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## THIS ISSUE

This is an interim issue being published during the change of editors. The Grand Council accepted the resignation of Brother C. E. Dilley in December and appointed Brother Robert Olds as the new editor to begin with the March 1950 issue.

## THE COVER

The scene of Niagara Falls which appears on the cover of this issue is the view delegates will see when attending meals at the 1950 Convention at the top of the Hotel General Brock, Niagara Falls, Ontario.

## THE FRONTISPIECE

The present home of the Delta Chapter at Marietta. Plans are under way for the construction of a new chapter building on the Marietta campus.

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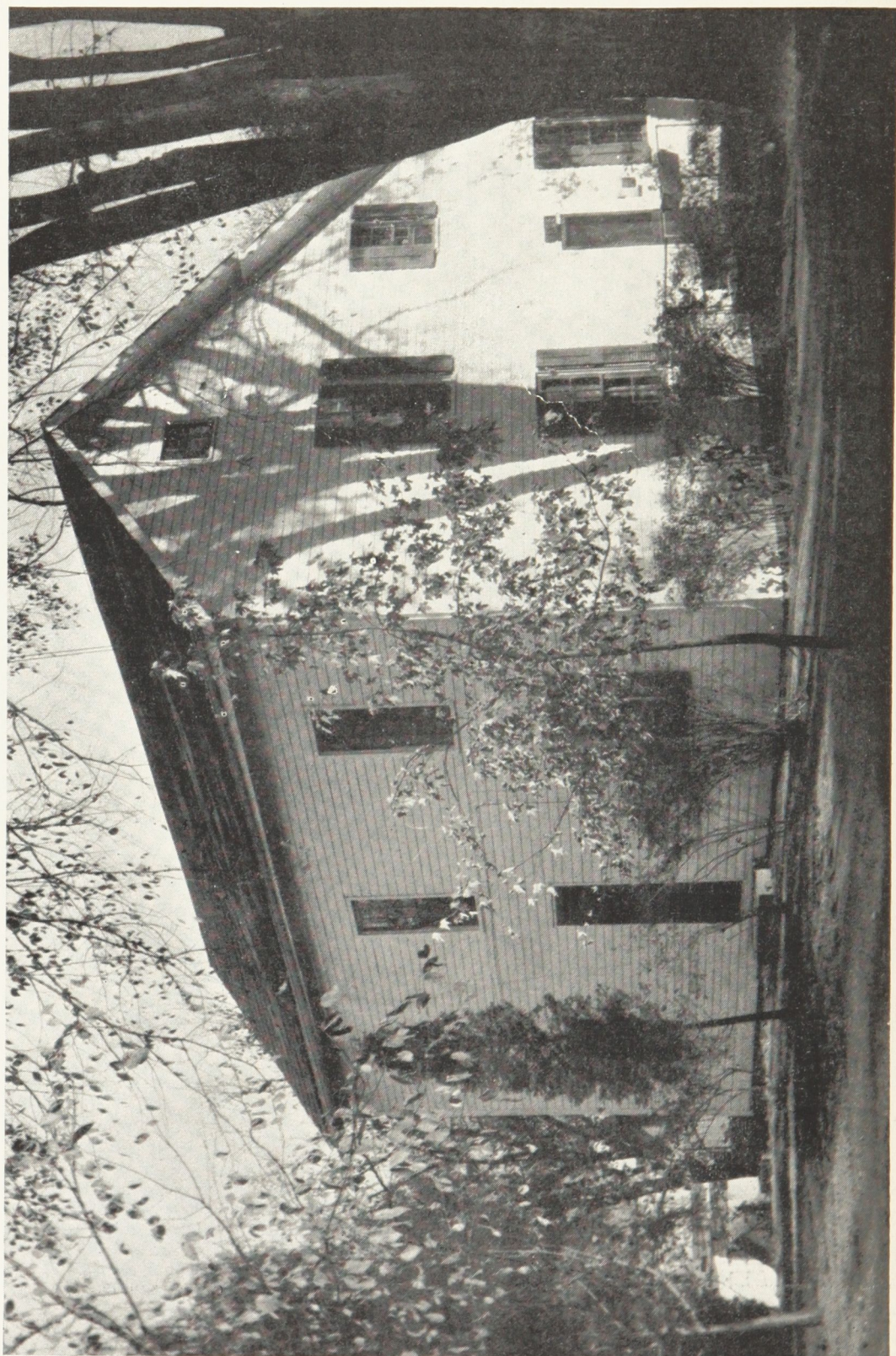
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# DISCRIMINATION IS GOOD SENSE

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*An Eminent Lawyer and One-Time Public Official Looks at the  
Fraternities and the Attacks Being Made Against Them and  
Clarifies Social and Political Rights*

By DONALD R. RICHBERG, *Phi Gamma Delta*

THE DEAR old college fraternities are on the spot again. They are facing another "crisis." This is crisis number 3,682, but it is a very serious one; because they are now accused of "discriminating" against persons because of race, religion, or color.

"Discrimination" was once a word of virtue. Anyone who showed discrimination in his choice of associates was intelligent. Recently it has become an evil thing to discriminate against anyone. A true democrat, we are told, will not discriminate against anyone because of race, religion, color, or ancestry. It follows, presumably, that a true democrat should not discriminate against anyone because of sex, age, intelligence, or any other characteristic or habit. There also are "accidents of birth" or "products of environment," which we are told, should be "irrelevant" in the selection of associates.

According to the anti-discriminationists, all discrimination in choosing associates for work or play must be wicked because we are all born equal and if we haven't had an equal chance, or haven't been able to grow equally, we should not be discriminated against because of that misfortune. Furthermore, personal likes and dislikes are no excuse for an "undemocratic" discrimination. If the habits or appearance or smell of a person is offensive to you, you will disregard it, if you are a true democrat. Advertisements of remedies for halitosis are appeals to a snobbish, undemocratic prejudice. Discrimination against people because of bad breath should be forbidden by law!

Everyone knows that college fraternities, like most private associations, are discriminatory in their selection of members. In fact, the reason for their existence lies in the natural but naughty desire of birds of a feather to flock to-



gether. Accordingly, if the choice of intimate companions (schoolmates and helpmates) according to personal liking and congeniality, is to be regarded as intolerable—and will eventually become unlawful—in a “true democracy,” it must follow that discriminatory fraternal associations should be abolished.

But, before organizing this democratic march to the guillotine, let us consider briefly why the Greek letter societies have thrived and multiplied and expanded for over 100 years, despite recurring demands that they be drastically reformed or abolished. These demands have not been merely irrational products of ignorance or envy.

Many college presidents and other persons of high intelligence and wide influence have criticized various practices and products of the fraternities that were certainly discreditable. The physical cruelties and the sadism of customary initiations were degrading to all concerned. The careless, sporty or dissolute living in some fraternity houses offered an unhealthy education for young men.

Greek letter fraternities have been abolished or forbidden in many colleges. Nevertheless, the number of national fraternities, local chapters, and members has steadily risen until now their collegiate and alumni members total over a million men.\* (This number does not include several hundred thousand members of professional and honor societies and local secret societies, and, obviously, excludes thousands of sorority members.) In view of the latest storms of disapproval being whipped up by anti-discrimination reformers, these questions arise: Why have the college fraternities steadily grown? Are they a noxious growth which should be blighted? Or, are they a good institution with incidental or occasional faults which should be corrected?

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\* At the end of 1948, the 59 men's social fraternities showed a combined membership of 1,200,000; 2,750 chapters of these fraternities were actively operating in the United States and Canada.

Anyone familiar with the actual conditions in the colleges today knows that most of the earlier criticisms of college fraternities have either been answered by internal reforms or can be eliminated by proper faculty supervision.

“Hell-week” and other silly or rough treatments of initiates have been largely outlawed by the fraternities themselves. They also commonly accept responsibility for a healthy educational atmosphere in the fraternity house. The very fact that there are now regular scholarship ratings of fraternities on a national and local scale (and a continuing contest) is significant of an increasing interest in mental qualifications.

In addition the scholastic severity of entrance requirements, and the limited accommodations for students, create today a student body which, for the most part, is neither permitted nor willing to idle through college as though attending one of the “country clubs” of by-gone years.

Let it finally be emphasized that all collegiate activities are under faculty supervision, and there is a clear educational obligation upon the college authorities to regulate any student organization sufficiently so that it will promote and not retard healthy intellectual growth.

Fraternities are a natural growth, capable of enriching the student life, and to abolish them, instead of regulating them, would be really a lazy man's way of evading a troublesome but allotted task.

Now, however, we are faced with one criticism of college fraternities which cannot be met by internal reform or faculty supervision. If discrimination in selecting members is not an unqualified privilege—the exercise of an elementary freedom of association, if you please—then the college fraternity should be abolished. College and alumni organizations which are open to all can add to the life of a college man all the values that the fraternities add—except the values of intimate association with a body of men drawn together by a similarity of outlook, tastes, and interests.



No one can question the value of a man or woman of agreeable and reputable associations, or the essential right of a free man to choose his associates. The attack upon fraternity discrimination must be based on one of two charges: Either discriminatory practices and ideas do more harm than good to the "Greeks" who join fraternities, or they do so much harm to the "Barbarians" who do not join, that the "Greeks" should not be permitted to indulge in them.

It is my conviction that neither of these charges can be sustained and in order to support that conviction I am going to draw upon my own experiences, with no further apologies for the conceit of autobiography. Four years at Chicago, three years at Harvard, and forty-four additional years as an active alumnus of my college and college fraternity provide the factual background for the opinions of one whose prejudices have been notoriously in favor of the underprivileged.

I am a member of  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , one of the oldest and largest of the college fraternities. But, during the entire four years of my college course at the University of Chicago, I was not a member of any national college fraternity, although quite prominent in many student activities, being, for example, a letter man on the track team, handball champion, member of the glee club, student councillor, football cheerleader, officer of the senior class, leader of the Senior Sing, chief editor of the college paper—and winner of two scholarships.

Why was I not a member of one of the many fraternities on the campus? Partly because they didn't want me; partly because I didn't want them. Did this embitter me? Not at all. Was this discrimination undemocratic? Not a bit. "Greeks" and "Barbarians" played and worked together in all sorts of campus activities. In fact, a combination of Greeks and Barbs won the senior class election against a purely Greek coalition.

Now, let me explain why I was discriminated against.

First, I entered young (just sweet 16) and, although I made the Varsity team my first year, I was only a "kid," not an

attractive companion to the young men of 18 to 22 years who were in the fraternities. It was intelligent discrimination that I was not bid to join. I had a much better time than if I had tried to grow up suddenly to older associates.

Second, as I grew older and more conspicuous I made friends with some unpopular classmates, just because I liked them, or because we played the same games. Then I received hints (from coded friends!) that I would be bid to certain fraternities if I disassociated myself from these unpopular persons. I did not want to do this; but I didn't resent the attitude. I could understand that the boys of X-Y didn't want me if they would, in a sense, get with me the only undergraduate who wore a beard—a quite unpopular fellow with whom I played handball.

But, right here let me express my low opinion of the man who "leaves college" or who feels his life is blighted, because he fails to make a fraternity! There are plenty of good fellows in every college who don't join fraternities—for many reasons. A man can find happy associations and do things and have fun without joining a fraternity. It is a horrible confession of inferiority for a man to feel that he must have some little group anoint him or else he can't prove that he is somebody.

There were several rather uncouth young men in my class who were not socially attractive or particularly sociable; and naturally fraternities, which are *social* organizations, did not bid them. But these men were respected. One, I remember, was extraordinarily eloquent on the subject of his oppressed ancestors. These men made good in college and afterward; and their fellow students knew they would. But why should the D.Ds, a group of well-to-do men who enjoyed dances and house parties, have invited a "roughneck" to join them who would have been as unhappy as they in an uncongenial and forced companionship?

You can call that either "snobbery" or (more accurately) intelligent discrimination in the choice of friends.

Another fraternity specialized in athletes. These muscular fellows had common interests and talked the same lan-



guage. Was it "snobbery" of them not to invite a boy who wouldn't even bother to go to football games but would probably graduate with honors and a  $\Phi B K$  key?

The utterly silly thing about most of the attacks on fraternities because of "discrimination" is that the critic ignores the fundamental reason for organizing or joining a fraternity. Suppose I don't join a fraternity, but I insist on confining my companionship to 10 men. We go to games together. We play cards; we study; we get up parties together. We rent rooms near each other. Then, in Heaven's name, why shouldn't we rent a house and eat together and call ourselves the ABC's and invite congenial souls to join us?

What does the frustrated critic answer—that unhappy soul who writhes at the thoughts that a nice boy may not be asked to join ABC or CBA? Oh, he suggests that perhaps discrimination in a local club may be all right. At least, we find in Mr. Whitman's article in *Collier's* of January 15 the surprising admission that the Club Plan at Princeton is a "notable success," although this article is one long, ill-tempered complaint against "discrimination." The exclusive character of the Princeton eating clubs has been a matter of pride to Princetonians for a long, long time; and according to Mr. Whitman's major argument one would expect him to denounce such a "success" as a great failure of democracy.

If, however, we assume that local clubs can be selective and yet virtuous, it is apparently a grievous sin to establish a national fraternity with any discriminatory standards. But, why? One purpose of national organization is to provide little groups of congenial people wherever one may be. During the war Fijis (my brothers in  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ ) were meeting all over the world—in Europe, Africa, and the South Pacific. They found something in common immediately, as was reported over and over again. At a large gathering far from home I recently met three other Fijis; and so the college president, the doctor, the professor and this lawyer, exchanged grips and reminiscences and "snobbishly" enjoyed

themselves because, although 20 to over 40 years out of various colleges, they had once joined a fraternity that had written and unwritten standards of membership, which assured them of some measure of congeniality with a fellow member, wherever met.

"No, No," says the frustrated critic. "I am only objecting to establishing a *national* standard of discrimination because of race, color, or religion. That is what is undemocratic and bigoted."

Suppose we look that proposition right square in the face. There are only two college fraternity discriminations of this character that are really worth talking about—the bars against Negroes and against Jews. It is very clever but a little dishonest for propagandists to try to insinuate that there is also a bar against Catholics. Any direct assertion that such a barrier prevails in college fraternities would be an inexcusable falsehood. A hasty glance at my fraternity catalogue shows 19 O'Briens, 20 Ryans, and 37 Murphys. Does anyone assume that they are all Protestants? I have personally known scores of Catholics who were members of various fraternities. If any chapter of any outstanding fraternity discriminates against Catholics you may be sure there will be enough non-discriminators on the campus to afford ample opportunities for Catholics to join an acceptable fraternity.

But, before I discuss the actual and general bar against Negroes and Jews, let me present the third reason why I was not asked to join a fraternity while in college.

*Third.* The third reason why I did not join a fraternity was that my name is Richberg. For some reason people commonly jump to the conclusion that Richberg is a Jewish name, although I have never heard of a Jew with that name. Even in Chicago this impression prevailed, although a trifling investigation would have revealed that my father was born in southern Germany with a Teutonic ancestry so "pure" that a cousin recently served as a physician in the hospitals and army of the Nazis. (Possibly my own violent anti-Nazism was ascribed to Jewish origin!)



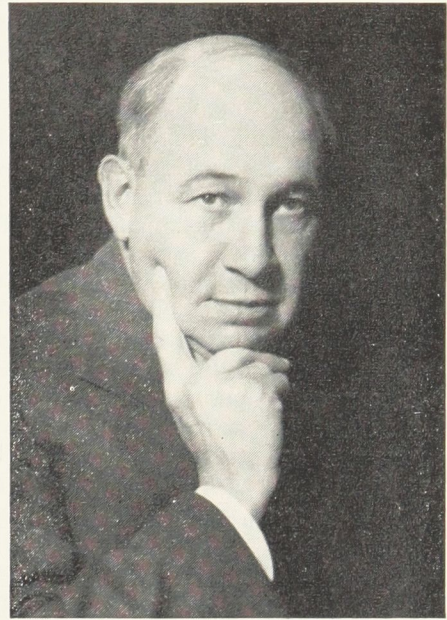
My mother, being a Vermont Randali with exclusively English ancestry had no responsibility for my misclassification in college and later life. Since I had been religiously educated in Protestant Sunday schools and had neither Jewish features nor any special Jewish associations in college there was no apparent basis except my name for the assumption that I was Jewish. Yet in my sophomore year a friend reported to me that he had asked another long-time friend why I hadn't been bid to a fraternity and was told: "Oh, because he's a Jew."

It was an amusing sequence that the mistaken friend, after being duly corrected, came to me and apologized for ignorantly spreading the falsehood, and then said, rather plaintively: "I suppose our crowd is a little fast for you." I assured him that I thought they were, which was true. This relieved him of the difficulty of trying to make amends by persuading his brethren to give me a bid!

Shortly thereafter I had intimations that other fraternities were taking another look at me; but by this time a little group of eight boon companions had decided to organize a club of our own. We gathered in a few more congenial fellows and formed a society with the resounding title of The Order of the Dragon's Tooth. Stimulated by local alumni, we eventually applied for a charter from  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ . This was granted just after I graduated so I was initiated as an alumnus charter member.

Perhaps I may be forgiven the pride of reporting that two-thirds of our little group were working their way through college, that within three years we were a top ranking fraternity in student leadership, and that the survivors of our original dozen made an exceptional record of success in after life. It will be noted that no one's life was frustrated and blighted because he wasn't bid to join a national fraternity. No one of us felt inferior, so no one acted that way.

This personal history is related to make it clear that I know exactly what it feels like to discriminated against also be called typically German.



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That is one reason why I scorn the sophistry of such a statement as that quoted in *Collier's* of January 8 from Professor Hooton: "Science knows no psychological or behavioral peculiarities certainly attributable to race." The sciences with which I have a fair acquaintance know of a great many such peculiarities; but the weasel word "certainly" is what saves Professor Hooton from unscientific inaccuracy. There is very little certainty in the social sciences; and psychological and behavioristic dogmas are notoriously unreliable. What the use of the Hooton statement does reveal is a lack of pride in ancestry and a fear of innate inferiority that leads so many to cry out against a discrimination that they are afraid may be justified.

Let me say, as a non-Jew, that I do not believe that Jews (or more accurately Semites) are an inferior people; that I think they have, on the average, a mentality superior to that of many peoples that I think they are entitled to discriminate, as they do quite gen-



erally, in favor of Jews; and, by the same token, if other people prefer not to associate with Jews they are entitled to exercise that choice. For my own part some of my dearest friends have been, and I trust will be, Jews. To make and keep such associations has caused me much more trouble than would accrue to most Protestants. In conspicuous public office I was widely attacked as a Jew in order to appeal to anti-semitic prejudice, and my intimate association with *well-known* Jews, combined with my name, gave color to the charge. Meanwhile, because of non-participation in Jewish affairs I appeared to many Jews as a renegade ashamed of his people. In one political campaign an unscrupulous opposition (headed, in fact, by a Jew) denounced me as anti-semitic in all Jewish areas; and at the same time spread the falsehood that I was a Jew among anti-Jewish voters.

There are college fraternities which have no barrier against Jews and which take in a goodly number. Some have discriminatory standards. Many apparently have no fixed rules, but customarily do not bid Jews. I know one eminent Jew who is a member of my fraternity and I assume that there are others; but probably not many. It seems to me desirable to have different standards in different fraternities, so that, in seeking congenial associations, men may exercise not only their reasoning powers, but also their prejudices, which are often much stronger than reason.

Prejudice against Jews is deeply ingrained in many people. Others don't understand it. Tolerance will not be promoted by compulsion. The best way to reduce anti-semitism is to let those who will associate with one another, and to avoid trying to force anyone into associations he dislikes. The worst hokum now being spread is the argument: "Make people do what they don't like to do and they will learn to like it." The tyrants and fool reformers of 10,000 years have consistently failed with that program. It isn't worth trying again.

Now we come to the final insanity and to the real crisis in the present anti-discrimination drive—the demand that

there shall be no discrimination against Negroes. Here is an issue that is beyond argument, because anyone who argues that no color line should be drawn lives in a mental world so remote from the world of those who draw the line that the ideas of one are unintelligible to the other.

Let us go back to the simple reason for fraternal organizations—the establishment of an association of congenial persons who will be drawn together for many years, in many places. This association is intended to be intimate, enjoyable, lasting, and mutually helpful. A fraternity isn't a *political* organization, where special privilege is an offense against democratic principles. It is a *social* organization whose activities and membership must be the expression of personal choice or else the purpose of the organization fails.

A fraternity brother, ideally, is a man you are willing to live with, to have eat and sleep in your home, to have become intimate with members of your family. Not all your brethren will meet your ideal. You won't seem ideal yourself to a lot of them. But certainly every man bid should be *capable* of meeting those specifications. So it should be crystal clear that a normal fraternity of white men cannot take in colored members.

There are those who believe that eventually all races will be mixed, and humanity will be one happy undivided family. There are those who believe that whites should never marry blacks, that intermarriage has evil effect upon both whites and blacks. We don't need to debate that issue. Certainly it can be agreed that today the vast majority of educated (and uneducated) whites do not have intimate social relations with Negroes. They do a great deal of work together. They can associate in many ways on an equal plane. But they do not commonly eat and sleep together. There are very few college-bred white men and women who will even consider the possibility of a black and white marriage in the family. It is absurd to argue that the small minority of whites who do not have this "prejudice" are right and the vast majority who are "discriminating" are



wrong. A minority has a right to dissent, but no possible right to force the majority to act against its convictions.

This being the situation the initiation of a colored member in a white fraternity would be a tragic and futile blunder. Assume that he would be acceptable as an individual to every local member; they would be trying to force him on hundreds of other members to whom he would not be acceptable. He would be placed in a wretched relationship, if not with his schoolmates, then certainly with a multitude of active and alumni members from other chapters. He would wear a pin denoting fraternal trust and equality and he would be denied the treatment to which he would be supposed to be entitled. He would be resented by thousands of irreconcilables as an interloper. He would be disliked by those who might be more charitable, as a man who did not have the innate self-respect not to thrust himself into the company of those who did not wish to associate with him.

The irresponsible arrogance of a local chapter, placing its judgment above that of the entire past and present membership of their fraternity can be understood, if not excused, as the ignorant pride of youth. It seems wonderful and courageous to do what everybody tells you is wrong, but which you have decided is right!

Let it be conceded that there are plenty of colored men who are far superior to a great many white men. Let it be conceded that many a colored man can be an excellent friend and companion for a white man. But also let it be conceded there are marked differences physically, if not mentally, between most Negroes and most whites and that their lives are segregated as the result of differences, and historical divergencies which it will take centuries, at least, to obliterate. In these circumstances the attempt to mingle whites and blacks in an established college fraternity is doomed to failure. If men wish to experiment with a new un-discriminating college fraternity that is their privilege—but why should they undertake the impossible and offensive

task of remaking the fraternities to suit their definitely unpopular views?

Fraternities can be abolished. They should be abolished if they are evil influences. But to attack them because they discriminate against persons whom the members don't want for intimate friends is nonsensical, unless you are prepared to deny the right of men to complete freedom in selecting their social companions.

The strangest feature of the entire attack is that based on the argument that it is undemocratic to discriminate against persons because of race, religion, or color, even when selecting your personal friends.

Of course it is undemocratic to discriminate between citizens in the exercise of *political* rights. Everyone has an equal right to vote, to hold office, to speak, to exercise his religion, to have a jury trial, to enjoy public services. These are *political* rights *because they are granted and protected by government*. But the underlying, essential political right which is supposed to be protected by our democratic government is the right of social freedom of choice in choosing the ways and the companions essential to an individual "pursuit of happiness." As a great liberal judge phrased it—the most fundamental and precious right is "the right to be let alone."

The heart of American democracy beats in the Bill of Rights which provides two great protections: One, the protection of the essential freedoms of minorities against majority tyranny; and, the other, the protection of individuals against government regulation of their private lives. Recently a thoroughly un-American, undemocratic philosophy has been propagated in the name of "American Democracy." This is the cult of equalitarianism. We are being deafened by orators and blinded by writers proclaiming that any discrimination between persons on the ground of alleged inferiority, any discrimination because of race, religion, color, or ancestry, is a denial of the "equality" of all Americans and a betrayal of democracy. But, the



real objective of genuine democracy is not the creation of an artificial enforced equality. On the contrary, the glory and greatness of democracy comes out of its protection of the freedom of the individual to demonstrate his particular capacity to serve himself and others. It is the assurance of unequal rewards for unequal labors, of superior accomplishments by superior ability, that is the pride of democracy, and proves the value of democratic government.

Equality is the objective of communism. Only a communistic government can guarantee and protect equality. Equality is not a natural condition. It is not a fact. It can only be achieved by the ruthless regimentation of a people into a working and living conformity with the ambitions and moralities of a ruling class. That ruling class must always sanctify its purpose by a claim of divine authority, or at least of a mental power so far beyond ordinary understanding as to be practically divine. From such an authority issue edicts proclaiming that some things are good and others bad; and that we must do what is good and not do what is bad. We must tolerate all races, but no disapproved religion. We must have freedom to denounce all political creeds, except the official creed. We must have freedom to associate with anyone, but no freedom *not* to associate with anyone. If anyone disagrees with this "new religion," he is bigoted and prejudiced. He is an enemy of the common man. He is not a democrat. He is a snob, a fascist, an imperialist.

Isn't it evident that we are being subjected in America to a new wave of religious fanaticism with its accompanying blue laws? Every one of our cherished freedoms is being denied in the name of freedom and democracy. Those who cannot rise by their own worth must be raised by political powers. Those who

cannot sustain themselves must be sustained by political power. Those who desire the self-protection and happiness found in association with others who think or feel as they do, must be forced into undesired associations so that their "prejudices" will be beaten out then by democratic pounding.

This is simply religious fanaticism, all the more cruel and destructive because it is not even a fanatic faith in some Divine will. It is a fanatic faith in the materialistic reasoning of men who have no comprehension of their own ignorance. This is the ignorance that ignores all the racial and religious differences that have divided men for centuries. This is the ignorant fanaticism that would compel men to live in a mental and physical world that has never existed and probably never will exist.

It will not stop at reforming the college fraternities. It must reform all the schools and all the religions and all the customs that make men act differently. If it is democratic to be different, and it is an eternal sin to want to be different, let's try to do a real job—and make a physical reality of the political dogma in the Declaration of Independence: Let's have all babies born equal.

Forgive me for shouting! If we could wake up from this nightmare we could have a good laugh.

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ED. NOTE: The last several years we have seen in the public press numerous articles discrediting the practice of discrimination within fraternities. Your editor believes you would be interested in an article which presents the other view point. This subject of selectivity has been a matter of discussion within the National Interfraternity Conference and will be discussed at the National Convention of Alpha Sigma Phi in September, 1950 at the Hotel General Brock, Niagara Falls, Ontario.



# THE FRATERNITY HOUSE

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## III. The House Corporation

Wee Willie Winkie runs through the town,  
Upstairs and downstairs in his nightgown,  
Rapping at the windows, crying through the lock,  
"Are the children in their beds, for now  
it's eight o'clock?"

It is someone's duty to see that the fraternity is well housed. This duty devolves directly upon the officers of the active chapter. It is their duty to negotiate a long-term lease with the owners of the chapter house, carry out the terms of the lease, and in turn manage the chapter house on the same basis as if the chapter actually owned the house.

It is essential that every fraternity chapter is well housed. No chapter can gain permanency or stability that is not well housed. For this reason the problem of chapter housing should be the concern of not only the active brothers of the chapter, but that of the alumni and the national organization. The national organization can assist the local chapter by giving advice and assistance, but the immediate help in the problem of housing should come from the alumni of the local chapter.

Every chapter should live in its own house. And yet, the members of the active chapter have neither the business experience nor the required cash to purchase the house. Nor is the national organization usually in a financial position to buy or to build houses for its active chapters. Alumni of local chapters are

usually so widely scattered and the general alumni organization so loosely constituted that the chapter alumni association is in no position to buy or build a chapter house. It is, therefore, wise to select an indefinite number of alumni, living within a few hours driving distance of the chapter, and to organize these into a non-profit sharing corporation called a house corporation. This corporation should manage the business affairs and own all the property of the chapter.

Every chapter should have a house corporation, even the chapter that is renting from a local real estate agent. In case the chapter is paying rent, the house corporation should have plans for purchasing or building a chapter house in the future. The corporation should have a definite building fund program. More will be said in subsequent articles on how to accumulate building funds and when a chapter should build. Here we will state, however, that every chapter should have a building fund and such funds should always be under the direct supervision of the house corporation.

The house corporation should be incorporated under the laws of the state



in which the chapter is located. Usually a group of outstanding alumni living in the immediate area of the chapter organize a non-profit membership association, draw up a code of by-laws to govern the association, and apply to the secretary of their state for a charter. Often one of the members is an attorney-at-law, and therefore acts as legal adviser to the corporation. This brother can give invaluable assistance in drawing up the code of by-laws and the articles of incorporation. The writer has even known of attorneys who were members of Greek-letter fraternities giving their legal advice gratis to chapters other than their own organizing house corporations. In our Fraternity the national housing committee gives invaluable service to those chapters that are interested in organizing house corporations.

The corporation is usually governed by a board of directors or a board of trustees consisting of nine members of the corporation who are elected for a term of three years as specified in the corporation by-laws. In drawing up the by-laws, provision should be made so that the term of office for the trustees does not expire all at the same time, but, instead, three retire from the board each year. If the board of trustees consists of nine members and the regular term of office is for three years, provision should be made in the by-laws so that three members are elected for one year, three for two years, and three for three years. When the terms of these members expire, their successors are elected for three years. Thus a majority of the board will always be members who have had a year or more of service and will therefore be familiar with the work of the board.

Trustees should be elected at the annual meeting of the corporation. Many house corporations have their annual meetings at the chapter houses during homecoming weekend. It is true that the largest number of alumni will visit the fraternity during this event, but due to the social activities that are connected with homecoming and the enthusiasm that a victory may engender, the writer suggests that the annual corporation meeting be held at some other time. If

the corporation feels that homecoming week is the only time to have the annual meeting, then it should be held before and not after the football game. Many corporations prefer commencement week for the annual meeting.

Membership in the house corporation should be open to all alumni members of the Fraternity whether or not they are alumni of that particular chapter. Membership is acquired by the purchase of a membership certificate, the price of the membership usually being determined by the board of trustees. The membership fee should be small enough to encourage all outstanding alumni living in the area of the chapter to belong. Each member of the corporation should be entitled to one vote only, no matter how much he paid for his membership certificate, or how much he has paid into the building fund, or how many house bonds he has purchased. Also membership certificates should be non-transferable and all rights terminate upon the death of the member.

The house corporation should own the chapter house. The corporation should in turn lease the house to the active chapter. The national housing committee of our Fraternity advises that the lease should be carefully drafted so as to conform with the laws of the state in which the house is located. The rental to be paid by the chapter to the house corporation should be sufficient to pay taxes, interest, bonds, insurance, repairs, and improvements. The lease should give the board of trustees of the corporation direct supervision and control over the chapter house so that the board may adopt and enforce regulations whereby the chapter must make periodic financial reports to the corporation and carry out orders from the board of trustees regarding members delinquent to the chapter in their financial obligations.

The corporation should be responsible for all decorating and furnishings in the house. The chapter may be able from time to time to help the corporation in redecorating the house by doing part of the work or by assisting financially from the chapter treasury. At all times there should be cooperation between the chap-

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# N. I. C.

## Washington, D. C.

Thanksgiving week-end found representatives of social Greek letter fraternities meeting together in Washington, D. C. The "Old Gal" was represented by Lloyd S. Cochran, Grand Senior President, Benjamin F. Young a member of the Grand Council and George E. Worthington a member of the fraternity's law committee.

This was the forty-first meeting of the Interfraternity Conference and Alpha Sigma Phi was represented at the first meeting in 1909. This was the second time in the history of the conference that the annual meeting was held outside of New York City.

A memorial tribute to Dr. Gilbert W. Mead conducted by Past Chairman Albert Bard, featured the opening session of the Conference.

Panel discussions were held on Friday morning with the Honorable Tom C. Clark, Associate Justice Supreme Court of the United States, and the Honorable J. Howard McGrath, Attorney General of the United States, were among the principal speakers.

The Honorable Patrick J. Hurley, former Secretary of War, served as toastmaster for the Friday evening dinner and the principal address was made by the Honorable George Maurice Morris, Past President of the American Bar Association. Distinguished guests included the Honorable Fred M. Vinson; Chief Justice of the United States, the Honor-

able Harold H. Burton and Sherman Minton, Justices of the Supreme Court; the Honorable Charles F. Branan, Secretary of Agriculture and Dr. Edwin Holt Hughes, Bishop of the Methodist Church.

Some 700 applauded as Leroy A. Wilson, President of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company was presented the National Interfraternity Conference's annual award "for distinguished service to youth through the American college fraternity." The gold medalion was presented by Judge Frank Myers, chairman of the National Interfraternity Conference.

Cornell University's Interfraternity Council was awarded the Conference's service award for "the greatest progress of interfraternity conferences on its campus." Runners-up were: the University of Iowa, Pennsylvania State College and Ohio State University.

The following officers were elected for 1949-1950:

Chairman, William J. Barnes, Theta Xi; Vice-Chairman, Dean A. Ray Warnock, Beta Theta Pi; Secretary, Charles E. Pledger, Theta Delta Chi; Treasurer, Clarence R. Yeager, Pi Kappa Alpha.

There were many resolutions presented and acted upon favorably. Some of these which are of general interest follow:

### *Scholarship*

One of the imperative demands of our





Starting at 7 o'clock position: L. to R., Charles T. Akre, Iowa, member of N. I. C. Law Committee; Lloyd S. Cochran, Pennsylvania, Grand Senior President; Benjamin F. Young, Ohio Wesleyan, Grand Councilor; Dr. Winfred Overholser, Harvard; George E. Worthington, Wisconsin; Earl McComas, California; Karl E. Mann, American University, President of the Washington Alumni Council; A. W. Heinmiller, Coe; Carl S. Engel, Michigan; Ralph F. Burns, Ohio Wesleyan, Executive Secretary.

country is for the best and most intelligent leadership; the colleges and universities of the United States and Canada are richly endowed with personnel and facilities to provide the intellectual training for such leadership and the college fraternity aims to select future leaders and to contribute to their training: Therefore

#### RESOLVED:

That the National Interfraternity Conference at its Forty-first Annual Session recommends:

That the general and national officers of its member fraternities *reemphasize*, through every means possible, the *intellectual aims* of the fraternity;

That each *local* interfraternity council conspicuously and constantly *encourage* on its campus the maintenance by fraternity men of *high scholastic standards* as one of the *primary goals* of the Conference's program;

That *each individual chapter* seek to *stimulate* an *attitude* and *atmosphere* conducive to the encouragement in, and

the recognition by, its members of good scholarship as the major objective of college life; and

That *each fraternity member* accept as his *personal responsibility* not only his own self-improvement through the facilities of his institution but also participation in the intellectual stimulation of his chapter to the end that good scholarship be made synonymous with good fraternity membership.

#### *Juvenile Delinquency*

That the Conference urges its member fraternities to recommend to their chapters the giving of assistance to local agencies working in the field of eliminating juvenile delinquency and encourage full participation in such efforts.

#### *Membership Provisions*

Many member fraternities in the National Interfraternity Conference have never had and do not now have clauses restricting membership in their fraternities. On the other hand, some of the member fraternities at their inception

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# TOMAHAWK'S

## New Editor

A new scribe is to take possession of the editor's pen and to guide the *Tomahawk* along its literary path. Brother Robert Olds has been appointed by the Grand Council to take over the editorship of the *Tomahawk* beginning with the March 1950 issue.

Brother Olds comes to the national organization with a worthy background both in the affairs of the Fraternity and in the journalistic field. A graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University (Epsilon Chapter) in 1938, Bob has fifteen years' experience in newspaper work, industrial and association public relations, advertising, radio, and film production work.

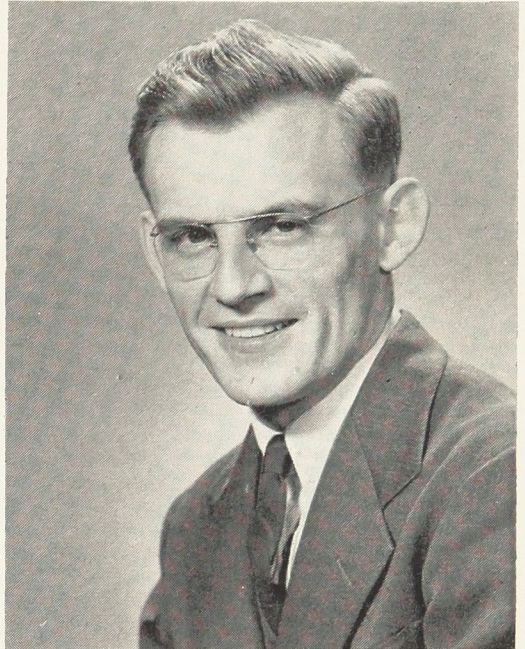
Since 1946 he has been particularly interested in the development of school public relations and has assisted in the expansion of the public relations program of the Ohio Education Association.

Brother Olds is a member of the National School Public Relations Association and is co-editor of the *Trends* newsletter publication of that organization.

Following his graduation from Ohio Wesleyan, Bob joined the United Press where he became Ohio sports editor and later political writer. He became interested in aviation and joined the Columbus *Citizen* as its aviation editor.

He is the author of the wartime best-seller, "Helldiver Squadron," a battle history of the airmen aboard the aircraft carrier USS Bunker Hill. In addition he has written and co-produced an air dramatic radio series, "Conquerors of the Clouds."

Brother Olds left newspaper work to join the Curtiss-Wright Corporation as the assistant public relations director of the airplane division at Columbus. He was later associated with an advertising agency and held a partnership in a public



ROBERT OLDS

relations organization prior to establishing his own public relations practice.

Organizations with which he is now associated are in the educational field or are interested in public school improvement. He is managing editor of the *Buckeye American* magazine. Bob is also a charter member of the Public Relations Society of America.

A native of Ohio and a resident of Columbus, Bob and Mrs. Olds have three children.

Personality and enthusiasm coupled with a serious purpose have qualified Brother Olds as a competent journalist. The future of the *Tomahawk* is in capable hands and the Fraternity is indeed fortunate in having Brother Olds as its new editor.



# News Notes

## MARIETTA COLLEGE

Richard Stitt, H.S.P.

January finds Delta Chapter comfortably situated in our recently acquired house and with the greater part of a very successful semester behind us. One of the highlights of the semester was homecoming weekend which was climaxed with a terrific, impromptu houseparty. We were glad to see many of the alums at the open house and were rather proud of our "atom-smashing" float which took second place in the parade.

Right now semester exams are of prime importance, although we are looking ahead to the spring semester with great expectations. Of course there are still a few minor obstacles for the brothers to hurdle—such as finals and finances. The main problem that seems to be occupying most of the canny brains around Sixth Street though, is how to find that missing sub in the latest craze the troops have picked up, the game of Battleship.

Between plotting shots, conversation still centers around the Barn Dance of last month. This annual affair seems to mellow and improve with age and every year it is said, "Well, it just couldn't be much better." This year was no exception. As usual access to the dance was complicated by the long, dark tunnel, but once inside you found the joint jumpin right down to the last cornstalk. A new feature this year was the greased boar chase which was won by "Tiger" Lockhart amid many loud squeals from several bystanding girls and one scared boar. A lot of credit can go to social chairman Frank Smith, who, by the way is our delegate to the convention this summer.

We are right in the middle of our intramural program at the present time, with basketball, volleyball, and handball all being played. We gathered second place in football this year dropping only two games. We are hoping to do better in basketball and volleyball, with handball, as yet, an unknown quantity. Also a word of praise is in order for Brothers George Stewart and Don Shimer who ran for us in the cross country competition. They both got all the way around, quite a feat in itself, with George displaying a burst of speed at the end to garnish ninth place.

Another fellow doing a good job around here this semester is pledgemaster Dave Mengar. Seven men were added to the pledge class in November: Melvin P. Mohn, Wickliffe Ohio; George C. Dubois, Brooklyn New York; Gerrad G. Heilman, Pittsburg Pa.;

Joseph P. Molaskey, Sharon Pa.; Arthur S. Swenson, East Chester New York; Samuel A. Vinciquerra, Fredonia New York; and William B. Morgan, Rutherford New Jersey. Dave has taken these fellows as well as the other pledges and developed them into a good working unit.

We are also happy to report the Mothers' Club, which was inactive during the war, has reorganized and is again functioning as a unit. The club meets at the House on the first Tuesday of each month. All mothers and wives are invited to attend. The newly elected officers include Mrs. Laura Chorpensing president; Mrs. Charles Hess, vice-president; Mrs. Luke Runkel, secretary; and Mrs. Hillis Iams, treasurer.

Fred Carrillo, H.A.E.

## OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

Larry Henize, H.S.P.

Alpha Sigs are built for speed and endurance, or so it seems. Three of our pledges swept the Intra-mural cross-country race and put Alpha Sigma Phi in first place in that event. Don Niswander won the race with Joe Robertson right on his heels in second place. Bill Schultz finished sixth—to add to the points, and put us out in front. Ineligible for the Intramurals were Dave Casto and Ken Lawson, who will receive Freshman numerals in cross-country.

Varsity letters in football will go to Hayden Buckley and John Vossers. Buckley worked in the Bishops' backfield while Vossers converted many points with his talented toe. Pledge brother Jay Eisenhart is the sole survivor on the Freshman football squad.

Ray Paye and Larry Henize are battling it out in the fraternity inter-house ping pong tournament. At press time it is impossible to predict which man will come out on top.

Sparking the Bishops on the basketball floor this season will be Don Purke, Hayden Buckley, and Dave Bruck.

Charles Yoder and Charles Poston were chosen to have their names placed on the Yoder Achievement Award. The cup was donated by Brother Yoder's uncle and each year the outstanding freshman of his class is elected to have his name inscribed on the award.

Bill Smyth was elected to the mathematics honorary and also headed the stage crew in the Wesleyan Players production "Hay Fever." Others who assisted on the play were Don Thayler, John Plunkett, Ted Smith, and Pete Cooper.



In the literary field Cliff Ludwig was appointed Advertising manager of the Ohio Wesleyan Literary Magazine with Chuck Clypson acting as a member of his staff.

A welcome addition to the house was a large ventilating fan which was installed in the downstairs kitchen. The purpose of this fan is to aid in keeping smoke and kitchen odors from permeating throughout the house.

The chapter now is accommodating two foreign students. One is George Stankievich, a displaced person from Prague, and the second is Horst Lunau, a German student. George was brought to the United States through the European Recovery Program while Horst is studying at Ohio Wesleyan with the aid of the foreign student fund.

—Bill Klann, H.A.E.

## UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Bob Nissen, H.S.P.

We of Eta send our best wishes for the coming year. Now that 1950 is here we are all looking back and taking stock of what we have done the past few months. We have had a great time and our efforts have all been well rewarded.

We were very pleased to welcome so many fathers here for Dad's Day, November 5th. Chairman Ken Hoover did a fine job of organizing and made it possible for many of the Dads to sit together at the game. And it was certainly great to see Illinois trounce Indiana, 33-14! Later there was the Dad's Day Banquet, shows, plays, and concerts, and many good-time parties. Quite a weekend.

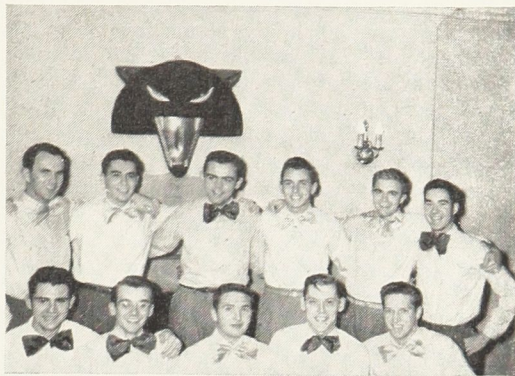
Homecoming, too, was particularly successful this year with chairman Dave Braun instrumental in organizing our weekend. The stunt that we and our sorority partner put on was one of 10, chosen from 30, to be given for the Homecoming Stunt Show. Started originally as small "stunts," these shows have gradually developed into musical extravaganzas. Dave Braun and Frank Stockstill arranged ours to illustrate life in 1984.

A small ceremony was held during Homecoming weekend to dedicate a bronze plaque and our trophy room to those of Eta who gave their lives during the recent war. Those remembered were:

John Rudolph Berner  
Robert Dean Darnall  
Trevor Francis Endsley  
Heza Hindman, Jr.  
Walter Francis Hoff  
George William Owen, Jr.  
James Edward Ringger  
Frank McLean Robinson  
Merle Branel Stanbery

The dedication was made by Ralph Ibenfeldt, as representative of the National Fraternity, with John Trutter speaking on behalf of Eta's Alumni Association.

Looking back on the past semester one remembers the social life of Eta with many



A few of the boys at Eta, Illinois, during informal practice for the Homecoming stunt show.

pleasant memories. All the good times we had! Fireside dates and record dances, exchange dinners, co-ed football, interfraternity beer parties, informal and formal dances—all stand out as a kind of oasis in our rather prosaic academic life.

Our Christmas formal was unusually nice this year. Bill Kennedy planned the evening around the theme "Snowfall." Bids, decorations, and music were all woven into a pleasing pattern of snowfall romance.

The decorations included a gay snow man through which we entered into the hall. The band played from a sparkling glacial setting, and it was a wonderful evening for all.

You may be interested in hearing of our sports life last fall. We were going great guns in IM football till we met the Sig Pi's. We tied the first game with them but they won when we played it over, and then went on to win the championship. Tough luck, but we'll do better next year.

We are all sorry to see Eta's Lou Lavanti, U of I star football center, graduate at the end of the year. He added a lot of power to the line. Pledge Rudy Valentino also did some fine playing as defensive end, and will be back there fighting next year. We also have high hopes for Bernie Elsner and Bob Frala, both of whom did well on the freshman football squad. Mark Johnson and Paul Eckert did a swell job as junior varsity basketball players this year, and Jim Bredar was on the first string freshman squad.

Several important additions were made to the house last fall. For one thing, everyone has been getting a lot of pleasure from our new Magnavox. We get fine tone, and lots of variety, from the AM, FM, and three speed record changer. There is also a place to install a TV unit when reception is better here in Urbana. The Early American cabinet blends very well with the rest of our furniture.

New sectional furniture for the library and a new rug for the reception room also add to the appearance of Eta.



We also purchased a deep-freeze unit this winter, and we certainly recommend it to all chapters! It has saved us a considerable amount on our food bill by enabling us to buy in larger quantities. It's also convenient for storing such things as home made pies for future serving.

Dana Anderson, H.A.E.

## UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

"Hell week" brought Theta men back to campus early this year; and the wee small hours of each morning found both actives and pledges still painting and polishing, preparing the house for the coming year. Soon we were also prepared for the Initiation Banquet and ready to welcome seven new members into Alpha Sigma Phi: Bill Black from Detroit, Franz Huber and Otto Reisman from Grand Rapids, Bob Kopka from Pleasant Ridge, Bill Reid from Saginaw, Dick Roberts from Fern-dale, and Al Smith from Dearborn. Al's father, Harold C. Smith is a member of Chi chapter.

On campus last year, the Alpha Sig's made outstanding progress. In athletics we were recognized as the most improved fraternity, moving from 23rd. to 10th. place among 46 competing houses. We are all proud of those new trophies.

Our social life also attracted campus-wide attention. "An Oriental Fantasy" was the theme of our Spring Formal. Guests were greeted by a huge two-story pagoda on the front of the house, and inside they found oriental hangings and draperies, painted dragons, and a fishpond complete with underwater lighting and floating gardenias. The last dance of the year was the very successful shipwreck party, which abounded with beach-combers, bedraggled sailors, beautiful island belles in sarongs and grass skirts, and a stray cannibal or two. This year, under the chairmanship of Bob Brierson, the social committee has already made plans for another round of parties which promise to be even bigger and better.

And it's sure to be a bigger and better year for Theta chapter with our new house officers: H.S.P. Jack Heaphy, H.J.P. Bob Erben, H.S. Carl "Tgor" Bieser, H.C.S. Bob Tessmer, H.E. Dick "Shylock" Brandenstein, H.M. George "I can get it for you wholesale" Rubay, H.C. Bill Moon, H.A.E. John Spindler.

We wish to extend a hearty welcome to Brother Gene Renner from Gamma Delta, our new chapter at Davis and Elkins. And to all alumni, you are always welcome at Theta in Ann Arbor. Contact Art McWood, our Alumni Chairman.

John F. Spindler, H.A.E.

## UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

John Sawyer, H.S.P.

The first major event of the fall quarter for the Washington Alpha Sigs was the freshman election campaign staged for pledge Jerry Kirk. A tremendous campaign was fielded, with numerous and unusually effective signs. Several mass marches across the campus with campaign signs may not have convinced the voters, but at least they witnessed a display of strength. Jerry placed second in a field of eleven candidates, but gave the victor a real race.

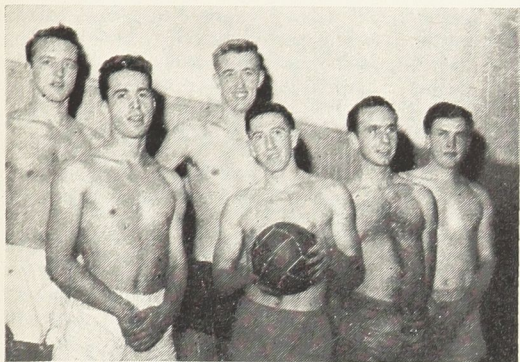
Some of our other pledges have been quite active in campus politics, sports, and organizations. Bill Jones is a member of Malamutes (a type of Husky dog to you non-Alaskans), men's service organization. They have been using Bill to assist with the card stunts and goal post decoration. Jerry Kirk was chairman of the frosh act in the annual song and stunt night this year. Other pledges assisting him were John Clarke, Gage Judson, and Don Milligan. Bruce Nordquist gave the seniors a hand in their act. Pledges Larry Pierce and Ron Dohrn were initiated into Alpha Phi Omega, a national service fraternity.

Among the more athletically inclined of our pledge class are Ray Barnes and Louie Yourkowski, who started a right guard and left tackle on the undefeated Washington frosh football team. Pledge Jim Enslin is a sophomore manager in football. Bob Wilken, one of the really eager pledges is bucking a large field of contestants for a seat in one of the freshman crew shells. Bob Houbregs and Jerry Kirk are looking very good on the frosh basketball squad. These boys played together on the second place Queen Anne High school basketball squad in Seattle last year. Houbregs broke the Seattle high school scoring record and was a unanimous choice for all-city honors. Pledge Derwin Christensen is a numeral winner in tennis with a good chance of winning a place on the varsity squad.

Brother Lee Patton has been appointed to the position of coordinator of all A. S. U. W. activities in Washington's new Student Union Building. John Piper is the new Inter-Fraternity Council representative to the University Board of Control. John has further distinguished himself by becoming a pledge of Purple Shield, under-classman's scholastic and activity honorary.

Alumns Bill Schlauch, Joe Moore, Pete Rudy, Grover Nobles, Paul Anderson, and Jack Irvine are the present members of the newly activated Alum Council. One member of this council is present at chapter meeting's each Monday. Doug Kirk, Sr. has been re-elected as chairman of the Board of Control





**Mu Chapter, University of Washington, all-University Intra-Mural volleyball champs, 1949-50**

of Alpha Sigma Phi. Elections were also held in the chapter at the beginning of the year with the following results: John Sawyer was re-elected as H.S.P. with Marvin C. Still as his H.J.P. For the H.M. we have a very capable man in Paul Munsen. Nells Lee took over the position of H.S. with Don Black as our H.C.S. Job Kirk is still the H.E. while Ralph Blohm is now the H.A.E.

The Mu chapter's intra-mural Athletic teams have done admirably this season. The football team reached the semi-finals, losing narrowly to the S. A. E.'s 13 to 12. The Volley-ball team is all-university and all-fraternity champions. The members of the team include: Ed Ulloa, Bob Houbregs, Ken Burrows, Bill McNeilly, Mel Johnson, and Harry Groger. Our ping-pong team reached the semi-finals. Some forty fraternities and organized independent groups participate in the intra-mural program.

The new octet composed of Jim McLaughlin and Ed Ulloa, first tenors, Sig Thorson and Gage Judson, second tenors, Ralph Blohm and Mel Johnson, baritones, and Job Kirk and Dick Denman, basses, is charming the sorority women at pin plants and serenades. The boys have worked hard and sound almost professional.

The notorious Alpha Sig Barn Dance came off as scheduled November eleventh in a somewhat off the beaten path location at Mukeltee, Wash. This little community several miles north of Seattle on Puget Sound was the destination of the four hay filled trucks the chapter rented to transport the brothers, pledges, alums and friends to the scene of the event. It was a tremendous dance, and a real chance to get acquainted with one another. Several of the Washington State boys, who were in town for the State-Washington football game were in attendance. The Winter formal plus a theater party and several parties will round out the winter months' social activities.

Ralph W. Blohm, H.A.E.

## UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Charles Knox, H.S.P.

Having survived a lazy summer for some or a weary, humid one for others (summer school), the Omicron Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi has launched itself into a versatile program of events for the '49-'50 season.

First on our program was the Junior Prom, featuring Vincent Lopaz, the Penn-Navy game, and our Alumni Homecoming, all totaling up to be a very active weekend. The Freshman Class came through with a terrific poster for the annual contest in the form of an LST launched in the front lawn at 3903.

Honors were presented at the Alumni Homecoming program. Lu Campbell presented the honorary Delta Beta Xi key to his father, Luther Roy Campbell, Sr. (Penn '15), and HSP Knox presented the same honor to Theodore A. Phillips. Also along the Alumni line we hear that Hank Cowan is on the English Staff at Blair Academy . . . Bill Rech is pinned to Kay McCleran besides doing graduate work and teaching economics at Wharton . . . Bill Mackel and Frank Renninger are also back for graduate work.

We are all very sorry to hear of the death of Wally Biltz, '49, during the summer. Our sincere sympathy is extended to his family.

In the active field of activities and sports we see the following this year: Lou Kistler and Al Shaw selected managers of the baseball and basketball teams respectively . . . Larry ("I'm at the training table, where are you?") Maxwell back at Cross Country work . . . Dick Braun holding down the editorship of *Penn Pics* . . . Jack "Ding Dong" Bell playing varsity football for the Red and Blue.

We all extend a hand of welcome to Burke Dorworth, an Alpha Sig transfer from Westminster's Alpha Nu, and former home of Bill Henderson. Also in the line of transfers, we lost Ed Cummings to N. Y. U. and Warren Buffett to Nebraska—take it easy, "Senator."

This year's elections at Omicron show the following results: HSP, Chuck Knox; HJP, Don Sparks; HS, Curt Weidlich; HCS, Paul McKenzie; HCS, Bill Jones.

If any of you got around much this summer you might have seen Bob Hess or "Ike" Ikeler in Europe—Don Rech as a counselor in a boy's camp—Dick Braun cruising around the Great Lakes—or maybe Curt Weidlich in Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, or even Texas, take your choice.

Immediately ahead of us is Penn's two week rushing period which proves to be a very competitive event on campus this year. Omicron hopes to come out on top again this year under the capable leadership of our Rushing Chairman, Elwood Smith, who has worked very hard on the project this fall.

A few of you (and we hope all of you) will be glad to hear that the kitchen is back in ship-shape condition with a new linoleum and paint job. It is also putting out some good



meals under Lu Campbell's stewardship with the assistance of our new cook. (He serves a terrific buffet supper after the football games.)

Yes, we did have another project on the list and it is done! The "Rose Room" was completely redecorated and we are very proud of it now. Also tackled this fall were the Hall, top to bottom and the dining room, both for the better, of course.

The Philadelphia Alumni Council has presented a Scholarship Plaque to the Alpha Sigma Phi chapters in the 19th Province. It is to be awarded each year to that chapter which attains the highest scholastic average.

We leave you with the reminder that if you are in Philly this winter to be sure and stop in at 3903 Spruce St., the Welcome-Mat is always out.

Robert C. MacLean, HAE.

## UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

William Bauman, H.S.P.

Sigma Chapter, along with the rest of the University of Kentucky, were happily surprised by their "Wildcats" defeating the University of Georgia 25-0 as a grand finale for Homecoming. The boys over on Broadway, along with numerous alumni turned out en-mass at the game. The cheers were really turned on!

Preceding the game, open house was the order of the homecoming-day. A buffet supper was served that evening to the Alumni, their wives, and the Brothers and their dates.

A tradition for years, the Alpha Sigs entered the Homecoming Lawn Display Contest. The Georgia "Bulldog" was "shocked" beyond comprehension by the large "Tucky Mountain Wildcat snarling with a rifle in front of a "jail." Perhaps the artistic abilities of Brothers Jack Carpenter and Bill Burks had some bearing on the expressions of the 20-ft. Cat and Dog. We didn't win, but many favorable compliments were passed our way.

Sigma "struck" last Spring semester. That is we struck our way to first and second places respectively in two bowling tournaments. A large, stately trophy now has its place on the Sig trophy shelf.

Eight men were recently pledged to our chapter. Victor Frizzell, Ed Hall, John Griffin, Holt Mastin, Charles Mathews, Gene Stamper, Clare More, and Tom Neal are certain to make first-class brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi. High enthusiasm prevails in the pledge class.

The Brothers were very pleased to learn that President Bill Bauman was initiated into Pi Tau Sigma, mechanical engineering honorary, and Brother Roy "Deacon" Gills was chosen by Keys, men's sophomore scholastic honorary. Brother Omer Stikeleather was recently elected Vice President of Membership in Alpha Phi Omega, national scouting-service fraternity. Sigma is well represented in campus organizations.

Our next big attraction on the social calendar is the traditional Alpha Sig Apache party, and our winter formal was held before the holidays. Speaking of formals, the first "Gibson Girl" ball to be held on the UK campus was labeled a tremendous success by those attending the Alpha Sig function. The "Gibson girls," that is the dates, were attired in costumes pertaining to the period of the bustle and black derby.

The grand march almost equalled a Hollywood extravaganza, that is with the exception of a few Brothers forgetting the correct route to take under the ivy-covered arch in Lexington's Lafayette Hotel Gold Room.

Wilfred Lott, H.A.E.

## STANFORD UNIVERSITY

In the late weeks of September the opening of Fall Quarter crept close to Stanford and nudged the campus into a state of drowsy wakefulness. Before many more days "The Farm" was wide awake and vibrating beneath the wheels of zooming autos and the footsteps of suit-case laden students returning for a new bigger and better year.

One of the most lively places on campus was the site of the Alpha Sig house. The fresh autumn breezes swept through the newly opened doors and windows and was stirred by the gyrations of brothers and pledges busy in their task of "moving back in."

Above the general hubbub of activity could be heard a chorus of voices saying, "Remember the time . . ." and "When I was in . . ." Tales were told and retold of everything from two-week hitches in the service to Sierra fishing trips. Some of the most entertaining stories arose from the adventures of a group of Brothers who had spent the summer among the apple orchards of Washington. The most oft-listened to accounts were those of Jack Brummett who had just hastily returned from a film-taking tour with Dave Curry of the high and low spots of Europe. Recent grads Jack Baty and Ulf Ramm-Erickson had also travelled the continent. A modest word was received from Ulf, one of Tau's better mountaineers, saying that he had recently climbed the Matterhorn. A sadder ear was turned to the recounting of the summer weddings of Cliff Forster and Bud Bloom, who had proved themselves incapable of fending off the lures of matrimony.

When the commotion had ceased and the dust had settled the Alpha Sigs turned to the more serious business of fraternity and school. A nose counting was made and revealed 32 men in the chapter, 28 living in, 4 out. Of the 32, 20 were brothers and 12, pledges. With this information and the ranks lined up, the ball was started on its rolling way by the spring-elected house officers: H.S.P.—Ed Vopat, H.J.P.—Dave Martin, H.S.—Gene La Husen, H.C.S.—Lee Stewart, H.E.—Pete Gard (also functioning as house manager), H.M.—Karl Hutchinson, H.C.—Hal Culp, and H.A.E.—Hal Mason. The rushing



chairman is Reb Rebele. Norm Hamilton is acting as the pledge task-master. The newest addition to his fold is Claud Weingand.

The first activity on the fall agenda was a complete mop-swinging, broom-pushing clean-up of the little white house on Salvatierra St. On October 1st, preceding the Stanford-Michigan football game, the house, with its shiny floors and glittering windows, welcomed back many of Tau's "I remember when" men. The enticement of a buffet luncheon worked wonders, and it was most pleasant and gratifying to see the house crowded with alumni and their families. A closed fireside dance on October 8th proved to be an enjoyable diversion. The evening of relaxing entertainment was high-lighted by the guitar antics of pledge Ap Eyre.

And now that the fall quarter of 1949 has spent itself, there is time to relax and look back. The picture that forms in the mind's eye is not constant or clear. It is a dynamic memory of football time at Stanford which always makes for activities and parties centering around Tau. It is a vivid image of an especially fine pledge class whose unpredictable antics became those of the brotherhood with the culmination of an excellent initiation. Throughout this picture there is the feel of soft autumn breezes, the sight of red-splashed sunsets, the sound of crackling leaves under foot . . . the little unforgettable things about Stanford in the fall. Any Alpha Sig—who has walked in the early weeks of December on the rain-slipperied sidewalks of Salvatierra St.—remembers.

King Football brought his annual reign to a tremendous climax during Big Game Week. The Alpha Sigs caught the fever early and threw their energies into the construction of a superb float which miraculously failed to catch the judge's eye in the Big Game Parade. Undaunted, they forged ahead to produce and present a gigantic buffet on the afternoon of the game. Due reward was received when vast numbers of alumni passed through the doors to dine on the food so tastily prepared by Alpha Sig mothers and our own inimitable Mrs. B. The week of festivities came to a fitting close aboard the President Coxe. This worthy craft, in its moon-lit excursion around San Francisco Bay, carried a cargo of men from Nu and Tau. These men and their dates came ashore with the pleasant remembrances of a real fraternity party-time.

Chuck Bell, Bob Case, Bob Elliot, Ap Ayre, Rich Hart, Chuck Uhl, Claud Weingand, Doug White, and Bill Woolsey were the men whose actions have preserved themselves in the thoughts of this past quarter. Their self-sponsored "Pledge Dance" with accompanying skits was a highlight in the social activities of the house. The bright spot of their pledge life came in a well executed and effective "sneak." The brotherhood felt the brunt of much inconvenience and embarrassment. Certain essential items that suddenly disappeared from the house were sorely missed. An altercation

between a number of brothers and a particular civil body did not add to the pleasantness of the entire situation. But, like all bad pennies, the pledges returned and manly took their just desserts. Harmony crept out of chaos after a three day initiation. The success of the ceremonies can be attributed to the able handling of H.C. Karl Hutchinson.

The leaving of two men, one our visiting foreign student, the other our house president, are the only losses this semester. Bent Pontoppidan, from Denmark, who has graced the house with his refreshing personality, will be moving on next quarter. Graduation takes H.S.P. Ed Vopat from the active list. Regardless, the Alpha Sigs of Tau are looking forward to a new year of hustle-bustle and study.

Hal Mason, H.A.E.

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## PENN STATE

Ralph Shiner, H.S.P.

Much has been going on here at Upsilon since the beginning of Fall Semester. . .

First of all, we were presented with the problem of replacing the twenty Brothers who "deserted" us last June for the ever expanding ranks of the Alumni. To accomplish this, the entire brotherhood came back for orientation week, and, under the able directorship of our Rushing Chairman, Brother D'Ardense, proceeded with the biggest rushing campaign since early post war days. The outcome:

Royden M. Swift Jr., Lansdowne, Pa.  
Richard M. Spriggs, Washington, Pa.  
William H. Klaban, Swissvale, Pa.  
William J. Dorsey, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Robert S. Eichenlaub, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
David J. Morgan Jr., Brynmawr, Pa.  
Gustave T. Westcoot, Lansdown, Pa.  
Dean P. Pikulski, Scranton, Pa.  
Robert E. Reed, Lewistown, Pa.  
Allen J. Gibson, Sheffield, Pa.  
Frank P. Moritz, Catasauqua, Pa.  
William B. Woodring, Dubois, Pa.  
William J. Richmond, Langhorne, Pa.  
William C. Lenard Jr., Yeadon, Pa.  
Joseph O. Stoughton, Lansdown, Pa.  
Glenn C. Gunsallus, Warriors Mark, Pa.  
John Parry (C.), Doylestown, Pa.  
John F. Wicks, Johnstown, Pa.  
Raymond S. Artz, Pine Grove Mills, Pa.

And a finer bunch of pledges couldn't be found anywhere on campus. During Summer School, Brothers Gibson, Wannamacher, Nelson, Gillespie, Shorsher, Cornmesser, (now of the Alumnus), Bloom, and Desandro decided that something just had to be done about our downstairs club room. With Brothers Gibson and Bloom acting as chief designers, cost estimators, and associate laborers, a scheme for a panel-walled club room with upholstered benches lining the walls, was presented to the brotherhood upon their return. The plan received unanimous consent and all actives and pledges immediately



pitched in to make this the "best damn club room on campus." At this writing, it is in the final stages of completion and the only criticism among loads of compliments was made by our Province Chief Albert G. "Ducky" Jahn '23. Brother Jahn thinks it looks "too professional," but as "Ducky" expressed it—no matter how exceptional it is nor how many compliments we receive, few will see the hidden characteristics behind this, and all other Alpha Sig undertakings. "It really is not the end product that merits comment, but the esprit de corps and conscientious endeavor on the part of each individual to merge with the mass that makes up the Old Gal; ever on to the fulfillment of our motto 'Causa latet vis est notissima'... on to a better Fraternity and a better world."

Alumni Invasion day was held on October 15, with the usual results of Pledges and Brothers scurrying all over campus trying to find a "sack" for the night—with little or no hope of being able to break away to use it. And Upsilon Chapter sat up to the wee hours listening to much good natured bantering and many tall tales, both spurred on by that most famous of catalysts among humans. All went well with Doc Swift, and Charlie Vogt, both in excellent voice to cheer the Big White team on to victory—which, incidentally, they did, by a 22-7 score.

During the combined active and alumni business meeting, we had the pleasure of seeing alum Brother Gordon D. Kissinger initiated into Delta Beta Xi, our inner fraternity for outstanding service to the Old Gal. During this meeting, Mike Lorenzo was elected to fill the Upsilon Advisorship, which Brother Vogt formerly held. All the actives agree that we couldn't ask for a more capable advisor, and that no one was more deserving of Delta Beta Xi than Brother Kissinger.

As an added honor, Alumni Day found C. E. "Dusty" Dilley, our Tomahawk editor, assisting in the merry making. Dusty apparently had a gay time and we enjoyed entertaining him. As in the case of all good hosts to all good guests—a hearty open invitation is extended to Brother Dilley — "Just any Time, 'Dusty'."

Some of our Alum Brothers are shooting rapidly to success. Brother Don Parry now owns and is president of a furniture factory in Grand Rapids, Michigan; Brother Nick Mattise owns and operates a dairy in Jermyn, Pa. Nick, after graduating, decided to study philosophy, and is now a pretty busy boy operating the dairy during the day, and studying the "greats" at night. Nick's hobby is collecting rare, old (or new) whiskey flasks—says all donations will be appreciated.

And while we are on the subject of individual honors, Upsilon brags of members in almost every honorary on campus. Since the last H. A. E. contributed his bit to the Tomahawk, the following men have made Penn State honorary fame: Ralph Shiner, our H. S. P., joined the ranks of Alpha

Delta Sigma; Jack Skeoglund, charging along with a mere 2.67 in Electrical Engineering, entered Phi Eta Sigma with a future promise of joining the ranks of Tau Beta Pi; Harry Nelson, among his other achievements, entered Sigma Tau Upsilon; and Don Desandro was elected to the Adjutant Officership of Prop and Wing, the Air Force ROTC honorary.

In that age-old battle between he-males and she-males, Upsilon fared well with only two minor and two major casualties. Ralph Bevin '50 and Beth Frost of Shenandoah, Pa. took their wedding vows just before Brother Hugh McLane '50 made an unconditional surrender to Virginia Francis (Theta Phi Alpha of Penn State). In the "Whose Alpha Sig Girl Are You" department, Don Desandro '50 pinned Ann Kurtz of Punxsutawney, Pa., and June Manette of Philadelphia, Pa. now proudly displays Brother Harvey Shupe's Alpha Sig badge.

Brother Owen Giblen '48, now of the U. S. Army, sends word of his brilliant career. Brother Giblen became "pappa" to a future Alpha Sig this summer. Upsilon enmasse sends its congratulations to Owen with hopes that this will be only the first of many brilliant achievements.

In other fields of athletic endeavor, Upsilon continues to retain its high-ranking position. The crack Alpha Sig football team, after fighting valiantly in a sudden death football league, was edged from the hard fought championship race. Currently the swimming team is leading the pack for the intramural pool championship. Led by "Big Har Nelson," the mighty mite transferee from Alpha Nu of Westminster, they have won six of the eight slated meets. Incidentally, Brother Nelson has the pool officials in quite a dither. No sooner do they set the official pool breast stroke record, than "Big Har" chops off a few more seconds. He has broken the record three times in the last six meets. Brother Nelson modestly attributes his magnificent feats to "no smoking, drinking, or wild living—coupled with the winning habit that comes from a lot of intestinal fortitude and staying ability when the competition is rough." (These are the words that Brother Nelson used as he was awarded the trophy for breaking the breast stroke record; and the actives will go along with him on this statement. We all have watched him exhibit his strong stomach and that "old staying ability" at our Saturday night tea parties.)

House Party weekend found Upsilon enmasse frantically trying to drive to completion the work on the clubroom, a lawn display, and decorations for House Party. In chronological order: Friday night Jimmy Dorsey turned in an admirable performance for the Junior Prom. Saturday afternoon, State pounded out a lopsided win over Syracuse: Upsilon tossed an after-game cocktail party, and a banquet



dinner. Brothers Murphy and Hamilton (House artist) combined their talents in planning the successful Kartoon Kapers dance. Everyone from Archie to Mighty Mouse was present in colorful costume, galavanting through the Old Gal's cartoon infested interior.

The consensus of opinion on the weekend is that it was "Great."

With basketball, wrestling, boxing, and handball season approaching, Upsilon is a continual hive of activity. Currently elimination tournaments are being held to determine who will represent the house in the aforementioned sports—it appears that Upsilon is headed for another successful season.

Looking ahead, this school year promises to be socially and scholastically great. With excellent study hours in effect, our all-college grade will remain in the upper brackets. And with Brother Murphy at the helm, as Social Chairman, our social calendar leaves little to be desired. Planned are: A pajama party, a Parathon Prance, a formal Pledge Dance, and our incomparable Top Hat, along with a series of smaller-scale parties. In closing, the writer offers this misconception for the honor of the "Boner of the Month Club" . . .

Recently at a house meeting, the actives were discussing the possibilities of accepting a wager with Alpha Kappa of West Virginia for a Skin on the West Virginia-Penn State game. After the wager had been voted on, and passed, one of the brothers suggested that a letter be sent to Alpha Epsilon of Syracuse offering them a skin wager on the fry between our school teams. At this point, Brother Murphy, who had been looking rather dubious all during the entire discussion, leaped to his feet objecting. When asked why he wouldn't go along with this motion since State was the rated victor in both fracas, Brother Joe came up with this explanation, "Look, fellows, if West Virginia beats us, we have to give them a lion's skin. If we beat them, they will have to give us a mountain lion's skin. That's fair enough. Now, if Syracuse beats us, we have to give them a lion's skin, BUT if we beat them, Hell, all they have to give us is an orange peel." At this point, the meeting was adjourned. Till next time . . .

Don J. Desandro, H.A.E.

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## OREGON STATE COLLEGE

Don McCurdy, H.S.P.

The highlight of Alpha Sigma Phi activity in the Portland area this fall took place on December 3 in the cardinal and grey Italian room of the Mallory Hotel. The event was the National Founders Day Banquet and included Alpha Sig brothers from more than ten chapters. The total attendance was more

than seventy-five members. The enjoyable meeting began with a cocktail party at which time old acquaintances were renewed.

Lead by the master of ceremonies, Brother Chuck Medley, the singing of "The Cardinal and Grey" began the meal. With a delicious turkey dinner beneath our belts, it was an easy matter to discuss the business at hand. Brother Chuck Medley expressed his happiness with the attendance and introduced Brother Bill Holmes, O.S.C. instructor from Alpha Pi Chapter, who thanked all those that had worked together to make the banquet a success. Then Brother Don McCurdy spoke to the group on conditions at Psi Chapter. Next Brother Jim Kaldal, Assistant Executive Secretary, greeted the assemble and gave national views on westward expansion. Brother Dallas Donnan, province chief of the Pacific North West, was introduced to speak a word of greeting and to give an explanation of his duties.

With the greetings and words of explanation finished, Brother Dale Miller of Portland, presented the proposed constitution of the Alumni Council of the Portland area which was unanimously accepted. The meeting times of the group were established for the months of February, May, August, October, November. The officers of the elected council are Brothers John Boyle, Dale Miller, Chuck Medley, Bill Holmes, George Woodworth, and Clarence Parker. After the elections were completed, films of the O. S. C.-Oklahoma basketball play-off game and the O. S. C.-UCLA football game of nineteen forty eight were shown.

The chapter members that attended the banquet were very impressed by the friendships revived there and the fellowship that the brothers displayed.

Psi Chapter itself has been very active. Beginning with an active rushing program with which we attained a full house and several "outside" pledges, we have had a large number of men to work with. All the men helped our social and athletic functions to become successes. We held a costume dance with a "Ghost Town" motif, which was complete with "can-can girls," swinging doors, and all.

A very successful homecoming was enjoyed by all the men in the chapter. Our game with Washington State College was a clear-cut victory. The weather was good for the first homecoming in fourteen years. (Who says the sun doesn't shine in Oregon?) The alumni and their families present enjoyed themselves both at the house and at parties in the vicinity.

A great deal of work has been done on the "Sig Psi Secret" and the establishment of an active alumni file. We will have a complete file ready by the end of the year.

Clayton W. Knodell, H.A.E.



## UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Recently we held our traditional Christmas house party. Talk about your house parties, this one was the best yet! Under a ceiling of crepe paper and walls decked with evergreen was the most beautiful Christmas tree of the season. Music was supplied by a Negroe "combo" which played New Orleans blues and "sweet 'n smooth" selections. During the evening a performance entitled "The Night Before Christmas" was expertly executed by Brothers Jack Smith, Barney Paris, Jerry Himes, Bob Lucy, George Walter, Loren Thomas, Joe Friou, and Neely Harper. The entire production was under the direction of Bob Busch. The sororities are still laughing at its gaiety.

Through our hard work in supporting our Big Seven championship football team this season, Alpha Alpha won the Ruf-Nek Pep Club School Spirit Trophy for the second straight year.

Dr. D. B. Heffelfinger, Province Chief from Oklahoma City, paid us a visit recently. He showed us charts and explained the financing of our new house. Accompanying the doctor were alumni Roy Holbird, Howard Davis, Gov Robertson, and Tom Ashton.

Into the Mystic Circle we recently initiated Barney Paris, Pauls Valley, Oklahoma; Bob Beach, Midwest City, Oklahoma; and Bill Baum, Oklahoma City. We also pledged five men to bring the chapter strength up to 60. They are: Robert Walker and Joe Friou, Oklahoma City; Gene Heyward, Seymour, Texas; Bill Clever, Weleetka, Okla.; and Helge Hamann, Copenhagen, Denmark.

A trophy has been purchased to award to the pledge with the highest scholastic average to stimulate scholarship. Dr. Hassler, professor of mathematics, and Dr. Bienfang, professor of pharmacy, have been donating their time to assist pledges with subjects in which they are having trouble.

Joe Riggs, H.A.E.

## SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Richard Hausheer, H.S.P.

As this first issue of the new year goes to press, the men of Alpha Epsilon look back with no little satisfaction over a fall semester which has run the gamut of activities, both social and academic.

Of primary importance was our October initiation and banquet. This year's was one of the most successful to date, with seven men taking the vows and afterward putting on the feed bag with the brothers at one of Syracuse's better dining places. Our guests for the evening included Assistant Dean of Men Joseph Gould (Delta '32) and one of our staunchest city alums, Brother Chuck Sauers. Lots of laughs, lots of food, lots of oratory (?)—an evening enjoyed by all.

Herewith the new brothers, and our applause for their fine efforts during the fall: Bob DeLazaro, Skip Emerson, Bill Montrastelle, Frank Murphy, Fran Robinson, Jim Taylor, and Lou Tschirhart.

Achievement number two this past semester was the face-lifting project which finally his given the "Old Gal's" front end a new look. With help from brothers, pledges, and the university architect, down came the old front porch and in went the supports for a newer, bigger, and better stone job which features, of all things, a hedge growing out of and around it. A new driveway and parking lot, a new front lawn, evergreen shrubs, and lots of elbow grease have combined to pose a problem to visiting alumni. You won't know the place, guys.

Turning to things social and taking a deep breath: hayrides; vic dances; the veddy successful awfter-dinner cawfees; the mass exodus to Cornell and the after-game parties there; the Colgate week-end homecoming with its cocktail parties and dances; the fine rushing smokers; the many evenings spent under the tables in the "chapter room"; and so on, ad infinitum. All these, thanks to our social co-chairmen, John Nelson and Tom Reardon.

Still on the social page, it's our pleasure to announce the engagements of three of the "weaker-minded" here: H.S.P. Dick Hausheer, Al Mazure, and that perennial pledge, Don Miller. It's too late to announce Jim Locke's, since that worthy went out and married his'n sans advance notice.

The chapter also extends congrats to Alum Al Marino, whose November wedding must have been one of Poughkeepsie's finest. Brother Marino was one of the bigger guns in raising the "Old Gal" to its post-war heights.

The sports scene here has been rather a fine one thus far, with intra-mural headman Ray Lutts astutely guiding a strong contender in football, and a league leader in bowling. We hope soon to gather more trophies for the brothers to break. In varsity sports we're well-represented by netmen Carmen Deer, Bill Fash, and Skip Emerson; Lou Tschirhart is on the wrestling team; and Wally Lobo, one of the crew's gayest blades.

The pledge department boasts eleven new men—tried and tested in pledgmaster Joe Delehanty's own inimitable fashion. Roll call at pledge meetings goes something like this: John Biales, Doug Chapman, Bob Cohoes, Walter Flossbach (our good neighbor from Bolivia), Paul Hoffman, Walt Horlacher, Alton Johnson, Pete Lipari, Don Miller, Bob Purick, and Bill Walker.

Politically, Glenn Dennis is Alpha Epsilon's shining light on campus. Glenn, who is treasurer of the Junior class here, is currently in the throes of creating a new political party on campus—a coup replete with secret meetings, political spies, and of course, lots of publicity for the chapter.

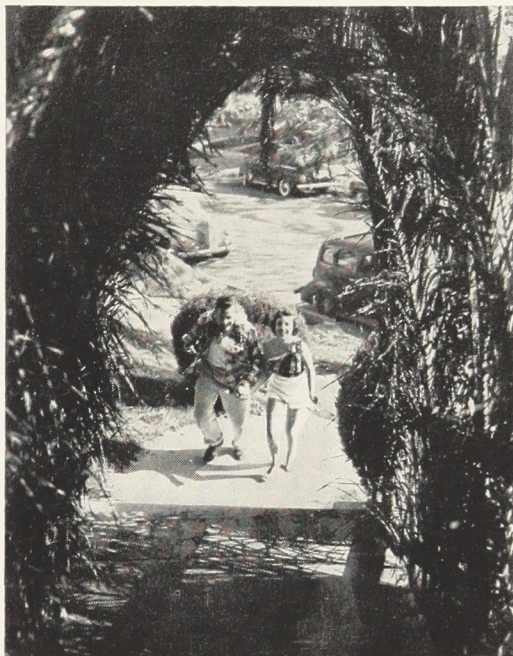
All of which about wraps up "Report from Syracuse" for this issue. It's been a profitable year and one which has seen this chapter expand and forge ahead on all fronts—a task made simple by that combination of pride and industry shown at Alpha Epsilon.

Joe Cronan, H.A.E.



# BEACHCOMBER HIGHLIGHTS

One short year after Alpha Sigma Phi was established as the first fraternity house on Westwood campus of the University of California at Los Angeles, the brothers took it upon themselves to hold the first Annual Beachcomber party. During the eighteen years since then this party has grown to be a social highlight at U C L A. In 1949 the eighteenth Annual Beachcomber was held on Friday evening May 13. Approximately 1000 Bruins donned Hawaiian attire for the campus's oldest informal, and thronged to 626 Landfair. The house was transformed into a bit of Hawaii, an atmosphere of Hawaiian enchantment. Light heartedness was brought about by extensive decorations, taking over a month to erect a palm leaf archway entrance cascading water tumbling down the front steps and landing and a rotating lighthouse that directed all natives to the party were but a few of the props. Gangplanks served as entrances to both the front and back yards. A Luav hut, adorned with nets, abalone shells and various forms of marine life had been constructed in the back yard



Through an arch of palms to the finest party  
on the U C L A Campus

by Ralph Mellen. The "largest little beach in Westwood," with a stretch of the imagination actually did resemble that of Waikike.

The brothers, under the direction of Phil Flickinger, Chairman of the Beachcomber, had converted the back porch and patio into the S. S. Beachcomber. The temptation of making it a double deck excursion ship was put aside only after the idea had been vetoed by the house engineers Jim Cheney and John Kruse.

The interior of the house was completely covered with palms.

Rivalry was high in the sarong division, as the girls were vieing for honors for the most novel sarong (scantiest), but Bob Martin our new H.S.P. walked away from all competition in an original creation that was unique to say the least. Props at the party included everything from sea shells, nets, sails to a grotesque diving suit hung against a corner of the foyer, looking altogether too lifelike. Noted one brother, Jim Harrison, holding a lengthy conversation with the diving suit.





Each and every person a native.

Attendance at the Beachcomber is by invitation only due to the size limitation of the house; number of invitations must also necessarily be limited due to the superiority of the parties. There is always a large number of party crashers, so many in fact that it is necessary to have



Lift that barge; tote that bale.

two of L. A.'s "finest" check bids at the door.

This year as every year, the party was a tremendous success. This year as every year the men at Alpha Zeta are to be commended. Next year as is with all next years, the party will be even better.



**A**rrange your vacation  
**T**o attend  
**T**he 1950 convention, Sept. 10-14.  
**E**very alumnus should make plans  
**N**ow.  
**D**o write national office for details.



## BALDWIN WALLACE COLLEGE

Bob Beach, H.S.P.

Here's what's been happening at Alpha Mu during the last few months.

First of all, we'd like to offer congratulations to eight brothers who made the recently published Dean's List for their spring quarter grades: The congratulatory hand goes to Brothers Don Baeder, George Boyer, Jack Chance, Jim Chapman, Paul Gross, Dale Povenmire, Glenn Richard, and Art Sydow. Thanks for holding up the Fraternity point average, boys!

Intramurals are once again in full swing and the Sigs are right in the thick of things. Our two football squads played hard ball throughout the season and gave our opponents plenty of trouble. Our "A" league team finished the season's activity with a record of five wins and four losses for a fifth place in their ten team league. Meanwhile, the "B" league grid-ders won two and lost four. However, one of these two victories was a 66 to 0 massacre which set a new scoring record for both leagues. Seems we should have spread out those points over the full season.

On October 29 B-W held its annual Homecoming Day ceremonies and the Alpha Sigs enjoyed a day of accomplishment and recreation. The gold trophy for House Decoration now rests on the front room mantle at 279 Front Street. Our theme was a steamroller operated by two motors. One motor turned the large front wheel, crushing all B-W opponents, while the other turned a crankshaft supposedly driven by seven simulated B-W linemen. This theme marked the third time in the last four years that the Sigs have won the annual Homecoming House Decoration Trophy.

No doubt you've heard of the movie "Mighty Joe Young." Well, someone (I can't say who) changed the local theatre marquis to read "Mighty Don Young" in commemoration of Brother Don Young's great job as editor of the Exponent, weekly college newspaper.

But there's a serious side to things here, and one of the most seriously regarded fraternity functions is pledging. We're proud to announce the names of fifteen men who are now wearing the crossed-swords of a Sig neophyte. These new pledges are, Bob Barber; Al Bauer, recently elected Joe College of 1949; Chet Gall; Chet Grob; Dick Johnson; Bill Kucklick; Bill Lilley; Shelley Miller; Dick Nash; Les Needham; Roy Price; Dave Sellers; Bud Taylor; Baxter Venable; and John Watkins. Congratulations, men, on becoming affiliated with our "Grand Old Gal."

Capping a social season consisting of weekly television open houses was the Alpha Sig Fall House Party held on November 6. The house was decorated as a night club, complete with ballroom, dining room, and gambling den. To complete the "Off the Record" theme, each couple came dressed as the title of a record

and brought the record with them. Paper money was distributed for gambling purposes in the den where craps, black jack, and poker games were in progress in addition to two roulette wheels. Brother Bill Shurtz was the big winner showing \$39,000 for a \$2,000 investment. Brother Ray Simmerer and wife, Florence, won first prize for costume as "Me and My Shadow." A good time was had by all at Berea's newest night club, "Sig Haven."

That's about all the news from here for now, so until next issue Alpha Mu reluctantly signs off.

Clem Parrish, H.A.E.

## ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Leslie Hardison, H.S.P.

### ALPHA XI GRIDMEN UNDEFEATED, UNTIED

This fall saw the Alpha Sigs win top honors in interfraternity sports at the Illinois Institute of Technology. In both touch football and golf, the only sports thus far played, first place went to Alpha Xi. In a hard-fought series of battles, Captain Bob Shuldes led his able six over all opposition to win the interfraternity championship. The Sigs scored 54 points total over their opponents' 8. In golf, too, Alpha Xi's pillsockers walked away with the championship. Basketball is just getting under way, and great hopes are being entertained.

Credit must be given to John S. Peterson, editor of our newsletter, and his staff for turning out a fine second issue. The 32nd Street Sentinel presents a fine account of chapter activities and helps the alumni to keep in touch with our doings.

Social events this semester have been both frequent and highly successful, thanks to the guidance of Social Chairman Jim Fitzpatrick. The first annual alumni party, the Monte Carlo Shuffle, turned the house into a gambling den in which fortunes were made and lost to the tune of rattling dice, riffling cards, and rolling roulette wheels. The Hallowe'en party was definitely up to snuff, with "ghoulies and ghosties and three-legged beasties," and things going boomp in the night. At the pledge party our esteemed fire marshall Bud Nelson, no wet blanket, was nonetheless a bit damp toward the end of the evening. On December third Alpha Epsilon Pi and Theta Xi joined us in a triad square dance. The Founders' Day Banquet was held at the house, and there was a fine turnout. Alumnus Bill Downes regaled us with many of his experiences as a football referee. A Christmas formal concluded the year's social activities with a refined and gayous touch.

The pin-hanging fever seems to be running rampant this fall. Eight actives have fallen prey to this affliction. Congratulations, gentlemen, and thanks for the cigars.

Hats off to Les Hardison, our HSP. Continuing the fine standards of such able past



presidents as Jack Smith and Don Ennis, Les, too, is a "big wheel" at Illinois Tech. A member of four honorary fraternities, he has been treasurer of his class and editor of the Fraternity Handbook, and is a member of the Interfraternity Council. Alpha Xi is truly proud to claim him as a brother.

Peter Tappan, H.A.E.

## NEWARK COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Thomas Fleig, H.S.P.

Alpha Rho Chapter has been very busy the last few weeks with the new pledges. Joseph Haitz; Thomas Norton; Paul Petrella; Herbert Reppin, and Joseph Ricciardi are "being processed" through the usual pledge routine. Following their initiation, another group will be made ready. Our plan is to bring the house up to capacity immediately.

To Frank Rostkowski and Bernie Keach, we extend congratulations and best wishes. This summer they added "Marriage" to their curriculum.

Thomas Winship, H.A.E.

## WAGNER COLLEGE

As the fall session opened on the campus "on the Hill" Alpha Sigma again led the way with its traditional Free Fall Formal. Held after the first football game of the season, (which we lost to Moravian, the only one out of five), it was an unqualified success in dignity and pleasure. Alpha Sigma even showed a slight profit, through ads and boosters.

Our active pledge group, led by pledge Jack Hoffman, held its annual fall costume party on October 11. The costumes being taken from comic strip characters, the pledges pulled a "fast one." The night of the dance the brothers arrived and found that the pledges had assigned children's costumes to all the brothers and had reserved adult roles for themselves! We'll remember!!?

News amongst the alumni brothers has it that Brother Bill Krauel is attending Maxwell Graduate School at Syracuse. Brother Bill informs us that he is staying at the Alpha Epsilon house and that the brothers were no end of help to him when he first arrived. Alumni Brother Gene Husted has returned to his first love, Missouri, as a graduate student. With Gene is Brother Bob Loggia. Wagner's loss is Ol Mo's gain, for Bob starred in the Dramatic Club's presentation of "The Taming of the Shrew." He also played the lead in a technicolor movie short, "Beautiful Upon the Hill," which is intended for country wide circulation.

Our drama coach, Mr. Nicholas Moss, still bewails the loss of Bob. But, that isn't all, Brother Gene played an excellent Grumio opposite Bob's Petrucchio. Grab them Missouri! As an added attraction, they both played varsity football.

The sustained drive to build up the house fund is rolling with our Alumni Chapter of

Alpha Sig taking a very active part. To further interest and maintain closer contact between active and alumni brothers we have started an intra-fraternity newspaper, "Contact," which has been highly successful. Also an effort to put Alpha Sigma back at the head of student body politics is developing nicely. The seven new brothers, inducted October 21 after a joyous (?) "hell week" show promise of adding some strong new blood to these efforts. They are brothers Art Pardun, George Hinkle, Bob Tomes, Les Rolle, Joe Neville and Dick Drubel. With "rush" week coming up we expect a pledge group of approximately fifteen or twenty to keep Alpha Sigs' ranks strong and vital after heavy graduation depletions.

The new officers who are directing these activities are:

H.S.P. Chuck Smith  
H.I.P. Dick "Swede" Norlander  
H.E. Eddie Blaauw  
H.S. Roy Mabrey  
H.C.S. Art Finn  
H.M. Rudy Knapp  
H.C. Dick Schoenlank  
H.A.E. Chuck O'Donnell

The ol' Alma Mater herself is going ahead in leaps and bounds, giving plenty of incentive for an active and forceful Fraternity. Wagner has acquired eighteen new acres across the road whereon a west campus has been created. The enlarged School of Music has been established in its own building there under the guidance of Dr. Sigvart Steen, ex-director of the well-known Blue Jacket's Choir at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. Methods of financing new dormitories, a science hall, gymnasium, chapel and other buildings are now under discussion.

Not only did the "Seahawks" move in on the movie industry in its picture "Beautiful Upon the Hill," but plans and tryouts for T.V. talent are now in session. In the near future a talent competition against the "Flying Dutchmen" of Hofstra will be presented over one of New York's television networks. However, all of these are plans for the future, so, more anon.

Charles P. O'Donnell H.A.E.

## MARSHALL COLLEGE

Bill Shorter, H.S.P.

Having obtained a fraternity house for the first time, reaching high scholastically, and securing many social honors, Beta Delta chapter has shared its fine achievement and good fortune with the underprivileged children of the Prichard Home in Milton, West Virginia.

After first entertaining the thirteen children from the Home at the fraternity house with a movie and dinner, the brothers decided to adopt the children and give them a big Christmas party at their home in Milton. Thus with gifts and even Santa Claus, the brothers of Beta Delta travelled to Milton and gave the kids a Christmas party which they will never





**Bill Pitt chosen Li'l Abner at Sadie Hawkins Dance on Marshall campus.**



**H.A.E. John Lair and his charming wife at Marshall's annual Evergreen Ball.**

forget. Secretary James Seale headed the committee for both parties, assisted by brothers Jim Brown, Red Sharp, Bob Hazlett, and Frank Eaton.

At the Sadie Hawkins Day dance following the traditional Campus wide Sadie Hawkins Day celebration our Bill Pitt was chosen the best representative Li'l Abner on November 18. This was just another occurrence in the chain of events which have awarded the Beta Delta chapter with one award after another. Both for the group and individuals of the fraternity, awards have been fast and forthcoming. At the annual home-coming celebration on October 29, Beta Delta was awarded a trophy for the best float in the day-long celebration. The float, which had the theme of "Brewing Trouble for Ohio University," depicted a mountain scene with log cabin and a real still with a live chemical fire burning under it. The scene which was on a trailer flat bottom was pulled by a farm tractor.

More recently the Beta Delta Mothers' Club gave us a party at the Fraternity house. They served more food and cake than we could consume. The Reverend Griffin C. Callahan, pastor of the St. Peter's Episcopal Church, spoke to all the brothers on "Fraternity Life In American Colleges."

Our more recent extravaganza was the lavishly decorated annual "Evergreen Ball" which was given at the Cabaret Room at

Camden Park on December 10. The dance floor was encircled by a rope of pine hung on huge candy canes. Couples danced through an evergreen archway to the tables spread with white cloths and adorned with red ribbon and centerpieces of candles and pine. Blue and White Christmas trees sparkled in the corners and a tiny lake shone beneath one of them. The back of the stage was decorated with angel's hair and stars. During intermission the  $\Lambda\Sigma\Phi$  chorus sang the fraternity sweetheart song and the traditional bouquet was presented to the Delta Sigs, our sister sorority. Christmas carols were played before the dance began, to give everyone that holiday feeling.

Among the outstanding individual awards, HSP Bill Shorter was one of the 21 students chosen to represent Marshall College in the 1949-50 edition of "Who's Who In American Colleges and Universities." This is quite an honor for Bill and for the fraternity.

Brother John Lair, editor of the chapter newspaper, was elected Treasurer of Marshall College Editor's Council, newly founded organization of editors of leading campus publications. Brother Lair is also executive editor of the *Chief Justice*, Marshall College yearbook. He is treasurer of the Marshall College Press Club and treasurer of the Greek Caucus.

John Lair, H.A.E.



## LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

John S. Mountsier, H.S.P.

Following a month of hard studying, the tuxes were at last carted out of ye moth-balls in preparation for the Fall house party on the weekend of October 29. Sammy Kaye was the drawing card on the lower floor of Grace Hall, while the music of Matt Gillespie, a local man, and the vocals of June Christy held sway on the upper floor. Saturday night the brothers and their respective dates assembled at Green Acres in Hellertown for an informal party with dancing and liquid refreshments as per usual.

Last year's scholastic efforts were well rewarded when it was announced that Beta Epsilon had won the Province Scholarship Plaque for the highest scholastic average during the last two semesters.

In the same vein of achievement, John MacDonald and Doug Little were both recently initiated into Alpha Kappa Psi, honorary business fraternity, and Brother MacDonald was also elected to Cyanide, the Junior honorary leadership organization.

Alumni Weekend, held here on November 19, was a success in spite of the fact that the Engineers' team dropped the game to their traditional pigskin rival, Lafayette.

The social event of December was the Sophomore class dance, better known as the Snowball. Following this dance, the last party of the year was held at the chapter house; and everyone then packed up and departed on his respective way for a long-awaited Christmas vacation.

Ralph Carey, H.A.E.

## HARTWICK COLLEGE

During Fall semester many new faces appeared in the Beta Xi Chapter. The large number of brothers who graduated in June of 1949 left the chapter with but fifteen members.

The new pledges display qualities of good spirit and cooperation. The list includes: Steve Ottman, Cobleskill; Gerald Miller, West Sand Lake; Armando Gonzales, Maracaibo, Venezuela; James Williams, Floral Park; and Joseph Maneri, Brooklyn.

The list of new brothers includes: Robert Thomas, Yonkers; Joseph Carr, Hudson; George Scherer, Binghamton; David Hardy, Ilion; John Felter, Oneonta; Roy Edict, Ilion; Douglas Hurd, Lowville; Richard Pogoda, Rochester; and Carl Zelinka, Binghamton.

The improvement of the house has progressed steadily since it was first purchased in 1948. A game room which includes a pool table has been set up in the cellar. The exterior of the house was painted during the summer, and internal improvements have been made continually. A successful open house was given on November 20.

Along with the changes within the chapter, Hartwick College as a whole has seen

changes which aim to establish it as a greater college. Last year a new gymnasium and athletic field were constructed, and this year the new library should be completed.

This semester the Fraternity as a group has endeavored to take a greater part in the social affairs of the college. Whenever college social functions were held the brothers attended enmass.

During a pep rally given this fall, Beta Xi stole the evening by recruiting a band and leading a group of enthusiastic students.

During the intermission of the Homecoming Dance, an informal reception was held for the alumni and friends. A work party which was held the previous night proved to be a success.

With the completion of the football intramural season Alpha Sigma Phi stood in second place, but with a strong possibility of doing better next year.

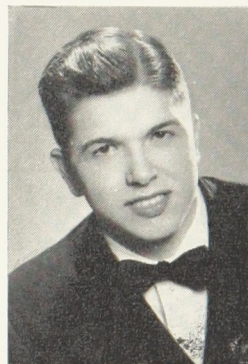
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## TRI-STATE COLLEGE

Dave Martin, H.S.P.

The fall term brought many fine experiences to the Brothers of Beta Omicron Chapter.

In sports, the completion of the first round of the Inter-fraternity bowling season found the Alpha Sigs out in front in games won, high series, and high individual averages. It looks as though our five bowlers are well on the way to winning another bowling trophy.



Donald L. Badders,  
H.A.E.

This term's social events have been organized by Brother Whetsel and up to date he and his committee have provided us with two entertaining and very successful parties.

On Hallowe'en the typical autumn atmosphere was brought into our house through excellent decorations which consisted of corn stalks, pumpkins, golden leaves, and other foliage characteristic of the fall season. All the traditional games were played and an enjoyable time was had by all.

Plans for the Winter Formal and Pledge Banquet proved highly successful. These functions climax the school term and all the social activities for the winter months.

This quarter has brought the welcomed return of many alumni Brothers, all of whom we are pleased to see and more than glad to have drop around.

The Brothers of Beta Omicron Chapter extend their greetings and an invitation to all alumni to visit the chapter.

Donald Badders, H.A.E.



## UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO

James Boyd, H.S.P.

Snowballing their way into winter activity with the season's first "Snowball Dance," the Sigs of the University of Toledo look forward to a full calendar of social events. With rushing completed and pledges in full regalia, the ranks of Beta Rho are constantly evolving new ideas for the events of the coming year. Perhaps as brilliant an affair as any was the Christmas formal put on in true Sig fashion by chairman Tom Imber and his committee. Alumni, actives, pledges and dates were surprised by a personal visit from Santa during a buffet dinner held at the house. The party then moved to the Toledo Yacht Club to continue the evening's festivities.

Eight new actives were honored at the traditional Founder's Day Banquet. Prominent men among them are Carlo Muzi, the outstanding hook shot artist on the varsity basketball team and Paul Brinker, president of the student chapter of the Ohio Society of Professional Engineers. Carl Couperthwaite, Bruce Tegtmeyer, Robert Mallory, Norman Kwiatkowski, Robert Hagele and John Scott, the other new members, enjoyed the steak and stories as much as the old hands.

The abilities of two Alpha Sigs, Dick Zulch and Hal Rawson, have been recognized with their acceptance in ARX—the apex of men's honoraries on campus featuring leadership and scholarship through activities and organizations. Dick, while maintaining a near perfect 2.6 scholastic average, plays left end on the varsity football team. Hal Rawson, our other brother to receive this year's high honor of being an ARX, struggles along with a 2.4 scholastic average and devotes his spare time to numerous service organizations on campus. Alpha Sigs in ARX number four out of the maximum thirteen members. Brothers Tom Imber and Dick Reisbach occupy prominent positions in the same organization, Dick wielding the gavel.

Paul Hem, better known as the "Chief," is editor of the Blockhouse, the annual yearbook, while Ray Stanberv edits the Collegian, the weekly campus publication. In addition to this, Ray was recently named in "Who's Who in American Colleges," as was Dick Reisbach.

Twenty-two freshmen were pledged December 7 and under the able guidance of Roy Ploeger, pledgemaster, they are right on the ball. House chairman Glenn Ewald is making good use of their talents and surplus time, but ask any pledge and he'll tell you Glenn is the hardest worker of all.

The Fraternity has spent Sunday afternoons being entertained by many campus sororities including Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Chi Omega, Chi Omega, and Pi Beta Phi. In return the Sigs have set aside several dates to repay these compliments.

Guess I'd better close for now, so until next issue—here's health to Alpha Sigma Phi!

Larry Pfaender, H.A.E.

## UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

Roy Romine, H.S.P.

Things have gotten off to a good start here at U.C. With the beginning of the year the chapter started off with a series of get-together parties. Some of these include a Smoker at the campus Y.M.C.A. and an evening picnic at Mount Airy Forest. Another name was added to the chapter in the form of Tom Heitcamp. On November 18, the chapter staged the first dance of the year with a Masquerade Ball at the Quebec Gardens.

On October 28 a group of actives, including Earl Graser, Roy Romine, Paul Johns, Dick Kehlmeier, Dick Haggeman, and Tom D'Amico, along with a representative of the alumni chapter paid a visit to the national office. A good time was had by all and quite a few loose ends were tied up. We wish to express our thanks to Brother Ralph Burns for showing us such a fine time.

A hardy congratulation goes out to brother Paul Johns, H.M., for distinguishing himself in the field of R.O.T.C. He was elected to the office of National Commander of the Arnold Society of Air Cadets. His memberships in other campus activities include Delta Phi Delta, Scabbard and Blade, Profile Magazine, and the U.C. Glee Club.

The officers for the coming year are: Roy Romine, H.S.P.; Earl Graser, H.J.P.; Don Kaiser, H.S.; Jim Risser, H.E.; Vernon Rader, H.C.S.; Paul Johns, H.M.; Kenny Martin, H.C.; and Tom D'Amico, H.A.E. The chapter is working in full cooperation in order to make this one of the finest on the U.C. campus.

We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Ira Brady and her daughter, Dorothy, upon the departure of Mr. Ira Brady, a member of the University of Cincinnati Alumni Association. Both the active chapter and the alums join in extending our deepest sympathy.

Until the next issue comes out we wish all the chapters the best of luck in making this their best year during 1950.

Tom D'Amico, H.A.E.

## DAVIS ELKINS COLLEGE

Frank Karcher, H.S.P.

The youngest Chapter of the "Old Gal" came through with some of the highest honors awarded to students here at D. & E. Of eleven seniors nominated for "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges," Gamma Delta gained four of these coveted positions. Those nominated were Herb Lippencott, Hap Huey, Paul Sevik and Walter Hasbrouck. Herb is President of the Student Body, member of Chi Beta Phi, national scientific fraternity, and member of the Golden Circle of which more will be said later. He is a resident of Pittsburgh and a journalism major. Hap Huey, besides his fame as a basketball player, is a member of the golf team, a newly elected member of the Golden Circle, claims Canton, Georgia as his home town, and physical education as his major. Paul Sevik is President of the Senior





Stan Allen  
H.A.E.

Class, also newly elected to the Golden Circle, a member of Chi Beta Phi, an engineering major, and a resident of upper New York State. Walter Hasbrouck is vice president of the student council, vice president of the fraternity, member of the Dean's List, Chi Beta Phi, W. Va. Academy of Science, A pre-med major, with New Jersey as his home.

Another honor came to these and other members the same week. The Golden Circle, College Honorary Leadership Society tapped ten members of the senior class at the weekly chapel service. Here again we more than garnered our share with five.

Besides Hap Huel, Paul Sevik and Walt Hasbrouck mentioned before in this article, Joe Pukach and yours truly were admitted. Joe is co-captain of the basketball team and an officer in the local chapter of Chi Beta Phi; and he comes from Alliquippa, Pa. As it said in the report, "Stan Allen, former editor of the newspaper, officer of the Senior Class and of his Fraternity, President of the Inter-Fraternity Council, A Bus. Adm. major, and a resident of New Jersey."

Joe Pukach and Ted Chizmar were elected co-captains of the basketball team for the present season. It was fitting that the two stars won the award together for since their arrival on the campus they have never been apart.

The annual banquet in honor of the "Old Gal" was a huge success with close to 100 members and pledges present. Dean S. Benton Talbott gave a short talk on "The Value of Fraternities."

We sincerely hope 1950 will be a prosperous and happy year for all Alpha Sigs.

Stan Allen, H.A.E.

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ter officers and the board of trustees of the house corporation. At every meeting of the board of trustees, representatives from the chapter should be present, for both groups should be interested in one objective, a well housed fraternity, and if the corporation and the active chapter work together this can actually be accomplished.

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adopted selectivity clauses providing that membership be confined to a sectional or religious or other qualifying group.

The Conference recognizes that it has no authority with respect to membership provisions of member fraternities and that selection of their members is entirely the responsibility and privilege of the individual fraternities.

However, since this question is one which has interested a number of college officials, likewise a number of fraternity men, both undergraduate and alumni, it is the conclusion of this Committee that the subject should be covered by an appropriate resolution at this Conference.

### RESOLVED:

That it is the sense of this Conference that (1) it recognizes that many member fraternities have had and now have no restrictive provisions; (2) it recognizes that the question is of concern to many interested parties; (3) it calls these facts to the attention of all member fraternities, appreciating that membership is an individual fraternity responsibility; (4) it recommends that member fraternities that do have selective membership provisions consider this question in the light of prevailing conditions and take such steps as they may elect to eliminate such selectivity provisions.

### Chapter House Discussions

That the National Interfraternity Conference reaffirms its belief in Chapter House Discussion as a valued part of fraternity life and of education for responsible citizenship; gratefully acknowledges the cooperation of institutional, local interfraternity councils, officials of the women's fraternities, and of other individuals and groups in stimulating interest in such programs; and recommends that its constituent members, at appropriate convention and council sessions, give renewed consideration to the ways and means of extending and improving chapter participation in the various forms of group discussion.

The interchange of ideas and the discussion of common interests continues to make the annual session of the National Interfraternity Conference invaluable.



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(University of Massachusetts, 1913)

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### **DELTA**

(Marietta, 1860)

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- EPSILON**  
 (Ohio Wesleyan, 1863)  
 121 N. Washington St., Delaware, Ohio.
- ZETA**  
 (Ohio State, 1908)  
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- ETA**  
 (Illinois, 1908)  
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- THETA**  
 (Michigan, 1908)  
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 (Cornell, 1909)  
 Rockledge, Ithaca, N. Y.
- KAPPA**  
 (Wisconsin, 1909)  
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 N. Henry St., Madison, Wis.
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 (Washington, 1912)  
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- RHO**  
 (Minnesota, 1916))
- SIGMA**  
 (Kentucky, 1917)  
 334 S. Broadway, Lexington, Ky.
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 (Stanford, 1917)  
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 Calif.
- UPSILON**  
 (Penn. State, 1918)  
 Box 502, 328 E. Fairmount St., State Col-  
 lege, Pa.
- PHI**  
 (Iowa State, 1920)
- CHI**  
 (Chicago, 1920)
- PSI**  
 (Oregon State, 1920)  
 957 Jefferson St., Corvallis, Ore.
- ALPHA ALPHA**  
 (Oklahoma, 1923)  
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 (Iowa, 1924)
- ALPHA GAMMA**  
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 burgh, Pa.
- ALPHA DELTA**  
 (Middlebury, 1925)
- ALPHA EPSILON**  
 (Syracuse, 1925)  
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- ALPHA ZETA**  
 (University of California at  
 Los Angeles, 1926)  
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- ALPHA THETA**  
 (Missouri, 1929)  
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 513 12th Ave., Tuscaloosa, Ala.
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 (West Virginia, 1931)  
 571 Spruce St., Morgantown, W. Va.
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 (Case Institute of Technology, 1939).
- ALPHA MU**  
 (Baldwin-Wallace College, 1939)  
 279 Front St., Berea, Ohio.
- ALPHA NU**  
 (Westminster, 1939)  
 129 Waugh Ave., New Wilmington, Pa.
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 3154 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill.
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 (Missouri Valley, 1945)  
 Missouri Valley College, Marshall, Mo.
- ALPHA PI**  
 (Purdue, 1939)  
 218 Waldron St., West Lafayette, Ind.
- ALPHA RHO**  
 (Newark College of Engineering, 1921)  
 119 Warren St. Newark, N. J.
- ALPHA SIGMA**  
 (Wagner, 1926)  
 Wagner College, Grymes Hill, Staten Island  
 1, N. Y.
- ALPHA TAU**  
 (Stevens Institute of Technology, 1926)  
 58 8th St., Hoboken, N. J.
- ALPHA UPSILON**  
 (Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, 1926)  
 118 Livingston St., Brooklyn 2, N. Y.
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 (Ellsworth College, 1927)
- ALPHA CHI**  
 (Coe College, 1928)
- ALPHA PSI**  
 (Presbyterian, 1928)  
 Presbyterian College, Clinton, S. C.
- BETA ALPHA**  
 (Mount Union, 1929)  
 1690 S. Union Ave., Alliance, Ohio.
- BETA BETA**  
 (Mass. Inst. of Tech., 1929)
- BETA GAMMA**  
 Bethany College, 1929)  
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 (Marshall, 1929)  
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 64.



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N. C.

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(University of New Hampshire, 1931)

BETA THETA  
(Rutgers, 1931)  
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BETA IOTA  
(Tufts, 1931)  
106 Professors' Row, Medford 55, Mass.

BETA KAPPA  
(Centre in Kentucky, 1932)

BETA LAMBDA  
(St. John's College, 1932)

BETA MU  
(Wake Forest, 1932)  
Wake Forest, N. C., P. O. Box 806.

BETA NU  
(West Virginia Wesleyan, 1933)  
26 Meade St., Buckhannon, W. Va.

BETA XI  
(Hartwick, 1935)  
69 Spruce St., Oneonta, N. Y.

BETA OMICRON  
(Tri-State College, 1935)  
113 N. Superior St., Angola, Ind.

BETA PI  
(Franklin and Marshall, 1936)  
Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa

BETA RHO  
(Toledo, 1937)  
328 Winthrop St., Toledo 2, Ohio

BETA SIGMA  
(Cincinnati, 1937)  
2829 Sciota St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

BETA TAU  
(Wayne 1938)  
655 W. Kirby, Detroit 2, Mich.

BETA UPSILON  
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Milton College, Milton, Wis.

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S. C.

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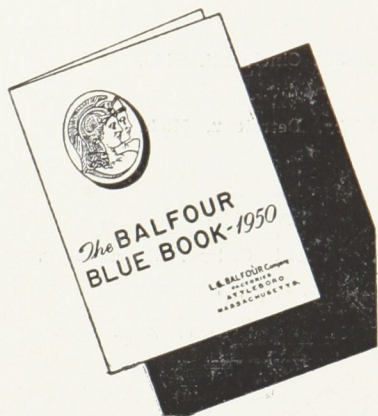
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