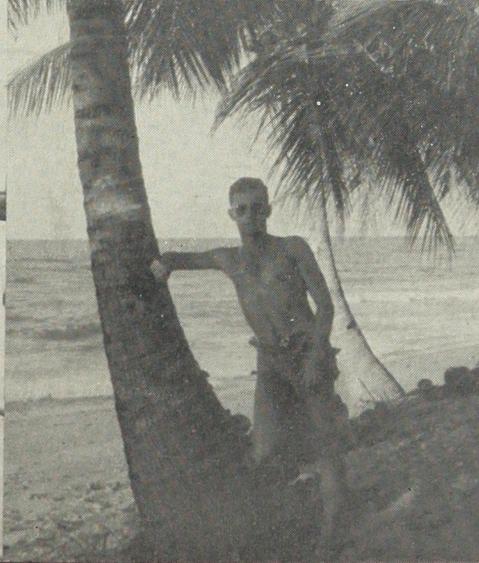
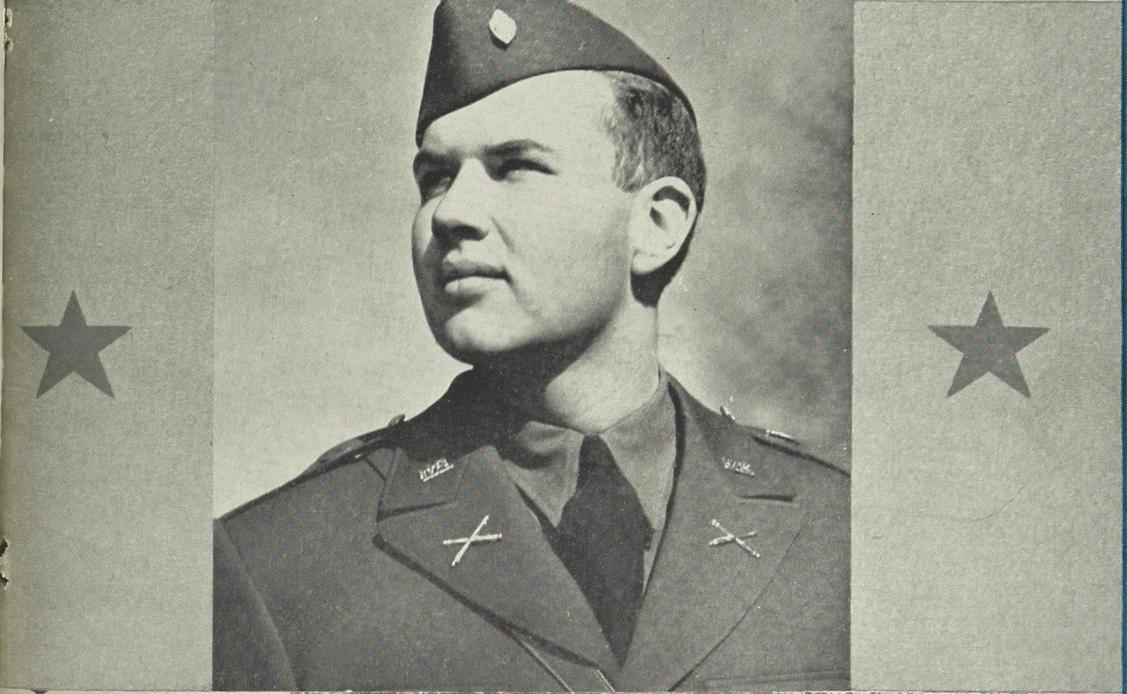
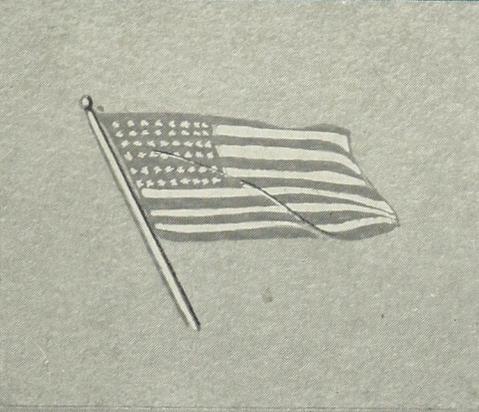


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The immediate concern of every man is the winning of this war. Especially is this true of fraternity men of the United States and Canada.

The National Interfraternity Conference issues a "Call to Arms." You are summoned to do your full share to preserve democracy and perpetuate one of its most unique and useful implements — the college fraternity.

Opportunities to serve are multiplied in times of stress. The dynamic energy of college men constitutes a powerful instrument in our possession. Fraternity men everywhere are confronted by high adventure. They will embrace it with persevering morale, loyalty, self-denial, courage and fortitude.

JOHN M. MACGREGOR, Chairman

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## The Cover

Who's who on this month's cover: upper left, Capt. R. F. Ranges, Cornell '26, Anti-aircraft Artillery, Fort Totten, N. Y.; upper right, Donald Harris, Alabama '38, with R. C. A. F. in Paulson, Manitoba; center, Charles Read, Stanford '42; lower left, Lieut.-Commander Martin Carlson, Chicago '24, U. S. Maritime School, San Francisco, Calif.; lower center, Charles Willmore, Alabama '39, at Porto Rico; lower right, William Thomas, Case '39, at Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, Texas.

## The Frontispiece

The picture on our frontispiece is Zell Mabee's *Berthoud Pass Country* which was purchased by the Museum of Modern Art in New York recently and was used as part of their Images of Freedom competition. We thank the museum for the use of this picture.

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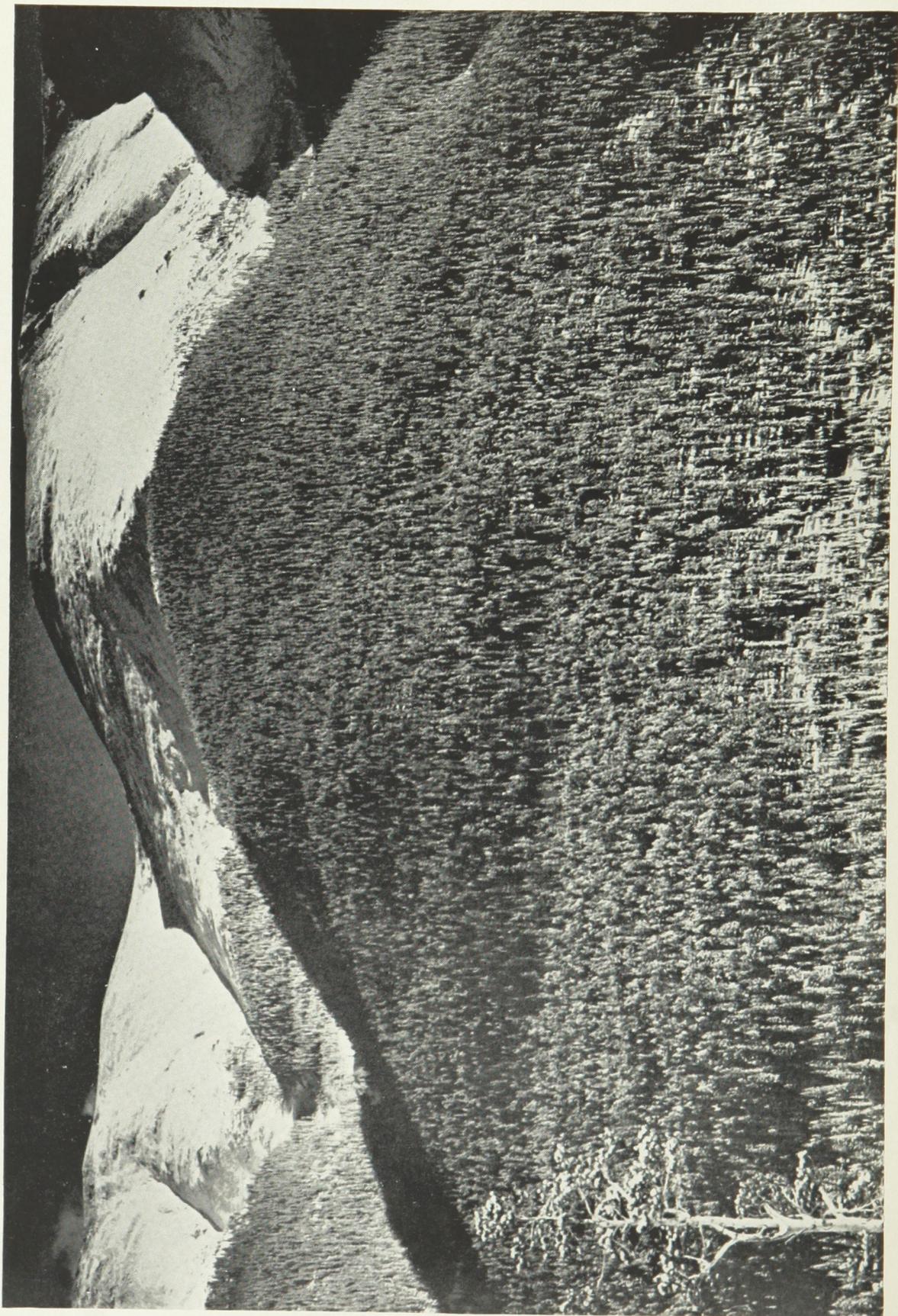
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# The College Fraternity and the War

*A Special Report of the War Committee National  
Interfraternity Conference*

When the War Committee reported to the National Interfraternity Conference on November 28, 1941, Canada had been at war for more than two years. The United States had not yet entered the great conflict. Our report was therefore little more than a summary of the avenues through which the fraternities in the United States had been contributing to the defense program. A separate report was made to the Conference by a committee which had studied the Canadian aspect of fraternity life in relation to war.

The declaration of war by the United States against Japan, Germany and Italy brought new and serious problems to the 2,500 fraternity chapters on the North American continent.

A widespread demand for the presentation of suggested solutions of the questions arising out of the inevitable departure of men from undergraduate fraternity life to serve their country has prompted the publication of this special bulletin. It was prepared by the War Committee of the Conference, in consultation with college and university officers and with fraternity leaders. It bears the approval of the Executive Committee, the ad interim administrative body of the Conference. It should be regarded as merely a preliminary, exploratory survey, subject to many changes as we march down the corridor of time to victory.

## THE FRATERNITIES IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR

The history of the participation of college fraternity men in the first World War is a bright page in the annals of devotion of educated men to the ideals which had been instilled in them at their altars. The Canadian fraternity men were the first, of course, to respond

in 1914. Many chapters in the Dominion were almost completely drained of man power.

When the United States took up arms in 1917 the college Greeks moved rapidly to join the colors. In some instances entire chapters signed up for the duration. Many houses were closed or rented to non-members and often several groups combined lodging and boarding facilities, maintaining, of course, their own ritualistic procedures.

The Student Army Training Corps came to many campuses. The Greek-letter lodges served in numerous instances as barracks for the enrollees of the corps.

In September, 1918, a disheartening memorandum came from the Committee on Education and Special Training of the War Department to the effect that fraternity activities were incompatible with military discipline and that the operation of fraternities should be suspended. This was indeed a staggering blow to the Greek-letter society, for with the cessation of initiations the life blood of the fraternity would cease to flow.

The officers of the Interfraternity Conference interviewed Secretary of War Newton D. Baker, a devoted and understanding fraternity man. A few days later the objectionable memorandum was rescinded and the following was substituted therefor:

*"It is desired that no restrictions shall be placed on elections to fraternities; also that no restrictions shall be placed on fraternity activities, including initiations and meetings, except such as are clearly necessary to preserve proper military training and discipline. In determining what, if any, restrictions are essential the commanding officers will exercise tact and good judgment."*

Thus was the American college fraternity preserved in the dark hours of 1918!

No such crisis, so far as present regulations of the War Department are concerned, is expected to be faced by the fraternities in the current emergency.

## THE EFFECT ON FRATERNITIES OF WORLD WAR II

What effect the second World War will have upon college fraternities is not fully apparent at this time. Some college officers and fraternity leaders are viewing the future with hope and optimism. Others foresee the entire man power of the United States mobilized for a conflict which may drag out for five or ten years, with consequent terrific decimation of chapter personnel.

Your War Committee confesses that it has neither a crystal ball nor powers of clairvoyance. Yet it is obvious that the drafting of man power will continue in increasing manner, that higher taxes will affect the educational budgets of many households and that the lure of wages in war industries will draw men from high school and college.

**The prudent course is to anticipate a very serious decline in the numerical strength of the chapters and to plan accordingly. What that decline will be, no man knows.**

## WHY STUDENTS SHOULD STAY IN COLLEGE UNTIL THEY ARE CALLED FOR SERVICE

What should be the course of the man still in college in relation to joining the colors?

For the answer to this all-important question your committee has turned to two citizens whose positions of distinction eminently qualify them to give counsel.

Brigadier-General Lewis B. Hershey, Director of Selective Service in the United States, has issued the following special statement for this report:

*"I think that the recent trend of events is beginning to impress one fact on our minds with greater and greater force. That fact is not a pleasant fact and it*

*is a fact that is divorced from romanticism.*

*"The fact is this: We are fighting a war unlike any other war we have fought, because no war we have ever fought before has demanded, to such an enormous extent, cooperation between the troops in the field and the men and women who must be delegated to stay at home to supply the sinews of war for fighting troops and to care for the needs of the civilian population.*

*"The theory of Selective Service is in no way complicated. The theory is as simple as A.B.C. It is predicated on the principle that in a war such as we are now fighting every person has his place. That place is where he will be able to accomplish the most toward the common objective—TOTAL VICTORY.*

*"It is not for me to say which of you, as individuals, should be called to the armed forces and which of you should stay and complete your college courses.*

*"But it would appear plain enough that patriotism — real patriotism, sans maudlin sensationalism — demands that you stick with your present job and stick with it hard and work with it hard and give it all you have got—until such time as your local Selective Service Board decides that you can serve your country more effectively in some other pursuit."*

And this is the counsel of President Edward C. Elliott of Purdue University:

*"We are engaged in a grim struggle for the survival of ourselves and our ideals. We are called upon to give proof that we are what we were thought to be.*

*"A supreme national task during these perilous days is promptly to mobilize and effectively to allocate all of our manpower, especially that portion of the manpower composed of individuals possessing the needed forms of training. For modern warfare is a battle of machines and a test of the knowledge and skill of the men who make and operate these machines.*

*"The nation has adopted the policy of selective service as the basis for the effective utilization of its manpower. Under this policy students in higher institutions of learning occupy a place of*

*distinctive responsibility. Every branch of the national service is calling today for more and more men with specialized training. Men in colleges and universities are constantly urged to continue their work as students so as to be ready for these specialized tasks.*

*"Whenever and wherever I have a chance to do so I am urging upon students, especially those of ability and ambition, 'If you have the brains of patriotism, continue your study and self-discipline for the performance of those duties that require trained brains. Any worthwhile fighting patriotism today is 90 per cent trained ability to do, based upon rigorous training.'*

*"The men of the American college fraternities are themselves the product of an academic selective service. Now is the great opportunity for the fraternity men throughout the land to prove that their own selective service system matches our American selective system."*

Similarly, the "University of Toronto Monthly," for February, 1942, quotes Dr. H. J. Cody, the president of the university, as believing that *"more and more men will enter the active service forces, but perhaps not immediately since the government has given a general direction that men should finish their courses before enlisting, particularly those courses related to the war effort."*

## THE FINANCIAL PROBLEM

**The Achilles heel of the fraternity in wartime is finances.** The giddy '20's brought to many a college campus mortgaged mansions of magnificence. It became a fashion to keep up with the Gammas, come what cost. The depression of the '30's took its toll of Hellenic houses, but a very large percentage survived and there still remains the Ogre of Fixed Charges. How can the monster be outwitted with the ranks of the home guard depleted?

The strategy is not complicated. It is simply a determined effort to maintain a house strength which will carry the budget and to reduce the budget to the lowest possible amount without impairing vital functioning.

How maintain house strength?

Your committee makes no claim to all-inclusiveness in the following suggestions, but they may point the way to other techniques:

**The most important objective of fraternities in these days of more difficult recruiting is the making of fraternity life more purposeful and hence more attractive to those who are considering membership. The yesteryear of excessive bridge-playing and soft-chair calisthenics has passed.** The slogan is now "Off your own beam and on Victory's beam!" Three dots on the past and a dash for real achievement.

**If you stay on the defensive, you are licked. Get on the offensive now!**

The accelerated educational programs, with new men entering college at various times during the year, make rushing an all-season pursuit. Rushing regulations should be examined with a view to meeting the new situation. Long periods of deferred pledging may have to be shortened on all campuses.

**Earlier initiations should be made possible, so that the new men may sooner be schooled in the technique of chapter administration.** Where certain academic achievement has been a prerequisite to initiation, either by college regulation, chapter action or interfraternity agreement, consideration should be given to the possibility of advancing initiation to the end of the first marking period. Your War Committee does not wish to minimize the importance of maintaining standards in scholarship, but it points out emphatically that this is a time of *war*.

On every campus there are men who would make good fraternity men who have not received invitations. The high-ways and the by-ways of Academe should be scoured for such recruits. In some colleges the deans have helped by sending out questionnaires to non-fraternity men, asking them if they would like to join a fraternity and then turning over the affirmative replies to the chairmen of the rushing committees.

Once recruited, the pledge delegation should be thoroughly schooled in a concentrated novitiate training

course, so that the new men may know and appreciate the worth and *mores* of the organization to which they are to swear their allegiance and which they are soon to serve as officers and committee chairmen as older men leave for the armed forces.

#### SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR CHAPTER-HOUSE ECONOMY

With the chapter strength built up to its highest possible point, the next step is the effecting of economies in chapter-house management and the social programs.

In its report to the 1940 Conference, the Committee on Policy set forth some excellent suggestions for cutting down chapter expenses. Your War Committee has drawn freely from that report and from replies to form letters sent to the deans of colleges having fraternities and to the fraternity secretaries in setting up the following guide-posts to economy:

**The rising cost of foodstuffs and household commodities again emphasizes the necessity for judicious buying.** Notable examples of successful intrafraternity cooperative buying enterprises are to be seen at Oregon State College and at Ohio State University. We are confident that the deans of men at these institutions would be glad to serve the fraternity cause elsewhere by furnishing full information as to the plans employed.

It is essential that the increasing costs of living should be correlated with the charges made by the chapters to their members by frequent checking against the graph of expenditures for food, etc.

Some of the chapters in co-educational institutions have utilized the services of home economics departments by obtaining suggested menus of sufficient variety to lend zest to the meals and made up of items of modest cost. Some chapters have already inaugurated "no meat" days, "no butter" days and "no dessert" days.

Stewards and chapter hostesses who purchase food for fraternity meals should be zealous in shopping and in checking invoices. The same care should be exercised by house managers who buy commodities for maintenance and

repairs. **A resounding "nay" should greet any proposal to buy non-essentials.**

A campaign, given teeth by penalties, should be inaugurated to urge the men in the house to turn out the lights upon leaving rooms, whether study or common. Economy in the use of fuel and water is also imperative. There should be a monitor on the long-distance telephone, a source of substantial loss in many chapters.

The response to the circular letter sent to the deans of men carried one almost universal suggestion for the reduction of expenditures. It was a plea against party "frills." A former president of Cornell University once observed that "Scholars are not monks." Even in war time a certain amount of recreation is not only desirable but necessary to maintain the morale of American youth. But the "big name" band and the expensive orchestra have no place in an all-out war. Careful planning can produce as much fun on a modest scale, with less paying of the piper.

All groups in the local interfraternity councils should enter into pacts to reduce rushing expenses to a minimum. Too often the worth of the pelts of the captured animals is not commensurate with the bounty paid therefor.

**A careful study should be made of the wages of house servants.** Many tasks now performed by hired help can be handled by members of the chapter. Kitchens are often overstaffed with student help. Too many chapters are offering "free rides" to members as a part of the hypnotism of bidding day.

Judicious editing can reduce the size of chapter publications. Mimeographing is often less expensive than printing. In these serious days some of the gossip-column trivia about undergraduates might well be eliminated and the space saved devoted to recording the deeds of brothers on fields of honor.

Hand in hand with economy marches the question of accounts receivable. The importance of a "pay-as-you-eat-and-sleep" program is obvious. The cash available for tradesmen and for the house corporations should be at its max-

imum at all times. The brother who does not pay his bill promptly should be moved out of the house. Campus-wide unified practice in this respect will make the problem easier for each group. In these days when the summons to the colors comes quickly it is important that no accounts should be permitted to be overdue. Some fraternities are anticipating such eventualities by requiring payment of bills in advance, a practice long followed by colleges.

With regard to the perennial—war or no war—question of alumni accounts receivable, the temporary prosperity should be capitalized by diligent and continuous solicitation of debts owed. Many of the young alumni now entering the service as junior officers are in better financial position than they would normally be as they started at the bottom of the ladder in peacetime occupations. Eternal vigilance is the price of success for the bill collector, whether he represents a tailor or a fraternity house.

**Excellent results have been obtained by sending letters to the parents of each pledge, setting forth his financial obligation to the chapter.**

Your committee calls attention to the value of the services rendered by local professional accountants in assisting in the preparation of budgets and the keeping of books of record and account. In these times when the treasurer of the chapter is likely to be called to military service these permanent establishments are in a position to preserve the continuity of fiscal management. In all chapters two or more assistant treasurers should be in training for the duties that may fall upon them almost overnight.

## THE QUESTION OF CHAPTER- HOUSE MORTGAGES

And now we come to the mortgages. In some chapters, prudent in the management of house affairs since the last war, these obligations are not burdensome; in others, which yielded to the lure of keeping up with the Gammas, they present a very serious situation.

If the war continues long—and who is sanguine enough to believe that it will not?—it is obvious that in many instances there will have to be material readjustments of the schedules of curtailment. Your committee is of the opinion that the lenders of money will lend an ear to an intelligent and documented appeal for the suspension of principal reduction for the duration, provided showing can be made of a determined policy to keep up the interest payments. It may, indeed, be possible to obtain modifications of the interest rates, although we may be too optimistic in holding forth this hope.

**As in the last war, chapters which find the going hard should not let false pride keep them from entering into arrangements with other chapters for combined eating facilities or possibly combined lodging,** if the house to be vacated can be rented advantageously. Fraternity residence in college dormitories might prove beneficial to both college and chapter.

The further suggestion is made that alumni, non-fraternity men and recommended townsmen be offered accommodations in the fraternity houses, subject, of course, to certain codes agreed upon in advance.

In several colleges the administrations, mindful of the problems which face the fraternity houses, have agreed to suspend for the duration regulations which require that freshmen reside in the college dormitories or which insist upon long-term leases of rooms occupied by upperclassmen.

Several colleges have established student room rent at a flat figure. This applies in the same amount to fraternities and dormitories. Each student's room rent is collected by the college. Each fraternity receives the room rent in full for those members living in the fraternity house.

In any study of fraternity house operations it should be borne in mind that the accelerated educational programs in many institutions will result in the fraternity houses being open for at least two additional months each calendar year. The room rent thus collected will

be a material factor in meeting the charges payable annually to the house corporations.

## MORALE IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR

**The United States Office of Education in Washington has been urging the colleges to cooperate in a nationwide program of public discussions to develop civilian morale as a part of the war effort.** This is both a compliment and a challenge to organized education and to its adjunct, the college fraternity. In essence, the objective of the Office of Education is to organize groups—appropriately called “Freedom’s Forums”—to discuss various themes bearing on the war effort. Chapters desiring further information on this subject are advised to send \$1 to the Superintendent of Public Documents, Washington, D. C., for a year’s subscription to *Education for Victory*, a bi-weekly publication.

**A valuable publication in this field for discussion is called “War Service Opportunities for College and University Students.”** It is published by the American Council on Education, 744 Jackson Place, Washington, D. C., and provides concrete descriptions of specific opportunities for special types of services, military and non-military, for both men (on commissioned officer level) and women. A copy has been sent to each college and university president in the country and should be available for local discussion groups. The entire series may be purchased for \$2.

The American Council on Education is also shortly to publish a survey of the personnel needs of the armed forces in terms of enlisted men. The summary report will seek to answer three questions: 1. What are the training needs in enlisted personnel of the armed forces for which college training may be beneficial? 2. What pre-induction education would be beneficial to men entering the armed forces after one or two years of college? 3. To what extent are the armed services conducting their own training programs to meet these needs? The office of Education Wartime Commission will take up the project there and make more detailed analyses of spe-

cific courses which would be most helpful. These will be published in *Education for Victory*.

Alert chapters will invite informed alumni back to the houses to discuss current events and to bring the gospel of sustained fraternity interest and loyalty in the fact of wartime dislocation.

Likewise, alert chapters will send a cheering word to their members who are in uniform, for on the far-away battle line or in the lonely hours in camp the memory of warm fraternal hand-clasps and of the stirring songs of brotherhood are magnificently comforting.

The need for sustained academic endeavor within the chapter house has doubtless been brought to the attention of fraternity men everywhere since the fateful December 7. Your committee echoes the call to the books. Some rigid self-discipline is required of men still treading college paths. Anticipating eventual call to the service, they will be tempted to adopt the philosophy of “Eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow we drill.” The importance of academic achievement as a pre-requisite to whatever call may come to the college man is so obvious that it hardly needs to be pointed out. This is a war of science and engineering and scientists and engineers of top-flight training will be required. The arts course man, too, will better serve his nation if he has sharpened his mind upon the grindstone of the curriculum.

The signs of the times point also to the abandonment of so-called “Hell Week” activities in public. Citizens of college communities, mindful that men are dying on land and sea, are in no mood to gaze indulgently upon the silly pranks of college freshmen in the name of some Greek-letter society.

Intramural activities taken in moderation stimulate; taken in excess they intoxicate. While the program of within-the-walls competitions generally offers splendid opportunities for the physical development of fraternity men, the whole program should be examined on each college campus to determine those schedules which merit continuance and those which should be abandoned so that the

full energy of the fraternity men may be devoted to telescoped college careers.

Some fraternities require that their chapters daily display the flag of their nation. Your committee recommends widespread adoption of this visual token of fealty.

An essential part of the morale factor of the fraternity at war should be service to nation and to community. Many chapter men are contributing to blood banks, aiding the Red Cross, schooling themselves in first-aid, patrolling as air-raid wardens, serving as airplane spotters and acting as auxiliary police and firemen. If a chapter is in an air-raid-menaced area, it should take steps to safeguard its important records and memorabilia.

Many fraternities have been purchasing Defense Bonds, both of the United States and Canada, from their surpluses and many chapters have been making similar purchases from their building, replacement and sinking funds. It should be pointed out that the government is urging that defense bonds and stamps be purchased primarily from *new savings*.

Many chapters are making the facilities of their houses available to service men on leave.

## THE ALUMNI IN THE EMERGENCY

**Back of the front line of undergraduate fraternity life stands the reserve battalion of alumni. This potent force is ready to step into the breach and hold the fortress when the signal for help is flared.**

The "old boys" of the American college fraternities are going to be called upon in this great emergency to contribute generously of time and of treasure to insure the continuity of the societies which so richly contributed to their character building in undergraduate days.

Your committee strongly urges each chapter which has not yet formed a war-time alumni council to proceed with the organization immediately. It should be composed of men not likely to

get an early call to military service. Each member should be assigned a specific field of supervision, such as house and grounds, debt collections, house corporation, rushing, scholarship, chapter publication, alumni relationships, including compilation of records of members in service, cooperation with the college or university, interfraternity relationships, pledge training, archives, traditions, discipline, morale, etc.

In addition, each college campus should have an interfraternity alumni council which should meet frequently to discuss matters in which all of the Greek-letter societies have a common interest.

Regional interfraternity associations are also helpful in meeting the problems that are confronting the Hellenic world. A notable example of such a successful group is the Interfraternity Alumni Association of Southern California.

City alumni clubs can be increasingly helpful by sponsoring special fraternity-wartime projects, possibly in relationship to the nearby chapters.

Here the alumni have an opportunity to exemplify the definition of a college fraternity written by the late Secretary of War Newton D. Baker:

*"A fraternity is an association of men, selected in their college days by democratic processes, because of their adherence to common ideals and aspirations. Out of their association arises a personal relation which makes them unselfishly seek to advance one another in the arts of life and to add, to the formal instruction of the college curriculum, the culture and character which men acquire by contact with great personalities, or when admitted to partnership in great traditions.*

*"A fraternity, too, is of such character that after men have left college they delight to renew their own youth by continued association with it and to bring their richest experiences back to the younger generation in part payment of the debt they feel themselves to owe to the fraternity for what it gave them in their formative years."*

Grave responsibilities face the headquarters of our member fraternities in these troubled times. Confronted with certain loss of revenue from dues and initiation fees because of reduced chapter personnel, they are meeting increasing requests for practical service to preserve the continuity of their organizations—a dilemma, indeed!

Your War Committee has great faith in the good judgment of the national officers in ordering procedures which are consonant with the resources available and the tremendous tasks involved. Elected by their own fraternities as men best suited for their positions of honor and responsibility, they merit the unceasing support of their respective memberships, both undergraduate and alumni.

It would be presumptuous for your committee to make specific recommendations to the executives of the fraternities. They, better than anyone else, know the characteristics of their own groups, their capacities for service and their budgetary limitations. What might be said of Alpha, with substantial endowment and reserve funds, might not apply to Beta, whose financial position is perhaps not so secure.

Your committee has frequently been asked about the advisability of abandoning national conventions for the period of the war. We have no recommendation. Some fraternities have already postponed their conclaves indefinitely, substituting regional meetings therefor; others have decided to proceed with convention plans on the ground that the morale-building factors of continent-wide fraternal communion are of tremendous value and that certain wartime emergency legislation which only a national assembly can pass is required. There has been no official statement by the authorities in Washington on the subject of conventions; it is predicted, however, that by next fall there may be rationing of railroad travel.

Some fraternities have already adopted legislation, either by convention action or by mail vote, giving extraordinary emergency powers to their ad interim executive bodies. Such legislation might, for example, authorize the borrowing of

funds from endowments for the purpose of carrying on operations despite decreased revenue from dues and initiation fees.

The elected officers of the fraternities are men who may be counted upon to recognize the problems as they progressively develop and to seek their solutions with deep earnestness and devotion.

In conclusion, your committee has the following observation to make:

The heavy emphasis laid upon science during the past two or three decades, at all educational levels, has produced, we believe, one most unfortunate and perilous result, namely, the development of a conviction among many college men that nothing is real, nothing desirable, nothing even tolerable, which cannot be presented in a graph, examined through a microscope or subjected to the scrutiny and evaluation of the chemist or the physicist.

Now all of us know that every respectable fraternity on earth was founded on certain ideals and exists for the perpetuation of those ideals in the lives of its members. It is very easy for older men, who as officials determine policies and guide procedures in their respective groups, to lose sight of these two vital facts in their interest in statistics, reports and machinery. The hour has now come to put the emphasis where the emphasis belongs—on our intangibles, our immeasurables, our imponderables; on those spiritual values without which fraternities can today present to a tortured world no excuse whatever for their continued existence.

Who knows but that our whole fraternity system has "come to the kingdom for such a time as this," has at last been given the opportunity of proving the value of its past contribution to education and its right to continue to serve as a laboratory of forthright living? We can and must today enlist our members in a holy crusade for the finer things; we can and must make them see that ideals are the only hope of our war-torn race. We are ready to say with the English soldier-poet, "Now God be thanked Who hath matched us with this hour!"

# Rushing For Victory

There are certain things which are considered "luxuries" as soon as an emergency thrusts itself upon us. We give up things automatically, we give up others because we simply can't get them—but whether the sacrifice is voluntary or not, it is necessary and in this all-out sweep of paring our lives down to the essentials of living we sometimes are tempted to throw out some of the not-so-obvious necessities—things which at first glance we take for luxuries. Now that we are at war, we are giving up things like horseback riding, Caribbean cruises and new fur coats—these we eliminate because to flaunt them now is poor taste and a definite waste. We are also giving up heaping spoonfuls of sugar, wasting tires and gasoline on unnecessary motor trips, and cuffs on our pants—these because the material for them is not available.

But among the things which we might be tempted to by-pass now with the excuse that they are unnecessary, wasteful spending, or poor taste, is a membership in a fraternity. We are so overpowered by the headlines appearing from day to day on the war and the measures forced upon us by the war, by publicity being given to actual fighting, that we forget the need for the continuance of character building, strengthening fraternal ties among men, good fellowship, and the perpetuation of friendships—all of which are gradually being forced to fall back upon the fraternity system for their upholding.

Also, now that we are at war, men who are already affiliated with a fraternity are tempted to consciously set aside its teachings in an effort to make their fighting more forceful. They, like all men, are always more willing to fight *against* something than *for* something, and if they can push aside their fraternity teachings to develop a definite hate for something they will do that rather

than remind themselves and their brothers of those teachings and fight for them and their continuance. Under these conditions, fraternity men, and their non-affiliated fellows, will find themselves taking part in a blind thrust into the dark instead of a well-planned, well-organized, and well-supplied effort to overcome the enemy. We are not fighting so much against Hitlerism, terrorism, ungodliness, or ugly hate as we are fighting to keep what we have had and for the right to spread the way of living which includes freedom, sanity, prosperity, and brotherly love. With these qualities present everywhere, the others will perish. Man in general is far from noble and we must therefore make every possible effort to make him so before he will be a useful soldier in any battle being fought on the side of nobility.

Therefore, with the war ever in mind as a necessity for the continuance of fraternity membership, we urge all members of Alpha Sigma Phi to redouble their rushing efforts this Spring and Summer. This time your rushing will not only be for the good of the house and the fraternity, but you will be taking part in a practical drive to insure victory and stability after victory. You who are too young for the Army will be fighting a home-front battle as important as the one your mothers are fighting by rationing their sugar usage and your fathers by turning their businesses to all-out war production. You who are going into the Army will have the knowledge that what you are fighting for is stronger by far than what you would be merely fighting against were you unfortified by the teachings of your fraternity and your experiences of living in a house surrounded by fraternity brothers.

The alumni, as well as the undergraduate contingent, are included in this request for rushing support. Probably the most substantial rushing work can be

done by alumni members of a fraternity and certainly whatever help they can give is always appreciated by the active members. The blank below is for the use of alumni and should be filled out and returned to the national office (42 Broadway, New York City).

This war will be won by the side which has the most to remember that is good and the most to look forward to that is right. And there is no doubt but that we are on that side.

This coming year will be a hard year, but if you let it defeat you, you will be a pushover later on and this time there is no room for even a temporary surrender. There will be no breathing spell, no time to catch your second-wind.

Stress to your rushees the indubitable value of a fraternity, instill in your pledges the need for constant upholding of fraternity teachings, and make it possible for your graduating members to leave with the knowledge that they are well-prepared to fight a winning battle.

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### RENDER YOUR FRATERNITY THIS SERVICE

Fill in the blank below with the names and addresses of young men, preferably of your acquaintance, whom you know to be desirable Alpha Sigma Phi material and who are attending or entering an Alpha Sigma Phi college, not necessarily your own. Mail it to the Executive Secretary, Ralph F. Burns, 42 Broadway, N. Y. C., or direct to the chapter concerned.

Name .....

Address .....

Religion..... Age .....

Scholarship Record .....

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Going to (college or university) .....

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Financially able to join a fraternity .....

Fraternal Affiliations of Close Relatives .....

Remarks .....

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Recommended by .....

Address .....

# Alpha Sigs In the Service

## ☆ ARMY ☆

### Alpha

Sgt. James L. High, Infantry.  
William Copley.  
J. N. Rawleigh, A.A.A., O.C.S., Btry. K, 1st  
Platoon, Camp Davis, N. C.

### Gamma

Ernest A. Bolt, Jr.  
William A. Hendrickson.  
Robert Holbrook, pledge, Iceland.  
Howard F. King.  
George B. Tobey.

### Delta

William Kemp, Co. D, 11th Training Battalion,  
Camp Wheeler, Ga.

### Epsilon

John A. Akerstrom, Camp Lee, Va.  
Charles E. Brown.

### Eta

Dan E. Andrew, Twin Cities Ordnance  
Plant, Minneapolis, Minn.  
Lt. John M. Cross, 58th Field Artillery,  
Armored Division, Fort Knox, Ky.  
Bob Driggs, Fort Sheridan.  
Major David Griffith, Army Engineering  
Corps, Galveston, Ga.  
Lt. Arthur A. Parquette, Chief Ordnance  
Offices, Washington, D. C.  
Lt. Dan J. Shaw, Ordnance Dept., Wash-  
ington, D. C.  
Jimmy Simpson, Field Artillery.  
Capt. George A. Taylor, 16th Infantry, Fort  
Jay, N. Y.  
Durwood Walters, H. Q. Co., MDRTC,  
Camp Grant, Ill.  
Lt.-Col. David W. Griffiths, U. S. Engin-  
eers, Galveston, Texas  
George Scheib, Camp Forrest, Tenn.  
Glen Feltz, Camp Grant, Illinois.  
Bud Walters, Camp Grant, Illinois.

### Theta

E. A. Pederson, Jr., 1524 Service Unit, Fort  
Hayes.  
Lt. William A. McClintic, Washington,  
D. C.

### Iota

Mark Akin.  
Jack Francis, Bldg. 165, Co. D, Camp Croft,  
S. C.  
Capt. Walter L. Kopp, 102d Med. Reg., Co.  
C, Camp Forrest, Tenn.  
Richard H. Brelds.

Capt. R. F. Ranges, Hdqts. Anti-Aircraft  
Artillery Command, Fort Totten, N. Y.  
Loring K. Warner, Army Constructing  
Q. M., Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont.  
Leon E. Walton, H.Q. 81st Inf. Brig., Camp  
Murray, Tacoma, Wash.  
Capt. Frederick W. Hodge, 157th Div., 5th  
Field Artillery, Madison Barracks, Sack-  
etts Harbor, New York.  
Ralph H. Stoddard, 102d Cavalry, Troop 3,  
Fort Jackson, South Carolina.  
Capt. Elwin A. Spencer, Ord. Training  
Center, Aberdeen, Maryland.  
Theodore D. Slocum, Med. Detach, 157th  
F. A., 44th Div., Fort Dix, New Jersey.  
Lt. John J. Gillespie, 251st C. A., Camp,  
Molakoli, Oahu, T. H.  
Lt. Allen T. Hearthman, Field Artillery  
School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.  
William G. Callahan, Sig. Corps, Fort Mon-  
mouth, New Jersey.  
Lt. George W. Harris, Jr., A. C., 708 N.  
Buren, San Angelo, Texas.  
Gordon C. Trolley, 106th Q. M., Co. C., 31st  
Div., Camp Blanding, Florida.  
Sgt. Myron E. Gurner, Med. Detach., Fort  
Tilden, New Jersey.  
James A. Young, Jr., Co. H, 108th Inf.,  
Fort McClellan, Alabama.  
Lt. Joseph A. Gioia, 1st A. T. Bn., Fort  
Devens, Mass.  
R. H. Brelas, Btry. D., 8th Bn., Fort  
Eustis, Va.

### Kappa

Al Beaujean, Corp., Fort Benning, Ga.

### Mu

Brooks K. Johnson.  
Wilton Crosby, U. S. Army, Chicago, Ill.  
Ralph Bray, U. S. Army. Not stationed as  
yet.  
A. C. Werner, Co. 15, Radio Material  
School, Treasure Island, San Francisco,  
Calif.  
Lt. Wilton H. Crosby, 726 City Park Ave.,  
New Orleans, La.

### Nu

Lieut. K. G. Durnad, Signal Corps, Fort  
Lewis, Washington.

### Xi

William Allison, Fort Ord, Calif.  
Lt. Walter H. Cropper, 1st Student Training  
Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.  
Pvt. Merlin D. Shepherd, Platoon 283,  
Recruit Depot, M. C. B., San Diego, Calif.

John Gayer, 67 Hammond, Cambridge, Mass., Army Radio School.  
Marvin G. Schmidt.  
Maj. J. Ned Allison, U. S. Army, (Charter member XI.)  
Allen Tinstman, Fort Walters, Tex.  
Donald G. Gonzales, Bureau of Public Relations, War Dept., Washington, D. C.  
Dean Jones, Omaha Weather Bureau (soon to be inducted in Army Weather Bureau).

### **Sigma**

Hal T. Hackney, Btry. B, 103d Bn., Fort Sheridan, Ill.  
Knox, Ky.  
R. L. Neevcome, Fort Knox, Ky.  
Sgt. Hal T. Hackney, Btry B. 103rd Bn., Fort Sheridan, Ill.

### **Tau**

G. H. Potts, Redstone Ordnance, Huntsville, Ala.  
Daniel Cutter, Fort Bliss, Tex.

### **Upsilon**

Jack C. Tanner, Regimental Band, 23d Infantry, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.  
Lt. Col. William R. Young, Army Institute, Madison, Wis.  
Bernard W. Forgeson, Miraflores Locks, Panama Canal Zone.

### **Phi**

Lt. Wilmer B. Dockstader, Field Artillery, Fort Sill, Okla.

### **Alpha Alpha**

Capt. D. K. Bishop, Army Dental Corps, Fort Ord, California.  
Capt. Casey Childs, Army Dental Corps, Fort Russell, Texas.  
Capt. Robert Ebersole, Army Dental Corps, Fort Crockett, Texas.  
Lieut. Thomas C. Bonnell, Quartermaster Depot, San Antonio, Texas.  
Capt. Robert I. Morrison, Quartermaster Depot, San Antonio, Tex.  
Major Waldo V. Joyce, Field Artillery, Columbia, S. C.  
James Holabird, Fort Riley, Kan.

### **Alpha Beta**

Donald Neider, Oahu, Hawaii.  
Clarence Horgen, Camp Lee, Va.

### **Alpha Gamma**

Arthur Krudener, Engineer Replacement, Fort Belvoir, Va.  
William Maier, 102 Observation Squadron, Fort McClellan, Alabama.

### **Alpha Zeta**

Phil Johnson.  
Lt. Warren Ott, Field Artillery.

### **Alpha Eta**

Capt. H. P. Trefethen, Fort Sill, Okla.

### **Alpha Iota**

Henry B. Ivey, 65th Infantry, Fort Buchanan, Porto Rico.  
John Dillman, Officers' Training School, Fort Knox, Ky.  
Ted Willmore, Porto Rico.  
Bob Cannon, Fort Monroe.  
William Boyle.  
Benjamin Fuller, Camp Blanding, Ga.  
James Elder.

### **Alpha Kappa**

Capt. William A. Unger, Fort Belvoir, Va.  
Lt. Charles Limblen, U. S. Engineers, 6th Corps Area, Chicago, Ill.  
Capt. J. C. Robison, 201st Infantry, Fort Greeley, Kodiak, Alaska

### **Alpha Mu**

Albert Lageman.  
William Neagle, Camp Roberts, Calif.  
Lt. Gene Socha, Fort Benning, Ga.  
William Southerland, Camp Walter, Texas.  
William McFarlane.

### **Alpha Nu**

Corp. Jack Ammon, Camp Croft, S. C.  
Wayne Davis, Camp Lee, Va.  
Corp. Joe Hetra, 39th Div., Camp Rodman, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.  
Corp. Ralph Kevan, Co. D-2nd. Ord. Training, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.  
Alfred Lindsay, Camp Croft, S. C.  
Harold Pfau, SACTD Barracks 10, Tulsa, Okla.  
Harold Riefer, H.Q. Co., R.R. C. 130 st. S. V., New Cumberland, Pa  
Charles Smiley, Headquarters at Battery and Pine Camp, N Y.  
Edward Stephens, Battery B, 12th Bn. Reg., 3rd Platoon, Fort Bragg, N. C.  
Clayton Taylor.  
John Williams, Co. A-40 Tr. Bn., Camp Croft, S. C.  
John L. Williams, Co. B, 893 T.D. Bn., Camp Meade, Md.

### **Alpha Xi**

Delbert Noren, U. S. Engineers, 6th Corps Area, Chicago, Ill.

## ☆ NAVY ☆

### **Alpha**

Lt. J. E. Stonington, 10th Naval Dist., San Juan, P. O.  
Henry R. Hallowell, Philadelphia Navy Yard (?), Philadelphia, Pa.

### **Epsilon**

Corter Cart.  
Ted Recker, aboard U.S.S. North Carolina.  
Gary Shaw.

# ☆ AIR CORPS ☆

## **Eta**

Walter Porter, Naval Reserve, 430 E. Huron St., Chicago, Ill.  
Kenneth Porter, Ens.

## **Iota**

Roy T. Black, Minesweeper Naval Training Station, Staten Island, New York.

## **Mu**

Walt Milroy, U. S. Navy, (P. E. Dept), Norfolk, Va.  
Bob McKellar, Ensign, U. S. Navy, Great Lakes Training Station.  
Bert Rose, Ensign, U. S. Navy, Great Lakes Training Station.  
Harry McGuane, Ensign, U. S. Navy, Great Lakes Training Station.

## **Omicron**

Russell M. Hoverman, U. S. S. Pennsylvania, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.  
Carl Wagner.

## **Phi**

Lawrence Heaps, Ensign Naval Research Laboratories, Washington, D C.

## **Chi**

Lt.-Com. Martin E. Carlson, Instructor, U. S. Maritime Cadet School, San Francisco, Calif.

## **Psi**

John F. Cross, U. S. S. John D. Ford, Asiatic Station, Manila, P. I.  
Gorden Hagen, 1st Class Hospital Mate.

## **Xi**

Ensign Niel Parks, Naval Reserve, Federal Bldg., Omaha, Neb.  
Ensign James E. Hemsworth, Officers' Mess, Naval Torpedo Station, Keyport, Wash.

## **Alpha Zeta**

Frank Charters.

## **Alpha Iota**

William R. Heslop, Maintenance Office, U. S. Naval Training Station, Providence, R. I.

## **Alpha Nu**

Ray Smiley, U.S.S. Matagardi, Boston Navy Yard, Boston, Mass.

## **Alpha Pi**

Wallace Wade.

## **Alpha**

Lloyd H. Bunting, Jr., 50th Rec. Squad., Hickman Field, T. H.  
William James McDonald.

## **Gamma**

Richard B. Hayward, Parks Air College, East St. Louis, Mo.  
Philip B. Stoddard.

## **Delta**

G. B. Darrah, Naval Reserve Aviation Base, Miami, Fla.  
Lt. Robert Williams, 94th Pursuit Group, Selfridge Field, Mich.  
Lt. T. E. Thorne, Austen Hall, Langley Field, Va.  
John R. Taylor, Air Corps Base Flying School, Army Air Base, Bakersfield, Calif.

## **Epsilon**

Courteney L. Faught.  
Larry Lightner, Moffett Field, Calif.  
Lawrence L. Leach, Harmon Training Center, Ballinger, Texas.  
Lt. W. H. Hazel, M.D., Station Hospital, Lowery Field, Denver, Colo.

## **Eta**

G. L. Feltz, 45th School Squadron, Cochran Field, Macon, Ga  
Jack Gregory, Kelly Field, Tex.

## **Mu**

Lt. M. Neubert, Air Navigation Training School, Mather Field, Calif.  
Dave Dobson, Naval Air Corps, Corpus Christi, Texas.  
Ralph Loesch, Naval Air Corps, Corpus Christi, Texas.  
Bayard Parham, Naval Air Corps, Sand Point (Seattle), Wash.

## **Omicron**

Alfred R. Valentine, Cochran Field, Louisiana.

## **Pi**

Lt. Richard T. Lively, Flight Instructor, Enid Army Flying School, Enid, Okla.

## **Sigma**

Lt. Marshall C. Sterett, 16th Air Base Group, Fort Kobbe, Panama Canal Zone.

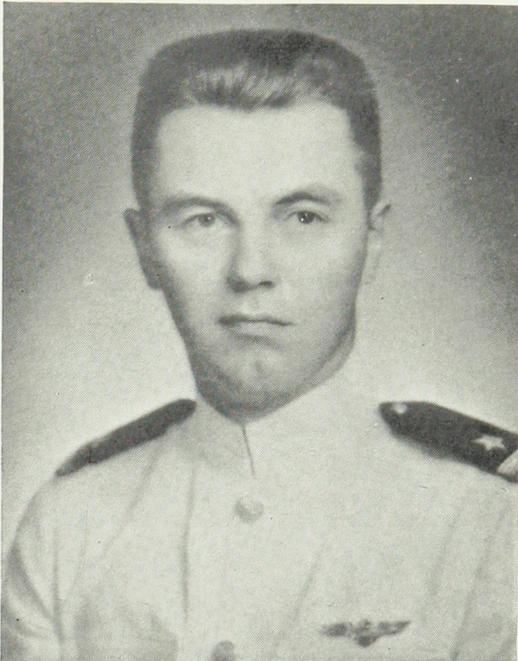
## **Xi**

Joseph T. Cary.  
Lynn Miller.  
Lt. Galen A. Jones, Higley Field, Ariz.  
John L. Richardson, Mitchell Field, L. I., New York.  
John C. Sandall, A. C. T. D., Tulare, Calif., Co. ce.-8, 42h.  
Dale Tintzman.

**BUY WAR SAVINGS BONDS**

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## Pi Man Missing From Java Bay Battle



Ensign John B. Stivers

We have received word that Ensign John Bell Stivers, Pi '33, has been reported missing following the great battle of Java Bay. However, in a letter from Brother Stivers' father, Brother John L. Stivers of Montrose, Colorado, we hear also that they firmly believe Ensign Stivers to be alive.

John L. Stivers writes that Brother Stivers was assigned to the U. S. S. Houston in August, 1940, as a scout pilot and judge advocate for one of the fleet units. He had formerly been a member of the law firm of Stivers and Stivers, working with his father in Montrose.

In one of Ensign Stiver's last received letters he stated that, while the whole story cannot be told until the war is over, the Houston had made a great record. The Japs had been after it since December 7 and as it survived the main battle on February 27 it docked at Batavia the morning after with the Australian cruiser Perth. On February 28 the Perth wired that the ships had

again contacted the enemy and so far as we know, neither ship has been heard from since. There is no information whether or not the Houston has been sunk or who aboard it were killed as word from the East Indies has of course been conspicuously absent since.

We join with Brother and Mrs. Stivers in the hope that John is still alive. Surely with his ingenuity and stamina, the same that has been characteristic of all the American fighting forces in the Pacific, we all have every right to hope for word from him soon.

## Lt. Lively, Pi Man, Instructs Cadets

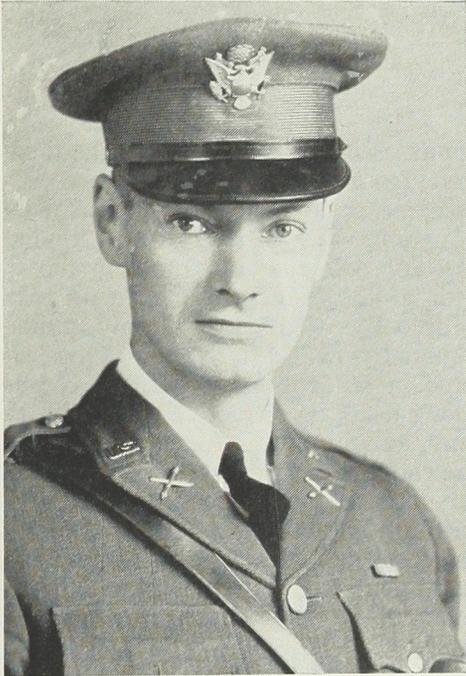
We have received notice that Lt. Richard T. Lively, Pi '32, is a flight instructor and cadet tactical instructor at Enid Army Flying School, Enid, Oklahoma. Brother Lively was initiated into Alpha Sigma Phi at Colorado and later attended Georgia School of Technology.



Lt. Richard T. Lively

## Army Institute Branch Headed By Upsilon Alumnus

For men already in the services, the government has organized a system of military education run on the basis of a correspondence school which will be



Lt. William R. Young

known as the Army Institute. The objects of the Institute are to give personnel of the Army, in their leisure time, the opportunity of a formal course of study by correspondence; to provide the educational requirements of the command; to furnish assistance to personnel of the Army who lack educational prerequisites for assignment to duty or promotion; to enable those whose education has been interrupted by military service to keep in contact and thus increase the probability of their return to college or school upon return to civil life; and to improve the value of the personnel upon return to civil life.

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## Chi Alumnus Instructs Maritime Cadets On West Coast

Lt.-Commander Martin E. Carlson, Chi '24, and former Phi Pi member, is now an instructor in Naval Science at the U. S. Maritime Academy on Treasure Island, San Francisco.

The Academy, which at present is undergoing reorganization so that shortly it will be under the supervision of the Coast Guard, trains cadets and midshipmen for officer berths in the Merchant Marine and as officers in the U. S. Naval Reserve.

Brother Carlson's particular duties are to qualify the midshipmen in such subjects as Ordnance and Gunnery, Naval Communications, U. S. Naval History, Traditions, Regulations and Administration, and Navy Drills during the period they are at Treasure Island for Basic Training. Cadets upon completion of the training program will qualify as licensed third mates and third assistant engineers and also ensigns in the Naval Reserve and therefore, the Navy is most interested in their training. Advanced courses take in such subjects as Military Law, Naval Leadership, International Law and Elementary Tactics and Manuevers. In other words, the training the Merchant Marine Cadets receive at one of the three academies (one in San Francisco, one in New York and one in New Orleans, to which a man is assigned according to his geographical location in the United States and territories) is comparable to the four-year Naval R.O.T.C. course in a university.

The Maritime Commission has published the most interesting booklet which has come to the National Headquarters for some time and at Brother Carlson's suggestion we are sending one to each of the active chapters of the fraternity. Other men interested in obtaining a copy may write directly to the Supervisor of

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## Bill Thomas Writes From Texas Field

Dear Brothers—There is much I could tell you about the training program of an Aviation Cadet in the U. S. Navy, but there are the censors to be reckoned with. However, as I look back on my time in training, which is almost over now, these things stand out in my mind.

I received orders to go to Kansas City in the middle of last August—to the Elimination Training Base. I passed my course there “by the skin of my teeth” and found myself on the way to the Naval Air Station at Corpus Christi to begin my training as an Aviation Cadet.

While on the way to Corpus Christi we got reports of an approaching hurricane and before long we realized that it would be a race between the hurricane and us, with us on the losing side all around if we lost the race. But we won and when we came into Corpus Christi it looked like a ghost town with everything boarded up and the streets deserted.

At Christmas we were all deluged with boxes from home—cookies beating out anything else and we gorged on them until we were at last thankful for the numerous ants who finally moved in to clean up the crumbs. If they hadn't come, we would still no doubt be eating Christmas cookies!

In order to pass from one stage of training to another, you must go through a series of “checks.” The last check of my primary training gave me plenty of trouble, but aside from breaking one course rule and dragging one wing everything went all right.

While learning to fly by instruments, things have not gone so well—in fact, they were looking very much “down” as I was “spinning in.” But don't rush out to buy flowers—all this was going on in the Link Trainer (see picture in February 1942 issue of *The Tomahawk*) and inside the training school.

Right now I am looking forward to receiving my commission, which, besides giving me a chance to really use what I

have been learning here, will give me my first leave to go home. I want first of all to see a hill and a large shade tree.

If any of you are interested in this outfit, don't hesitate to write to me—I'll tell you all I can about it and try to answer all your questions. My address is Bldg. 24-9, Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, Texas.—Faternally yours, BILL THOMAS, Alpha Lambda '39.

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### ARMY INSTITUTE

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Courses in the Institute will be designated from time to time by the War Department and will be available throughout the entire year. Applications are received any time by the director of the branch of the Army Institute in a specified area and only military personnel will be accepted. Once accepted, a student may continue courses so long as he is on active duty with the Army, he will pay \$2 for each course, or if he chooses to study at an approved college operating in cooperation with the Institute, he will pay one-half of the total cost for materials and fees and the government will pay the other half, its share not to exceed \$20 for any one course.

For men who have been interrupted in their college careers, either by choice or the draft, this idea of Army schooling would be an excellent method to “keep a hand in.”

Lt. William R. Young, Upsilon '18, is head of the Madison, Wisconsin, branch which is working in conjunction with the University of Wisconsin.

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### MARITIME TRAINING

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Cadet Training, U. S. Maritime Commission, Washington, D. C., for the Information Booklet. We guarantee the pictures alone will put the sea fever in you.

## Two Alpha Sigs Meet In Air Corps Training At Kelly Field



Math Kaemmerer and Bob Dickerson at Kelly Field

It took so long for it to happen, that we had begun to think perhaps it wouldn't even though by the celebrated law of averages it just had to. "This is Math Kaemmerer (remember me), Missouri '40. Well, I am now a first lieutenant at Kelly Field, Texas. I have been in the Infantry, but have transferred to the Air Corps for Pilot Training in Officer Grade. To continue, I met a swell fellow who lives in the next room. We became, in a short while, fairly good friends. Today in our course of conversation, I asked him what school he came from. He said, 'Ohio State.' I asked, 'Do you know any Alpha Sigs there?' He smilingly replied, 'I am one.' He is Robert Dickerson, Beta '39." Now that we are convinced that it does happen, how about some more of you fellows writing in if you have met any brothers in camps or in defense works. And if you haven't, how about looking around for some?

## ALPHA SIGS IN THE SERVICE

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### Alpha Delta

Robert L. Johnson, U. S. Naval Air Station,  
Jacksonville, Florida.

### Alpha Zeta

Walter Fallington, Lemore Field, California.

John W. Ryland, Marine Barracks, Pensacola, Fla.

### Alpha Iota

William R. Gish, Air Corps Training Center, Visalia, Calif.

### Alpha Kappa

Lt. Warren W. Mankin, 320th School Squadron, Sheppard Field, Texas.

### Alpha Mu

William Heran.

### Alpha Nu

Norman Knox, 50th Bombing Squadron, Louisville, Ky.

Fred Miller, 75th Squadron School, Ellington Field, Texas.

Kenneth Morrison, Lowry Field, Denver, Colo.

Richard Nickeson, Keesler Field, Mississippi.

## ☆ MARINES ☆

### Epsilon

Lt. D. C. Warner, First Division, U. S. Marines.

### Alpha Mu

J. R. Mathis, Marine Barracks, Norfolk, Va.

## ☆ R C A F ☆

### Iota

Thomas L. VanRiper, R.C.A.F., Toronto, Canada.

### Alpha Iota

Donald Harris, Paulson, Manitoba.

You buy 'em—we'll fly 'em.

## Phi Alumni

Charles Ritts '38 paid us a visit at the national office recently. Brother Ritts is an architectural engineer working with the Holabird & Root architectural firm and is planning to move to Marion, Ohio, where he will no doubt like to meet some Alpha Sigs.

# Alumni Councils

## **Philadelphia Alumni Council**

The group at Philadelphia has been meeting regularly on Thursday noons at the Belgravia Hotel on Chestnut Street with a fairly steady attendance of from 12 to 15 members. The members report that "progress is being made" and on the whole the future of the group looks quite good. They are expecting Dr. Hart to be present at their next luncheon (at this writing) as he will be in town for a medical association meeting. The group has also planned an evening meeting to be held at the Pennsylvania chapter house during the time of Dr. Hart's visit.

## **Pittsburgh Alumni Council**

This rather belated news of the "resurgent" (per Dr. Hart) Pittsburgh

Alumni Council came to us recently. A group of 40 Alpha Sigs gathered at the Harvard-Yale-Princeton Club at a get-together meeting on January 15. Dr. Hugh M. Hart of Alpha Nu was introduced as the guest speaker by President G. DeVore Porter, Alpha Gamma. Dr. Hart has just returned from a trip to the Coast and gave the meeting the low-down on the Lux Hour and so on along with many interesting facts on the development of the fraternity.

Brother B. H. James, Omicron '17, council secretary, announces that the group plans to apply for a charter soon and we can say that we will look forward to the date of application. They will be a welcome addition to our growing roster of full-fledged alumni councils.

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## In Memoriam

### **GUY S. BRAZEAU**

1897-1942

Guy Stanton Brazeau, Eta '17, died suddenly at Everett, Washington, following a heart attack. Brother Brazeau was a manager of the Pulp Division of the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company in Everett. He is survived by his wife, a daughter, and a son.

Brother Brazeau was born in Grand Rapids, Wisconsin, on October 15, 1897.

In the first World War, he served at the United States Naval Repair Base in England from 1918 to 1919. He was initiated into Alpha Sigma Phi at Illinois on November 9, 1917, and was also a member of the Masonic Order.

## Eliot Heads Illini Football Staff

Ray Eliot, Eta '38, was honored recently by Eta chapter upon his appointment as football coach at the University of Illinois. At a dinner given at the chapter house, Brother Eliot told the members of the house that the same qualities which win on the athletic field win in fraternity living. Good sportsmanship, clean play, and hard work, as on the playing field so in the chapter house, are more important than mere skill, brawn or speed. In likening the fraternity chapter to a team on the field, he stressed the fact that members must be behind the game all the time to make for the success of the venture.

Brother Eliot was introduced by Nate Johnson, recently voted the most valu-

able man on the Illini team. John Trutter acted as toastmaster, and H.S.P. Bud Kelsey gave the welcome address.

In connection with Brother Eliot's appointment, which coincides with that of the new athletic director at Illinois, there was a banquet held at which most of the Illini leaders were present to herald a new era in University of Illinois athletics. University trustees, former lettermen, high school coaches, state athletic officials, alumni association leaders and sports editors of the state were present to hear Coach Eliot, Director Mills, and Lieut.-Gov. Hugh Cross speak to an audience of 600 Illini alumni.

Like Eta chapter, we are proud of Brother Eliot and extend to him congratulations and much good luck.



At Eta dinner for Ray Eliot are, L. to R.: John Trutter, Coach Eliot, H. S. P. Kelsey, and Nate Johnson.

## Colorado Man Breaks Into New York Art Circles

With what Brother Zell Mabee calls a lot of publicity for Colorado and what we call a break for Alpha Sigma Phi, we announce that the Museum of Modern Art in New York has purchased the picture we show on the Frontispiece, *Berthoud Pass Country, Colorado*.

Zell Mabee, Pi '22, now teaching in the College of Journalism at the University of Colorado at Boulder is, mildly speaking, a picture bug. He has covered the walls of his office and home with his handiwork and now he has entered the big town at its weirdest portal, the Museum of Modern Art on 53d Street, where metal wings dangle from the ceiling and carved wooden idols glare out of dark corners, where old Italian masterpieces are spread tastefully and unwearingly amid modern grotesques. Here Brother Mabee is "exhibited" and despite his aside to the effect that it's "just another picture," he looks extremely good.

The photograph, springing from happy beginnings, was taken while Mabee was on a family skiing trip on New Year's Day, 1941. If you know the country, says Mabee, and on our slight acquaintance we will take his word, you will know that one ski trail, about six miles long, called The Devil's Half Acre, goes right through the picture from right to left. The view in the photograph is generally to the East and the altitude at which the camera was set, in about four feet of snow, beside U. S. Highway 40, is approximately 10,500 feet.

Those are the facts on the picture as we pried them from Zell Mabee. The Museum, which purchased the picture for their recent Images of Freedom competition, was quiet, but helpful about the matter and very kindly supplied the picture we are using.

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Buy a share in America.

## Fraternity Men Help Organize Blood Bank Donors

Within one year it is expected that every able bodied fraternity man in the country will have given at least one pint of his blood to the American Red Cross blood bank.

Under the direction of the executive committee of the National Interfraternity Conference, which is composed of over 60 national college fraternities in the U. S. and Canada with approximately 2,500 chapters, the organized blood donation will be made in cooperation with the American Red Cross.

Adoption of this mass blood contribution is part of the Conference's search for ways in which national Greek letter groups can aid in the furtherance of the war effort.

John M. MacGregor, chairman of the conference, sent a copy of the resolution to President Roosevelt stating that the National Interfraternity Conference "offers to assist in organizing the student bodies of the American colleges and universities to the end that every student may appreciate the need of his donation to the much needed blood bank."

MacGregor also declared in his letter to the President, "among the undergraduates we have already found a very enthusiastic response. The donation to the blood bank is one way in which the fraternities can make a practical and valuable contribution."

### Upsilon Alumni

In our last issue we slipped up on this: Bernard W. Forgeson '38, Senior Engineering Aide at Miraflores Locks, Panama Canal, was married on February 14 to the former Miss Betty Hughes Comley, Chi Omega, from Penn. State. Miss Comley was a resident of the Canal Zone. To both, our sincere good wishes.

## Alpha Zeta Man Sends News of Brothers In Hawaii

Because he has said so much and said it so well, we print below and in full a letter received recently from Lt. Perry W. Parker, Alpha Zeta '31, stationed at Fort Shafter, T. H. Brother Parker writes:

Dear Editor:

After receiving my issue of *The Tomahawk* the other day and thoroughly enjoying same, I thought that some of the other boys might like to hear some news from down here. So if you will pass this on to someone, they may be able to write a little story about the brethren down here in Honolulu.

First, I will give you a little of our back history. Four Sigs from Alpha Zeta Chapter, U. C. L. A., all graduated in 1931 and all four of us came down here on a sort of trip, not having any intention of remaining here. I cannot for the life of me remember all the four, but of that group, Arthur Bauckham and myself stayed. Art tried out several jobs and finally ended up with the Shell Oil Company and was with them for about five years. He then went to Hilo, Hawaii, where he went into the tire recapping business as manager of the Hilo office of the Territorial Motors Company. He recently returned to Honolulu and is at present manager of the Honolulu Office of the same concern. He is married to a Hilo girl and they have two children and will probably have three by the time this reaches you.

My past jobs include a year with Radio Station KGMB, in Honolulu, as announcer. Then in March, 1933, I joined the Honolulu Police Department and by February, 1940, managed to work my way up to Captain of Police. When this present war broke I went into active service with the Army, having been a reserve officer for a number of years, and am working at present with the Military Intelligence.

From time to time, various other brothers from Alpha Zeta chapter came and went. Brother Hal Whaley came down here as a member of the Pan American Airways Company in July, 1941. Shortly after the war started, he was transferred back to the mainland. Brother Harvey Ham-

mond has also been here for the past four years or so, being at present an employee of the Hawaiian Electric Company, Honolulu's light and power company. Brother Norman Guthrie has been here for several years. I am not certain just what he is doing at present but know that he was recently working for the Oahu Ice and Cold Storage Company. He recently applied for service with the Naval Intelligence.

John Boynton Browne has also been here for about three years. He was connected with a publication known as *The Paradise of the Pacific*, of which he was sort of unofficial manager. However, he died recently as a result of an unfortunate accident. It was right about the end of 1941, on a Saturday, that John was swimming at Waikiki with friends. He took a running dive from the sandy beach and dove into very shallow water, striking his head in some manner on the bottom. He was carried from the water in a paralyzed condition. He was confined in the Queen's Hospital where he lived until 5:00 a. m. the following morning, then died. He was conscious up until a few hours prior to his death, and was apparently in no pain at all, as he joked and laughed and thought he would be up and about in a few days. As a rather sad epilogue, John's father, John Barton Browne, a noted author and hotel man of Los Angeles, Calif., committed suicide shortly afterwards. The suicide was blamed on poor health and probably John's death had something to do with it.

Other Sigs who have been through here include Norm Guthrie's brother, Bob Guthrie. The latter stayed here several months but returned to the mainland. Brother Ed Fritz was also a visitor here several years ago, and thinks he would like to return and make his home here sometime. Brothers Johnny Kraft and Craig Porter were also here for a year or so and had jobs here but finally returned to the coast. I may have skipped someone but if so it was not intentional. All the men mentioned here are all of Alpha Zeta Chapter.

Regarding the war, there isn't very much I can write and the newspapers give a fairly good coverage. We just went onto daylight saving time today. A rigid blackout is enforced nightly from 7:30 p. m. to 7:00 a. m. Anyone showing a light during those hours is arrested and faces the Provost Court. A curfew is also strictly enforced, and no one is allowed on the streets between 9:00 p. m. and

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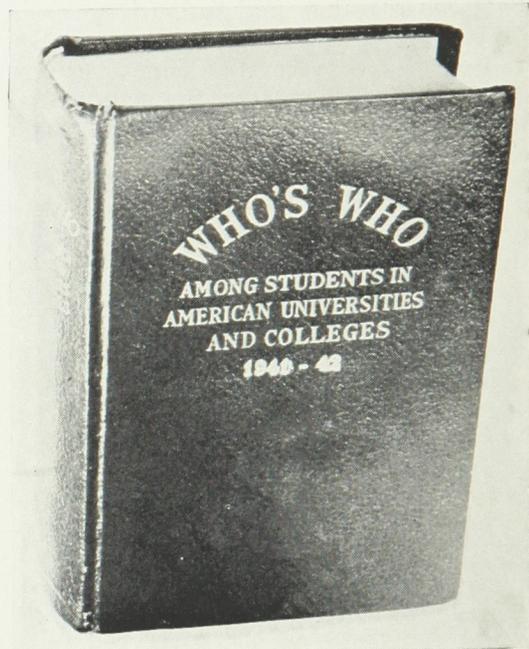
## Fraternity National Office Moves Downtown

The National Headquarters of the fraternity has moved its offices from West 42nd Street down to 42 Broadway in the heart of the financial district of the city. We are in room 1636 in a building that is almost opposite from Battery Park.

To reach the new office from Pennsylvania Station on the IRT subway, you should get off at the Rector Street station; from Grand Central on the IRT, get off at the Wall Street station; from Times Square or Penn station on the Eighth Avenue line, get off at the Broadway-Nassau station and walk down Broadway; and on the BMT lines from Queens or Brooklyn stop at the Broad Street station. We are within easy walking distance from Hudson Terminal or South Ferry.

We cordially invite all brothers to stop in to visit us in our new space.

## Who's Who Includes Seven Alpha Sigs For 1941-42



### ALPHA ZETA NEWS (continued from page 67)

7:00 a. m., except persons on official business or workers going to and from work. The worst blow of all is liquor—there is none. The sale of all liquor was banned on December 8 and has been banned ever since.

As regards the attack here, the President's Committee Report covered the situation very well, and there is no use hashing over all that. Things down here are OK so far. There is plenty of food although gasoline is rationed, 10 gallons a month to civilians. Extra gas is given if the situation warrants it. The military strength of the island is way above what it was on December 7, and we feel we can give a very good account of ourselves if our little yellow friends try and return. They will find it vastly different from December 7, also different from the Philippines and Malaya, where they have air superiority. Well, I seem to be running out of paper so will close for now.

Fraternally,  
PERRY W. PARKER,  
Alpha Zeta '31

The publication, *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* has announced that the following members of Alpha Sigma Phi will be included in the 1941-42 edition: Gerald E. Cubelli, Marietta; Harry S. Manley, Westminster; Robert W. Kerney, Illinois Institute; Earle G. Huxhold, Illinois Institute; Henry C. Herchenroether, Westminster; Leland B. Taylor, Syracuse, and Harry E. Sprand, Baldwin-Wallace. Congratulations and good luck for the future to all of you men.

### Alpha Delta Alumni

Paul G. Cushman '37 was married recently to the former Miss Myrtle Williams. They are the parents of a baby daughter born June 17, 1941. Brother Cushman is now connected with General Electric in Erie, Pa.

## Ranges Is At Fort Totten With Anti-Aircraft Command

Under the slogan, "Keep 'Em Falling," Capt. R. F. Ranges, Iota '26, of the Anti-aircraft Artillery Command stationed at Fort Totten, is ready and waiting for the enemy that desires to attack any part of our coast from Maine to Florida. The command is under Major-General Sanderford Jarman and is part of the Eastern Defense Command of Lt.-Gen. Hugh A. Drum. It comprises all the anti-aircraft artillery protecting vital installations in this area.

Capt. Ranges' particular job is that of ordnance officer acting as adviser to the commander and staff in ordnance matters, particularly with reference to ordnance technical problems and recommendations as to plans for ordnance activities. Capt. Ranges is also responsible for the supply of ammunition and ordnance equipment and supplies, the coordination of maintenance and repair facilities for ordnance materials of the command and the technical inspection of ordnance equipment. It sounds like a huge job, but we feel that Capt. Ranges and men like him are doing an excellent piece of work on it and will keep the command to its slogan, "Keep 'em falling," indeed.

### Gamma Alumni

Brother Malcolm Dresser and Mrs. Dresser became, on April 21, the proud and happy parents of a baby girl. This, the third child of the Dressers, has been named Frances. Congratulations, Brother D. Also, thanks to Brother Ed Shotwell, the see-all, hear-all, tell-some fellow who told us about the new arrival.

Lt. Franklin A. Hopkins, '40, was married in April to the former Miss Thelma Slazier, also from Massachusetts State. The Hopkins are at Norfolk, Va., (Box 420). Frank received his commission at Scott Field, Illinois, on December 5, 1941.

## Fraternity Men Pass Independents In Scholarship

The nation-wide survey made by Dr. Alvan E. Duerr of the Manufacturers Trust Company of New York City included the scholastic records of more than 75,000 undergraduate members of the 2,389 chapters belonging to 60 national fraternities established at 180 colleges and universities. When fraternity men passed unorganized men in scholarship for the first time in 1929-1930, there were only 125 institutions which furnished scholastic records covering 60,000 fraternity members.

The average rating of all fraternities throughout the country for the academic year 1940-1941 is .036 per cent above the composite all-men's average of their institutions, states the report, and therefore proportionately higher than the average of all non-fraternity men. The margin, however, is the narrowest since 1929-1930. This might be due, Dr. Duerr points out, to disturbed conditions resulting from the national emergency, as no previous survey had revealed so many complete reversals of form between semesters on the part of individual chapters.

The outstanding record for general fraternity scholarship was made at Washington College in Maryland, where the group average was 23 per cent better than the all-men's. Gentry College followed closely with 22 per cent. At Transylvania, Davidson, Millsaps, Alabama Polytechnic, Furman, Mississippi State, and Mississippi College, the fraternities were ten per cent or more above the all-men's average.

### Theta Alumni

John Gilmartin, Theta '26, has come east from Detroit to work with the Hyatt Roller Bearing Company in Harrison, N. J. Brother Gilmartin writes that he is busy working six days a week for the war program and is bringing home a new son from the hospital next week (which would make it around April 15.) To the Gilmartins we send congratulations.

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