

MEN WANTED

God give us men! a time like this demands

Strong minds, great hearts, true faith, and ready hands;

Men whom the lust of lucre does not kill;

Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;

Men who possess opinions and a will;

Men who have honor; men who will not lie;

Men who can stand before a demagogue

And damn his treacherous flatteries without winking;

Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog

In public duty and in private thinking;

For while the rabble with their thumb-worn creeds,

Their large professions, and their little deeds,

Mingle in selfish strife, lo! Freedom weeps,

Wrong rules the land and waiting justice sleeps.

—Josiah Gilbert Holland

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FOR MAY, 1933

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THE PURPOSE OF A COLLEGE EDUCATION

Dr. Robert C. Clothier President of Rutgers University

BY TRADITION, universities and colleges have laid stress upon the intellectual development of the student. It is right and proper that they should do so. We need capable intellectual leadership. "As

a man thinketh so is he." I hope that nothing I will say will be construed as suggesting that I fail to recognize the fundamental importance of developing the student in intellectual capacity.

Yet, education is a broader thing than the training of the intellect. The process we call education is not only a classroom experience. Everything which goes to make up a man's life in college contributes to education. Not merely book learning and intellectual ability, but the whole maturity of the



DR. ROBERT C. CLOTHIER

man—his physical health, character and mentality—all go to make up his being. Fraternity houses contribute to it. So do the dormitories, the cafeteria, experiences of campus activities and, likewise, athletics. We are in-

terested, therefore, in the development of these other sides of a man, which, taken together with his intellect, go to make up the truly capable and truly sufficient citizen.

In 1752 the trustees of Princeton College issued the following announcement of their purpose:

It will suffice to say that the Two principal Objects the Trustees had in View were Science and Religion. Their first Concern was to cultivate the Minds of the Pupils, in all those Branches of Erudition, which are generally taught in the Universities abroad; and to perfect their Design, Their next care was to rectify the Heart, by inculcating the great Precepts of Christianity, in order to make them good Men.

Perhaps in their quaint phrasing they have expressed as well as we can today the ultimate objects of our educational endeavor. We, too, are concerned with producing "good men."

In the good man we visualize the allround man. To a mind which is stored with information and to an intellect which is trained, we seek to add those qualities of personality which, for want of a better term, we jumble together and call character. When I use the word *character*, I do not think of some passive, bloodless uprightness but of something which is aggressive and dynamic.

In the first place, it seems to me that we have a right to expect the educated man to be free from indifference and to possess a spirit of purposefulness in living. He should have conviction on things which are important, not unmixed with an open-mindedness for the opinions of others. Coupled with this sense of conviction should be the ability to discuss, without rancor, a subject which is charged with dynamite, with someone whose opinions differ diametrically from his.

We have the right to expect the educated man to possess a sense of social obligation, a realization of his share of responsibility for the kind of world in which he lives. We, in the colleges, serve society in a sorry manner if we turn out men and women of trained ability who propose to utilize that ability alone for their own personal aggrandizement. I hold no brief against a man acquiring a competence or building a fortune but he should do so with due regard to the contribution his activity is making to the general welfare. The community in

which he lives offers such a responsibility.

We have the right to expect the educated man to possess a spirit of friendliness and the instinctive courtesy which goes with it. We need men, who, when asked to do something for somebody else say "yes" as a matter of course unless there is some compelling reason why they must say "no" rather than (as so many of us do) saying "no" unless there is some good reason why we should say "yes."

We have the right to expect the man who calls himself educated to be a gentleman in all that that term implies, particularly in the sense that it involves a personal intolerance for the creed of the fourflusher. We have been sobered somewhat by recent economic developments but too much are we still willing to acquire as much as we can with as little effort as possible; to put into the work of the world less than we take out. We need more men who are not afraid to have their motives scrutinized by any who care to do so.

We have the right to expect the educated man to have an appreciation of such fundamental virtues as moderation, generosity, thrift and courage, and a sense of beauty, something badly needed in this mechanical world in which we live.

We have the right to expect the educated man to possess an appreciation of spiritual values; regardless of faith or creed or doctrine, which is a matter of individual conscience, to have a reverent sense of his relationship to this incredible universe in which we live.

If we, of the colleges, can produce men who combine such qualities as these with trained minds, we shall better fulfill the trusteeship which is ours.

PSI CHAPTER INSTALLED AT WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN

History of Chi Alpha Tau

West Virginia Wesleyan College in 1923 by a group of five men who sought to perpetuate the common bonds of friendship and scholastic interest which had held them together during the first years of their college life. The five founders were John O. Little, Truman J. Lynch, Jesse Hall, Wetmore Haught and James B. Evans.

Because of existing anti-fraternity rules the organization functioned as the Chi Alpha Tau Club from 1923 until April, 1925, when the Board of Trustees of the College ordered the group to disband. However, during the summer session of 1925 the Board of Trustees retracted their decision and passed an enabling resolution to recognize Greek letter organizations. Following this action, Chi Alpha Tau was the first group to be granted a charter from the college. This charter was granted in September, 1925.

The membership of Chi Alpha Tau has expanded through a careful process of selec-

tion until at the present time the membership comprises seventy-one alumni, twenty-four undergraduate members and eighteen pledges.

The fraternity has a Board of Trustees composed of U. G. Young, Jr., attorneyat-law, Dr. T. W. Haught, professor of geology and physics, and H. Roy Waugh, attorney-at-law. This Board acts in an advisory capacity with the present officers.

An executive committee of alumni has been organized and effectively assists in carrying out chapter projects.

The Fraternity is operating on a sound financial basis and finds no difficulty in keeping within a planned budget system. At the present time the Fraternity occupies a plant valued at \$15,000 which is owned by the college, but upon which the chapter holds an option.

West Virginia Wesleyan

In the first half of the last century, the Methodists, seeking to provide a school for their children, founded an academy at Clarksburg, but it was not long before sectional misunderstanding caused the school to close.

The need for a centrally located institution of higher learning became more pressing as the years after the Civil War rolled on. Finally, in 1876, Buckhannon, with the hope that a seminary might be located in the town, presented a request and a pledge of money to the West Virginia Conference. It was eleven



PSI CHAPTER HOUSE

15 Meade St., Buckhannon, West Virginia



THE AGNES HOWARD HALL FOR WOMEN

years later, however, before the Conference meeting at Clarksburg, ratified the purchase of forty-three acres at Buckhannon and directed the Board of Trustees, elected in 1884, to proceed with the erection of buildings. The Main Building was completed during the summer of 1890, and so, on September 3, that year, the West Virginia Conference Seminary, as the school was originally named, opened for its first term. Five years later the Agnes Howard Hall, a dormitory for women, was opened; and in 1902 was built the Conservatory of Music.

In June, 1903, the school was raised to a college grade and renamed the West Virginia Wesleyan College. The standard of the college, as introduced then, and still in existence, is that prescribed by the University Senate of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The college was admitted to the North Central Association of Colleges in 1927, being the third institution in West Virginia to receive this standing.

A disastrous fire swept away the Main Building during a night in February, 1905. But immediate steps were taken for replacement and so in the following year the Administration Building was completed. Today it houses the administrative offices, classrooms, a spacious Atkinson Chapel with a fine pipe organ, and a library of over twenty thousand volumes, which is reported to contain the best history library in the state.

The same year, 1906, a separate building

to house the heating plant, which now supplies heat to all the buildings, was completed. In 1912 the Gymnasium was constructed. Its basketball floor is one of the largest and best in the state, and each year is the scene of the West Virginia State High School Basketball Tournament. The gym is also equipped with a large swimming pool, dressing rooms, handball courts, and wrestling and boxing rooms in addition to the most modern equipment for physical education.

In 1913, the Haymond Science Hall, the gift of Mrs. Virginia Hay-

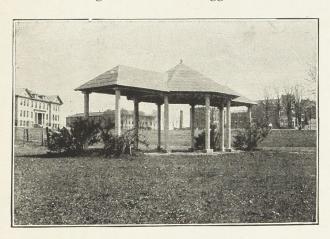
mond as a memorial to her husband, Col. Sydney Haymond, was ready for use. It is a four-story building fully equipped in the realm of Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Geology, Radio, Astronomy, Pre-Medicine, and Pre-Engineering. It also contains a scientific library of over a thousand volumes.

Wesleyan's large campus, covering the equivalent of twelve city blocks, is located in the south eastern part of the city. An elevation of 1400 feet affords a climate which is healthful and bracing. It is wooded with every possible variety of tree, and is acclaimed by all, as the most beautiful campus they have ever seen. It also contains four good tennis courts; a baseball diamond; a well-planned football field, surrounded by a fifth mile cindered track; and a five hole golf course.

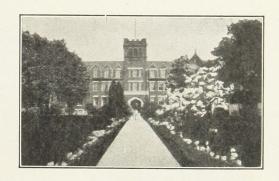
Wesleyan College is relatively young. It is now in its forty-second year. Its growth over this period will compare favorably with colleges of its class anywhere. The college from its beginning has insisted upon the most thorough kind of intellectual standards. Leading universities welcome Wesleyan students who wish to do post graduate work, and give such students full credit for courses studied. Wesleyan seeks, above all, to create a healthy, normal and rational religious atmosphere in which her students may live and work. May Wesleyan continue to grow and prosper and send forth graduates who will perpetuate the spirit of her founders.

Athletics

In 1924, during the same period that the teams of Centre College were startling the football world, a fighting little band of Bobcats emerged from the hills of West Virginia to fell the football giants of Syracuse, Navy, and the University of Kentucky in three magnificent gestures, on the enemy's fields; and then, not content to rest upon their laurels, they engaged the two-year undefeated Champions of the Southern Conference, Southern Methodist University, in a New Year's contest at Dallas, Texas. The story is still told of how the two teams battled without score for two periods, and then in the third quarter "Red" King dropped back and kicked a field goal which gave Wesleyan a temporary lead, for in the final quarter that vicious S.M.U. machine pushed the lighter and worn out, but game, Bobcats into the shadow of their own goal for a score. It all seemed to be over but no one had reckoned the strength of the eleven stout mountaineer hearts, for with two minutes left to play, Brother "Link" DeLong dropped back into midfield to hurl a beautiful long pass to Captain Bullman, streaking down the sideline toward the enemy's goal. To this day no one has been found who cares that the extra point was missed. 9-6 was victory enough for the tired boys who left the field with heads held high. Coach Bob Higgins was



THE SPRING
Showing North End of Campus



ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

rewarded for he nows leads Penn State. Today, nine years later, Wesleyan still engages the same major competition. She does not always leave the field with victory, but does so often enough to wipe out the sting of all other defeats. There is still a story afloat among Navy, Army, Georgetown, Duquesne, Boston, N.Y.U. and football men of other well-known schools, that Wesleyan grads use cast off trophy footballs for their offspring to teeth on.

Many Wesleyan men have been prominently mentioned for All-American honors; Pete Calac, famous Indian athlete; Greasy Neale, who now guides West Virginia University; "Honest John" Kellison, coach at William and Mary; "Cebe" Ross, who leads his Alma Mater; and since 1923 have come Gale Bullman '24, coach at Washington University

(St. Louis); John Moore '26; "Pop" Bachtel '30; Dave Reemsnyder '30; "Gip" Battles '32, second in National Pro League scoring last year; and "Tubby" Edmundson '33, who played with the South All-Stars in their 7-6 victory over the North at Baltimore last December. Incidentally the last five men named are numbered among the brothers of Psi Chapter. The last two named were probably the only two All-American roommates in any fraternity in 1931.

Wesleyan today has a football tradition of which any institution might well be proud.



PSI CHAPTER INSTALLATION GROUP

First Row, left to right: Anderson, Mu; Baker, Mu; Heffelfinger, Iota; Brady, Iota; Winters, Mu; Grand Treasurer Krebs, Iota; Grand President Fraim, Delta; Zeta Province Chief Kitchen, Mu; Bachtel, Psi; Snyder, Psi; Rafeld, Psi; Thomas, Iota.

Second Row: McCown, Mu; Hanner, Psi; Hansen, Iota; Scott, Psi; Darnell, Mu; Durrett, Mu; Simms, Iota; Earl, Iota; Hamilton, Iota. Third Row: Cody, Psi; Sampson, Mu; Brown, Iota; Tucker, Psi; Bentfield, Psi; Wholf, Psi; Baughman, Psi.

Fifth Row: Siandru, Psi; Edmundson, Psi; Stewart, Psi; Hall, Psi; Layfield, Psi; Hudson, Psi; Mellott, Psi; Clarence Casto, Psi; Bencher, Iota; Green, Fourth Row: Furbee, Psi; Strohmeyer, Psi; Robinson, Psi; Tonchina, Iota; McCourt, Psi; Cuppett, Psi; Kishbaugh, Psi; Chester Casto, Psi. Psi; Stickney, Psi; Chapman, Psi; Reger, Psi; Bennett, Psi; Hays, Psi; Coleman, Psi.

The Installation

The installation ceremonies on Saturday, April 22, were under the supervision of Grand President Parke B. Fraim, Grand Treasurer Frank J. Krebs, Zeta Province Chief W. Samuel Kitchen, and representatives from Mu, Lambda and Iota Chapters. Thirty-seven members of Chi Alpha Tau were inducted into Alpha Kappa Pi. This number included twenty-seven active members, nine alumni and Dr. R. Ray Scott, Professor of Education.

Following the initiation at the chapter house a formal banquet was served at the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Buckhannon. Rev. Potter of the First Presbyterian Church gave convocation and Jack Rafeld, retiring president of the local chapter, acted as toastmaster. D. Roy McCuskey, president of Wesleyan, and Dean Oscar D. Lambert welcomed the visitors to Wesleyan. Grand President Fraim formally welcomed Psi Chapter into Alpha Kappa Pi, and likened a national fraternity to a jig-saw puzzle, pointing out that every chapter must cooperate perfectly if success is to be attained. Grand Treasurer Krebs, Province Chief Kitchen, Judge Roy Waugh, representing the Board of Trustees of Chi Alpha Tau, Professor W. A. Hallam, faculty adviser to the chapter, and Howard Bachtel, president of Psi were called on for a few words. Nick Cody, secretary of the chapter, gave a history of Chi Alpha Tau.

After the banquet the first meeting of Psi Chapter was held at the chapter house with Grand President Fraim presiding. The officers were installed and the gavel was presented to President Bachtel. Province Chief Kitchen presented a very attractive door plaque to the new chapter on behalf of the Huntington Alumni Association. This plaque in the shape of the badge may be seen in the installation group picture on the opposite page.

On Sunday afternoon Psi entertained her many friends and visitors with a reception and

It is interesting to note that the presidents of all the chapters in Zeta Province attended the installation. Winter of Mu, Sowers of Lambda, Brady of Iota and Bachtel of Psi composed this impromptu conference.

A warm welcome and an efficiently planned program met all the brothers who attended the installation. That week-end as the guests of our new brothers on the Wesleyan campus will be long remembered. Another fine group of men have become our brothers and another fine college our home.

The following men were initiated:

Actives:

Howard E. Bachtel, '34, President, Akron, Ohio James W. Furbee, '34, Vice-President, Clarksburg

Nicholas F. Cody, '34, Secretary, Beckley Archie A. Snyder, '34, Treasurer, Weston Earl E. Strohmeyer, '35, Assistant Treasurer, Ward

Arnett R. Baughman, '34, Sentinel, Phillippi Eugene N. Robinson, '36, Chaplain, Charleston Samuel L. Hays, '36, Marshal, Buchannon F. Dick Hudson, '36, Historian, Charleston Clarence Castro, '33, Leon Russell Chapman, '33, Smithsburg Charles Coleman, '33, Buckhannon Victor Cuppett, '33, Grafton Allen T. Hamner, Jr., '33, Buckhannon Miller Mellott, '33, Glen Eston Jackson W. Rafeld, '33, Akron, Ohio Vernon Thomas, '33, Cambridge, Mass. Alton Wholf, '33, Akron, Ohio Joseph P. Hall, '34, Washington, D.C. Robert J. Stickney, '35, Sussex, N.J. Earnest Bentfield, '36, Wheeling Chester F. Castro, '36, Leon Bernard G. Green, '36, Helen William M. Perry, '36, Buckhannon Roy W. Reger, '36, Charleston Kenneth S. Stewart, '36, Buckhannon Edmund D. Tucker, '36, Nutter Fort

Alumni:

Wayman Bennett, Buckhannon Arnold Chatfield, Dunbar Tyson Kishbaugh, Williamson Robert Layfield, Buckhannon Hansford McCourt, Webster Springs Walter Purdy, Poca Frank Sigafoose, Baltimore, Md. Paul Weaver, Elkins

Faculty:

Dr. R. Ray Scott, Buckhannon

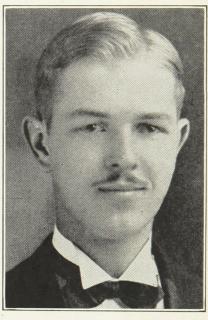


Allen T. Hamner, Jr.

President of Sigma

Alpha Sigma Scholastic

Fraternity



JACKSON W. RAFELD

President of Chi Alpha Tau, who was most instrumental in establishing A K II at West

Virginia Wesleyan



ALTON E. WHOLF President of Senior Class

Among Psi's Leaders

Dr. R. Ray Scott

R. R. RAY SCOTT, alumnus of Psi Chapter, has been Professor of Education at West Virginia Wesleyan College since 1920. Dr. Scott was born and educated in Ohio and received his Ph.B. at Hiram College in 1914, his M.A. at Columbia University in 1916, and his Ph.D. at Ohio State University in 1932. Before coming to West Virginia Wesleyan he was Professor of Education at Tarkio College, Missouri, Assistant Professor of Education at the University of Wisconsin, and Professor of Education at the Southwestern State Normal School at California, Pa. Dr. Scott has covered summer teaching assignments at the University of Rochester and Ohio State University.

Dr. Scott is the author of several articles on education and sociology. He was a mem-

ber of the West Virginia State Educational Survey Commission of 1922 and the West Virginia State Curriculum Revision Commission of 1928. Dr. Scott is listed in Who's Who in Education.

In addition to his various professional duties, Dr. Scott is a member of the Masons, Modern Woodmen, Pi Gamma Nu, Phi Delta Kappa and West Virginia Academy of Science. He is a former President of the Lions Club of Buckhannon and is Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Buckhannon Public Library.

Vernon Butler Thomas

Vernon Butler Thomas, Psi, comes from Cambridge, Mass., and is a member of the class of '33 at West Virginia Wesleyan. In 1930 he and Professor Hallam formed the



R. RAY SCOTT, Ph.D. Who's Who in Education

first Glider Club in West Virginia and the second campus club of its type in the United States. Thomas and Hallam built their own glider in 1931 and Thomas made the first successful glider flight in West Virginia. Since that time he has acted as instructor of the club and has taught all of the members but three, to glide. Brother Hans McCourt cracked up in the good ship but it has been rebuilt and is still in good condition.

Brother Thomas accompanied Major Augustus Post and Jack O'Meara, United States Soaring Champion, to the International Soaring Contests at Wasserkuppe, Germany, during the summer of 1931, where they represented the United States.

"Wings" as he is known to his fraternity brothers and intimates, was the first American to receive the German "C" non-restricted soaring license—#647. As far as it is known he and Jack O'Meara are the only men in the United States to hold this license. The button depicting three gulls with wings out-



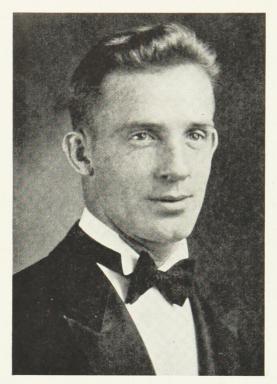
"WINGS" THOMAS
Holder of German Soaring License

spread, worn on the lapel of the flying coat is emblematic of the soaring license.

His longest sustained flight in the air, soaring in a motorless ship, was made at Grunau, Germany in July, 1931, when "Wings" remained aloft for nine hours and twenty-five minutes.

Howard E. Bachtel

The first man to become president of Psi Chapter is Howard E. Bachtel of Akron, Ohio. "Hal" as he is known on the campus, is one of the most popular men on the Wesleyan campus, and for the three years he has spent at Wesleyan he has been one of the most active students. Bachtel is completing his third year as president of his class, having been president of his freshman, sophomore and junior classes. Presidencies seem to be his particular calling as he has just been nominated for Student Council President by every class and was thereby elected unanimously to that



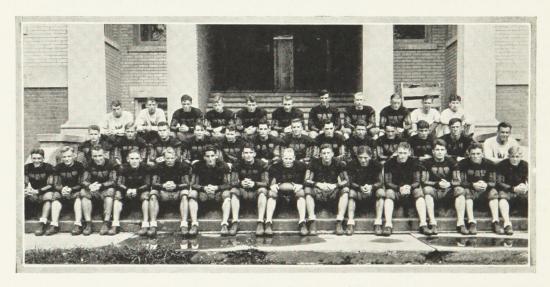
"HAL" BACHTEL
First President of Psi; President of Student
Council Next Year

post for next year. "Hal" is also treasurer of the Intramural Board of Athletics and director of intramural basketball. He is a member of the Olympic Club and has been a member of the "W" Varsity Club for three years. By virtue of his numerous activities he is eligible for the Wesleyan Key, the highest honor for extra-curricular activities.

Bachtel's activities at Wesleyan have also extended to the athletic field, but perhaps all of his athletic achievements have been over-shadowed by his success on the gridiron. For three years "Hal" has appeared in the backfield of Wesleyan's "Fighting Bobcats" and he has participated in twenty-seven of the twenty-nine games played. He stepped into a regular berth as a freshman and has played the position of blocking halfback ever since. However, when given the ball he has proven to be a tough man to stop because of his hard and shifty running. He is perhaps the hardest tackler on the team. The Orange and Black expects great things from "Hal" next fall.

Bachtel is a junior and is studying for a B.Sc. degree in biology. Five feet eight inches tall, he is a shining example of the axiom that "all good things come in small packages."

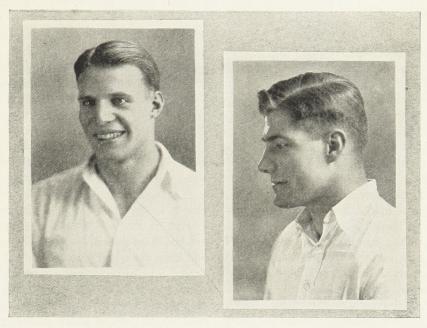
F. DICK HUDSON, Psi



SEVENTEEN PSI MEN ON FOOTBALL SQUAD

First row, left to right: 1. J. Hall; 2. H. Bachtel; 4. Edmundson; 5. Battles; 6. Lowry; 7. McCourt. Second row: 2. Hull; 7. Spears; 8. Moore; 10. Siandru; 11. Wholf.
Third row: 1. Furbee, Manager; 4. Rosselle; 5. Snyder; 6. A. Bachtel; 7. Howell; 9. Coleman.

Psi Men Among Wesleyan Football Greats Receive All-American Mention



CLIFF BATTLES

Halfback

Dave Reemsnyder Tackle

Cliff Battles

Clifford "Gip" Battles '32 was widely selected in 1930 and again in 1931 for All-American honors by many papers and press services. "Navy Bill" Ingraham paid him tribute in 1930 when he remarked to sports writers when "Gip" had left the field after playing a brilliant game against Navy that he believed Battles to be "the greatest halfback that ever stepped on Farragut Field." Spaulding's Guide gives his remarkable record of that season when he made 14 runs of over 50 yards for touchdowns against major opponents. In 1931 he set a record for yards gained in one game when he covered 463 yards from scrimmage against Salem College at Clarksburg. At that time it was charged that his performance had been against an admittedly weaker team inasmuch as he had scored seven

touchdowns and Wesleyan won the game 51-6. To prove that it was no fluke he faced the unbeaten Allegheny team the next Saturday and gained 320 yards to give them their lone defeat of the season.

Playing with the Boston Braves Football Club last season, Battles lacked six yards of gaining the most ground of any player in the National Professional League. Incidentally, Dutch Clark, who was the league leader played in eleven games while Battles played in only eight.

Dave Reemsnyder

David E. Reemsnyder '30 was selected in 1929 by the *New York Sun* and other leading newspapers as an All-American tackle by virtue of his stellar performances in the East when facing such powerful opponents as N.Y.U., Navy and Georgetown.

THE ADVISER'S CORNER

WITH THIS ISSUE of THE ALPHA there is a change in Editorship. However there is no change in the needs supplied by the circulating of this medium of exchange among the active and alumni members of the fraternity. Through the articles appearing in the pages of THE ALPHA there is brought out the consciousness that this Alpha Kappa Pi is national and not local. There is something exhilarating in being made aware there are other men, on other campuses, wearing the same badge of brotherhood that you yourself are wearing. This national ideal is essential to best results since the remark is often heard expressing the notion that it is time that this section, or that section, should have a Grand Officer on the Executive Council. There is nothing fundamentally wrong in such desire. The residence of the officer is not the thing to be considered, but the fitness of that particular man to serve in some particular capacity. Offices are not created to bestow honor primarily but to give opportunity for honorable service. In all such calculations the best interest of the fraternity must be held in mind. To that end it is always wise to keep a quorum of your Grand Officers within easy traveling distance of some central point, and to the end that time and moneys are conserved when these officers gather in official capacity. Let us keep this notion of choosing officers in mind and it will save Alpha Kappa Pi many disturbing situations in the years to come. This is not a sectional order of loosely affiliated groups of men but a national society of college men with aims and purposes worthy of achievement. A fraternity like the nation is blessed with her statesmen but cursed by her politicians.

With the establishment of the Psi Chapter at West Virginia Wesleyan College, West Virginia comes to join New York and New Jersey with three active chapters within its borders. Again the only chartered alumni chapter in the fraternity is the Huntington,

W.Va., chapter. It is significant to note the fact that while Alpha Kappa Pi as such, has been on West Virginia soil only since 1929, the year that Lambda and Mu were established, yet the present Alpha Kappa Pi background, considering the years these three chapters, Lambda, Mu and Psi, as to their respective local society years, bring a combined existence within that state of a little more than thirty years. That means there are men of influence scattered about the state and it will not be long until the second generation of Alpha Kappa Pi will begin to be entered upon the rolls of these chapters. From Psi alone there are thirteen alumni teaching or coaching athletics with the high and preparatory schools of West Virginia. It is certain that Alpha Kappa Pi will regard the Mountain State as one of great consequence to the present worth and future growth of the fra-

June and Commencements are not far away. The time is short for the chapters to get their respective houses in order. Get all bills paid and a summer program mapped out that will bring the old men back to the chapter ready for real work, and with them the kind of freshmen you will be proud to see wearing the button with the cross swords.

ALBERT HUGHES WILSON

He who freely magnifies what hath been nobly done, and fears not to declare as freely what might be done better, gives ye the best covenant of his fidelity.

JOHN MILTON

The passions are the only orators that always persuade; they are, as it were, a natural art, the rules of which are infallible; and the simplest man with passion is more persuasive than the most eloquent without it.

LA ROUCHEFOUCAULD

MEET THE EDITORS

STARTING with this issue a new Staff will edit The Alpha. And the purpose of this article is to give you a perspective of Charles Russell Kramer, Editor, and G. Edward Holloway, Jr., Associate Editor — the brothers who will "carry on" for Alpha Kappa Pi.

In March of 1931 we journeyed to Rutgers University at New



C. RUSSELL KRAMER
Editor

Brunswick, New Jersey, to attend the installation of Rho Chapter. The day was cold and wet but our welcome was warm and hearty. There was existent a friendly spirit that made one feel at home and everyone whom one contacted seemed imbued with it. You have heard the old proverb, "As master—so servant"—well, after we met Russ Kramer, then chapter president, and Ed Holloway, an active Alumnus, we felt that the old saying was true—for the men of Rho and their leaders possessed the same spirit. Russ introduced us to Ed and praised his constant interest and efforts to advance the cause of Rho. Our impression was that a chapter having among its Alumni one such as Holloway, to work for and watch over it, was bound to progress. And observing Kramer's method of praising this frater and then that one-stressing their accomplishments—we began to understand why the men of Rho pulled together and possessed such fine spirit.

Charles Russell Kramer

Kramer entered Rutgers from South Side High School, Newark, N.J., with the class of 1931. At Rutgers he was manager of baseball and debating, varsity debater, Treasurer of the Student Council, Secretary of the Association of Campus Activities, member of the band, *Targum* staff, Student Business Ac-



G. EDWARD HOLLOWAY, JR. Associate Editor

tivities Committee, Interfraternity Council Court, Sophomore Banquet Committee, Junior Prom Committee, and Chairman of the Senior Class Day Exercises. He was elected to Cap and Skull, honorary senior society; Tau Kappa Alpha, national forensic fraternity, and president of same in his senior year; Peithessophian Literary Society; and Phi

Beta Kappa. As a fraternity worker he was President of Phi Lambda Sigma at the time it was installed as Rho Chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi, and is at the present time Secretary of the Alumni Association and Editor of the *Triangle*, publication of the Alumni Association.

Kramer, as a result of his campus activities, was the first man in the history of Rutgers to earn four gold R's. And with his many activities he was an honor student during his four years in college. His ability to co-operate as well as to lead, his likeable personality and his enthusiasm have won him many friends in college and in his fraternity. Since his graduation in 1931 from the College of Liberal Arts in the Pre-Legal Curriculum, Russ has been attending the New Jersey Law School in Newark. He has maintained, as an Alumnus, the same active interest in his chapter and fraternity that he evidenced as an undergraduate. Alpha Kappa Pi is indeed fortunate in having within her ranks a frater so capable and so interested in her cause, and doubly so, in having him as editor of THE ALPHA.

G. Edward Holloway, Jr.

Prior to entering college in 1926, Holloway attended Bordentown Military Institute at Bordentown, New Jersey, and then worked

for a printing house for one year. During that year he also "covered sports" of the schools in that district for the Trenton *Times* and the Philadelphia *Bulletin*.

At Rutgers Ed was a varsity debater and was elected to Tau Kappa Alpha, national forensic fraternity, and Peithessophian Literary Society. He took advanced work in R.O.T.C. and is now a First Lieutenant assigned to the 18th Infantry. Ed gained considerable experience in publication work as editor and manager of the Rutgers Football Program for two years. A past President of Phi Lambda Sigma, Holloway became a charter member of Rho Chapter.

After graduation in 1929 with a B.Litt. Degree, Holloway taught in East Rutherford, New Jersey, for one year. He then transferred to Rahway, New Jersey, where he teaches History and English and carries on research work for the school administration. During the summer of 1931 he travelled through Europe with Dr. D. A. Prescott of Rutgers and studied Comparative Education. Countries visited were Germany, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Russia, Poland, Austria, Switzerland and France. Since his return he has lectured and has written several articles on Russia. In 1932 Ed received his Master's Degree in Education at Rutgers and was elected to Phi Delta Kappa, national educational honorary fraternity.

Because he is a worker, Ed became Associate Editor of The Alpha. Russ Kramer had been approached on taking over the editorship but felt that it represented too much work for one man. Shortly thereafter Holloway, who had been doing vocational work for the State, as well as teaching several nights each

week, telephoned Kramer and told him that, due to the depression, the vocational work was being dropped and he wanted something to occupy his spare hours. Russ spoke to him about The Alpha—the idea appealed to Ed—and the result was, a new staff for our magazine. With this team putting the same intelligence, enthusiasm, effort and co-operation into The Alpha that they have put into their other activities there can be no doubt but that our publication will be capably edited.

To Brothers Kramer and Holloway we extend our congratulations upon their appointment as editors of The Alpha. To them we extend our best wishes for pleasant hours in their work for our fraternity; for many friendships resulting from their new contacts; for a deep satisfaction from their efforts to improve The Alpha, to help mold the opinions and ideals of our fraters, and to help our fraternity to advance.

To our Brothers in Alpha Kappa Pi-our new editors will work hard and will put in many hours to give you a worthwhile magazine. Co-operate with them to the best of your ability to lighten their work and to show them your appreciation of their efforts. You can do this by sending in requested contributions promptly and well-written; by subscribing after you graduate; by writing them an occasional word of praise if you have enjoyed the magazine. Encourage these brothers to bring to you and your chapter some of the fine spirit that they have developed in their own chapter. Let us all pull together for THE ALPHA and through it for Alpha Kappa ALBERT G. JAHN

Curious old lady—Why you've lost your leg, haven't you?

Cripple-Well, damned if I haven't.

-Kitty Kat

Cop: "Who was driving when you hit that

Drunk (triumphantly): "None of us; we was all on the back seat."

-The Wheel

Get something in your eye?

No. I'm just trying to look through my thumb.

—The Skipper

Wife: "Henry, where are your shorts? You had them on when you left this morning for the office!"

Sig Chi: "My God, I've been robbed!"

—Kitty-Kat

F D I T O R I A L S

Our Heritage

With this issue a new staff assumes the duty of editing The Alpha. Our task is to carry on the noble work of our predecessors and to continue the development of The Alpha commensurate with the growth of Alpha Kappa Pi. Perhaps there is no better way to appreciate the magnitude of our responsibility than to scan briefly the evolution of The Alpha and see the toil and inspiration which has made The Alpha possible.

The first Alpha was published in 1927 with Paul H. Clemen as editor. Early copies of THE ALPHA are rare but any who have chanced upon a copy have been amazed. It was truly a remarkable booklet for a fraternity consisting at that time of but three chapters. THE ALPHA grew in size and content as the fraternity continued to grow. William J. Opdyke, who was such an efficient managing editor ever since the birth of THE ALPHA, succeeded Clemen as editor and published his first issue in January, 1930. However, these founders and editors were severely handicapped by lack of funds, and quite naturally the first issues were irregular in appearance. But the nucleus of a magazine was there and Alpha Kappa Pi had a publication when other organizations its size had not yet begun to dream of such an attempt. Under such conditions these pioneer editors worked wonders.

During the summer of 1930 this embryo magazine was bequeathed to Albert G. Jahn—the retiring editor. Brother Jahn increased the Alpha from booklet to magazine size; published it regularly four times a year; created a distinctive cover design; and modernized it in every respect. With the growth and expansion of the fraternity it was only natural that the Alpha should expand. But it was Brother Jahn who breathed into it the life and form that it has today. He envisaged a magazine that would reflect adequately the

growth, attainments and ideals of the brotherhood. The ALPHA has done more than that. It has not only reflected and recorded the progress of Alpha Kappa Pi but it has played an important rôle in its leadership as well. Brother Jahn has passed on to us a fraternity magazine that is firmly and soundly established, and which has received more than ordinary praise from fraternity men and editors alike. Its worth and value in things fraternal can only be measured by each one's capacity to draw from it. For all it has fulfilled the imperative need of an official agency to bind the units into national relationships, purposes and endeavors. For some it has been a noble vision!

It has never been our privilege to know Editors Clemen and Opdyke. But if we may judge them from our contacts with Brother Jahn we can realize why the Alpha has grown so rapidly and so well. His enthusiasm, perseverence and faith in Alpha Kappa Pi are unsurpassed. To edit a magazine while at the same time one must earn a living and has chosen to continue with graduate work is a task for only the strongest of men. We are free from such exigencies and thereby hope to maintain the same high quality of Alpha editorship. Mindful of such outstanding achievements we pledge our utmost to the future welfare of the Alpha.

Such is the heritage that comes to us!

Welcome, Psi!

West Virginia, the highest state east of the Mississippi River, becomes the home of the twenty-third chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi and the third chapter in the State of West Virginia. This newest chapter at West Virginia Wesleyan College enters the fold with a background of ten years of meritorious achievement.

Psi Chapter was founded as the Chi Alpha

Tau Fraternity in 1923 as the first fraternity to be organized and recognized on the Wesleyan campus. Such names as Reemsnyder, Watson, Battles, Edmundson, Bachtel and a host of others—names which have made such glorious football history at Wesleyan—are numbered among the members. During the past year eleven brothers were awarded varsity letters in football. Participation in other sports is just as great. Captains and managers of varsity and freshman teams are numerous. Psi will rank with any chapter in any fraternity throughout the country on its athletic record.

But Psi is not a one-sided chapter. Its members are engaged in every phase of campus activity. Hamner and Chapman are leading scholars; Cody, Wholf and Thomas are leading debaters; and Hall and Pledge Waters have played leading rôles in dramatic productions. Presidents of all four classes, editors, and five recipients of the Wesleyan Key, coveted honor for exceptional work in extracurricular activities, are evidence of Psi's accomplishments. Add to these such an outstanding campus leader, organizer and fraternity worker as Jackson Rafeld, President of the chapter, and you begin to realize why Psi was accorded a record-breaking acceptance by the chapters of Alpha Kappa Pi.

Our short acquaintance with Psi, chiefly through the medium of Jack Rafeld, has been one of the high spots of our work as editors. The efficiency and interest displayed are typical of its leader. Any organization with such a one at its head cannot fail to succeed. We hail thee, Psi, for having the stuff to produce such an outstanding chapter and such a

capable leader.

Psi Chapter will add to Alpha Kappa Pi. It brings achievement, spirit and energetic leaders into our fraternity. The old and the new shall mix and go forward together—so much better equipped to serve its purpose and mould real men.

In Review

The end of another school year approaches—a year of unusual events which have made themselves felt in almost every phase of human endeavor. The majority of us have found

ourselves handicapped in many ways and have had our activities considerably curtailed. Those of us who have managed to maintain our status quo are indeed fortunate. It is only in the exceptional case where progress has been made. To praise oneself occasionally is no unpardonable sin, so let us take a moment and survey a few salient features in our fraternity log-book this past year.

Four chapters—Iota, Xi, Mu, and Nu moved into larger and improved chapter houses. Pi Chapter completely renovated and modernized its home after last year's disastrous fire. Perhaps of most interest to all was the securing of a house for Alpha Chapter and the realization of a project of many years' standing. It is a great asset to Alpha Kappa Pi to have its Alpha Chapter finally and permanently located. Pledging has been up to standard in all chapters. Mu Chapter topped the list with twenty-nine, and Pi Chapter pledged twenty-six men, the largest delegation in the history of the chapter. Reports from the chapters show that scholarship has improved all along the line. Three chapters-Iota, Xi, and Upsilon-retained their Scholarship Cups by again leading the fraternities on their respective campuses. The Seventh National Convention was held as scheduled and it proved to be the most successful of all conventions to date. All of these activities were carried on despite the fact that the national funds as well as the funds of about one third of the chapters, some of which are still not available, were involved in bank failures. Then to climax a year of such sound and progressive improvement came the installation of our twenty-third chapter—the exceptionally fine Psi Chapter at West Virginia Wesleyan College.

Such achievements need no trumpet. Every man among us may be justifiably proud of the accomplishments of his fraternity this year.

As we separate for the summer let us each carry with us the same enthusiasm and cooperation that has made this past year so outstanding, and be on the alert for contacts that will add strong men to our chapters and give us a running start when the academic year starts anew in September.



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LARRY WOBORIL, Y Editor of Centre College "Cento," News-Weekly



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Editor of "Old Gold
and Black" NewsWeekly

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Alpha Chapter Housed

Alpha Chapter has recently taken a six room apartment a short two blocks from the Newark College of Engineering. The quarters consist of six rooms which have been newly renovated and are in fine condition. The apartment has been completely furnished



Interior View of Alpha Chapter's New House

by the alumni and actives of Alpha. At present two brothers and one pledge are residing at the house and it is expected that rooming facilities will be extended shortly to accommodate guests.

It will be remembered that Alpha had a house several years ago but vacated it when the arrangement became impracticable. Most of the students at the Newark College of Engineering commute and comparatively few live more than ten miles from the school. Inasmuch as the college is located in the heart of Newark suitable living quarters are not overabundant. Only one other of the seven fraternities has quarters.

The present house represents the outcome of extensive planning and co-operation on the part of all of the brothers. It is hoped that the house is a permanent institution at Alpha

for it has unquestionably provided the men with a renewed impetus for vigorous activity. Alpha is to be highly commended for such progressive action.

Go-to-Church Sunday

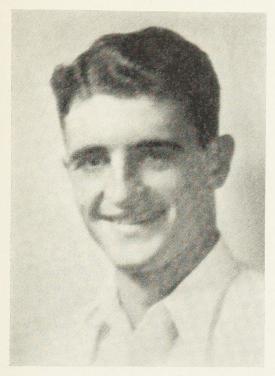
Some fifty brothers from Alpha, Beta and Theta Chapters observed Go-To-Church Sunday on March 12 by attending the Church of the Savior, Brother A. H. Wilson, pastor, New York City.

Iota Basketball Team Trounces Lambda

The annual basketball game between Iota at Mount Union and Lambda at Bethany was played at Bethany this year with the home team on the short end of a 36 to 28 score. Gervis Brady, elongated center from Mount Union, was individual high point scorer of the game garnering 12 points. The Iota visitors claim that the renowned Lambda hospitality was working overtime with a reception, dance and dip at daybreak included in the entertainment.

Radio Announcer at Manila

Dick Fricke, Rho, writes from the Philippines that he is now a radio announcer at KZIB, Manila's only radio station. He bemoans the fact that he is stuck seven thousand miles from home, speaks two Philippine dialects, and after seven years off and on in the Orient is beginning to think like an oriental. Brother Fricke is anxious for news from the States and promises an answer to any Alpha Kappa Pi who writes to Richard E. Fricke, c/o H. H. Fricke, Pacific Commercial Company, Manila, P.I. Help keep him from going native.



ELLSWORTH WHEATON, Rho
Popular Rutgers Senior

Ellsworth Wheaton

N. Ellsworth Wheaton, Jr., popularly known as "Owie," is one of the outstanding seniors on the Rutgers campus. Hard work and a congenial personality have attained for him an envious activity record. "Owie" is vice-president of the Student Council; manager of debating; head cheer leader; Cap and Skull, senior honorary society; Tau Kappa Alpha, national forensic fraternity; and a past member of Scarlet Key, Rutgers host society.

Four years ago "Owie" came down to the Banks to study engineering, but soon found he was better fitted for a business course. He has since maintained a high average in the College of Arts and Sciences and will graduate in June with a B.Sc. degree in Economics.

"Owie's" greatest activity has been in his untiring efforts in the interests of Alpha Kappa Pi. He is the retiring president and is the activity key winner of Rho Chapter. His ability as a leader has kept Alpha Kappa Pi in its prominent place on the Rutgers campus.



Hugh Nuiman, Iota Heads Student Body at Mount Union

Hugh Nuiman

Hugh Nuiman has taken a prominent part in campus activities at Mount Union and during the past year has been president of the Student Senate. The Student Senate has taken on a new lease of life, and its very impressive record can be attributed to his capable guidance. In addition to his varied campus responsibilities, Brother Nuiman has served as laboratory assistant to the Chemistry Department for two years.

When Iota set out in quest of a new chapter house last year, a great part of the work fell upon his shoulders. He was most instrumental in securing the present chapter house and in supervising the furnishing and redecorating. Under Nuiman's direction as social chairman, Iota has enjoyed her most successful parties and dances. Hugh Nuiman was treasurer of the chapter in his junior year and vice-president in his senior year. There will be a gap in the active ranks of Iota when Brother Nuiman graduates this June.

GREEK NEWS

Alpha Chi Rho, after postponing its national convention for one year, has arranged to meet in New York City, Pennsylvania Hotel, on September 8, 9, and 10. A general rally among the alumni to attend this convention is the outstanding feature.

Alpha Xi Delta has absorbed the small but excellent Kappa Sigma Tau, founded at Northwestern in 1922. This chapter was taken over by the Alpha Xi

Delta Chapter on that campus and likewise the Illinois Chapter was taken over by the Alpha Xi Delta Chapter. A brand new Alpha Xi Delta Chapter was placed at Lake Forest College by absorbing the Kappa Sigma Tau Chapter on that campus. The other Kappa Sigma Tau Chapter, at the University of Mississippi, is being investigated as to the future disposal.

Akron University, Ohio, is one of the best organized of the Municipal Universities in the country, and yet carries but two national fraternities: Lambda Chi Alpha and Phi Delta Theta. There are several excellent local societies and one of many years standing known as the "Lone Star." In earlier years this university was known as Buchtel College.

Washington College, Chestertown, Maryland, carries three local fraternities on its campus: Alpha Kappa, Phi Sigma Phi and Phi Sigma Tau. Also, fraternity houses are provided by the college and rentals are paid direct to the college treasurer. This gives the State of Maryland four colleges where the Greeks thrive: Johns Hopkins University, Saint John's College, University of Maryland and Washington College.

If the plan for reorganizing the educational work in Georgia goes through, the



North Georgia State College, one of the most historical colleges in the South, may become a junior college, and all work of a college status will be carried on at the University of Georgia, Athens. Fraternities at North Georgia State are Sigma Nu and Pi Kappa Alpha.

Mercer University, Macon, Georgia, is threatened with being closed owing to loss of endowment through the failure of banks and

bond houses. Every effort is being made to refinance or reendow this historic college. The alumni of the university are illustrious and numerous. The present Governor of Georgia and at least one of the United States Senators hail from Mercer. Fraternities have flourished there since 1869. In the event of closing these fraternities will lose chapters: Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Alpha, Kappa Sigma, Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Nu and Pi Kappa Alpha.

Middlebury College, Vermont, called a one year study of whether or not the sororities should remain in the college or disband for the betterment of the student life. The time for the study ended with a decision to keep the sororities. The following sororities are there: Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Sigma Kappa, Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Xi Delta and Phi Mu.

Muskingum College, Oxford, Ohio, with a student body of 700, does not permit fraternities, local or national in character. It is also against the law of the college for any student to smoke or drink in any shape or form. If a student is caught smoking while away witnessing the college play an athletic game it is expulsion *ipso facto*. A recent article called Muskinggum, "The college that sin missed."

CHAPTERNEWS

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Alpha-N.C.E.

Alpha Chapter takes pleasure in announcing to the brothers of Alpha Kappa Pi that they have taken an apartment at 112 Bleeker St., Newark, N.J. Information concerning our new quarters appears elsewhere in this issue of The Alpha. A house warming party was held on March 16 at which occasion the actives were pleased to "chin" with many alumni brothers.

On March 12 ten of the brothers went to church "en masse" in New York City, convening for the occasion with two dozen other brothers from Beta and Theta Chapters at Brother A. H. Wilson's church.

The students at N.C.E. were pleasantly surprised to see the announcement of the Annual Spring Dance posted on the bulletin board. The poster itself is a masterpiece of sign printing with a combination of gold, green and black (cellophane wrapped). It is the product of the Dance Committee Chairman, Brother Mortimer Hull. Morty has succeeded in incorporating many innovations into this year's affair which is to be held at the Rock Spring Country Club on April 22. The occasion will take the form of a supper dance and music will be provided by the Princetonians.

Alpha announces six initiates and six new pledges. The newly initiated are William Brady, Oliver J. Sizelove, Robert R. Sizelove, James Caprio, Edward Clinton, and Stanley Horrocks. The new pledges are Richard Amberg, John Connell, Charles Greidanus, Paul Nordt, William Stefany, and John Hanle.

The Student Society of Mechanical Engineers recently held a competition to select a delegate for the national convention at Lehigh University in April. Four of the brothers competed by reading papers at the meeting. First prize was won by Brother George Wilkinson.

The Alpha Kappa Pi team is doing a very fine piece of work in the interfraternity basketball competition and is at the head of the list.

Brothers Oliver J. Sizelove, Robert Sizelove, and Wilbur J. Kupfrian were elected to the Society of the Trunnion, the local scholastic honorary

The following officers were elected to serve for next year: President, Oliver Sizelove; Vice-President, Ralph Sayre; Treasurer, Harry Ritterbusch; Secretary, Albert Day; Chaplain, William Vanderbeek; Sentinel, Robert Bowe; and Historian, William Brady.

The Student Council is fostering the organization of an interfraternity council. Alpha is assisting in the work.

WILBUR J. KUPFRIAN

Beta-Wagner

After all the agreeable reports we heard at the convention about serenading co-eds, we began to feel envious, for at that time we at Wagner had no co-eds. Suddenly the Board of Trustees sent out a report that the school would be open to women students next September. Not more than a week after that we noticed a fair young thing parading up and down the halls, and lo and behold, we soon learned that she was a co-ed. The administration tried to put one over on us by admitting her a few months earlier. You would be amazed how much more particular the boys have suddenly become about their appearances. And all for one co-ed! (We would appreciate any Alpha Kappa Pi songs from the other chapters for we'll need them before September.)

Our Mid-winter Formal was held on Friday evening, February 23, at the Hotel Pennsylvania roof in N.Y.C. and was a great success. A number of our Alumni attended. Music was supplied by the Rahjahs of Rhythm.

Recently we added two new names to our list of pledges. They are: Mark Benethum '34 and Erwin Jaxheimer '36.

Founders Day was celebrated with a social in our chapter meeting room. We heartily welcomed Brothers D'Angelo and Tyrell of Theta. Jig-saw puzzles, dancing, and games comprised the evening's entertainment.

On Wednesday evening, March 29, we were entertained at the home of our Faculty Adviser, Dr. F. C. DeWalsh. A most enjoyable evening was spent in playing bridge, telling stories, and consuming a shameful amount of Mrs. DeWalsh's delicious cookies. Alumni Brothers Frank Nickel and Paul Clemens were present.

Plans are now under way for an Alumni Convention to be held sometime in May.

JOHN BERGLUND

Gamma—Stevens

Well, spring is here again. As it draws to a close we are putting the finishing touches to our months of training for the great bout with exams.

The results of Gamma's elections were that Gordon Gravenhorst was elected president; Walter Rogers, vice-president; Everett Gravenhorst, treasurer; Jack McSweeney, secretary; and Warren Mickelsen, sentinel.

Gamma chapter is upholding its reputation as one of the loyal supporters of the Dramatics Club. Pledges Szita and Vacca who hold the positions of business manager and stage manager respectively, deserve credit for the recent varsity show, "The Pipefitter's Fancy or Virtue Rewarded." It is said to have been the best show ever put on by the Dramatics Club.

Pledge Freimuth will represent the class of '36 in the light weight class in the Annual Frosh-Soph Cane Sprees. I should be "agin 'im" but I wish him luck.

Gamma extends to the chapters best wishes for a pleasant vacation. Walter S. Rogers

Delta—Brooklyn Poly

Spring, when the young man's fancy turns to thoughts of co-eds, proms, and three-point-two, and away from mid-semesters, and books, is when we always look for the unexpected. Who would ever think Cliff Graham, Delta's upholder of all things parliamentary would go sentimental on us and spend his lighter moments dashing off torch ballads to delight the fancies of one of New Jersey's co-eds. Also it might interest you to know that Don Cozzens, Lord Highkeeper of the Cash, is still in the throes. As usual Spring fever has over-taken most of Delta's young bloods and the main lounge of 54 Sidney Place is cluttered up with embryo engineers intent upon out-day-dreaming each other.

News of paramount importance to all brothers comes in the announcement that Donald Arundel '36 of Hollis, N.Y., Albert Emilian '36 of Brooklyn, N.Y., Edward Garbe '35 of Brooklyn, N.Y., and George McIntosh '33 of Queens Village, L.I., were formally initiated into the bonds of true fraternalism on Saturday evening March 11, 1933. Brothers meet your Brothers! Brother McIntosh tops the new men in extra-curricular activities. His spare moments outside of class are divided between the Student Council, the "Reporter," of which he is Sports Editor, and the Interfraternity Basketball Tournament, of which he is manager. Brothers Garbe and Arundel look after the Polytechnic's glories on the rifle range while Brother Emilian is the sole supporter of the noble sport of wrestling at Delta.

Aided and abetted by two successful rushing smokers Delta welcomed five of '36's choicest fraternity prospects into its pledge ranks when Pledge Day rolled around. Russell Hammond of Brooklyn, N.Y., Fred Heinzelman of Glendale, L.I., Fred Monsees of Bay Ridge, L.I., James Humble of Brooklyn, N.Y., and Joseph Masheck of Long

Island City, N.Y., are the new arrivals who appear to be doing nicely and sitting up and taking nourishment like veterans. Since Pledge Day, Donald Rutherford of Hollis, N.Y. and Robert Williams 34 of Richmond Hill, L.I., have of their own free will stated their desire to become neophytes and have since been sporting their pledge pins with all the pride usually becoming of a sub-deb flashing her latest Patou creation in the Easter Parade.

On Sunday, March 12, Delta Chapter observed Go-to-Church Sunday and held a reception for the parents of the Brothers and Pledges at the Chapter House previous to going to church. At the evening service of the Thomkins Congregational Church, brothers and their guests attended church in memory of those who have passed on into Omega Chapter. Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Weeks, parents of Leonard Weeks, Delta's only brother to enter Omega, were among the guests at the chapter house at this annual observance.

Delta celebrated Founders Day March 23 with its annual banquet. As was customary for all chapters to drink a toast, at 10 o'clock, the appointed hour, Grand President Parke B. Fraim offered the toast to Alpha Kappa Pi. Those seated on the dais were Mr. and Mrs. John T. Weeks, Frank Graf, President Henry Vaiden '34 and Chaplain Stanley Weaver '32.

On March 24 and 25 the Polytechnic Rifle Team journeyed to Annapolis to participate in the Middle Atlantic Rifle matches. While at the Naval Academy Brothers Pallo '32, Kappenberg '32, Laukaitis '35, and Garbe '35 visited Phi Chapter at St. John's College. Reports from the nimrods were very complimentary for the southerners' style of entertaining. Take a bow Phi, you must deserve it to bring forth such raves.

During the Spring vacation brothers and pledges gave 54 Sidney Place a thorough spring cleaning. which included a general brightening up of the exterior and an interior decoration job on the lower floor. A comfortable and cheerful study was the result of a number of brothers setting to work on one of the extra bedrooms. Celebrating the new and more attractive 54 Sidney Place, the brothers held a Ladies Nite at which sisters of the Pi Sigma Sorority were guests. Brothers took much pride in showing the fair ones the latest changes made during the spring clean-up. So brothers, far and near, when you come to New York don't forget to come to Brooklyn and see for yourself, for seeing is believing. Delta wishes all of you success in your endterms, and good health and happiness on your va-EDWARD F. KROEPKE

Eta—Presbyterian

With the school year drawing to a close, we of Eta are doing every bit we can to enjoy these last few weeks that we will be together before summer vacation. Socials take place once or twice each week, and are enjoyed by all. We are planning a fraternity house party for the first week in June as a last get-together before the holidays. A spot in the upper-State mountains has been tentatively selected.

Eta loses two men through graduation this year: Brothers J. F. Davis and J. R. Horton. Both will be missed. Brother Davis, president of Eta for the past year, has always strived for the advancement of the fraternity and has been untiring in his work and in the execution of his duties. For the past year, he has represented Eta in the Panhellenic Council of Presbyterian College, and has done especially well in that capacity. Each and every member of Eta, deeply appreciative of his outstanding work, joins in offering him their best wishes for success and happiness.

All fraternity men at Presbyterian are looking forward with great pleasure to the Panhellenic Finals, which take place about May 15, when all the fraternities on the campus will get together for the last dances of the college year. They promise to be as good as they have been heretofore.

The track team is showing itself superior to any in the state, and promises to win the state meet to be held here in Clinton May 3. To its credit, it has victories over the University of Florida, the University of South Carolina and Clemson College. The University of Georgia, the only team to defeat it so far, nosed out a victory over the Presbyterian tracksters by only a small margin. The relay team is especially good. In all probability it will go to the Penn Relays this spring, if it holds to the form it has shown thus far in the season. Pledge Gibbs is working for a berth in the dashes. The Presbyterian College baseball team, although leading the Palmetto League in batting averages at present, has won only three out of ten games. However, it is improving. Brother Robinson, one of the pitchers, is showing up nicely. At present he is tied for first place in batting averages.

Eta takes occasion to send her best wishes to each member of the other chapters for an enjoyable summer vacation.

JAMES R. HORTON

Theta—Columbia

It was during the spring of 1928 that a group of young men petitioned Alpha Kappa Pi, and after a short period of waiting received the good news that a charter had been granted them. On June the first, 1928, the installation ceremonies of Theta Chapter, Columbia University, were held. It was a splendid occasion and it is with happy memories that we look back upon the birth of our chapter. We are planning to celebrate, in a fitting way, the fifth anniversary of our existence as a part of a national organization.

As this is our last letter to the Alpha for this scholastic year, we think it apropos to turn our eyes backward upon the path we have been following during the present year. None will deny that it has been a difficult one for fraternities—at least here on the Heights. Fraternities have been hurt by the smaller number of men who are willing to participate in fraternal activities. Every fraternity has been hit hard through the loss of men unable to continue longer in school, and by greatly reduced incomes. Social activities as a result have been negligible. No doubt the principle cause of these conditions has been financial. Yet it seems to us that these conditions have been aggravated by the struggle which arose among the fraternities themselves and which kept fraternities in a turmoil. The dissension among the fraternities has been recently healed but not without having first caused a great deal of harm. We are certain, however, that the coming year will see the rebirth of interests and activities conducive to better fraternal conditions at Columbia College.

Sunday, March 12, we attended church services conducted by Brother A. H. Wilson. Since three of Theta's men are regular members of his church, the entire chapter was invited to participate as a unit in this service. We also had the pleasure of having the brothers from Alpha and Beta Chapters with us. In all there were about forty brothers of our fraternity who heard the splendid sermon on Friendship given by Brother Wilson.

Founders Day celebration was observed on March 23, in the true spirit of fraternal brotherhood. Several of our men decided later in the evening to visit Beta Chapter, and there enjoyed a fine evening of dancing and entertainment. We thank Beta for their kind invitation to join with them in celebrating the anniversary of the founding of our fraternity.

It seems inevitable that sooner or later a number of brothers from other chapters come to Columbia to continue their studies. We shall be grateful if these men will get in touch with Brother R. D'Angelo, 167 East 111 Street, N.Y.C. so that their acquaintance may be made as soon as possible.

We take this opportunity of extending our best fraternal greetings to our new brothers at West Virginia Wesleyan College and wish them success and good luck.

RENNIE D'ANGELO

lota-Mount Union

Iota has selected Gervis Brady of Canton, Ohio, for its new president. The other new officers are Bob Ostergard, Vice-President; Harry Hamilton, Sentinel and Chaplain; and James Thomas, Historian. Howard Brown and Grant Hansen have retained their offices as Secretary and Treasurer respectively.

Two of our new pledges have brought honors to the chapter. Brooks Fortune has been elected

president and Dick Goldrick treasurer of the Honorary French Fraternity, Beta Pi Theta.

Among the founders of the Alembroic Society, honorary chemistry fraternity are Brothers Nuiman and Kohl, and pledges Fortune and Goldrick. Kohl, student extraordinary and assistant to the Biological Department, now wields the gavel of Phi Sigma, national biological fraternity.

Brother Brady has been awarded his varsity letter after a brilliant basketball season.

Brothers Earl, Fairless and Thacker and Pledges Curtiss and Earl are engaged in spring football practice.

Brothers Hamilton and Leyda are seeking berths on the track team. Hamilton is running the half and the mile and Leyda is throwing the javelin.

Under the capable direction of brother Nuiman, Iota is looking forward to its Spring Party on May 27.

Graduation this June will deprive Iota of four brothers who leave enviable records behind them. The chapter wishes Brothers Heffelfinger, Nuiman, Lutz and Kohl success in their new endeavors.

JAMES J. THOMAS

Kappa—M. I. T.

Our second term grind is now well advanced with no prospects for a let up until the spring recess, April 19-23. Boy! How we look forward to that.

The big event of the term followed our initiation ceremony on March 25. It was a gala occasion—banquet and dance. The banquet, served at the house, was attended by all the actives and a number of our alumni. It was unanimously pronounced a success.

The dance was unusually successful as well as novel and fanciful. The house was decorated under the very able direction of Brother Tony Pruckner, who by the way, has gained an enviable reputation as a "decorating engineer." To date he has handled all the interior decorating contracts for dances at Technology—including the Junior Prom.

Rho Brothers please note! Since the fall of Walt Hofmann, one of our two woman-haters, another brother has drunk deep from the cup and found it much to his liking. We speak of Thomas W. Blair, late from "dear old Rutgers." At the dance he put in his appearance with a beautiful gal from heaven knows where.

A new man, Bill MacDonnell has pledged to Kappa. He is a fine fellow, well liked for cheery good nature and pleasant personality.

WALTON W. HOFMANN

Lambda—Bethany

With the second semester at Bethany drawing to a close, the brothers of Lambda, being somewhat inflicted with the spring fever, are letting up a little on the studies, but are still holding their place on the campus and are continuously holding the name of Alpha Kappa Pi in the limelight. After working up to the final play-off in the interfraternity basketball league, we were defeated by a narrow margin, but expect to redeem ourselves in the intramural mush-ball program this spring. We also intend to resume our usual prominent position in the interfraternity track meet.

Aside from athletics, we still contribute quite a few members to the College band and orchestra, and we are proud to have six of our brothers traveling with the College Glee Club, in which Brothers Balcolm and Greskovich are the vocal soloists.

We regret to lose Brothers Greskovitch, Sokol and Kauffman by graduation this spring. Their places in the chapter will be hard to replace.

We owe our congratulations to the boys from Iota, who came down and defeated our basketball teams near the close of the season. We certainly did enjoy your company, fellows, and welcome you back whenever you find it convenient to drop around. That also applies to all you A K II men, whenever you find yourself over in or near the Panhandle of W.Va. Drop in and pay us a visit—you're always welcome—it's a standing invitation.

F. DANIEL BRYAN

Mu-Marshall

Mu Chapter has eight new pledges as the result of a very successful rush season and through the full cooperation of all the brothers. We are very proud of them and believe they will make real brothers. They are Edward McComas of St. Albans, W.Va.; Harry Allen of Point Pleasant, W.Va.; Woody Wickline of Rainelle, W.Va.; and Paul Hagen, James Blake, Donald Barnette, Sterling Bishop, and Tom Hughes all from Huntington.

Our Musical Revue was a huge success and we were all very proud of it. We had the full cooperation of each and every member, which shows that the brothers of Mu Chapter can put over anything they undertake. The play was presented on two nights. After the last performance on Saturday night a dance was given for the entire cast. A local orchestra furnished the music. I wish to make a correction in my last article of The Alpha. Kappa Alpha did not combine with us to give the revue as had been previously planned.

Mu Chapter gave a banquet in honor of Founders Day at the Kyoto Inn on Thursday, March 23. Brother Cecil Brammer was master of ceremonies. Each pledge gave a short talk on various subjects which were of much interest to all of us. Many Alumni Brothers were out for the banquet even though the flood waters had cut off most of our highways.

Spring is here with the brothers out practicing

baseball for the Intramural League. We hope to carry away the championship this year and the prospects are good.

With the pretty spring weather coming on now there is much temptation for us to consider other things besides our studies but all the brothers have been quite busy and not much time has been spent for dances and other things of the sort this year. Mu Chapter has some real workers and they consider work before their pleasure.

We are now looking forward to our Spring Formal and hope that it may be as successful as the Alpha Kappa Pi spring frolic held May 6 last year. However, no definite arrangements have been made as yet.

CLYDE SCOTT

Nu-Lehigh

"The growth of Nu Chapter is surpassed only by the phenomenal expansion of the National Fraternity itself." It is not uncommon to hear this, or words to this effect, in the Nu Chapter house this Spring. Although these words may exaggerate a little, they are a true indication of the pride we take in our organization. Nu Chapter moved into a new and very attractive house on March 1. All who have visited our new house have agreed that our pride in it is quite pardonable.

As a fitting house warming, Nu Chapter received three men into the knighthood and brotherhood of Alpha Kappa Pi on Saturday, March 11. Al Jahn, new province chief of Beta province and former editor of The Alpha, and Hal Spaans, formerly an assistant editor of The Alpha, were present for the initiation and stayed for what turned out to be a very memorable week-end. The initiation ceremonies were followed by a banquet at the chapter house, at which Dr. Raymond C. Bull of Lehigh University was the chief speaker. The initiates were Richard M. Wilson, of Pitman, N.J.; Lyle M. Geiger, of Braddock, Pa.; and William T. Moran, of White Plains, N.Y.

At a recent meeting of Nu chapter, the following officers were elected and installed: president, Adolph W. Lubbers; vice-president, Ralph W. Brown; secretary, Robert F. Herrick; treasurer, Wesley F. Hemphill; historian, William T. Moran; chaplain, Benjamin C. Bailey; sentinel, Richard M. Wilson. The outgoing president, Woodrow W. Horn, was presented with a golden gavel charm in appreciation of his services.

We were pleased to receive a visit from Frank McNiff of Tau chapter and several members of the Tufts wrestling team who came to Lehigh to participate in the National Intercollegiate wrestling

Lehigh University was host to the Model League of Nations, a gathering of representatives of many eastern colleges to discuss questions of international importance, over the week-end of April 7. Many of the members of Nu Chapter attended the plenary sessions of the League. Several of the representatives of other colleges were guests of Nu Chapter over the week-end.

Nu Chapter came back to school quite refreshed after a pleasant week's vacation. Quite a few of the fellows are busy getting "in the pink" for the spring sports. And speaking of spring sports, Brother McConnell is to be congratulated on his election to the junior managership of baseball.

Nu observed one of its most successful house-parties in many years over the week-end of April 29. "All the lads and all the gals" began the hilarity with the Junior Prom Friday night, which featured Noble Sissle and his orchestra. The house dance was held on Saturday night with a local orchestra serving the syncopation. Our new house was splendidly decorated for the occasion in a modernistic fashion, and special indirect colored lights were provided to accentuate the modernistic effect. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bailey of Wallingford, Connecticut, were chaperons.

Brother Charles S. Thaeler and Mrs. Thaeler called on March 26. Brother Thaeler announces that he has changed his address to 7735 Fayette Avenue, Philadelphia.

Nu Chapter takes this means to express its appreciation to Brother Jahn for his fine work as editor of The Alpha, and to extend to Brother Kramer, the new editor, its congratulations upon his selection.

KENNETH F. MAGUIRE

Xi-North Carolina State

Coming from the Sunny South . . . and is it Sunny.

Brothers this is the farewell bid from eight of the beloved brothers at Xi, and the beginning of a new era in their lives. Let us at this time wish them a successful life in the future. We also want to extend to them our whole-hearted appreciation for the extensive work and cooperation they have given to the chapter and fraternity.

On April 1 many guests from the campus and out of town were entertained by the members and pledges at Xi at an informal house dance. April 15 marked the date when many beautiful girls were accompanied again by the members and pledges to a private party given by the chapter at the famous and lovely Tar Heel Club.

The crossed swords were placed upon the lapel of another coat on April 8 when Marshall Rhyne gave his pledge to Alpha Kappa Pi. Marshall is an old friend of the chapter and is extremely popular on the campus for his wonderful personality and athletic ability. He is a varsity boxer and member of the Monogram Club. As we extend our greet-

ings, let us wish him success in his giving to and

receiving from the fraternity.

Speaking of athletics, Xi is preparing for the Spring interfraternity athletics. While in the past we did not always win the cups and trophies it was always known that Alpha Kappa Pi was on the field. Several former stars of prep school and high school are in the house to help the chapter stand out in this form of activity. While intramural sports are far inferior to the varsity sports they are becoming more and more popular on the campus. Xi's latest addition to the Monogram Club is Pop Sauls who won his letter this year in boxing.

The honored members of Xi are William C. Henry, Tau Beta Pi and winner of the chapter scholarship key for this year; John H. Linstrom, Mu Beta Psi and Alpha Zeta; Edward P. Galba, Mu Beta Psi; F. Dave Whitehead, Scabbard and Blade;

William A. Bain, Phi Eta Sigma.

By the way, that reminds us, April 12 was Scholarship Day at North Carolina State and as is the habit Xi walked home with the Fraternity Scholarship Cup. Fellows we are even proud of ourselves and everybody on the campus envies us. "Smart Guys," eh?

Here's something that might be of helpful interest and a good suggestion to all of us. We are already making plans for the rushing season for the coming year and intend to lead off with a "Bang." What do you say we all step in and make our ole' lodge a sensational organization. Our new officers are doing real work and showing the best of cooperation. We will not let them go on alone. Now all together gang—Let's go!

J. BEVERLEY SAULS

Omicron—Penn State

This June Omicron loses nine brothers by graduation. These brothers and their fields of endeavor are: John N. Adam, Agricultural Biological Chemistry; Charles A. Becker, Commerce and Finance; William E. Hartman, Metallurgy; Warren D. Johnson, Poultry Husbandry; John D. Kendig, Forestry; Alfred F. Knoll and Max C. Miller, Pre-Medical; George Moon, Arts and Letters; Herbert Peters, Electrical Engineering. With regrets that they must leave our active brotherhood, but hopeful of their future interest in it, Omicron Chapter bids them each a fraternal Godspeed!

On April 7, Omicron Chapter held a formal banquet in honor of its graduating senior class. The event was much enjoyed by all, yet a word of regret here and there in the after-dinner testimonials showed that a cloud of sadness shadowed the hearts of the Brothers at the thought of bidding farewell to Alpha Kappa Pi!

The second semi-annual corporation meeting of Omicron Chapter was held on March 18, several alumni being present. Election of officers for the year 1933-34 was held. The new officers, as elected, are: secretary-treasurer of the corporation, Charles S. Wyand; president, Richard M. Martin; vice-president, Ray E. Longenecker.

Immediately following the corporation meeting there was a special Alpha Kappa Pi meeting, during which chapter officers were elected. The new officers for 1933-34 are: assistant-treasurer, Franklin J. Widney; marshal, William J. Simpson; sentinel, William J. Robinson; historian, Franklin J. Widney; chaplain, John A. Keech. As soon as the elections were completed, retiring president Max C. Miller installed the new officers.

Brother Hunt's father, of Trenton, New Jersey, spent the week-end of March 18 in State College, as did Brother Johnson's father, of Swarthmore, Pennsylvania. They both enjoyed very much the Eastern Intercollegiate Boxing Meet, in which "Johnny" Napoleon and Captain McAndrews won first places and championships for Penn State. At the same time two Penn State wrestlers, "King" Cole and "Bob" Ellstrom, were winning championships in the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Meet, held at Columbia University in New York.

Brother Ken Hallman '30 spent the week-end of March 4 at Omicron, renewing old friendships and making new ones. He is at present teaching at Pennsboro, Pennsylvania.

Omicron Chapter announces the pledging of Richard Redgrave, of Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.

Interfraternity Ball, an annual social event sponsored by the Penn State fraternities, was held on March 31, with Alpha Kappa Pi well represented among those attending. The affair was one of the most successful dances of the year.

Omicron Chapter's annual Mothers' Day observance is to be continued again this year. Present plans include a play to be presented by the freshman and sophomore actives, and special entertainments and speakers.

Brothers Leight, Cunningham, and Hancock participated in intramural wrestling. Leight and Cunningham both reached the semi-finals, but Hancock was eliminated in the quarter-finals.

The contract bridge team was defeated in the semi-final round of the Intramural Contract Bridge Tournament by Delta Sigma Phi, who in turn lost to Pi Kappa Phi in the finals. The Alpha Kappa Pi team consisted of Knoll and Moon, Longenecker and Naylor.

The bowling team lost out to the Chi Phi aggregation in the last leg of the Intramural Bowling League. In the championship play-off Kappa Delta Rho and Alpha Sigma Phi will oppose each other. The members of the team were Brothers Knoll, Field, McDermott, Moon, and Widney.

Brothers Harris, Hancock, and Field are participating in spring football practice, while Brothers Leight and Widney are candidates for varsity baseball.

Omicron is looking forward to the approach of mushball season and another Intramural competition. Having reached the semi-finals last year only to lose to Sigma Nu, we hope to take the cup this year.

Alumni News

Brothers Roush, Good, Horting, Jahn, Wyand, and Goas were at Omicron over the week-end of March 18 to attend the corporation meeting.

Brother William McCarter '32 spent an interesting three weeks vacation in Florida during March, having returned to State College on March 30.

To Reeve Noble, Chairman of Omicron's Board of Governors, and to Mrs. Noble we extend our congratulations and best wishes upon the arrival of a daughter on April 3. The new boss of the Noble family weighed eight pounds and one ounce and her name will be Joanne. "Pop" Noble is all smiles these days in spite of the depression.

T. Stewart Goas, ex-president, and active alumnus who is now teaching at Penn State, was operated on for appendicitis at the Hahneman Hospital in Philadelphia on March 27. "Tubber" was recuperating rapidly but a slight infection, which stiffened his leg, set in and retarded his recovery. Our best wishes to you "Tubber" for a sure recovery. The flowers sent by the chapter were greatly appreciated by Brother Goas.

FRANKLIN J. WIDNEY

Pi-New Hampshire

Pi Chapter wishes to join all other chapters of Alpha Kappa Pi in extending its best wishes of success to the new editors of The Alpha, and the very best of luck to the retiring staff.

It was with pleasure that we greeted the first signs of Spring, but this joy was short-lived for the calendar seems to have been turned back, and once more we find the mantle of snow has been spread over our fair countryside. Slush and mud are once more the order of the day—and mud in Durham is not a factor to be lightly ignored! Believe it or not, this editorial was started in the spring and ended in the winter of the same year!

The weather has not been the only gloomy feature of the past week judging from the countenances of our freshman pledges. They have been endeavoring to bear up under the perils which loom up in their eyes during "Hell Week." But we, their "illustrious superiors," still hold out hopes for the poor neophytes. An idea of what the well-dressed neophyte should wear may be gathered from the fancy sport shoes which have been displayed during the week. These consisted of numerous folds of newspaper securely attached to the feet by means of stray bits of string.

Our "Vic" parties still remain an integral fea-

ture of the campus week-end life. Plans are now under way for the annual Spring Formal to be held the week-end of Junior Prom.

It is with pleasure that we announce the formal initiation of Eric Andberg '35, Jackson Bickford '35, Ferdinando DeVittori '35, Albert Lyon '35, and James Romeo '34. Plans are being formulated for another initiation in the near future.

Many of the older brothers have visited us in the past month. "Boon" McLeod '28, superintendent of public works, Stratford, Conn.; Dr. John Wheeler '26, of Wolfboro, N.H.; Alexander (Alec) Currie '29, who has been enjoying the Georgia peaches at Fort Benning, Ga.; "Pat" Conant '28, who has a position with the Shell Oil Company in this state; and last but not least, we must mention, Emery Blanchard, who is doing graduate work this year under the able observance of a certain young lady.

"Dick" Larkin and "Red" Smith are our representatives on the varsity and freshman lacrosse teams. Our freshman track hopes rest on "Dick" Mannion, "Don" Robbe, "Deck" Wright, "Russ" Hanson and Ralph Morang. "Vin" Nossiff and "Art" Gwynne are out for the freshman baseball club.

Ferdinando DeVittori and "Mike" Reney are trying out for managerships of the lacrosse and baseball teams.

RALPH E. DERONDE

Rho—Rutgers

A new regime has swung into action since our last letter. The new officers have been elected and installed as follows: George A. Kramer, president; Edward F. Baumer, vice-president; Chester Gulick, treasurer; Samuel A. Burnett, secretary; James Helyar, chaplain; Harrison Law, sentinel; Kenneth Ayres, marshal; and F. Clinton Spencer, historian. All officers are from the class of '34. We wish to thank the retiring officers for their excellent work and untiring interests in leading us through the past year.

At the close of one of Rutgers' most extensive campaigns in debating, George Kramer, Len Smith and Clint Spencer were elected to Tau Kappa Alpha, national forensic fraternity. Subsequently Kramer was elected president of Tau Kappa Alpha to succeed Brother George Winne. Ellsworth Wheaton, retiring debate manager, has announced that Clint Spencer has been appointed freshman manager and that Schaffert and Strassburger are to be the two junior assistant managers for the debate team next year.

It was our pleasure to entertain Brother Mc-Niff of Tau when he visited our campus with the Tufts debate team.

Paul Strassburger goes in for things in a big way. He was appointed junior manager of football, was tapped to Scarlet Key, Rutgers host society, and was immediately elected to the presidency of Scarlet Key.

Brothers Dick Predmore and Bud Law were awarded their varsity letters in wrestling.

With the advent of Spring comes a host of out-door activities. First call for lacrosse found Kramer, Predmore, Corcoran, and Teichman wielding the big sticks with the varsity and Deschu emulating his elder brethren with the frosh. Manager Winne has issued first call for baseball practice and Len Smith is trying for a berth on the twirling staff. Les Leonard and George Sturgis are making bids for positions on the frosh team. Pledge Zirpolo in confidently practicing with the frosh track men and Pledge Marino is hopeful of varsity recognition.

The annual award by the Student Council of Gold R's for meritorious work in extra-curricular activities found Rho well represented. Kramer was the only man on the campus to receive three awards. His awards were for debating, the glee club and for work on the *Targum*, semi-weekly undergraduate publication. Len Smith received awards in debating and the *Targum*. Other brothers to receive recognition were Sam Burnett and Ed Baumer for *Targum* work and Wheaton for debating.

Brother Ed Baumer has been elected to Scabbard and Blade, honorary military society.

It was recently announced that Rutgers is to meet Princeton in football this fall after a lapse of eighteen years. This is especially interesting due to the fact that Rutgers and Princeton played the first game of intercollegiate football here sixty-four years ago. The game ought to be a good one.

The social season at Rho this Spring promises to be a busy one. During the Easter vacation a number of us including alumni are going to the Hotel New Yorker in New York City and dance to Ozzie Nelson's music. We are further anticipating the Spring house party in April and the Military Ball week-end in May.

The Women's Auxiliary held a bridge at the house on the evening of March 29 and it was well attended by our parents and friends. We greatly appreciate the help the Women's Auxiliary is giving us through the medium of these bridges.

We were delighted to learn that our position in the scholarship standing has risen to sixth among the twenty-one fraternities. Pledge Zirpolo has been named to the Honor School and Dick Predmore has been awarded the Rho scholarship key.

As Rutgers prepares for the Annual Prep-School Day, when prospective Rutgers students are entertained by the University and fraternities, we find Brother Wheaton in charge of registration and the introductory chapel program.

Rho Chapter extends its fraternal welcome and best wishes to her new brothers at Psi Chapter at West Virginia Wesleyan.

F. CLINTON SPENCER

Tau-Tufts

Tau Chapter takes great pleasure at this time in announcing its new staff of officers to Alpha Kappa Pi. The man who has been unanimously elected to lead the destiny of Tau during the coming year is Robert C. Russell, better known as "Bob" to the brothers. We are very confident that he will make a very capable leader, and know that he will steer the ship of Tau through the proper channels. Bob's past record, alone, is such as to assure us of this. He has been a valuable member of the football team as reserve guard, and we are all certain that next season he will hold down the regular berth. Bob was selected by his class as a member of the Ivy Society, the Junior class honorary society. This is an honor of which he may be proud, for only the outstanding members of the class are elected to Ivy. A few weeks ago, Bob received the news that he had been elected as manager of the varsity wrestling team for next year, succeeding his fraternity brother "Stiffie" McNiff. Tau can be sure of smooth sailing next year with such a man at the helm.

The position of vice-president will be ably filled by Bob Bradley, one of our leading sophomores. The value of his work in shaping and carrying out the constructive policies of the house cannot be over-estimated. He will now be able to carry on in a more official capacity. The financial matters of the house are now in the able hands of Bill Nelson, who, during the past few months, has been working along with George Jewett, the ex-treasurer. The other officers are as follows: George Chalmers, secretary; Dana Lewis, historian; Clarence Hammonds, chaplain; Konrad Fleischer, sentinel; Joseph Grates, librarian; Louis Ranieri, sophomore member of the entertainment committee.

Tau is aiming at first place in the Interfraternity athletic competition. The best we could do in basketball was fourth place. A brief résumé of our baseball and track material makes us very confident that we can come out on top in both sports. Our chances in the baseball league are exceedingly bright, since last year's championship team is nearly intact, and our outstanding twirler, Johnny McGovern is in top form. The track team will miss Luther Childs, our outstanding track man of last year, who graduated last June. There are still some good men left, however, and we might find a freshman or two to help the worthy cause.

At present, we have several men working on the various athletic teams at Tufts. Harold Kaese, last year's baseball captain, is once more holding down his old position at third base. On the Spring football squad, we find such promising candidates as "Screwy" Hammonds, a letter man who plays end, and Joe Palmeri, Lou Ranieri, and Jerry O'Grady, who are trying hard to make a berth. "Don" Cochrane, captain of lacrosse, is practicing daily, and

fast rounding into condition. John McGonagle, captain-elect of football, is out for baseball, and, as a result, is unable to participate in spring football practice.

Much could be said about the social activities of the house which have attained a high standard in the past few months, not only for quantity, but also for quality. The "Vic" parties have been made most successful by the patronage of nearly the entire membership of the house. Bill Nelson has taken care of the arrangements in a most efficient manner. Moreover, plans are now being completed for our annual spring formal to be held on May 20, at the Andover Country Club.

Plans are now under way for our annual alumni initiation ceremonies to be held sometime this spring. The movement is again actuated by several interested alumni who are anxious to join the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity. Tau has always encouraged all the members of our former local fraternity, Delta Phi Sigma, to continue their fraternal affiliations by joining the present organization. We shall all take great pleasure in welcoming the new members at the time of the initiation.

Frank McNiff sends his regards to the members of Rho and Nu Chapters, and extends the invitation to visit Tau; not only to Rho and Nu, but to all chapters of Alpha Kappa Pi.

DANA LEWIS

Upsilon—Centre

Upsilon at Centre announces the pledging of two new men, Burks Williams, Jr., of Shepherdsville, Ky., and Russell Wood of Westfield, Mass., freshmen. These two men boost our total to eleven, some of whom will be initiated this semester. Williams has recently been elected manager of the 1933 freshman football team; also, Pledge Rush Nicholson '36, has been elected varsity football manager for next year; and Pledge Worley Hawthorne is co-captain of this year's track team.

The actives of Upsilon have scored heavily in recent elections. Don Taylor was made vice-president, and Larry Woboril was made secretary-treasurer of the Chamberlain Literary Society—oldest college literary society west of the Alleghenies. These two men were instrumental in re-establishing this society, which had been virtually inactive for a year or so. Taylor is also the new vice-president of the Kentucky Beta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, national forensic fraternity.

When the scholarship averages for the first semester 1932-33 were tabulated, Upsilon led the list in fraternity averages on the campus, for the fifth consecutive semester. This is an all-time record.

The chapter attended Trinity Episcopal church in a body on March 12 in honor to the memory of those in Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi.

On Thursday, March 23, at 10 P.M. E.S.T., we

drank the annual toast with our invisible brothers in commemoration of the fraternity founders.

Pat Williams '32, teaching in his home town, Russell, Ky., has shown his loyalty to the chapter by sending us a seven point star that he built himself. This is quite a finished product and is about two-and-a-half feet across, and contains 49 lights, operated by 8 switches.

While on a furlough recently, Mark Adams '32, now in the U. S. Navy announced his marriage to Miss Lillian McDonald. The ceremony took place last May. Adams is stationed at the Great Lakes Training Station near Chicago, and his wife resides with her parents here.

Upsilon loses two men by graduation this year, Larry Woboril and Dudley Caldwell, president and vice-president respectively of the chapter. These men were the founders of the local fraternity which later became Upsilon of Alpha Kappa Pi, and with their departure we will lose two fine chapter and campus workers. We will be somewhat weakened next year, by their absence, but, since the rest of us will be back in full force we should have a fairly strong chapter.

Best wishes to all Alpha Kaps, and best of luck and congratulations to all those in the class of 1933.

George G. Bedinger

Phi-St. John's

These active days in Alpha Kappa Pi have found Phi moving from one important function to another in rapid succession. Founders Day, March 23, was marked by the wearing of the colors by all Phi men, and at ten o'clock that evening, we gathered in the chapter room and drank the toast proposed by President Sandrock to the Founders, the glorious past, and the progressive future of Alpha Kappa Pi. And on Saturday evening, April 1, our annual Pledge Dance was held at the chapter house. The affair was a most enjoyable one, and Brother Mayer is deserving of every commendation for his management of the arrangements.

When we learned that the Brooklyn Polytechnic rifle team was scheduled to engage the Navy and thirteen other collegiate teams on the Academy range Saturday, March 25, we expected that we might be visited by a brother or two from Delta, but imagine our surprise when the entire squad turned out to be Alpha Kappa Pis! With this all Alpha Kappa Pi team, Poly placed fifth in the field of fifteen. Good work Delta!

Brothers Woodman, Boss, and Smith, and Pledge Whiting are responsible for Phi's acquiring another intramural trophy. They constituted our tennis team in the Fall competition, winning the championship by virtue of a clean sweep in the doubles matches, taking both the first and runners-up positions, and first place in the singles. The plaque was presented to the chapter March 30.

Phi finished second in the intramural basketball race, losing the championship to a powerful Phi Sigma Kappa team in two extra periods. The deciding game was close and well played, but in the second extra session Phi Sig broke loose to score four points, an advantage Phi was unable to overcome. Brothers Smith, Boss, Pacosha, Woodman, Jenkins, Judd and Traynor represented Phi on the court.

Everyone at Phi joins in greeting our new chapter at West Virginia Wesleyan. We understand that Chi Alpha Tau will be designated as the Psi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi, and are delighted at the news that we have acquired so splendid a group. Welcome Psi!

To Alpha Kappa Pi men everywhere, those of us at Phi extend our heartiest best wishes.

M. HOWARD TRAYNOR

Chi-Wake Forest

Swan songs are being sung by three Alpha Kappa Pis here at Wake Forest; Brother Matthews gives up his position as editor of the *Student*, our literary-humor magazine; Pledge A. V. Washburn retires from a successful editorship of the *Howler*; and Pledge Hoke Norris yields his place as editor of the *Old Gold and Black*, the college news weekly.

Chi is pleased to announce that Brother Thompson Greenwood, who was recently inducted into active membership, won in the recent election, and will be editor-in-chief of next year's *Student*.

In an initiation held by Sigma Pi Alpha, national modern language fraternity, Wellington Dunford was one of the three admitted to membership. Brother Matthews was re-elected president of the Wake Forest Chapter, Epsilon.

Chi Chapter celebrated Founders Day by a stag party held in the cabin on the Wake Forest golf course.

Chi's outlook for next year is a bright one. We will be installed next semester in the west half of the second floor of Bostwick Hall, which was recently turned into a fraternity building accommodating seven fraternities.

To all sister chapters of A K $\scriptstyle\rm II$, Chi sends her best wishes.

WELLINGTON DUNFORD

Psi-West Virginia Wesleyan

Greetings from the baby chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi! It is our sincere hope that the fraternity will have every reason to be proud of its latest addition to the chapter roll. Doubtless all chapters are anxious to gain a more intimate glance into the life of their fraternity as it is represented at West Virginia Wesleyan. Early in the school year we pledged fifteen fine men of the freshman class, and

since that time we have added three. Five of these frosh won their numerals on the freshman football squad. Three more won their numerals on the basketball squad. In addition we had the manager of each of these teams. A number of frosh have entered other activities. Outstanding among them was Forman Waters who distinguished himself by playing the leading role of "Tony Cavendish" in the production "The Royal Family."

In reviewing the actives we find that the brothers did quite well. In the past football season A. Bachtel, Edmundson, Wholf, Siandru, Coleman, Howell, Spears, Snyder, Hull, H. Bachtel, and J. Hall won Varsity letters. Furbee, who is the business manager of the current yearbook, won his letter as manager of varsity football. It is a matter of record that Art Bachtel stood second in the nation in accuracy of points after touchdown, as he made good in 16 of 17 tries from placement. It was his unerring toe that accounted for our 7-6 victory over Duquesne University, a team which lost only one other game and that one to Pitt. At the conclusion of the season the fraternity and the college were honored when Acting Captain Edmundson was invited to Baltimore to participate with the South All-Stars in their game with the North. Incidentally the South won the game 7-6.

As we come along to basketball we discover that the traveling squad of ten men included Edmundson, Hull, Spears, Howell, Rosselle, Siandru, and Furbee. Rafeld, the chapter president, was senior manager of this team.

In debate Wholf and Thomas became eligible for their keys in Pi Kappa Delta, national honorary forensic fraternity, while Brother Cody, who is president of that chapter, advanced a notch by becoming eligible for a second key with the degree of honor and distinction.

Joe Hall did a very creditable bit when he was cast in a major role for the musical comedy "Smilin' Thru" which was presented here last month. Bob Stickney, the artist of the crowd, has designed and constructed an elaborate puppet show which was so successful that he has taken it out of town several times. One trip recently was to Waynesburg College at Waynesburg, Pennsylvania. Brother Hamner, president of Sigma Alpha Sigma, local honorary scholastic fraternity, is upholding the honor of the group by ranking with the three highest scholars on the campus for the first semester.

An extremely successful dance was held in town on December 10 last, when we gave our winter formal. The dance floor was carried out in the night club motif, with several specialty acts offered during the intermission when a luncheon was served. Weldon Williams and his Hotel Fairmont Orchestra played for the dance. Much credit for the planning of the dance is due Brothers Furbee and Stickney who were in charge of the program and the decorations.

At present a Ping Pong tournament is in progress in an effort to determine the 1933 champion of this popular indoor sport.

We have entertained a number of interesting visitors at the house in recent weeks, chief among whom was Grand Treasurer Frank J. Krebs. The pledging ceremony was given under the guidance of Homer Sampson, alumnus of Mu, who resides in Buckhannon.

In closing we are pleased to announce that seniors Hamner, Wholf and Chapman have won the coveted "Wesleyan Key," for campus activities, which makes a total of five in the fraternity since president Rafeld and vice-president Edmundson won the rare distinction of winning them in their junior year.

We recommend Gip Battles to the brothers at Tufts and M.I.T. Look him up in Boston next fall.

EARL STROHMEYER

Additional Notes from Psi

Including both brothers and pledges, Psi has twelve men wearing the varsity "W."

The president of every class at Wesleyan is an A K II. President of the Senior class is Alton

Wholf; Junior class, Howard Bachtel; Sophomore class, Pledge Edward Howell; and Freshman class, Roy Reger. These four men also comprise the Intramural Athletic Board.

Nick Cody is one of Wesleyan's four cheer leaders,

Varsity managers are Jack Rafeld, basketball; James Furbee, football, '32 and '33; Earl Strohmeyer, track, '32 and '33.

Earnest Bentfield, Reger and Wholf have the three male leads in the commencement play, "The Ghost Train."

Russell Chapman is business manager and Pledge Forman Waters is advertising manager of *The Pharos*, college newspaper.

Paul Watson of the class of '31 and freshman football coach will receive his Master of Science degree at Weslevan this June.

Psi wishes to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the congratulatory messages and the banners received from several of the chapters.

We owe a special word of thanks to the Huntington Alumni Association for the A K II plaque presented to us at the installation.

We extend to all Alpha Kappa Pi an urgent invitation to visit us at any time.

F. DICK HUDSON

Sophomores at Wake Forest went on a haircutting spree at the expense of the freshmen. Seniors, needing a little pin money, served as body guards for fifty cents.

Ten deans and one college president answered the question, "Why do students fail?" in *The Temple* of Phi Kappa, recently. Among the interesting answers are found both agreement and disagreement of factors. Some replies classified identical reasons as main causes, while others claimed they were minor or insignificant.

Among the answers, seven named extracurricular activities, six lack of appreciation, incentive, and native ability; five said laziness; four mentioned inadequate finances, poor health, and attempt of self-support; three included worry, inadequate preparation before coming to college, and excessive social interests; two named environment and love affairs; one mentioned over-emphasized vocational interest, insufficient grit, and wrong type of institution.

I can write anything. If I couldn't I should probably be a tramp.

George Bernard Shaw

Salesman—"Do you wear a nightgown or pajamas?"

Young Lady—"No."

Salesman—"My name is Thomas. Joe Thomas."

Lyre

BUSINESS GIRLS

New Bank Clerk—Miss Jones, do you retire a loan?

Stenog.-No, I sleep with Aunt Emma.

Recent editions of several fraternity magazines have taken the forms of songbooks. The Delta of Sigma Nu and The Phi Gamma Delta are the latest to publish in this fashion. Limited sales of songbooks led to this movement, editors say. Selection for some songbooks of songs were made from questionnaires to undergraduate chapters, national officers, and alumni.

PARROT NO GOOD

Dealer—"You say the parrot is no good? You want to return it after keeping it for six months? What's the matter with it?"

Customer—"Th-th-the d-d-damn b-b-b-bird s-s-stutters!"

Der Wahre Jakob

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