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furnished, no university recreational center however well equipped, no faculty however social minded, no class or general organization however loyal, can give the individual the character building experience that goes with living, working and playing together with a group that is self-selected, that has a name which comes with its heritage from the past, and that enjoys a close relationship with other groups in different parts of the country with a common purpose.

—George Starr Lasher of Theta Chi

The Alpha of Alpha Kappa Pi

Your Attention, Please

- THIS ISSUE marks the tenth anniversary of THE ALPHA. It hardly seems possible that she has attained that stately age. A later issue for the coming year will be designated as the Anniversary Number and it will chronicle for you the growth and development of this lovable old quarterly.
- We call to your attention the article by Mr. Darling on the function of the fraternity. It looks far into the future and is deserving of some meditation on your part. This article appeared in the Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly for October and is reprinted here through the courtesy of Editor Oswald C. Hering.
- A new chapter publication came to our desk this summer and has since been coming regularly. It is the *Iotan*. Our hats off to Iota chapter for a newsy and inspiring sheet.
- Peace reigns in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania once again for Nu chapter finally received its charter after a five year wait. No doubt the picketing of the Nu delegates at the last convention has something to do with the production of that long awaited document. While speaking of charters, the Baltimore Alumni chapter was awarded one by the Executive Council and there are rumblings out Ohio way as a group prepares to petition for the founding of the Alliance Alumni chapter.

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A Few Words from the Grand President

THIS YEAR opens with our chapters in strong vigorous Health. Opportunity knocks at our door and offers that this can be the greatest year in our history. It puts the responsibility upon us to make it such. Doers do and find they have time to do more; drones do nothing and scarcely find time to do that. Co-operation is the secret of success of any group. Therefore,

let us start out doing things this year and doing them in a spirit of co-operation. This will spell success for your chapter. And here, too, you will find that success once started seems to be contagious.

Folks that do things run into problems, problems that, at times, require them to seek advice. Your province chiefs are close at hand, call on them. You will find them capable, experienced and sympathetic. Your Executive Council, your National Officers, and that Gibraltar of our Fraternity—wise and vastly experienced Brother Albert Hughes Wilson, all are ready and eager to help you.

Co-operation within the chapter is essential, but no more so than co-operation with the National. The chapter secretary must be energetic and work constantly with our Grand Secretary. The chapter treasurer must realize the responsibility of his office and co-operate with our Grand Treasurer. The chapter historian must realize the importance of working closely with the Editor of The Alpha. Co-operation here is vital to the life of our Fraternity.

Your National Officers, past and present, have and are constantly seeking to be of more help to the chapters. Your Grand Treasurer, Brother Krebs, has spent many hours in the preparation of the uniform accounting system which is now ready for your use. Brother Kitchen, your Grand Secretary, has worked hard to have ready for you the new membership cards. Your Grand Historian, Brother Bennett, has spent many hours, and is still working, on the history of our Fraternity, which we hope to have complete for you this year.

A will to do and do co-operatively will bring success to your chapter, to your National.

David S. Blankenship, Grand President, Alpha Kappa Pi



The ALPHA of Alpha Kappa Pi



The Function of the Fraternity in the American College

By H. Maurice Darling, President of Delta Kappa Epsilon

• A VITAL change in American university and college education has begun to appear in recent years. One speaks of "American" institutions advisedly, because the change tends to make American colleges more like Canadian and English universities.

If a college adopts new methods of teaching that produce spontaneous interest in intellectual adventures, that enthusiasm will appear among fraternity men, just as much as among other students. If conditions in a college are not conducive to an active enthusiasm for things intellectual, one need not expect to find such an enthusiasm in the fraternity houses, any more than in the college dormitories.

Until 1910, it was almost universally true that an American B.A. degree was obtained by successfully "passing off" a given number of "courses," for each of which courses the student was given one credit. It is still generally true that each course, when completed, is neatly packed away and is ordinarily forgotten. Each course is simply a hurdle to be jumped, a necessary evil, a price to be paid if the student wishes to enjoy the social advantages of college life. Instead of being the main tent, the required courses merely represent a ticket of admission to what are really only side shows. It is not polite or seemly, for undergraduate conversation to

touch heavily or often upon the what is nothing more than a ticket of admission; and the real enthusiasms are reserved for athletics. social activities and what not. In most institutions, the college administrations must share much of the blame for over emphasis on athletics, over building of mortgaged chapter houses, over enthusiasm for student social affairs, their publications, their fads, and their follies, and the consequent lagging of interest in scholarship. It is not to be wondered at that in its annual report for 1934, the Carnegie Corporation stated (at page 38), that "if it is to survive as a characteristic feature of American education and American life, the independent college must become a very different place from the conventional type which prevailed in the first quarter of the century."

In spite of what seems to have been a poor system, much good work was done by serious students, inspired by enthusiastic teachers; and as a result of the constant efforts of Lowell and other educators, an evolution has recently been going on in the American world of higher education.

The new spirit in American Colleges has taken diverse forms in different places. The American colleges and universities are too varied to permit a uniform educational method. But the essence of the new scheme is to

displace the earning of credits by giving the student a man-sized job and challenging him to take a large part of the responsibility of solving a real problem. The problem may be projected into the future so that it extends over two or three years. It may revolve around a general or comprehensive examination either coming at the end of the senior year, or possibly coming at the end of the "Junior College," as a test of admission to the "University." It may involve Honour courses, with their higher standards, freedom for research and relief from class attendance. If enough properly equipped teachers are available, we may find a new interest in the special problems of the individual and a dwindling emphasis on the examination as the end-all or be-all.

The net results of the new tendency are an increased spontaneous enthusiasm for the higher learning, and a new generation that is better educated than its forbears were.

What role shall the chapter house of tomorrow play in the coming American college? It is not, or should not be, difficult to forecast this. A fraternity that proudly claims to have been a leader in the past should also lead in this twentieth century Revival of Learning. The graduates of each of our American chapters should find out what efforts are being made by their college administrations to throw on the student's shoulders, the responsibility for his success in his work, and should then co-operate with the college authorities in every way possible.

The college will not wish to resign its official responsibility for directing the student's education, nor will the active chapter wish to take it over from the college. Nevertheless, recent innovations in American college life have shown that the new enthusiasm for learning can be fostered if the conditions of college life are conducive to that purpose. At Harvard, where the system of student-responsibility has been installed, more efficient work has undoubtedly been made easier by the gifts of Mr. Harkness. The "Houses" or "Colleges" which he has made possible at both Harvard and Yale, contain suitable living quarters for a "Master" and his family,

and for a certain number of unmarried tutors; and married tutors also have tutorial suites in these halls. "Cultural eating" is encouraged in the house dining halls. In their living rooms, the undergraduates and the faculty meet freely.

The model chapter house, in a university which insists on serious work, can promote serious work in a variety of ways. One way is to find and install a qualified resident graduate adviser. While his functions cannot be exactly the same as those of the Harvard "tutors," his influence may be equally effective. Upwards of 150 colleges have experimented with resident graduate advisers, and their experience on the whole has been favorable. Properly qualified graduate advisers are quite hard to find, but our Field Secretary has found advisers for two of our Deke chapters, and is endeavoring to find advisers for several other chapters. The Council is doing everything possible to encourage the appointment of advisers, and looks forward to the time when many, if not all, of our chapters will have well-qualified resident advisers.

The model chapter house should be equipped with a very large and carefully selected collection of books, and it should have a library where one can read quietly whenever one wishes. The demands of the undergraduates for classical music have, of late, grown tremendously. This taste can be developed by arranging a music room with a good victrola and a large collection of classical records.

The intellectual work done in a good chapter house should be higher than the general men's average; and it will be developed along original lines, as the colleges tend to interest themselves in the peculiar careers and problems of individual students.

The well-conducted chapter house will invite the college to hold some of its tutorial conferences, round table discussions, or small seminar courses in its living rooms. There will constantly be an inflow of interesting visitors—alumni, professors, and others; and the conversational range of 25 or 30 young men who are enthusiastically pursuing an in-

tellectual adventure, will include the serious problems of life, as well as its fun and wit, and its athletics or recreation.

If a fraternity chapter is to be well organized for the serious purposes of a joint educational adventure, its finances must run as smoothly as the finances of the well-conducted college dormitory and dining hall. The chapter houses will become simpler, and mortgages, if they are too large, will be reduced, or else the chapters may face default. Chapters that are weak financially will disappear. Fortunately, very few Deke chapters are struggling under heavy mortgage burdens.

The theory that, without any supervision whatever, boys aged 18 to 20 are qualified to operate, successfully, co-operative college dormitories and dining halls has been exploded. Co-operation with the college in purchasing supplies and equipment; strict budget and audit control; and training courses for student managers are all desirable, and worthy of encouragement where they are not already installed. If the chapters and their national secretaries and local alumni do not succeed in accomplishing these financial reforms, the colleges will insist on the necessary changes.

A chapter house which was recently destroyed by fire, is being rebuilt to accommodate only 25 men. A smaller chapter is more cohesive than a larger one; and the small chapter can supervise the habits of its underclassmen more effectively than the large chapter. In this same house, which is being rebuilt, a special suite is being included for a

resident graduate adviser.

Under the Federal Income Tax Laws, gifts to corporations organized for educational purposes, are exempt from the gift tax and may also be deducted for income tax purposes. Is there any reason why the model chapter house of the future should not be owned by such a corporation, and be so conducted that the Federal authorities will consider it just as truly educational as Lowell House at Harvard or Pierson College at Yale?

President Coffman of the University of Minnesota publishes biennially a message to the people of Minnesota. The central theme of his 1934 report, is "Youth and Tomorrow's Education."

The comments which President Coffman makes on university education of today show great insight, and his remarks are expressed in a very readable form. Appendices attached to the report deal with Junior Colleges, Fraternities, Dormitories and other interesting subjects.

President Coffman is widely known for his progressiveness, his fairness and his judicial character, and his criticisms of fraternities are entitled to receive thoughtful consideration. Although he says that the relations between the University of Minnesota and the fraternities are cordial, and that co-operation is becoming closer, he mentions many features which he says require improvement. These may be listed as follows:

- 1. In selecting members, the chapters emphasize financial resources or campus distinctions, rather than congeniality or mutual friendship.
- 2. The chapters have low scholastic records.
- 3. They have excessive mortgages on their houses.
- 4. The expense of fraternity membership is excessive.
- 5. The forces at work in fraternities are opposed to the intellectual purposes of the colleges.
- 6. "The barbaric custom persists of treating freshmen as infants."

It is believed that the lack of enthusiasm for scholarship will disappear as the general interest in scholarship in the university increases—and President Coffman and his staff have done notable work in making education more interesting to their students. If any financial weaknesses exist in a chapter, they can and should be cured by vigorous and sensible attention.

It is believed that most of Dr. Coffman's recommendations are in full harmony with the above objectives. His article leads one to remark that, as at present organized, many fraternity chapters do not stimulate under-

graduates to get the most they can, from what the college is offering. The present activities of many chapters are not educationally constructive. The model chapter must align itself with the central aim of the university. The proper function of the fraternity, in the new educational scheme, must be established, but we have now no chart to tell us what that function should be.

Alpha Kappa Pi Sends Boys to Summer Camp

By Richard R. Schwartz, Theta '37

• IN A VERY modest but effective way, Alpha Kappa Pi undertook its first social service work by making it possible for two city boys to enjoy three weeks along the New Jersey coast.



Three weeks of fresh air and camp life were made possible for Eugene and Ray-MOND WETHERHEAD by Theta chapter.

From the hot streets of New York City to the cooling breezes of the New Jersey shore was the experience of Eugene and Raymond Wetherhead during the first three weeks of July last. These vacations were made possible by the members of Theta chapter at Columbia University at the annual camp conducted by Fraternity Adviser, Albert H. Wilson, at Cedar Beach, Port Monmouth, New Jersey. Mr. Wilson opens and personally manages this camp for three or four weeks every summer. During the past season he was assisted by Rennie D'Angelo, Harold Tyrell, and Richard Schwartz, all of Theta chapter, and over one week-end by former Grand Secretary Rufus D. McDonald of Iota chap-

It would be a most useful and worthwhile undertaking on the part of Alpha Kappa Pi to make it possible for more boys to know and enjoy the benefits which a few weeks at Cedar Beach brings. To the mind of this writer there is no finer fraternalism than this attention to our opportunity for building up the health and strength of city youths, such as Eugene and Raymond Wetherhead, and thus adding to the achievements of Alpha Kappa Pi.

Convention to Be Postponed Until Summer?

As we go to press there has been no announcement forthcoming from the Executive Council as to the time and place of this year's convention, but an announcement as

to whether there will be the usual mid-winter convention or a summer convention is expected shortly.

Dr. James G. Estes Killed in Plane Crash

By Herbert R. Denton, Xi '37

• Alpha Kappa Pi lost one of its most esteemed and brilliant members when Dr. James Graham Estes was killed as a private plane, in which he was about to return to his home in Texas, crashed as it was taking off from the Raleigh, North Carolina, airport on June 1, 1935.

Dr. Estes, was born in 1905 in Texas. He received his undergraduate training at Texas Christian University, obtained his M.A. at the University of Illinois, and received his Ph.D. at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in mathematics. He was a professor in the mathematics department at M.I.T. before he transferred to North Carolina State in September, 1934.

Brother Estes was initiated into Alpha Kappa Pi on February 10, 1935. Although a professor, he was "one of the fellows" as far as his associations with the students were concerned. He was an active participant in intramural sports, and was instrumental in bringing about competition on the athletic field between the faculty and the students. Dr. Estes was a young man, only thirty years old, but he was already considered one of the most brilliant men on the State campus. It was a deep shock to Xi chapter to place their first brother on Omega's roll.

Members of Xi chapter acted as pallbearers at the services held before his body was



Dr. James Graham Estes

placed on the train to be taken to his home at Fort Worth, Texas. Brother Estes is survived by his wife and mother and father.

Alpha Beta Chapter to Be Installed at Tri-State

The petition of the Alpha Delta Alpha Fraternity of Tri-State College, Angola, Indiana has been accepted by the chapters of Alpha Kappa Pi and will be installed as Alpha Beta chapter on November 8, 9, 10, 1935. The installation program will get underway with a smoker on Friday evening. The induction ceremonies will be held on Saturday followed by a banquet on Saturday

evening. The new chapter will have open house on Sunday afternoon.

The installation team will consist of Grand Second Vice-President Parke B. Fraim, Grand Treasurer Frank J. Krebs, and Zeta Province Chief Jackson W. Rafeld. All correspondence should be addressed to the chapter house at 415 Gilmore St., Angola, Indiana.

The January issue will carry the story of Tri-State College, Alpha Beta chapter and the installation.



THE ADVISER'S

CORNER

It is well to mention the growing interest of the alumni. That is in the work of contributing to the advance of the fraternity. One specific instance is enough to show the value of the alumni association. Kappa chapter, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, found itself facing a dangerously small return in active members for the fall of 1935. This matter was taken to the Province Chief, Sverker N. Hedman, and the Boston alumni members, and the result has been most gratifying. Through the combined efforts of active and alumnus Kappa chapter was restored to normal strength in membership and the coming collegiate year, as always at Kappa, will be a most accomplishing one. The active chapters should keep in constant touch with their alumni for when the time comes when you stand in need of their assistance, these men will not be found wanting.

WITH the ending of what we call, for lack of a better name, "easy money," fraternity chapters throughout the nation have found themselves, in many instances, hard pressed in their finances. It is a time for cool heads and careful budgeting. The truth is evident that all fraternities permitted their chapters to over build or to over purchase. The houses constructed were not in keeping with an adequate service but there was the show plus. The same was true in the buying of a house already built in that a far higher figure was used in the purchase than the house was worth. Then came the money shortage and the demand of the mortgage holder for the chapter to pay up.

No doubt Alpha Kappa Pi is facing this situation in some few places. If so do not become over anxious and above all things keep free from stage fright. Readjustments

must be made on the part of the mortgage holders in both the rate of interest being paid, and even the amount of purchase named in the contract. Sane and present day schedules must be inaugurated. If the holder of the mortgage becomes too insistent and the money is not available to meet the demand, then the wise thing for the chapter to do is to turn over the house to the original owner and rent or purchase a house in keeping with the ability to pay. There is nothing dishonorable or humiliating in this program. In fact the day has passed where there is any advantage in trying to make a show place of your chapter house. It is for service and the resident in any chapter house should not expect more service than an up-to-date college dormitory is able to provide. Count over your most respected and respectable friends, the ones you cherish and honor most, and where do you find them residing? In mansions or in the home that is adequate to supply the needs and comforts of the self-respecting, community contributing, average American family? We incline to the latter. Under stress keep your head and there is always an honorable way to adjust your actual needs or necessities. Alpha Kappa Pi in a Lodge, and meeting its obligation in financial matters, is far more respectable, and respected, than Alpha Kappa Pi in a great house where the chapter is fearful at every ringing of the doorbell, that another bill collector is calling. It is poor policy to fail in building up a strong financial policy while endeavoring to build in things fraternal. Three pillars mark success: Fraternalism, Financial soundness, Scholarship. Where these are found there you will find vision and character. Where these are lacking there you will find confusion and disloyalty.

ALBERT HUGHES WILSON

COMMENTS OF FELLOW



ACTIVITIES OUR GREEKS

Why Fraternity Spirit?

Ephraim M. Baker, in Phi Alpha Quarterly

■ I HAVE often wondered just why it is that men who are well on the road to success, men who stand high in their professions or trades, men whose opinions are respected everywhere, still find an abundance of time to devote themselves to the service of their fraternity. . . .

I believe the fraternity is their hobby and their pride. It is not the most serious thing in their lives nor is it merely a toy. Their fraternity is a hybrid which gives them joy and pleasure, which will never net them any material gain but which will net them a thousand-fold in delight as they follow the small insignificant organization into a well knit vigorous organization representing the best in American youth.

Once a man is inducted into Phi Alpha, he begins to feel his fraternity consciousness. From the moment the jewelled pin is placed over his heart until "the time for parting comes," he experiences the distinct realization that he is a fraternity man, a Phi Alphan. It is no wonder, then, that so many of our brethren manifest such interest in the activities of the national organization and the individual chapters. The spirit within them never wavers, the flame of fraternity consciousness never dims.

Their reward is seeing a job well done; their reward is the killing of business monotony and routine; their reward is an inward glow of pride and satisfaction in the organization of which they are a part. Their hobby means work too, but every kind of work is also employed in a more or less modified form

as recreation. Although agricultural labor of any kind would be impossible for me, I know many people who find their chief enjoyment in their gardens.

Fraternities may be work to Administrative Secretaries but to me my fraternity is a glorious diversion. I never have been able to explain in any other light my keen zest and interest in fraternal matters. My plea is for you to make your fraternity your hobby. Make your fraternity your means of forgetting, for a few hours a week, the tortuous twists and apparently impassable barriers on the road to success.

Have You a "Joe College"?

Don Westervelt, in The Teke of Tau Kappa Epsilon

• It's QUITE a problem. What should be done to or for those fraters who refuse to grow up?

Every chapter has at least one "Joe College" who has not lost his high school attitude. These men are the ones who advertise their fraternity widely with little thought of what people think of them, and incidentally, their actions harm the chapter. Little actions on their part lead people to believe that these are the representative members of the organization and judge that club or organization accordingly. If we could only dampen their childish enthusiasm to a degree where it was not the outstanding characteristic we would be benefiting not only the chapter but also the man.

T K E stands for men, but with such members in the fold we need stringent action to keep them in their place and remind them that they are men, not children.

Courtesy

From The Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta

WE HAD JUST ABOUT concluded that the good, old-fashioned afternoon call had been put aside by the time-eliminating, energy-saving, telephone, when our companiona fine Gamma Phi alumna of many years' standing of unbounded enthusiasm-remarked with the air of introducing another modern problem, "The acknowledgment of a note of courtesy is also a past art. The spirit of the age-for, of course, everything is blamed upon the spirit of the age-does not give us time for the personal touch." We waited for further explanation and she added, for example: "Before college closed, I wrote several little notes to girls in whom I was interested, to whom pleasant things had happened. One had gained Phi Beta Kappa— I congratulated her upon her laurel crown; another had announced her engagement-I wished her happiness. Another had worked faithfully and well in the sorority office which had been given her-I sent her a word of appreciation. And how many acknowledged my good wishes-how many responded in appreciation of my friendly messages? Not one."

Efficiency has been impressed with deadly persistency upon the college girl. Courtesy is a running mate. For, after all, as the good alumna said, it's the personal touch that counts. Even if it takes the time and effort of a busy college girl, it is never a mistake to be grateful for kind thoughts and friendly words that come her way.

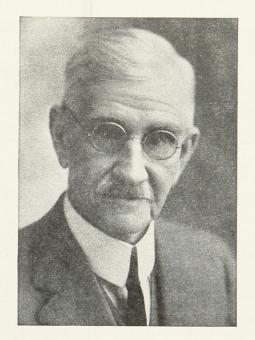
- KAPPA SIGMA has placed a brand new chapter at Hobart College, Geneva, New York, and withdrawn its charter from the University of South Dakota.
- ZETA PSI and Sigma Nu at Columbia University have given up their houses on West 114th St. and have taken suites of rooms in Hartley Hall on the campus. The rooms are corner sections overlooking South Field. Each fraternity has contracted for a period of three years. Alterations have been made providing one large living or lounge

room. This new plan is being watched by other fraternities at Columbia, and they seem to sense the fact that houses will pass at Columbia and the dormitory set become the logical and almost universal plan as time goes on. A number of fraternities have given up their charters at this university. Zeta Psi and Sigma Nu seem to be enthusiastic over their newer arrangements.

- BETA THETA PI is preparing to place a chapter at Lawrence College, Appleton, Wisconsin, where Phi Delta Theta recently revived a charter and Delta Tau Delta placed a new one. Other fraternities there are Phi Kappa Tau and Sigma Phi Epsilon. Beta Theta Pi is also being petitioned by a local society at British Columbia University.
- At the recent Grand Chapter, Sigma Nu, two petitions were placed on the list for final inspection: Toronto University, Canada, and Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida.
- SIGMA DELTA RHO has placed its Iota chapter at Tri State College, Angola, Indiana, where Alpha Kappa Pi is being petitioned for charter privileges.
- OCTOBER 10, 1935, and at the St. Paul's Chapel, Columbia University, Memorial Services were conducted for Mr. Arthur Freeland, former General Secretary of the Delta Phi Fraternity. Chaplain Knox was in charge of these services and they were attended by representatives of all the national fraternities, as well as the members of the Delta Phi. During mid-summer Mr. Freeland was killed when his automobile skidded and went over an embankment some miles north of New York City. Mr. Freeland stood high in the councils of his own fraternity and was esteemed sincerely by men in all the fraternal orders. His death brought a distinct loss to Delta Phi and all the kindred orders.
- PHI MU DELTA has placed a chapter at Tufts College and meets with Zeta Psi, Theta Delta Chi, Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Upsilon, Delta Tau Delta, Beta Kappa, Alpha Kappa Pi.

Great Fraternity Leader Passes On

A GREAT loss has come to the entire fraternity world in the recent death of Mr. George Banta, Sr. During his life time he had been a builder in Phi Delta Theta, and not there alone, but in all the fraternities willing to seek and to receive his advice and inspirational counsel. At one time he was the Grand President of Phi Delta Theta and lived to see his son, another illustrious Phi Delta Theta, hold that same position in the fraternity. At the time of his death, at his home in Menasha, Wisconsin, Mr. Banta was the head of the George Banta Publishing Co. Alpha Kappa Pi has lost a true friend and a great benefactor. He believed in Alpha Kappa Pi and Alpha Kappa Pi believed in him. It will be many years before his like will color, so humanly and splendidly, the fraternity life of this nation.



GEORGE BANTA, SR.

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Arrangements have been completed with the L. G. Balfour Company, official jewelers to the Alpha Kappa Pi Fraternity, whereby their representatives will hereafter present official cards, bearing the signature of the Grand Treasurer, to permit them to display in the chapter houses of the Fraternity.

The purpose of this plan is two-fold. First, it will give each chapter a legitimate excuse to refuse the numerous requests received from many different sources for entry into the chapter house, which

waste valuable time and frequently are of annoyance to the members of the organization.

Second, the plan will definitely protect you and the Fraternity with respect to quality. Under contract our official jeweler guarantees his products without reservation or exception, and you can make necessary purchases with the assurance that you will be fully protected.

Your assistance in making this plan a success will be of mutual benefit to your chapter, the Fraternity, and the official jeweler.



CHAPTER NEWS

Alpha-N. C. E.

Alpha chapter extends to all the brothers of Alpha Kappa Pi its sincere wishes for a successful year.

The brothers have once again returned to college, and plans are being made for a bigger Alpha year. A promising group of freshmen is in school this year, and when the time for pledging arrives Alpha will have its full quota of prospectives.

Alpha has two new members who were initiated at the end of the last school year. Pledges Heizer and Gill were informally initiated May 18 at Lew Connor's summer place on the banks of the Shrewsbury. Their formal initiation was held on May 31, and the brothers adjourned to the Fulton Towers Restaurant for the annual installation banquet. Dick Amberg was elected president; Jack Hanle, vice-president; Bill Haythorne, secretary; Roy Cleveland, treasurer; Howard Wilkinsen, chaplain; Jack Connell, historian; Bill Andresen, sentinel; and John Taska, house manager, a new office originated for the purpose of taking the responsibility of running the house.

A party was held during the summer vacation at the house with Brother Amberg at the helm as chairman. Plans are now underway for a party for the prospective members. Brother Labiaux is chairman, and he is in high hopes of having a Monte Carlo party. A party of this kind was held last year, and it was a huge success.

The brothers are now looking forward to the coming fraternity football season. Last year the boys emerged victorious over two other fraternities in college, and this year another championship team is expected.

JOHN A. CONNELL

Delta-Brooklyn Poly

Delta chapter extends its greetings to the rest of Alpha Kappa Pi. We hope you all enjoyed the summer vacation and returned to school fit as a fiddle and rarin' to go.

We started the year seriously curtailed in numbers as about half of the chapter turned out to be in the graduating class, and so left us. A couple of others found work more interesting and so dropped out. However, the rest of us are undaunted and expect to have one of the most suc-

cessful seasons we've ever known as there is an unusually promising Freshman class from which to pick, and we are working hard on them. We expect to have an initiation before November and bolster our number then.

We're planning on a dance for October 26. It will be the second of a series of annual fall dances, the first of which was held last year and met with huge success. Again it will be held in the Casino-in-the-Air, atop the Hotel Montclair. The Orchestra will be Wes Oliver and his Vikings. We're planning to beat the rest of the school and hold the first dance of the season. We have every indication that the dance will be the first and set a good example for the rest.

Delta spent its vacation in a variety of ways. The most popular diversion was seafaring. Brother Penfold toured around the world as a radio operator. Brother Weiler became so engrossed in piloting in N.Y. harbor that he dropped from school. Pledge Luxton sweated in the engine room of a coastal steamer. Several others were employed while a few of us loafed. Some of the loafers were prevailed upon to clean up the house, so when we returned to school this fall we found everything as neat as a pin. In fact, no one could accuse Delta of spending a lazy summer.

Engineers are notoriously short of time, and Poly students are no exception to the rule. So we'd better call it a day and get back to the slap-sticks and B.T.U's. Best wishes from Delta for a highly successful season.

J. C. VAIDEN

Iota—Mount Union

Pledged: George Cukro, New York City; Walter Haas, New Waterford, Ohio; Nelson Piller, Chicago, Ill.; Max Talkington, Bowerston, Ohio; Foster Monti, Alliance, Ohio; Fred Hofer, Homeworth, Ohio.

Well, we are in the midst of rushing season. Every meal we have three or four freshman prospects with us and every evening we take a few out to show them Iota chapter's social side.

There are not many of us back. For the present there are four of us in the house and we are running a great four-man fraternity and rushing crew. We are going to hold an initiation soon, and before the next month is over we expect the number living at the house doubled.

We are pledging quite a bit of football material; in fact, every man we have pledged so far, at this writing, is going out for freshman football and expects to make good. We are getting our men together for the volleyball intramurals with the other fraternities and we expect to win the series this year.

Our last year's graduating class has been very



IOTA CHAPTER RETURNS TO ITS OLD HOME AFTER A FEW YEARS OFF THE CAMPUS. THE HOUSE AND YARD TOWARD EVENING.

successful in securing jobs and in getting to do graduate work. Going away to school we have Frank Leyda (Syracuse), Robert Ferner (Purdue), and Ted Earl (Long Island Med. School). Ferner pulled down a grade in the upper 3% in a U. S. Government Physics test recently. He was one of our better students. Brothers Brady, Thacker, and Fairless are employed at the Goodyear Rubber Co., a manufacturing plant in Canton, and the Republic Steel Corp. in Massillon, respectively.

Our brother, Ennio Giusti, has made himself quite notorious, I may even say famous, during the summer, by coining words for Mussolini. If Mr. Mussolini had accepted ten of his words he would have gotten a free four year University scholarship in Italy, but he only accepted six. I'll bet Ennio is burned up. You see Mussolini is Italicizing the Italian language, that is, removing all foreign words from the language. With Ennio's help he ought to succeed.

The best of luck to the other chapters for the present school year.

JAMES A. WEST

Lambda—Bethany

Greetings from Bethany! Here's hoping everyone had a fine vacation, and is ready to "get on the ball" again. Rushing was officially over September 26, but we are still going after a few undecided fellows. To date we have pledged Spence Adamson '39, Brownsville, Pa.; "Tan" Baber '39, Morgantown, W.Va.; Bob Berger '39, Lorain, Ohio; Ed Sparks '39, Weirton, W.Va.; Cliff Thomas and Ben Wedd both '39, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Earl Smith '39, Wheeling, W.Va. We give special mention to the pledging of Rush Carter, Acting Head of the Music Department at Bethany.

We regret to say that Nello Trotter '38, did not return this fall because of the death of his brother in a mine accident. We also miss pledges R. Sheller '36, Herb Grosick '38, and O. Storm '38. Storm, incidentally, paid us a visit September 28 and 29.

Our last prediction of what our graduates would do proved to be right all-around. The campus is beginning to believe that Hanes and Bill McIlroy are permanent fixtures about the college. Many of our former graduates will be in Bethany on October 6, as the Lambda Alumni Association will hold a meeting here on that date.

Lambda has something new! That is, new to us—and we heartily suggest it to any chapter that does not have one. Oh, yes, what is it?—a scrapbook! We now realize that it

should have been started several years ago. Nevertheless, we feel we have done justice to those neglected years in the past two weeks.

We are also making an attempt to improve our music, which we take the liberty to say, is not exactly new at Lambda. We boast a chapter song sheet with verses to sixteen national and local songs. These have been distributed to actives as well as pledges, and there are plenty left for returning alumni. We also suggest this idea to all other Alpha Kappa Pi chapters.

So we "sing a song for our Alpha Pi," and wish a first rate year to all her members.

DON McIlroy

Nu—Lehigh

Pledged: Richard White Blanchard, Port Washington, Long Island; Harold Ivo Breidenbach, Port Washington, Long Island; Philip W. Davis, Reading, Mass.; Frank Laws Jackson, Chevy Chase, Md.; Harry Tanczyn, Scranton, Pa.; Ted R. Thierry, Jr., Brooklyn, N.Y.; Peter Edward Weis, Milwaukee, Wis., all of the class of '39.

Nu chapter opened on September 8 with seventeen active members back. We are sorry to lose, by graduation, Bud Brown, now working with the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey, Dick Wilson, with the Bethlehem Steel Corp. in Buffalo, N.Y.,

and Dick Hayman, now working with Brother Sheen, Nu '31 in Philadelphia, Pa. From the energetic work these three men did while at Nu we are sure that they will succeed in their present vocations. The best of luck fellows.

We announce with genuine regret the loss of Brothers "Bill" Moran, "Charlie" Brown, and Harvey Young. Nu hopes to see these men back in

school in the near future.

Activities of the Lehigh rushing season started on Monday, September 10. During the rushing season we were pleased to welcome Brothers "Bob" Dengler and "Bud" Brown into the fold. "Bud" was fortunate in arriving at Nu on Sunday September 15. The house and its guests went to Stroudsburg, in the Poconos. We all spent a most enjoyable day playing baseball. Some of the brothers went in for a swim, to retrieve the ball. Paging Brother Gallagher!

On Saturday September 21 Nu pledged seven men. We find that the freshmen this year are a very active group. Each pledge has signified his intentions of participating in some form of activity. Harry Tanczyn is on the freshman football squad. Frank Jackson is out for assistant manager of the "frosh" footballers. "Chick" Briedenbach has found a place in both the Lehigh band and the Lehigh Collegians Dance Orchestra. By the way, have you heard that Brother Geiger was appointed director of the Lehigh Band just before the close of school last June? But to get back to the freshmen, "Chick" Briedenbach and Ted Thierry are after positions on the freshman swimming team. Frank Jackson and "Ed" Weis are out to show up this fellow William Tell, and in so doing win themselves a place on the "frosh" rifle team. Harry Tanczyn will display his baseball talents next spring in hopes of landing a job with the freshman baseball organization. "Phil" Davis will try out for the first year soccer team, and last but not least, "Chick" Briedenbach, "Ed" Weis, and "Dick" Blanchard are going out for the prize sport of Lehigh, wrestling.

This spirit of participation in campus activities is to be commended. These men, we feel sure will do all in their power to keep the good name of the Alpha Kappa Pi and do much to make Nu chapter even better known on the Lehigh campus than we are now. Keep up the good work pledges and all kinds of luck to you.

Brother Wheeler was appointed senior manager of the freshman football team, and elected a member of the Brown Key Society, which is composed of the managers of all major sports.

In closing may I wish all of the brothers of Alpha Kappa Pi a prosperous and happy year. Remember, brothers, that you are always welcome at Nu. Drop in on us at any time and we will see what we can do in the way of entertainment.

J. STUART PATTERSON

Xi-North Carolina State

Xi is at work again! State College opened its doors September 18 and with the opening of school the brothers of Xi chapter, found their way back to the chapter house on Ferndell Lane. All except one of the expected brothers returned, and he will be back with us after Christmas.

"Rush week" started as soon as we arrived on the campus, and it certainly was a busy time for all. Xi entertained the rushees with a dinner, dance,

and several smokers.

After "Rush Week" and "Silent Period" we brothers inquired at the Dean's office and found that the following men had accepted our bids and were to become pledges of Xi of Alpha Kappa Pi: Hubert Knott of Oxford, N.C.; Edward K. Lovelace of New Bern, N.C.; Richard Parsons of Burlington, N.J.; James Bradley of Seaboard, N.C.; Thomas Rivers of Greenville, N.C.; James Keating of Woodridge, N.J.; Jack Ormand of Kings Mountains, N.C.; and Aldo Leon Livera of New York City.

On September 24, Xi initiated Arthur Boykin into the brotherhood. "Blondie," as he is generally known, is a member of the Sophomore class and

hails from Darlington, S.C.

Prospects are very bright this year for a championship intramural football team, as we have with us all but one member of the last year's squad which lost only one game, and in addition we have Jim Keating who played on the freshman team last year.

Xi's four graduates of the class of '35 have been rather lucky in obtaining positions. Carter Williams, Delta Province Chief, is working here in Raleigh for an architect; "Pop" Sauls is working in Baltimore; Vincent Ward is working in Portsmouth, Va. and Thomas Gardiner is employed in the U. S. Soil Erosion Service near Burlington, N.C.

In closing the members of Xi wish their brothers a very successful school year.

HERBERT R. DENTON

Omicron—Penn State

Pledged: John N. VanKirk, Pittsburgh; Ray Thompson, Coraopolis; Frank O. Donaldson, Jr., Aldan; Fred S. Karn, Pittsburgh; William C. Faust, Waynesboro; Warren E. Oliver, Kingston; Gordan S. Thomas, Waynesboro; Blaine Stockton, Columbus; Curtis Yamas, Philadelphia; Walter L. Jensen, Ginter; Charles E. Palmer, Cresson; William G. Slocum, Taylor; and Arthur J. Hicks, Jr., Prospect Park, all of the class of '39.

September 23 marked another step in the progress of Omicron chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi. Thirteen freshmen signified their choice of Alpha Kappa Pi by appearing for dinner on the aforementioned night. Feature events of Omicron's rush-

ing season were speeches by Bill Jeffries, State's soccer coach; an education address by Robert Dengler, head of the Classic Language Department; and excellent entertainment of accordian selections played by "Johnny" Renaldo, of Penn State. On September 21 approximately thirty Alpha Kappa Pis and rushees went out to the mountain and had a cabin party. Thirty-two gallons of cider and two cans of pretzels were consumed.

Byron "Jack" Horner, graduate of Bethany College and Yale dropped in and stayed as our guests. Jack, a former brother in Lambda chapter, will remain in town and do graduate work in Horticul-

ture.

Omicron deeply regrets that Edward Lewis, Norwood; Leon McIntyre, Six Mile Run; John VanDevender, Shamokin; and Paul Noll did not return to State this year. Eddie is undertaking to learn the funeral business, "Snuffy" is learning to yank teeth down at Temple, Johnny has a serious illness in the family, while "Alpheus" is en-

deavoring to become a crooner.

Pledges Karn and Stockton are leading the way for freshmen this year. Freddie is out for cross-country, while the "Senator" is endeavoring to knock scenery together for the Penn State Players' production, *The Last Mile*. Donaldson and Faust are candidates for the Freshman R.O.T.C. Band. Frank flutes the clarinet, and Bill is a well-known while on the trumpet. Frank is also out for the technical staff of the Thespians, Penn State's widely-known producers of musical comedies.

Other brothers engaged in activities are: Heckendorn, basketball; Osterlund, soccer; and Kutzer, publicity agent on the technical staff of

the Penn State Players.

At present Omicron is shaping up what material they have, for excellent chances in the intramural football league. Daily practice is conducted out in the backyard under the tutelage of "Tub" Sherer.

JOHN H. OESCHGER

Rho-Rutgers

Pledged: John Backes, Paterson, N.J.; Walker Bickel, Hillside, N.J.; Robert Deicke, Teaneck, N.J.; Randall B. Dodge, Red Bank, N.J.; Robert Jobbins, New Brunswick, N.J.; John Johnston, Haddon Heights, N.J.; Douglas Lott, Woodcliffe, N.J.; Alfred Van Hoven, Maywood, N.J.; Thomas Reichelderfer, Ocean Grove, N.J.; Fred Prosser, Hasbrouck Heights, N.J.

Returning from farm, camp, and sea-side, with bronzed faces, bulging muscles, and beaming good health, the brothers of Rho met in solemn conclave on September 14 to discuss the "ins and outs" of pledging. They vowed to put over a successful missionary campaign in the welter of rushing and intense competition. Sacrifices were made, hours lost in helter-skelter activity, but the net result

was a warm satisfaction, new friendships, the renaissance of fraternal spirit, and ten fine pledge members. We feel sure that they have started off their college career on the right foot, and will find a fruitful four years with "the gang."



BILL COLLINS and JOHN DESCHU, both Rho '36, secretary and chancellor respectively of Alpha Zeta, honorary agricultural fraternity.

We have another piece of good news in the certainty of Pledge Robert Nanz '37 becoming a brother within the next few weeks. Bob is majoring in chemistry and finds time from the lure of the lab to toot a sliding trombone in the college band.

But fate is not always so kind. The tricks of fortune have taken from us four valuable men—two brothers and two pledges. Brother George Muensch '37 has transferred to Georgetown where he will learn the gentle art of painless jaw-breaking. Brother John Neubert '38 has retired into civil life up in Rhode Island. Pledges Randolph Milnes '37 and Robert Angevine '38 have found it necessary to desert, "Randy" to throw himself on the mercies of Duke University and Bob to tilt at the business wind-mill. These men carry with them our best wishes and remembrance.

It is pleasant to announce that at even this early date Rho is actively raising dust on the campus. "Beanie" Gordon, president of Scarlet Key, has been worrying himself with the society's annual dance. Only the other day he disturbed the whole school with his ancient vegetable-carrying Ford, bearing a drummer, a trumpeter, and gaudy posters advertising the "brawl."

"Bunny" Bill Collins has just been elected secretary of the Alpha Zeta Society, honorary agricultural fraternity. Bill is also president of the Ag Club, "a dern good gang, by heck." With Brother John Deschu as president of Alpha Zeta, it is readily seen that Rho has the farm situation well in hand.

Well, along with you other Alpha Kaps, we're looking forward to the best year ever. We feel that the job of training our new associates into real college men will serve to bind us together even more firmly; for a common task and a common end make for real solidarity. A good year brothers, to you all.

WILLIAM H. SCHMIDT

Sigma—Illinois

Pledged: Richard Petrasek, Chicago; Miles Bielek, Chicago; Rudolph Hulka, Chicago; Rudolph Mubi, Chicago; Benjamin Wodyizo, Chicago; James Bonla, Chicago; William Farrimond, East St. Louis; Ovid Ruhman, Belleville; John Vinik, Jr., Chicago; Edward Frost, Jr., Chicago; Chester Rutherford, Mount Vernon; James Rutherford, Mount Vernon; Warren Schmalanberger, Belleville; William Andrews, Mount Vernon.

Salutation brothers! Greetings to be sure. All the brothers of Sigma chapter are now tasting success in the full measure for we have returned this semester as one of the outstanding fraternities on the campus of the University of Illinois. We owe our success to the diligent work of our eight returning brothers, William Brubaker, Charles Bain, James Havel, John Tockstein, Lester Johnson, Willis Lynch, Stanley Ryden, and Ray Costabile, who returned to the campus a week before the rushing period and redecorated our chapter house. The house was occupied during the summer months by our president, Lester Johnson, and pledge, Ovid Ruhman, who kept the landscape in fine condition. Our red brick front, however, was covered with clining vines which tended to cover the windows. These were carefully trimmed and the window casings painted white. The front finished, we redecorated the dining room in violet, calcimined the other rooms in cream, the bath room in buff and jade green, and revarnished the floors and woodwork. A new shower was installed along with numerous other mechanical additions.

This work inspired the members and, as a result, interest was stimulated by pride in our home, and we began to have numerous rushing parties. Rushees were taken for airplane rides, escorted to shows and taverns, and in all were shown a very good time. The outcome of one rushing week netted fourteen choice men who we are certain will become assets to Alpha Kappa Pi. We have room for two more pledges and then our house quota will be filled.

Our athletic spotlights are also beginning to show, for pledge John Vinik has reported for

soccer practice, Ray Constable is also a candidate for the team, while William Andrews is quite a baseball player.

Sigma is anticipating another game of soccer with Penn State for the players here enjoyed their last visit. How about it brothers? Is Doc Creasy still manager?

RAY C. COSTABILE

Tau-Tufts

Greetings and salutations, brothers and fellow paint swabbers. May God grace your fraternal hearts with new hope and strength for the coming (or perhaps past) rushing season. The restricted rushing here at Tufts began September 23 and classes began the 24th, and between the two, we have been forced to tear out what hair on our heads had not already turned gray.

The watchword here at Tau during the week prior to rushing was "Turpentine and Liniment." Between football and paint, the brothers were showing new and better battle scars every day.

We have had eleven pledges and brothers going thru the annual grunt and groan campaign for varsity football positions. Paul Bretanes, holder of the college javelin record, should make a bruising tackle, and cause plenty of trouble to opponents. If linemen Chubby Grates, Joe Palmieri, Whitney Lawrence, Warren Chace and Gene Carr will open the holes, Chesy Philpott and Lou Abdu say that they would gladly plant that over-grown walnut over the last white marker. President Lou Ranieri should be a bulwark of strength and ability at the center position.

Jack (Bing Crosby's only rival) Murray was seen after a nice gain off tackle, looking sadder than a turkey on Thanksgiving Eve. Said a bystander to Bing, "Why so sad, that was a peach of a gain?"

"I know, I know," replied Bing, "but that was

a TOUCHDOWN play."

Brothers Hay and Crowley are now disputing Lavoisier's conception of the law of conservation of matter. Their hypothesis is based chiefly on conditions found here in the house when we first arrived back from vacation. They can readily understand where the dirt goes to ultimately, but they would desire to know where in the name of Beelzebub it all comes from. We pause to remind our president, Lou Ranieri, that his outbursts of energy should be confined to breaking the opposing center's skull or some less gentle sport than attempting to change the house's floor plan. Not long ago, Lou marked an X on the wall in his room and then proceeded to imagine an opponent pigskin passer crouched there. Unfortunately, Lou's head proved harder than the plaster, and the call was sent out for a plasterer and paper hanger.

Sophomore Lou Veilleux has besides a very severe case of lumbago from washing ceilings, the smartest room in the house and he is now engaged in preventing his room-mate from pounding holes in the new wall paper. It appears that the culprit, Bill Errgong, just cannot wait until wrestling season before he reverts to feats of physical prowess. There is, however, a tinge of sadness creeping into Brother Errgong's life. He, in his official capacity as head waiter along with Brother Crowley, complains that he has fallen victim to an acute attack of "Dishpan Hands."

Brother Chace, most unworthy treasurer, walks around the house haunting everybody, he in turn being haunted by most unworthy bills. He also has the courage to pin over his desk the following epitaph. "The world is coming to an end. Pay now, we don't want to chase you all over Hades."

J. EDWARD CROWLEY

Phi-St. John's

We open our new school year here at Phi with nine active members and eleven pledges returning to college. We regret to say that Pledges Bond and McLaren did not return to school this year. It is expected that we will have the pleasure of introducing quite a few new members to you in the near future.

Brother Eccleston is our President for the coming year and we are looking forward to having a most successful year under his leadership. We expect to hold our rushing season during the first week in December and Phi hopes to have a long list of pledges in the next issue of the Alpha.

At the present time we have a full house and the prospect of having a new one before the end of the year. During the summer the college had the interior of our chapter house renovated and thus we will have a much more pleasant stay at our present residence. We expect the improved appearance of our house will help us materially in our rushing.

During our first week at school, we were pleased to have three of our alumni drop in for a short visit. Brothers Lingo and Jund and Pledge Peterson were the welcome visitors. Kay Jund is a racing driver and is touring the country, racing on the dirt tracks. We don't know just what Joe Lingo is doing but Pete is a successful salesman. We are expecting a visit from Brother Weeks some time soon and are looking forward with pleasure to seeing Hank.

The fellows down here at Phi are proud to announce that among the fraternities here at St. John's we hold second place in the scholarship standing. We are aiming to improve this record during the coming year.

Brother Eccleston is senior manager of football this year and Brother Lusby is the assistant manager. The office of Manager of Intramural Sports is held by Brother Gessner. The college band is still capably managed by Brother Waters. Brother Kopp is a member of the varsity football squad. The only letter winner who returned to college is

Brother Kibler. He holds a letter in varsity lacrosse. Brothers Waters, Gessner and Eccleston are members of the Orange and Black Society. Pledge Boeris is a member of the college symphony orchestra and Brother Bradley is a member of the band. Pledge Grace is a member of the Cotillion Board.

Having been back at St. John's only one week, things are still rather unsettled and so we are hoping to have a bigger and better news letter the next time.

Phi chapter extends its greetings to all the brothers and best wishes for a most happy and successful year.

JAMES P. BRADLEY

Psi-West Virginia Wesleyan

College days are here again and with a big majority of the brothers and pledges back again this



Roy W. REGER, Psi '36 Chapter President

year, we will again be first among the fraternities on this campus. At the present time we have seventeen members living in the house and have great hopes of filling the house in another week or two.

The chapter officers who were elected last spring for the year 1935-36 are as follows: president, Roy W. Reger; vice-president, Woodrow J. Burton; secretary, Edmond Tucker; treasurer, Melvin Mathes; assistant-treasurer, William Schwartz; marshall, William Bupp; chaplain, George Shahan; sentinel, Roy Bachtel; archivist, Lewis Morgan; historian, James Walker.

Brother Edmund Tucker did not return to school this year until a couple of weeks after school opened. He was delayed because he was accompanying his father on a hunting expedition out west. Needless to say, "Big Game Hunter" Tucker returned with his usual number of tall stories for

the bull sessions. Brother Jim Thornhill was employed by the state and also returned to school late. Glancing at our chapter roll we find 17 actives and 18 pledges returning to Wesleyan's beautiful campus. With such a bunch of new fellows to start a new year, we hope to go places again this year.

At the end of the last school year the scholar-ship key was presented to Al Crane, and the activity key was presented to Nick Cody, chapter president for the year 1934-35. Jack LaBay was initiated into the brotherhood of Alpha Kappa Pi at the end of last school year. This year Brother LaBay was an unanimous choice as house manager. Brother LaBay is a three letter man at Wesleyan. He has won letters in football, basketball, and track.

Psi is as usual well-represented in football at Wesleyan. Brothers Bachtel, Burton, LaBay, pledges, Gilmore, Branchik, Van Hyning, and Coleman have all given good account of themselves in the games played so far. Brother Burton was appointed captain for the annual West Vir-

ginia University game.

Psi chapter is very proud of their house for this year. During the summer it was painted white and several repairs were made both inside the house and outside. Plans are now being seriously considered for remodeling a large two story barn on the house property. The plans are to devote the entire first floor to a club room and to build two rooms and a bath on the second floor. If this can be done it will enable the house to provide for twenty two men, and it will give an extra living room downstairs. Psi has great hopes of having it built in the near future.

We recently had the pleasure of entertaining Frank J. Widney of Omicron chapter, and we wish him much success in dental school. Former president, Nick Cody, visited Psi the week-end of September 22. Brother Cody is now employed as a chemical engineer by the DuPont Co. Brothers Bachtel '34, Howell '35, Rogerson '35, Lowry '34, and province chief, Jack Rafeld '32, attended the Wesleyan-West Virginia University football game

this year.

Members of Psi spent their summer vacations in many different ways. Brothers Schwartz carried mail for Uncle Sam, Morgan helped build a motorboat and demonstrate its fine points to the fair sex, LaBay, Bachtel, and Branchik engaged in some sort of recreation and work to keep them in condition for football, Mathes was a member of the staff of a boys camp, Reger supervised the publication of a catalog for a wholesale house and traveled quite a bit during the week ends, and McChesney sold magazines and visited some members of Psi.

When Brother Hudson left us last winter to join the sports department of a Charleston, W.Va., paper, we knew he would make good at it. Just recently we were very much surprised to hear him

talking over the radio between quarters of a football game in Charleston commenting on the game. So, brothers, if you wish to hear a brother of Alpha Kappa Pi speak over the radio tune in WCHS (if you can get it) almost any Saturday afternoon and listen to Brother Hudson.

Due to the fact that rushing season will not be held here until the last of October or the first of November, it is impossible to give any information concerning new pledges, although we feel that we will be as successful as ever before in securing

a large number of A-1 pledges.

The men on the social committee have been working over time and have many of their plans complete for Psi winter formal dance. It will be held Saturday, January 11, if it does not interfere with the basketball schedule which has not been released as yet. Plans are being made to honor the new pledges with a dance late this fall, possibly in November.

Pledges Charles Ward and Dale Van Hyning will be initiated into Alpha Kappa Pi by Psi chapter on October 15, 1935. Pledges Ward and Van Hyning are good students and take part in many campus activities. Van Hyning is on the football team for his second year, and Ward has played one year of college tennis."

Psi extends it best wishes to all chapters of Alpha Kappa Pi for a very successful year, and will welcome any brother with open arms who may

visit Buckhannon.

JAMES WALKER

Alpha Alpha-Hartwick

The Hartwick chapter men celebrated a reunion in Oneonta as the first regular meeting of the school year. This was not a very solemn occasion because a large number of the fellows had only recently ended their annual week's camping trip in the Adirondack Mountains. Highlights of the camp life were Arthur Mayo's coming out party, moonlight serenades and early morning sprees in the penny arcade plus a fast ride in a rowboat with Don at the oars, on which occasion some small dampness entered the boat. There was also plenty of soaking; plus many intellectual feuds and counter feuds around the campfire. The party went pugilistic one day and visited Maxie Baer at his Speculator, N.Y. hangout.

Five out of six of our men who graduated in '35 are studying in advanced colleges. Two are studying in Hartwick Seminary, one in Boston University, one at Syracuse University and one at Mt. Airy Seminary in Philadelphia. The sixth is working at publicity with the Unadilla Silo Company. The alumni members are profiting very much from the national scope of our organization. One of them spent the summer at the Alpha Kappa Pi house at Brooklyn Poly, and one of them is plan-

ning to join the Boston Alumni chapter.

WALTER A. OLSEN

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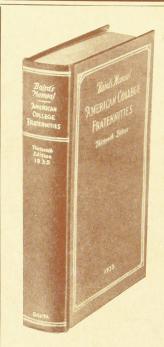
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