# TOMAHAWK



of Alpha Sigma Phi



# Declaration of Principles

Adopted by the National Interfraternity Conference at its Golden Anniversary meeting at New York City, November 26-28, 1959

On this Golden Anniversary of the founding of the National Interfraternity Conference we, the member fraternities of the Conference, reaffirm our acceptance of the responsibility for a positive contribution to the educational functions of the sheltering institutions, recognizing that the fraternity is under an obligation to promote the most complete personal development of its members—intellectually, morally, physically, and socially. We, therefore, declare that:

- 1. The college social fraternity, conceived in 1776 and perpetuated as a system of service to higher education in 1825, believes in the cardinal traditions of the United States of America and the Dominion of Canada—reverence to God, allegiance to country, fidelity to representative government, and devotion to personal liberty.
- 2. The fraternity considers superior intellectual achievement and impeccable behavior as being incumbent upon all fraternity men.
- 3. The fraternity accepts the obligation that the association of any group of students as one of its chapters involves the responsibility of the group for the conduct of its members.
- 4. The fraternity is committed to the purpose of training its members in the arts and practices of living together, culturally and socially, and of giving them as much responsibility as they can carry with dignity and success, as a supplement to the curricular aims of the college and university.
- 5. The fraternity, created and developed by self-government means, and being dependent upon voluntary methods for its continuing successful operation, deems self-determination in the selection of its membership to be implicit in its organization.
- 6. The fraternity, recognizing the need for organized, positive and responsible reapprochaent between students and administrators of colleges and universities, promotes constructive leadership by its members in such matters as scholarship, housing standards, extracurricular values, training for successful citizenship, and sound business practice both in chapter finances and in business relations of its members.

In pursuit of the effective and complete fulfillment of these Principles, the fraternities of the Conference and their members renew their pledges of loyalty to the colleges and universities which have long extended to them the privileges and responsibilities of a home.

# The Tomahawk

#### OF ALPHA SIGMA PHI

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#### THE COVER

Talented Dave Ruopp, of Beta Tau chapter at Wayne State University, constructed the huge replica of the badge as a pledge project. He is the son of Paul W. Ruopp (Ohio Wesleyan '24) and the nephew of Harold W. Ruopp (Ohio Wesleyan '19). The decorations are Diane Damanski (left) and Fran Emmi, present and retiring chapter sweethearts.



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#### LETTERS

Over The Top Editor:

You may be interested to know that "A Man After Millions" (*Tomahawk*, Fall '59) now does have his million for 1960. Could *Tomahawk* publicity have helped?

HAROLD SCHELLENGER
Ohio State '24

Columbus, Ohio

### The Main Contact Editor:

I want to express the appreciation and thanks of my wife and myself for the nice item about our wedding which appeared in the last issue of *Tomahawk*. It was a pleasant surprise and certainly unexpected. I found myself reading my first "alumni" newsletter from cover to cover. It means much more when it's the only contact with the national office.

Paul Peknik Hartwick '59

Norwich, N.Y.

#### A Pleased Dean

Editor:

I have just finished reading a couple of interesting articles in the fall issue of your *Tomahawk*. You are to be congratulated on your comments on hazing and also the article, "Is There Too Much Drinking?" These are both very well done.

Ronald S. Stead Dean of Men

Ohio Wesleyan University Delaware, Ohio

#### Cut Above Average

Editor:

For a number of years I have occasionally glanced at my brother's copy of the *Tomahawk*. During the holidays while visiting my parents' home I read the Fall, 1959, issue rather thoroughly and received the impression that since I last picked up a copy the content and format have improved decidedly. I particularly liked the

articles on hazing, drinking, and Arthur Flemming.

In my position here I read a number of fraternity magazines and I would place yours a cut above the average.

> Kenneth R. Venderbush Dean of Men

St. Lawrence University Canton, N. Y.

#### Far Below Par

Editor:

G. C. Coburn closed his article, "Prescription for Tommy" in the Fall, 1959, *Tomahawk* with this query: "What do You think?"

I dug deep in a trunk, fished out a copy of our Summer, 1937, Tomahawk, compared it to the above, and here's what I think: Of late we've forgotten that chapter news and pictures make the attractive and readable fraternity publication. In the issue of over 22 years ago I count 65 pictures plus pages and pages of lively chapter news. In the current issue there are a mere 17 pictures (none of undergraduates!), and no chapter news in the strict sense of the word.

These many years since leaving college I have experienced keen disappointment each time I riffled through the latest *Tomahawk* and found no contribution from my chapter. In direct contrast, for the past 25 years I have enjoyed my wife's Sigma Kappa *Triangle*. It appears the rule of these girls that every chapter every issue counts it a privilege to lay its good works and honors of the last three months on the line.

Frankly, I think we waste time polling our own brotherhood on this matter. My sons are Phi Delta Thetas. The Scroll of that organization is worth fair appraisal. Compared to the Tomahawk, it's massive. Chapters the country over set forth the facts of what the brothers are accomplishing at the undergraduate level.

I'm relieved that this subject is at last out in the open. The *Tomahawk* pre-dates publications of many so-called "name" fraternities. Let's not bury her. Rather, let's look around, learn from others,

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Is The Fraternity
House Destined
To Become
The Campus

WILL the fraternity house ever become the campus haven for study and scholarship on the campus?

Don't snicker. It's already happening on some campuses. Under the impact of increasing enrollments, the point has already been reached where some fraternity houses offer supervised study and physical conditions which are far superior to crowded university dormitories and rooming houses.

Of course, this is not true of all campuses nor of all fraternities. In some cases, fraternity houses are more crowded than the dormitories but offer better study conditions simply because the chapter leadership tops the quality of study supervision which is provided in the dormitories. In others, the university is way ahead of the fraternities.

# HAVEN FOR SCHOLARS?

Are good study conditions important? Most chapter leaders and university deans say they are extremely important. However, the way the fraternity or the university may be organized to provide proper supervision and the "attitude" for study is likely to be as important as physical conditions. But there are dissenters.

"I don't consider study conditions to be a very important factor in academic achievement as compared with other factors," declared Dean Mark W. Smith, Denison University. "My personal feeling is that this entire business is exaggerated. Study conditions do provide the content of many rationalizations."

Smith's viewpoint does not check out with 18 other deans and reports of 22 Alpha Sigma Phi chapters on the subject of study conditions, the present situation regarding chapter houses vs. dormitories and the outlook for the future. Most university officials and fraternity men, included in a *Tomahawk* survey, were very concerned about campus study and study conditions.

The survey turned up some rather startling information. College deans, who were urged to give candid views under

Nationwide survey of deans and chapters shows that some Alpha Sig chapters already offer members superior study conditions the comfort of anonymity (if they desired it), generally favored dormitories as affording superior study conditions. A few, by contrast, said bluntly that fraternities hold a strong edge in affording best study conditions.

Many deans based their contention for better dormitory study facilities on good supervision. However, the deans may not know what actually goes on in many dormitories. This was disclosed in a considerable number of chapter reports, which relayed tales of high jinks in the dorms. A sample: "Study conditions depend on the wing of the dormitory in which you are in. If you are in close to the room of the residents, particularly the head resident, it's going to be quiet, or else. On the other hand when the cat's away, the mice will play. At such times the dorm has really been known to rock."

Another chapter report: "The independent dorms are commonly referred to as 'The Jungle.'"

Despite the fact that many Alpha Sigma Phi chapter houses are as crowded as the dormitories or are handicapped by poor housing, some are able to out-do university dorms in high study standards through the weight of chapter leadership and the strict enforcement of a study plan.

One example is Gamma at the University of Massachusetts. The house is crowded. Four second floor rooms are designated as study halls with an average of five men per room. There are specified study hours every day except Saturday. A scholastic chairman and study hall captains back up the study conditions with fines (\$1 per violation).

"Our study conditions are as good as those anywhere on the campus with the possible exception of the library," reported Brother B. Russell Stanley. "This year the university was forced to place three men in rooms designed for two due to the shortage of dormitory space."

The report was backed up by Dean Robert S. Hopkins. "Our dormitories are overcrowded and so are the fraternity houses," he said. "We believe we can relieve this with the opening of a large new dorm. Then study conditions should be best in the chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi and the dorms. Alpha Sigma Phi has the only real rules and enforces them!"

There were other deans who were convinced that fraternity houses afforded best study conditions. Some asked to remain unidentified. Said one: "Fraternity housing affords superior study conditions due to their control and planning over university residence halls."

E. H. Eichmann, Temple University assistant dean of men, also looked with favor upon fraternities. "Fraternities probably offer more favorable conditions because of smaller groups involved and our fraternities currently are stressing scholarship."

At Temple, he said, grade averages of fraternity actives are consistently higher than non-Greeks. On one hand, the university dorms may be able to provide better organized counseling but the fraternities have the advantage of being select groups of students (and men must establish a two-point grade average to get into a fraternity), he pointed out.

Most deans were of the opinion that dorms provided superior study conditions because fraternity houses were crowded and because they believe fraternity leadership does not provide the quality of supervision afforded by the institution.

Some Alpha Sig chapters, however, were demonstrating that a tough, realistic scholarship program can produce amazing results. Despite Gamma chapter's poor housing conditions, its firm policy has made the chapter No. 1 in scholarship on the campus.

At Illinois Tech, where the average number of men per room in the chapter house exceeds four, there is constant improvement in the scholarship program. How is it done? "Study conditions are generally more quiet than in the dorms and are better all-around because of our scholarship program and our tutoring system," reported Brother R. W. Ferner. "There is reasonable silence in the house after 7:30 p.m. The enforcement is carried out by appointed people on each floor. There is a fine for making a disturbance."

At Rutgers, where house physical con-

#### AND THE COUNSELOR PLAYED HEARTS IN THE LOUNGE

There are three of us in the dormitory room. It measures 12 feet by 12 and has one window. Its third floor location makes it excellent for building leg muscles. We sleep like a deck of cards—stacked in a triple bunk. I'm on top and dare not sit upright for fear of cracking my head on the ceiling.

Since the walls are like paper, every sound finds it way to our room. After getting sick of the Dukes of Dixieland and Ray Coniff and the Gang, I go across the hall and politely ask that the hi-fi set be turned down. Next door is what might pass for a recording studio. At full volume all of the popular record albums are transferred to tape. There also is a continuing battle to determine which hi fi set has the best quality. The testing is done at full volume.

One guy next door seems to love to slam drawers either late at night or at six in the morning. Some day I expect to see a drawer come right through the wall.

We have "quiet hours" and an upperclassman counselor who is supposed to keep and enforce the quiet hours rules. But, strangely, he is never in his room. He loves to play cards and can usually be found in the dorm lounge playing Hearts.

There are also other distractions. Electrical trouble causes the dorm to black out periodically. I have a straight-A roommate who acts like a magnet for men all over the dorm who want help on chemistry, math, psychology or engineering drawing. One typical pest is the "pizza-getter." He comes to the room at midnight, insists on ordering a pizza and pesters until you have ordered one with him.

University Freshman

ditions are far from ideal, a tough set of enforced study regulations is working wonders. Study hours start at 7 p.m. and are in effect until the last man goes to bed. All room doors are kept closed. No corridor conversations are permitted. Radios and hi-fi equipment must be kept at a volume so low that it cannot be heard in an adjoining room.

After one warning, the offender gets charged with a violation. Each violation carries the penalty of an assignment of house work. But here is the stinger: four violations puts the offender on a six-week social probation. "Three brothers went on social probation for violation of the rules," reported Scholarship Chairman Robert DeLaurentis. "They included one of our top officers. This enhanced the study regulations by showing the brotherhood demanded the cooperation of everyone."

"A fraternity, being a fully dynamic group, CAN beat the university," admitted a dean. "With the right kind of supervision and pressure from the university, economic necessity of qualifying pledges to keep the chapter going and continuation of the upgrading which we have been forcing upon our fraternities,

study conditions may well be better in fraternity houses."

This longer range view was seconded by Arnold L. Shutt, assistant dean, University of Arizona. "In five years our fraternity system will be definitely better off than our dormitories in study conditions," he said. "This assumes, of course, that all nationals do their part in assisting in a building program."

Deans had mixed feelings about whether fraternities or dormitories would emerge as the best spots for study. Some were concerned that fraternities would be unable to expand or upgrade their housing; others had their fingers crossed about the ability of fraternities to push consistently for high scholarship standards.

Most Alpha Sig chapter men, however, were more confident that their chapter houses would offer best study facilities for serious students. "In the dorms there are always men who are majoring in noise-making and this is very distracting," reported Robert F. Swift of Beta Xi at Hartwick. "My prediction is that dorm studying will be inferior to house studying because in the house the brothers respect

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# 9 Was Afraid of Fraternities

by NED ADAMS

If anyone had been so bold as to tell me, three years ago, that I would join a college fraternity I would have regarded that person as having taken temporary leave of his senses.

Me! Join a fraternity? Preposterous! I had better things to do than invest my time and money in the booze, babes and bongos that were widely reputed to hold sway in college fraternities. Or so I thought.

I was at that time preparing to transfer my college work from a small junior college, where there were no fraternities, to a larger campus where the nefarious secret societies presided in all their evil glory. With every ounce of moral fibre, I was determined to resist their seductive advances, if, indeed, they made any. I was vindictively anti-fraternity and fully intended to remain that way.

What had made me so militant on this subject? The question is answerable in one simple but complex word: *Ignorance*. I was ignorant; a freshly-scrubbed, right-eously indignant young small-towner, alternately raging at brimming mugs and scarlet women, and secretly cringing in fear of viciously swung paddles and all the attendant horrors of hazing and Hell Week.

But why should ignorance be a problem? And ignorance, with all the false impressions, half-truths and deliberate falsehoods that go with it, is the biggest problem facing the college fraternity system in America today.

"I knew only the newspapers and back-fence gossip; and they carried only the news of drinking parties, panty raids and hazings ending in mutilation or death."

In a nation so many times justifiably proud of the freest and most advanced communications system in the world, why should there be ignorance about one of the integral parts of many of our greatest educational institutions? Why should so many men today enter college with false impressions or false knowledge or, worse yet, no knowledge at all about fraternities?

There are, I believe, two answers. They are reiterated so often I feel sure some fraternity men greet them with a "herewe-go again" sigh of resignation. But they are the only answers.

Those who know the truth about fraternities and the fraternity system too often are not communicating effectively with the public. And the fraternity system, until very recently, has too long neglected the primary source of information for the college-bound teen-ager: the secondary school educators and administrators.

Too often the public image of the fraternity, particularly in small towns and rural areas removed from contact with colleges and fraternities, remains that of the secret society composed of the indigent scions of an aristocracy that itself no longer exists—a club for rich men's sons to indulge in alcohol, frivolity and brutal hazings and initations. I know many people who have not the slightest idea that the fraternity system, in many instances, has done away with Hell Week and similar practices.

I do not mean to say that every American possesses this distorted image. This is obviously not the case; men are still joining college fraternities, though not at a rate commensurate with the increase in college enrollments. But there are many people who do hold this image. I knew only the newspapers and back-fence gossip; and the newspapers and gossips carried only the news of drinking parties, panty raids and hazings ending in mutilation or death.

Too often the only news of fraternities that reaches the public is the bad news, like the recent, widely publicized incident in California, in which an unfortunate initiation practice resulted in the needless death of a young student. (To which, I might add, there has been no widespread reaction on the part of the fraternity system, in the press or other media.)

Although such instances are rare, these are the ones against which the fraternity system must protect itself with every weapon of communication at its disposal. Now is the time to tell the public of Help Week and community services and better scholarship, each and every time these good things occur. Newspaper stories, magazine articles, radio and television broadcasts, all showing the true picture of the college fraternity, should be given to the public.

I do not subscribe to the theory that only bad news and sensationalism sells newspapers and magazines. I'm sure that intelligent appraisal of publications like The New York Times, The Christian Science Monitor, Life, and Look will show even a reasonably alert man that lurid and sensational material does not sell the quality publications that go into the good American homes — the homes

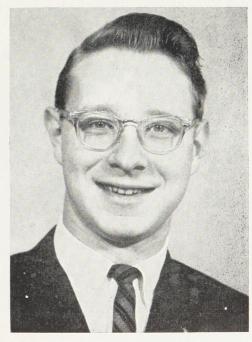
from which our fraternity men will emerge. Through them, and the hundreds of others like them, we must not allow the bad press stacked against us by such as the California case to go unchallenged.

It is all well and good to heap ourselves with praise for being democratic institutions dedicated to strengthening the youth of tomorrow in our own journals and magazines. It is fine to point to the men who have risen from their fraternity experience to be the leaders of government, business, sports and the arts, in our own press.

But we are the only ones who see them. And we already know! Our magazines and fraternity journals do not go on the newstands and into the public libraries. So even now the California legislature is waving a club over the heads of fraternities in that state, with the blessings of an outraged and uninformed public. Public relations, making parents and community leaders aware of the importance and benefits of the fraternity experience, is the most powerful weapon at the disposal of the Fraternity System in its struggle to gain the confidence of the entire public.

I know, and you know, that the fraternity experience is a dynamic and successcontinued on page 32

Lanky (6 ft., 2 in.) Ned Adams went "on the road" for Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity in February as a field representative. On the job at national headquarters since mid-December, he underwent extensive orientation work to prepare him for his assignment. In January he attended a three-day Field Representatives Training School, sponsored by the College Fraternity Secretaries Assn. at Memphis, Tenn. Born Edward Lee Adams III, Ned last June was graduated (cum laude) from American University with a 3 A. degree (journalism major). He set the pace for scholarship at Beta Chi chapter, was named as one of two outstanding scholars of the chapter. He was graduated in the upper fifth of his class at Waynesboro, Pa., high school and was graduated with honors from Hagerstown, Md. Junior College.



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John Blackburn (left) receives his award from Alabama HSP Russell Dean.

#### FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

In separate ceremonies over the country, eight distinguished brothers during recent months have been receiving Delta Beta Xi Awards, the Fraternity's high alumni honor for loyalty and distinguished service. The recipients were selected by the Grand Council from among nominations made to the Awards Committee. The 1959 winners: Col. Joseph F. Bangham (Davis & Elkins '51), service to Gamma Delta; John L. Blackburn (Missouri Valley '49), dean of men, Alabama, Province IX Chief, Chairman of Extension Committee; Fernando Caneer (Stanford '19), service to Alpha Zeta Chapter; Dr. Randall B. Cutlip (Bethany '37), for effort that brought Alpha Sigma Phi to Atlantic Christian College; Charles D. Fogle, Jr. (Marietta '36), service to Delta; Robert M. Lee (Alabama '40), service to the D.C. Alumni Council; John J. MacDonald (Lehigh '49), service to Beta Epsilon, and Milton W. Morrison (California '37) service to Nu.



John J. MacDonald (right), with Mrs. MacDonald, gets award from Lehigh HSP Don Moyer.

# **Costs Inch Upward**

Alpha Sig board-room costs show conservative rise over decade

THE high cost of college education, at least during the past decade, was something other than eating and living at Alpha Sigma Phi chapter houses. Basing board and room costs at 100 per cent in 1950, a national headquarters survey of 15 chapters of various sizes located in all major geographic sections of the United States, showed that the cost rise had reached only 121.5 per cent by the fall semester of 1959.

By contrast, the U.S. Office of Education reported that tuition and fees at 209 higher education institutions had increased 34 per cent during a four-year period (1954-58). Alpha Sigma Phi board-room costs during the same period went up 8.6 per cent.

However, there is no question that chapter living costs are headed upward. In 1957, the board-room costs of the 15 chapters stood 12 per cent above 1950. Eight of the chapters were forced to increase board or room costs last fall; 11 took this step in 1957.

Neither board nor room costs have been hiked as fast as university dormitory and food charges. While the Alpha Sig board costs were rising 6.9 per cent during 1954-58, private universities increased the rate 8.2 per cent and public universities upped their rates by 7 per cent. Alpha Sig house room rent was increased 13.4 per cent during the period while private universities raised their men's dormitory rates by 19.6 per cent and public universities jumped their rent by 21.8 per cent.

The average board bill for the Alpha Sig chapters studied for 1959-60 (assuming no second semester increases) will total \$470, ranging from a low of \$394 to a high of \$657. This is an average of \$26 above last year.

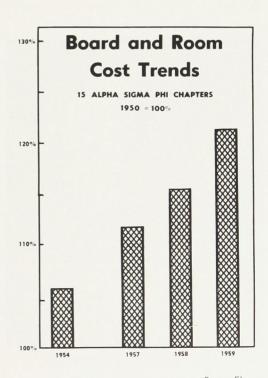
Some differences in the number of meals served per month may partially ac-

count for the spread in board costs. The \$446 average board bill last year for Alpha Sig chapters compared with \$364 for all American colleges, \$409 at public universities (for men) and \$461 at private universities (for men).

The average of the Alpha Sig room charges (assuming no second semester increases) for 1959-60 will be \$224, up \$12 from last year and up \$49 during the past 10 years. The 1959-60 range was from \$117 to \$315.

Some dangers were seen in fraternity chapter board-room costs which lagged considerably behind the average. One chapter accounting firm warned officers last year that the chapter had better consider making increases, pointing out that the board-room cost was trailing \$116 behind the university's rates. "If the university dormitories cannot operate at the present income level, you certainly cannot," the firm said. The chapter has not raised its board rate since 1954.

Some other chapters appeared to be in the same boat. Seven had increased their board-room bills less than \$100 since 1950.



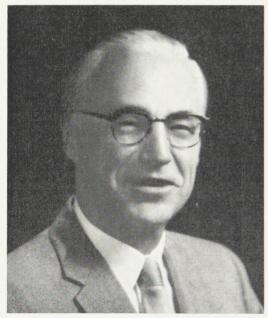
# Helping Hand on HOUSING

New A-S-P corporation will aid chapter housing projects

DURING the 1960s at least 22 of Alpha Sigma Phi's chapters probably will find it necessary to replace or remodel their fraternity houses. For some, the housing problem is one where the solution may determine whether the chapter survives.

Although a house building project has served many a chapter, too, in rekindled alumni interest, there are situations where no amount of interest and enthusiasm can produce all funds needed to complete a house project. Alpha Sigma Phi's National Housing Committee, headed by W. Gardner Mason, has been attempting to find some way to enable the fraternity to locate a financial "helping hand" for such situations.

The answer may lie in the formation of the new A-S-P Corporation, incorporated



A-S-P PRESIDENT DUNHAM



HOUSING CHAIRMAN MASON

last year under Delaware laws and independent of the fraternity and the Grand Council

A-S-P's board of directors is made up of alumni with Herbert L. Dunham (Michigan) as president. Aloys F. Herman (Pennsylvania) was elected vice president. Douglas P. Hammial (Michigan) was elected secretary and Housing Chairman Mason (Michigan) was named treasurer. Other directors: M. J. Pierce (Illinois), Paul A. C. Anderson (Illinois) and C. Russell Kramer (Rutgers).

The A-S-P Corporation, according to Alpha Sig Secretary Ralph Burns, will play an "assisting" role in house financing by taking second or even third mortgages under certain conditions. A-S-P will be financed partly by undergraduate contributions and partly by the sale of debenture bonds (\$100 denomination, 4 per cent) to alumni.

"The national fraternity is not in the house-building business," said Burns, "but through the A-S-P Corporation it hopes to be of assistance to chapters and alumni when and if necessary."

Inquiries should be sent to W. Gardner Mason, chairman, National Housing Committee, 4508 Olivia, Royal Oak, Michigan.

# A Look at Alpha Sig Grades

Roundup shows sensational gains, some slips in scholarship record

A S reports filter through the National Interfraternity Conference's Scholarship Reporting Service and are forwarded to national fraternities, they show a pattern which can be comforting or alarming.

Those which were assembled on the desk of National Scholarship Chairman Ray Glos (Illinois '22) in late January disclosed a curious blend of achievement and danger signs. Reports covering 42 Alpha Sig chapters for the 1958-59 school year showed that 23 chapters had improved or held their relative positions of the previous year. However, 19 chapters had slipped a notch or more.

Cause for cheers was the fact that seven chapters among the 42 held the No. 1 scholarship position on their campuses: Beta Chi (American), Alpha Mu (Baldwin-Wallace), Gamma Delta (Davis & Elkins), Beta Xi (Hartwick), Gamma (Massachusetts), Alpha Omicron (Missouri Valley) and Alpha Mu (Westminster).

"The distinction of having one-sixth of their chapters ranking first is one that not many social fraternities can equal," observed Glos.

There were other encouraging, even spectacular signs. Alpha Iota (Alabama) had moved from 21st (out of 25) to fifth on the campus; Beta Sigma (Cincinnati), which had been 15th out of 16, moved to fourth spot; Alpha Alpha (Oklahoma), zoomed from 20th (out of 25) to eighth place, and Alpha Pi (Purdue) jumped from 16th (out of 38) to fifth place.

Zeta (Ohio State) in February was honored for showing greatest improvement in scholarship, boasting a point average well above the fraternity and all-men's averages.

Glos was far from happy about some of the 19 chapters which slipped. He described some records as "miserable," adding that a "considerable number" had failed to equal the all-men's average at their institutions.

"When a chapter drops 10 or 12 places in its relative standing, it is a sign that other fraternities are placing more emphasis on scholarship or that the group is not interested in its house average," Glos said.

Glos, who is dean of the Miami University (Ohio) school of business administration, had two recommendations for upping a chapter's scholastic standing: (1) get a strong scholarship chairman and back him to the hilt, (2) pledge better men.

"If fraternities select the best men on the campus, there is little reason why every group cannot exceed the all-men's average," he said. "And it is literally amazing what can be accomplished even without the addition of men with superior scholastic abilities by a program of study hours, study tables, social restrictions, etc. But such a program requires that the scholarship chairman take a firm position and have the backing of the officers."



Scholarship Chairman Glos From sensational to miserable.

## THE HECTIC DECADE

Many problems underlie higher education's money problem

FOR higher education, the 1960s offer the prospect of an era completely foreign to American colleges and universities. The student population boom with which public education has wrestled for more than a decade now becomes the stiffest challenge ever faced by higher education.

Present enrollment of 3.5 million probably will soar to 6.4 million, and possibly higher, by 1970; costs may rise from an annual \$3.6 billion to at least \$9.8 billion, plus another \$1.5 billion yearly for new buildings and equipment.

However, much more than money will be needed by higher education if it is to cope with the demands of the 1960s, according to a new 304-page report, Financing Higher Education: 1960-70 published by the McGraw-Hill Book Company. Thirteen college administrators, economists and other experts examined all phases of the problem.

An important starting point, according to Economist Philip H. Coombs, is the overhauling of woefully inadequate college management which he described as "a relatively primitive art." Most colleges, he said, have only the roughest notion of actual costs of rendering various educational services. They seldom pause to see where they have been, where they hope to go, he said. As the result of relatively few cost-reducing innovations and an accumulation of "built-in inefficiencies," the outcome has been "low utilization of space and low productivity of faculty."

Coombs described the smallness of the college student-teacher ratio (less than one-half that of public education) as a matter of educational "folklore" rather than any valid indicator, in itself, of quality. A survey of more than 100 institutions showed that on the basis of a 44-hour week, available classrooms were used at only 46 per cent of capacity (and

only 25 per cent when measured in terms of student stations) and laboratories at 38 per cent of capacity.

A general disposition to let the faculty determine the curriculum and "convenient" teaching hours in the name of academic freedom and good education without consideration for economic resources has resulted in huge wastes in the educational program, Coombs said, adding: "There must be a better kind of internal governmental system than that which prevails at most colleges."

Harvard Economist Seymour Harris termed the "proliferation of courses" to be a "scandal." He said that a check of 11 institutions over a 55-year period disclosed a rise in undergraduate courses from 12,000 to 39,000 and of graduate courses from 4500 to 21,700.

Why, asked Harris, should higher education be financed on a cash basis? He pointed to the sharp contrast of \$20-\$30 of loans outstanding per student with the \$3000 of family indebtedness available for homes, autos, TV sets, etc. "If primitive methods of financing students are abandoned and adequate recourse is made to long-term loans and scholarships based on need, then not only can our financial problems be solved but equity can be served," he said.

John Millett, Miami University president, declared that the basic issue is how much of the increased cost of higher education shall be paid by students and how much shall come from other sources. If higher education has a public purpose, the full increase should not be loaded upon the student, Millett said.

Coombs warned that colleges and universities were among the most resistant of all human institutions to change "but change they must—and very quickly—if they are to meet the demands imposed upon them by our times."

#### ALUMNI NOTES

#### Space Age Edison

STUART BAKER (RPI '50) built a television set the hard way. After the American satellite Explorer VI, the "paddlewheel," was sent aloft, it was disclosed that the man behind the revolutionary television equipment aboard was a youthful scientist who was graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1953.

The Los Angeles Mirror News dubbed Baker a "space age Edison." Baker was not entirely happy with his work. He had predicted that the TV pictures of the earth's surface flashed back from the satellite would not be perfectly clear but added that "neither was ordinary television when it was in its first stages."

Beta Psi chapter members, according to HAE Clyde Mosher, have followed news articles about Baker's TV work with great interest.

Baker, who works in the electronics laboratory of the Space Technology Laboratories at Los Angeles, lives with his wife, Nancy, a son and daughter.



SCIENTIST STUART BAKER "A space age Edison."



Steelman Hunter
Up from the Gary Works.

**Operations Steel** 

To Thomas W. Hunter (Carnegie '29) in January came word that he had been selected to head up steel operations of United State Steel Corporation as general manager. He had been general superintendent of U.S. Steel's big Gary Steel Works since 1957.

Hunter joined the firm in 1936. He has been a member of the Gary schools advisory committee and is on the executive boards of the Gary Chamber of Commerce, United Fund of Gary and the Northwestern Indiana Crime Commission.

#### Kidder Gets a Star

James H. Kidder (Columbia '19) has been promoted to brigadier general in the Army Medical Corps, USAR. Since July, 1955 he has served as special assistant for reserve affairs to the Army Surgeon General. Commissioned in the ROTC in 1928, he has had 31 years of continuous service including five years of active duty during World War II. He served in the South Pacific and in the European theaters of operation.

General Kidder was dean of Fordham University's college of pharmacy from 1932 until 1955.

#### Men of The Press

Russell W. Young (Ohio State '22) in January was elected president of the Newspaper Advertising Executives Association, representing 840 U.S. and Canadian newspapers. He has been advertising manager of the Seattle Times since 1948. Energetic, civic-minded Young, who headed a committee of 30 which sold \$55 million in war bonds during World War II, finds time to get involved in many civic projects in Seattle as well as hold down his newspaper post. He also is owner of a store, selling china, furniture, silver and linens. He is a member of the Bureau of Advertising plans committee.

WILLIAM R. CONLIN (Stanford '33) has completed his first year as editor of the oldest daily newspaper west of the Rockies, the *Sacramento Union*. He came up through both sports and news departments, served as city editor before World War II. He served 32 months, most of it in the Aleutians, as a Navy officer.

Conlin returned to the newspaper which had a hand in shaping Mark Twain's career (reporter and Sandwich Islands correspondent) and became sports editor



EDITOR CONLIN

Mark Twain was there, too.



NAEA's Russell Young Civic activities on the side.

in 1945. He continued in this post and wrote a daily column until being named editor. He and his wife, Olivia, have been married 19 years. They are the parents of an adopted son, William Richard Conlin III.

#### Producers of Scholars

To honor Theodore C. Blegen (Minnesota '16), dean of the graduate school, a group of distinguished scholars gathered in January at the University of Minnesota. After 20 years as graduate school head and 33 years on the faculty, Blegen will retire in June. Among the group was Minnesota's President James L. Morrill (Zeta '11), who also will be retiring.

The affair was a national conference on immigration in American history, an area in which Blegen is regarded as an outstanding authority. He also has been a lifelong student of Lincoln and has written Lincoln's Imagery, which seeks to account for the great word power possessed by the famed American president. One of his hobbies: the research methods of Sherlock Holmes.



Fraternalist Edler Up to national secretary.

#### Edler Heads Woodmen

A. S. Edler (Chicago '25) has been elected national secretary of Modern Woodmen of American, Rock Island, Ill., one of the large nationwide fraternal life insurance companies. He has been associated with the insurance society since 1929 after completing his schooling at Northwestern university. He served as assistant legal counsel until being named assistant national secretary in 1949.

#### The Colleagues Salute

WILLIAM E. BYERS (Marietta '08) has received the title of "Senior Counsellor" from The Missouri Bar, Integrated, state legal professional organization, in recognition of his long and distinguished career as a member of the Missouri Bar. He described the group as consisting of "the men I have fought with and fought against all my life."

#### Eyes on Latin America

ROBERT F. KIDNEY (Buffalo '53) was graduated from the American Institute for Foreign Trade, Phoenix, Arizona, January 29. Specializing in Latin America, he has taken the school's intensive training course

in preparation for a career in American business or government abroad. He is a U.S. Army veteran.

#### The Feel of Flight

A brochure of the United States Air Force Academy indicates that the firm of Skidmore, Owings and Merrill (John O. Merrill, Wisconsin '15) served as the architect-engineers for the Academy's buildings. Included was this compliment to the firm: "They designed the buildings to give a timeless semblance of flight."

#### Veep For Revere

Allison S. Beebe (Middlebury '38) is vice president and manager of the group department of the Paul Revere Life Insurance Company, Worcester, Mass. He was associated with the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company from 1941 until 1952. Positions which he held included manager of the Buffalo, N. Y. group office. While there he was president of the Alpha Sig Niagara Frontier Alumni Assn. He resides with his wife, Barbara, and their three children at Holden, Mass.



Insurance Man Beebe Up to vice president.



Pacific Telephone's Quirk Called to a new post.

#### Quirk Moves Ahead

WILLIAM E. QUIRK (Oregon State '37) on February 1 became vice president and general manager of Pacific Telephone's Southern Counties Area with head-quarters at San Diego.

He began his career with Pacific Telephone in 1941 at Portland, Oregon. Prior to his new assignment he was general traffic manager at San Diego. Quirk and his wife, Josephine, have three children and live at Point Loma, California.

#### A Stand-Up Guy

RAY ELIOT (Illinois) last month bowed out of the role of coach. The dean of the Big Ten Conference gridiron coaches served one final stint as assistant coach for the East team in the annual Shrine game, January 2. Then he started on his new assignment as assistant athletic director of the University of Illinois.

David Condon, *Chicago Tribune* sports writer, paid tribute to Eliot saying that he had the admirable quality of integrity, "a fancy, professional word meaning someone is a helluva stand-up guy."

#### Quick Round Up

GLEN MORRIS (Penn State '20) has joined the MacBride Realty Co., Sacramento, in public relations work. Eugene Miller (Bethany '46), associate managing editor of Business Week magazine, recently visited the Bethany campus to review the college's communications education program and to pay tribute to E. E. Roberts, retiring journalism professor. Henry A. Dietz (California '25), a key contributor to the success of the 1956 Convention, is now county counsel in San Diego, California.

THOMAS J. SMULL (Ohio Northern '42), who at 83 is one of the Fraternity's oldest living members, received a glowing tribute from a former student in the *Ohio Northern Alumnus* magazine in the January issue. He retired as ONU business manager in 1942, started another career at 66 as a highway test engineer.

DR. JOEL ERNEST GOLDTHWAIT, 92, however, is a brother who has been around slightly longer. He is the oldest living alumnus of the University of Massachusetts and Gamma Chapter. Last year he gave the University \$10,000 for its student loan fund.



ILLINOIS' RAY ELIOT Has the admirable quality.

#### BOOKS

#### The Fraternity Man

Is the fraternity man ethnocentric? Not so, says Frank J. Krebs (Mount Union '29), at least not more so than non-fraternity men. Author Krebs (The Fraternity Dollar, 1947; The Fraternity Table, 1952) now puts the fraternity man himself under the microscope. His 10-part series of articles, "The Fraternity Man," now appearing in The Fraternity Month magazine, will be his third close-up look at American fraternities.

As a sociology professor at Morris Harvey College, Krebs would logically probe into such a matter as ethnocentrism ("the Tau Tau Tau's are the best fraternity in the world"). He cites a western college study which showed, when students entered college and again two years later, that there was no significant difference in the ethnocentrism of fraternity and non-fraternity men.

Krebs' search for data more substantial than superficial bias about how the fraternity man is regarded on the campus as an influence on scholarship, moral and social life, turned up some interesting surveys. Fraternity men believe that fraternities help them in all respects. Non-Greeks will not agree that fraternities are morally beneficial but they feel that fraternities exert positive scholastic and social influences.

Author Krebs said it was difficult to isolate the typical fraternity man. He cannot agree with the college dean who said the ideal was an "all around man." Observed Krebs: "The billiard ball, too, is a perfect example of an all-aroundness, which in addition has polish and smoothness."

#### In The Garden

G. L. Thomas, Jr. (Franklin and Marshall '36) tells how to turn the back yard into something spectacular in *Garden Pools*, *Water Lilies*, and *Goldfish* (D. Van Nostrand Co.). The book includes information about planning and construct-



AUTHOR KREBS & WIFE A billiard ball is all-around, too.

ing pools, types and proper care of aquatic plants and goldfish.

#### Down to Business

Ray E. Glos (Illinois '22), dean of the school of business administration, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, and Harold A. Baker, John Carroll University, in a fourth edition of *Introduction to Business* (Southwestern Publishing Co.) endeavor to keep up with their description of the ever-changing U.S. business scene.

#### The Alumnus, Too

Although the *Pledge Manual of Alpha Sigma Phi* (5th edition, 114 pp., Alpha Sigma Phi, \$1.50 clothbound) would appear from the title to be of primary interest to the newcomer, perhaps it should be on the book shelf of the alumnus, too.

The book literally is a "fact book" of Alpha Sigma Phi, providing historical information (not only that of Alpha Sigma Phi but the fraternity movement in the U.S.), information about the National Council organization, committee functions, lists of Delta Beta Xi award winners and some outstanding Alpha Sigs, etc. And, of course, there are many good tips for the pledge.

### THE CHAPTERS





MARIETTA'S "OLD RED BARN": BEFORE AND AFTER From the ashes a new house is rising.

#### Rising From the Ashes

Construction of a new Alpha Sigma Phi house at Marietta college is proceeding at a rapid rate. Members of Delta chapter, actives and alumni, are more than hopeful that it will be completed and ready to view by brothers from throughout the nation during the national convention, Sept. 7-10.

The old "Red Barn," which in many ways has been a symbol of the "Old Gal" at Marietta, has been torn down and the remains burned. Literally, the new house is rising from the ashes of the old.

The foundation has been completed. By mid-January the new brick walls had been completed almost to the third floor.

When the house is finished in late August, it will house 36 men, with eating facilities and meeting space for more than 100. Its completion will be the final stage in the work of our alumni to get a new chapter house for Delta.

The active brotherhood would like to extend special thanks to three alumni brothers who are members of the board of trustees of the college. They are the late Sheldon C. Gilman, C. Earle Humphrey and Thomas W. McCaw. So many brothers have contributed to the effort that the active chapter would like to thank the entire alumni association for making the dream of a new chapter house become a reality.

Patrick H. Bowen, HAE

#### Alabama Presents Award

Alpha Iota is proud of the job pledge Pete Ozarowski did in the intramural tennis tournament last spring. Pete won the championship and, as a freshman, defeated some very formidable opposition on his way to the trophy, including varsity players.

Pledge Ed Brockeldank's father has, by all indications, an interesting job: He's an

officer at New York's Sing-Sing prison.

Alpha Iota's contribution to the Air Force R.O.T.C., Ken Ernst, is now undergoing flight training as part of his advanced college training. Pledge Ken Kirmsee gets the long distance award this year. He hails from Arcadia, California.

One of the highlights of this semester was the presentation of the Delta Beta Xi Award to Brother John L. Blackburn, Alpha Omicron '50, at a formal dinner held in the Chapter House. Brother Blackburn is the University Dean of Men and has accomplished many works for the benefit of the Fraternity.

#### **B-W Now Largest**

This fall saw one of the most active rush seasons on the books of Alpha Mu chapter. Efforts of the brotherhood were led ably by Bill Lutz, who earned the distinction of being everywhere at once when needed.

We usually are not considered the ugliest men on campus, but that is the title that was won by Sig Dick Cherba during campus Chest Week. The next advance we are hoping will be in the form of a redecorated chapter house. The college administration has been approached and we have started raising funds with this project in mind.

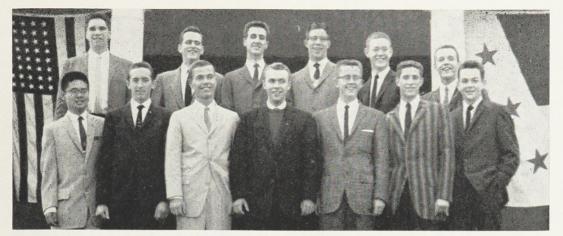
First step was to buy a new television set, now the center of attraction in our newly-tiled TV room. We were probably the only fraternity house with four television sets for a short time. We finally auctioned off one of them. Brother Shannon now has a set in his room. We gave one to our sister sorority, Delta Zeta. That leaves us the new one and a spare.

We also have a new record player that is a big help playing soft music during study

hours, and jazz during parties.

With the addition of the new pledge class, we are now the biggest Greek group on the Baldwin-Wallace campus.

Robert Ross, HAE



Bethany's Beta Gamma boasts a big pledge class.

Bethany Observes 30th

The 30th anniversary of the beginning of Alpha Sigma Phi, Beta Gamma chapter, Bethany College, took place at the chapter house on October 10. This was homecoming not only for Beta Gamma but for the college as well. During halftime ceremonies, the "grads" saw Alpha Sigma Phi share the spotlight with the homecoming queen and her court, and Alpha Xi Delta Sorority, for its prize winning sorority float, as the chapter won the trophy for the interfraternity competition for floats.

Beta Gamma chapter was originally begun in 1929 and installed as a chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi which held its charter until the merger with Alpha Sigma Phi.

A month after the celebration, the chapter took a pledge class totaling 20. This is just the first class of the year. Before Homecoming, Beta Gamma entertained all new women students at a series of parties given in their honor.

Founders's Day weekend was very busy for Beta Gamma. We held our "Winterbreeze Formal" on December 5 and observed Founder's Day starting with a breakfast for the chapter given by Province Chief Brother Robert Sandercox at his home. The chapter then attended church in a body. The weekend was topped off by a Black Lantern procession through the campus.

Walt Jonsson has been elected president of the Economics Club, while Paul Neal has been named college social chairman.

Paul Neal, HAE

#### Buffalo Stampedes in Sports

Gamma Epsilon at the University of Buffalo has completed another highly successful semester. The Alpha Sigs had men participating in university sports, with Quarterback Gene Guerrie and Center Lucian Lodestro seeing plenty of action in the University of Buffalo Bulls victorious season (8-1). The Sigs also placed two men on the varsity basketball team, Pledge Bill McEvoy and Brother Sam Battaglia.

In intramural sports the Sigs walked



Buffalo chapter members slicked up for the fall formal.

away with many honors. The intramural football team rolled up a 7-0 record against formidable opponents, only to lose the fraternity championship game, 13-0. In cross country our team placed fourth. Alpha Sigs hope to retain the wrestling trophy which they won last year with an undefeated

Socially speaking, the Sigs kept the SPA (our social home) jumping and actively supported campus activities. Following tradition the brothers were asked to sing at the annual Winter Weekend Ball and Christmas Party.

Don Foresta, a junior and chapter candidate for "Mr. Formal," is a member of the student senate, HJP of the fraternity, and has been proverbly tapped as "Ivy".

Plans are materializing for an active rushing program interspersed with numerous social events. This Spring the Brothers plan to enter the IFC Sing in which they have triumphed for the past seven years.

Brother, Al Brennan, quit work on construction three weeks before school started in September to take a hitch-hiking tour around the United States. Starting from his home in Oswego, New York he traveled to New Orleans, then on to Texas, back up to Washington, D. C., and then home. It is interesting to note that while living in the French Quarter in New Orleans he struck up an acquaintance with a fellow Brother. Phil Warring, from American University.

The Sigs began this past semester by initiating 14 new Brothers. They are: Don Gray, Dean Orman, Bill Bonner, Jack Danielson, Lucian Lodestro, Gene Guerrie, Rog Wilhelm, Gia Quinto, Bob Albee, and Bob Marshall.

Curt Clicquennoi, HS

Cincinnati Makes Big Gain

A long awaited event—an "Open House" -was finally experienced in November, as Cincinnati's Beta Sigma chapter opened the doors of our newly acquired home on Wentworth Avenue.



The new Cincinnati house.



Cincy gets scholarship cup.

Only through the devotion of a wonderful housemother, Mrs. Bertha Husman, and her faith in the chapter members, was such an event possible. "Mom" supplied the necessary down payment and will be repaid in

the form of rent.

For the last six years the Beta Sigs had rented a house on Calhoun Street close to the campus, but removed from the rest of the Greek organizations of the university. Before 1953 the chapter had roomed in a house, since torn down to make room for the new UC Fieldhouse. The Wentworth Avenue home places Alpha Sigma Phi among four other fraternities and offers a good location from which to develop more campus-wide activities in conjunction with other Greeks.

Realization of another goal came in 1959 with the chapter's successful fulfillment of its scholarship program. Combined grades for the 1958-59 year moved the chapter from 13th to 4th on campus and merited the coveted scholarship trophy presented each year for the best improvement scholasti-

cally by a fraternity.

H.S.P. Rudolph Ludeke was selected for initiation into Omicron Delta Kappa, Men's National Honorary in student leadership.

Roger Stanley, HAE

#### And California, Too

Alpha Sigs of Nu chapter were presented this fall with a 30-inch trophy. Of the 49 other fraternities on campus, the Mothers Club of the Interfraternity Council felt that the Sig House was most deserving of the award for having made the most significant improvement in scholarship during the past year. The chapter also began a new school year with a newly painted living room, fire proof walls (to satisfy the fire chief), and a completely remodeled kitchen—thanks to the alumni. Brothers Fred Sylvia, Bob Riegg, Tom Ingersoll, Bill Steiner and Tom Richards planted a new lawn during the summer.

Socially, our calendar has been crammed with exchanges and dances, including the Black and White Formal, Apache Dance, Pajama Party, Pledge Dance, and a Christmas party for underpriveleged children,



HJP Mills, HSP Buck & trophy.

sponsored jointly by the Sigs and Alpha Delta Pi Sorority. Each and every event has been a great success. The brothers and the excellent organization under the direction of our social chairman, Brother Paul Galvez.

Another fall success was Parents Night. Over 150 parents and friends came to enjoy the dinner and, afterwards, the entertainment provided by 12 new pledges. Brother Tom Mongan was presented with a \$50 check from our Mothers Club for having the highest grades in the house last year.

Nu chapter felt that Milton Morrison

qualified in every respect for the Delta Beta Xi Award and nominated him. His assistance has been invaluable to the chapter in recent years. He was presented with the Delta Beta Xi key at the Founders Day

banquet on December 4.

In intramural sports, Alpha Sigs have had the greatest participation in years. As this article was written, the results of most of the intramural sports were not known. However, we have already won league championship in basketball, a sport in which we have very strong competition at all levels—boarding houses to fraternities and university teams.

Brothers Brian McCarthy and Jim Foudy, February graduates, were slated for Army

service via ROTC commissions.

Chapter officers for the fall semester: HSP, Jerry Buck; HJP, Robert Mills; HS, Roger Shaffer; HCS, Hal Wilde; HE, Kevin Reidy; HC, Don Talley; HM, Neil Ross, and HAE, Bob Harbaugh.

New pledges included: Rob Anthonisen, Frank Battino, Bob Bennett, Pete Skaarup, Bill Norton, Steve Taylor, Richard Cobden, Jim Mongan, Gary Van Matre, Rich Eschenburg, George Morris, and David Enrici.

Bob Harbaugh, HAE

#### D & E Hosts Turk Educators

During the week of Oct. 19, members of the Turkish National Board of Education, who are studying the elementary and secondary school systems of the United States, spent five days in Elkins, W. Va.
On Tuesday, Oct. 20, the brothers of

Gamma Delta had the distinguished honor and privilege of having the members of the Board and Dr. James E. Dow, Professor

of Political Science and History at Davis & Elkins College, as our guests.

Before dinner, a brief seminar was held dealing with the Turkish education system and its differences from its American

counterpart.

After dinner, the guests were taken on a tour of the "house" by the brothers. Following the tour, H.S.P. James Ruyak presented the visitors with a copy of the Tomahawk, our recording of the fraternity songs, and a copy of the Senatus, the college yearbook.

Another highlight came December 6 when the annual Founder's Day Banquet was held in the Moose Hall. H.S.P. James Ruyak gave an account of the growth of Gamma Delta Chapter. Master of Cere-monies Chuck Hawk had us "in the aisles"

with his jokes and imitations.

On December 14, the chapter was proud to present the Delta Beta Xi award to Col. Joseph Bangham, by President Jim Ruyak.

Colonel Bangham was instrumental in the founding of Gamma Delta chapter and its continued growth and success. It was only by his help that we purchased the present house at 430 Randolph Avenue, Elkins.

Richard H. Stoeltzing has been succeeded by Edward G. Ringe as H.A.E. of the

chapter.

Edward G. Ringe, HAE

#### 25th For Hartwick

For the first time in the history of Beta Xi there were no pledges in December. Fraternities this year have deferred rushing to the second semester, explaining the unique situation. Also unique this year is the fact that 17 Brothers are living in the fraternity house, the most ever. Four new Brothers were initiated October 18: James Inglis, Edward Reap, Ben Karas, and Ralph Larsen. Ralph is Assistant to the President at Hartwick and replaces past advisor, Arnold Ostlund, who this year became Dean of Men at Wagner College.

Beta Xi for the third consecutive year has won the Scholarship Cup presented to the Hartwick fraternity with the highest average. The competition was close among fraternities this year, but Alpha Sigma

Phi came out on top.

Brothers Barry Downing, Donald Brown, and George Schermerhorn, were nominated for election to the 1959-60 edition of "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities"

Under the eager eye of house improvement manager, Carl Nyman, and the watchful eye of treasurer, Robert Stamm, house improvements are rapidly being made. A new sink for housemother, Mrs. Betty Lee, a new roof, and a new furnace have already been installed. The front porch is being renovated after years of unfaithful service.

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The football season was rather unsuccessful, but the views are optimistic concerning basketball. We look toward improvement

in the chapter athletic record.

Social Chairman Mike Romain has been doing a great job this year. Siglympics (for the females of Hartwick, created by Beta Xi) began the year successfully under the capable leadership of Brother Roy Stock. Likewise the Flapper Party (dance-1920) was completely enjoyable. On November 21 the Black & White Formal was held at Hotel Oneonta, climaxing a socially successful semester.

On May 4, 1960, Beta Xi celebrates its 25th anniversary, and we expect many

alumni to return.

Robert F. Swift, HAE

Illinois Has Super Party

Saturday evening, December 5, saw the Alpha Sig chapter house magically transformed into a ski lodge deep in the Swiss Alps—a perfect spot for the annual Black & White Formal.

Of course, the tuxedoed Alpha Sigs knew only too well that the transformation was not the least magical; sore muscles and a few concealed yawns reminded them from time to time that it had been an all-night and an all-day job, and the only magic was

that it was finished in time.

The door was framed by the feet and legs of a giant Santa Claus—the top of his cap passed the third floor windows. Inside the door, the entrance hall was canopied by fir boughs—and a well placed sprig of mistletoe. The reception room and its white Christmas tree were lighted in blue, with space-age inspired "snowflakes" suspended from the ceiling.

What was once the library had become a

candle-lit inn where refreshments were served. Several of the candles were on the mantle of the large stone rireplace in the northeast of the room. The fireplace was so realistic that several pin-girls, familiar with the house, didn't realize that its presence was out of place.

But the realism of the fireplace was paled by a magnificent mural on the south and west walls of the trophy room which showed moonlit mountains and a land-locked lake. Stan Marion's orchestra supplied the evening's music, separated from the ballroom floor by a four-foot snow bank.

After cooking at the Alpha Sig house for 12 years, Emaline Clark retired to be with her family at Indianapolis. The men of Eta chapter remember Emaline's willingness to cooperate in all house functions. She did many thoughtful things for the house that were not a part of her job, such as catering for a house wedding, numerous receptions, formal dances, dinner parties, etc. Anyone wishing to write to her can reach her at this address: 3507 N. Illinois St., Indianapolis, Indiana. Emaline's replacement is Mrs. Lena Bishop from Champaign.

The volleyball and basketball teams have won intramural league championships and

in January entered the playoffs.

New officers: Bob Smith, Mt. Prospect, HSP; Glen Walder, Onarga, HJP; Dick Mason, Matteson, HE; Bob Izard, Chicago, HS; Hank Lawrence, Elmwood, HDS; John Pawlus, Rockford, HM; Joe Bourn, Jacksonville, HAE; Warren Putnam, Wenola HC; Jim Logan, Park Forest and Ron Tugh, Chicago, Prudential Committee; Jim Logan, pledge trainer, and Tom Zimmer, Chicago, house manager.

Joe Bourn, HAE

#### Biggest Class at Illinois Tech

On December 18, approximately 150 children from the Ada S. McKinley House (a south side Chicago settlement house), attended a Christmas party in the Student Union Auditorium, given for them by the



Illinois Sigs and guests at Homecoming dinner.

pledges of Alpha Xi chapter, with guidance from the active chapter. The afternoon's program was started with Christmas films, followed by presentation of gifts to all. The program ended with the serving of ice cream and cookies to the youngsters.

At the start of the semester, Sports Manager John Mathys predicted a great year. The football team's chance came first. Hampered by injuries, the team was defeated in the playoff game by one touchdown. The basketball team was strengthened by the addition of a freshman guard, and took second place in the pre-season allschool tourney.

Alpha Xi went on to win the interfraternity pageant for the ninth time in 10 years. Curt Gollrad directed the production called

"The Great Stone Strike"

In varsity athletics, Alpha Xi is also at the front. There are two men on the starting five of the basketball team, and at least one letterman in every major sport.

Jack Chapman serves as president of the Junior Class. John Lovejoy is engineering representive on the Student Board of Control, and president of the Student Union

Board.

This fall Alpha Xi had the biggest pledge class of any fraternity on the campus with 28 men. Construction of our new chapter house has started: it is expected to be ready for occupancy in September. The house is a three-story affair of buff brick, glass, and black steel. It will have a capacity of 72 men, with ample space for recreation, study, dining, and television rooms with an additional library.

The end of the fall semester brought the election of new chapter officers. They are: Glen Hampton, HSP; Glenn Erickson, HJP; Wayne Stewart, HM; David Single, HCS; Ted Dahlstrom, HS; Curtis Gollrad, HE; George Focht, HC; R. W. Ferner, HAE. Members of the Prudential Committee: John Lovejoy, Hank Knaack.

R. W. Ferner, HAE

#### Iowa State Pledges II

the men of Phi chapter at Iowa State and we are well into the winter term. It seems like just yesterday when 25 actives and two pledges returned to the big white house on West Street. New mahogany paneling on the dining room wall, new tile ceilings in the dining room and card room, a new rug and fresh paint were some of the improvements to the house over the summer. Many study rooms were redecorated.

Rush week brought 11 pledges to the chapter. They are: Allen Davey, Milo, Iowa; Tom Frantz, Mason City, Iowa; Jim Haegele, Rock Rapids, Iowa; Clint Fraley, Milo, Iowa; Jay Mills, Linn Grove, Iowa; Tom State, Muscantine, Iowa; Tom Obermever. Fairmont, Minnesota; Dick Roscoe, Des Moines, Iowa; Eric Heiberg, Des Moines, Iowa; Bill Towne, Fairmont, Minnesota; Rodger Winegar, Wapello, Iowa.

On October 31, Brother David Dicken was

initiated into the mystic circle of Alpha Sigma Phi. Dave is now a sophomore in architecture. He was a member of the Iowa State golf team last spring and has won many trophies in local golf tourna-

Phi chapter had a most successful homecoming. Alumni interest and help, so necessary to a successful chapter, seems to be increasing. The annual Founder's Day banquet, Dec. 6, also brought many alumni

back to Ames.

Kenneth Schumann, HAE

#### MacDonald Honored at Lehigh

At ceremonies during Homecoming Weekend, H.S.P. Don Moyer awarded to Brother John J. MacDonald '51 the Delta Beta Xi Award for "distinguished service to the fraternity." Brother MacDonald almost singlehandedly ran the building fund campaign for our new chapter house. Through his herculean efforts—the extraordinary participation figure of 76 per cent was reach-

In conjunction with alumni weekend festivities, Beta Epsilon built a huge display to depict the destruction of the Lafavette Leopard, our traditional rival. Utilizing our front porch roof, a huge mountain back-ground was built behind an oval trolley track. A trolley filled with leopards came round the mountain and approached a deep chasm spanned by a trestle.

As the trolley started across the bridge, it collapsed with a loud noise; the trolley fell from sight, and a catapault propelled a small stuffed leopard far out into the front yard. The entire operation was completely automatic with the bridge repositioning itself, the trolley finding its way back to repeat the cycle, the catapault recocking itself, and being reloaded by an automatic conveyor belt. For our efforts we were awarded third place in a field of 37 displays.

The annual senior-undergraduate football game was played early in December with the undergrads winning 28-14. An appropriate trophy is passed on to the winning team. The game is followed by the annual house football banquet honoring the intra-mural football team for its efforts during the past season.

Brother Gordon Brown, was recently inducted into Phi Beta Kappa.

At two initiations, 11 new members were brought into the Mystic Circle. Initiated on Oct. 10 were: Kenn Black, Backing Ridge, N. J.; Ralph Gallup, Newburgh, N. Y., and Andy Barnhard, Belleville, N. J. Those initiated on December 12 were: John Thompson, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Phil Stevens, Palmyra, N. J.; Don Keller, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Doug Wade, Murray Hills, N. J.; Frank Koko, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Ed Heilman, Hartford, Conn.; Dave Hidner, York, Pa., and Bob Gough, Oreland, Pa.

Dick Knoebel, HAE

#### Marietta Honors 34

While the new Delta chapter house is under construction, Marietta Sigs have a temporary house on Fifth Street, less than a block from the campus. It was in front of this house that the House Decorations Committee built our "Pioneer" with his drum that won first prize in the Homecoming house decorations competition. The "Drum Out a Victory on 'D' Day" slogan honored retiring director of physical education, Donald D. Drumm. The chapter float committee, directed by Gene Plummer, produced an animated float with a pioneer swinging an axe to chop open a capital dome (Capital). Unfortunately, our activating mechanism jammed just before the parade was to start.

Just before Thanksgiving, eight men entered the Mystic Circle: Bob Barrick, Frazeysburg; Paul Beck, Shelby; Dave Brownell, Marion, Mass.; Joe Campbell, Big Springs, W. Va.; Ken Gill, Sharpsville, Pa.; Rich Givens, Sistersville, W. Va.; George Schwartzott, Buffalo, N. Y.; and Dave Yerian, Monroeville, Pa. With the addition of these men, the number of brothers climbed to almost 70.

The weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas were those of "formal" rushing. At our Rush Banquet, Alumnus Charles "Chuck" Fogle gave an entertaining and meaningful speech. HSP Richard Higgins then presented Mr. Fogle with the shingle representing his selection by the national fraternity as a member of the honored circle of men in Delta Beta Xi.

The night after this banquet, Delta gained 34 pledges. Jeff Albertson, Park Ridge, N. J.; Bob Birkle, Milford; Pat Boling, Mt. Vernon; Ed Boyce, Canton; John Brier, Philadelphia, Pa.; Jack Bulkley, Long Beach, N. Y.; Bob Chromy, West Keansburg, N. J.; Bob Cramey, Mt. Arlington, N. J.; Canad Bield, Chesterbill, Phil Edwards J.; Conrad Diehl, Chesterhill; Phil Edwards, New Milford, Conn.; Jack Frost, Amelia; Dick Fuller, Auburn, Mass.; Harold Funke, Loveland; Carl Harris, Hingham, Mass.; Harry Heuple, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Bob Hornbrook, New Martinsville, W. Va.; Jim Knight, East Palestine.

Dale Lane, East Palestine, Ohio; Bob Lantz, Sharpsville, Pa.; Mike Littler, Malta; Sabin Lord, Brewster, Mass.; Charles Maier, Celina; George Patrick, Stratford, Conn.; Dave Pringle, Sewickey, Pa.; Ken Radcliff, Louisville; Ralph Rodenbaugh, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Dave Rowekamp, Marietta; Ron Rulof, White Plains, N. Y.; Wayne Stalter, New Lexington; Dave Swarmer, East Aurora, N. Y.; Herschel "Butch" Vance, Warren; Dick Walker, Milford; Dale Wartluft, Paris

and Daryll Wartluft, Paris.

New officers elected: HSP, Robert Corea; HJP, Ron Runkle: HS, Dick Rinehart; HCS, Patrick Bowen; HE, William Hazelett; HM, Clive Wallis; HC, George Fig; HAE, Patrick Bowen; Pledgemaster, Bill Frazier; assistant treasurer, Tom Brady; rush chairman, Ken Gill; social chairman, Gene intramurals manager, Dave Plummer;



First prize at Marietta.

Yerian; song leader, Pete Lee; and scholarship chairman, Richard Boggs.

The Sigs are very active in campus activities. Brothers Ron Runkle, Bill Frazier, Dave Yerian, Ron Crecco, George Fig, Joe Huffman, Joe Campbell, Dick Boggs, and Al Hermonat, as well as pledges John Brier, Bob Chromy, and Mike Littler, saw plenty of action on the football squad.

In basketball, the team is almost entirely Sig, with Brothers Sam Hirt, Carl Wolfe, and Harold Culler, and pledges Daryll Wartluft, Chuck Maier, Harold Funke, Jack Frost, Ed Boyce, Bob Birkle, Jim Knight, Dale Lane, Dick Walker, and Dale Wartluft all contributing to the successes of the team. Due to the efforts of our football, bowling, tennis, volleyball, and basketball teams, the Sigs are in first place in the competition for the intramural trophy.

Four of our outstanding brothers will appear in this year's "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges": Al Bray, Tom Carbonar, Bob Corea

and Dave Reisdorf.

Marietta Sigs hold a host of campus offices. Carbonar is vice president of the senior class and ODK. Bray is secretary-treasurer of Tau Pi Phi, business honorary. Corea is secretary of the sophomore class and is vice president of the student senate. Reisdorf is treasurer of ODK and treasurer of the student body. Al Hermonat is senior class secretary. Harold Culler is junior class president. Bob Nagy is sophomore class president. Dick Rinehart is sophomore vice president. Sam Hirt is sophomore treasurer, and Pat Bowen is secretary-treasurer of the Marietta college band.

We began our social year with an open house, showing the campus the present situation and the good things to come with regard to the home of the "Old Gal" at Marietta. Next came a Frampaz Party, where the girls appeared with freshly-dyed black hair and baggy sweaters and the men

developed full beards above their sloppy clothes for a night in an Expresso Coffee House. The came our annual Barn Dance, with the maze designed by Jim Bicket, Dean Haine, and Zeke Wallis the center of activity, since it was necessary for all to go through the pitch-black tunnels on their hands and knees to get into the party. An "Around the World in Three Hours" Party provided the Sigs and their dates with a chance to dress in costumes ranging from English diplomats and Indian women to New York bohemians and Syrian shepherds as our social life closed for the semester. John Casper, social chairman, arranged the parties.

Delta entertained the campus women with a serenade featuring popular songs and songs of the fraternity. Our fine performance was due to the work of our song leader, Mike Jewell, and the assistance given him by Bob Corea and Pete Lee.

Patrick H. Bowen, HAE

Michigan State Improves

Gamma Kappa chapter at Michigan State seems to be starting a very successful year. Jim McGoveney, Don Shearer, Paul Newman, Al Bonner and Dan Woodrull were brought into the Mystic Circle at the start of the fall term. In September 14 men were pledged. The Brothers are now enjoying the new Danish Modern living-room suite which was installed last Spring.

Matt Surrell begins the year as an Excalibur member, having been voted into the select senior Society by becoming water carnival chairman. Matt joins Chuck Walther in Excalibur, Chuck having done credit to the chapter by being elected president of all-university student government.

Things are seldom dull around the House what with Tar (our 97 lb. Labrador) walking in his sleep and making periodic forays across the street to do battle with the A.T.O.

Our scholarship continues to improve, and we are on a sound financial basis once

Raymond L. Puffer, HAE

Michigan Wins Trophy

Athletically, Theta chapter has gained 15 places from a rather unimpressive showing last year. We are now in 17th position out of 42 Michigan fraternities in intramural standings.

In the fall the house was given its annual "face lifting" by the pledge class during Help Week. The stairway leading to the party room was completely renovated and both the chapter and the party room were repainted.

This year's rush brought in seven new pledges: Charles Burleigh, Donald Carman, David Foster, Richard Roy, Lynn Waite, John Martin and Scott Witmer. Foster is active in the campus men's union and student government council. Martin is an

editor on the *Michiganensian* and Roy is on the freshman baseball team.

For the third straight year we have won a trophy for our Homecoming display. This year we took a second place. The theme was "Hollywood and Vine" and we did a take-off on Disneyland, entitled "Badgers (Minnesota) take a ride in Michiland". The display was large enough to completely hide our three-story house.

We have been very active socially this year and have staged a party nearly every weekend. The calendar commenced with a "South Sea Island" party followed by a "Suppressed Desire" party. Later in the semester a "Siberian Worker" party was held. Our dates were picked up in a truck, and the party room was decorated as a Siberian concentration camp. A homecoming celebration party was held, and our pledge formal culminated the semester in grand style.

Scholastically, we have declined a few places from our last year's fifth place position. With the help of our new pledge class and a renewed effort this semester, we ought to be within the top five once more.

Richard E. Hammer, HAE

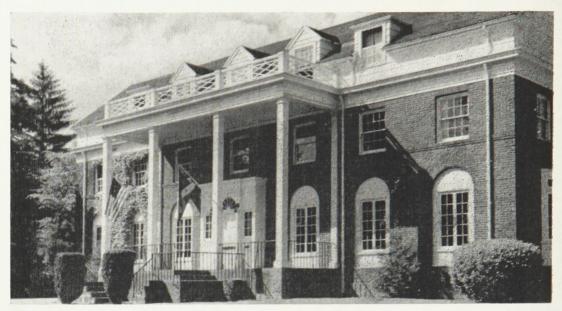
Oregon State Moves Up

The word at Psi Chapter during the last year has been "improvement." We have been working to place ourselves on top socially and scholastically, and to place our chapter house in perfect physical condition.

The entire interior of the house has been repainted. Tile has been laid in the halls, and the kitchen has been given a new look with a large, new stainless-steel dish-washer. Our Mother's Club has taken an active part in the remodeling by purchasing a new rug for the stairs, paint and drapes for the living room. Most radical change has occurred in the basement, where a dingy "hole" has been turned into a beautiful party room. A great deal of the work and planning the party room may be attributed to Brother Lee Hughes, whose talents in architecture, carpentry, tile-laying, and plumbing have enabled him to do a professional job; however, the whole chapter has been instrumental in the completion of the party room as well as the improvements on

The "Social Sigs" have had a full social calendar this year by having firesides, exchanges, and house dances nearly every open weekend. Psi chapter brought something new to the campus in the form of the "Playboy Formal". The dress included everything from tuxedos to red dinner jackets and bermuda shorts. Party favors were the very popular and well-known six-foot Playboy rabbits. This fall the pledges did a sensational job of presenting our traditional "Beachcomber's Ball". The house was decorated with palm trees, drift-wood, fish nets, a waterfall, a lighthouse, and a large, paper octopus.

Our alumni made a great turnout at Homecoming. Alpha Sigs are also very



The Oregon State chapter house.

active with Dick LeGore senior class treasurer, Howie Smith on the rally Squad, and Jim Hammer and pledge Rick Dexter taking important positions in the Homecoming activities. Lee Hughes will be on the varsity track team. Coe Barnard will be on the varsity rifle team. Dave Emery and Jim Hammer will play varsity baseball. Rick Dexter will play rook tennis. Psi Chapter did very well in rushing this

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the house nearly to capacity.

We are taking another step forward by revamping our present pre-initiation practices. We feel that this step is an important one in the survival of fraternities, and we hope the other chapters have, or are, taking the same step.

Our present officers are: HSP,—Bob Lieuallen; HJP, Bill Hall; HE, Ray Jaren; HS, Roy Woods; HM, Dick LeGore; HCS, Russ Lieuallen; HAE, Jim Condit; HC, Clair Fancher, and House Manager, Bud Reed.

Jim Condit, HAE

#### Purdue Plans New House

Brothers of Alpha Pi at Purdue held a fall rush program which netted four new pledges: James Eastwood, Roanoke, Va.; James Fleming, Richmond, Ind.; William Winkler, Rushville, Ind., and Benjamin

Yung, Sao Paulo, Brazil.

The semester got off to a fast start with the annual Pledge-Active football game which the actives won handily. After this, everyone got down to serious study with the idea of improving upon our big scholastic jump of last year when we placed sixth out of 40 fraternities for the whole year.

October was our big month for activity. At the alumni meeting following the Home-

coming game, plans were set up to get a new house in the very near future. During his visit to the campus, Brother Vincent Price paid a visit to the house. Later that week, four new members were welcomed into the Mystic Circle. They are: William Davies, Mount Healthy, Ohio; John Hesselberth, West Lafayette, Ind.; John Preble, Richmond, Ind., and Joseph Stodola, Hammond. Ind.

During December, attention was focused upon the annual winter formal: Winter Paradise. As many of the Brothers said, this was the best house formal in many years, thanks to the work of Brothers Don Bundy and Joe Stodola. Our pre-Christmas social schedule will be rounded out by a caroling party and our annual children's

Gary Peterson, HAE

#### Rutgers Gets 31 Pledges

Christmas party.

Brothers Ken Shafer, Hugh Jones, Ron Geck, and Earle Cooper returned to Beta Theta at Rutgers a few days early to put up a new ceiling in our living room. Later the remainder of the brotherhood arrived and everyone worked together to set the house in order for the year.

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Not to be outdone in service, Brothers Rom Botyrius, John Freimuth, and Bob DeLaurentis chose Thanksgiving vacation to lay a beautiful tile floor in our living room. Much of the preliminary work was done by the rest of the brotherhood before

they left for the holiday.

Our treasury has been able to stand the brunt of these costly repairs. H. E. Ed Garling reported that we are in better financial shape than ever before in our 28 years at Rutgers University. The size of the brotherhood is growing and things look brighter for the future also.

As rushing chairman, Brother Ken Shafer helped Beta Theta become one of the top houses on campus this year in rushing. Our 31 pledges stand as a notice of Beta Theta's continued growth and flourishing leadership.

Socially, this year tops all previous ones. The junior class presented the chapter with a new high fi set. The music is centrally controlled and can be sent throughout the house. This and many other improvements have resulted in parties which are tremendous.

Our Christmas party was something for the record. Brother Bob Vanderveer brought down the house as Santa Claus.

Bob DeLaurentis was recently chosen for Pi Mu Epsilon, national honorary mathematics fraternity. Brothers Bob Carlsson, Bob Deitz, and John Stowell continue as Henry Rutgers Scholars. Bob Carlsson is also an ace swimmer and a member of the Economics Honor Society along with Bob Deitz.

Robert DeLaurentis, HAE

#### RPI Initiates 19

With all hands pitching in, Alpha Sigs of Beta Psi chapter at Rensselaer Poly rejuvenated the old homestead this fall. The outside of the house was painted. Living room, front hall and upstairs hall were painted, papered and polished. The job was finished one day before open house.

While the renovating of the front rooms was going on, other brothers were creating a "den" in the extra room at the rear of the house. New canteen facilities were provided and a TV set was installed.

After winding up the redecorating, the brothers started off the rushing season with a highly successful open house. We concluded the rush period by initiating 19 pledges. The new men: John Ball, Dick Ball, Bill Barkley, Art Bruderick, John Fletcher, George Frick, Joe Gillen, Terry Grogen, Bob Hammel, Dave Jocco, Ken Krall, Al MacIntosh, Ed Monell, Ed Petrush, Jim Riley, Tom Rockwell. Ron Smyrski, Fred Stebbins and Bill Stewart.

The fine pledge class was the result of hard work by the rushing committee consisting of John Keich, Dave Disabito, Paul Blatnicky, Paul Ganci, Ken Disanto, Larry Bennett (who was chairman).

The chapter, for the second straight year came in second (missing by a few points) in the interfraternity sports championships.

Socially Beta Psi has been very active, including an unusual "I.F. Weekend." Armed Forces Ball and several weekend parties.

The brothers were pleased to learn of the success of a former brother, Stuart Baker, who figured prominently in the I.G.Y. "Discoverer" satellite program.

Clyde F. Mosher, HAE

#### Tri-State Has New Plan

Beta Omicron is involved in a strenuous campaign to be the first fraternity on the Tri-State campus to have a new house. We know that a new house cannot be built without the help of our alumni, and we are trying to formulate a plan by which we can get utmost cooperation.

The spring quarter brought us 12 new pledges, largest class in some time, outnumbering that of any other house on campus. Our new members include: Chuck Buehrer, Lakeville, Ind.; Terry Carter, Sparta, N. J.; Gene Cloud, Bellefontaine, Sparta, N. J.; Gene Cloud, Benefortaine, Ohio; John Grimm, Lodi, Ohio; Fred Gruin, Washington, D. C.; Jim Johnson, Fremont, Ohio; John Misiolek, Dearborn, Mich.; Larry Seed, Ft. William, Ontario: John Stuart, Belgrade, Maine; Tommy Thompson, Binghamton, N. Y., and Dick Wiest, South Bend, Ind.

Formerly our pledgeship lasted only six weeks as did the other chapters on campus. Now we have extended it to eight weeks, which runs our program into the succeeding quarter.

The primary reasons for this extension are: improvement of the members and pledges scholarship and to better emphasize more phases of pledgeship. In the past, due to such a short concentrated pledgeship, pledge grades haven't been as high as they should and oftentimes have dragged down the house average. With the increase in time, neither pledges or members are as pressed. Especially during Pinnacle Week was this press for time felt because of final exams.

As an additional incentive to our pledges we have added to our house by-laws the following amendment: "Before a pledge can be initiated he must have attained a "C" average the quarter prior to initiation. A pledge not attaining a "C" average for the quarter he pledges must wait to be initiated until he does so."

In the past with such a limited pledging time, only the minimum requirements as far as material or information outside national fraternity knowledge would be expected from the pledges. Now such matters as chapter house financing, etiquette, speech study techniques, and Chapter Officer duties can be taught to the pledges.

Noticeable house improvements have

again been made this quarter.

Jim Cunningham, HAE

Wagner Leads in Sports

At a fall convocation Alpha Sigma chapter was presented with the all-around intramural trophy won last year. The chapter came in first place in intramural football this season. Alpha has lost only two players from the basketball team which came in first place last year.

Brother Lloyd Sherman was elected as the sophomore class president. Charles Jopp was elected vice-president of the junior class. Fred Ufferfilge is councilman-atlarge of the student body. Brothers Sherman and Ufferfilge are also members of the board of traditions. Kerm Rath is a member of the board of athletic control,

student council, and college council.

Once again Alpha was well represented
on Wagner's football team. There were a
total of 13 Alpha Sigs on the team and
of these nine were starters. Brother Alfred Pallidino was elected as captain of the team. Wagner had an excellent year as they won six games while losing two. Wagner tied Juniata for second place in the Middle Atlantic Conference by winning five out of six league games. Two\_of the nine starters set new records at Wagner College. Pledge Frank Melos broke the scoring record for a single season by scoring sixty-two points. Brother Don Cavalli, Wagner's quarterback, set a new record by completing passes which were good for 1259 yards in a single season. Pledge Melos and Brother Cavalli, are both Sophomores. Brothers Wally Pagan and Charles Jopp have been selected as co-captains for next year.

Alpha also has three players on the Wagner basketball team. They are Brothers Orlando, Junta, and Wendelken. Brothers

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#### Wayne in Sports Lead

Wayne State chapter is in the lead for the fraternity all-sports trophy. We took firsts in golf and tennis, placed fourth in football, and are leading the league in basketball and bowling. As we were champions in swimming and softball last spring, the spring sports picture looks very good for us. Brother Hektor Peshkopia, a senior, is sports chairman.

Our officers are: H.S.P. James Bebb, H.J.P. Dick Weber, H.S. Hank Szerlag, H.C.S. Carl Schoemer, H.E. John Avery, H.C. Dan Angel, H.M. and H.A.E. Elmer White, Pledge Master Gray Counts, Pru-dential Committee members Jack Hill and

Armand Kunz. The pledge class, composed of Tony Adamski, Phil Bebb, Bob Card, Bob Cross, Fred Hughes, and Larry Schultz are undergoing a pledge program that emphasizes house remodeling. They have completely tiled the basement floor.

Brother Phil Tallon of Beta Theta, a recent graduate, lived at the house this past summer. Phil got some valuable professional experience with the Detroit City Planning Commission. He is now working on his Master's degree at the University of North Carolina. Wayne State seems to attract Rutgers men. Brother Dave Buchesky also came to Detroit this fall. He is living at the house and working full-time at Chrysler Research. He plans to return to Rutgers Engineering School after a year of on-the-job experience.

Many Wayne State brothers are active in campus activities. James Bebb, Cliff Church, Armand Kunz, and Dick Weber comprise four of the ten governors head-

ing the MacKenzie Union (Men's Union). Brother Kunz also serves as president of the Inter-Fraternity Council. Elmer White is secretary of the Student-Faculty Council.

Brother Bebb is serving as University Rush Chairman for the IFC. Brother Weber is vice-chairman of the Engineering School's "Engineering Showcase." Brother Bob Barfknecht was recently initiated into Tau Beta Pi, national engineering honorary fraternity.

Elmer White, HAE

#### Third For Westminster

The men of Alpha Nu of Alpha Sigma Phi started off the year in their usual fashion by winning the Homecoming trophy for the third time in a row. At West-minster, the trophy for the best Homecoming display is highly coveted. However, those in the senior class are the only students who can remember anyone but the Alpha Sigs winning. This year's display was probably the most unusual and most complicated of any we have yet at-

So far, in their campus activities, the Alpha Sigs are showing their proficiency in the various undertakings offered at Westminster. These range from domination of the swimming team, to theater and choir work. These activities have not kept Alpha Nu from setting the pace academically, however. As of this writing we hold first place in scholastic average and are well above the college average for men.

One of the activities of the brothers, which has yet to be duplicated here on campus, is a Christmas party for some needy children of the community. This year's was held on December 15, and was the usual success. We invited several children for dinner, and Santa arrived soon after we'd eaten to pass out little presents.

Tom Mansell, HAE

#### Pledges Boost W. Va. Wes.

Under the leadership of Thomas Salata, Beta Nu chapter began the year with nine actives. Pledgemaster Jack Gaarder was at his wits end when the rushing produced eight pledges, almost doubling the size of the chapter. On December 10, five were initiated. They were: William Morgan, who received the outstanding pledge award, Jim Gant, Lawrence Crawford, Alfred Johansen, John Parilla.

We received honorable mention for house decorations during Homecoming weekend. There was a large turnout for the open house after the game. The decorations included toy blocks crushing our opponent with the accompaning slogan: "Don't Toy With Wesleyan." Beta Nu also took second place in the Greek intramural volleyball tournament. The basketball team hopes to retain the trophy won last year.

The addition of a piano has brought the

musical talent in our chapter to the fore-

ground.

#### OMEGA CHAPTER

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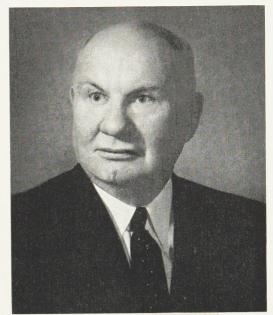
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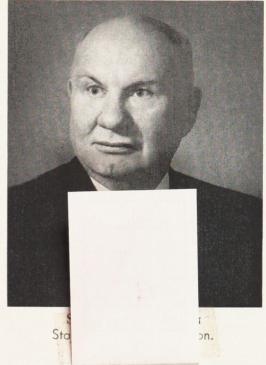
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EDWARD T. ZYWOCINSKI (Conn. '52), 27, drowned accidentally while skin diving near Charlestown, R. I., May 29.

WILLIAM C. CAPEL (Wake Forest '57), died Sept. 12 at Candor, N. C. He was a victim of cancer.

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55, died April 1 at Minneapolis where he was service foreman for Northwestern Bell

Telephone Co.

RALPH L. LINDENMUTH (Penn State '26) died at Media, Pa. following an illness of more than a year.

Donald L. Brush (Columbia '19),

59, died June 14 at Hartford, Conn.

ROBERT A. GULICK (Cornell '13), 69, died in June at Newark, Ohio. Until his retirement in 1951, he was owner and operator of the May-Fiebeger Co., which has since merged with an Akron furnace company.

Paul A. Ziegler (Rutgers '51) died on March 31, 1959, leaving a wife and a

year-old-son.

PERCY G. SOLLIE (Wisconsin '18), who had been ill since his retirement in 1956, died April 26.

Other deaths reported to national head-

quarters:

ADOLPH C. KATZBECK (Illinois Tech '40), WILLARD PUTNEY (Penn State '23), A. W. Jones (Oregon '22), Charles R. McClure (Marietta '94), Andrew B. WOLD (Washington '37), DONALD B. STUART (Oregon '20), EDWARD L. JOY (Oregon '24), HERBERT G. TAYLOR (Oregon '17), BENJAMIN D. STAEGER (Washington '37), ERNEST A. BACK (Michigan State '16), ALFRED H. PHILLIPS (Yale '20), RICHARD W. VALOVIC (Illinois Tech '53), Romeo T. Deitsch (Ohio Wesleyan '14), GEORGE S. CULBERTSON (Illinois '15), ALFRED L. WILLIAMS (Connecticut '53), OWEN TARRIER (Ohio State '27), ALFRED R. McCullough (Stanford '19), CRAIG ALDEN (Harvard '16), WINTHROP S. Welch (Cornell '34), Otte P. A. ROSENKRANTZ (Cincinnati '54), WARREN W. Jones (Ohio Northern '56), Owen I. Giblin (Penn State '47), Douglas H. DITTRICK (Ohio Wesleyan '28), WILLIAM F. Neubeck (Brooklyn Poly '29), Segurd H. THORSON (Washington '49), CARL G. Long (Ohio Wesleyan '15), C. A. Point (Marshall '29), Allen M. Gibson (Penn State), John L. Stivers (Yale '09), ARTHUR W. CHRISTIE (Toledo '47), Myron W. Hanson (Ohio Northern '49), HARVEY R. BATTERSBY (Penn State '30), SAM W. LANDIS, JR. (Penn State '37).

#### I WAS AFRAID

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ful experiment in democracy, group society and brotherhood. We have had the experience. But unless we drive this home

to the public we will be destroyed.

When I was in high school and made known my desire to continue my education in college, I received many hours of counseling and guidance. But I cannot recall that fraternities were mentioned once. I, and many of my classmates, knew relatively nothing about fraternities, except what we had read in the papers and had heard discussed second-hand. There were exceptions, of course, as in cases where parents or other relatives were fraternity members; but this was not my experience, nor was it that of many others.

Our parents were suspicious and our teachers, in most cases, were positively close-mouthed. In a great majority of instances the information I received was false; and in nearly all was derogatory.

Until quite recently fraternities, as national organizations, were unknown at most state teacher's colleges. In my own high school well over 75 per cent of the faculty members were graduates of state teacher's colleges. I know of one member of that faculty who is a fraternity man, and this I have only learned within the past year.

It is not so startling, then, that high school students are not counseled about the fraternity experience. Counselors and guidance directors have not had that experience and are unable to advise con-

cerning it.

It seems imperative then that fraternities quickly consider the advisabilty (as some of them are) of placing chapters, good chapters, on the campuses of teacher's colleges. The men and women turned out by these schools are the teachers who will influence the fraternity men of tomorrow.

I urge that high schools and junior colleges be put on fraternity mailing lists so the persons controlling these institutions can know just what the fraternity system continued on page 34

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each other more than in the dorm. Dorms always will be noisy unless there is a radical change."

Ken Schumann and Wayne White of Phi Chapter at Iowa State reported: "Brothers studying under both conditions all agree that conditions are better in the house. Dormitories will become much more crowded. House study conditions should be even better in relation to the dorm."

One factor which plays an important part in future study conditions is the planning and type of construction for new dormitories and fraternity houses, according to the deans.

"Some of our economy-built dormitories have little or no acoustical treatment, hence study conditions in such halls are atrocious," reported the dean of a state university. Said another dean: "Our freshman dorm is noisy, partly due to the construction of the building." At a third campus, the chapter reported: "The new large dormitories that will be built to house freshmen probably will worsen study conditions."

Several deans stressed the importance of planning new fraternity houses with study conditions in mind. "Unless a fraternity house is built and planned as such," said one midwestern dean, "it seldom meets the needs from the standpoint of study rooms and other living facilities. The average single family dwelling does not convert well into a fraternity house." He advocated dormitory-type construction, providing study rooms and sleeping accommodations on separate floors and "some single rooms available for use of individuals who do not always fit exactly as far as roommates are concerned."

"Fraternity builders must give more consideration to the study or academic function when building even at the expense of lounge and recreation space," declared Robert E. Matson, Indiana University fraternity advisor.

To Dean J. D. Leith, of Lehigh, construction was of lesser importance than the quality of chapter management. "The

real answers are not to be sought on the architect's drawing board but in the National Interfraternity Council's Decalog of Fraternity Policy," he observed.

Both deans and Alpha Sig chapters were asked about the problem of freshman adjustment, particularly for the young man who has been accustomed to his own room at home. Many chapter men and deans felt that this was not a serious problem; some did.

There was a striking difference in attitude about such adjustment problems by deans and by the college men. Many deans reacted like top sergeants. And this may be a sign of the times.

"Pure bunk," snorted one dean. "If one wants to study and knows he has to, he can do so even in a boiler factory."

"This is sometimes offered as a cause of poor work but it is most often a rationalization," said another.

But a third dean confessed: "Generally speaking, the matter of greater adjustment does not normally come to mind in the faculty people. If reminded of it they definitely agree. It is, however, in the administrative mind continually."

Many deans said the big problem was to get freshmen adjusted to stiffer study requirements. Some said the newcomers appeared to have done little study in high school. One dean, however, said that as the result of "the Sputnik panic" some freshmen now are coming to the campus almost too well prepared for college. After superior preparation or "under a forced draft study program," some new freshmen are disposed to kick over the traces when they reach the campus or to breeze through the first semester (with resulting later trouble).

Chapter men mentioned a variety of important freshman adjustment problems. "When I was a freshman, my roommate suffered a nervous breakdown from the tensions of college life and had to be placed in a hospital, thereby missing his first semester," said one chapter reporter. "Although his illness was tragic, he has now adjusted into a fine rounded person." From another chapter: "Many men come to college not knowing how to study be-

cause they didn't have to in high school." Said another reporter: "I know of many cases of student failure to adjust to dorm conditions and college life in general. The majority of these students didn't return after their freshman year."

Although there seems to be a trend to require all freshmen to live in dormitories, this proposition finds college officials sharply divided. Again, fraternities enter into the picture. In many instances, deans have serious misgivings about housing large numbers of freshmen in dorms, insulated from contacts with upperclassmen. But others swear that the isolation of freshmen is extremely important.

"We want them first," said one dean. "To live in the average chapter house is unrealistic. It distorts values."

"We do not feel that a student should be subjected to the immaturity of other freshmen on a 24-hour basis," said another.

"This university has no such policy and will probably not adopt one in the forseeable future," said a third dean. "We would not suggest such a policy that permits freshmen to live in dormitories without contact from upperclassmen."

One reason for requiring freshmen to live in dorms has nothing to do with the welfare of the student. As one dean put it: "The policy insures a sound business operation of the dormitories."

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is and the benefits of the fraternity experience.

The National Interfraternity Council and its member fraternities should develop and make available to the nation's secondary schools a fraternity guidance program. Further aides, such as the establishment of speaker's bureaus for high schools, prep schools and PTA organizations, would be of inestimable value in furthering the cause of the fraternity system.

Right now is the most opportune time for Alpha Sigma Phi, the N.I.C., and all fraternities to pause and take a sound inventory of their public relations, communications systems, and plans for expansion. The country is growing rapidly. In order to survive as the great and democratic institution it has been for 175 years, the college fraternity must grow with it. No institution can grow and flourish without the admiration and support of the American people. In too many places, among too many people, we have yet to gain that admiration and support.

#### NIC Starts A Second 50

More than 300 delegates, graduates and undergraduates, met at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel at New York City in late November to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the National Interfraternity Conference.

The delegates, representing 59 member fraternities, rededicated themselves to the principles on which NIC was founded (see inside front cover, this issue).

Representing Alpha Sigma Phi at the convention were Grand Senior President Charles T. Akre (Iowa '23), delegate; Past Grand Senior President and former NIC Chairman Lloyd C. Cochran (Pennsylvania '20), delegate; Executive Secretary Ralph F. Burns (Ohio Wesleyan '32), alternate; Boyd B. Burnside (Chicago '28), alternate, and Donald K. Schwiekert (Pennsylvania '42), alternate.

The NIC, being purely advisory in capacity, devoted much of the convention to discussions of questions of mutual interest and the presentation of recommendations to member fraternities.

Among other actions the NIC House of Delegates reiterated its position condemning all activities which might in any way bring about physical strain or embarrassment in pledge training or pre-initiation activities. More than 1000 persons attended the NIC Golden Anniversary banquet.

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brighten her up, and keep her floating through her second hundred years.

NORMAN R. HAWLEY Oregon State '25

Valdosta, Ga.

(Editor's Note: *Tomahawk* policy in recent years has been to publish chapter news and photos every other issue. Note this issue).

#### An Impressed Editor

Editor:

As you may know, I read the magazines of the fraternities and sororities with considerable interest.

I just wanted you to know that the recent *Tomahawk* impressed me tremendously. I thought the contents intelligently selective, the editing and styling admirably painstaking, the titles themselves written with a good deal of skill and care, and the typographic arrangements done with high respect for professional layout.

It is a magazine of which any fraternity can be proud, it seems to me. I can see what went into this effort—thought

and work!

John Robson Managing Editor Banta's Greek Exchange

Menasha, Wis.

#### Lots of Ideas

Editor:

I more than enjoyed your "Prescription For Tommy." It goosed me enough to do four things: (1) write, (2) offer felicitations, (3) suggestions, (4) and help.

For one thing the Fall issue already showed the result of new interest and attention undoubtedly caused by the magazine committee's and Brother Burns' fresh look into it.

I don't much care which format we finally end up with (as is, or yearbook plus "Kip" type letters). From your article I gather there are two main problems on which everyone agrees: (1) More alumni and active news; (2) How can the work-

load be lessened in the executive secretary's office and by whom.

Certainly the latter problem is the tougher one, so I'll tackle it first. I am sure there are scores of brothers who hold responsible positions in public relations, publishing, and advertising firms who would be glad to offer help without causing themselves any major hardship. What kind of help? I'm not exactly sure. You ought to be able to pin-point it without much difficulty once you know what kind of help you can draw on.

Lots of us have skilled staffs which aren't (as you well know, I'm sure) busy 100 per cent of the time all the year. We can do a certain amount of "Tommy" work for "free" for reasonable periods of time. Why not? We do it many times a year for civic and other causes without squirming a bit.

I know voluntary work is the toughest kind to coordinate and supervise — but still I think it's worth looking into unless we can afford to do it otherwise.

Getting the news from actives and alums should only be half tough, if we limit it to *other than* social activities among the active chapters. I'm thinking this will make them dig for more solid stuff that will help rushing.

On the alum side we could start off by asking for up-to-date data from the membership as if to compile a yearly "Who's Who" or "Who's Where" directory (who knows, we may.) so we can find one another if we wish.

I can see a lot of secondary benefits developing out of an initial effort like that. Witness the reaction from your questionnaire on "Tommy."

Finally, if you can get this going you can, as I said at the outset, count on me for whatever help you can use.

Please don't think me presumptuous. I'm just sincerely interested and willing.

EDWARD H. RUSSELL Vice President, Plans Illinois '47

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