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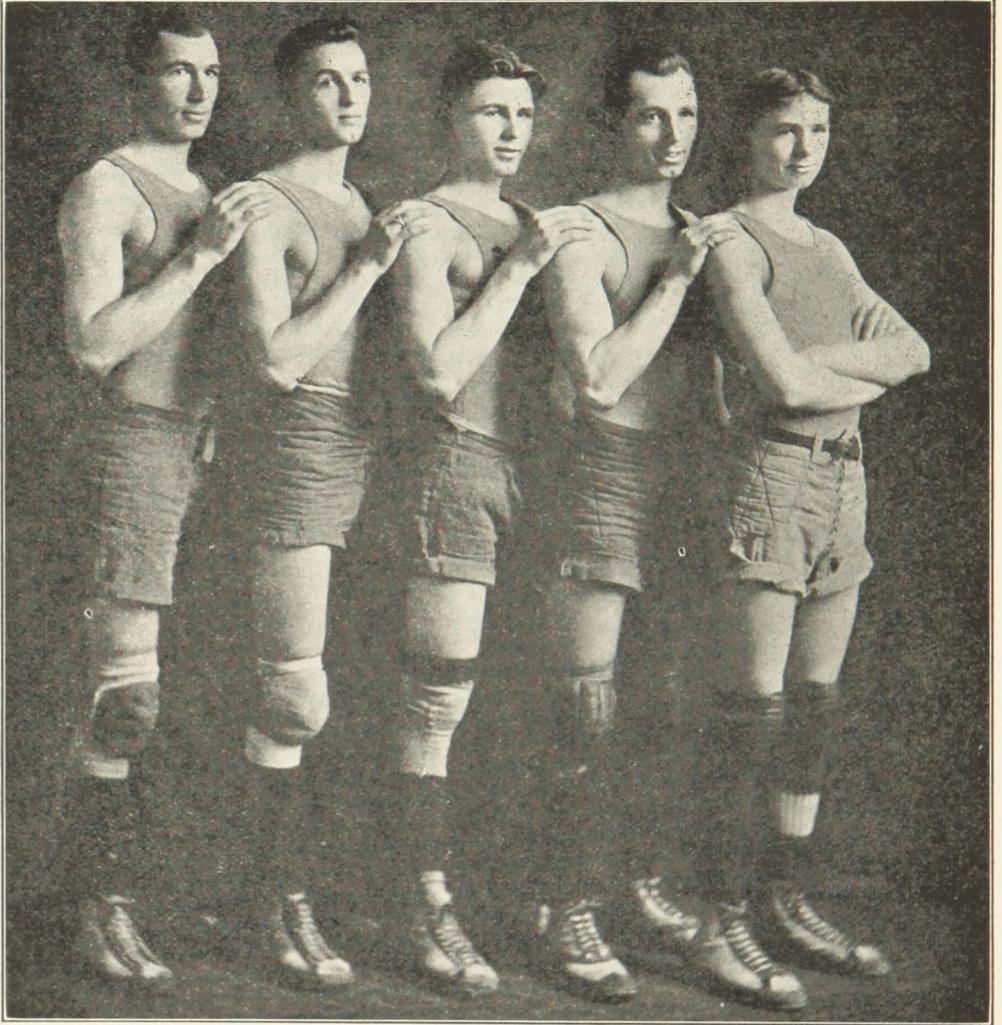
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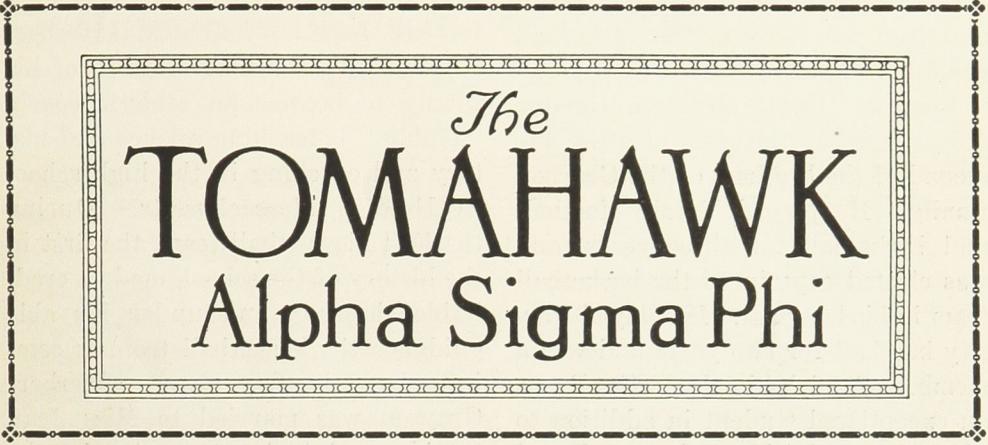
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THE GRAYSON BROTHERS



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## GRAYSON'S OF GAMMA

### Four Brothers Members of Gamma

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**S**INCE 1913, Gamma Chapter at Massachusetts Agricultural College has had as a member one of the family of Grayson, prominent athletes all and well-known on the campus of that institution and Western Massachusetts. The accompanying picture shows these boys as the family basketball team which won the championship of Milford, Massachusetts in 1920.

The first member of the family to come to Aggie and join Alpha Sigma Phi was Emery E. Grayson, Gamma '13, and better known as "Em". For three years he played Varsity football

and became captain in his fourth year. This record in football he duplicated in his basketball work. He played baseball for three years and was president of his class in both his junior and senior years and president of Adelpia, senior honorary society, and later became coach of the football team at Aggie, and in the Winter played basketball with Easthampton, the team which won the interstate championship in 1921-22. He left Aggie to become head coach of football and basketball at Amherst where his football team won the "Little

Three" championship for two years, and last year it won the basketball championship.

Forrest "Goo" Grayson, Gamma '15, entered in the class of 1918, the second of the brothers of the Grayson family. He played Varsity football and basketball for three years, and was elected captain of the basketball team in his last year. He played Varsity baseball for two years and was a member of Adelpia also. "Goo" was an exceptional student in addition to his many activities and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in his senior year.

Raymond, nicknamed "Dame", Gamma '20, was captain of the Varsity football team in his third year at Aggie. The following year he was selected All-New England end, and in his senior year surpassed his previous records by scoring over three-quarters of the points registered by his team. He too, was a member of Adelpia. Raymond is now Director of athletics at Attleboro High School, in Attleboro, Massachusetts. He recently brought his basketball team to Aggie and played several teams in the vicinity, including the M. A. C. freshman and two year teams, winning the majority of the games.

The fourth member of the family, George, is not a college man, but is very prominent in athletics. For two years he played on the Camp Deven's football and baseball teams.

The youngest of the family, Herbert, was pledged Alpha Sigma Phi in his freshman year, and brought a splendid record from Milford High

School, and starred on the freshman football team as halfback. Herbert Grayson is the fourth member of his family to become an athletic coach. "Hubba" is teaching science and history and coaching in the high school in Holden, Massachusetts. During the Fall his football team, the first in the history of the school, made a creditable showing, and under his able guidance the basketball team is coming along in fine shape. Herbert Grayson was married to Miss Jean Davidson of Amherst, on August the 10th.

Extremely seldom do we run across a succession of brothers of the prominence of the Grayson boys, and the chapter feels proud and fortunate to be able to claim them as members. So far as we know their history in Alpha Sigma Phi is unique. The fraternity is proud of them and appreciative for their service and loyalty to the fraternity.

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## New York Alumni Council Elects Officers

The New York Alumni Council of Alpha Sigma Phi, at their monthly meeting, December 8, 1926, elected officers for the coming year. David Dibbell, Alpha '19, was elected president; Stanley W. Kellogg, Beta '20, vice-president, and Lyle L. Shepard, Omicron '23, secretary-treasurer.

It was decided to hold the monthly dinner meetings on the first Thursday of every month.

## Ex-Governor Baldwin of Connecticut Dies In His Eighty Seventh Year

Simeon Eben Baldwin, former Governor and Chief Justice of the State of Connecticut, died on January 30, in his home in New Haven, Connecticut, after an illness of two weeks, caused by a general breakdown. No specific cause was given for his death, except that of complications brought on by old age. Brother Baldwin would have been eighty-seven the fifth of February.

The funeral was held on Tuesday, February 1, 1927, in the United Church on the Green. The Reverend Richard H. Clapp, pastor of the church, officiated. Dean Thomas W. Swan, of the Yale School of Law, who soon becomes United States Circuit Court Judge, was in charge of the burial plans. The honorary bearers were Governor John H. Trumbull of Connecticut; Dr. James R. Angell, president of Yale; Dr. Arthur Twining Hadley, president emeritus of Yale, and a member of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Alpha '76; Chief Justice George E. Wheeler; former Governor Marcus H. Holcomb; Mayor John B. Tower; Rollin U. Tyler, of Haddam; Henry F. English; Henry W. Frannam and George D. Watrous.

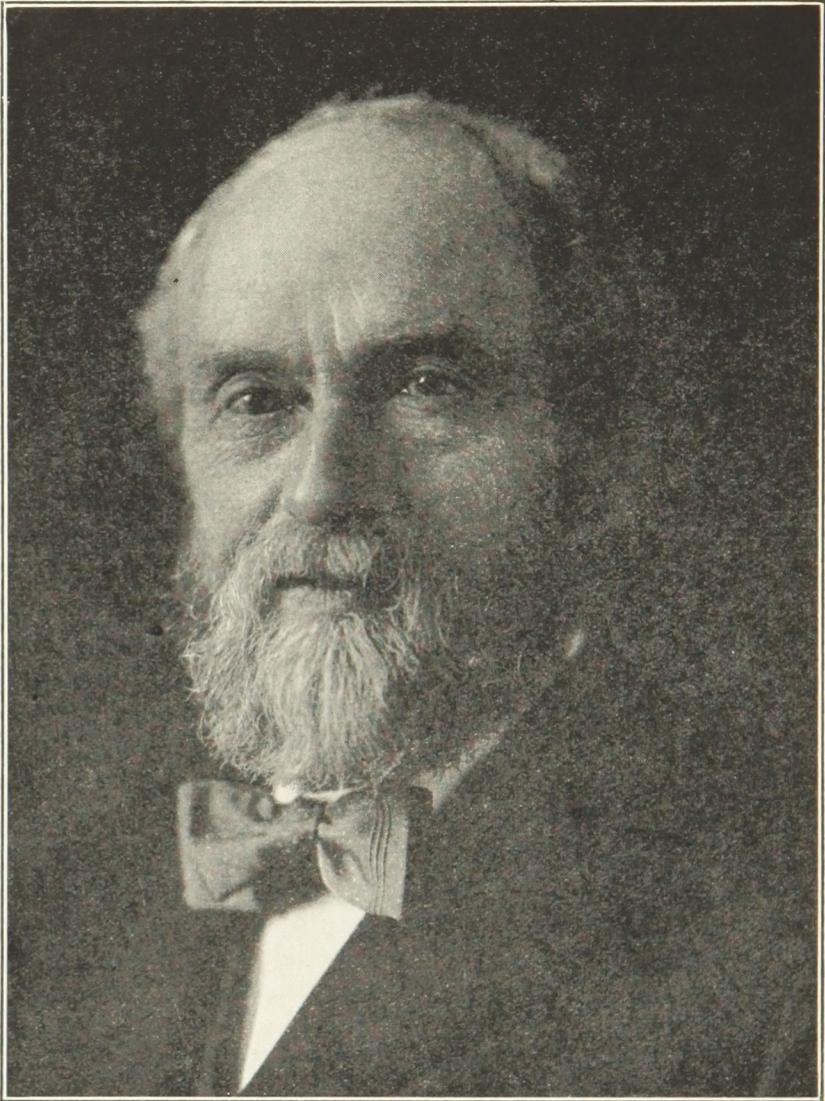
The "Grand Old Man" of Connecticut Democracy, as many of his friends were wont to call Simeon Baldwin, came of famous Colonial stock, being a great-grandson of Roger Sherman, signer of the Declaration

of Independence and a descendant of four of the early governors of Connecticut. He was himself twice Governor of that state, for fifty years a member of the Yale University Law School faculty, for many years a justice and chief justice of the Supreme Court of Errors of Connecticut, one of the founders of the American Bar Association, and a recognized nationwide authority in railroad, constitutional and international law.

Brother Baldwin was born in New Haven in 1840, the son of Roger Sherman and Emily Perkins Baldwin, and was graduated from Yale in 1861, at which time he was initiated into the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity. He studied law at both Yale and Harvard and in 1863 he was admitted to the bar. He became a member of the Yale law faculty in 1869 and held the place, as instructor and professor, until his resignation in 1919.

He was a member of the commission to revise the general statutes of Connecticut in 1873, and of that for simplifying legal procedure in 1879. In 1885 he was a member of the commission on taxation reform and wrote its report, and in 1915-17 he was chairman of the commission to revise the state taxation system.

Appointed an associate justice of the Supreme Court of Errors in 1893, he filled that place for fourteen years,



HON. SIMEON EBEN BALDWIN  
Former Grand Senior President

and then was made chief justice of the same tribunal. Three years later, though in vigorous physical and mental health, he was compelled to retire for age, at seventy years. A few months later, in the Fall of 1910, he was elected Governor of Connecticut, as a Democrat, though the Republicans elected all the rest of the state ticket. He had himself withdrawn from the Republican party in 1884.

During the campaign of 1912 he had an animated and in part acrimonious controversy with former President Roosevelt over the Federal employers' liability law, which he as judge held to be unenforceable through the state courts an opinion which Colonel Roosevelt denounced as reactionary. At one time there was talk of a libel suit to be brought by Judge Baldwin against the former President, but it never was realized.

Being the first Democratic Governor of Connecticut in a score of years, Judge Baldwin was widely looked to as a possible Democratic candidate for the presidency, and in the Fall of 1911 Homer S. Cummings, the Connecticut Democratic National Committeeman, declared that there was a good chance of his nomination as a compromise candidate. In the Baltimore Convention of 1912 he received the votes of Connecticut and Vermont, but was then set aside for Woodrow Wilson. By way of consolation he was that year elected Governor of Connecticut. In 1914 he was the Democratic candidate for United States Senator, but failed of election. As Governor he was the first State

Executive to urge the enactment of laws for the registry and regulation of flying machines. He also advocated laws for eugenic marriages and for the corporal punishment of certain classes of criminal.

He was much interested in religious matters, and in 1913 predicted that "during the next century or two" there would not only be a virtual reunion of all the Protestant denominations but also a reunion of Protestantism and Catholicism, the Lutheran Church serving as the liaison agency.

Judge Baldwin was the author of "Baldwin's Connecticut Digest," "Baldwin's Cases on Railroad Law," "Modern Political Institutions," "Two Centuries' Growth of American Law," "American Railroad Law," "The American Judiciary," "The Relation of Education to Citizenship" and "The Young Man and the Law".

He was president of the American Bar Association in 1890, of the American Social Science Association in 1897, of the New Haven Colony Historical Association in 1884-96, of the International Law Association in 1899-1901, of the American Historical Association in 1905, of the Association of American Law Schools, the Connecticut Society of the Archaeological Institute of America and the Connecticut Academy of Arts and Science in 1905-18, of the American Political Science Association in 1910 and the American Society for the Judicial Settlement of International Disputes in 1911-12. He was a member of various other learned societies in America and Europe.

# The College Fraternity

By Frank A. Waugh

*The following article which appeared in the December issue of the Review of Reviews is reprinted here through the courtesy of that publication and Mr. Frank A. Waugh.*

Guy Peters was a "typical fraternity man"—plenty of friends, good clothes, an automobile, and a benevolent willingness to accommodate all comers with a good time. He was smart enough too, so that he could get by with his courses whenever he had a mind to try.

Moreover, he was ambitious and had initiative, and his social explorations carried him not infrequently outside the radius of the usual college life. He would make an excursion into the city and would come home most enthusiastic. Indeed he was so enthusiastic that the conductor on the late trolley car sometimes had to take him out on the rear platform to cool off.

These investigations in the city were not a set part of the sociology course. They were extra, for Guy was too energetic to confine himself to the assigned work. Yet he did not communicate his discoveries to his teachers. Even the omniscient dean knew nothing about them.

But his classmates knew, and his "fraternity brothers" knew. In fact his housemates were disgusted that

anyone wearing their sacred pin should thus make himself a spectacle on the "last car over". They remonstrated with him. They locked him in his room. They used all the disciplinary measures in their manual. Guy always repented, always promised to be good, and always broke his promise.

The faculty advisor was called in. He was an older "brother" in the same fraternity—a man highly respected by the boys and influential with them. He admonished Guy, and Guy renewed his promises. Results same as before.

## Why Some Boys Leave College

So the older boys in the fraternity house met with the faculty advisor to consider what should be done next. The advisor listened. The boys said: "We have done everything we can to put Guy straight, but he won't behave. We are doing him no good, but he is doing us harm. He is giving us a bad reputation throughout the student body. We think he might as well leave college—the sooner the better".

In all of which the faculty brother fully concurred and sought the dean.

"Why, certainly," said the dean: "I knew Peters was not doing well in college, but I have never had anything on him." (For deans will talk

like that, too.) "But now that you have given me the facts, and since the boys in his own fraternity feel like that, I think I can arrange it".

So the dean and Guy Peters had a session; and the dean said, "Now, Mr. Peters, I am in possession of facts which indicate that you are not the kind of man we want here in college. Two weeks will finish this semester and your connection with this institution. You may go wherever else you please, but I advise you to go home and go to work in your father's lumber yard".

And this time Guy Peters followed the advice given him.

Then here is another authentic case. Gene McCarty was a promising high school athlete, and with that reputation was "rushed" by every fraternity on the campus. He condescended to accept the pin of Delta Theta or whatever it was. At the end of his first year he was caught cribbing. The case came before the faculty discipline committee with complications. Nearly every case has complications. Some facts seemed to aggravate the offense; some considerations pointed toward exoneration. McCarty was bright and promising, and this was his first appearance before the committee. Soft hearts were about to vote in his favor, when another member of the committee spoke.

"I have not said anything thus far," he began, "because I hoped this case could be settled properly without my testimony. But now I am obliged to tell you that last night I was waited upon by a delegation from Mc-

Carty's fraternity. They told me that they knew he was guilty as charged; that they believed he was a confirmed cribber and had a yellow streak all through. They said that they did not want him in their fraternity and did not regard him as a proper man to be in college. Now I wonder if this faculty discipline committee wants to be more lenient than McCarty's own fraternity mates, and if they are willing to condone an offense which the boys think merits dismissal from college".

That ended the McCarty case, and justice was done once more. And justice in both these cases sprang from the pride, self-respect, loyalty, and fair-mindedness of a little group of college boys in a secret fraternity.

In fact, in these two instances—both recent, genuine, and known to me personally—the deepest secrets of the secret college fraternities are revealed.

### **Is a Fraternity Member Better?**

Let me say for myself that I have by chance been associated with men active in several different fraternities; that I have four sons who have gone through the fraternity life in college and for whose experience I have a sincere respect; that I have myself been actively connected, in a small way, for twenty years with the interior workings of one "national" fraternity. Out of this experience I think I should be able to tell what goes on inside.

Able and perfectly willing. Prob-

ably no man of this day who can read print and go to the movies is so naive as to suppose that those dark and fearsome "secrets" of the secret "Greeks" are aimed at subversion of the State, at discrediting the church, or at the disorganization of society. They do not include even a plan to rough-house the police force, defy the faculty, or steal the neighbors' apples.

The college fraternity is in reality nothing but a selected group of students. They are not quite an average group; for they have passed through a selection which is always keen, sometimes captious, sometimes intelligent. The strong competition between fraternities generally tends to raise these standards of selection, so that any particular fraternity group ought to average somewhat better than the student body from which it is picked.

Better in what respect? Not in scholarship. At least the statistics freely offered from various quarters indicate that the average scholarship standing of fraternity men of this or that university is usually lower than the standing of non-fraternity men.

If those statistics are valid and I do not care to dispute them, it must be that the pressure of selection shows even greater results elsewhere. Probably athletic statistics would show fraternity men ranking far above the non-fraternity group. One of the complaints made within the colleges, against the fraternities, is that they help to coddle and exalt the athletes. Unquestionably this is true of some chapters of some fraternities. But the

fraternities did not invent the present athletic craze; they have not the responsibility of the college administration for its toleration; they do nothing more than accept a situation placed before them. And many of them do not go so far as that.

### **Personality a Requisite for Membership**

What the fraternities really want is men with two qualifications, men friendly in social intercourse and men capable of leadership.

"When we bid a fellow for our fraternity" the boys say, "it means that we must live with him here in this house for four years". On this point they are usually shrewd. If a chap seems selfish, if he shows a mean streak, they assume he will be unpleasant company in the very intimate intimacies of the fraternity house where every man is free to help himself to any necktie which suits his costume and to take any dress suit which will fit him. If a freshman is coarse and ill-mannered they know he will not wear well on close acquaintance.

But the college boys' favorite word is personality. If the freshman shows any symptoms of personality he is marked at once. If he comes to the top in his class elections, if he makes a good figure for the first dance, if he "comes out for the college paper" with evident promise, even if he is mentioned as passing highest in the entrance "exams", he is immediately listed with the desirables.

For twenty years I have listened to the personal and frank discussions of undergraduates rushing new men. Their desires can be formulated very precisely and comprehensively, as follows:

1. "We want men who have brains enough to pass their courses and stay in college. A fellow who flunks out does us no good, but he does us some harm.

2. "We want men whom we like personally (the usual formula); we want men who will be agreeable housemates.

3. "We want men of personality and leadership, men who will stand for something in college, and whose glory, naturally, will be reflected on our chapter".

In this last demand any sort of honorable distinction counts. And if athletic leadership counts for more than scholarship, as I think it usually does, it does not exclude scholarship. At worst I am sorry, but I do not blame the boys.

### **What the Fraternity Does for a Student**

The fraternities appear now to be pretty firmly established in college policy. They own many millions of dollars worth of property. In housing several thousands of students each year they perform a real service which no one need question.

In this matter of housing they have taken over one of the functions formerly reserved to the college. In times gone by the college housed, fed,

and policed its students. The fraternity now assumes one or all of these duties; and it is reassuring that the boys have done so well at them all. From one end of the land to the other any serious complaint against the housing, feeding, or discipline of the students in fraternity houses is remarkably rare. To say that all these things are done better than they used to be done by the college officers is to put the point too mildly.

### **Discipline as an Instance**

The outstanding fact which deserves special emphasis is that the fraternities have taken over the business of the college in matters of discipline. This is a fact and a very large fact, even though it runs contrary to a popular conception. Many of the uninitiated still believe that the dark secret of the fraternity lies in its organization to resist discipline and to subvert the rule of the college authorities. Yet the strongest and most wholesome and altogether the most efficient disciplinary force in the modern university is this same college fraternity. The two authentic cases with which I opened this discussion are typical. It would be easy to find hundreds like them.

Naturally the fraternity house is not immaculate. It is not so tidy as an old maid's parlor. It is not so quiet as a good hospital. In short, it is not an old ladies' home. On the other hand, it is not a bear-garden nor a perpetual rough-house. When a boy goes into his room and shuts the

door to study, his privacy is (usually) respected. "Quiet hours" for study are prescribed and enforced by the house committee. If one brother is weak in physics he is coached by an upper-classman who is thought to be a shark in that subject. If one is found to be in danger, or is known to be neglecting his studies, he is put in his room and kept there for hours, perhaps every night for weeks in succession. This sort of thing occurs with greatest frequency just before semester "exams".

### **Guiding the Freshman Member**

In most houses "the big-brother system," or something like it, is practiced. Each freshman is assigned to the care of a senior or a junior. To this big brother he must report weekly, sometimes daily. If any sort of trouble appears on the horizon the big brother does his best to clear it up. If the freshman begins to run low in his studies he is promptly put on probation. He cannot go to the movies nor be out of his room after eight o'clock, nor have a date, nor take any liberties without specific permission of his big brother. And as a rule big brothers are much more strict than the dean.

Remembering how the freshman looks up to the senior, almost worships him, it is easy to see that such an influence may be both cogent and salutary. And it is easy to see, too, that the exercise of such responsibility usually has a highly beneficial reaction upon the upper-classman.

### **Alumni Oversight**

A good deal of what is best in present practice came down from the alumni. These older men after getting out of college long ago discovered that the fraternity could not long exist if it proved injurious to college government. The prosperity of the fraternity was wholly bound up in the interests of the college. So these older men, hundreds of them in all the stronger fraternities, set themselves the task of bringing fraternity policy into harmony with college policy.

Their labors have yielded a large measure of success; and it is worth remarking that the substantial gains thus far made have come from the efforts of fraternity men, not of college officers. All the time the official attitude of the colleges has been negative, unless it has occasionally been hostile or meddlesome.

The fraternity which I know best has nearly 100 chapters in as many colleges and universities in all parts of the United States and one in Canada. It has at all times between 2,500 and 3,000 student members in college. The business, social, and scholastic affairs of these undergraduates are constantly supervised, sometimes well, sometimes slackly, by a large corps of graduates. Some of these alumni are men of large affairs, well known in business and the professions. Taken altogether, their influence is a most considerable factor in shaping the fraternity to the service of the undergraduates.

For example, this particular fraternity takes great pride in its scholarship commissioner. That functionary secures as fully and promptly as possible, from the registrars of nearly 100 colleges, every mark of every undergraduate every term. These figures are carefully collated, minutely compared, and amply reported. Every chapter is told, in firm accents, right where it stands scholastically. If individual members are remiss they are pointed out by name and the officers of the chapter are advised to get after them. If an entire chapter seems lax an inspector is sent to put them on their feet. In several instances chapters have had their charters temporarily withdrawn for low scholarship.

### **For the Building of Character**

In view of facts like these, it is hardly fair to say that the fraternities care nothing about scholarship. And while, like any fraternity man, I would cheerfully admit that no other fraternity works on so high a plane as my own, still I happen to know that many other fraternities are doing very much the same thing.

For twenty years I have attended somewhat regularly the weekly meetings of one representative fraternity chapter, not much better probably, nor much worse, than the average. In that time, in all the thousands of discussions, I have never heard an appeal offered to a low motive, much less urged. I have never heard the

college administration questioned, even when I thought it was far from right. On the contrary, I have heard every question argued, not always wisely, indeed, but always upon prediction of the highest motives. Frank avowals of manly ideals have been common, such as no student would think of mentioning in a classroom.

This, I think, ought to be reassuring to some worried parents. There are a good many homes where the news that the hopeful scion has "pledged" brings something like consternation. Mother fears that her darling boy has now tied himself to organizing misbehavior, that he is entering on a career of dissipation and vice. Father fears that his son in committing himself to distractions and extravagances which the family character and exchequer cannot afford. If they really knew the facts they would probably find that Henry was actually putting himself into the strongest restraints of college life and fastening to the most powerful forces within his reach for the building of sound character.

### **Influence of Older Students**

I wish I might give to doubters and those who worry, a literal report of an address I heard delivered a few months ago to a group of neophytes by an upper-classman. This freshman delegation had just come in from the pledging ordeal. They were being given their first instructions by a senior who was also a football hero. While I cannot reproduce the naive

eloquence of the speaker, nor the colorful atmosphere surrounding the scene, I can quote the speech with substantial accuracy.

“You fellows have put on the pledge pin of Zeta-Zeta” he said, “you probably think this is the best fraternity in college, or you wouldn’t be here. But let me tell you we older fellows think a lot more of it than you do, and we don’t mean to let you bring dishonor on it.

“Now the first thing you fellows have got to do is hit the books. If you don’t pass you can’t be initiated and you will never wear the badge. And anyway we don’t want to initiate any man who hasn’t got the stuff to stay with us for four years.

“The rules governing freshman have been made milder this year; but you needn’t think this gives you license to start anything. For if any freshmen go to getting too fresh on the campus there will surely be trouble. And if any trouble should start we don’t want any member of this delegation to be found within ten miles of the spot.

“We expect every man to be courteous to his “profs”, to salute the members of the college senate and obey all the rules.

“Some students on this campus think it is smart to guy the girls—to drop cheap remarks for the women students to hear. Don’t you ever do it; being impolite to women is no mark of a gentleman, and if any of you don’t want to be gentlemen the sooner you turn in your pledge pins

and leave this house the better for all of us”.

Consider for a brief moment what this signifies. Not one of those freshmen would use a pennyworth of advice from his pastor at home. The prayers of father and mother uttered with tears, would be cheerfully disregarded, since father and mother don’t know how it is in college. But all these admonitions, given by a deified senior—a football idol and a leader in their pledged fraternity—they would never dare to breathe the faintest whisper of dissent.

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### **Delta Chapter Loses Oldest Initiated Member**

Charles H. Newton, Delta '60, Marietta '63, president of the Dimes Saving Bank and prominent citizen of Marietta, passed away at his home December 5, 1926, due to an acute attack of heart trouble. He had suffered from this ailment since September when he had a serious illness during the G. A. R. encampment at Des Moines, Iowa which he had attended.

The personal life of Charles Newton was filled with honors and posts of duty which his friends and fellow citizens heaped upon him. Duty was his only guide and led him faithfully through many colorful years. He was born in Harmar, July 13, 1842, and was the eighth lineal descendant of Thomas Newton, who settled in Connecticut in 1639. He attended the public school in Harmar and entered Marietta College in 1859. In 1861 he was initiated into Alpha Sigma Phi

and was, until his death, a constant and fatherly friend of every Delta man. In 1863 he was graduated from Marietta College and in July following his graduation, having received a recruiting commission from Governor David Todd, recruited a company of 33 men for the second regiment, Ohio Heavy Artillery, which was organized at Camp Dennison in 1863. In 1864 after entering the service as second lieutenant of the second regiment at Covington he was promoted to first lieutenant. He received his discharge before the close of the war on account of failing health.

Brother Newton served as post commandant of the G. A. R. in Marietta for seven terms. He held the offices of Junior and Senior Vice Commandant of the Ohio G. A. R. and was elected department commander of the Ohio G. A. R. in June 1909. He was always present to answer the roll call at the national encampments and was known by Civil War veterans all over the country.

Following his return from the Army Charles H. Newton engaged in the insurance business with his father. In 1865 he became a partner in the general store of Turner, Bosworth and Company in Harmar. In the Fall of 1868, he moved to Iowa City and remained there until 1870 when he returned to Marietta and became teller of the Union Bank. In 1874 he purchased the business of Johnson and Beck, general insurance, and remained in the business until he was elected treasurer of the Dimes Savings Society in 1877. He was elected

secretary and treasurer of the bank in 1881, an office he held until 1912, when he was elected president, the latter office of which he held up until the time of his death. During his connection with the bank the institution, which had a small beginning, enjoyed considerable growth.

#### FRATERNITY PIN

#### LEFT TO LOCAL

The fraternity badge of the late Charles H. Newton, has been presented in accordance with his wishes, to the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity at Marietta College. Brother Newton was the first man initiated into Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity at Marietta College, in 1860, and possessed the first Sig badge at that institution.

Brother Newton was one of the organizers of the First Presbyterian Church in 1865, and was church clerk from 1874 up until 1904. He was clerk of the session for forty years. He had been a trustee of the church since 1875 and an elder since 1891. He served as church treasurer from 1877 to 1897. He was unflinching in his attendance at church, Sunday school and the midweek prayer service.

He was a member of many national, patriotic and historical organizations. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, Loyal Legion, Sons of the Revolution, Sons of the American Revolution, Order of the Old Guard, Society of Colonial Wars, The Founders and Patriots of America, Mayflower Descendants, New England

Society and the National Geographic Society.

Interment was held at Oak Grove Cemetery, Marietta. Members of Buell Post No. 78 officiated. Members and pledges together with alumni of Delta Chapter attended the funeral in a body. Delta Chapter mourns the loss of Brother Newton whose life stands for all that is holy to the ideals of our brotherhood. . . It may be said with truth that his career followed that of Alpha Sigma Phi's unlimited Grecian pillar in its infinite aspiration.

Frederick B. Goebel '28.

### In Memoriam

Edwin James Saunders, Mu '17, assistant professor of geology at the University of Washington, passed away.

Brother Saunders was a graduate of the Toronto University with an A. B. degree in geology in the class of '96. He earned his M. A. at Harvard in '07, after which he came to the University of Washington as assistant professor of geology.

Edwin Saunders was initiated into the Mystic Circle March 26, 1917, and while he was associated with Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity he will be remembered as not only taking an interest in the chapter's activities through the school year but he was also ever ready to assist the men of the chapter :

### Dr. Burrell, Alpha '64, Dies In New Jersey

The Reverend David James Burrell, senior minister of the Marble Collegiate Church, one of the original incorporators of the Anti-Saloon League of New York and its president for many years, died December 5, 1926, at his home in Madison, New Jersey, in his eighty-third year.

Dr. Burrell was succeeded as head of the league by Bishop Adna W. Leonard in 1924 and, at the same time, resigned from the directorate. He also gave up his work in the Lord's Day Alliance and other similar organizations, and for the last two years has lived quietly at his New Jersey home.

Brother Burrell was born in Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, August 1, 1844. He prepared for college at Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, and then entered Yale University, where he was a member of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, and from which institution he was graduated in 1867 with high honors, winning the DeForest gold medal for oratory. He was ambitious to become a lawyer, but his mother wished him to enter the ministry and he entered the Union Theological Seminary the year he finished at Yale and was graduated three years later. For four years Dr. Burrell did mission work in Chicago and then became pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church in Dubuque, Iowa, where he remained

for eleven years.

In 1887 Dr. Burrell became pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church at Minneapolis, increasing the membership from 900 to 1,400 in four years. In May, 1891, he became pastor of the Marble Collegiate Church in New York, which was erected in 1628, and is the oldest church in the city. In recent years he has divided the work there with the Reverend Daniel A. Poling. During his pastorate in New York he became widely known in religious circles and built up the Marble Church until it had regained the position it formerly held among the New York congregation.

Brother James Burrell became interested in the prohibition question when a young man and in 1905 he and six others incorporated the Anti-Saloon League of New York, with which he was actively identified until his resignation two years ago.

He also devoted much time to the work of the Lord's Day Alliance and formally indorsed and supported that organization's fight for Sunday "blue laws," declaring in a sermon in his church that "it cannot be too strongly emphasized that there is no such thing as personal freedom in our Republic," and that "all that can be brought against the so-called 'blue laws' can be brought against the Ten Commandments as a whole". He also frequently attacked the advocate of the theory of evolution and in a sermon in 1912 declared the world was not for the Mahometan and that the Turk must go. He also announced

he was in sympathy with the movement to prohibit tobacco.

Dr. Burrell was noted as an eloquent preacher, and since he never preached from a manuscript and many of his utterances would have become lost for that reason, the church published the sermons in pamphlet form for many years. Before he retired from active work, Dr. Burrell also served as summer pastor of the Memorial Church at Elberon, New Jersey, in addition to his work in the Marble Collegiate Church.

### **Eight Alpha Sigs Holding Positions On Faculty**

Xi Chapter is proud of the eight Alpha Sigs, both from its own fold and other chapters, that are acting as instructors on Nebraska's faculty. These men are active in most every branch of education and have gained prominence by their hard and earnest work. They have carried the true spirit of brotherhood of Alpha Sigma Phi with them and present a splendid example for the younger men of the chapters.

Dana F. Cole, Xi, '13, of the Bizad College; Bernard F. Oakes, Eta, '20, of the athletic and coaching staff; Bozotech C. Bren, Rho, '18, Alpha, '19, of the chemistry department; Wilbur Peterson, of the campus publications; John R. Redditt, Phi, '20, of the agricultural extension and the dramatic trio; Harold W. Felton, Xi, '21; Harold Sumption, Xi, '21, and Ray E. Ramsey, Xi, '26, comprise the array of Alpha Sig instructors.

# The Eighteenth Interfraternity Conference

## Fraternity Leaders Gather for New York Conclave

The eighteenth Interfraternity Conference followed the general plan of its predecessors, at the sessions held at the Hotel Pennsylvania in New York City, all day Friday and Saturday morning, November 26 and 27, 1926. Chairman Henry R. Johnston, Delta Kappa Epsilon, directed sessions and drew forth a frank and substantial discussion of Fraternity and educational problems.

In all, 272 persons attended the sessions of the Conference. Of this number 165 were delegates or alternates; 10 were educators; 40 were visitors, and 57 were representatives of undergraduate interfraternity councils sent to the Conference from all sections of the country.

Alpha Sigma Phi represented by Wayne M. Musgrave, Grand Junior President, Emeritus; G. Blaine Darrah, Executive President; William H. T. Holden, of the Prudential Committee and Richard M. Archibald, Executive Secretary. At the dinner and annual meeting of the College Fraternity Editors' Association held Saturday night, Brother Archibald represented *The Tomahawk* of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Chairman Johnston in his annual report reviewed briefly the work of

his administration, paying particular stress to its special interests, the spiritual side of fraternity life, the sectional organization of fraternity alumni and the scholastic activities of fraternities. Mr. Johnston pointed out that the fostering of the spiritual side of fraternity life depends largely upon the personal contact of those in executive positions with undergraduates.

"We are confident," said Mr. Johnston, "that the interfraternity movement, the foundations of which were so firmly laid seventeen years ago, will continue to grow and expand in such fashion that the fraternities will more and more do their part with the colleges and universities of the country in turning out as citizens of the United States, men of high capacity, lofty ideals and devoted patriotism".

### Alvan E. Duerr Presents Report of Scholarship Committee.

One of the most important contributions to the Conference was made by the Committee on Scholarship, headed by Alvan E. Duerr. The committee reported on its progress since the last plenary meeting, when its appointment was authorized to make a survey of the scholarship of fraterni-

ties at all institutions in the United States and Canada at which fraternities were generally represented.

Mr. Duerr commented first on the interest and generous cooperation offered by deans and registrars. With two exceptions the committee heard at least once from every dean approached and four institutions—Alabama, Duke, New York University and Virginia for the first time compiled official scholarship reports of their fraternities because they deemed the efforts of the Interfraternity worthy.

“The field is now clear for action,” commented Mr. Duerr. “Important work has been accomplished, not in the compilation of figures but in the establishment of a common ground with college officials”.

“Now,” said Mr. Duerr:

“I do not believe that many fraternities are interested in scholarship as a mere academic performance. But they are vitally interested to know that they are bringing into their ranks men who can finish successfully a given job, whether it be in the class room, athletic field, or along executive lines, that their men are developing a power of sustained effort and a capacity for straight thinking, so that they may give some promise of rising above the level of their fellows when they get out into the world. Fraternity men are in theory high-minded and serious-purposed; they are not merely aggregations of congenial and socially-minded men. Nor are our ideals purely social.

“Unless we can be of definite value to our members during their college

days in inspiring them to something better than they might achieve unaided, we cannot hope to hold their interest and to command their loyalty in later days when they begin to assess the value of what they got in college.

“American ideas of the value of purpose of college training are changing. Colleges are becoming unsympathetically unwilling to keep a man who merely adorns the landscape. Business men are likewise losing interest in paying good salaries to men who have never learned to work, who have no sense of responsibility, and who are unable to think straight.

“There is considerable antagonism to fraternities in certain political and college centers. It would seem easy to remove such antagonism by the simple expedient of making fraternity men, more than any other group, stand for something a bit nearer to the legitimate purpose of a college education as viewed by men who evaluate such training from every possible angle.

“Looking at the matter purely and simply from our own selfish point of view. . . . it would be foolish for us to ignore the question of scholarship.

“What we need is not regulations, or even recommendations, but a better understanding of the purposes of a college education. If we admit that classroom work has any legitimate part in the scheme, then let us do the job as though we meant it. Let us create such a spirit in our chapters and our fraternities that the mental drone cannot survive, that every man

will count it a test of his loyalty to his chapter to perform every task as well as he has it in him to do. Let us prove to the world at large that when college trained men are needed in any emergency, the best will be found in the ranks of our fraternities''.

In the discussion that followed, several delegates to the Conference warned against any assumption of duties, claiming that it was primarily the business of college officials to see to it that scholastic standards are maintained.

### **A Paper On Scholarship**

Professor O. M. Stewart of the University of Missouri offered a paper on scholarship: Professor Stewart maintained that the scholarship of a chapter is a good barometer of most other conditions and that the method of raising scholarship is not as important as the spirit; rules, he said, are inclined to befof the issue. His specific suggestions for raising scholarship might be summarized as follows: Let the fraternities publish annually the scholastic standing of their chapters; let every fraternity have an active officer in charge of its scholarship campaign; give publicity to matters affecting scholarship; award medals or prizes for scholastic achievements; require reports on failures; penalize those chapters which are consistently low in scholarship; defer initiation of men whose scholarship is not satisfactory; give special attention to the

training of freshman; keep loafers out; build up a belief that good scholarship pays.

### **National Scope of Fraternities**

James Duane Livingston, Chairman on the Committee of Regional Organization, in his report made this comment: "The problems of the college fraternity are not limited to a locality, nor is the ability to solve those problems confined to any one section of the country. That the Interfraternity movement has made New York its capital is due mainly to the fact that the metropolitan district has perhaps the largest numerical concentration of fraternity men.

"Time is ripe for the development of additional centers of Interfraternity activity. The full power for good inherent in the college fraternity cannot possibly be realized unless the sources of inspiration are nation wide. The 1925 Conference recognized this fact and authorized the Executive committee to organize throughout the country regional interfraternity committees which, subject to the supervision of the Executive Committee, should function in designated territories much as the Conference functions throughout the country.

"The advantages of the plan are obvious. It tends to build up reservoirs of interfraternity leadership in the important centers, thereby enriching the movement with new ideas, new blood, new points of view and new enthusiasms.

“It brings to those centers the message of interfraternity co-operation and gives surrounding campuses a nearer and clearer insight into the objects and methods of the Conference.

“It encourages the solution of local interfraternity problems by local leaders familiar with local conditions.

“It furnishes local and immediate defenses against local anti-fraternity attacks which might otherwise escape notice and remain unchallenged.

“Above all, it spreads throughout the country the realization of the community of interest of all general college fraternities and a sense of responsibility for the promotion of that interest through joint effort and co-operation”.

### **Report of College Fraternity Editors**

Chester W. Cleveland reported a most active year for the college fraternity magazine editors. He outlined an extensive program undertaken and told of meetings in Chicago and New York to bring it to fulfillment. He stressed the meeting of a Committee on Group Advertising, headed by J. Harold Johnston, which is on its way towards results in the matter of advertising in fraternity magazines.

“The primary object of our association,” said Mr. Cleveland, “is the betterment of fraternity journalism”. He drew attention to an exhibit of fraternity magazines which made it obvious that some success along that line is already being achieved. Mr. Richard M. Archibald, of Alpha Sig-

ma Phi Fraternity was in charge of this publication exhibit in connection with the fraternity editors meeting.

### **Inspiring Addresses**

Dean Floyd Field of the Georgia Institute of Technology addressed the Conference on his experience as a dean of men. He asserted that jealousy between fraternities is by no means a thing of the past and he was inclined to be a bit sarcastic about “the mad (?) search (?)” of modern youth for knowledge.

“The true purpose of a college,” said Dean Field, “is to develop mastery, the ability to master a given task. A man learns to do by doing, not what he wants to do, but what is set before him to do.

“The real purpose of a fraternity,” said Dean Field, “is to provide home life for the group, to assist the college in training and developing youth, to give practical experience in leadership”. Properly to offer these, fraternities in his opinion would have to achieve revival within themselves.

The Reverend Boyd Edwards, headmaster of Hill School, was another inspiring speaker at the Conference. He spoke figuratively of the present age, holding it to be a right-handed age, almost a one-handed age, to the end that “we find ourselves today altogether too arrogant, satisfied and content, even proud and glorying in the distinctions that are material, in the successes that have to do with the things that are symbolized by this

power of ours in the field of the right hand". Dr. Edwards made a plea for the left hand, for the spiritual side of life, for honesty, for kept promises, for patience, for fraternity.

### The New Officers

Officers for the Interfraternity Conference for next year were selected as follows:

Chairman—Judge William R. Bayes, Phi Delta Theta, Ohio Wesleyan '01, 40 Wall Street, New York City.

Vice-Chairman—Harold Riegelman, Zeta Beta Tau, Cornell '13, 67 Wall Street, New York City.

Secretary—Robert H. Neilson, Delta Phi, Rutgers '02, 60 Broadway, New York City.

Treasurer—Clifford M. Swan, Delta Upsilon, Massachusetts Tech '99, 17 East 42nd street, New York City.

Members of the Executive Committee:

William L. Phillips, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Richmond '03.

Dr. Charles W. Gerstenberg, Delta Chi, New York University '04.

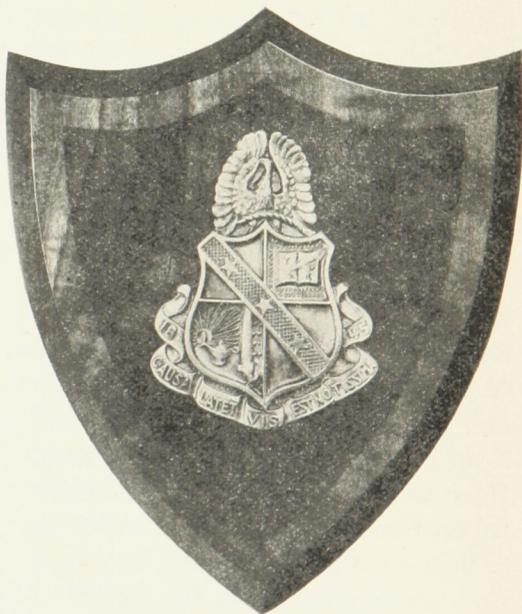
Col. Alexander A. Sharp, Sigma Chi, Dickinson '83.

Alvan E. Duerr, Delta Tau Delta, Kenyon-Williams '93.

Peter Vischer, Phi Gamma Delta, Cornell '19; and Edward F. Swenson, Alpha Delta Phi, Minesota '07.

### New Wall Plaques

Two new styles of wall plaques have been accepted by the Grand Prudential Committee for official use, as the old style plaque was not particularly well adapted for use other than in the fraternity house. The Executive Secretary, Richard M. Archibald, conferred with L. G. Balfour Company, which resulted in the two new styles of plaques which are offered here for your inspection.



The smaller one 9x11, finished in two-tone walnut with a raised crest in bronze, is very well suited for the home. The other plaque, 12x14, is finished in solid mahogany with a crest in dull bronze. The price for the plaque has not changed with the styles, either plaque sells for \$6.00.

## Washington Alumni Council Announces Song Contest Awards

The Washington Alumni Council at their meeting held December 18, 1926, gave out the awards for the Song Contest conducted by them.

The awards are as follows: First prize of \$15.00 for the best words, and first prize of \$15.00 for the best music, were awarded to Dr. Roscoe Vanderbie, Kappa '16, of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania on his song "A Toast".

Second prize of \$10.00 for words was given to Rex M. Budd, Omicron '20, of 220 Cooper Street, Camden, New Jersey, for the song entitled by him, "Oh An Alpha Sig's An Alpha Sig", but which the Council believes may well be renamed "No Sigs In Hell".

Second prize of \$10.00 for music was awarded to Kenneth A. Browning, Epsilon '16, of Zanesville, Ohio, for music submitted for use with the song "An Alpha Sig's An Alpha Sig".

Honorable mention was given to Daniel W. Hogan, Jr., Iota '21, of 325 West 15th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, for words on his "Drinking Song"; to David K. Bishop, Sigma '24, of Hartford, Kentucky for music on "I'm Glad That I'm An Alpha Sig"; and to Samuel L. Jones, Alpha Gamma '25, of Cameron, West Virginia, for music on "Sweetheart of Sigma Phi".

Brother Vanderbie spent his undergraduate days at Wisconsin and studied medicine in Philadelphia. Upon

graduation he began practicing in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, where he is now. He has always been interested in fraternity affairs and is actively connected with Omicron Chapter.

Rex M. Budd of Omicron, assistant advertising manager of "Campbell's Soups", located in Camden, New Jersey, is a graduate of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. While in college he was managing editor of the *Punch Bowl*, the humorous publication; associate manager of wrestling; an officer of the Christian Association; a member of the Undergraduate Council, Friars Senior Society and an important member of many committees. Brother Budd is also the Secretary of the Philadelphia Alumni Council.

Kenneth A. "Bud" Browning is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan in the class of 1920. He is with the Maytag Washing Machine Company of Zanesville, Ohio.

### Council Elects Officers

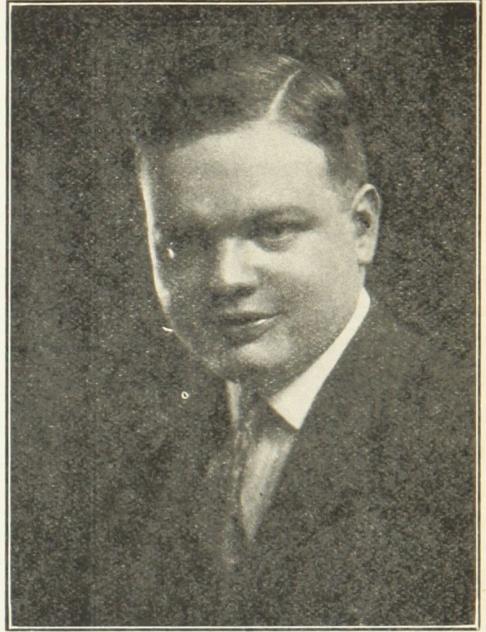
At the annual business meeting of the Washington Alumni Council held November 3, 1926, officers were elected for the coming year.

Robert L. Gangwisch, Omicron '14, was elected president; George W. Summers, Delta '84, vice-president, and Irvin D. Foos, Lambda '14, Chairman of the Executive Committee. The Secretary Howard L. Knight,

Gamma '13, and the treasurer Martin T. Fischer, Beta '13, were re-elected.

Provision was also made for the appointment of a historian. The Council began to look ahead for its next objective. It has been the policy of the Council to bring out some new feature each year. The first year of its existence it conducted the first initiation ever held by an alumni council. The following year it acted as host to the 1925 Convention, and this year conducted the Song Contest, the results of which appear in the beginning of this article.

What will the next step be? The Washington Alumni Council doesn't know yet, but watch for it as it will be worth while.



WILLIAM H. T. HOLDEN

### **William H. T. Holden Says, "Are You There?"**

In connection with the recently opened transatlantic telephone service, New York, to London, it may be of interest to Alpha Sigs that one of our Alumni William H. T. Holden, Alpha '15, Lambda '19, has been engaged in certain phases of this work for the past year and a half.

In January, 1926, Brother Holden was at Houlton, Maine, in connection with the installation of the power equipment. During the period of experimental two way testing, he was one of the engineers assigned to the operation of the wire line terminal equipment at the Rocky Point, Long Island, radio transmitting station.

The transatlantic radio telephone circuit has been described so frequently in the newspapers and in the technical press that any extended description here will be unnecessary. The telephone circuits from the long distance switchboard pass through special terminating equipment at the technical operators position in New York. At this point the two way circuit is divided into two one-way circuits, one to London, via the Rocky Point transmitting station WNL to the Wroughton receiving station in England, from which the incoming speech from New York goes to the 4-wire 2-wire terminating equipment in London, and thence to the London long distance or trunk exchange. The circuit from London to New York passes from London through the tech-

nical operator's position and to the Rugby transmitting station GBT, and then to the Houlton, Maine receiving station. From there the incoming signals from England pass over a 600 mile wire circuit to New York.

### **Arthur D. Bissell. Alpha '67, Dies at 82**

Arthur D. Bissell, Yale, '64, Alpha '67, former Collector of the Port of Buffalo, died November 14, 1926.

Brother Bissell was born in New London, Oneida County, January 10, 1844; he received his preparatory education at a boarding school in Clinton, New York, and in 1867 he was graduated from Yale University. Three years later he entered the lake forwarding business conducted by his father and uncle. He continued there until 1855 when President Grover Cleveland appointed him Collector of the Port of Buffalo. His brother Wilson S. Bissell, who is also an Alpha Sig was Postmaster General in the Cleveland Cabinet.

In 1889 Mr. Bissell and other Buffalo men organized the People's Bank. Brother Bissell was elected vice president and later elected president, and in 1920, when his son Howard succeeded him as president, he was made Chairman of the Board of Directors.

### **Estes Park Selected As Site For 1927 Convention**

For the first time in the history of the fraternity, Alpha Sigma Phi will hold its' National Convention in the Rocky Mountain region. The Middle West, the East and the Pacific coast have all had the opportunity of entertaining the Convention, now is the chance for Colorado.

The Thirteenth National Convention of Alpha Sigma Phi will be held next September in Estes Park, Colorado. The exact date has not been decided yet nor have any plans been formulated regarding the program. The Denver Alumni Council and Pi Chapter are planning to make this the best Convention yet.

The Denver Alumni Council has among its' members alumni of nine chapters who have promised their support. They have been cooperating with Pi Chapter for several months in the hope that their invitation might be accepted.

Pi Chapter will move into its' new home next Fall. Boulder is only forty miles from Estes Park and is well endowed with female and other dance accessories. How about the Convention Ball as a house warming?

The committees and the program will be announced in the next issue of *The Tomahawk*.



# EDITORIALS



The recent Inter-fraternity Conference held in New York City in November, probably showed more signs of progress than any of its predecessors. For the first time particular attention was given to the special interests of a fraternity; the spiritual side of fraternity life, the organization of fraternity graduates, the scholastic activities of the fraternities, and the promotion of closer undergraduate Interfraternity relations.

Do you know that the National Inter-fraternity Conference was born out of religion, that it met at the call of the Religious Education Association? At that time there were those who said it would be impossible to get fraternity leaders to work together; because they hated each other, their interests were antagonistic, and that the rivalry was so intense that it would be impossible to get cooperation. There were others who said that the fraternities would meet the challenge, and they have; for at the last conference there were 272 men present, representing 57 fraternities. These men met to promote not their own fraternity, but the cause of fraternities in general. Of these men, many were educators, for the fraternity is being regarded by college officials as a power, and why? Because it includes all the vital things that arise from intimate fellowship. It can be either a power for good or evil. Under the present form, spirit, and management, it is one of the most powerful influences for good that the University officials have available.

The organization of fraternity graduates is being brought about by alumni councils and associations and local or regional interfraternity conferences. These organizations meet a definite need as to a particular chapter or locality, for the most part they are in direct touch with certain undergraduates and can bring to them these special interests.

As to scholarship; competition among the fraternities will bring better results. We deplore the fact that Alpha Sigma Phi's showing is not what it should be. Our national rating is in the rack among the fraternities, many of our traditional rivals are above us. Our efforts to gain a higher place will be met by additional efforts on the part of these. When the general standing for the year 1926-27 is published, will we still be where we are now? That is up to every undergraduate and every graduate. Each can do his part. Super-

vised studies for freshman, eligibility rules, and a definite goal all help in bettering the scholastic rating.

Scholarship is only one phase of fraternity life. Every chapter should be balanced. Indications this Fall are to a new manifestation of those details of fraternity life which up to this time have not been given the proper degree of time and thought. There is no great amount of difference between mediocracy and excellence, nor between a clean tackle and a complete miss.

Big guns on the campus are acquisitions, but a grind secretary who can write a good letter, and unknown treasurer who can add correctly, are just as great assets. Like many football teams, the winning chapter will not depend on stars, but will look toward the team work of every one for success.

In addition to bettering its own position, every chapter should have some thought of the other fraternity men. We should remember that our fraternity is a constituent member of the national interfraternity conference, that we have been a member since its inception, and that the spirit of cooperation rests heavily upon us.

Each chapter should recognize that it is not a local institution, but a branch of a strong and well established national organization with definite aims and purposes. That these aims and purposes take precedence over any local customs or regulations and that its first duty is loyalty to Alpha Sigma Phi.

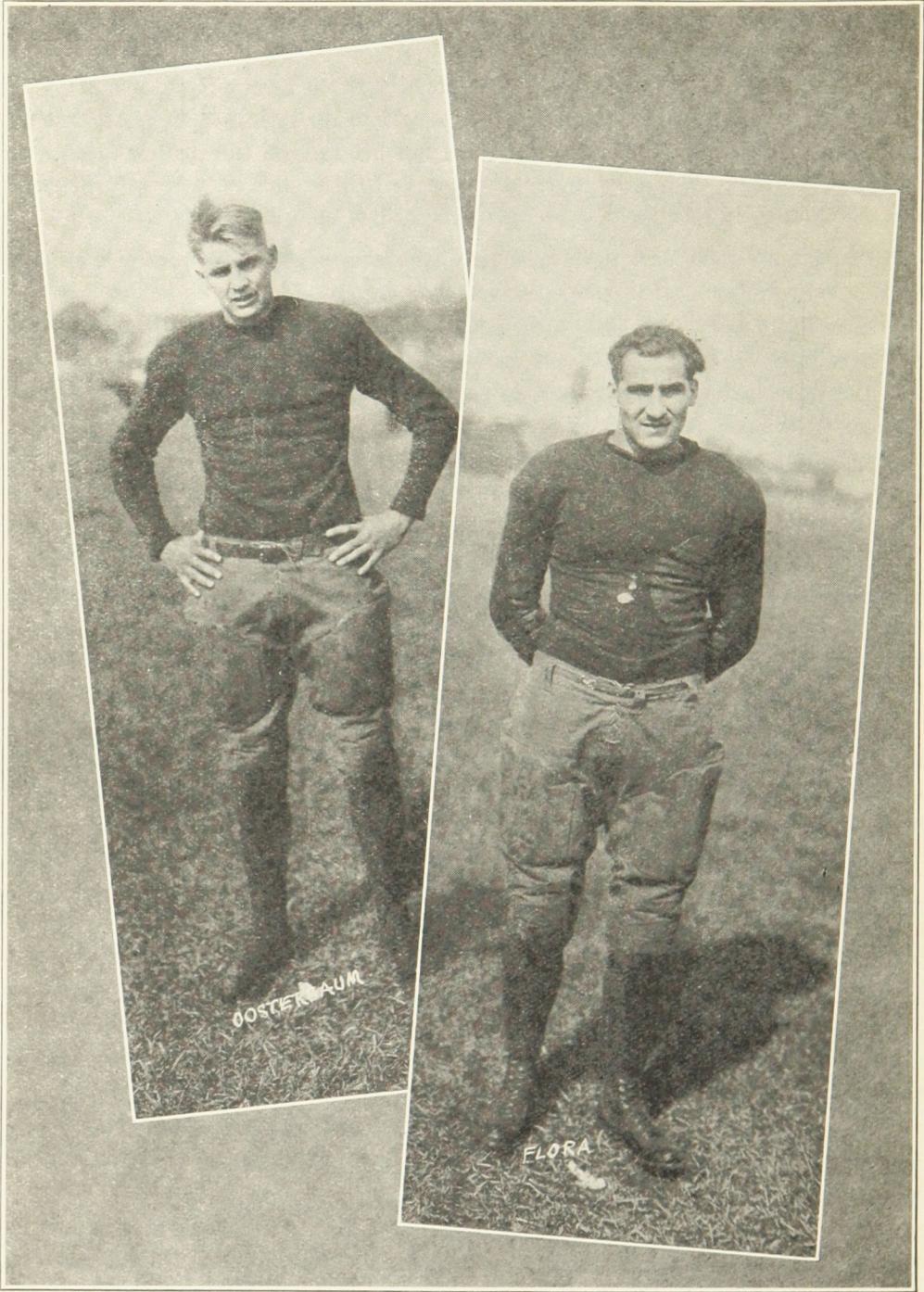
Consequently, when any chapter votes to expel or to keep out any organization from the local Interfraternity Council, Pan-Hellenica, by whatever name it is known, or moves to break up any such organization, it is striking a blow directly at our national organization.

We are all Fraternity men, whether we wear the insignia of Alpha Sigma Phi or any of the others, and we should bear in mind that it is the fraternity cause we are furthering. Interfraternity cooperation is desired, no, is essential, to the well being of any chapter.

The plan of the nineteen fraternities occupying the New York Fraternity clubs building in New York, to do away with their separate lounges and occupy in common one of the largest lounges in the city, emphasizes the harmonious relationship among men wearing the insignia of the "Greeks".

Everyone gains by the move and one of the greatest benefits is the association of men who despite the different shapes and letterings of their badges have common tastes, interests and ideals.

And so it is, we must carry on, as a well balanced organization, furthering the better interests of college and fraternity life so that these men who have striven to perpetuate the scholarship, the comradeship and the ideals will not have labored in vain, and everyone will forget "frat" and remember only the bigger and greater meaning of that precious word "fraternity."



BEN. G. OOSTERBAAN

WILLIAM R. FLORA

# AMONG OURSELVES

## Oosterbaan to Lead 1927 Wolverine Team

### Other Michigan Activities

Bennie G. Oosterbaan for the second year an All-American end, was elected to lead the 1927 Wolverine football team. Oosterbaan has been the first Middle-West player, to make the All-American team for two consecutive years, since Red Grange. There is every opportunity for Brother Oosterbaan to tie Grange's record of three years stellar playing in another year. As Grantland Rice says of Bennie's football ability. "Oosterbaan, a really great end, had a better chance to shine offensively especially in handling passes, where he has no superior. He had a hard afternoon against Illinois, and the Navy checked him by putting two men upon his trail, but he again rose to great heights in his other contests. It was all the more to his credit that he did so well with the handicap of two of the opposing team's best men covering him".

After Oosterbaan won the Minnesota game in the last few minutes of play by scooping up a fumble and running sixty yards for a touchdown, winning the conference championship, along with Northwestern, he could have been elected president of Ann Arbor. He is playing basketball at present with the Varsity team, and in the last conference game was high point man with five baskets to his credit. Pledge Harrigan, an All-Conference forward from last year, is Oosterbaan's co-star and between the two of them the court squad is looking forward to another set of gold balls.

Henry S. Grinnell, recently elected to the "J" Hop Committee, also won his letter in football. At the present time his student council work is keeping him busy. William R. Flora, recently returned from California where he played with the Eastern All-

Stars against a picked team of West-erners, and played notable games. Brother Flora has been elected president of the freshman class in the Medical School.

Francis E. B. Roehm, Thomas L. Conlon, and Richard T. Savage are all serving on the various committees that run the Prom.

Brother Savage has been selected from the large squad of candidates as one of the six Varsity debaters and will represent Michigan against Northwestern this Spring. He is one of the two juniors on the Varsity debate team as they are composed largely of seniors. The juniors are required as a rule to put in one season debating on the non-conference school teams.

Smith A. Cady is managing editor of the *Daily* and has succeeded in putting out one of the best publications ever issued.

The Scholastic Committee is working hard at the present time in an attempt to raise the scholastic standing of the chapter which has taken a considerable drop. Every individual is making an effort to bring up this average.

The office of H. E. of the house has been vacant for some time now due to the absence of Frank R. Briggs, who is in the hospital suffering from a blood clot in his leg.

John R. Gilmartin, is president of the sophomore engineers and is a prominent man in his class.

Wesley H. Douglas was elected

president of the freshman dentistry class.

Arthur L. Richardson is doing good work in arranging the details of the "J" Hop house party of which he is manager.

Sam D. Wettlaufer is on the hockey team this year and doing some very meritable work.

Brothers Kenneth H. Lowe, Waldo E. Gehring, and Charles G. Oakman, all of whom were graduated have been married since June. Brothers Lowe and Gerhing have entered the professional schools of law and medicine.

The pledges are doing excellent work scholastically. The new study hall, an innovation for the house this year, is producing good results.

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## Alpha Epsilon Men Holding Many Offices

George B. Corwin is holding offices of importance in conjunction with his work in the Council of Christian Association. Together with his ability as a Convocation speaker has made a reputation for himself and Alpha Epsilon Chapter, he is president of the State Student Y. M. C. A., president of the University Y. M. C. A., secretary of the Senior Council, and a member of the Executive Committee of the senior class.

G. Belden Trinkaus, is president of Tambourine and Bones, the university musical comedy society, and is also a

member of Boars Head the Hill Dramatic Society, in which he is head of the play committee. With his unusual talent, Brother Trinkaus, has made Janus an honor society for men who show marked ability in dramatics and debating.

Oscar Blew, who has become prominent in forestry work is a member of the Senior Council, manager of lacrosse, and is on the Varsity swimming team. Edward Barry, also a diligent student in forestry, is a member of the Forestry Student Council, a member of Robin Hood, honorary junior society, and is a member of the Varsity wrestling team, and has been elected president of the forestry summer camp. Harold Hoffman a member of Robin Hood too, is publicity manager of the Glee Club, the editor of the *Camp Log*, a magazine published by the foresters who attended summer camp. He and Brother Joseph Truncer, a member of the Varsity track team; are active members of the *Empire Forester Staff*, the forestry college publication.

Robert Cockrell is on the crew, is a member of the soccer team, and is in the Forestry Student Council, and is also making creditable averages in his scholastic rating.

Raymond Stephanak who publishes the *Syra-Sig*, is assistant associate editor of the *Daily Orange* the university paper. He is a member of the sophomore executive committee, is on the *Onondago* staff and is the secretary of the Press Club. Brother Stephanak is one of the most promising editors of the chapter.

J. Mortimer Woodcock, assistant manager of the rifle team, and secretary of Ball and Chain; Raymond Barrows and Lewis B. Shattuck are playing in the university band.

William Lahey is vice president of Alpha Kappa Psi, honorary business fraternity and Ward Hamme, is a member of Tambourine and Bones, and is at the present time a member of the cast for the big play of the season that is put on annually by Boars Head, and Kenneth Johnson are also members of the same fraternity.

Henry DiAnni, who is treasurer of Boars Head, and a member of Janus, is Coxswain of the crew.

Brothers Kenneth and Rupurt Johnson have been elected to nearly all of the honorary fraternities in the College of Business. Kenneth is a member of Alpha Kappa Psi, Beta Gamma Sigma, Scabbard and Blade; and Rupurt, with the exception of Alpha Kappa Psi belongs to the same organizations and is second in command of the university unit of the R. O. T. C.

Richard N. Helm is a member of Tambourine and Bones, the glee club, Debating Seminar, Sigma Beta Chi, honorary transportation fraternity, membership chairman of the Y. M. C. A. with a seat in the cabinet, member of the council of Christian Associations, and chairman of Dad's Day Committee as well as H. C. S. of his chapter.

Charles Mason is aspirant for managership of the soccer team and Stuart Pomeroy is working for the managership of football.

## Sigma Chapter To Own House

The desire of many years, of the men in Sigma Chapter, to own their own house, has at last been fulfilled through the able assistance and strenuous efforts of the Celvrin Club, an organization formed by the alumni of the chapter for the purpose of owning property, and for cooperation which will prove beneficial to the active chapter. The house, a large three-story building, is comparatively new and has all the very latest modern improvements. There are nine rooms used for sleeping quarters, to accommodate the men of the chapter, and facilitate the entertaining of members from visiting chapters. The interior of the house is done in oak, with the exception of the lower floor, which is finished in white. The house is, without doubt, one of the finest on the campus.

Interfraternity basketball at Kentucky this year, has been put on a percentage and divided into two sections. Sigma Chapter looks forward to winning another trophy with the following men as candidates for the team: Brothers James M. Sharpe, Wilbur C. Wilson, Karl J. Daubert, Harold A. McVay, Robert S. Sauer, Reynold H. Ackermann, Carpenter, Samuel Manly, III., John J. McGurk, Jr., Wallace, William L. Heizer, Jr., and Ferdinand A. Wiemann. Alpha Sigma Phi and Alpha Tau Omega have each won the university cup

twice and this third victory will determine the permanent winner.

Brothers Wallace, Heizer and Wiemann are doing notable work on the Varsity basketball team. This is the first attempt for Brothers Heizer and Wiemann for the Varsity, but they will undoubtedly gain regular positions before the end of the season.

Pledges Combs and Adams, former All-Star high school men, are regulars, and Williams and Sisk are substitutes.

The Alpha Sigs will be well represented on the Varsity next year if they continue in the manner characteristic of them.

At the close of the Fall rushing season, Sigma Chapter pledged the following men: Francis Day, Kenneth Harrison, Harvey Hodges, Cecil Combs, John Young, William Peal, Roy Adams, Dudley Sisk, Robert Reynolds, Layton Allen, Buddy Coe, Henry Cogswell, James Ferguson from Kentucky, and the following from Illinois: Donald Williams, Clifford Olin and John Owen Jones.

The officers for this year are:

H. S. P.	Reynolds Ackermann
H. J. P.	Van Buren Ropke
H. S.	Robert Sauer
H. C. S.	Dauris Carpenter
H. E.	J. C. Wallace
H. M.	David Young
H. C.	James Sharpe

## Ropke, Sigma '25 Out For Third Letter

Van Buren Ropke, Jr., has been doing some notable work this year, and just missed his letter by one minute of play on the Varsity football squad. In his freshman year Brother Ropke won three numerals in baseball, basketball, and football, and in his sophomore year was elected to Key, honorary society of that class. He was elected H. S. P. of Sigma Chapter and is continuing in his active work in the chapter.

Brother Ropke was among the first to be seen practicing for the basketball team and has been doing remarkable work. In several games he was high-point man. If he continues in this fashion he will be chosen as a member for the All-state team. Brother Ropke's regular position is forward but he is now playing center, in which position he displays much skill.

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## Basketball Cup Still Held By Delta

Delta Chapter started the year in activities by winning the annual fraternity basketball cup. In the final game Delta ran up against Alpha Tau Omega who entered the finals without a defeat. The cardinal and stone warriors won the cup by a score of 42-13. Delta Chapter made 170 points to the 48 points her opponents registered

in the five game tournament. This is the fourth consecutive year that the cup has been held by the Chapter. Victories in 1922, '24, and '25, gave them the permanent possession of the cup. The new cup was offered in 1926 and two years playing gave Delta two legs on it.

The chapter won the baseball cup as a result of their victories in 1923, '24, and '26. They are the proud possessors of two other Interfraternity track cups won in recent years, and three cups which were won by independent teams composed of Delta men.

Francis L. Trott, Leonard L. Reardon, Gerald M. Gerhart, Ernest H. Ward, and pledge Schafer hold regular positions on the college basketball team.

Brother Gerhart playing his fourth year of college basketball has been chosen captain of the team, and is playing guard position. This is the third time in four years that a Delta man has had the captaincy of the basketball team.

Harold E. Smith has been elected football manager for the coming season. This is a coveted position and a strategic one for Delta to hold and the boys are very proud of the three years work which won this honor for Brother Smith.

Brother Reardon has been elected captain of the baseball team and is playing in the outfield.

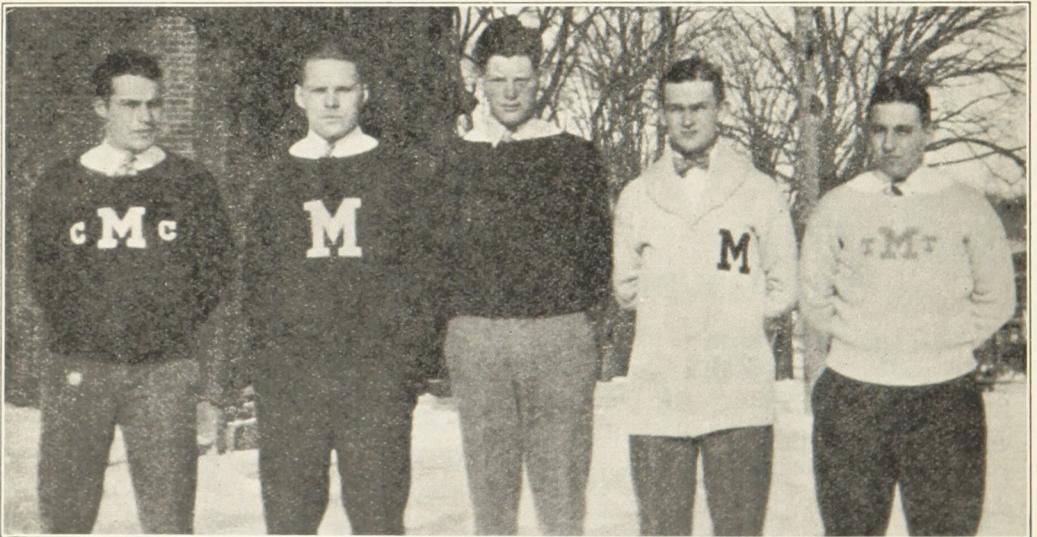


HENRY M. PALMER

HAROLD L. COLLINS

JOSEPH E. HENDRIX

ERWIN K. HASSELTINE



WILLIAM K. DONALD

"TED" HUNTINGTON

PAUL WOLFSKEHL

GORDON E. WILEY

ERWIN K. HASSELTINE

## Alpha Delta Has Five Captains of Sport

The athletic season of 1926-27 is no doubt one of the greatest in Alpha Delta's history. The chapter holds three of the four major sport captaincies, in football, basketball and baseball and two other captaincies besides. Gordon E. Wiley as captain of the football team completed a very successful season. The outstanding victory was that over the time honored rival, the University of Vermont, by a score of 13-0. It was one of the hardest fought battles of the whole season and proved the stability of the team.

Erwin K. Hasseltine, dual major sport captain, is very busy with basketball work, as his team has only completed about one quarter of its schedule and is preparing to contend with teams from the University of Vermont, University of New Hampshire, and Providence College. With the close of the basketball season Brother Hasseltine will resume his position as captain of the baseball team.

Paul Wolfskehl, a prominent member of the senior class, is captain as well as manager of the tennis team and is working now to complete a well balanced schedule for the matches this Spring.

William K. Donald completed the season as captain in cross-country and was rewarded for his splendid work by being re-elected captain. He is

now preparing his men for Spring practice as a preliminary to the Fall training.

"Ted" Huntington, prominent pledge from the class of 1930 is captain of the freshman football team.

## Four Men on Basketball Team

Four Alpha Delta men were chosen, the first week of December, to play on the basketball team.

Joseph E. Hendrix, the representative from Michigan fills the position of center while his roommate Henry Milan Palmer was put in as right forward. The other two places, left and right guard, were taken by Captain Hasseltine and Harold L. Collins respectively. These men have all been loyal supporters of the blue and white in every court battle this season and are looking forward to some interesting contests before they finish the other three-quarters of this year's schedule.

The week of November 29th was rushing season for the men of Alpha Delta Chapter, and after five days of uncertainty the following thirteen out of a possible fifteen were pledged: Frank A. Balkus, John W. Carver, Roland A. Casey, Ralph L. Johnson, John P. McDonald, Richard P. Miller from the state of Massachusetts; Gordon H. Damon, Richard J. Humeston, Theodore T. Huntington, and Nicholas R. Mayer from New York State; Glenn B. MacNary from New Jersey; Robert P. McLoed from Vermont; and Ralph Hammersley from Ohio.

## Presidents and Debaters Popular at Colorado

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### Burgess and Rames Strong Debaters

Thomas M. Burgess, senior law student has probably closed the most successful debating career of any one in the history of the University of Colorado. On January 11, 1927, Brother Burgess and John Rames, Kappa Sigma who has participated in thirteen debates for the University which brings his record close to that of Burgess', defeated the strong debating team of the University of Southern California in the fourteenth debate of Burgess' collegiate debating career. The aforementioned debate will probably be the last in which either of the two veterans will represent the University.

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### Strang President of Boosters Club

Herbert L. Strang is successfully filling his office as president of the Boosters Club of the University of Colorado. He holds this office next in importance, to that of the president of the Associated Students, as the culmination of five years of activity on the Colorado campus. Brother Strang will be graduated from the law school in June.

### Thomas Ramsey in Charge of Prom

Thomas E. Ramsey, H. S. P. of Pi Chapter, acting as president of the junior class in this capacity, is taking the lead in preparing for the students of the University of Colorado, one of the best Proms ever given in the West. Alpha Sigma Phi exerts further influence over this major social event of the season through the activities of Alfred A. Arraj, as chairman of the music committee for the Prom.

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## Two Letter Men In Mu Chapter

Starting early in the Summer, when Mu Chapter House was repainted, the men of the Chapter commenced to look forward to a banner year. All of the old active men were back and twelve new pledges were secured. After rushing season the Chapter settled down to Intra-mural and Varsity work. The two letter men of Mu, in Varsity football are Brothers Geehan and Sahli. John W. Geehan is the only possible candidate for quarterback on next year's Varsity team. Walter A. Sahli will fill one of the end positions. Pledge Abernathy, on the freshman team, showed to such an advantage that he will be one of the three considered as Varsity material. In Intra-mural cross-country and basketball, Mu's teams held their own against the rest of the fraternities.

This is the fourth year that Mu has held the wrestling championship, and with most of the last year's team back, it will not be a difficult task for the Chapter to hold the honors. The loss of John A. Vassar, through his graduation, will be felt keenly, due to his valuable instructions in wrestling.

Boxing, which is one of the most popular sports, will find the men in good shape and ready to meet all comers. Leslie A. Sherman will be lost to the team this year and his place will be hard to fill. Brothers Gardner, William R. Broz, Benjamin Marshall and Lloyd E. Leak will bear the brunt of the battles and the responsibility of gaining another championship.

Alvin M. Ulbrickson has been elected captain and stroke of the World Champion Crew of 1926. This is the second time Mu Chapter has held the captaincy of the World Champion Crew. The first was in 1924, when Donald F. Grant, was captain and coxswain. Brother Ulbrickson ended his college athletics last June when he stroked the Washington oarsmen to a win over the powerful Navy crew. He is still in school and is at the present time coach of the freshman crew. Henry C. Menke and James C. McMullen are two valuable men on the crew, Brother McMullen was bow man on the freshman crew last year, and will compete for the Varsity crew this year.

So far this year the chapter, under the guidance of Brothers James Hurley, Adrian H. Morgan and

Charles H. E. Williams, Jr., has done noteworthy work. The Fall Informal, the first event, held in the Chapter House November 20, 1926, was considered the finest given on the campus. On January 29, 1927, the second party, a formal dinner dance, was given by the chapter at the Tacoma Golf and Country Club, and was the biggest social success ever given by the chapter.

At the meeting on January 10, 1927, the following officers were elected:

H. S. P. Tracy Ditmars  
 H. J. P. Robert M. King  
 H. S. James Hurley  
 H. C. S. Lester Hartzell  
 H. E. John Geehan  
 H. M. Ivan Meyer  
 H. C. Benjamin Marshall

### Five Men of Omicron In Honorary Societies

Omicron continues its excellent record of Senior and Junior Society hat men by having Brothers Elmer C. Armstrong and Ralph B. Eaton elected to Sphinx. Brother C. Overton Tremper was elected to the Friars; Brother Steven T. Snyder to the dental honorary society, and Jack J. McDowell to the junior society. There are few houses on the Pennsylvania campus that have such a large number of hat men. Alpha Sigma Phi has been well represented in all the honorary societies for the past number of years.

Basketball, swimming and soccer are the main activities at the present

time. Ellsworth S. Lorms, who starred in the Yale game, represents the chapter in basketball. George Sassen is on the University swimming team and is doing meritable work in the fancy dive. Brother McDowell has been elected manager of soccer, an important sport at Pennsylvania which demands the managing of ten different teams. Robert L. Buswell after having scored in practically all the major games, received a "P" in soccer, and William L. de Anquinos received a silver football for work on the Junior Varsity team.

Brother Eaton is now secretary-treasurer of the Interfraternity Council in addition to his many other activities, and Alfred B. Bennett was recently elected to the business board of *Punch Bowl*. Last Fall Brother Bennett stroked the winning crew in the St. Paul's cup race.

Charles R. Hindley who has obtained both *Pennsylvania* and *Punch Bowl* keys is working for the *Red and Blue* key now.

The present officers of Omicron Chapter are as follows:

- H. S. P. Elmer C. Armstrong
- H. J. P. Jack J. McDowell
- H. C. S. Rudolph W. Delamater
- H. S. Raymond W. Turner
- H. C. Raymond E. Walker
- H. E. Charles J. Phillips
- H. M. C. Overton Tremper

## House Plans May Soon Be Realized

The plans for the new home of Xi Chapter, which were completed in September, 1925, are being carried out successfully. The cooperation of the alumni councils of Omaha and Lincoln with the active chapter is aiding greatly in speeding up the process.

If the payments are continued on the one hundred insurance policies, as they have been up to this time, and donations are secured from all alumni and actives who were unable to help through the insurance plan, it is very probable that in 1928 there will be a Sig House on the campus that will be in keeping with the rest of the Greek structures.

That the house may be placed on the present location is barely possible, although no definite plans have been made for a location as yet. The restrictions in building locations by the Board of Regents of the University, have been changed so often that it is difficult to know the most desirable location.

Another campaign for donations will be started in the near future. Most of the contributions have been from men in the state of Nebraska, but it is desired that the out of the state men may cooperate also. Donations of all amounts are solicited.

Prompt remittance of insurance payments, the next which are due in April, will eliminate added expense

of collecting and building will be hastened. Statements will be sent to each man before the first of April to remind him of his obligation.

Definite plans were made for regular alumni news letters, which began in January, informing the alumni of the progress of the building program, which is directed by the Alpha Sigma Phi Building Corporation.

### **Eighteen Xi Pledges Active On Campus**

The eighteen freshmen pledged this semester have displayed keen interest in connecting themselves with some form of campus activity. From the results already apparent, the chapter feels as though it has chosen a well-balanced group of pledges.

Byron W. Bailey, from Lincoln, is in the College of Engineers. "Bud" is out for track and basketball and the staff of the "Rag".

Eugene L. Baldwin, from Ainsworth, is in the Arts and Science College. "Hooley" made his letter in basketball at Ainsworth and is out for the freshman squad.

Lowell C. Davis, from Casper, Wyoming, where he made letters both in track and football, is in the Arts and Science College, contributing to the *Awgwan* and has promise as a track numeral man. He is a member of Pershing Rifles.

Lean A. Decker, from Sioux City, Iowa, is in the Arts and Science College, majoring in fine arts. "Red" was an athlete of note in high school

but will probably be unable to enter college athletics because of injuries.

Boyd E. Erickson, from Cheyenne, Wyoming, is in Business Administration, and is sophomore basketball manager.

Harold H. Halbeisen, from Litchfield, is a member of the Commercial Club and is out for freshman basketball.

RALPH M. JEFFRIES, from Omaha, made his numeral in football and is now out for track.

Frank Hanna, from Grand Island, is a senior in Arts and Science and majoring in chemistry. Hanna shows marked musical ability.

Charles R. Kirkpatrick, from Omaha, is in the Business Administration College and is out for track. Kirkpatrick is a member of the Pershing Rifles.

Clyde E. Kelly, from Tampa, Florida, is also a member of Pershing Rifles, and is another man out for track, as well as basketball and journalism. Kelly made his letters in football and track in high school.

Gordon Larsons, from Rawlins, Wyoming, is majoring in journalism. In high school Larson was president of the student body, and editor of both the high school paper and annual. He is assistant junior editor on the *Cornhusker* staff.

Earl McClure, from Sioux City, Iowa, is in Teachers College, and made a splendid showing on the freshman football squad. He is also going out for track and basketball.

Fred Rhodes, also from Sioux City, is a Bizad. Rhodes made a good

showing in the interfraternatiy track meet, stepping the 220 off in fast time.

John Stephens, from Ulysses, is also a Bizad, and out for track. He is in the university chorus, and is working on the business staff of the *Cornhusker*.

Robert Stauffer, from Ainsworth, is in the Arts and Science College. Stauffer was prominent in all of his high school activities, was editor of the high school paper, on the football and basketball teams and is now out for the freshman basketball squad.

Eldon Sams, from University Place, is an engineer. Last year Sams attended the Annapolis Naval Academy, and is now out for the wrestling squad.

William Whittington, of Lincoln, is in the Arts and Science College. In high school, Whittington made an enviable record in football and continued in a similar manner in his work on the freshman squad the past season.

Victor Simicek, from Swanton, is a pre-medical man, and is taking an active part in all of the campus activities.

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## Rho Chapter Has Fourteen Pledges

January 12, 1927, was the closing date of an intensive rushing season for Rho Chapter, which resulted in pledging the following fourteen men: Willard Affeld, Harvey Kellt, Oliver Ossanna and Paul Paddock of Minneapolis; Harold Collins, Little Falls;

Kenneth Halvorson, Warren; Millard Holmberg, Canby; Lawrence Ludvigsen, Jackson; Maurice Merickel, Wadena; Bruce Pierard, Marshall; Carl Scharping, Arlington; Clayton Warn-dahl and Tennyson Starke of Center City, all of the state of Minnesota, and Leland Peterson of Bruce, Wisconsin.

Pledge Herbert Stevens played a major role in the production presented by the University Masquers, entitled "The Devil's Disciple", and he is a member of the freshman basketball squad. Pledge Merickel won his letter in basketball two seasons ago and is now a member of the Varsity squad. Pledges Paddock and Ossanna are on the staff of the *Minnesota Daily*. Paddock is dramatic critic, and Ossanna is in a reportorial position.

Pledge Affeld was chosen as member of the Minneapolis Municipal quartet.

Pledge Scharping was one of the members of an orchestra on the Orpheum circuit, last Summer.

Brother Leslie Schroeder is a member of the editorial board of the *Minnesota Daily*, and C. Winton Merritt is make-up editor.

Brothers George R. Laub, formerly exchange editor of the *Minnesota Daily*; Lloyd C. Bennett, a leading campus musician, and Gordon Newton, recently elected H. M. of the chapter to fill the vacancy incurred by the graduation of Brother Hanna, have all returned to school.

Leslie Schroeder and C. Winton Merritt assisted in the management of Sigma Delta Chi's annual gridiron

banquet, a "razz" dinner modeled after the gridiron dinner conducted by the Washington, District of Columbia, press club, to which nationally famous notables are invited. Two hundred and fifty of the campus and state notables were given bids to the affair.

### Ossana Rho '16, Candidate For Mayor

Fredo A. Ossanna, Rho '16, Minnesota politician, who gained prominence during his undergraduate years through his clever impromptu and formal oratorical renditions, will make his first public appearance in the realm of municipal politics sometime this Spring when he will be presented for nomination as mayor of Minneapolis. If Brother Ossanna succeeds in obtaining a place on the roll of candidates, he will be the youngest man in Minneapolis's history to gain that honor. His platform includes advocacy of the moot "teacher tenure" doctrine, and he will lend his support to the planned installation of a new general hospital in Minneapolis as a quasi-university hospital. Though he has not held any politically prominent office, Ossanna has gained many extremely enthusiastic followers, who are confident in his nomination.

Fredo Ossanna during his college career won the Peavey oratorical contest in 1915, a membership in the undefeated debate team in 1915, and was leader of the undefeated Varsity debate team the following year.

### Phi Chapter Loses Ward R. Arnold, '25



WARD R. ARNOLD

The commencement of December, 1926, marked the close of the college career of Ward Ray Arnold of Phi Chapter. Brother Arnold entered Iowa State in 1924; he was then a sophomore from Drake University at Des Moines, Iowa. He was initiated February 27, 1925, during his second term at Iowa State. While in college Brother Arnold acted as advertising manager of the *Student*, was a

member of the Glee Club, and always took an active part in dramatics. He was H. S. P. of Phi Chapter and made a marked improvement while in this capacity. Last Fall he was elected to T. L. B., honorary social fraternity, Phi Mu Alpha, honorary musical society, and was chosen vice president of the senior class. Arnold is now connected with the Pheonix Farm Loan and Mortgage Company at Otumwa.

### Zeta Chapter Improving In Scholastic Standing

Zeta Chapter has shown a marked improvement over the results of last year. Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity ranks, according to reports from the registrar's office, thirteenth out of the total number of fraternities on the campus. This standing was ahead of all other national fraternities with the exception of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity.

Zeta Chapter, through its work in Intra-mural athletics has won another cup. The indoor baseball league championship was won by the chapter, but the first game of the semi-finals was lost. Zeta Chapter is entering two teams in the Interfraternity basketball competition this quarter.

Parker Z. Bloser, '24, was the only man lost to his chapter this year through graduation at the close of the quarter. Brother Bloser, president

of the Ohio Union Board of Overseers, was sent as the representative to attend the national meeting of Union Boards at Ithaca, New York. Parker Bloser while in college was a member of the varsity football squad, Sphinx and numerous other societies.

Pledges McKee, Simpson and Reese were awarded numerals for their work on the freshman baseball team. Zeta has five men competing for letters in baseball this season.

Zeta Chapter feels exceptionally proud of her orchestra this year, which is headed by Frank Lewis. At a recent try-out the band was chosen to make the trips this year with the University Glee Club. The other members of the orchestra from the chapter are Brothers Allen, Smith, Clifford E. Belding and Harold S. Roos. Frederick E. Seneider is president of the Glee Club. Brother Roos, and pledges Hayes and Reynard are all members.

All of the pledges took part in preparing for the pledge dance which was given January the 28th, at the Fort Hayes Hotel. It was one of the big dances of the year and the music was furnished by Brother Frank Lewis and his orchestra.

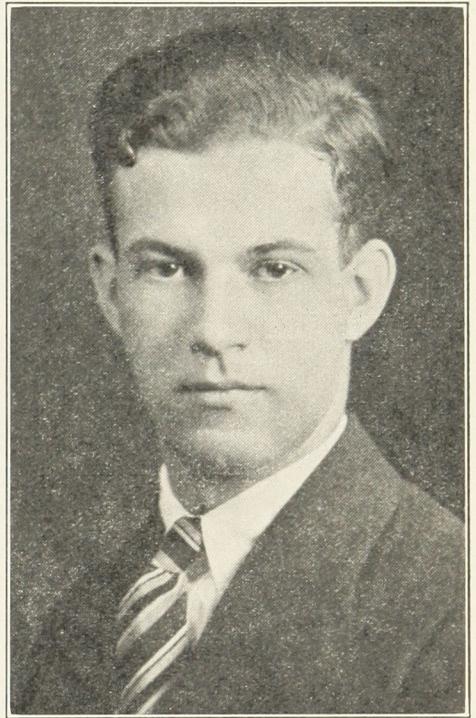
Following are the new officers of Zeta Chapter elected at the chapter meeting, January 10, 1927:

- H. S. P. Robert J. Lee
- H. J. P. Albert J. Williams
- H. C. S. Wilbur G. Fender
- H. S. Dean Osborne
- H. E. George W. Bernhard
- H. M. William K. Hall
- H. C. William Davies.

# Alpha Sigma Phi Well Known In Columbia's Extra-Curriculars



ARTHUR R. BOWLES



GORDON S. FERRISS

A glance at the personnel of most of the non-athletic activities will show that Alpha Sigma Phi is well known in John Jay Hall, Columbia's new student activities building. The lit-

erary and dramatic organizations in particular claim a monopoly on most of the brothers. In these two fields we find many Lambda men holding the chief offices and a number of them

about to step into more important positions.

One of the highest honors on the campus is the membership in the Philolexian Literary Society, which is now celebrating its 125th anniversary, and claims the distinction of not only being the oldest existing organization on the campus, but is one of the oldest, if not the oldest, college literary society in the country. Many famous men, alumni of Columbia College, became members of the society in their undergraduate days, and their signatures, written on the eve of graduation, are still preserved on the scrolls of the society. Membership to this venerable organization is prized beyond value. An excerpt taken from the scrap book of memoirs of the late John A. Stewart the great financier, who was up until the time of his death a few weeks ago, Columbia's oldest living alumnus, being one hundred and two years old and a member of the class of 1840, will impress one with the importance of membership in this society. His notes are placed in order of their importance to him and we find the first page contains his commission in the Federal Army of the Civil War when he was personal financial adviser to Lincoln, and the second in importance is his Philolexian shingle.

Each year Philolexian sponsors a play, usually selected from the Elizabethan period. Most of the plays produced were first productions in America. This year the production of Shakespear's "King John" was the

first for New York. The stage settings were arranged and managed by William U. Rixford Jr., who is studying architecture, and James E. Reid Jr., managed the publicity work. Edward W. Mammen took the leading role in the show and Donald W. Eckley played one of the sub-leads. Brother Mammen is interested in dramatics from the standpoint of acting and is attracting considerable attention in the newspapers by his clever portrayals of the various parts he has played. The Philolexian production was very enthusiastically received and the metropolitan papers ran lengthy and favorable comments on it.

At the present time Lambda Chapter has an exceptional group in the Philolexian Literary Society. Perhaps the largest she has ever had on her active roll. Charles H. Mueller, Johannes Tarpgaard, Arthur R. Bowles, James E. Reid Jr., William U. Rixford Jr., and Edward W. Mammen constitute one-fifth of the total possible membership of thirty, as the society is limited to that number for one year. Each of these men are active in other organizations.

Charles H. Mueller, past H. S. P. of the chapter, who is now working for his M. A., is one of the three associate editors of the *Columbia Alumni News*, which is published weekly for the benefit of keeping in contact with all of the alumni and to inform them of all of the latest happenings on the campus. Last year Brother Mueller was managing editor of the daily paper *Spectator*.

The next oldest organization and the oldest publication is *The Columbian*, the year book. Arthur R. Bowles, is the editor-in-chief of the 1927 publication of *The Columbian*. Donald W. Eckley, is assistant athletic editor, and in this position will automatically rise to athletic editorship next year.

The daily paper, *Spectator*, is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary this year. Brother Eckley and James E. Reid Jr., are both likely candidates for next year's managing board. Eckley has been specializing on athletic write-ups, and Brother Reid has written several feature stories. Pledge C. Theodore Jorgensen, is also on the

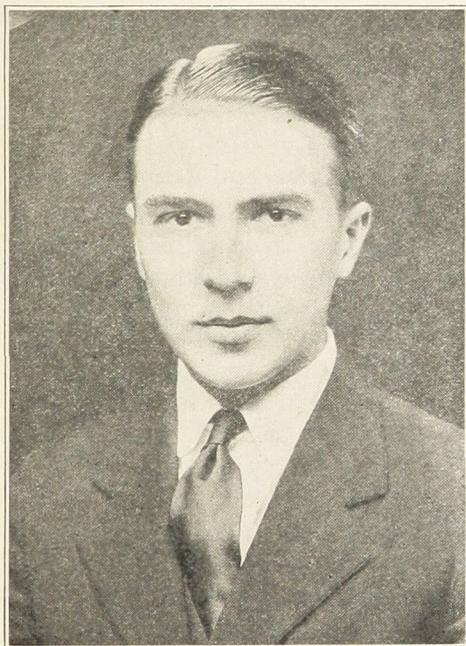


WILLIAM M. TWIDDY

daily, and is a member of the assistant news board.

Brothers Reid, Bowles, and Edward W. Mammen are members of the Literary Board of the *Varsity*, Columbia's literary magazine. Brothers Reid and Mammen have contributed several noteworthy stories and articles this year, but Bowles has been so busy with his work on the year book, that he has only been able to work with Reid and Mammen in an advisory capacity.

William M. Twiddy, is manager and chief director in the Varsity Show. The strenuous work that he has been compelled to do on the forth-



CHARLES H. MUELLER

coming show has forced him to resign as advertising manager of *Jester*, the comic publication of the university.

Gordon S. Ferriss has made a name for himself on the campus through his clever poster work and his illustrations in *Jester*. The bulletin boards about the university have taken on a different nature and are attracting no little amount of popular criticism. He is now in the School of Business preparing himself for his chosen profession of commercial advertising artist. In a few years it is apparent we will see his versions of "They Satisfy" and "I'd walk a Mile".

Thomas Simmons has been successful in breaking into the regular Varsity wrestling line-up. Simmons wrestles in the 125-pound class and in the first intercollegiate match of the season won his bout by a fall against Harvard.

Pledge C. Theodore Jorgensen, a sophomore, on the board of the daily, *Spectator*, is now holding one of the forward positions on the Varsity water polo team. Jorgensen recently won his numerals in the interclass swimming tournament, by capturing first place in the 440 yard swim.

Following are the chapter officers for the Spring term:

H. S. P.	Francis J. Sypher
H. J. P.	Arthur C. Denney
H. E.	Arthur R. Bowles
H. S.	George Hardy
H. M.	Frederick T. Van Urk
H. C. S.	Gordon Ferriss
H. C.	Allan E. Fitch

## Upsilon's Activities

Upsilon Chapter is devoting a great deal of time to boxing in an effort to retain the Interfraternity Boxing Cup which they won last year. They have a considerable number of men competing for regular berths. Joseph Dyer, who did splendid work last year, is assured of a place, and Herbert U. Moore, Jr., who returned in February, is a valuable asset. George Bair will furnish the backbone of the team, and besides these able men the other boxers include, Henry Bair, Brother Clarke, Frederick R. Hertig, Harry W. Marsh, Harper L. Schimpff, and Samuel S. Hood.

The basketball team has been organized and consists of Brothers Hood, Harvey N. Bachman, Marsh, Clarke, and William M. Howell. They have engaged in many strenuous workouts and look like competent men.

Donald Faust, Brother Clarke, Benjamin H. Heim, and Jesse P. Jewell, all of whom belong to the Blue Band, are proving their musical ability. Pledges Wilcox and Spear are members of the freshman band.

Both Brothers Heim and Clarke are members of Phi Mu Alpha and Kappa Kappa Psi. Donald E. Jenkins, a member of the Varsity quartet, is also a member of Phi Mu Alpha.

Ralph L. Lindenmuth has made the debating team, which has been victorious in all of its debates.

Pledge Whaite is going to make a

strong contender for the golf team in the Spring.

John K. Jones and Pledge Wilcox are working on *Froth*, the humorous publication of the college.

Warren L. Wagner, a student major in R. O. T. C., belongs to Scabbard and Blade, the honorary military fraternity.

George Bair belongs to both Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternity, and Sigma Gamma Epsilon, honorary mining fraternity.

Donald F. Titus will be leaving with the mid-year graduating class of 1927.

George Deeds was married December 31, 1926, to Miss Madeline Flannigan of Bellevue, Pennsylvania.

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## Four of Chi's Men On Varsity Football Squad

Although none of the four Alpha Sigs who were chosen for the Varsity team, had ever participated in Intercollegiate competition, they all proved their ability to represent the University of Chicago on the gridiron by their consistent playing.

### Leyers Gains Regular Berth

Rudolph Leyers, '29, started in as one of the substitute fullbacks, but before the season was over the regular fullback, Captain Marks, had been shifted to a halfback position and Brother Leyers was made the first string fullback. He proved to be Stagg's most consistent ground gain-

er, and when the season was over he was one of the two sophomores to win a major "C".

Joseph Garen, '29, played at right tackle, and because of his offensive playing will probably be the regular at this position next year. He won a reserved minor letter for his playing this season.

Ralph Hancock, '28, exhibited real ability at right guard, and was also awarded a reserved minor letter. Through his concentrated efforts in wrestling, and by his consistent work, was able to make the Varsity team in his sophomore year.

George Reed, '29, though weighing only 127 pounds, was able to hold down a halfback position. In his freshman year he created quite a sensation by gaining ninety yards through the Varsity lines in three successive plays. He too, was awarded a reserved minor letter.

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## Frosh Bridge Shark Holds 13-Heart Hand

Edwin Lowell, pledge of Epsilon Chapter, and of McConnelville, Ohio, held thirteen hearts in a bridge game. Lowell had been having excellent luck when the perfect hand was dealt. The deal was made by one of his opponents, and all the players swear that it was a regular deal. In the bidding, Lowell bid six hearts upon the first round and made them easily, of course. The expert mathematicians are still figuring the total score.



# COLLEGIATE



President McVey, of the University of Kentucky, in his address at the opening convocation of the university, presented several new thoughts to the student body. All are cognizant of the fact that the university carries heavy obligations to those who matriculate as students; that these students have some responsibility to the university is a thought seldom expressed and which, perhaps, has never occurred to the average student.

The University of Kentucky is a representative or agent of a great commonwealth. The state instructs this agent to prepare a limited number of young men and women each year to be better citizens and more valuable members of the commonwealth. To accomplish this end the state, through its agent, spends great sums of money annually.

Since the student is receiving these benefits from the state, it is the student's duty and responsibility to appraise and appreciate them and to reciprocate. Naturally to do this he must respect the agent and observe its mandates. But especially must he work to accomplish the primary purpose for which the university was established, to make him a better citizen. This means chiefly study and honest

and zealous effort to improve his physical being, to discipline his mind, and to strengthen himself in sound moral principles.

*Kentucky Kernel.*

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The problem of what to do with the alumni has been, in the past, really only a theorem. There have been many sceptics as to alumni function. Here and there have always been found loyal and interested alumni who could not help but find their day to do their bit, but organized alumni action has been haphazard, to say the least, and therefore correspondingly indifferent and inefficient. It seems that there is nothing for alumni organizations to keep busy with, and thus the incentive to a continuous and working organism is but feeble and groping. Of course, spasmodic efforts fan on occasion, usually once a year, into glowing fires the embers of college memories, and the inescapable yearning for fraternity associations maintains a semblance of life, in the shape of social pastimes, in alumni chapters. This "something to be proved" is still with us, but it is more thoroughly evidenced than ever as

“something to be solved”. We all desire to do something for the fraternity; with the increasing clearness of practice of our ideals, the things to do are appearing more plainly. The fact that old alumni organizations survive, and in a few instances are finding niches of their own, holds out a hope that the new organizations which are forming may have a chart of activities to guide them.—*Delta* of Sigma Nu.

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Professor William J. Newlin, of Amherst, viewing the tendency of modern days, gives expression to this sentiment, “We must jazz up education with a lipstick and rouge”.

The difficulty with the times is that so much jazz has sounded in the ears of youth that it is seldom the beautiful harmonies of the verities of life are audible. There has been too much of the freedom of youth, who has stormed the fortress of education and demanded in positive tones, “Gimme, gimme”. This is all giving and no returning and is bad practice, especially is it bad for those who receive, and give nothing in return.

Youth should be taught to see that the things of the old, often scorned and laughed at, are sacred and worthy of consideration of men big and strong. Youth should be taught respect for the dignity and worth of the traditions and history of the past,

which offer direction into the paths of fuller living . . . . .

*Star and Lamp* of Pi Kappa Phi

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No more important problem confronts educators than the handling of students of varying abilities. With classes open to all who have completed prescribed prerequisites inferior students may be pushed beyond their capacities if classes keep pace with the more intelligent; if the gauge of progress shall be that which can be absorbed by the inferior student a severe handicap is placed upon the more intelligent. Disposing of these inequalities is becoming an interesting experiment in the field of education.

*Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma.

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There are a few simple things that make for happiness: To engage in one of the common occupations of life, acquire useful knowledge, marry, establish a home, bring up children and worship God. If your fraternity, your university and your spiritual life have brought you to make a success of these things, they have made of you a success in life. If not, whatever else you may do or become, they have made of you a failure.—*Beta Theta Pi*.

## Soviet Intrigue Suspends Yale School In China

A statement issued January 17, 1927, by the board of trustees of Yale-in-China, the only institution of higher learning of Western standards in the Province of Hunan, located at Changha, said the College of Arts and Science and the Middle School were closed on December 10, 1926, for the balance of the term, ending January 20, 1927.

Did you ever move into a strange community or town where you did not know a soul? Have you ever walked the streets, attended church and other functions before you had gotten acquainted and watched the people mingle socially with each other? Do you recall what a lonely feeling it gave you and how you envied and sometimes hated those people because they did not seem to have time for you? Have you ever gone on a vacation trip by yourself and stood aside and watched with a hungry heart the happy associations of groups of people? And even in a community where you have been reared, how many times have you looked with longing and envy at the gay festivities of certain social groups and of business groups of which fate has denied you the privilege of becoming a part because you did not know anyone in that group and there was no

particular reason why any one in that group should seek you out? It is a commonplace in American life and yet when it is transferred to the college campus it is called snobbishness.

*Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal.*

The Christian church leads in membership among the twelve denominations represented at the University of Kentucky, with a total of 480, according to estimates made Saturday by the University Y. M. C. A. The Baptist church is second with 410 members, while the Methodists are third with 361.

Other denominations represented are: Presbyterian, with 255 members; Catholic, 111; Episcopal, 78; Luther, 32; Jewish, 30; Christian Science, 14; Congregational, 6; Church of Christ, 4; and Union Church, 2.

Men students lead in membership in all churches except the Episcopal, with 40 women students and 38 men, and the Christian Science, which has nine women members and five men. Other denominations are led by men as follows: Luther, 27 men and 5 women; Presbyterian, 163 men and 92 women; Catholic, 67 men and 44 women; Baptist, 290 men and 120 women; Methodist, 233 men and 128 women; Christian, 316 men and 167 women; Church of Christ, 4 men and no women; Jewish, 17 men and 13 women; Union Church, 2 men and no women.

One hundred and sixty students profess no religious preference, 137 of whom are men.—*Kentucky Kernel.*

## Eleven Per Cent Gain In College Growth

American college and university enrollment is growing faster than it did immediately after the war, according to an article in the current issue of "School and Society," by Raymond Walters, dean of Swarthmore College and associate editor of the journal.

Mr. Walters has received reports from 188 institutions on the approved list of the Association of American Universities. An increase of 11 per cent is shown in the number of full-time students for the present academic year, as compared with 1925-26. The gain is 9 per cent for grand totals, which include part-time and summer school students.

The expansion is general throughout the country, except for the Middle West. There twenty small colleges have slightly fewer students. These decreases are counter-balanced by gains in the state universities of five of the seven Middle West states. A policy of limitation has brought down the enrollments in a number of colleges.

In numerical rank the University of California and Columbia again are leaders. California's registration, counting both Berkeley and Los Angeles divisions, is first in number of full-time students, of whom there are 17,101. Columbia has 12,643, which is a gain of 916 students.

In total enrollment, which includ-

ed the 1926 summer school and present part-time students, Columbia leads the country with 30,526 students. California is second with 24,756.

The University of Illinois continues in third place with 11,810 full-time students, and the University of Minnesota is again fourth with 10,718. The University of Michigan, with 9,597 students takes fifth place from New York University, which has 9,357.

In grand total enrollment New York University holds its place as third with 20,504 resident students. Its neighbor, the College of the City of New York, is fourth in this field, with 17,438, and the University of Minnesota is fifth with 15,585.

The full-time enrollments of the rest of the twenty-five largest universities are as follows: New York University, 9,357; Ohio State, 9,209; Pennsylvania, 8,533; Wisconsin, 8,220; Harvard, 7,993; University of Washington, 6,851; Nebraska, 5,988; Chicago, 5,694; Cornell, 5,417; Iowa, 5,196; Syracuse, 5,148; Yale, 4,960; Texas, 4,941; Pittsburgh, 4,836; Northwestern, 4,806; Boston, 4,389; Oklahoma, 4,325; Kansas, 4,061; Southern California, 4,001; Missouri, 3,908.

The grand total enrollments of others among the twenty-five largest universities are as follows: Pennsylvania, 14,081; Illinois, 13,089; Chicago, 12,833; Michigan, 12,313; Wisconsin, 11,914; Ohio State, 11,139; Harvard, 10,463; Boston, 10,381;

Northwestern, 10,325; Pittsburgh, 9,449; University of Washington, 9,161; Nebraska, 8,654; Cincinnati, 8,335; Southern California, 8,050; Iowa, 7,178; Syracuse, 6,711; Colorado, 6,068; Oklahoma, 5,705; Cornell, 5,471; Texas, 4,841.

The ten largest exclusively women's colleges are reported as follows: Hunter, 3,448; Smith, 2,085; Wellesley, 1,546; Florida State College for Women, 1,313; Vassar, 1,144; Goucher, 1,046; Mount Holyoke, 1,006; Radcliffe, 849; Randolph-Macon Women's College, 822; Elmira, 582.

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The most interesting and important thing in the world for you is to work out your own individual life. You must build it from the place where you stand and with the materials in your hands. Nobody else ever stood in your particular place or ever will stand in one identical; nobody has or can possess the same materials. You alone can fuse the elements. Hold your place, do not try to shift into the place that another occupies. Keep your eye on what you have to work with, not on what somebody else has. The ultimate result, the originality, favor, distinction, usefulness of your life depend on the care, the reverence, and the intelligence with which you work up and out from where you are and with what you have.

*Themis of Zeta Tau Alpha.*

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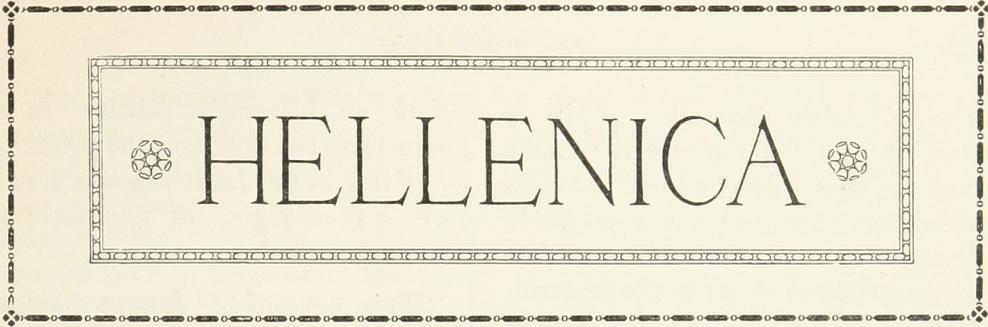
The great fanfare of the college football season has ended. The last

frantic exhortation of cheer leaders has died away. Teams have disbanded and broken training. Players are once more men and fellow students. And as the fever passes, the delirium ends, and normal sanity returns. Now in cool and balanced judgment, we can look at football and see it as it is. The spell is broken.

Looking back upon it, the past season in college football was, indeed, a notable one, not so much for the upsets which have received such lengthy notice in the press, but rather for other and more significant developments, foreshadowing the future. Never before has football as a spectacle been so popular. Never has the general public been so insatiable. Never have gate receipts mounted so high. Never have the colleges posed before the public in a role so strikingly false.

Had college presidents of fifty years ago foreseen that baby football would develop to so huge a monster, it is certain they would have nursed him with some alarm. Had they foreseen that a part of their educational system was to grow, and swell, and put on airs until it became bigger than the whole, they would have taken due precaution to keep the usurper in his place. But they did not see. And in consequence, college football has now reached the point where many persons worship it as the acme of college purpose, as the sole standard of the merit of colleges.

*The Harvard Crimson.*



# HELLENICA

## Yale Warned to Curb Growth of Fraternities

The Yale News stated in the editorial that a curb should be placed on the conspicuous growth of fraternities, which are apt to become too powerful, and will in time make fraternity allegiance come before loyalty to the university.

As a remedy for the present situation, "The News" suggests revision of the rules, which now permit students to eat in the fraternity houses and the establishment of more eating clubs. The editorial asserts that if the fraternities lose their former character and become factions at Yale, there would be a strong movement to abolish them.

The editorial entitled, "A Plague on All Your Houses," follows: "Is Yale menaced by the growing conspicuousness of the fraternities? That question is on the lips of every Yale graduate who is close to present conditions. It is the subject of debate in all upper class seminars, and it is the nightmare of seniors who have seen the fraternities change from closed tombs, unpretentious and in-

consequential, to open club houses, wherein a new spirit of brotherhood has bred cohesion in each group. To the alarmist, the fraternities seem to be developing into hotbeds of sedition. This is based on the fear that cohesion breeds strong interfraternity rivalry and that this in turn makes fraternity allegiance come before loyalty to Yale.

"Yale boasts an aloofness to the fraternity importance which is so marked in other colleges. She has always been proud to be above such collegiatism and such alloy of devotion to the college. This has been one of the finest of Yale's singular traits. It has bound all Yale men together and it has kept them from that pestilence which grows from the word 'frat'. Everyone knows what it means in other colleges. Princeton and Harvard threw off the fraternity yoke some years ago; but we are not convinced that they substituted good substitutes to satisfy man's clubbing instinct. Yale has maintained the fraternities; but if they lose their former character and become factions in Yale, there will inevitable follow a strong movement to abolish them.

The only other alternative will be to strip them of all the embellishments and the clique developing influences which the new open houses seems to be acquiring. Such would be the fate of the privilege to eat in the fraternities. This privilege, combined with the new and club-like buildings, is responsible for the change in fraternity spirit.

"It is true that age never trusts youth to preserve old and cherished customs. Graduates hate to see the old order change, and they dislike modernizing influences. It is because Yale has preserved traditions and the spirit of the past that she is not like the oft-disparaged state university. And so it is quite natural that the present senior class should worry lest this fraternity plague take a root in Yale. It is no unfounded fear. There have been plentiful signs of the tendency to build up the fraternities.

"The causes of this radical change in Yale life are known and cannot be removed. Too much money has been spent in the houses to junk them and return to the simplicity of former years. The privilege to eat in the fraternities was given of necessity, there being insufficient accommodations elsewhere. These factors, plus the rivalry engendered by the institution of a new fraternity in Yale two years ago (which was brought about by well-meaning upper classmen and faculty members in order to make it possible for more undergraduates to be in fraternities), account for the problem we are now up against. We have already heard the

rumor of fraternity politics in a junior class election, and the possibility of this in the future casts a cloud over any thought of approaching years.

"Since none of the factors making for the growing conspicuousness of the fraternities can be removed, there must be counteracting influences established. Concentration of interest in the fraternities and the resulting cohesion in each group is caused by loyalty formed over the mahogany and the coffee cup. It is natural and inevitable. Therefore, the means of diminishing this influence toward fraternity importance is to establish other loyalties to counteract it. We propose that only members of the junior class get together as a unit in the fraternities and that more eating clubs be established which will include men from different groups.

"In this way the fraternity cohesion will be less marked and the eating clubs will serve to oppose it."

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A thorough survey of the fraternity journals in an endeavor to find what type of freshman is being most widely sought for by the various organizations, reveals the fact that the football star, the moneyed youth, the handsome chap, the "most popular in high school" type and all the traditional favorites are no longer in the ascendancy. The new favorite who is taking the place of the old is The Man Who Will Stay Four Years. *Garnet and White*, of Alpha Chi Rho.

Many a sensitive spirit has been completely crushed because overlooked by fraternities in their scramble for members. And there is no more harm that the fraternity system can do than in impressing the overlooked student with the false notion that his inferiority has been responsible for barring him from membership. Brooding over this slight that weighs heavily with most students, he frequently graduates with a sense of personal inferiority that is a handicap for life.

Fraternity membership is a rather arbitrary thing, let it be remembered. First, impressions all too largely control. Personal worth is sought but our methods of rushing are not conducive to accurate judgments in such matters and the basis of selection largely becomes one of congeniality and similarity of tastes. Favorable appearance, personal charm and engaging manners win most invitations to membership, and while these are desirable qualities, they do not go to the personal worth of men.

Much of the bitterness on the part of nonfraternity men might be avoided if fraternity men would hold themselves out for what they are; groups selected for congeniality and not on the basis of personal worth. Extending to non-fraternity men the same friendship that is bestowed upon fraternity men would do much to heal many acute spiritual wounds and would mitigate to some extent the evil that inevitably arises when a non-fraternity man is impressed with

a sense of his own inferiority—an impression that is frequently false.—*The Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma.

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A well-known jurist while hearing a case in Chicago recently, remarked that "Legally, the question of insanity is purely a question of the majority". The majority of individuals who have similar mental processes simply clan together and place the minority, who think and act differently, behind the bars. Now what does that prove? That the majority are always right and that the minority of people who think differently from them are wrong. If the majority of the people desire a thing they soon legislate for it and then can prove by statute that it is right.

Whether the lifting, or initiating into membership by a fraternity of members, or former members, of another fraternity is basically wrong may be a moot question, but when forty-eight fiftieths of all Greek letter fraternities agree that the practice is wrong, would it not seem to be wise to stand with the majority?

It is far more comfortable to live in a neighborhood where one is on speaking terms with the neighbors. Everyone feels better too, when they understand that their chickens can, with safety, be permitted to roam the fields with others by day, yet will always come home to roost. . . .

More than fifty Greek letter fraternities subscribe to the conference rules, and whether we like it or not

we must be governed by modern usages or withdraw our subordinate chapters from those campuses where the conference rules are enforced.—Delta Sigma Delta *Desmos*.

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A committee of the National Conference of College Deans is undertaking a survey of all fraternities and sororities with the intention of making recommendations to colleges on "the advisability of continuance of Greek letter societies". If the survey is complete and the deductions logical the fraternity world probably will find the report congratulatory.—*The Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma.

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Too often active men look on their alumni as a source of strength in time of financial stress and little else; while the alumni, on their part, are inclined to regard their chapter house as a conveniently located stopping place, where, in the wisdom of their years and experience, they always can find a willing audience before which they can romanticise the commonplace events of their own student days. Both points of view are narrow and selfish and have no place whatever in fraternity life.—*The Delta Chi Quarterly*.

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Six fraternities now have chapters at Southern Branch of the University of California: Sigma Pi, Zeta Psi, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Sigma, Delta Tau Delta, and Alpha Sigma Phi.—*The Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Look for those good men, really good men, in whose hands you are willing to leave the chapter's destiny for the coming few years. See if you can find an individual the possibility of being a credit to your chapter and your fraternity, not because he has a 'good' family only, not because he will make Phi Beta Kappa, not because he is popular with the ladies. Study him for those qualities of character that will make him do most anything you expect of him, qualities that make him stand out above the average, qualities of friendship, of love, of decency to the nth power. Blackball everybody who can't stand the test of being a gentleman. Leave all the little minds off your list. Don't take anyone just because he is a good fellow. Demand that he be more, remembering that he will be called on to judge the next crowd that comes. Keep in mind what he likes, for he may vote for one you don't think qualified, unless he has the right qualities himself. Don't pass anyone with a thought of this year only. Remember next year and the next and that the fraternity is after the best. It is always better to have no pledges at all, than to compromise with the principles we love in order to get numbers instead of men. Three good men are better than three hundred others. You'll win every time if you remember that.—(Extract from a letter from an alumnus to his chapter).—*Theta Xi Quarterly*.

The conditions among the fraternities are no worse than those among the men outside of fraternities and outside of colleges. The standards of the individual men outside of fraternities and outside of colleges are undoubtedly as high as those of individuals inside. The difference lies in the fact that men outside have not the ideals as groups that the men inside have. The men inside have set up as groups of men of these ideals, these visions, these dreams. The men outside have not so set up as groups of men. The actual conditions among men outside might be lower, but they would still be closer to the ideals of these men than the conditions among the men inside, who profess to have infinitely higher ideals, and to be organized into societies to promulgate these ideals. The fraternity fails, then, in that it succeeds in making its men only a very little, if at all, better than the men who lack the fraternity's ideals.

In most cases this situation, which is probably not any worse than that among other men of the same age, this situation is not the result of active scheming towards evil; it is the result of apathy.—*The Palm* of Alpha Tau Omega.

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Every Sigma Chi initiated at Illinois during the past collegiate year, bought a copy of the History of the fraternity.—*The Palm* of Alpha Tau Omega.

What is a college fraternity? "The greatest institution in America, as it has always been in the world, is the home. When a young man leaves it and goes to college he is wise to be grafted on to a new home, known as the fraternity. The mother of this new home is high ideals; the father is hard work, and the brotherhood is mutual trust and assistance. He is a prodigal son who wastes his substance in riotous living as a barbarian".

Former Vice-President Marshall in

*Phi Gamma Delta.*

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There is an enormous amount of apology made by fraternities for their existence. Read the journals of our fellow Greeks and you will find them all filled regularly with touching and passionate apologies for the American college fraternity. There is at least fifty times as much defense as there is attack, and it is by no means all chauvinistic blah. Much of it is keenly analytical and shows admirable self-criticism. But it is nevertheless a case of tilting with windmills. College fraternities have no real enemy but themselves. There is no danger of their disappearing, except they commit suicide.

Fraternities in American colleges will disappear when the American under-graduate ceases wanting to join them, and that time is not yet at hand, nor even visible on the horizon of the future.—*The Palm* of Alpha Tau Omega.

Delta Upsilon Quarterly reflects the sentiment of most of the fraternities: All fathers and mothers are naturally interested in seeing where and how their boy lives in college, what his money is spent for, who his friends are and what sort of a place the college or university really is.

In years gone by the average faculty looked rather dubiously at the growth of fraternities. Surely these immature youths were not organizing themselves together for any good purpose. One can easily picture some of the savants as saying, "We didn't need fraternities in our day, and we don't see why the boys should be allowed to organize now". Members of the distrusted chapters soon began to filter into the faculties and shortly thereafter a more tolerant attitude developed on the part of the teaching staff. At the present time a large majority of professors and instructors are members of Greek letter societies. Close and helpful cooperation exists between the graduate members on the faculties and the undergraduate chapters. . . . .

National Panhellenic has gone on record as opposing the "stag line" which mars, if it does not totally destroy, the perfection of social events on some campuses. To the uninitiated the stag line would appear to introduce something of a free-for-all element even at functions scheduled as most beautiful, traditional, or exclu-

sive. Whatever the vicarious attractions or the crudities, the nineteenth N. P. C. pledged its unwavering support to the elimination of this more than blemish from the social life of the twenty national women's fraternities who compose its number.—*The Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega.

Dean Stone reports in *The Palm* of Alpha Tau Omega, that the most valuable information, perhaps, received from the hundred or more fraternity leaders was that in answer to the question asking for ways and means of establishing better relations between university administrative authorities and local chapters of national social fraternities. The answers to this question also were longer and gave evidence of more careful thought and more feeling than did the replies to some of the queries. The suggestion that has most value for administrative authorities is perhaps the following: "A little more sympathy with fraternities and a little more helpfulness rather than suspicion; meetings now and then between the authorities and the chapters advisers; a demand for more active and responsible action on the part of chapter advisers". One officer suggests that this end can be accomplished by definitely seeking to make fraternity chapters administrative and quasi-scholastic agencies at the University, and making chapter heads realize that the University looks to them to assist the University in its duties. . . . .

# The MYSTIC CIRCLE

## BETA

## Harvard

ROBERT H. J. HOLDEN, '15, is in his third term in the House of Representatives, and is also chairman of the board of selectmen and on the school committee of Shirley, Massachusetts.

OSCAR A. GUNDLACK, '16, is a building contractor on Ferdinand Street in Coral Gables, Florida.

BARNET H. POUCHER, '16, is branch manager of the Cleveland office of the Collodial Products Company of Baltimore, Maryland.

CARL O. J. WHEELER, '16, was married in September to Miss Anna-Marie Ruprecht Simmons, '24, of Montclair, New Jersey. They are living at 261 Park Street, Upper Montclair, New Jersey.

EARL A. PEOPLES, '17, has been promoted to vice president in charge of sales, for the Realty Trust Company of Detroit.

WILLIAM J. ADAMS, '18, is with Dunn, White and Aiken, of Oakland, California.

RICHARD F. BOYCE, '18, of the British Consular Service, is stationed at present in Hamilton, Ontario.

HARMON A. CURTIS, '18, and his wife announce the birth of a son. Brother Curtis is still living at 176 Federal Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

HAROLD T. DAVIS, '18, as an associate of the firm of Dunbar, Nutter and McClennon, is practicing law in Boston. Brother Davis has two sons, ages one and two.

A. WARNER EUSTIS, '18, is now in Honolulu, taking photographs of the supposedly extinct volcanoes.

WILFRED P. HEWITT, '18, is selling bonds for Baker, Young and Company, and is living at 235 Green Street, Fairhaven, Massachusetts.

EDWIN T. MARBLE, '18, is teaching ing business management at Worcester division of the Northeastern University, and is assistant treasurer of the Curtis and Marble Machine Company of the same city.

RICHARD A. MAY, '18, left for Japan recently in service of the General Motors Company.

PHILIP F. LEFEVRE, '18, returned to the States to be married, but has left for Shanghai, China, again with the Texas Oil Company.

CLINTON P. WALLACE, '18, was married in September to Miss Beatrice F. Brown, of Fall River. He is still with the International Shoe Company of Manchester, New Hampshire.

CARLTON P. FULLER, '19, and wife announce the birth of another daughter, Joyce, on July 15, 1926. Brother Fuller is financial and commodity expert for the General Electric Company.

WILLIAM E. FULLER, '19, practices law at 115 Granite Block, Fall River, Massachusetts, is a member of the school committee, and teaches in the evening school. Brother William Fuller is the father of three children.

ROBERT G. HOOKE, '19, is with the Public Service Electric and Gas Company of Newark, New Jersey. Brother Hooke is the father of one daughter, Lois Gay, six months old.

PETER KING, JR., '19, is still with the King McLoed Company of Newport, Rhode Island.

DAVID E. LYNN, '19, is in the Corporate Research Department of the Guaranty Trust Company at 140 Broad Street, New York.

ARTHUR R. NELSON, '19, is a district superintendent in the Public Service Electric and Gas Company of Newark, New Jersey. Brother Nelson is the father of two sons.

JOHN H. BRADLEY, JR., '21, is associate professor of geology in the University of Montana. Some of his works are to be published this year by the National Geographical Society and Ginn and Company.

FRED J. FOX, '21, is in the insurance business in Boston. He is living at 33 Commonwealth Road, Waverly, Massachusetts.

ARTHUR S. WILEY, '22, teaches romance languages at the Occidental College in Los Angeles. He has been doing graduate work at the University of California in addition to spending his Summers in Madrid and Paris.

HENRY M. SPELMAN, JR., and his wife announce the birth of a son, Henry Munson III., on September 26, 1926. Brother Spelman is with the Dewey and Almy Chemical Company, and is living at 3 Gracewood Park, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

WATSON G. CUTTER, '22, is head of the department of piece work and special work in the Stanley Rule and Level Company in New Britain, Connecticut. Brother Cutter lives at 23 Park Place, New Britain.

RODNEY W. LONG, '22, is now the owner of the Arthur R. Henderson and Company, real estate and insurance, at 306 Abbot Building, Harvard Square, Cambridge.

PAUL R. BROWN, '23, is instructor in French at the Huntington School, Boston. In the Summer he is director of the Mohawk Lodges, Summer camp for boys, in the Berkshires. Brother Brown is living at 184 Windsor Road, Waban, Massachusetts.

BERNARD BARTON, '24, is working in the planning department of Eilene's, and is living at 10 Trowbridge Street, Cambridge.

RALPH H. BOWLES, '24, was married to Miss Mary Johnson, of Washington District of Columbia, a few months ago. They are now living at Kew Kensington, Kew Gardens, Long Island, New York.

MANUEL GORRIARAN, '25, after taking a fifteen months trip around the world, was married to Miss Marguerite Krebs of Brussels. They are living at J and 15 Streets, Vedado, Havana, Cuba.

EDWIN H. CODMAN, '25, is leasing business and residential property in Boston with the firm of Henry W. Savage, incorporated.

BERNARD P. DAY, '25, is working on his father's real estate developments, principally Manhattan Beach Park.

CHURCHILL SATTERLEE, '25, is in New York studying French for the diplomatic service.

FREDERICK A. SWEET, '25, is studying for the diplomatic service in Washington, District of Columbia.

STANLEY L. STEVENS, '25, has returned to Ann Arbor to enter business.

#### GAMMA

#### Mass. Agric.

JOHN W. GREGG, '14, is professor of landscape architecture at the University of California in Berkeley.

GEORGE WASON, Beta '19, is taking a course at M. A. C., and is staying at the Chapter House.

ARTHUR LEE PECK, '21, is head of the landscape department at the Oregon Agricultural College.

FRANK TUCKER, '22, and MISS

ANNA BURSAW, Mount Holyoke, '26, were married last Summer and have sailed for Portugal, where they will study for a year before entering into their missionary work in Africa.

ALDEN DOOLITTLE, '26, has recently begun his work as sugar chemist in Cuba.

FREDERICK POEY, '25, and STANLEY BURT, '26, are in partnership as olericulturists near Havana.

RAY SMILEY, '26, is engaged in research work in pomology at M. A. C. He is also connected with the athletic department as assistant basketball coach. While in college Smiley made the "all New England" basketball team three consecutive years.

Although HERBERT E. MOBERG, and DONALD R. WILLIAMS, who were captain and manager, respectively last year, have been lost to the team by graduation, Gamma Chapter is continuing its interest in hockey. Brother Farwell, '27, is playing regularly at right defense, and Brother Galanie, '27, is playing goal tender. The freshman manager, the assistant Varsity manager, and several class team players are Alpha Sigs.

GEORGE G. CANNEY, THEODORE FARWELL, and JAMES H. CUNNINGHAM are taking a keen interest in radio in connection with their work in the college musical clubs. Brother Canney is playing with the Coo d'Or band the most popular orchestra on the campus.

BROTHER ROBERT D. REES, and PLEDGE ZIELINSKI, are both regular members of the R. O. T. C. rifle team,

and Brother Walker is competing in this activity .

PLEDGE REGAN, '29, has won an appointment to Annapolis from the Holyoke district.

BROTHER MORAWSKI, and PLEDGE KNEELAND are on the freshman basketball team; both of these men played freshman football this past Fall, with Kneeland as captain of the squad.

THOMAS B. LENOIR, and DEMETRIUS L. GALANIE, promise to uphold Gamma's reputation in their landscape architectural work.

RICHARD W. GROVER, '29, has been elected to lead Alpha Sigma Phi's group in the M. A. C. Interfraternity Sing. This is the annual event in which the fraternity and college songs among the brotherhoods on the campus, are rendered and the winner is awarded a cup. Brother Grover's musical ability and glee club experience will undoubtedly be of great value to him.

ALLAN SNYDER, '27, and HORATIO M. DRESSER, '28, are both doing afternoon high school work in neighboring schools, apropos of their courses in education.

OTTO H. RICHTER, '27, who has done excellent scholastic work this year, will lead the Interfraternity Conference again.

DANIEL J. MULHERN, '28, FLOYD BRACKLEY, '29, and PLEDGES TUTTLE and CROWLEY are keeping fit attending indoor Winter football practice.

PLEDGE SAM RICE, '28, a Varsity

football and baseball man, is showing up well in the try-outs for the relay team.

EARLE TOMPKINS, '29, amassed the most points of any player in the recently completed interclass basketball series.

#### DELTA

Marietta

HAYES T. CLARKE, '23, of Columbus, Ohio, visited the chapter during the Christmas vacation.

CLIFFORD L. JOHNSON, '24, who is coaching in Woodsfield, Ohio, also visited the chapter during the holidays.

HAROLD W. WARD, '25, is teaching at Woodsfield, Ohio, and visits the chapter quite frequently.

CARL L. DOWLING, '25, who has been studying medicine at West Virginia University, spent a few days at the chapter house enroute to the University of Southern California, where he will continue his studies.

CHARLES J. REMPE, '26, who is located in Florida, spent his vacation in Marietta and was a frequent visitor to the house.

GEORGE E. BUSH, JR., who is a cadet at West Point, also stopped at the house during the holidays on his way home for vacation.

#### EPSILON

Ohio Wesleyan

FRED W. TURNER, '20, is now located in San Antonio with the Roxana Petroleum Corporation. He is in charge of the general field work.

NEIL E. ARTZ, '20, is teaching in the medical school at Syracuse University.

T. VICTOR KOLB, '22, who is athletic coach at Xenia, Ohio, has enjoyed the most successful season with his teams, making remarkable records in games played with schools of much greater size.

HOWARD G. JONES, '22, is in the accounting department of the Standard Oil Company of New York. Brother Jones is connected with their Boston branch.

PAUL W. RUOPP, '24, has been honored by having one of his recent oil paintings chosen to represent the school on the national tour conducted by Delta Phi Delta, honorary art fraternity.

JOSEPH D. POHLMAN, '25, is the mainstay of the half-mile squad of the school this year.

WARREN J. RIDDLE, '26, is one of the outstanding members of the Varsity swimming team. Last year he was high point man in the intramural meet.

ROBERT L. QUINN, '26, is sport editor on the weekly school publication, *The Transcript*, and is also junior minor sports manager.

J. WALTER SEVERINGHAUS, '25, WILLIAM A. BOEHNER, '25, GEORGE B. MULLIN, '26, and PAUL W. RUOPP, '24 were the men from the house who ac-

companied the champion Ohio Wesleyan glee club on its Christmas tour through the Eastern portion of Ohio and Western Indiana. Ruopp was one of the two who put on a very interesting and entertaining chalk talk in the intermission of the concerts.

#### ZETA

#### Ohio State

LESLIE C. WARD, Delta '19, who has been working in Columbus and living at the house, left in January for a short trip to Florida.

RALPH E. HIRSH, Alpha '24, was a visitor at the Chapter House in January enroute to Florida.

CECIL I. JONES, Zeta '20 has dropped out of school for the Spring quarter, and is working in Columbus.

THEODORE HIERONYMOUS, Zeta '25, who is working in Cleveland, was a visitor at the house in December.

#### ETA

#### Illinois

FRANK SHOBE has been elected president of the Chicago Alumni Council, and Howard E. Rasmussen was elected treasurer of the organization.

LEE V. McCABE, '08, is general contractor with the firm of McCabe-Proctor Company, in Portsmouth, Ohio.

JOSEPH K. BURNS, '11, is in business in Detroit, Michigan.

CLARENCE O. APPELGRAN, '14, is head football and basketball coach at the University of Havana, Havana, Cuba.

MAURICE PIERCE, JR., '16, is assistant manager of the Standard Accident Insurance Company of Detroit, Michigan.

HAROLD C. YEAGER, '17, is in the New York office of Taylor Ewart and Company, bonds and investments.

WALTER A. STOHRER, '18, is ticket manager of the University Athletic Association.

PAUL STEWART, '20, is back in his former position as freshman baseball coach.

DONALD A. SNYDER, '22, is in the college department of the Real Silk Hosiery Mills.

RAYMOND E. GLOS, '22, has been made assistant dean at the University of Illinois. Brother Glos is at the present time studying for his Ph.D.

OLIVER F. BURNETT, JR., '23, and Miss Katherine Belknap of Manchester, Pennsylvania, have announced their engagement. Brother Burnett is with the General Electric Company in Schenectady, New York.

LELAND C. BURCHELL, was married to Miss Dorothy Chester, of Illinois, last Fall.

BYRAN C. DOOLEN, '25, who won his "I" on last year's Varsity basketball squad, is coach at the West Frankfort High School in Illinois, where he built up an admirable record and earned for the school the Southern Illinois championship.

WALTER D. KNOBLOCK, '25, has

been very active in dramatics this past semester, and in recognition of his splendid work in "Listen Lester" he has been pledged Pierrots, National Dramatic Society.

EDGAR D. ZELLE, '26, has a very good chance for position of junior track manager. The competition is strong, but with a 4.8 average and an unusual amount of energy he hopes to win out. Brother Selle made Phi Eta Sigma, honorary freshman scholastic society last year.

FREDRIC K. SHATTUC, '26, historian has been doing exceptional work in his office and hopes to have the complete history of Eta Chapter in printed form at an early date.

WARDE C. COOKMAN, '25, and PAUL KIRCHHOFF, '26, made the University Choral Society. Brother Warde's musical ability also includes the position of organist for the Trinity Methodist Church.

GEORGE G. BARON, '26, was successful this year in obtaining a position on the Illinois Union dance committee. Brother Baron was also one of the floor managers at the recent junior prom, and is social chairman and acting H. C. S. of Eta Chapter.

PLEDGE LLOYD BURDICK, made his letter in football this past Fall and will most likely be first string guard next year. At present he is active in the wrestling squad.

PLEDGES JOHN BRIMM, BUFORD HARPER, and LESLIE GAUT are on the freshman basketball squad. All three of these men are looking forward to receiving their letters in this sport.

**KAPPA**

DR. ROBERT NEWMAN, '10, is temporarily located at the Wisconsin General Hospital, in Madison, Wisconsin.

DR. REGINALD HAMMOND, '22, is the proud father of twins, born last November. Mrs. Hammond was Miss Phyllis Johnson before her marriage.

PAUL URBANEK, '24, is traveling for the Peabody Hotling Company of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

MILTON STANGEL, '25, is representing the Travelers Insurance Company in Manitowoc, Wisconsin.

ROBERT BROWN, '25, is general manager of the Mutual Life Insurance Company in Sterling, Illinois.

RUSSEL MORRIS, '25, is with the Seanlon Morris Company of Madison, Wisconsin.

ARTHUR WAGNER, '28, is traveling for the Shannon Stationery Company.

JOHN L. KELLY, Lambda '28, is living at the chapter house and will enter the Law School in February.

**XI****Nebraska**

ALVIN CORDON SMITH, '13, charter member, was in Lincoln on business last December 7, 1926. He and Brother Emmett H. Dunaway, '13, were the guests of the chapter at a luncheon on that day. Brother Smith makes his home in Scottsbluff, where he is engaged in the contracting business. Brother George A. Farnam, '17,

and Rollo C. Van Kirk '15, were elected to the house of the new legislature that will convene in January.

REDONDA E. NEWHALL, '17, is now with Reed and Prince, manufacturing company in the Chicago office. His residence is 7254 Vernon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

GEORGE FARMAN, JR., '20, who is now practicing law in Ainsworth, Nebraska, will represent the 78th district in the state legislature this Winter. Brother Farman has just completed a successful term as mayor of Ainsworth.

OTTO E. SKOLD, '22, was married to Miss Lillian Aspegren on December 22, 1926.

JAMES S. BAILEY, '22, is now working for the Baker Manufacturing Company of Omaha.

KENNETH G. KING, '22, was married to Miss Dorothea Patricia Huyek, on November 22, 1926.

BYRON NIXON, '23, has finished his work with the state engineering department near Burwell, Nebraska, and has returned to Lincoln.

REED H. COATSWORTH, '24, is studying poultry at Iowa State College, preparatory to entering his father's business.

HARRY PECHA, '24, is now with Lester M. Buckley accounting firm of Lincoln, Nebraska. His new position will necessitate his traveling over the state.

EDWIN WEISENREDER, '24, and wife announced the birth of a son, Edwin Bryson Weisenreder, January 4, 1927.

EARL FRASIER, '25, is city salesman with the National Biscuit Company. His address is 1703 Park Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska.

IRVIN JETTER, '25, and Noel Rorby, '25, recently started on a tour to the Pacific Coast.

OLIVER W. ROBERTS, '25, is attending the Hahneman Medical College, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Bro. William M. Baker, '25, is also in Philadelphia with his parents, but intends to re-enter school in the near future.

ALDRICH HANICKE, '26, is learning the rubber business in Akron, Ohio, and will be with a branch office of the Goodyear Rubber Company next Spring.

#### OMICRON

#### Pennsylvania

JOHN V. CALHOUN, '15, and wife announce the birth of a son, James Glase Calhoun, born October 8, 1926.

DR. HAROLD G. BARRETT, '17, and wife announce the birth of a son, Robert Lancaster Barrett, on January 16, 1927.

THOMAS F. BOON, Omicron '22, and Miss Margaret Elizabeth Fowles, announce their engagement on January 8, 1927. Brother Boon was a member of the *Punch Bowl* board while in school.

JOHN S. LANCASTER, Omicron '22, who is connected with Tucker Anthony and Company, 120 Broadway, New York City, has been granted a leave of absence for two months because of ill health.

DAVID B. JAMES JR., '27, announced his engagement to Miss Margaret Handy of Philadelphia.

W. KENNETH EATON '19, announced his engagement recently to Miss Alberta Thompson of Lewiston, Pennsylvania.

#### PI

#### Colorado

GEORGE R. PARSONS, '20, is assisting Thomas O'Hara, '20, in a political campaign in Rawlins, Wyoming.

ZELL F. MABEE, '22, has recently been appointed as instructor in the department of journalism at the University of Colorado.

ORVILLE V. MILLER, '23, has been transferred from the General Electric Company in Schenectady to Erie, Pennsylvania.

JOHN H. PUTNEY, '24, is in the real estate business in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

LEE E. COPELAND, '25, is engaged as cashier of a lumber company in MePhee, Colorado.

HENRY BULL, '26, is employed with an oil company in Ponca City, Oklahoma.

CHARLES W. WALKER, '26, plans to return to the University of Colorado next Fall. He is now assisting his father in Danville, Illinois.

#### RHO

#### Minnesota

J. RAYMOND YOUNG, '20, and wife announce the birth of a son, Joseph Raymond Young, Jr., on January 10, 1927.

TERRANCE WEBSTER, '20, and Mrs. Webster announce the arrival of a son, Terrance Webster, Jr., on January 14, 1927.

RALPH HANCOCK, '28, has left school for the Winter quarter in order to concentrate on his music.

**SIGMA****Kentucky**

KENNETH G. KING, '22, was married to Miss Dorothy Huyck, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

LORENZO K. MILLER was married to Miss Louise Daubert, of Louisville, Kentucky.

RAYMOND W. SAUER, '19, of Louisville, Kentucky, was married to Miss Grace Deppe.

CURTIS B. SAUER, '23, was married to Miss Elizabeth VanArsdall, of Louisville, Kentucky.

**PHI****Iowa**

OLIVER HAGGLUND, '22, was married to Miss Hazel E. Ness of Shenandoah, Iowa, on November 14, 1926.

LELAND KELSEY, '25, is now employed by the Nebraska Power Company, located in Omaha, Nebraska.

WARD R. ARNOLD, '25, was married to Miss Veo Burns of Hornick, Iowa, on February 20, 1926, and the marriage was kept a secret until January 1, 1927.

ROY A. HANSON, '25, is working with his brother who is a structural engineer in New York.

**CHI****Chicago**

GEORGE KOEHN, '28, is another one of the men of the chapter who has musical talent. He is playing five nights a week at the Cooper-Carleton Hotel.

LESTER BARRITT, '29, is working in the Chicago post office.

**EPSILON****Ohio Wesleyan**

ARTHUR C. BREVAN, Epsilon '13, and professor of geology at the University of Illinois, has been elected a Fellow in the Geological Society of America, the highest professional membership open to geologists.

**LAMBDA****Columbia**

PROFESSOR WALTER SYLVESTER HERTZOG, Lambda '10, recently received his degree of Master of Letters at Lafayette College. This is said to be the first honor of the kind since the college was founded in 1826. The degree was conferred at the Centennial Founders' Day celebration. It is interesting to know that only nine other persons in America have ever received this degree in the past.



# TOMMY SQUAWKS



"He's in a bad state. Should I call a doctor?"

"No. Call a statesman."—

*Stevens Stone Mill.*

It is now time for all college freshmen to forget that they were high school seniors.—*Boston Beanpot.*

## THE GREAT AMERICAN BOY

I am an admirer of and a strong believer in the Great American Boy. I delight in his whimsical pécadilloes, his youthful truanxies.

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Staunchly I defend him whenever opportunity presents itself.

First, last and all the time, I am for the Great American Boy.

I myself am a Great American Boy. — *College Humor.*

"How do you like Mrs. Constrictor?"

"Oh, she's an awful boa!"  
—*Illinois Siren.*

## QUICK THINKING

A freshman kicked a football through the window of a senior's room. He turned and started running, but the senior collared him.

"You broke my window, did you not?" roared the irate senior.

"Yes, sir," said the frosh, "and I am running towards my hall to get money to pay for it".—*Notre Dame Jugler.*

Kind old fellow: "Don't worry little flapper, you're no worse than your mother was."

Flapper: "Yes, that's what makes me so furious."—*Bucknell Bell Hop.*

Adoring Girl: "How in the world did you ever get so big and strong?"

Halfback: "Well, you see, my mother insisted that I go to public school and wear curls till I was fourteen."—*Pennsylvania Punch Bowl.*

The battle was over. For three days a large number of Greeks had fought for supremacy, and evenfall of the fourth day found a young man running homeward with a smile of victory on his face. Many miles had he run to carry the glorious news back home.

As he neared the city it was evident that he was on the point of exhaustion. Dogs barked at him, and children dropped their playthings to get a hurried glance at him. His heart was pounding within him like a trip hammer, and his lungs were bursting. He redoubled his efforts and strode onward, and when he reached his father's office he shouted. "Father, we pledged eight of the smoothest freshmen on the campus, and five of them are millionaire's sons".

And smiling the boy fell dead.—*Alabama Rammer Jammer.*

"How did yodeling originate?"

"Well one must do something in Switzerland."—*Virginia Reel.*

"How is it that there is never any cream on top of your milk?"

"Well, you see, we fill our bottles so full that there's no room for the cream".—*Pennsylvania Punch Bowl.*

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# The Chapters

Chapter	Institution	Chapter Address	Alumni Secretary	Meeting Night
ALPHA	1845 Yale	100 Prospect St., New Haven, Conn. (Mail) 1845 Yale Sta.	Cleveland J. Rice, 129 Church St., New Haven, Conn.	Thursday, 8
BETA	1850 Harvard	54 Dunster St., Cambridge, Mass.	Robert H. J. Holden, Shirley Center, Mass.	Tuesday, 6:30
DELTA	1860 Marietta	205 Fourth St., Marietta, Ohio.	Sheldon C. Gilman, 305 Fourth St.	Monday, 7
EPSILON	1863 Ohio Wesleyan	121 N. Washington St., Delaware, Ohio	H. H. Yoder, 5701 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio	Monday, 7
ZETA	1908 Ohio State	130 E. Woodruff Ave., Columbus, Ohio	Fred Schneider, 130 E. Woodruff Ave., Columbus, Ohio	Monday, 6:30
ETA	1908 Illinois	313 E. John St., Champaign, Ill.	Robert J. Phillips, Fairbury, Ill.	Monday, 7:30
THETA	1908 Michigan	1315 Hill St., Ann Arbor, Mich.	Herbert L. Dunham, 2252 Edison Ave., Detroit, Mich.	Monday, 6
IOTA	1909 Cornell	Rockledge, Ithaca, N. Y.	J. T. B. Miller, Rockledge, Ithaca, N. Y.	Sunday, 6:45
KAPPA	1909 Wisconsin	244 Lake Lawn Place, Madison, Wis.	Lyle C. Hance, Camp Douglas, Wisconsin.	Monday, 6:45
LAMBDA	1910 Columbia	524 W. 114th St., New York, N. Y.	William N. Angus, 161 W. 105th St., New York, N. Y.	Monday, 7:30
MU	1912 Washington	4554 19th Ave., N. E., Seattle, Wash.	Warren P. Sheedy, 1811 N. 44th St., Seattle, Wash.	Monday, 7:15
NU	1913 California	2739 Channing Way, Berkeley, Calif.	Dyer B. Pierson, 2739 Channing Way, Berkeley, Calif.	Monday, 7:15
GAMMA	1913 Mass. A. C.	85 Pleasant St., Amherst, Mass.	Earle S. Carpenter, 85 Pleasant St., Amherst, Mass.	Monday, 7:15
XI	1913 Nebraska	500 N. 16th St., Lincoln, Nebr.	E. H. Dunaway, 667 Nat'l. Bk. Com. Bldg. Lincoln, Nebr.	Monday, 7
OMICRON	1914 Pennsylvania	3903 Spruce St., Philadelphia, Pa.	W. L. Morgan, 3903 Spruce St., Philadelphia, Pa.	Tuesday, 7
PI	1915 Colorado	1205 13th St., Boulder, Colo.	C. G. Unlaub, 1205 13th St., Boulder, Colo.	Monday, 7:15
RHO	1916 Minnesota	925 6th St. S. E., Minneapolis, Minn.	Anders J. Carlson, 520 Delaware St. S. E., Minneapolis, Minn.	Monday, 7
SIGMA	1917 Kentucky	433 E. Maxwell St., Lexington, Ky.	Prof. L. S. O'Bannon, 342 Aylesford Place, Lexington, Ky.	Wednes., 7:30
TAU	1917 Stanford	6 Salvatierra St., Stanford Univ., Calif.	H. K. Hotchkiss, 6 Salvatierra St., Stanford Univ., Calif.	Monday, 7

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UPSILON 1918	Penn State	218 E. Nittany Ave. State College, Pa.	D. P. Donovan, 218 E. Nittany Ave., State College, Pa.	Monday, 9
PHI 1920	Iowa State	115 Welch Ave., Ames, Iowa	William H. Stacy, 617 Sixth St., Ames, Iowa.	Monday, 7:30
CHI 1920	Chicago	5635 University Ave., Chicago, Ill.	Ralph Ibenfeldt, 2251 Walton St., Chicago, Ill.	Monday, 7:15
PSI 1920	Oregon A. C.	957 Jefferson St., Corvallis, Ore.	William Gemmel, E. 20 and Stark St., Portland, Ore.	First and third Monday, 7
ALPHA ALPHA 1923	Oklahoma	435 W. Boyd St., Norman, Okla.	Leon M. Willits, American Nat'l Bank, Oklahoma, Okla.	Monday, 7
ALPHA BETA 1924	Iowa	603 E. College St., Iowa City, Iowa	Reid Ray, 817 University Ave., St. Paul, Minn.	Monday, 7
ALPHA GAMMA 1925	Carnegie Tech	5601 Wilkins Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.	S. Lewis Jones, 5601 Wilkins Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.	Monday, 7
ALPHA DELTA 1925	Middlebury	Middlebury, Vt.	Jas. Finnegan, % Alpha Sigma Phi Middlebury, Vt.	Monday, 7
ALPHA EPSILON 1925	Syracuse	202 Walnut Place, Syracuse, N. Y.	L. J. Porter, 213 Elliott St., Syracuse, N. Y.	Monday, 7
ALPHA ZETA 1926	Southern California	1012 N. Berendo St., Los Angeles, Cal.	J. H. Vaughan, 1012 N. Berendo St., Los Angeles, Cal.	

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<b>DETROIT</b>	Michigan Club .....	Friday, 12:15
<b>LOS ANGELES</b>	University Club .....	Monday, Noon
<b>PITTSBURGH</b>	McCreery's Dept. Store Restaurant .....	Saturday, 12:30
<b>SAN FRANCISCO</b>	Commercial Club, 465 California St. ....	Thursday, Noon
<b>COLUMBUS</b>	Chittendon Hotel .....	2nd Monday, Noon
<b>PHILADELPHIA</b>	Omicron Chapter House .....	3rd Thursday, 7 p. m.
<b>BOSTON</b>	Beta Chapter House .....	3rd Monday, 6:30 p. m.
<b>WASHINGTON</b>	Hotel Harrington, 11 and E. Sts. ....	1st Tuesday, 12:45
<b>DENVER</b>	Alpine Rose Cafe .....	Wednesday, Noon
<b>SEATTLE</b>	Chamber of Commerce .....	Wednesday Noon

