraternity interests, we hit the jackpot with thirteen new pledges.

The annual Pledge Formal, held this year at Boston's Brunswick Lounge was "the" social event of the year so far. Distinctive programs and eye-catching mugs were the hit of the evening.

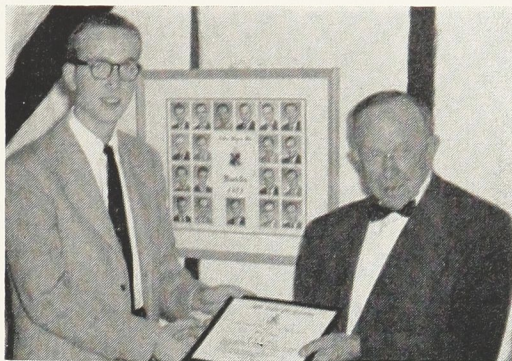
Harry Arlanson, Beta Iota's first H.S.P., started his college coaching career at his Alma Mater with a resounding 6-2-0 record including a victory over Amherst College undefeated in thirteen games over a two-year period. It appears that Harry is going to make a strong attempt to better his outstanding high school record which included eight undefeated seasons.

Dick Goguen, B.I.'s Veep, is doing an outstanding job as President of Tuft's Interfraternity Council.

Firetrucks for the boys and dolls for the girls showed that Santa hadn't forgotten the 40 underprivileged children of the Rugles' Street school in Boston. The ice cream moustaches topped by shining eyes were a well deserved tribute to those brothers who had worked so hard for our annual Christmas party.

Actives George Deemys, 5' 2" center forward on the soccer squad; and Dick O'Neil, top diver on the swim team are keeping the Alpha Sig name prominent in varsity sports. In the same category are Dick Hailer, guard on the undefeated frosh football team; and freshman Pete Stanley, 6' 6" center on the basketball team.

John A. Hickey, H.A.E.



Clifford T. Okey, Delta, '88, receiving the "Dean of Delta" plaque from H.S.P. Robert Lindamood of the Marietta Chapter.

Marietta Chapter Presents Award to Clifford T. Okey, '88

In commendation of outstanding Alpha Sig Alumni, Delta Chapter recently established an honorary organization entitled the "Deans of Delta."

In doing this, we wish to honor those men of Delta who have contributed in various ways to the development and distinctiveness of our Chapter and the National Fraternity as a whole.

On October 18 many local alumni, members of the active Chapter, and pledges joined in awarding Dr. C. T. Okey the first "Dean of Delta" title. We made this choice in view of Dr. Okey's outstanding career in the Medical profession at Columbus, Ohio, and because of his ceaseless "meritorious service to his Fraternity." Dr. Okey holds the Delta Beta Xi Award and holds the distinguished position of being the oldest living member of Alpha Sigma Phi, having met the "Old Gal" in 1888.

It is the men of his stature that make our Fraternity the fine organization that it is. Our congratulations!

"Wait till next year" is usually a term that is used by a team that has finished second best. But last year and this year both, it has been a team that has been looked upon in a favorable light. For two consecutive years, Delta Chapter has ruled the intramural football league. Losing but one man from last year's team, a seasoned aggregation carried the Cardinal and Stone to an undefeated season. With only three Seniors on this year's squad, there will be eleven "vets" back to carry out next year's seven man football battles.

Last year's team finished with an impressive 13-2 record. We scored 186 points and had 48 points scored against us. During that season we had ten shutouts and it would seem that to better that record would be almost impossible. But this year's team far outshone last year's. Scoring an average of over thirty points a game the second half of the season, Delta went undefeated in twelve games and scored 247 points and had just twelve points on the other side of the ledger.

Chris Krotzer, H.A.E.



The Alpha Sig Club at the University of Arizona, formed early last spring for the purpose of becoming a chapter of the Fraternity, held its first formal this fall. In line with the old Alpha Sigma Phi tradition, it was a Black and White Formal.

Arizona Alpha Sig Club Makes Remarkable Progress

The University of Arizona's Alpha Sig Club emerged from a smoldering, and to the eyes of the ordinary student at Arizona, practically non-existent state, and burst into a vigorous flame as they indulged in a series of feverish activities beginning with their homecoming float. The Club is determined that this challenge which they have met so successfully so far shall not end with any one success and then drift on its proverbial laurels. Rather they are making plans for the future which will pile successes one upon the other, making a tradition for the coming members of this organization to carry on as long as such fraternal organizations shall exist.

Upon assembling in September for the beginning of the 1954-55 academic year, the members of the Club discussed possible activities for the first semester, and as their first move into the Arizona fraternity circle, entered a basketball team in the intramural competition. This was a period of getting used to one another, finding out each others likes and dislikes, and laying a foundation on which to build a strong group.

On November 6th, the annual Homecoming parade at the University of Arizona was brightened by the presence of "Woodsons Combine" depicting Texas Tech's Red Raiders being mowed down by coach Warren Woodsons reaping machine. The Red Raiders were mowed beneath the level of the football field and ejected as sawdust from the rear of the machine. The Club won no trophy, but their prize was a much better knit group and a real feeling of satisfaction.

The flame of the Alpha Sig Club was burning at nearly its brightest on December 4th when it moved confidently into its first social function, the Black and White Formal. Preceded by a dinner, the dance was, so to speak, a howling success.

The following week the Club was making plans for the Alumni dinner which was held on December 11th. Grand Marshal Frank Hargear was the honored guest and Robert J. Quinn, Eta '12, and Joseph L. Picard, Eta '26, the alumni advisors to the Club were also present, and for the benefit of all the members of the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, the Club publicly extends their most sincere thanks of gratitude for the aid which they have extended in helping it through its period of organization.

A special word of thanks goes to Joseph L. Picard as our faculty advisor who was right at hand at all times to bolster the spirits when they were low. "Pic" was in the Eta Chapter at the University of Illinois, a graduate in the class of '27. He went to Illinois from the little town of Arcola, Illinois, which he terms as, "The train stop where the train slows down and you jump for the nearest haystack." After graduation he taught at Illinois for

Homecoming and Rush Big Success at Toledo

Beta Rho is going stronger than ever this year at Toledo University. After a successful upperclass rush season, seven men were initiated. Their names are Phil Baron, Bernie Driscoll, Al Hadden, Fred King, Dave Jagodzinski, Norm Klatt, and Jim Nyers.

Homecoming, too, was successful. The Sig float was featured during half time of the Homecoming game against Bowling Green State University. Sigs' theme was "Beat B.G. by George." On the float were Brothers "Salty" Schweibert and Ed Kevener who portrayed Liberate and George respectively. The candelabra, which was donated by a local theater, weighed 200 pounds.

Brother Don Abbajay, Chairman of Sig Campus Activities, came up with a colossal idea for Homecoming candidate campaigns. He initiated the use of technicolor slides of the candidate. The Sigs were again recognized as the leaders in Campus Activities.

In November, twenty-four were pledged to the "Old Gal." A new rushing system was devised for the Chapter by Rushing Chairman Mel Czajkowski and his Committee and proved quite successful.

On January 9, 1955, Beta Rho's undefeated I.F.C. Basketball team will defend its title against the other Greeks on campus. This year's team is sparked by Brothers Roth, Rick Rudey, and Sports Chairman Jim Wood.

Brother Charlie Ade, a returning veteran, planned a very successful "Apache Dance" a costume dress dance which is unequaled on Campus.

Beta Rho welcomed back many of its alumni at Founders' Day Banquet, an event planned by Brother Charles A. Leslie.

Mel Czajkowski, H.A.E.

several years and then came to Arizona where he has been teaching for the past twenty-five years. This teaching has been in the Physical Education Department directed toward the training of prospective coaches. When the Alpha Sig Club was born, "Pic" offered to devote part of his time toward helping it organize and thrive. As Faculty advisor he has done an outstanding job, and has been the real spark-plug to the organization.

With these few feathers in its cap, the Alpha Sig Club is shifting its concentration of effort for the next several months toward getting new members, and maintaining their scholastic average; then, of course, they expect to keep their heads above water in the social and intramural field also. Three men have been brought into the Club as pledges during the first semester: Barry Weiler, Joe H. Wolf, and Ricky Lyons.

With the highly appreciated backing that they have received from many of the members of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, the Alpha Sig Club hopes that the next time the organization from the University of Arizona is mentioned in the *Tomahawk*, it will be as an official chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Frank W. Lester, Secretary

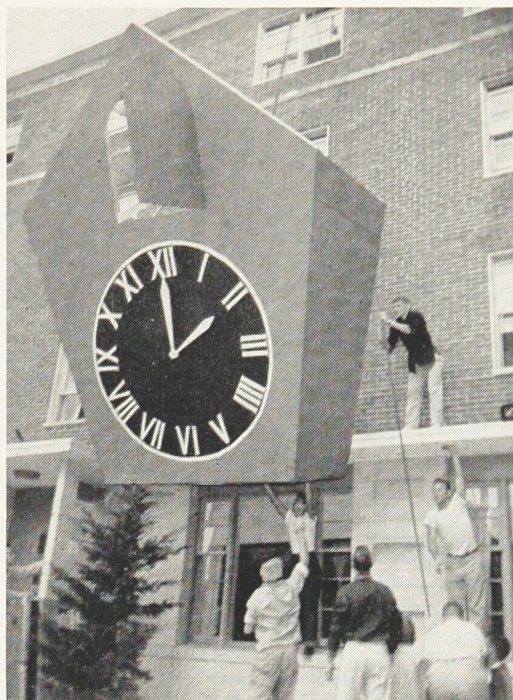
Charter Presented to Phi Chapter at Iowa State

Last May, Bill Holmes visited the Iowa State College campus for three weeks in order to obtain men to reform the Chapter which had been inactive since the War. On June 5th, with the aid of Ellwood Smith of the Fraternity Office, Dick Armitage and Edward Gasdorf of the Purdue Chapter, and alumni from ten different chapters, twenty-two Brothers were admitted to the Mystic Circle.

Thru the efforts of local alumni, Lewis Hawkins, Floyd Arnold, William Stacy, and John Quist, a house was obtained for rental during the summer months, and a housemother, Mrs. Oma M. Sermon, was obtained. (Editor's note: At first meeting Mrs. Sermon may say she really doesn't play bridge, and she may not do too well the first two hands, but watch out for the third and fourth—ask the men from Phi who offered to "teach" her how to play—they are now happy to "learn" from her. She is a great person.)

So when fall quarter rolled around the men moved into the house at 2717 West Street. To the tune of *This Old House*, which rang thru the halls from dawn to midnight, and from midnight to dawn as well, the "White House" was completely renovated by the men of Phi.

The enthusiasm of the group was visible to the whole campus, and as rushees pledged Alpha Sigma Phi, the Old Gal began to win some additional respect from the top fraternities on the campus. It might be added here, that the cooperation received from the Interfraternity Council and



Gamma Gamma men shown getting the Connecticut Homecoming display into place. The large cuckoo clock had a football dummy which oscillated mechanically in place of the cuckoo, and a large pendulum with the letters CONN.

from the Administrative Officers of the College was greater and more encouraging than Alpha Sigma Phi has found on any other campus. So the fraternities which helped our chapter start up again were quite proud when Alpha Sigma Phi justified their trust. And Alpha Sigma Phi was proud of her sixteen new pledges.

During Homecoming Weekend, the Chapter again received its Charter. Ralph Burns and Bill Holmes of the Fraternity Office, Bob Helms and Homer Allie of the Colorado Chapter, as well as alumni, parents, and friends of Phi Chapter were present when the Executive Secretary presented the Charter at the huge banquet.

On the following day, the Charter granting was celebrated by an Open House which gave the campus leaders an opportunity to see the progress which is being made by Phi.

Towards the end of the quarter, just before the Christmas Holidays, the newly organized Mothers Club surprised the chapter members and pledges. Packages began to arrive which contained many of the things which the house needed—all gifts were from the Mothers Club, and their project had been carried out in strict secrecy, more to surprise their sons.

So as the fall quarter drew to a close we reviewed it in our own minds and could not help but be a bit more proud of our Fraternity.

Richard Heidenreich, H.A.E.



Seated in front of the Charter at Missouri's Silver Anniversary are, left to right, Charter Member Walter G. Frerck, H.S.P. Nathan McGuire, and Charter Member Carl H. Diemer. Brother Diemer was elected Vice President of the Alumni Corporation and Brother Frerck was elected Treasurer.

Alpha Theta Celebrates Twenty-five Years at Missouri

It's been a year now since Alpha Theta moved from its former house to its present location at 1111 University Avenue.

And it's been twenty-five years since Alpha Theta was first recognized on the University of Missouri campus. On November 6, Alpha Sigs living in the new house celebrated the Silver Anniversary of the Chapter. And, they did it in a big way.

First, they put on coveralls and fatigues and remodeled which is now known as the Chuckle Room. Then it was a dingy basement and quite useless—now, it provides a place for the men to take their dates, to play ping pong, and to just have a good bull session.

Not thinking this was enough, the men then remodeled the front room of the house which is now comparable to any on campus.

Their effort was not in vain. About fifty alumni showed up and a lot of things were done. First, all they were pleased with the change from the "white elephant" to this new house. Second, they were pleased with the enthusiasm shown by both actives and pledges. Third, they were elated with the wonderful hospitality shown them. In every way, November 6 was a huge success for Alpha Theta.

After seeing what the younger Brothers were doing, the alumni got busy. They conducted a business meeting, elected officers and set forth a tentative program for Alpha

Theta's future. They plan to meet often during the year and will hold their next general meeting on Homecoming next year. The Alumni Corporation's new officers are President James A. Moore '30; Vice President Carl H. Diemer '29; Secretary Donald Konrad '47; Treasurer Walter G. Frerck '29; and Math Kaemmerer '37.

At the beginning of the fall semester Alpha Theta opened the term with one pledge. Now we have fourteen men in the house. Alpha Theta's had its ups and downs over the past twenty-five years but now with the assistance of the Alumni Corporation and with continued energy on the part of actives and pledges now in the house, Alpha Theta can see nothing but good luck over the horizon.

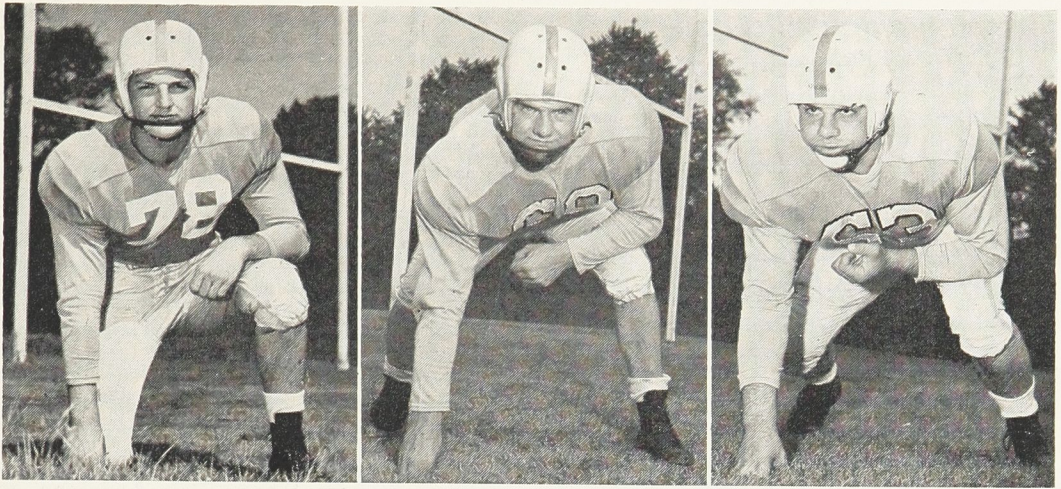
Jerry L. McVey, H.A.E.

Wagner Sigs Sponsor All-Campus Formal Dance

Our twentieth annual Free Fall Formal was the send off for the Alpha Sigs at Wagner for the 1954-55 school year. The theme of this traditional Fall dance was "Carnival." Brothers and pledges with their dates turned out in force the night before to help decorate the college gymnasium. A very difficult task was completed in a relatively short time with all the willing help we had. It was worth the time and energy expended to give the best "on campus" dance of the year. Several Brothers had devoted a good part of their summer vacations formulating plans and getting everything started. Brother Lou Siani and his orchestra supplied the music for the dance.

Once again, the Alpha Sigs had good representation on the Wagner football team. This year brothers Al Schroeder, Lars Larsen, Sal Vindigni, Don Roper, Charles McGeehan, Walt Sawicki, Karl Strobel and Ray Nelson did battle for the Wagner "Seahawks." This year saw Brother John Barbes move into the position of Head Football Coach at Wagner. Two other Alpha Sigs, Fred Bosshardt and Jim Keller, acted as manager for the team. Further in the line of Varsity sports, this year we have three Brothers on the Wagner Basketball team. Charles Domke, who was on last year's Varsity, and Brothers Lou Marcano and Ed Weinheimer, who moved up from the Junior Varsity to take their well-earned positions on the Varsity.

We welcomed fourteen men as Brothers this fall. They are: Ewald Borchers, Staten Island, N. Y.; Fred Bossardt, Preakness, N. J.; Stewart Lapham, Oradell, N. J.; Charles McGeehan, Englewood, N. J.; Louis Marcano, Bronx, N. Y.; Donald Roper, Staten Island, N. Y.; John Saia, Bronx, N. Y.; Walter Sawicki, Jersey City, N. J.; Robert Scariato, Hackensack, N. J.; Rio Sferrazza, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Arthur Sforza, Staten Island, N. Y.; Herbert Trebing, Flushing, N. Y.; Sal Tuzzo, Staten Island, N. Y.; and Edward Weinheimer, Little Silver, N. J. These men represented one of the largest



Lambda Men Captain Columbia's Lions three years in a row. Left to right, 1953 Captain Eugene Wodeshick, now a Second Lieutenant in the USMC; 1954 Captain Neil Opdyke; and 1955 Captain Fred Bucci.

pledge classes in the Chapter's history.

Brother Borchers' house was the scene of much activity in the weeks just prior to Homecoming. It was there that our plans for our entry in the Homecoming Float contest took definite shape. The hard work received dividends when we received third prize for our efforts.

Our H.S.P. Bill Heil, was one of the seniors from Wagner College who was nominated to *Who's Who in American Colleges*. Bill has been quite active around campus during his four years at Wagner, serving on many student committees and has held offices in other student organizations. Last year he was Editor of the college yearbook and is currently a member of the Wagner College Choir.

James Keller, H.A.E.

Columbia Football Captain Again from Lambda Chapter

Once again Alpha Sig takes the lead on the Columbia Gridiron. At the sports-writer's dinner honoring Lou Little's 25th year as Columbia mentor, it was announced that Brother Fred Bucci had been elected Captain of the 1955 football team. This honor has become a tradition at Lambda, so much so that we expect shortly that the team name will be changed from Columbia Lions to Lambda Lions. In 1953 Captain Gene Wodeshick (now 2nd Lieutenant, USMC) led the Iron Lions, supported by Quarterback Dick Carr and many other Alpha Sigs. This past season, Brother Neil Opdyke captained the Lions, leading such Lambda stalwarts as Georgia Seitz, Don Nunziato, Jay Carroll, Dick Carr, Fred Bucci, and Denny Haggerty. All of our three captains have been guards. Perhaps this will become part of the tradition.

H.S.P. Joe Savino has been a varsity track man for three years now (Med. Schools take note), combining his outstanding shot-putting abilities with his

magnificent six minute mile (he looks like a General Sherman tank going around the track).

These men have been a constant source of pride to Lambda and have attracted much attention from among the alumni brothers. This year we had two cocktail parties, one at Homecoming and the other at the close of "the" season, honoring our players. Both were well attended by the alumni.

At this writing, the Chapter quarters are undergoing the "ordeal" of a Bowery Brawl. Brother Seitz, Social Chairman, has in the past distinguished himself as a connoisseur of such affairs and no doubt has surpassed his past achievements.

At the beginning of the semester we initiated Brothers Jay Carroll, Bronx, N. Y.; Tony Cappelli, Utica, N. Y.; Howard Loeb, New York City. Jay has proven to be a valuable addition to the "Lambda" Lions, while Tony, a member of the Columbia Marching Band, is one of the vestiges of that near extinct species known as the "Ford Scholar." Howie plays a mean piano and bids fair to give Brother Mike Sierchio some stiff competition as chapter pianist. Among our musical achievements, in addition to some melodious singing under the baton of Brother Mike Sierchio, we have a creation to our credit, concocted by Denny Haggerty and Joe Zielezienski. It's a sonata for cocker-spaniel and two fraternity men, euphemistically entitled, "Moondog." Brother Bill Gregory is President of the campus ham station, W2AEE.

On the non-athletic side, Lambda is ably represented on Columbia's Student Board by Jim Cuff from Buffalo, N. Y. In addition, we boast two charter members of the newly-formed Alpha Phi Omega Chapter at Columbia, Herb Jonnson (Captain, AF-ROTC) and Bill Rindone (1954 Convention Delegate, Speaker, and General Party-goer). Both are now suffering the pangs of exam anticipation in their first semester at Columbia Law School.

Bill Rindone, H.A.E.

Homecoming is Big Fall Activity at Oregon State

The big activity this fall was Homecoming, which included the annual University of Oregon-Oregon State grid struggle. The big project was the Homecoming sign representing the theme of "Beaver Trix Make It Six." The completed sign had the O.S.C. Beaver on the left and the University of Oregon Duck on the right. Five dead ducks were hung from the balcony to represent the past five straight wins from Oregon. As a prelude to Homecoming some of the University of Oregon boys decided to disrupt our Homecoming activities by attempting to burn the Rook (Freshman) Bonfire before scheduled, but when caught by the Beavers they were soon a sorry looking bunch of Ducks. The incident promoted an abundance of spirit toward what turned out to be a great Homecoming. The main factor which made a great Homecoming for us at Psi Chapter was the large turnout of alumni.

Fall term has seen many social activities. A dinner for the married Brothers was given at the first of the year. The big dance of the term was the "Beach Combers Ball," which was presented by the pledges, and had decorations which included such things as a life size whale, beach sand, and palm trees. Plans for future social events are being made for the "Communist Party" being held winter term and an alumni banquet held in Portland during the Christmas Holidays.

On the O.S.C. varsity swimming team, we have Chuck Neale and Frank Wilson. Also, not in the water but on it, we have Bill Eskew a member of the O.S.C. crew team. Here at Oregon State, intramural sports are a big attraction and promote plenty of competition. The Brothers here at Psi Chapter have proven themselves high in competitive accomplishments, by winning top honors in their league in volley ball.

Mark DeCew, H.A.E.

Award Winner Ramsey Elected H.A.E. for Third Time

Fall Quarter 1954 got off to a great start with our H.S.P. Jim Hughbanks returning from the Convention with one of the five awards given at the Convention, The Tomahawk Award.

In Rush Week we pledged thirty-three "staunch, stalwart lads" who looked forward to a gay year of dances, parties, exchanges, and studies. We got a good representation of pledges from throughout the state and even one from California. Under the guidance of Pledge Trainers Jim Cruver, Keith Rice, and Dan Meredith, the pledges pitched right in and started their lessons. They elected Tommy Tucker, President; Frank Mocer, Vice President; and Bill Booth, Secretary.

By the active Chapter's "splurge" during finals of spring quarter, we advanced the Chapter grade point to 2.89—up twelve

places in the I.F.C. listing of fraternities. We are now above the All-Fraternity Average and intend, we hope, to stay there. Brother Joe McGarrigle won the Chapter Scholarship Trophy with a Grade Point of 3.85 for Spring Quarter.

Athletically speaking the men of Mu came through with five Alpha Sigs on the football team including the starting tackles Gene Pedersen and George Strugar; full-back Bob Graf; center Rich Hammermaster; and guard Milt Yanicks. On the Frosh Squad saw three pledges, Dean Blair, Ray Lotto, and Ray Ohman. Fall crew turnout saw letterman Dave Purnell keeping his seat in the No. 1 boat and JV letterwinner Wayne Waters fighting for the Varsity Cox position. In track letterman Gene Hammermaster raced in the Annual Cross Country and finished just behind the Drake Relay's mile winner. With basketball turnout starting, it saw Pledge Bob Anderson on the Frosh Squad and Brother Strugar turning out with the Varsity.

While all this is going on Social Chairmen Gordy Douglas and Bob Dailey have kept us jumping with the Pledge Dance, Halloween Witch Dance, Barn Dance, Homecoming Dance, and numerous firesides.

And to close off this successful quarter we held our semi-yearly elections. The new officers are H.S.P. Wyman K. Dobson, H.J.P. Norm Nobach, H.M. Dino "Dean" Martin; H.S. Steve Wood, H.C.S. Gene Hammermaster, H.A.E. yours truly again!

Dick Ramsey, H.A.E.

Underprivileged Children Entertained by Eta Chapter

Underprivileged children from the Marquette School were entertained at a Christmas party given by Alpha Sigma Phi and the Indeco Girls' House on December 12. Entertainment for the afternoon was under the direction of Jim Holste and C. P. Hartman. Near the end of the party Santa Claus made his appearance and passed out gifts to the children. When the time came to leave, the children were not all eager to go, but they thanked us courteously and a few even spoke of "next time." Take it from me, it is quite heartwarming to have a five-year old, underprivileged child come up to you and say, "Why don't you come see me some time?"

Not only did the children have a good time, but the Alpha Sigs and the girls from Indeco found the party to be a very gratifying experience. We cannot help but feel that this type of charity in the future will help our house command even higher respect on campus. Hats off to Mike Dougherty, initiated at Alpha Zeta, for his work as Chairman and coordinator.

On October 15 Eta's twenty-nine pledges gave their annual dance. The theme was "Old Heidelberg." The entire first floor was decorated in a very novel manner to portray a truly German atmosphere, and German costumes added the final touch.

For Dad's Day on October 23rd Illinois

defeated Syracuse to add to the festivity of the day. The climax of the celebration was the banquet held in the evening. We feel that our dads went home feeling very endeared toward the Fraternity for the warm hospitality which we showed them.

The Black and White formal, which we understand is rapidly becoming a national custom in Alpha Sigma Phi, proved itself worthy of its fame the first time the theme was employed here at Eta. The men in formal attire and their dates wearing either black or white formals left an impression of beauty and richness which will not be soon forgotten. We are rather sure that the "Black and White" is here to stay at Eta. Once again Alpha Sigma Phi's winter formal proved to be both original and tops in campus formals.

Don A. Fischer, H.A.E.

American Starts Campaign To Build Chapter House

Beta Chi has just begun a campaign to build a chapter house at American University. This campaign will be kicked off with the first issue of "The Alpha Sig Diplomat" the Chapter's proposed newsletter.

A fund has already been set up called: The Warren Brown Memorial Fund. Warren Brown was an alumnus of the Beta Chi Chapter who was killed while serving as a reserve officer in the Air Force. Warren was always an outstanding fraternity man as well as being liked by everyone and active in the affairs of the campus. He was a busy member of the drama department and for that reason we plan to produce an all-male variety show during the spring session. The proceeds will go toward building the new house.

We are located on a campus that is rapidly expanding and the pace is a fast one. The house is still in the idea stage and the Chapter is working for a positive plan. We will gladly accept any proposals that may be known by any of the other Chapters or members of Alpha Sigma Phi.

After six weeks of hectic rushing, Beta Chi at American University pledged twenty-three men. The total membership of Brothers and pledges now stands at fifty, the largest fraternity group on the campus.

Our social activities began with a "Guy's and Doll's" party. Every party this year is to be a take-off on a Broadway play.

December's calendar was filled. On Founders' Day Alumni Secretary William H. E. Holmes spoke at the annual banquet. Birthdays of the membership were celebrated—all this culminated with the Christmas Formal. Irene Kjersgaard, Delta Gamma, who is pinned to Brother Joe Shaheen, H.J.P., was chosen Beta Chi Dream Girl for 1954-55.

Homecoming was enjoyed with an open house and taking second prize in the float contest. This year's theme was a gold ship with a red sail sailing into a golden sunset—"Red Sails in the Sunset."

In campus activities this year were Joe Shaheen, Comptroller of Student Council; Willard Scott, Treasurer of the Senior Class; Jay Guy, President, and Milt Cerny, Treasurer of the Junior Class; Sonny Bell and Massey Loughman, Vice President and Treasurer, respectively, of the Sophomore Class; John McQuiston, Vice President, and Bob Overton, Treasurer of the Freshman Class.

Jay Guy, H.A.E.

Gamma Gamma Wins Connecticut Greek Sing

Gamma Gamma Chapter captured first place in the annual Greek Sing, which is held each year among the fraternities at the University of Connecticut. In the past three years, our Chapter has had the misfortune of being runner up in this coveted award, so it was extremely gratifying to come out on top.

The recent Homecoming saw the greatest return of alumni back to the Chapter House. Highlighted during the Week-end was the honoring of Brother Bill Dion, tackle on the University of Connecticut football team. Bill had an excellent season, playing in all the games and twice winning the distinction of "Lineman of the Week." Hence a great deal of work was put into the Homecoming display.

Prior to the Christmas recess, we held a Christmas party for the underprivileged children in the surrounding communities. During the affair, Brother Ronald Mocadlo led them in the singing of different carols, and Christmas presents were given to them. A number of the Brothers' girls helped us in entertaining the children.

Our Chapter was honored in a somewhat indirect way this summer when Miss Dorothy Ann Hopkins was chosen as Miss Connecticut of 1954 and took part in the Miss America Contest. Miss Hopkins is wearing Brother Ronald Taft's fraternity pin. Of course, we all agree, along with Ron, that Miss Hopkins will always be a "Sweetheart of Alpha Sig."

In activities we saw Peter Grundy elected a senator to the Student Senate here on campus. Kenneth Uliasz was elected Secretary of Pi Tau Sigma, an honorary engineering society, and Edward Sopneski gained the recognition of Commander in the Air Command Squadron, which is affiliated with the Air Force ROTC.

During the Fall semester, the Alpha Sigs have already pledged twenty-two men which is about tops on our campus this semester. Six of these men have been initiated and the remaining ones will be initiated at the beginning of the Spring Semester. It is expected that a large number will be pledged at that time also.

Officers for the Fall Semester were: H.S.P. Charles Roth, H.J.P. John Kendros, H.E. James Peterson, H.S. Philip Curran, H.M. James Hagerty, H.A.E. Donald Welton, H.C. Edward Sopneski, and H.C.S. Kenneth Uliasz.

Donald Welton, H.A.E.

Entire Buffalo Chapter Donates Blood to Red Cross

One of Alpha Sigma Phi's five cardinal principles is to promote patriotism. Gamma Epsilon has exemplified this principle by donating blood to the Red Cross. All thirty eight active brothers gave a total of nineteen quarts of blood, which in our estimation gives us the boast, "Bloodiest chapter in the Fraternity."

Not only have we given our precious blood, but also six of our active brothers have joined the Armed Services during the past year.

Scholastically speaking, several of our brothers have been accepted in Law, Medical and Dental schools. Our record remains. Every brother that has ever applied for Graduate School has been accepted, without question.

Gamma Epsilon has placed an undisputed first in the University of Buffalo's annual Inter-Fraternity Sing. This is not all that will be heard from the "Alpha Sig 13," who plan to tour surrounding schools.

Athletically speaking, the chapter has maintained its usual high rating by becoming the campus Intramural Basketball champions. Along with this we placed second in football and baseball.

Joseph Ferlisi was named head of Norton Union Programming Committee and Brother Cupolo is chairman of the Tournament Committee. Brothers Frank Cicero and Joe Pepperone were elected to the Board of Managers and Brothers Ferlisi and Genco were elected to the "Bisonhead," the University's Honorary Society.

So, this last semester has been one of progress and accomplishment for Gamma Epsilon.

Andrew E. Braunschweiger, H.A.E.



Past Grand Senior President Wilbur H. Cramblet was greeted by a group of Beta Delta men when he visited Huntington. From left to right are, David Ramsey, James Cain, H.S.P. Coleman Goodman, Dr. Cramblet, H.S. George Smith, H.C.S. William Evans, and H.E. David Humphreys. Brother Cramblet is Most Worthy Grand Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star and was in town for the annual meeting of the Grand Chapter of West Virginia.



Brothers united in action to extinguish the one hundred and nine candles on the Alpha Alpha Chapter's Founder's Day cake. H.S.P. Nick Fox, Grand Secretary Calvin Boxley, Oklahoma '23, and Past Grand Senior President Wilbur Cramblet, Yale '12, are doing the honors.

Wake Forest Sigs Active In All Phases of Campus Life

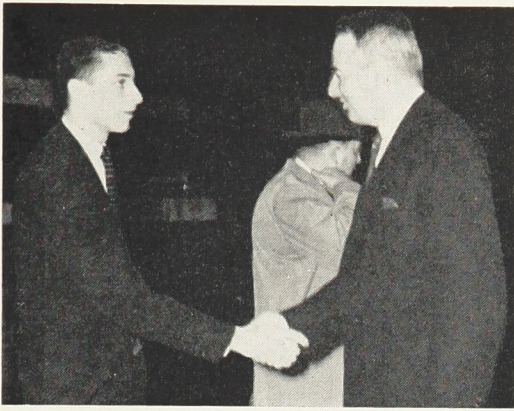
The Beta Mu Chapter at Wake Forest began the 1954 fall semester with twenty-eight Brothers and two pledges. Thirteen pledges were added to the roll in the fall rushing.

The fall term has been highlighted thus far by parties, serenades, sports, and Homecoming Week-end. During the latter, the returning alumni were honored at a dinner, welcomed at the Fraternity open house, and entertained at the parties. The Homecoming decorations, second place winners at Wake Forest, were highly complimented.

This year, Beta Mu boasts of having four campus leaders. Brother Jack Behrmann is President of the Interfraternity Council, Brother Bill Aldrich is President of the Junior Class; Brother "Abe" Elmore is President of the Varsity Monogram Club and Brother "J. C." Turner is President of Scabbard and Blade Society of R.O.T.C. plus Secretary of the Monogram Club.

The Homecoming decorations this year were composed of the theme of knighthood. A castle was built which covered half of the house, in the foreground was a life-size drawing of two knights in mortal combat—the black and gold knight representing Wake Forest and the blue and white knight representing Duke University. Above the castle hung a scroll with these words written in old English: "For t'was during the age of conquest that the gold and black knight did defeat Sir Duke of Durham." The castle was complete with drawbridge, moat, portcullis, flags and the castle entrance covered the house entrance. The decorations won second place; the voting was very close—we lost first place by one vote.

George E. Clayton, H.A.E.



H.S.P. Roger Waddill of Davis and Elkins greets Chairman of Defense Mobilization Arthur S. Fleming, Epsilon, '27, following the inauguration of President D. K. Allen of Davis and Elkins College.

Arthur Flemming Visits Davis and Elkins Chapter

First semester rushing was held early in October and Alpha Sig came out on top again in number of men pledged with fourteen. The reason for the number being so small is that a man must have twelve hours of credit to be eligible for rushing. With the addition of these new pledges our Chapter strength stands now at eighty.

At the present time, one active and five pledges are performing on the Davis and Elkins basketball team. Brother Bill "Zeefe" Salisbury was elected Senator of Davis and Elkins College. The Senator is the symbol of the school and makes his appearance at each basketball game dressed in high hat and tails to aid the cheerleaders with his crazy antics.

During the Mountain State Forest Festival, held annually in Elkins, the Brothers were busy selling coke to the many thousand visitors in town for this gala event. Stands were set up at various spots throughout the city and in the two days of selling, enough money was made to buy a new vacuum cleaner and a few new pieces of furniture.

Social Chairman, "Bing" Crosby, has been doing a bang-up job providing the Brothers with the lighter side of college life. The first event of the year was the Hayride, after which the Brothers brought their dates back to the house for dancing and refreshments. Following this was our annual Open House, at which some two hundred and fifty people dropped in to look the house over and enjoy refreshments consisting of punch, hors d'oeuvres, coffee, cake, cookies, and candies.

Our Founders' Day Banquet was held on December 6, and about a hundred were in attendance, among them were several Brothers from the Alpha Kappa Chapter and a few alumni from the Beta Nu Chapter. During the inauguration of the new president of the College we held an informal open house. One of our more dis-

tinguished Sigs, Arthur Fleming, was the guest speaker and after the ceremonies he visited with the Brothers at the house.

Our new officers for this year are: H.S.P. Roger Waddill, H.J.P. Charles Q. Martin, H.E. Frederick Joh, H.S. George MacKay, H.C.S. Herbert Kresser, H.M. John Kelley, H.A.E. Ed Knoeppel, and H.C. Ed Gardella.

Several Brothers have distinguished themselves on the campus. Brothers Waddill, Gardella and Petrali were elected to *Who's Who in American Colleges* and Brother Kresser was elected to The Golden Circle, men's honorary scholastic fraternity.

This year has started off in great fashion and every Brother is doing his part to make it the best yet.

Edmond H. Knoeppel, H.A.E.

Penn Honors N.I.C. Chairman Lloyd Cochran at Luncheon

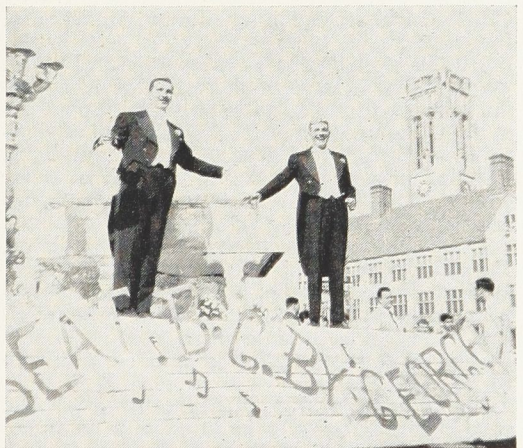
We at Omicron were quite proud to honor Brother Lloyd Cochran at a testimonial luncheon given him on December 4th here in Philadelphia. The luncheon, sponsored by Omicron alumni, was held at the Union League and attended by some fifty men from Penn, Penn State, and Lehigh. Omicron actives present were Brothers Ryan, Moomaw, Daniels, Bunzel, Wickersty, Williams, and Pendergrast.

Our Christmas formal at the chapter house on December 11th was made a success through the decorating efforts of Brothers Parks, Hess, Wickersty, and Bunzel. Highlight of the evening was the choosing of our sweetheart, July Johnston, date of Brother Joe Moomaw.

Our congratulations also went to Brother Bruno Dario, who was voted the Most Valuable Player on Penn's soccer team.

The present chapter officers are H.S.P. Dick Pendergrast; H.J.P. Joe Moomaw, H.S. Mel Williams, and H.E. Bill Wickersty.

Dick Pendergrast, H.S.P.



The Toledo float theme was "Beat B.G. (Bowling Green) by George," and Brothers Schweibert and Kevern portrayed Liberace and George. The candelabra weighs 200 pounds.



The recently purchased house at the University of Kentucky. Sigma Chapter has initiated 365 men into the Fraternity since it was chartered on January 4, 1917.

Cornell Pledges Participate In Many Campus Activities

Cornell Sigs returned to Rockledge a week or so before classes started in the fall in order to repaint the rooms in the house and put the chapter house in top shape for rush. A new rug for the upper lounge and new furniture for the library helped to provide the proper touch for the successful rush.

The nineteen new pledges are: Charles Crane, Don Fleischer, Bob Forsythe, Ken Keoughan, Jerry Linsner, Dave Miller, Bill Niese, Darwin Novak, Bill Paul, Carl Pfirrmann, John Romanacce, Pete Schlenker, Axel Schilze, Russ Taft, Don Grebner, Harry Clinton, Skip De Young, John Almert, and Bill Lauck.

Bill Paul made the Frosh basketball team, while Jerry Linsner and Pete Schlenker are out for frosh crew positions, and Bob Forsyth is competing for the Cornell Corinthian Sailing Club. Russ Taft, a junior, is on the cross country team, and another junior, Bill Lauck is managing the cross country squad.

Don Grebner is a member of Orpheus, Cornell's Freshman glee club, and Harry Clinton is in the Big Red Band. Carl Pfirrmann is on the social committee of the Willard Straight Student Union, and Darwin Novak is on the photographic committee of Student Union.

Along athletic lines, Iota compiled a 3-2 record in its football league. Tony Diamond finished first out of some sixty contestants in the intramural cross country race.

Highlights of the social calendar have been a Homecoming party for which about one hundred alumni returned; Fall House-

party Weekend; and the Pledge Formal, which featured a tree rush during which the pledges came storming down the icy driveway with a flaming Christmas tree, which after much effort on the part of the Brotherhood was finally extinguished.

George R. Bradley, H.A.E.

Beta Sigma at Cincinnati Experiences Progressive Year

Beta Sigma at the University of Cincinnati pledged fifteen men this fall. This raised the number of pledges to twenty-three. Since the Chapter has only twelve actives at present, the situation presents some problems. The University of Cincinnati operates under the co-operative work system which puts about half of the actives out of town at one time. However, these problems are gradually working themselves out to the satisfaction of all concerned.

This fall Beta Sigma initiated two men, Brothers Otte P. A. Rozenkrantz, and Thomas E. First. Unfortunately however, Brother Rozenkrantz has been forced to withdraw from school due to ill health.

For the first time in three years the Chapter entered a float in the Homecoming Parade. Intramural sports is another activity which Beta Sigma re-entered this year. The social program has been expanded; the Cincinnati Chapter has thrown a number of parties, not the least of which was the Shipwreck Party. Also on the list of parties was the annual Christmas Party and of course, the Founders' Day Banquet which was held this year on December 4.

Morgan F. Bryan, H.A.E.



Gathered at Psi Chapter for the 78th birthday party for the Chapter Founder, Edward B. Beaty, were officials of Oregon State College and their wives. Left to right, they are, Dean of Men Daniel Poling, Dean of Administration E. B. Lemon, Mrs. Lemon, Brother E. B. Beaty, Psi '20, Mrs. Beaty, Mrs. Williams, and Professor George A. Williams.

Ohio State Alpha Sigs Entertain Children at Party

Christmas wouldn't be the same without kids to enjoy it, so Zeta invited a group of children from Neighborhood Community House in south Columbus to a party on December 11. One of the leaders of this group, an accomplished amateur magician, put on a show that both the kids and the fraternity enjoyed. The afternoon ended with ice cream and cookies for the children, after which Zeta presented a check for \$50.00 to the Center as our Christmas present.

Rush week came and went, leaving twenty men wearing the star and crossed swords.

Early in the quarter our advisor, "Doc" Higgy of the Electrical Engineering Department entered the hospital for an eye operation. During his absence, Professor Luther Evans of the Philosophy Department acted as advisor and hoped, along with the rest of us, for "Doc's" recovery. Just in time for Christmas, Mr. Higgy was back on the job; certainly this was Zeta's best Christmas present.

One of the high points of the quarter came at dinner on December 6 when Dr. Clifford Okey, Delta '88, was awarded Delta Beta Xi. "Doc" is our oldest living Alpha Sig, and one of the men who helped install Zeta Chapter at Ohio State.

At the last Chapter meeting of the quarter, elections were held. New officers installed were: H.S.P. Tom Ream, H.J.P. Norm Freeman, H.E. Jack Johnston, H.S.

Jerry Klein, H.C.S. Bill Nichol, and
Bob Hanlon, H.A.E.

Oregon State Chapter Founder Honored by Psi

Professor emeritus of mathematics, Edward B. Beaty, Psi '20, and Mrs. Beaty were feted with a dinner in honor of his 78th birthday, by Psi chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity at Oregon State College.

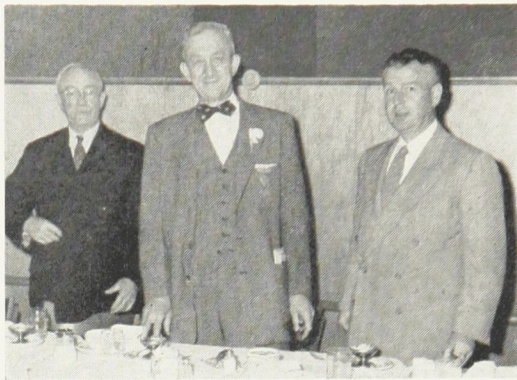
Brother Beaty holds roster number one of Psi Chapter, which he was greatly instrumental in founding in May, 1920. Through these continuing years Brother Beaty has continued to render unselfish and unlimited support to Psi Chapter in many ways, but chiefly through his motivation of the chapter alumni group known as the "Psi Association."

Outside of the Brotherhood of Alpha Sigma Phi; Brother Beaty's activities with the DeMolays, Masons, Church and College groups has made him a national figure and won him much acclaim in these fields.

A large cake appropriately decorated for the occasion was dedicated by Brother Gordon Bardy with words of appreciation for Brother Beaty's service to Psi Chapter and a bouquet of Talisman roses was given to Mrs. Beaty.

Among the distinguished guests present to honor Brother Beaty were: Dean of Administration, E. B. Lemon and Mrs. Lemon; Dean of Men, Daniel Poling; Professor George A. Williams and Mrs. Williams; and the chapter members and pledges.

Mark DeCew, H.A.E.



The East Bay Council of the San Francisco and Bay Area Alumni Council had the honor of entertaining Past Grand Senior President Wilbur H. Cramblet at their regular monthly luncheon in October. Left to right, Judge Thomas J. Ledwich, Nu, '13; Wilbur H. Cramblet, Alpha '12, and Grand Senior President Emmet B. Hayes, Tau '31.



Grand Senior President Emmet B. Hayes, left, with five Delta Beta Xi Award recipients at the Los Angeles Alumni Council Founder's Day banquet at Ciro's, Gene Winchester, U.C.L.A. '39; John R. Hoyt, U.C.L.A. '29; Charles Mitchell, Nebraska '21; W.H.T. Holden, Yale '15; and Maurice Inman, Washington, '21. Both Brothers Holden and Mitchell have served as Editor of the Tomahawk.



Fifty-six San Francisco and Bay Area Sigs turned out at a special luncheon to welcome home Grand Senior President Emmet B. Hayes from the Fraternity Convention.

California Has Dinner for New G.S.P. Emmet B. Hayes

Renewal of old friendships was the keynote of a special alumni dinner sponsored by Nu Chapter last November 18. A group of twenty-five Bay Area alumni of the "Old Gal" more than adequately disposed of a fine meal of roast beef and apple pie. Grand Senior President Emmet Hayes was present, and gave a short talk on the history of the national fraternity. Judge Thomas Ledwich, who has been president of the Alumni Corporation for many years, also spoke urging more active participation in the vital alumni group by younger men.

Later in the evening the alumni were entertained by color movies of the 1953 Cal-Stanford Big Game shown by senior Jack Stirton and by pledges Jim Hitchcock and Stu Burr.

Rounding out a very successful career at the University of California is Nu Chapter's H.S.P. Gordon Gill. Gordy established two University records in water polo during the fall term. The all-round athlete, who is also a two year letterman in baseball, scored 63 points in 18 games for season total point record, and 10 points in a single game against College of the Pacific for a one-game scoring record. He has been placed for the second year on the Northern California All Star Team. Gordy was second string All Coast in 1953 and, although the 1954 aggregation has not been selected, he seems sure to gain honors as a first string forward.

Cal's 1954 water polo team had one of the most successful seasons in the school's history. They finished competition with a 17-1 record, losing only to U.S.C. The southern school had one of the strongest teams in the history of the sport, but the Cal club rose to the occasion and beat them in their second encounter, 6-5. The two teams tied for the Pacific Coast Conference championship.

Arnie Evans, H.A.E.

Beta Delta Pledges Class of Twenty Four Men at Marshall

Beta Delta Chapter got off to a flying start this fall. Formal rushing lasted for two weeks and at the end of that time we sent out twenty bids. Out of this twenty we got eleven men. Then open rushing started and so far we've picked up thirteen men for a total pledge class of twenty four, the second largest on campus and the largest for Beta Delta Chapter in five years.

Homecoming was next and for two days a great time was had by all. Saturday, after the ball game, the Mothers' Club had an open house for the members and Alumni and we were happy to greet many of the alumni.

In intramurals, we're third in total fraternity sports. Our volleyball team finished second in fraternity competition and our touch football team, after a bad start, has settled down and is playing good ball.

We're looking forward to basketball season as we really have a good team this year.

Socially, we had our informal Western Party on November 6 at one of the local country clubs. Our fall formal was held on December 3rd with Delta Sigma Epsilon Sorority.

So, we at Marshall are really looking forward to a great year if the first part is any indication.

Bill Evans, H.A.E.

U.C.L.A. Sigs Attend Founder's Banquet at Ciro's

Returning from their vacation in August the men of Alpha Zeta got down to the business of rushing. Fourteen men were pledged this semester, thanks to the efforts of our Rush Chairmen, Brothers Don Ad-dington, Jack Horger, and Dick Brenner.

With rushing out of the way and the school year in full swing, the Brothers could then turn their attention to other activities.

Thanks to our Social Chairman, Brother Ron Hart, the Alpha Zeta social calendar was full. Two costume parties held at the House highlighted the semester.

On December 4th, the Brothers and their dates spent an unforgettable evening at the Los Angeles Alumni Council's Founders' Day Banquet held at Ciro's, but even this event was eclipsed the following Friday when we assembled at the Beverly Hills Hotel for the Winter Formal.

The House also co-sponsored an open house with Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority for the benefit of the United States 1956 Olympic Team. The event turned out to be very successful, thanks to the hard work of Brothers John Smith and Ron Abshire and the support of the Kappas.

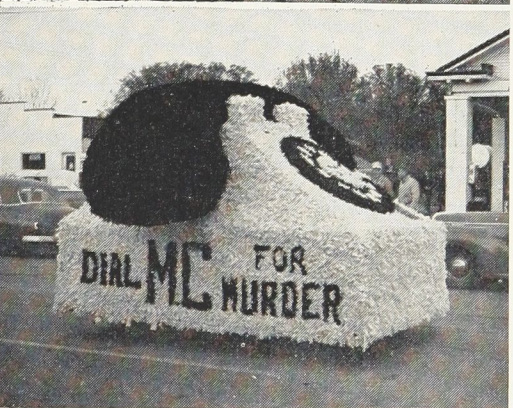
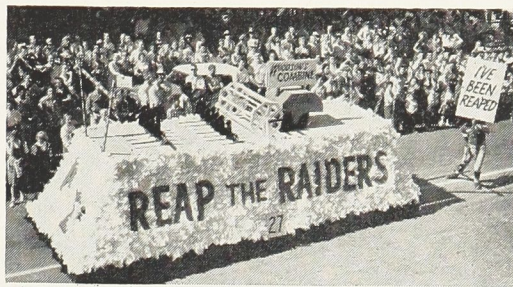
During Homecoming this fall an old west atmosphere prevailed over the Westwood Campus. As a float in the annual parade Alpha Zeta entered a stage coach pulled by live horses, and being attacked by our pledges dressed as Indians. The float proved to be very popular; its picture appeared in one of the daily newspapers.

Alpha Zeta can be proud of its tennis double teams of Dick Brenner and Dave Compton. These men placed second in intra-mural competition, losing only their final game.

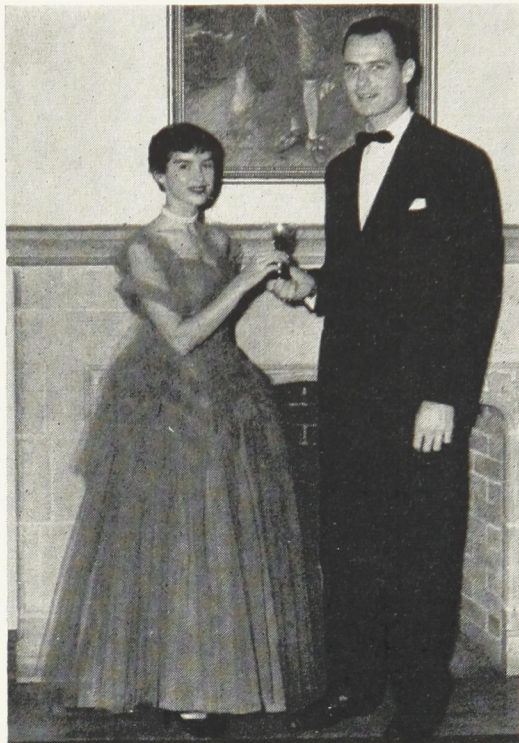
Due to the efforts of our Mothers Club we have new upholstery on our living room furniture. The next goal of this group is a new set of silverware for the Chapter. Alpha Zeta is grateful for the support the mothers, dads, alumni, and John Hoyt, our Chapter Advisor, have given us.

Elections were held and the following men will lead the Chapter this Spring: H.S.P. Gary Smith, H.J.P. Tom Tuttle, H.E. Jack Horger, H.M. Warren Holthaus, H.S. John LaGatta, H.C.S. Howard Callanan, H.A.E. Don Michel, H.C. Pat McClosky, and Prudential Committee Members Ron Nelson and Dolph McCranie.

Pat Konegan, H.A.E.



Top, University of Arizona's Alpha Sig Club float draws smiles from the crowd in Tucson. Second, Tau Chapter's 1954 Sweepstakes winner, making two victories in a row for Stanford. Third, Wagner's third place float. Bottom, Delta Chapter's pink and black telephone.



Sweetheart Queen of the Westminister Chapter, Mary Lou Walker, receiving cup from H.S.P. Judson McConnell.

House Improvements Made By Theta Alumni Corporation

Theta of Alpha Sigma Phi is off to another successful year of operations on the University of Michigan campus this fall.

The first big event of the year was preparing the house for occupancy. Over the summer, the Theta Alumni put \$3,900 worth of improvements into the house and equipment. The biggest job done was the removal of the back staircase which led from the second floor to the basement. On the second floor, a new study and living room was added in the free space, increasing the house capacity by three. On the ground floor, the kitchen gained a third in size and through better arrangement of the equipment, almost doubled in working space. The new basement area will soon become a committee room and a pledge study hall. Other purchases by the alumni included a dishwasher, a deep freeze, a new hot water heater, three stall showers, and rubber tile for the main staircase.

The active Chapter pitched in on improvements and completely redecorated seven of the study rooms. Wallpaper with a natural wood pattern was an innovation, and appeared in three of the rooms. As part of their pre-initiation help week, the pledge class repainted the living and dining rooms, redecorated the kitchen, and did a good job of housecleaning in the storage attic and basement.

On September 20th, Theta initiated nine into the Mystic Circle. They were Frank Arens of Detroit, Larry Green of Greenville, Bruce Jacobson of Wyandotte, Bruce McCubbrey, and Bill Peters of Detroit, Al Prybylowicz of Dearborn, George Schuster of Benton Harbor, James Van Brocklin of Owosso, and Roger Zuchet of Walled Lake.

The next big activity on the Michigan campus was the two weeks of fall rushing. Over 1,000 men rushed the forty-two Michigan fraternities, an unexpected increase over the last few years. Of this group, ten men were pledged to Alpha Sigma Phi. They are Doug Andrews of Dowagiac, Chuck Carscallen of West Branch, Jim Coates of Jackson, Dave Hamil of Birmingham, Dave Hansen of Muskegon, Pete Rathbone of Cumberland, Maryland, and Don Miller, Gene Metsker, Dave Mills, and John Summers, all of Detroit.

Homecoming was next on the list and although Theta could not match last year's trophy winning dragon, she upheld the name of Alpha Sigma Phi with an eighteen foot gopher, in honor of the Minnesota "Gophers." This particular gopher was dressed in a ballerina costume and pirouetted to the Waltz of the Flowers, along with some side show ballyhooing.

The Michigras float which was pictured in the story on Big Ten Schools in the October 22 issue of *Life Magazine* was the float entered by Theta Chapter, with the assistance of Kappa Delta Sorority.

On October 26, H.S.P. Howie Gaberson was tapped for Hectorians, the Michigan fraternity men's honorary society. Senior Engineers Pete Fuss and Howie Gaberson were tapped for Tau Beta Pi, the engineering scholastic honorary society.

Bob Stievers was instrumental in starting a two-man touch football league within the Chapter, and the six teams that entered had a great deal of fun. Championship went to the "Nort' Wud Boys," Bob Stievers and Bruce McCubbrey, who had an undefeated season.

Charles C. Chopp, H.A.E.

Alpha Xi to Build New House at Illinois Tech.

With the memories of summer behind them, the Brothers of Alpha Xi settled down to the usual grind of "work week," while Brothers Don Glossop and Bill Conroy told of the wonderful experiences shared by them at the Fraternity Convention, and the Navy ROTC men told their stories of world travel.

A large scale fund raising campaign has been inaugurated for Alpha Xi's new house, by the alumni and the chapter. The alumni committee on housing is headed by Brother Hal Mueller, Alpha Xi '26, and a program has been set up to accumulate the necessary down payment. Our old house with all its memories will be torn down in the next few years as part of the land clearance project and new apartment housing taken up by IIT, but with the spirit and hard work

of the alumni and chapter combined, our new chapter house is rapidly becoming a reality.

Initiations followed "work week" and the Chapter extends congratulations to new Brothers Tom Kolany and Lou Potempa.

The Chapter began its summer rushing program early in July under Rush Chairman Tom Pado. The personal contacts and letters during the summer with the new students gave us an advantage in our overall program. Also included in our program were a buffet dinner, a smoker, and a rushing dance. Sunday afternoon of rush week was reserved for open house, to which all the parents of rushees were invited. Our hard work helped to recruit eleven pledges Earl Anker, Jerry Foote, Dave Johnson, John McConahay, Bob Sonnenberg, Gene Wendt, Jack Jarrett, Roger Fosdick, Dennes Weller, Art Cromer, and Ralph Pennington.

Brother Ken Hudson as coach of our inter-fraternity football squad, led the Alpha Sigs to a third place. We just missed being in the football playoffs by two points. In the inter-fraternity bowling tournament the Sigs took second place. Chuck DeKovic coached the bowlers this year as well as copping high score for the Sigs.

Our Chapter also has varsity recognition in the field of sports: Brother Chuck Cain, basketball; Brothers Mike and Tom Pado and Dick Valovic, swimming; Brother Don Polacek, tennis; Brothers Chuck Augunstine, John Pikel, Carl Kustin, Don Polacek, Ron Krengel, and pledge Art Cromer, wrestling; Brother Ken Hudson, track.

Brother Bob Sindelar has done a commendable job as social chairman and our gay parties help prove this. With the help of Brother Lou Potempa as director, a dixie-land band was formed for the rush party and the response was so tremendous that the band has continued ever since. The members of the band are: Brothers Don McFarland, piano; Chuck DeKovic, drums; Norb Maslowski and Gene Sater, clarinets; Mike DeFazio, trumpet; Bob Kinsey, saxophone; and pledge Dave Johnson, banjo.

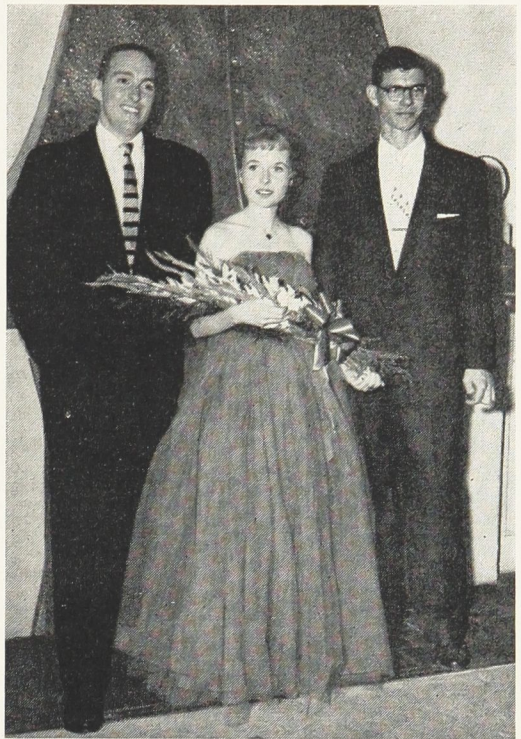
The highlight of our fall social calendar is our annual Christmas Formal held this year at the Hotel Windermere East in the Crystal Ballroom. It may be noted here that the Sigs maintained their social influence on campus when the queen of the Integral Ball, one of the largest school formals, was escorted by Brother Gene Sater.

Brothers John Madell, Don Glossop, Mike Pado, and Tom Pado received *Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges* awards.

Brother Bill Brown, Beta Nu '49, is the new Assistant Dean of Students at Illinois Tech and we are happy to have him on campus.

The results of the recent elections are as follows: H.S.P. Ken Hudson, H.J.P. Al Shofi, H.S. Don McFarland, H.C.S. Mike Pado, H.E. Bob Joyce, H.M. John Pikel, H.C. Mike DeFazio, H.A.E. Bob Kinsey and Stewart Bob Sindelar.

Mike Pado, H.A.E.



Alpha Zeta's candidate for Sweetheart of the U.C.L.A. Sophomore Class, Ann MacFarlan, Alpha Delta Pi. H.S.P. Don Champlain and H.J.P. Ron Nelson seem pleased with Ann, who placed second out of forty-seven contestants.

Valley Honors Founders With Black Lantern Procession

Alpha Omicron Chapter at Missouri Valley College celebrated the 109th Anniversary of the Founding of the Fraternity with a twenty-four hour program of events, beginning at midnight with a Black Lantern Procession on the campus, and ending the following midnight when the candle burning in front of the charter was extinguished.

The fall session has been a successful one for the chapter. In Homecoming Awards, Alpha Omicron won two of the three first place trophies, one for House decorations and the other for the campus gate decorations. It was one of the few double wins in the history of the College.

Last year a tradition was started which the Fraternity is happy to perpetuate—the decorating for the annual Christmas Dance at the College, and the presentation of the Sig Sweetheart of the year at intermission time. In line with this tradition, on December 9th Miss Lydia Evans, who wears Dan Saunder's pin, was crowned as the 1954 Sweetheart.

Once again Alpha Sigma Phi holds the honor of having the largest pledge class on campus. In September, seventeen men were pledged, and we look forward to their initiation in the spring.

Jerry L. Dean, H.A.E.

OMEGA CHAPTER

WILLIAM J. BAY, Marietta '96, of Tryon, North Carolina, passed away last year.

GEORGE FREDERICK BECKER, Brooklyn Polytechnic '26, of Blue Point, New York, passed away on December 18, 1953. Brother Becker was a Charter Member of Alpha Upsilon Chapter.

GERALD S. BOND, Minnesota '25, of Wheaton, Illinois, died on January 23, 1954, following an attack of acute coronary thrombosis. Brother Bond was president of the advertising agency of Harris & Bond, Chicago, at the time of his death.

RALPH J. BORDEN, Massachusetts '13, of Honolulu, T.H., passed away on June 8, 1954.

JOHN B. BRANDEBERRY, Toledo '37, died at his home in Toledo, Ohio, on September 23, 1953, following a heart attack. A member of the staff of the University of Toledo for 38 years, Dr. Brandeberry had served as Dean of the College of Engineering since 1943.

A Charter Member of Beta Rho Chapter, Brother Brandeberry was long actively identified with it and with preceding local groups and was known and loved by generations of Toledo Brothers.

CARL E. CROSON, Harvard '11, an attorney in Seattle, Washington, for 42 years, was fatally injured in a traffic accident on October 9, 1954. A former district governor and director of Lions Club International, Brother Croson was for many years also active in the Seattle Council of Boy Scouts of America and the Seattle Council of Churches.

CORNELIUS G. DeLOCA, Columbia '19, of Kew Gardens, New York, passed away recently.

LOUIS RALPH EASTMAN, Michigan '09, formerly of Grosse Pointe Shores, Michigan, died on July 10, 1954.

PAUL H. ESTERLY, Penn State '18, of Reading, Pennsylvania, passed away in August of 1953.

FREDERICK GIBSON, California '14, of Superior, Arizona, died on August 24, 1953.

Since 1924 Brother Gibson had been managing director of the famed Boyce Thompson Southwest Arboretum, a desert laboratory for the study of arid plants. Shortly before his death, Brother Gibson was awarded a fellowship in the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

GUSTAV T. HARDING, California '23, formerly of San Francisco, died on March 28, 1954.

NEWTON C. HAWLEY, Pennsylvania '29, of West Hartford, Connecticut, passed away on November 4, 1953.

DOUGLAS A. JAKES, Stanford '37, of Sausalito, California, passed away on January 16, 1954.

CLIFFORD L. JOHNSON, Marietta '21, formerly of Cincinnati, Ohio, passed away on March 29, 1954.

THOMAS H. KINGSLEY, Yale '38, of Kansas City, Missouri, passed away on November 13, 1953.

ALLAN M. LaSOR, Pennsylvania '17, of Lansdowne, Pennsylvania, passed away on December 19, 1953. Brother LaSor had been associated with the asphalt sales department of the Texas Company.

GERALD JOHN LEUCK, Nebraska '18, of New Martinsville, West Virginia, passed away on May 13, 1953, after an illness of three months. A consulting chemist, Brother Leuck was technical director for the Glyco Products Company, after having served as director of research at the company's Brooklyn, New York, office. He was a member of the American Institute of Chemists and the American Chemical Society.

HARRIS F. MacNEISH, Yale '12, Chicago '21, of Miami, Florida, was fatally injured in a traffic accident in the fall of 1953. Professor of mathematics at the University of Miami at the time of his death, Brother MacNeish had previously taught at Princeton, Yale and City College, New York.

President of the New York Alumni Council in 1919-20, Brother MacNeish was elected to the Fraternity's Grand Prudential Committee by the 1921 Convention and in 1923 was named Chairman of that Commit-

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tee and Executive President of the Fraternity, an office which he filled for more than a year.

A graduate of the University of Chicago, initiated as a Faculty Member at Alpha, Brother MacNeish had, as an undergraduate, been a member of Washington House, the local group which became Chi Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi in 1920 largely through his efforts.

ARTHUR C. MONAHAN, Massachusetts '24, of Washington, D.C., died on July 2, 1953.

JAY HUGH MONTGOMERY, Harvard '22, of Camden, Maine, died on November 23, 1953.

MERLIN A. MUTH, Chicago '20, of Webster Groves, Missouri, passed away on August 6, 1953.

BENJAMIN F. NELSON, Yale '28, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, died on July 28, 1953.

DONALD E. NEWHALL, Nebraska '17, Chicago '21, of Chicago, Illinois, passed away on April 17, 1954.

FORREST G. PADDOCK, Wisconsin '20, of Chicago, Illinois, passed away on February 5, 1954.

WALTER R. PETTIT, Jr., Pennsylvania '33, of Huntington, New York, passed away on November 12, 1953, at the U. S. Veterans Hospital in Brooklyn, New York.

WALTER A. RATH, Pennsylvania '16, of Washington, D. C., passed away on August 23, 1953.

HORACE H. RAYMOND, Yale '19, of Berlin, Connecticut, passed away on January 23, 1954.

JOHN REES, Ohio Wesleyan '26, of Youngstown, Ohio, passed away on September 18, 1954.

ALVAH O. SHARP, Pennsylvania '22, of Narberth, Pennsylvania, died in October of 1953.

FRED A. SHERIDAN, Marietta '13, of Columbus, Ohio, died on June 17, 1954.

He had been principal of the Southwood Elementary School in Columbus for the past 19 years.

MORRIS A. SLOCUM, Cornell '09, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, passed away last year. Brother Slocum was a Charter Member of Iota Chapter.

HAROLD E. SMITH, Marietta '25, of Tucson, Arizona, passed away on December 11, 1953.

HOWARD C. SAYRE, Jr., Rutgers '48, of Trenton, New Jersey, was declared deceased on December 10, 1953, after being missing in jet maneuvers in Alaska since November of 1952.

JAMES A. TOWLER, Jr., Davis and Elkins '50, of Elkins, West Virginia, passed away on May 2, 1954, shortly before his expected graduation from the College. For two years he served as H.E. of the Chapter and was an active worker in undergraduate affairs.

FRANCIS S. WEISS, Pennsylvania '20, of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, passed away on July 19, 1953.

RICHARD A. WHITE, Tri-State '40, of London, Ontario, Canada, passed away on March 26, 1954.

DEAN C. WIGGINS, Cornell '17, of West Orange, New Jersey, passed away on September 13, 1953, after a long illness. An active and devoted worker for Alpha Sigma Phi, he seldom missed a meeting of the New York Alumni Council. He was president of Iota Chapter's Alumni Corporation and later served as representative from the Fraternity to the Cornell Alumni Interfraternity Council. Brother Wiggins' contribution to Alpha Sigma Phi was recognized with his election to the Award of Delta Beta Xi in 1939.

PAUL A. WILLIAMS, Cornell '13, of Birmingham, Alabama, passed away in 1953.

HOWARD W. WILLS, Yale '10, of Indianapolis, Indiana, passed away on March 24, 1954.

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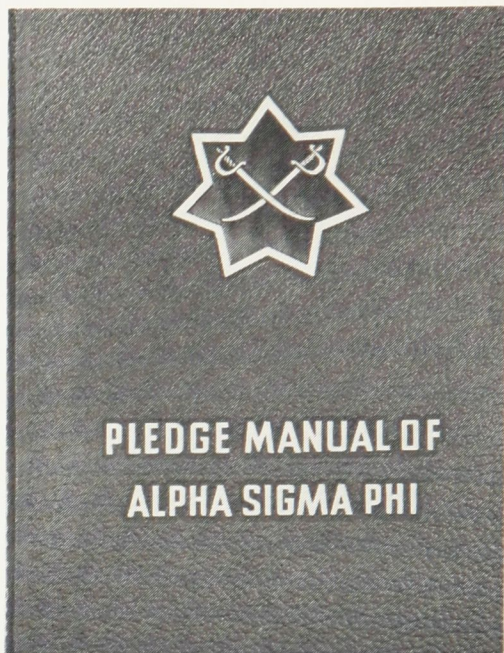
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