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The Fraternity Criteria



"WE CONSIDER the fraternity responsible for a positive contribution to the primary functions of the colleges and universities, and therefore under an obligation to encourage the most complete personal development of its members, intellectual, physical, and social.

"Therefore we declare:

"1. That the objectives and the activities of the fraternity should be in entire accord with the aims and purposes of the institutions at which it has chapters.

"2. That the primary loyalty and the responsibility of a student in his relations with his institution are to the institution, and that the association of any group of students as a chapter of a fraternity involves the definite responsibility of the group for the conduct of the individual.

"3. That the fraternity should promote conduct consistent with good morals and good taste.

"4. That the fraternity should create an atmosphere which will stimulate substantial intellectual progress and superior intellectual achievement.

"5. That the fraternity should maintain sanitary, safe, and wholesome physical conditions in the chapter house.

"6. That the fraternity should inculcate principles of sound business practice both in the chapter finances and in the business relations of its members."

The Alpha of Alpha Kappa Pi

Your Attention, Please

■ YOUR Editor attended the National Interfraternity Conference in November and was quite impressed with the emphasis placed upon the Fraternity Criteria adopted last year. It is our opinion that very few chapters in Alpha Kappa Pi realize that the Criteria are a statement of fundamental principle and will in time be looked upon as a Bill of Rights or Magna Charta for all fraternities. When fraternities have been in existence for a hundred years or more it is naturally quite impossible to expect that such a statement of principle at this time could become a part of every fraternity man's creed. That it will in the future we have no doubt. As every schoolboy is taught the relationship between the Federal and State Governments as set forth in the United States Constitution, so will all fraternity men absorb in their pledge training and fraternity orientation the relationship between college and fraternity as set forth in the Fraternity Criteria. The Fraternity Criteria are printed on the inside of the front cover of this issue. Read them, and then turn to the account of the Interfraternity Conference and put into practice Mr. Baily's four-point program (bottom of page 43) for making these principles the background of your fraternity life and conduct.

■ THE ALPHA welcomes Alpha Beta chapter into the dominion of Alpha Kappa Pi. The coöperation we have received from these new men in preparing their display in this issue merits our sincere thanks and deep confidence in their contributions to the future of Alpha Kappa Pi.

■ OUR tenth anniversary is upon us. We take this opportunity to thank all those who have contributed to THE ALPHA during that time, whether it be to the extent of submitting copy or merely of offering suggestions. THE ALPHA is your magazine and is written almost entirely by you. If you look through these pages you will

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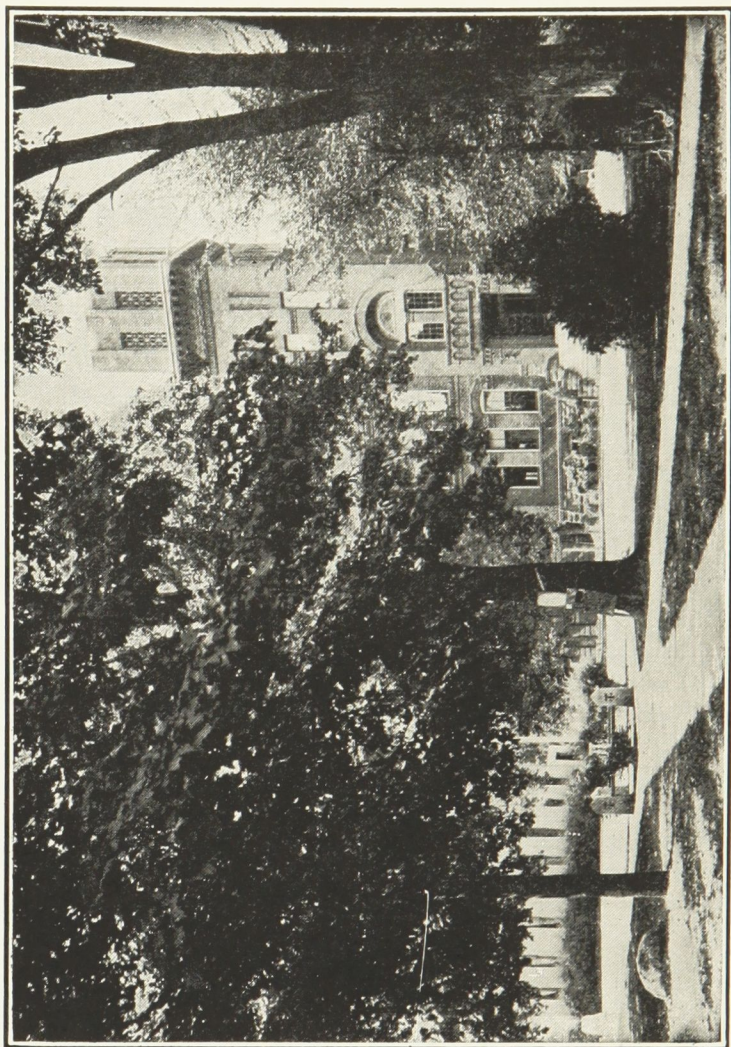
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COMMERCE AND ADMINISTRATION BUILDINGS AT TRI-STATE COLLEGE



The ALPHA of Alpha Kappa Pi



Alpha Kappa Pi Goes to Tri-State

Splendid Program Features Installation of Alpha Beta Chapter

Tri-State College

By FRANK H. HAGEMAN, *Alpha Beta '37*

■ TRI-STATE College, at Angola, in the northern part of Indiana, is perhaps unique in the program to which it adheres in the offering of degrees, in both the Commercial and Engineering fields, upon completion of a somewhat shorter period of study than the average college requires. An examination of the courses offered shows them to be distinguished alike for what they embrace and what they omit. The essentials such as mathematics, technical theory and other closely related subjects are stressed in both the engineering and commercial courses. Foreign languages, Ancient History and other purely academic subjects which are classed as non-essential to the trained technician, are omitted. This is, of course, a saving of both time and money to the student and has met with a decided response from that type of manhood, anxious to regain lost ground and time.

It may be well to include, for the benefit of those of our readers who may not be too well versed on the background of this institution, a résumé of its history, citing along the way one or two of the struggles it has won in order to arrive at the position of recognition which it now enjoys with the Department of the Interior, being listed on that depart-

ment's directory as an officially accredited educational institution.

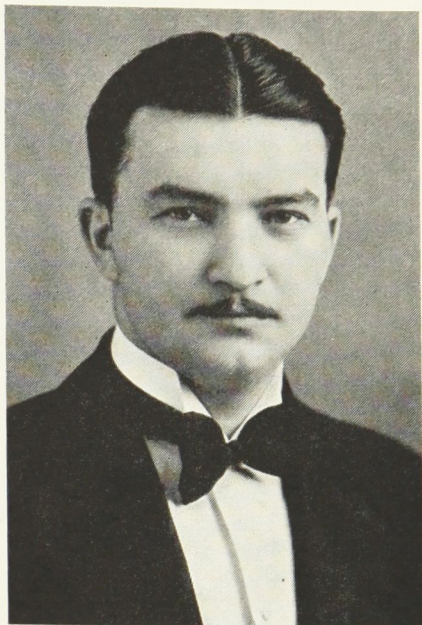
Fifty-one years ago last summer a group of progressively minded citizens of Angola subscribed to a fund for the erection and founding of an institution of higher learning to be located in that town. A meeting of the group was called on July 25, 1883 and the organization was perfected with Dr. H. D. Wood as President and various other well known members of representative families functioning in the other offices and on the Board of Directors.

Within a short time a plot of some six acres of ground was obtained, situated in the southwest part of town and previously used as a potato patch. In the fall of the same year, construction on a large frame building (now known as the Commercial Building) was started and the following Spring, a large three story building was erected slightly to the west of the former site, to be used as a dormitory and boarding hall.

The School was formally opened on June 17, 1884 with a registered enrollment of forty students. This had been increased to nearly two hundred before the close of the year.

In 1885 Professor Littleton M. Sniff was called from the Northern Ohio University at Ada and accepted the position of president which he filled with great credit until the

year 1923. He brought with him Professor L. W. Fairfield and jointly they impressed themselves deeply upon the "being" of the College, and to them is due the credit of nursing it through the precarious days of its in-



FRANCIS L. JOHNSON, *Alpha Beta '36*
First President of Alpha Beta Chapter

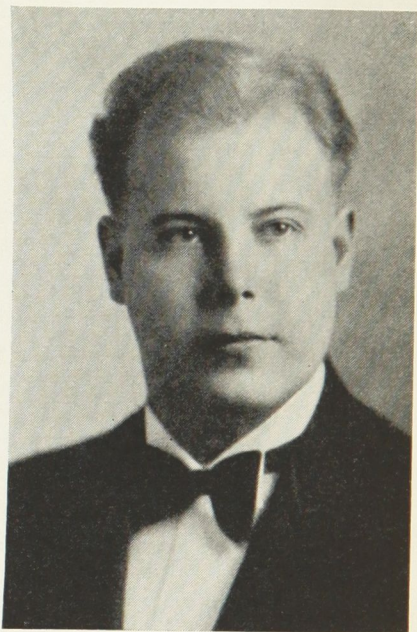
fancy to an institution of substantial standing and great usefulness. The close of the year 1885 saw the school with an increased enrollment totalling 372 students.

In 1886 certain beautification programs were undertaken. The college grounds were graded and the trees planted from which the student of today reaps much in the way of beauty and cool, restful shade during the hot months of the Summer Session. The expenses contingent upon the undertaking of this work were borne by the contributions of public spirited citizens of Angola.

Early in the year 1887, the management of the College was transferred from the "College Association" to members of the faculty, who agreed to assume complete responsibility for the outstanding indebtedness and to erect a large brick building. This building, erected during the year, was a large impressive edifice known for so many years as

the Main or Administration building, which was the center of college activities for more than forty years. The school continued to progress favorably and attracted large numbers of students from northern Indiana and northwestern Ohio.

Originally established as Tri-State Normal College, the training of teachers was the prime purpose of the institution. With the low cost of tuition many young people of poor financial circumstances gained an education here by "working their way" through school. Hence students of determined purpose have been drawn to the school from all states of the Union and many foreign countries, and it has been this type of individual that has predominantly characterized the enrollment. Many of the graduates have gone out into fields of large usefulness and pre-eminent success.



ROY M. ERLANDSON, *Alpha Beta '35*
Leader in Nationalization Work and now
Honorary President of Alpha Beta

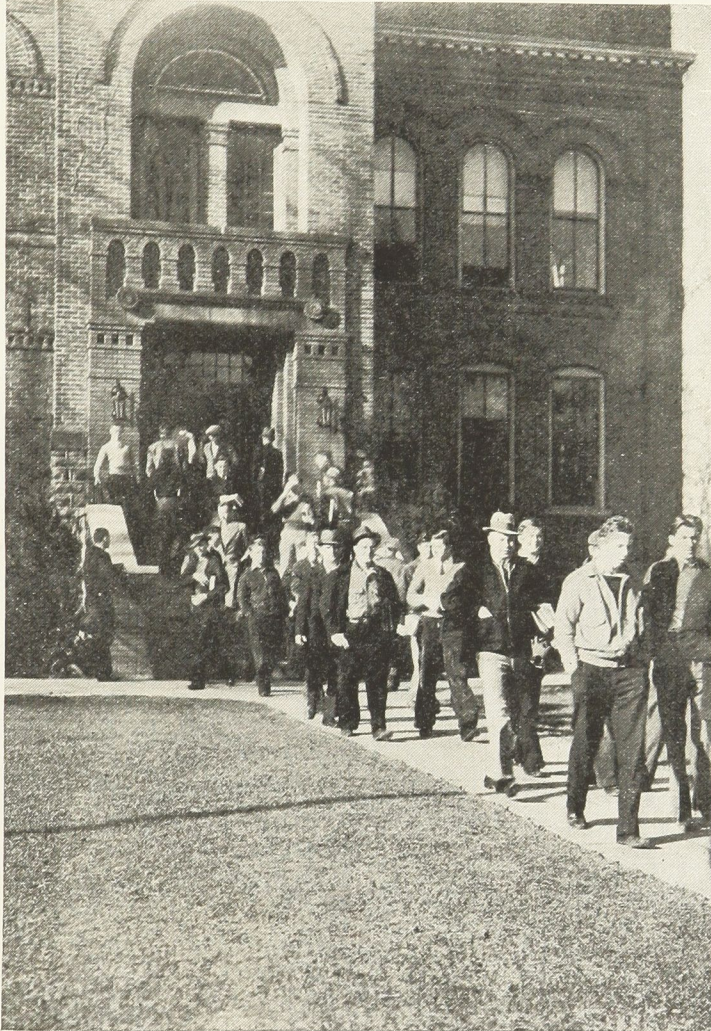
In 1903 George G. Nichous, a graduate of Purdue University, came to the college and was placed in charge of mathematics and engineering. This marked the beginning of what became the School of Engineering, now

the most important portion of the institution. This phase of development expanded until it now includes departments in Mechanical, Civil, Chemical, Electrical, Radio and Aeronautical engineering.

In 1904 a library and reading room were

changed from Tri-State Normal College to Tri-State College by which it has been known ever since.

In 1907 the citizens of Angola raised by popular subscription, \$35,000.00 which was used in the construction of the large Engi-



ENTRANCE TO ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

established, the nucleus of which came from the libraries maintained by two flourishing literary societies. To this nucleus has been added many valuable volumes until the present library with its subscriptions to current magazines and newspapers is an important part of the institution.

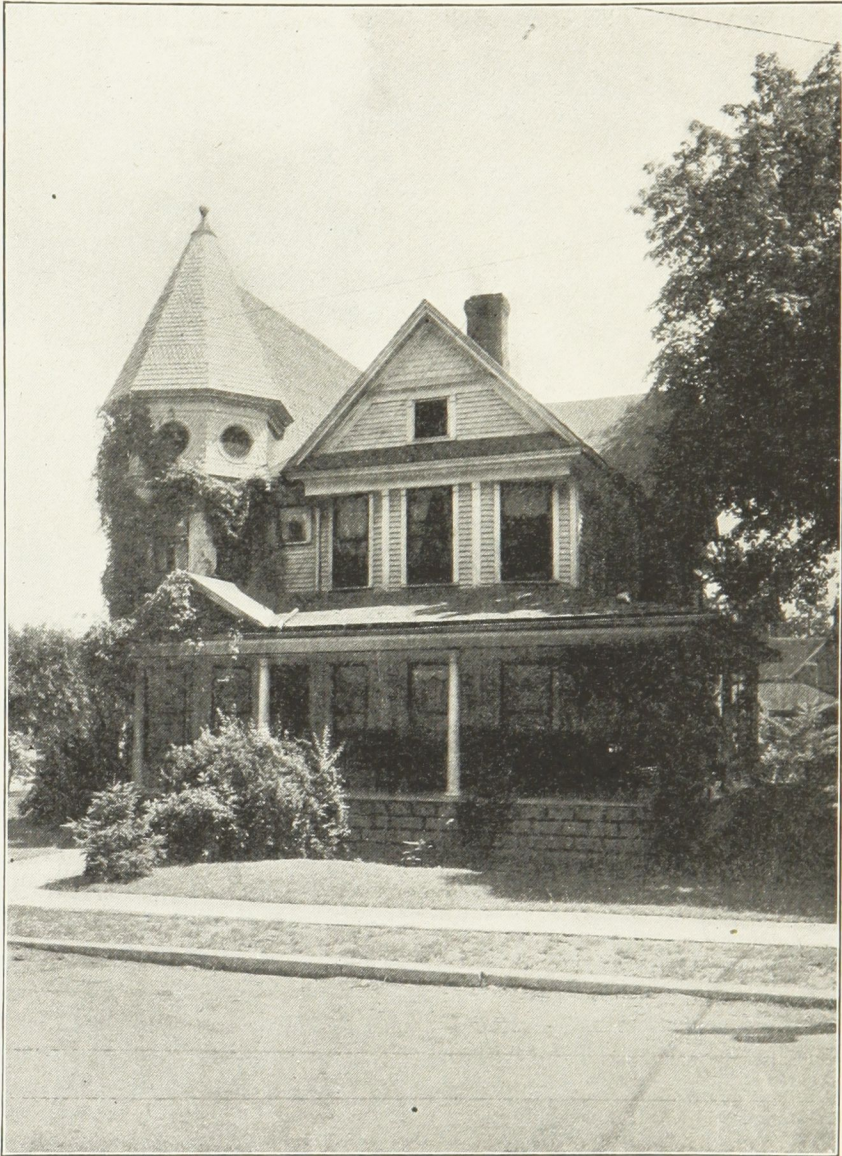
In 1906 the name of the school was

neering building to relieve the other buildings then crowded by the growing needs of other departments. The year 1927 saw the re-organization of the School of Commerce which, in the beginning, had its inception in the successful Business Department conducted by Professor Kircher. This department now offers a two year course in Business Adminis-

tration and Accounting, besides Secretarial and Stenographic courses.

In May of 1930 a disastrous fire ruined the third story of the imposing Administration

ing was erected west of the main building, the second story of which is a modern auditorium for college assemblies and various activities of a dramatic and musical nature.



ALPHA BETA CHAPTER HOUSE
415 W. Gilmore St., Angola, Indiana

Building. The College owners assumed the burden of the loss and restored the building to a two story and basement structure now used to house the Executive Offices, Library, classrooms and Aeronautical and Physics Laboratories. A Mechanical engineering build-

The attendance at the College has steadily increased until at the present time it numbers considerably over a thousand students.

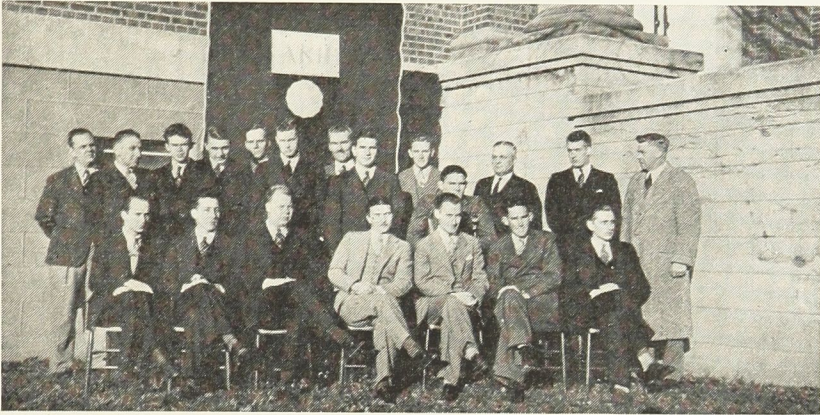
The appearance of the campus has improved with the passage of time. The trees planted by the founders have grown to stately

size; shrubbery beautifies the grounds and a veritable network of concrete walks now connect the ivy covered buildings. Residences which house the various student clubs border the campus on three sides.

The literary societies of the "Old College" were later succeeded by the Engineering Society, Commercial Club and the Chemical

lus, which compares most favorably in subject content and artistic design with the best college annuals published.

The passage of time has effected many changes both in personnel and in the types of training offered. It is a well known fact that to stand still is to retrogress and the college has been fortunate in that it has always



ALPHA BETA CHAPTER

Sitting, left to right: Hageman, Boudman, Erlandson, Johnson, Krebs, McCormick, Rice.

Standing: Gregory, Faulkerson, Heller, Pigman, Holt, Boden, Hardy, Dreher, Emerson, O'Hara, Alwood, Dixon, Summers.

Society. Along with this change came the development of the various college clubs, later taken over by national and local fraternal organizations. The fraternities making their appearance on the campus at this time were, Alpha chapter of Sigma Mu Sigma, Delta chapter of Beta Phi Theta, Iota chapter of Phi Iota Alpha, Kappa chapter of Delta Kappa Phi, Beta chapter of Sigma Kappa Epsilon, Phi Delta Rho and Phi Lambda Tau later Eta chapter of Alpha Delta Alpha.

The college has always maintained an interest in the drama and sponsors an active Dramatic Club under the able guidance of Charles Edwin Shank. Productions, which are of a high order of merit, are staged at Christmas, Easter, Commencement and "Stunt night."

A student edited college newspaper, *The Kismet*, issued fortnightly, deals fully with the news activities of the campus. The senior class edits a year book entitled *The Modu-*

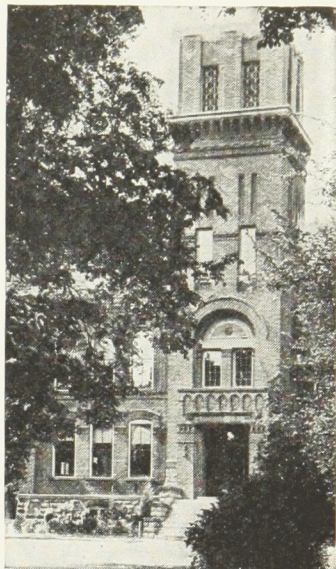
had most able and inspiring leadership. The faculty and Board of Governors down the years have always considered it their privilege to repledge themselves in unselfish service and unswerving loyalty to the fine examples of leadership which have gone on before, and, retiring, have flung to their successors the torch to the end that they in their turn might continue to serve the younger generations of the nation as well in the future as had been done in the past. "Be it theirs to hold it high."

History of Alpha Delta Alpha

■ THE EVE of March 31, 1924, marked the birth of a new fraternal organization at Tri-State College, Angola, Indiana. This order was composed of seven students of Tri-State College who were also members of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. A constitution and set of by-laws were drafted. The State of Indiana granted a charter, under

the name of Phi Lambda Tau, on April 10, 1925.

Due to existing conditions the new order was harbored under the wings of the local lodge of I. O. O. F. to the extent of meeting in their building. During the month of August, 1927, the chapter was reorganized,



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but still maintained the well established platform on which its founders meant it to rest.

A well developed constitution was the keystone for its work and elevated it from a few charter members to a thriving organization. Membership was restricted to Christian students of outstanding character and ability of Tri-State College. Scholastic achievement, promotion of campus activities and generally helping mankind improve physically, mentally and morally, together with acting in counsel for students, were a few of the aims of this group. Together with these aims they fostered a number of ideals. These were composed of Brotherly Love, Honor, Truth, Integrity, Education, Courtesy and Mutuality.

Social activities were given attention and much enjoyment was derived from the dances, card parties and smokers.

In May, 1930 the name of the organization was changed from Phi Lambda Tau to Alpha Delta Alpha, which change was duly voted

upon and written into the minutes. Ever since then the fraternity has been known as Alpha Delta Alpha.

When, in the course of natural growth, it becomes necessary for intricate relations to be formed between the fraternity and others, including individuals, it is necessary perhaps that the fraternity state the principles of its existence and the basis of its relationship with all concerned. The fraternity tries to the best of its ability to maintain its beliefs and to live up to the principles as laid down by the governing board.

First of all, Alpha Delta Alpha believes in college fraternity life. The common bond of friendship and the union of ideals and interests tend toward, not only a more successful college life, but a fuller and rounder life after college. The chapter endeavors to make fraternity life a lasting influence so that it will be evidenced throughout the entire life of each of its members. We believe in a fraternity for life policy.

The fraternity encourages scholastic attainment, and believes in the highest utilization of the education which the citizenry of this country has made possible, and encourages its members to endeavor to return the benefits of their opportunity by living a life of real service. Not only does it aim to reach scholastic heights, but also urges its members in outside activities available on the campus. A willing assumption of duties in these activities is witnessed by the active part members of this group have had and now have in the Engineering Societies, the Commerce and dramatic Clubs, the *Modulus* Staff and the *Kismet* Staff.

The fraternity believes that it should not only keep a technical outlook on life, but also should have in mind the advantages that are gained through social contacts with the world. These events, and rightly too, are not over-taxed, but the value of them and occasional relaxation cannot be denied.

For this purpose parties are given each term, some of which are held at the Chapter House located at 415 West Gilmore Street. A smoker is also held at the beginning of each term which is invariably a marked suc-

cess and provides an excellent opportunity for the brothers to meet members of the incoming group on the campus. Sometime during the school year an interfraternity dance is held and the Alpha Delta Alpha chapter is always one of its most interested and active participants. The gala event of the fraternity's social season is its annual Spring Frolic which is usually held at Potawatomi Inn, Pokagon State Park. During this memorable occasion the alumni gather and old acquaintances are renewed. Very often new men form friendships which they may rely upon whenever they may be in the future.

Inasmuch as any man's Alma Mater is held in high esteem by him and a sense of appreciation and loyalty is bound to result, the fraternity believes in pledging its assistance as best it can to Tri-State and to help further the cause of the college whenever possible.

The Installation

By ZETA PROVINCE CHIEF
JACKSON W. RAFELD

■ ALPHA KAPPA PI planted her first chapter in the State of Indiana on November 8, 9 and 10, 1935. The Hoosier State, the home of James Whitcomb Riley, Booth Tarkington, George Ade, Kin Hubbard, better known as "Abe Martin," John T. and George Barr McCutcheon, now becomes also the home of the Alpha Beta Chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi. To quote Irvin S. Cobb, "Indiana is not content to borrow her literary ideals from Greenwich Village. Intellectually she rolls her own!"

Tri-State College presents a cosmopolitan group of students, and Alpha Beta Chapter falls right in line with representation from Canada, New York and points both south and west. One could not fail to be impressed with these Hoosiers, both native and adopted sons. To again quote from Cobb, "Your Indianian of today, pure Northern on one side and one hundred per cent Southern on the other, is the most typical American in the whole democracy. Indiana is the middle layer of perhaps the noblest slice of earthly cake."

The installation ceremonies, as usual, were

in charge of Grand Second Vice-President Parke B. Fraim with Zeta Province Chief Jackson W. Rafeld assisting. An informal session was held at the chapter house on Friday night with your Province Chief in attendance, and questions were hurled fast and furiously by Chief to Alpha Beta men, with more questions and answers being hurled back just as fast and furiously.

A chapter breakfast at the College Inn with Brother Fraim presiding started the proceedings on Saturday morning. The remainder of the morning was given over to setting up the ritual equipment at the newly decorated First Christian Church of Angola where the formal rites were given. Brother Reverend Basil F. Holt is pastor of the church.

On Saturday afternoon the initiation ceremonies were commenced and before the day faded, thirty more fine gentlemen were proudly wearing the seven pointed star on a background of Dartmouth green and white.

On Saturday evening the chapter, installing officers, Tri-State fraternity representatives, pledges and faculty guests assembled at the Hotel Hendry for the installation banquet. Brother Arthur C. Hardy of Brantford, Ontario made an excellent toastmaster. President Burton Handy of Tri-State College welcomed Alpha Beta Chapter to the campus and the writer replied to the welcome. The address of the evening was delivered by our own beloved and grand fraternity man, Parke B. Fraim. Ten o'clock found the Alpha Beta men back at the chapter house for installation of the officers followed by the first chapter meeting.

Sunday morning the new chapter attended services at the First Christian Church in a body and heard the sermon delivered by Brother Reverend Holt. Prof. Fraim was introduced to the congregation and he in turn acquainted them with the ideals and purposes of the general fraternity system.

The induction formalities came to a close with an "Open House" and reception for all friends of the fraternity at the chapter house on Sunday afternoon. They received the honor in a gracious and enthusiastic manner.

The proceedings were officially over with

the departure of Prof. Fraim for Waterloo, Indiana, where he boarded the train for New York having been escorted thus far by several carloads of the newly initiated brothers.

The entire three day program was worthy of Winchell's finest orchids and Alpha Kappa Pi pumps more life blood from the heart of the United States.

The Initiates:

Undergraduates

Edwin E. Boudman '36, Powell, Pa.
 Hugh W. Cooper '36, Battle Creek, Mich.
 Roy M. Erlandson '36, Rochester, N.Y.
 Arthur C. Hardy '36, Brantford, Canada
 Francis Lee Johnson '36, Scotia, N.Y.
 James G. Krebs '36, Corning, N.Y.
 John Boden '37, Middletown, Conn.
 Henry J. Dreher '37, West Hartford, Conn.
 Henry W. Gregory '37, Stamford, Conn.
 Frank H. Hageman '37, Minot, N.D.

Henry A. Heller '37, Centralia, Ill.
 Daniel M. O'Hara '37, Stamford, Conn.
 James W. Rice '37, East Sparta, Ohio
 William C. Badders '38, Portland, Ind.
 J. Dell Bradley Dixon '38, Kenmore, N.Y.
 Whitney C. Emerson '38, Westfield, Mass.
 John T. McCormick '38, Jacksonville Beach, Fla.
 Jack R. Pigman '38, Coshocton, Ohio

Alumni

Ray Alwood, Angola, Ind.
 Edson M. Barnes, Towanda, Pa.
 Willis K. Batchelet, Angola, Ind.
 Floyd B. Faulkerson, Angola, Ind.
 Walter M. Freeman, Derrick City, Pa.
 Rev. Basil F. Holt, Angola, Ind.
 C. Edwin Stevens, Monroeton, Pa.

Faculty

Milford E. Collins, Angola, Ind.
 Laurence D. Ely, Angola, Ind.
 Vern R. Jones, Angola, Ind.
 William C. Overton, Angola, Ind.
 Samuel D. Summers, Angola, Ind.



MECHANICAL ENGINEERING BUILDING

The Alpha Starts Its Tenth Year

Tribute

By FRATERNITY ADVISER ALBERT H. WILSON

■ THERE is an ancient legend which tells us that when man first achieved a notable deed he wished to explain to his tribe what he had done. So it was with the Founders of the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity, and so it has been through the pages of this fraternity quarterly, that the fraternity has been telling about itself and binding the different centers of the order into a more compact and understanding entity. So it is fitting that in the tenth year of THE ALPHA service some special mention be made of its influence in building this brotherhood known as Alpha Kappa Pi.

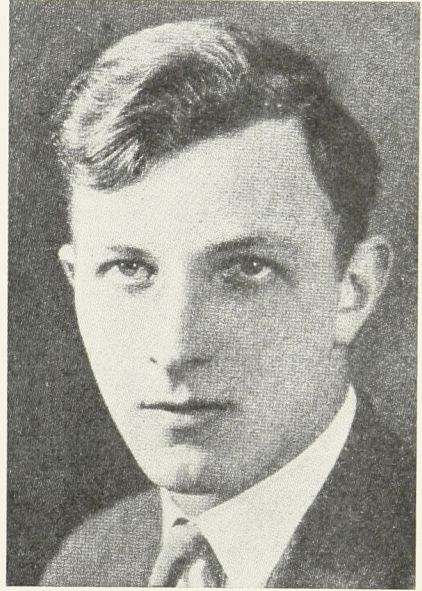
There is no desire to call it a complete success, but it is certain that the merits far outnumber any of the shortcomings of the publication. This exoteric portrayal is not only illuminating to the initiated but carries a very definite interpretation of our aims and purposes to the rank and file of all colleges and fraternities. Fortunate in the men who have given of their time and talents to edit this magazine, there is little wonder that the success of this venture in fraternalism has been in keeping with the other successes of the fraternity endeavor. It is a pleasure to hail THE ALPHA in this first decade of splendid contribution. It is also a privilege to acclaim THE ALPHA staff of Editors and to promise the finest possible support in the future. Without THE ALPHA Alpha Kappa Pi would be a group of dissociated chapters bearing the same name. With THE ALPHA these same chapters make up the very walls and ramparts of this vigorous and thoroughly established brotherhood of college men. As an inspirational recorder of the affairs of Alpha Kappa Pi and of the fraternity and college world in general, may THE ALPHA continue to bear glad tidings.

History

By Grand Historian ALBERT E. BENNETT

■ IF WE should peruse the minutes of the first meeting of the Executive Council of

Alpha Kappa Pi, we would find the following brief notation: "Motion made by Brother Hull and seconded by Brother Brader that the official organ of the Alpha Kappa Pi Fraternity be designated as THE ALPHA. The motion was so carried."



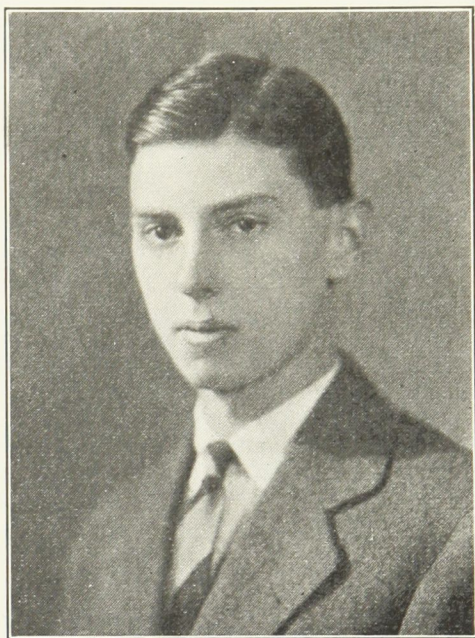
PAUL CLEMEN, *First Editor*
1926-1929

Even at this early date in our fraternity's history, our founders, with an unusual foresight, which was so characteristic of their early actions, realized the importance of an official publication which would serve the best interests of our fraternity.

At the second meeting of the council the vital subject of a fraternity magazine was again considered. It was decided at that time that the Grand Historian should be Editor of THE ALPHA and the Business Manager should be elected by the council. This was later incorporated in the constitution of the fraternity. Thus, Paul H. Clemen, *Beta '28*, who was Grand Historian, became the first editor of THE ALPHA. Ralph A. Brader, *Alpha '28*, was elected Business Manager.

Although THE ALPHA was conceived at these early meetings we find that little was

done toward establishing this publication until the first convention which was held in the Hotel Clendenin, New York City on Saturday, May 22, 1926. At that time the subject was again discussed and plans and appropriations were provided for the publication of the magazine. It was agreed at that time that the



WILLIAM J. OPDYKE, *Editor*, 1929-1930

magazine should be published by the George Banta Publishing Company of Menasha, Wisconsin.

The first issue of THE ALPHA appeared in September 1926. It was small in comparison to our present magazine, being 5" x 8". The cover was plain white with green lettering. The entire issue consisted of but twenty pages. Small and insignificant as was this first issue, nevertheless, it marked an event of great importance in our fraternity. It was our announcement to the collegiate and fraternal world that a new fraternity had been created. Perhaps this can best be shown by an article entitled "The Editor's Desk," which was written by Brother Clemen in this first issue.

"With this issue of THE ALPHA, we enter the lists of fraternity journalism. The object of THE ALPHA is to keep the members of

Alpha Kappa Pi more intimately informed as to the progress of their fraternity, and to contribute, as time goes on, something of worth to the general good of the Greek-letter family. We are young, and, therefore, not wholly experienced. However, we are willing to learn and count it a great source of strength to have the older and larger orders from whom we may draw inspiration and helpful guidance. Therefore we ask that this, the first issue of the fraternity's magazine, be judged more in the spirit of what we hope to accomplish rather than by the first evidence of our journalistic labors. THE ALPHA asks only for a friendly field, and a fraternal welcome, from our fellow Greeks and college compeers. We thus make our bow and await your judgment."

Thus THE ALPHA became a reality. Happily, it found not only a friendly field and a fraternal welcome, but it also found a definite place in our young fraternity; a place which it has occupied with unique success ever since its inception. The second issue of THE ALPHA was published in January 1927. At that time there were but two issues of THE ALPHA published each year. When the third volume appeared we find a great change in THE ALPHA. Its size had grown to 6" x 9"; the cover design was changed; and the magazine had grown to forty pages. This issue included the first directory of Alpha Kappa Pi and had about two hundred and fifty members listed. Three issues of THE ALPHA were published this year.

The fourth volume of THE ALPHA, the issue of January 1930, introduced a new editor, William J. Opdyke, *Alpha '27*. Prior to this time, Brother Opdyke had been associate editor. A clause in the constitution stated that the Grand Historian should be Editor of THE ALPHA, thus, it was not until the constitution had been amended that Brother Opdyke was officially elected Editor of THE ALPHA, although he had been serving in that capacity for some time.

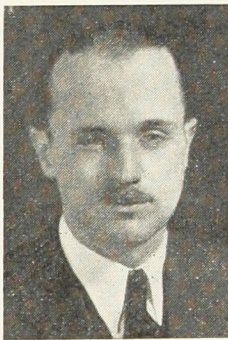
Although officially Brother Opdyke was editor only for the year 1929-30, his work with the magazine was outstanding. He built the foundation upon which THE ALPHA of

today rests. A foundation which has withstood the changing years; a foundation upon which has been built a magazine that today is a living and integral part of our fraternity. Many were the difficulties which confronted Brother Opdyke. He was seriously handicapped by a lack of appropriations and in some years he was forced to limit the magazine to two issues. With a small chapter roll his available material was very scarce and often difficult to obtain. Despite these handicaps the progress of THE ALPHA was apparent.

The issue of October 1930 not only marked a new era in the progress of THE ALPHA, but it also introduced a personality who was chiefly responsible for many of the features now a regular part of our national magazine. The following editorial comment will be found in this issue of October 1930.

"Gentlemen and Brothers: (This salutation was never satisfactorily explained by Brother Jahn.—Ed.)

Greetings. On August 2, 1930, the Grand Council of Alpha Kappa Pi Fraternity, in meeting assembled, granted pardons to the former staff of THE ALPHA and sentenced to slavery for an indefinite term the following brothers: Leon R. Fencil as Exchange

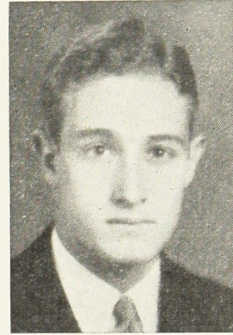


ALBERT G. JAHN
Editor, 1930-1933

Editor; R. Frank Herr as Business Manager; and Albert G. Jahn as Editor. Brother Herr is a member of Beta chapter and is the Grand Treasurer of the fraternity. Brothers Fencil and Jahn are members of the recently in-

stalled Omicron chapter, the former having been an editor of the house news, *The Torch*, and the latter the secretary of the alumni association.

Several changes will be made in THE ALPHA and we think that they will improve



C. RUSSELL KRAMER
Present Editor

it. An endeavor will be made to publish the magazine quarterly in the future instead of three times a year. The size is changed from 6" x 9" to 7" x 10" with the idea in mind that it will make this publication more nearly assume the proportions of a magazine rather than those of a booklet. . . ."

Editor Jahn at once set about to fulfill the predictions in this editorial. Results were immediate. THE ALPHA appeared as a larger magazine; the cover took on color and design, a direct contrast to the plain white cover of former issues. THE ALPHA became more colorful not only in cover design but also in contents. The new magazine was profusely illustrated with pictures of places and personalities of interest to all brothers. In addition the scope of the magazine was greatly extended. Articles of general fraternity interest were to be found in the enlarged magazine. Through the efforts of Brother Jahn a general improvement of all chapter letters was noted. And last but not least, from that date on THE ALPHA was regularly published four times a year.

Brother Jahn and his efficient staff continued to serve faithfully until the spring of 1933. I believe no finer tribute can be given

to Brother Jahn than that expressed in an editorial in THE ALPHA of May 1933.

"... 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

fest in every issue of THE ALPHA which he has released. He not only maintained the fine standards set by Brother Jahn, but he constantly strove to improve the magazine in every way. He encouraged various brothers to write articles for the magazine; he inaugurated a policy of dedicating various issues to



THE STAFF, 1930-1933

R. FRANK HERR, *Beta* '28; ALBERT G. JAHN, *Omicron* '23;
HAROLD R. SPAANS, *Kappa* '30; LEON R. FENCIL, *Omicron* '27

year; created a distinctive cover design; and modernized it in every respect. With the growth and expansion of the fraternity it was only natural 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 ideal 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. . . ."

Brother Jahn in May 1933 turned over the editorship to C. Russell Kramer, *Rho* '31. G. Edward Holloway, Jr., *Rho* '29, became Associate Editor, and Grand Treasurer Frank J. Krebs, *Iota* '29, was elected Business Manager.

Brother Kramer brought to the magazine a dynamic personality which has been mani-

various branches of the fraternity. In May 1934 we find an Alumni issue devoted to the interests of the alumni of Alpha Kappa Pi. In March 1935 the realization of another dream came true with the printing of the songs of Alpha Kappa Pi. This group of songs was collected and compiled by William J. McIlroy, *Lambda* '35. All of the songs were written by brothers.

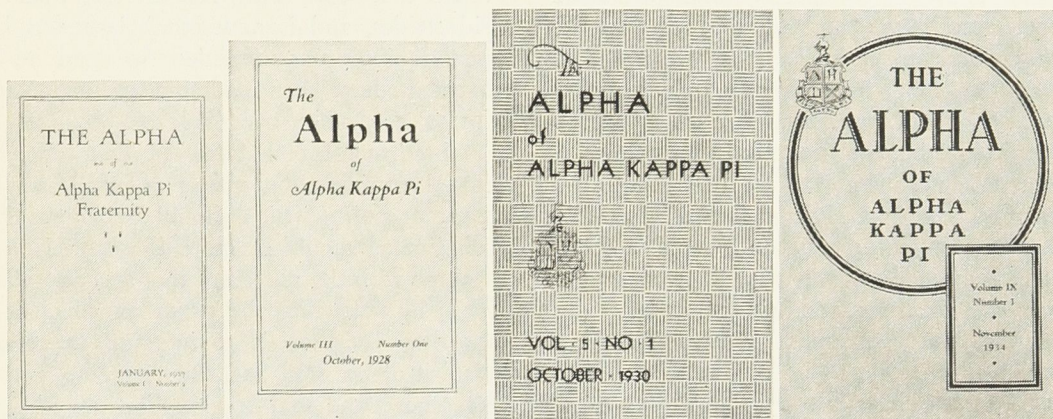
Today we find THE ALPHA with Brother Kramer still at the helm. He is ably assisted by two assistant editors: Louis C. Holman, *Xi* '33, and N. Ellsworth Wheaton, *Rho* '33. Frank Krebs (A K II's Rock of Gibraltar) is still Business Manager. We must not forget at this time that long list of Chapter Historians who have worked long and faithfully in an endeavor to send in reports from the individual chapters. Indeed the very life of the magazine depends upon the fine coöperation of these brothers.

Through years of economic unrest, when man's confidence in his fellow man has reached a low ebb, when other publications have been forced to curtail and in some in-

stances to abandon their projects, we find THE ALPHA still carrying on—a fitting tribute to the ideals of our fraternity. It is a magazine of which every brother of Alpha Kappa Pi must justly feel proud.

In an article of this nature it is impossible to give the proper credit and praise to those men who have been responsible for our pres-

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CHANGES IN SIZE AND COVER DESIGN OF THE ALPHA

ent ALPHA. We cannot tell in detail of the time, energy and inspiration which they have given. We, the brothers of Alpha Kappa Pi, owe them a debt of gratitude which mere words fail utterly to express.

So to: Clemen, the pioneer; Opdyke, the builder; Jahn, the organizer; Kramer, the perfecter, we can but say, "You have served; and served well."

Reminiscences

By WILLIAM J. OPDYKE, *Editor, 1929-30*

■ WHEN this gray-haired old veteran of THE ALPHA was asked to write something of his experiences with the magazine, my memory took me back to the "good old days." Perhaps the editing of THE ALPHA was a lot of work, and perhaps required a lot of time (which I would only have wasted anyhow), but it was also a lot of fun. I made many lasting friendships which I might otherwise have missed; and, by serving the fraternity, I believe I gained a better insight into what Alpha Kappa Pi means.

In the fall of 1927 I was asked by the

Executive Council if I would help in putting out THE ALPHA. At that time Paul Clemen, *Beta*, the Grand Historian, was also Editor of the magazine. He had taken care of both jobs very ably for about a year; but, as the fraternity grew, the dual rôle became increasingly harder for one man to handle. I was to take over the editing of THE ALPHA, and

was given the title of Associate Editor. It was not until the latter part of 1929 that the separate office of Editor was established, and I became the proud possessor of this title. The remaining member of the staff was the Business Manager, Ralph Brader, *Alpha*, the Grand Treasurer, whose official duty was the taking care of the finances, mailing list, and our lone advertisement; but who, along with other members of the Executive Council, rendered occasional but valuable aid on the editorial and (it brings back fond memories) the proof-reading ends. A year later, William Zundel, *Beta*, was added to the staff as Exchange Editor, to handle our fraternity magazine exchanges.

I started out with the burning ambition which I suppose pervades every new editor, and managed to publish the first issue in January, 1928. This monumental journal had twenty-four pages of the old 5 x 8 inch size. As the fraternity grew, THE ALPHA could not help but become larger. In October, 1928 the size of the magazine was increased to 6 x 9 inches; and at the same time a slightly larger type was used—ostensibly to make it

easier for old alumni to read, but also perhaps to "pad" the larger size magazine. Skipping the statistics in between, the last issue handled by our staff in May, 1930 had fifty-seven pages, so that there was some growth, if nothing else. During the intervening time, numerous changes were made in the cover, headings, arrangement, subject matter, etc., which improved the character and appearance of the magazine, and which furthered the policy of acquainting the brothers not only with the actual happenings of the national and chapter organizations, but also with the doings of other brothers, particularly those of national prominence, to aid in promoting a national feeling. Only one change turned out disastrously—in my second issue I conceived the idea of reversing the fraternity colors on the cover, and using white letters on a green cover, instead of green letters on a white cover. Due to unfortunate difficulties involved in manufacture, the white letters were hardly visible on the cover, and the reader had to open the magazine to find out its name.

There were many difficulties to be surmounted in the early days. One was financial, of course. Another, which resulted in issues being published late, was the comparatively small amount of chapter news because of the few chapters at that time. When chapter letters, delinquent as usual, were all in, and it looked as if an issue would be only a week behind time, the installation of a new chapter would appear on the horizon, and it would be decided to hold up the issue to include the story of this installation and make a bigger magazine. At least, the brothers were kept guessing sometimes as to what month the January issue, for example, would actually appear. Despite these difficulties, however, we managed to publish this "quarterly" magazine three times in 1928, twice in 1929, and twice during the first half of 1930.

One of our problems was that of finding paying readers for *THE ALPHA* among the alumni. In the beginning we followed the policy of sending free copies to all alumni as well as active members; but after this bait had been dangled before the alumni for sev-

eral issues, we held out for subscriptions. Numerous devices and subterfuges were employed to obtain alumni subscriptions; but then, as now, the majority of the alumni did not seem to appreciate the privilege of reading the fraternity publication to the extent of subscribing. Perhaps the growing number of alumni chapters will improve this condition.

Since that time *THE ALPHA* has made rapid strides, and is now much larger and appears quarterly as scheduled. So many improvements have been made that the original *ALPHAS* are quite overshadowed by their 1935 brethren. I feel, however, that timely editorial comment on matters of fraternity interest or policy which should be followed or eliminated should be more frequent. I do not agree with the statement that an editorial is "usually not worth the paper on which it was written." Editorials, to my mind, express the spirit of the staff and the magazine, and are the heart and soul of a publication.

In closing, I might add that none of my efforts would have been of any particular value without the whole-hearted coöperation of my contributors—chapter correspondents, Brother A. H. Wilson, members of the Executive Council, Province Chiefs, and others too numerous to mention. They deserve many thanks for the work they have done in making *THE ALPHA* a bigger and better fraternity organ.

Suggestions

By ALBERT G. JAHN, Editor, 1930-33

■ AN IMPORTANT factor in the growth of our Fraternity has been *THE ALPHA*. It has become a real "tie-that-binds." Its purpose has been to keep the Brothers informed as to the progress of Alpha Kappa Pi; as to the activities of the Chapters and other Brothers; as to the activities of the college fraternity world; and as to subjects of interest to all college men. It has excellently conformed to that purpose under its present able staff. Much credit is due to its early editors, struggling under innumerable difficulties to gradually make it a magazine truly representative of Alpha Kappa Pi. Past and present editors can

only express deep appreciation to Brother Albert H. Wilson for his guidance and co-operation in improving THE ALPHA.

THE ALPHA should be placed on a more solid financial basis through a fund built up by life subscriptions. This idea can be put into operation within a few years as financial conditions improve in our country.

Also, as financial conditions improve, Alpha Kappa Pi should have a paid Grand Secretary and editing THE ALPHA should become one of his duties. Both offices require much time and work by the Brothers occupy-

ing them and should be combined in one full-time paid office to obtain the most efficient results for our Fraternity.

To all alumni—the growth of THE ALPHA is dependent on your support—your subscriptions. Subscribe and keep posted on the future of your Fraternity and Fraters. The staff and contributors labor to produce a permanent contact with the associations of your college years. Several dollars will provide that contact for you. Think it over—and then subscribe!

Mount Union Freshman Given Faculty Post

■ WALTER HAAS, of New Waterford, Ohio, and pledge at Iota chapter, has been appointed assistant to Prof. R. C. Hildner at Clarke observatory on the Mount Union College campus.

The youth is a graduate of New Waterford high school and is a freshman at Mount Union. Always a student of astronomy, he was sent on a trip to Jamaica last summer by John H. Chase, supervisor of Youngstown

city playgrounds. While there he studied under Prof. W. H. Pickering, former assistant professor of astronomy at Harvard.

During his stay in Jamaica, Mr. Haas wrote a series of weekly articles for a newspaper syndicate and at present is writing monthly astronomical articles for the same syndicate. On his return trip from Jamaica he was a passenger aboard the liner *Gatun*, which stood by the grounded steamer *Dixie*.

Your Attention, Please

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note that we are just a clearing house for putting your reports, thoughts and accomplishments in handy form. Look upon THE ALPHA as a cross-section of Alpha Kappa Pi and not something that whoever happens to be Editor has foisted upon you.

■ NU CHAPTER has sent us their monthly chapter bulletin. Let's hear from a few more chapters.

■ GRAND SECRETARY Kitchen requests us to announce that the Life Membership cards are ready for all alumni. The procedure for obtaining one is as follows: Write to your own chapter secretary asking him to certify you to the Grand Secretary for

a Life Membership Card. If your record is clear at your chapter, the secretary will certify you to the Grand Secretary and your membership card will be issued. No charge, but you must take the initiative of requesting a card from your chapter.

■ THE Executive Council met in a two day session at the Hotel Roosevelt in New York City on December 27 and 28. A complete report of their deliberations will be found in the next Bulletin of the Executive Council.

■ THE next issue will contain the annual scholarship survey and alumni news, which had to be omitted from this issue.

The Little Old Red Brick

Historic Home of Iota Chapter at Mount Union

By Fraternity Adviser Albert Hughes Wilson

■ SOME houses like individuals are blessed with personality. There is something about them that makes them stand out. Such has been the lot of a certain house in the cultural community of Mount Union College.

Back in the year 1846 there was founded, at Mount Union, Ohio, a college destined to bear the name of the hamlet in which it was located. The founder of the college was the noted educator Orville Nelson Hartshorn, a then recent graduate of Allegheny College at Meadville, Pennsylvania. The name Mount Union had been given this little settlement for reasons of the altitude of the terrain, almost exactly 1,200 feet above sea level and 180 feet above the Valley of the Mahoning River, two miles distant from the campus of this college. Mount Union was, at that time, a corporate village in its own right and name. Today Mount Union maintains its distinctive identity although now an integral part of the city of Alliance, having been merged into the larger set up and known as the Sixth Ward of the city.

It was, however, while Mount Union was only a hamlet, that the college was built, and started the work of contributing so magnificently to the city, the community, the state and the nation.

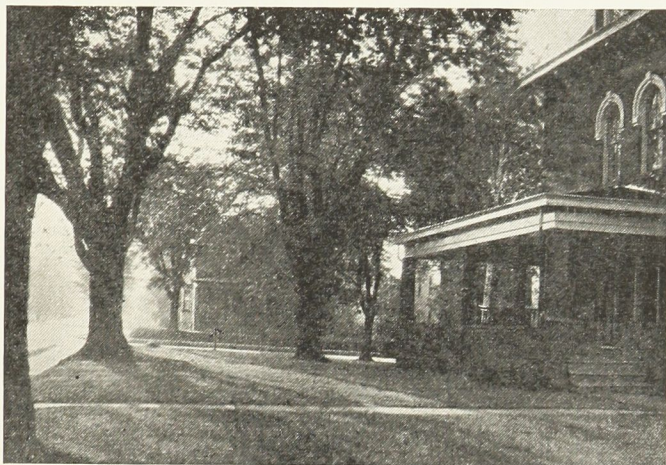
Shortly after Founder Hartshorn had opened the doors of the college he was followed to the campus, in the capacity of a teacher, by his brother Edwin Norman Hartshorn, who was later called upon to become vice-president of the institution. Being a man of parts and high ideals, one of the very things that Edwin Hartshorn proceeded to do was to build a home, and one so substantial and withal so pleasing, that it has played and is still playing a fine part in the progress of this college and this community. The foundations were constructed from massive, hand

hewn stones, and the superstructure builded with hand made and sun dried bricks, with stone trims. The inner walls as well as the outer walls are solidly fashioned, and of such evidence of durability that we might use the words of the Emperor of Rome to Piso the builder: "Piso thou delightest my heart, for thou are building as though Rome were to be eternal." The younger Hartshorn truly built for the generations then unborn. The house is not only outranking for reasons of its worth, but the entire place is beautiful for situation with wide lawn and native maples. Standing at the corner of South Union Avenue and College Street it has ever been the very center of the life of the college. The Hartshorns were hospitable people and the doors were always open, as one of the daughters once remarked: "It seems strange to us when there is no friend or guest sitting at our table." As time passed three daughters and one son came to bless this home and add to its life and laughter. The son became a member of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity and the daughters either joined or become sympathetic toward the Delta Gamma Sorority. These were days unknown to the lodge or chapter house in colleges, and it is not strange that at times the Hartshorn home was actually the meeting places for both the ATΩ and the ΔΓ followers. And where could there be a more inviting place for the social affairs of these organizations? With the great house glowing with myriads of lights and the full moon shining down through the trees and flooding the spacious grounds, it is not difficult to visualize the mingling of brave men and fair women. Is it then any wonder that this home has been given a personality and an atmosphere that has made it distinctive and, through all the changes that have taken place, still stands out as one of the most prized

and appealing places in the entire college community?

In time Edwin Hartshorn, being an honorable and public-minded man, was sent to Congress at Washington. A few years later, full of honors, he was taken from this life. Then followed the death of Mrs. Hartshorn,

Sol Wise, and asked him to support his ticket. The youthful non-fraternity man slowly removed his hat, stroked his glossy black hair, and said: "I think that I stand by the Little Old Red Brick," and stand he did. Even the man who evoked the remark was so amused with the incident that he told it about the



"THE OLD RED BRICK" AT MOUNT UNION

the son having preceded them some few years. The daughters having become adjusted to the life at Washington desired to sell the old homestead. The Sigma Nu chapter at Mount Union was preparing to build or purchase a chapter house and, being alert, before the news had become generally known, the papers of the city and state flashed the word that the Hartshorn Home had become the property of the Sigma Nu Fraternity in 1900. Thus this fine old home, with its splendid and aristocratic background, became the first chapter house to be owned by any chapter in the Sigma Nu Fraternity. For a number of years the Sigma Nus resided here, but among the older residents, the place was always spoken of as the Hartshorn Home. It was while Sigma Nu occupied the house that the name "Little Old Red Brick," and later shortened to the "Red Brick" became the popular and almost affectionate title of this place. During a close political contest at the college, the leader of the party opposing the one in which Sigma Nu was found, approached a non-fraternity student, by name

campus and the name of the place is still vital with all Mount Union adherents.

Sigma Nu in time saw fit to move to another chapter house and this splendid red brick house was taken over by a Mr. Harris who conducted a College Inn for all and sundry of the campus. During his occupancy of this house the Sigma Xi Lambda local society was born. Shortly thereafter Mr. Harris decided to take up residence in Cleveland, Ohio, and Sigma Xi Lambda, in need of a place to set up fraternal housekeeping, lost no time in negotiating for this house as headquarters, and was soon fully installed, and began, from this vantage point, its petition to the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity. In course of time the charter was granted and a new link was welded in binding more closely the life of this historic house to the annals of Mount Union College. For on the days of Friday and Saturday, May 3 and 4, 1929, and in the spacious rooms of the old red brick, the Iota chapter of the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity was established, and once more the doors of the old home were thrown open and a host

of college and city friends came to offer their congratulations and sense the friendliness of the house itself.

Here today may be found Iota chapter, carrying on its fine work for college and for fraternity. No wonder this chapter, almost immediately, leaped into college and community favor, for there was and is that indefinable something that always inspires and ennobles men when associated with stalwart personalities or with homes and institutions that have been blessed with masterful and spiritual leadership. So this historic home of the Iota chapter has enjoyed almost ninety years in college service. Fifty and more years

with the Hartshorn family and the remaining years with the intimate associations of fraternity men and affairs related thereto. With such a history is it any wonder that, from the very start of things, the Iota chapter has been markedly successful and year after year has increased in strength and local favor? Truly there is no fraternity home with a more delightful and forceful background, or a more appealing personality, than the one time Hartshorn Home, at present almost universally known as the "Little Old Red Brick," and best of all the home of the Iota chapter of the Alpha Kappa Pi Fraternity.

Suggestions to Contributors

By contributors we mean chapter historians and any other brothers who submit articles for publication in *THE ALPHA*. To these men we should like to offer a few suggestions which we know will aid the staff in its efforts to get the manuscript to the publishers within a short period of time after the news and articles have been received. Here they are:

1. Mail your chapter news and articles to the Editor, in time to be received by him not later than the date on which it is requested. Kindly do not wait until the last minute to send in your material. If you possibly can, try to send your material for *THE ALPHA* to us prior to the stated date—we will appreciate it.

2. Kindly type all news and articles carefully and double-space the typing. When you write or type carelessly it is necessary for us to have it typed again. For you this means typing but one article but for us it means typing many. Why do things over several times when they can be done right the first time?—be efficient. Type only on one side of the paper and do not write a personal letter on the same sheet with your article for we would like to send your material directly to the publishers without retyping.

3. Kindly try to comply with the requests of the Editor as nearly as possible; when special articles and pictures are requested, supply them to the best of your ability and let your ability be good.

4. Remember always, when you write, that your articles are expressing your individuality—your

personality. Do not depend upon the Editor to revise and shape up your material. Keep in mind, that your magazine and your article will be read not alone by the brothers, but also by individuals who are not members of your fraternity. You want to give every reader the best possible impression of your fraternity, your chapter, and yourself, do you not? To do this, write with enough care and thought to make that impression and you will be helping to advance the cause of your fraternity.

5. For historians only—give us special news—news that is of interest to the brothers outside of your chapter as well as those in it—not too much detail and news that has only local appeal. Send in news that tells what has happened or is going to happen at your college and chapter—something that has not occurred or will not occur elsewhere—news on the happenings to and the accomplishments of your active members—the brothers in other chapters are interested in knowing what type of men your chapter has and how you are progressing—news of your alumni—they like to see their names in print and know that the fraternity has not forgotten them—they want to know how all of the brothers are getting on in the world, especially those men with whom they are personally acquainted. Give us news with human interest.

Dear Brother Contributor, make these suggestions laws unto yourself and earn our undying thanks and appreciation for your efforts to assist us in producing a better *ALPHA*.

Highlights of the National Interfraternity Conference

Sessions Held at New York City

THOUGHT-PROVOKING, stimulating addresses, emphasizing the cultural, character-building influence of the college fraternity, together with the active participation of undergraduates, the elimination of officers' and committees' reports, and a fine, constructive spirit throughout made the twenty-seventh annual meeting of the National Interfraternity Conference notable, setting a standard for similar events in the future. National delegates of 54 fraternities, from every section of the country, more than forty undergraduate interfraternity councils, forty-two administrative officials of colleges and universities participated in the three sessions held at the Hotel Roosevelt, New York City, November 29-30, and presided over by Leroy E. Kimball, chairman of the conference. Meetings of the conference subsidiary organizations, the College Fraternity Secretaries' Association and the College Fraternity Editors' Association, were held respectively Wednesday, November 27, and Saturday afternoon.

Alpha Kappa Pi was represented at the Conference by Grand Second Vice-President Parke B. Fraim and C. Russell Kramer, Editor of *THE ALPHA*. Fraternity Adviser Albert H. Wilson was in attendance and was chairman of the Credentials Committee of the Conference. Also in attendance at some of the sessions were Fred Heinzelman, Jr., *Delta* '36, William O. Kaupp, *Delta* '38, William H. Schmidt, *Rho* '36, Francis L. Johnson, *Alpha Beta* '36, and Roy Erlandson, *Alpha Beta* '35. Brother Schmidt represented Rutgers at the meeting of the undergraduate interfraternity councils.

In an address outstanding for its humor and its wisdom, Dr. Henry M. Wriston, president of Lawrence College and president of the Association of American Colleges, answered the question, "How can we vitalize

our fraternity life and make the fraternity more useful to the college?" He suggested "an audit of experience," which he insisted would prove a justification of the college fraternity because of the latter's contributions to the emotional and esthetic development of students, their proper housing, and their growth in self control. He contended that the educational institution shared the responsibility with the fraternity if scholarship standards were not satisfactorily maintained.

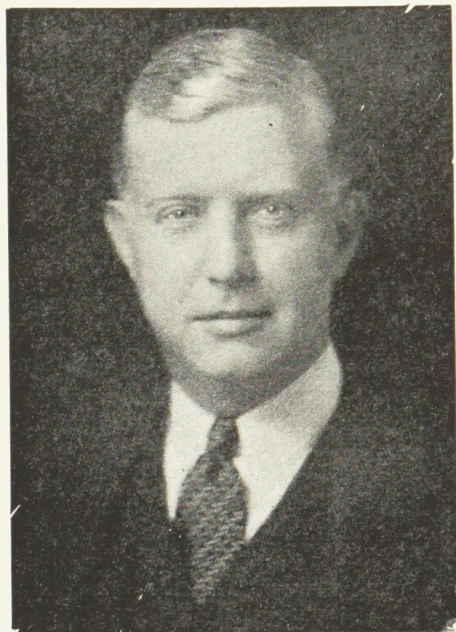
The changing character of educational institutions which prevents the standardizing of fraternity chapters offers, Dr. Wriston believes, an opportunity for the fraternity to interpret different types of institutions to each other. The fraternity can also, he feels, aid the college in its program of stressing the development and understanding of individual students. Most important of all, Dr. Wriston believes, an audit of experience would get the fraternities off the defensive and start them forward on some great, constructive program.

So convincingly did the speaker present his case, immediately following his conclusion a resolution was offered instructing the incoming officers to cause an audit of experience to be made.

This rôle that the fraternity should play in the vital development of the individual was also stressed by another educational administrator, Sir James Colquhoun, vice chancellor of the University of St. Andrew, the oldest university in Scotland, founded 81 years before America was discovered. In discussing "The Ideal Social Life for the Young College Student," he placed as of equal importance to the training of the intellect the development of a man's personality, his social capacity, his power of adaptation and of leadership, and his effectiveness in working with and for his fellow-men. He emphasized the cultivation of disciplined freedom, the

preservation of idealism in studies, and the striving towards a lofty purpose in life. He also pointed out the fact that the earlier the ways and manners, the courtesies and deportment of good living are acquired, the better.

"The fraternity system arose through the early recognition of the fact that the student is a human individual," Sir James said, "not



LEROY E. KIMBALL

*Retiring Chairman of the National
Interfraternity Conference*

merely something into which knowledge is to be crammed."

"One thing I implore of you gentlemen, and it is this: Keep the dignity of life alive in a fraternity. It is a good thing and a proud privilege to be admitted to a university or college and to have that experience. It is another precious thing to be brought into a limited community and to be made a brother of other men. There is something noble about that, man exercising his intellect, the greatest gift he has, man exercising his personal friendship for his fellow men. An so let it be dignified.

"Away with the hazing, if such there be, away with customs which may be a lowering of dignity, may be even in extreme cases de-

grading. Let us keep our banner high and our honor clean."

Facts and figures entered into the meetings of Friday as well as idealism. While Professor R. P. Briggs accepted the limitation implied in his topic, "Fraternity Problems at the University of Michigan," and confined his analysis to a single campus, his discussion was accepted as having general application and hence of value to all interested in fraternity problems, particularly those of a financial nature.

It was found, Professor Briggs reported, that for the school year 1934-35, about one-half of the 60 chapters at the University of Michigan were operating at least a \$10,000 business, and three exceeded \$18,000 each. Exclusive of initiation fees, the total fraternity revenues were \$573,000 and expenses, \$593,000, a composite loss of \$20,000. Including the initiation fees, which Professor Briggs suggested might wisely be segregated as capital improvement funds, 39 fraternities operated at a \$15,000 total profit and 29 at a \$21,000 total loss, or a consolidated loss of \$6,000 for the 68 fraternities.

Of the fraternities which had operated at a loss, 18 had outstanding receivables of over \$1,000 each; one over \$4,500. Twenty owed more money than the total of their assets, including as assets past-due receivables of doubtful value.

Causes for this unsatisfactory financial condition Professor Briggs gave as financial mismanagement, unpaid operating obligations incurred during previous years, large interest bearing obligations, failure of alumni to assume responsibility, failure of national officers to supervise, and insufficient membership. He gave specific examples of each, and concluded with this statement:

"We are desirous of having fraternities at the University of Michigan, but we want them to be chapters to which this Conference can point with pride."

Again in the concluding session of the Conference was emphasized the central idea of making the fraternity more useful to the educational institution of which it is a part, the discussion centering around the fraternity

criteria and means of putting them into action. The leader in this was the Rev. Ralph W. Sockman, D.D., pastor of Christ Church, New York City.

The fraternity, he declared, is a very important agency in developing the individual so that he can function in a group as the boy who comes out of college, never having learned how to work with the group, is a failure. "We have to face the task of taking today's independence of spirit and using it in relation to an inter-dependence of life without crushing either. That is why the fraternity is our best laboratory."

Dr. Sockman in analyzing the criteria stated that there is an awakening conscience in the matter of good taste in contemporary life, and the independent-minded generation of the student world wants the conventions which gentlemen everywhere observe to be followed on the campus by faculty, by upper-classmen, and by the alumni who come back to the campus, for this matter of good taste is a matter of utmost importance in this new day.

"If the fraternity house with adult and alumni guidance," Dr. Sockman stated, "could surround the student with some kind of cultural interest and incentive that would carry through when he gets out into adult life, give him avocations and avocational guidance as the university gives vocational guidance, it might supplement at a much needed point."

Norman Seagraves, a senior from Bowdoin College, placed the responsibility for making the Fraternity Criteria effective directly upon the shoulders of the undergraduate chapter, as a self-governing unit with the warning that "to the extent the chapter evades this responsibility just so far does it surrender its right of self-government into the hands of the college authorities." He declared that the only thing to fear is indifference and decay within the organization itself.

Expressing the belief that "the average fraternity man today does little thinking about the real meaning and purpose of the fraternity," but, nevertheless, having recovered from the age of distorted realism and disillusionment, he is willing now to discuss loyal-

ties and responsibilities without fear of being considered impractical, Mr. Seagraves urged a program of thorough-going publicity and contact work to implant in the student mind the basis of the criteria. He insisted that "we need to give the fraternity a true appreciation of itself and of its function in the college society."



HAROLD J. BAILY
*New Chairman of the National
Interfraternity Conference*

"Transmute the criteria into action and make the college fraternity a powerful force for good on the American campus" was the repeated plea of Harold J. Baily, who continued the discussion from the point of view of the national fraternity. He presented the following specific suggestions for making undergraduates conscious of the criteria:

"Require pledges to memorize the Fraternity Criteria as a part of their pledge training. Require each pledge before his initiation to write a letter to his parents containing an autographed copy of the criteria and telling the people at home what the fraternities stand for and what they are trying to do. Place a framed illuminated manuscript of the criteria on the walls of every chapter house. Require

some senior to address the chapter meeting on one of the articles at least once a month, or arrange a discussion on how best to apply or improve them. Develop some method for the better local application of the criteria."

Speaking as the representative of educational institutions, D. H. Gardner, dean of men at the University of Akron and educational adviser to the National Interfraternity Conference, amplified a statement made by his predecessor in the advisorship, William L. Sanders, to the effect that administrative officers view a fraternity as an organization, whereas in the deepest meaning of the word it is a fellowship. If administrators, Dean Gardner pointed out, will realize the potential force in fraternity fellowship and will foster and promote it, much can be done through the fraternity to aid students, both members and non-members, to develop their personalities and character, one of the fundamental objectives of the college. A major factor in the life of all extra curricula activities is preserving the element of continuity, he continued, and in this officers of a college, knowing local conditions, can help inexperienced fraternity members with financial affairs, rushing problems, social activities, and other chapter issues.

The final speaker in the symposium was Professor William J. Berry, of Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, who discussed the criteria from the point of view of an alumnus. He contended that members of fraternities took their vows and obligations voluntarily, and that every time a chapter has to discipline a delinquent brother and every time a national organization has to take proceedings against a chapter, it marks a failure on the part of fraternity members in realizing the ideals for which the fraternity stands.

After he had urged the stimulation of the alumnus whose interest has lapsed, but who represents a potential powerhouse of energy and missionary work among those comparatively few alumni who are a menace, coming back to the chapter house to have a good time in ways that often undo the good work that the earnest, sincere undergraduate is trying to do to build up his chapter. Professor Berry

urged the use of every means possible to bring to the consciousness of alumni the things for which the fraternity stands and to inspire them as far as can be done to exemplify in their lives by their examples and by their precepts the ideals of all fraternities which are set forth in the criteria.

In the general discussion which rounded out the symposium F. M. Massey, dean of men at the University of Tennessee pointed out the danger of expecting definite results tomorrow instead of giving the criteria an opportunity. He stated that the function of the criteria is to give courage and poise.

"Hell Week must go" was the declaration which came from both fraternity leaders and deans of men. Preceding the adoption of a resolution to the effect that colleges in conjunction with local interfraternity councils definitely eradicate any semblance of Hell Week from the campus, came a significant challenge from Albert K. Heckel, dean of men at the University of Missouri:

"Are we afraid to grow up? Are we going to continue with a lot of adult infantilism and worse? I believe that Mr. Wilbur W. Walden struck a very fine note when he said that we must consider not merely Hell Week, but certain customs in our chapters. As I see it, these customs assert themselves throughout the year and are rolled into one accumulated force in Hell Week. Those customs destroy an initial loyalty and an initial devotion to his fraternity that a pledge makes for himself. He suffers disillusionment when things which are not fraternal appear in the routine of his life throughout the year.

"We must either discontinue our denunciation of Hell Week, or get some action. I think the time comes occasionally when a real stern enforcement is the only way out."

Other resolutions of importance were passed by the National Interfraternity Conference. One recommends to colleges and fraternities the extension as rapidly as possible of chapter resident adviserships, the tuition for the adviser preferably to be furnished by the college and room and board by the fraternity, responsibility on the part of a carefully selected resident adviser to both college

and fraternity being desirable. Another resolution recommended the continued consideration of the Fraternity Criteria by the colleges and national fraternities to the end that wholesome blending of efforts might result in producing a finer type of college fraternity man.

A re-study of existing rushing rules and regulations was deemed desirable by another resolution to the end that less time, effort, and money might be expended in integrating freshmen into fraternity life.

Chairman, Harold J. Baily, Beta Theta Pi; vice chairman, H. Maurice Darling, Delta Kappa Epsilon; secretary, Russell C. MacFall, Delta Chi; treasurer, Lynne J. Bevan, Delta Upsilon; educational adviser, D. H. Gardner, dean of men, University of Akron; members of Executive Committee, class of 1937, Maurice Jacobs, Phi Epsilon Pi; class of 1938, Harold E. Lobdell, Phi Kappa Sigma, Henry S. Rogers, Alpha Tau Omega, Hulon Capshaw, Kappa Alpha Order.

J. Harold Johnston, Pi Kappa Alpha, who retired as secretary of the Conference, would not permit his name to be placed in nomination. A high tribute was paid him in recognition of distinguished service to the Conference.

Significant was the statement of the new chairman of the National Interfraternity Conference, Harold J. Baily, in his inaugural address which closed the final session, when, after reviewing briefly the early days of the Conference and the constitutional edict that the purpose of the Conference is to discuss and recommend, but that its functions should be purely advisory, he said:

"I think we have come to the point where we are determined that we shall unitedly go a step further. This undercurrent of feeling that we should take action certainly should reveal itself in the effort on the part of every one of us to upbuild our own fraternity because by doing that we certainly are going to

help the fraternity cause throughout the country, we will help one another. The time may come when our constitution itself might even be changed to give effect to the changed temper of the times and of the men who make up our Conference."

While reports of the various officers and committees were printed and circulated rather than presented from the floor, there is much of value and interest in them, and most of the resolutions adopted grew out of these reports.

The Committee of Coöperation with College, whose report of 1934 was outstanding, had more encouragement to offer as the result of a re-survey of colleges. It reported a definite spirit of coöperation on the part of college administrations, centering around the Fraternity Criteria; a trend on the part of administrations to appoint special officers under deans of men to serve fraternities as special advisers in fraternity management; aid from colleges in making chapters "scholarship conscious" by helping to provide resident adviserships; the increase of financial supervision of chapters by colleges; and very definite progress in installing more house mothers.

Interesting and valuable reports of other Conference Committees, as well as detailed accounts of the highlights here stated, will be found in the Conference Year Book which each chapter receives annually from the Executive Council.

Nine men who were among those present at the founding of the National Interfraternity Conference 27 years ago, Albert S. Bard, James D. Livingston, Francis W. Shepardson, Edward S. Griffing, William L. Phillips, Leroy A. Wilson, Fred Nymeyer, Paul R. Hickok, and Charles H. Eldridge, also joined in the praise of what is generally characterized as the most completely successful session in the history of the Conference.

Remember Founders' Day, March 23



CHAPTER NEWS

Alpha—N. C. E.

Pledged: Thomas O'Malley, Otto Vogel, Joseph Bayerl, Robert Cyphers, and Ed Tyne.

On October 11th, the brothers held a stag party for prospective members. For the second time in the history of the chapter, a Treasure Hunt was held. The brothers scrambled hither and thither looking for clues and when the hunt was over the winning brother received a prize.

Another party was held Halloween night. The brothers and their dates danced and ducked for apples. The feature of the evening's entertainment was to be a kiddie-car race, but before the race took place, Brother Amberg sat on the kiddie car, and if you have any knowledge of Brother Amberg's size you can easily imagine what happened.

Alpha chapter won its annual football game by forfeit, however, some of the brothers had a football game among themselves with some very unfortunate injuries occurring to Brother Stefany.

Plans for both informal and formal initiations are under way and they probably will be held some time before mid-year examinations.

JOHN A. CONNELL

Beta—Wagner

Initiated: Charles Thoms '36 and Edward Jones '38.

This looks like a good year for Beta. Everyone is on his toes. The first step of progress was in pledging fifteen men. Of these fifteen five have attained the scholastic average necessary for induction. Three others, Barabas, Koch (a brother of George Koch, *Beta* '34) and Raisch played the full football schedule. Vierling, a pledge of last year, and Brother Rogler took part in the three one-act plays given by the Varsity Theatre. During the Thanksgiving vacation Brother Jones and Wes Braisted of Columbia drove down to Duke. Jones stopped in at Xi and was heartily received.

Beta held a general school dance on Nov. 8 at Wagner. Everyone in the student body and all our friends outside of school were invited. The attendance exceeded even our optimistic expectations. The dance was the largest social event of the new semester.

The seniors of Wagner led by Brothers Schnackenberg and Eberhart have instituted a new tradi-

tion—that of wearing academic gowns to classes daily. Incidentally seven of the members of Beta are seniors.

Following the induction of Jones and Thoms, Brother Donovan *ex-37* had a supper party for the chapter at his home. Jimmy is working for Procter and Gamble and making out well we understand.

All the fellows gathered and gave Dr. De Walsh a surprise party on his birthday. This has become a custom every year. Our annual Christmas Party given by the thirteen members of Beta on Friday, Dec. 13, is said by some to be a token of hard luck, but we'll take the chance and tempt fate!

Brothers Pape and Schnackenberg are at present ushering in Staten Island theatres. Jones and Burke are still at Macy's. Frank Tellefsen still jerks sodas. In his spare time now he is on the Junior Prom committee. Brother Gietz, football manager, was assisted by Brother Mayer. Brother Danielson beside working after school is student body and fraternity president. His time is well taken care of!

Beta is making plans for the Winter Formal. We expect this will take place early in February. May we at this time invite all our brothers to attend and if we don't see any of you before Jan. 1,

Happy New Year.

JOHN F. BURKE

Delta—Brooklyn Poly

Pledged: Kingdon Hamilton, John Laistadius, Bob Meagher, Joe Weiss, Ernie Weitz, Andy Schafer, Al Braunnmuller, Harvey Langebeer, Eddie Hayes, Jim Hawkins, John Serano, Ralph Montijo, Bob Rieke, Sam Ferrante, and Gene Backus.

Initiated: George D. Ayd, William Heinzelman, Roy Helgeson, Charles F. Hutcheon, William C. Schoenfeld and Michael J. Zemetra.

Delta chapter returned to school this year greatly reduced in numbers through the graduation of eleven brothers last spring. The induction of the six new brothers above has raised our membership to seventeen active brothers.

W culminated our rushing season on October 21, pledging nine freshmen, three juniors and one sophomore. On October 19 we held a rushing smoker at which time brothers, pledges, and rushees enjoyed themselves playing "cootie" and spent

thousands of dollars trying to beat the stock market.

On Sunday evening, Oct. 20, brothers and alumni members, assembled to induct the new brothers into Alpha Kappa Pi and to feast royally at the banquet which followed the ceremonies.

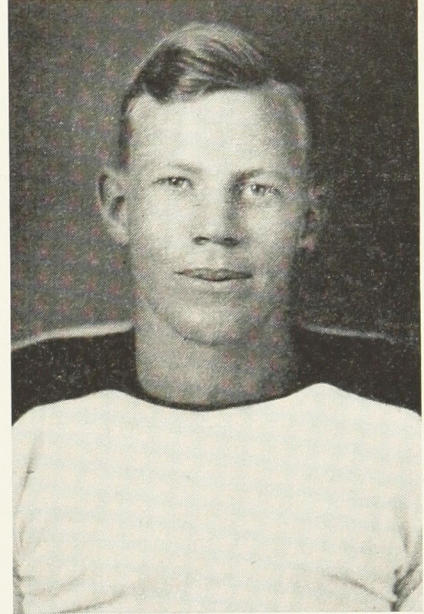
Delta is also keeping well up on her social duties. On October 26, the Annual Fall Dance was held at the Casino in the Air atop the Hotel Montclair. One hundred couples danced to the syncopated rhythms which were supplied by Wes Oliver and his Colgate Vikings. The smooth music, charming escorts, all in a perfect setting tended to make the affair one that would remain in the memories of all those who attended. Among the guests were Grand Second Vice-President Fraim and his mother Mrs. Laura Fraim, President and Mrs. Harry Rogers, Dean and Mrs. Eric Hausmann, Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Kirk, Dr. and Mrs. G. B. L. Smith, and Dr. and Mrs. Roland Ward.

The pledges held their first house dance on November 9. It was a great success and was well attended by the brothers and the pledges.

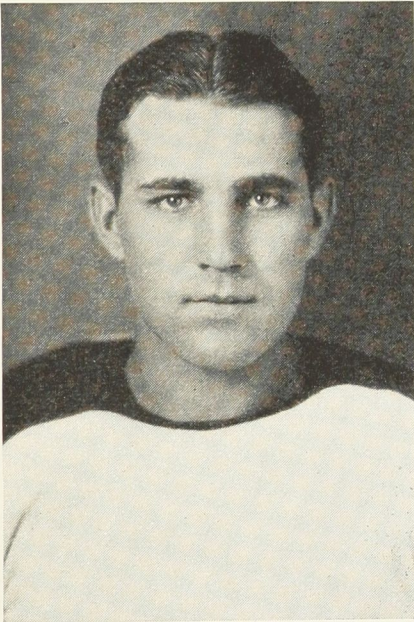
A father and son smoker was held at the chapter house on November 27. After playing pinochle and bridge the guests were entertained by Grand Second

with a match against the alumni. Brothers Heinzleman and Ayd proved that they were still excellent wrestlers by defeating their opponents.

The handball teams have been formed which will represent Delta chapter in the interfraternity tournament. Al Braunnmuller-Bill Schoengeld, and



RED CAPPLEMAN
Halfback at Presbyterian



MARION BIRD
Varsity Guard at Presbyterian

Vice-President Parke B. Fraim who gave a lecture and demonstration on interesting experiments in Physics. The dads all got together after refreshments and recounted personal experiences of their younger days.

The wrestling season opened at Poly on Dec. 7

George Schaaf-Bill Kaupp playing doubles while Ray Mitchell and Harvey Langebeer play singles.

Several of our alumni brothers are back in school again this year. George Ast is a stern instructor at evening school, Don Edmonds obtained a fellowship in the civil department, and Lou Lento, whom we can thank for the successful planning and running of the Montclair dance, couldn't resist the lure of Poly and bears the imposing title of assistant graduate research chemist.

Al Laukaitus drops in now and then to show us youngsters how this game of bridge should be played. Chet Hutcheon and Bob MacCune are battling each other for the chess championship while Bill Kaupp keeps looking for a good game of pinochle.

We now have a trio of brothers in our ranks. Bob, George and Joe Meagher.

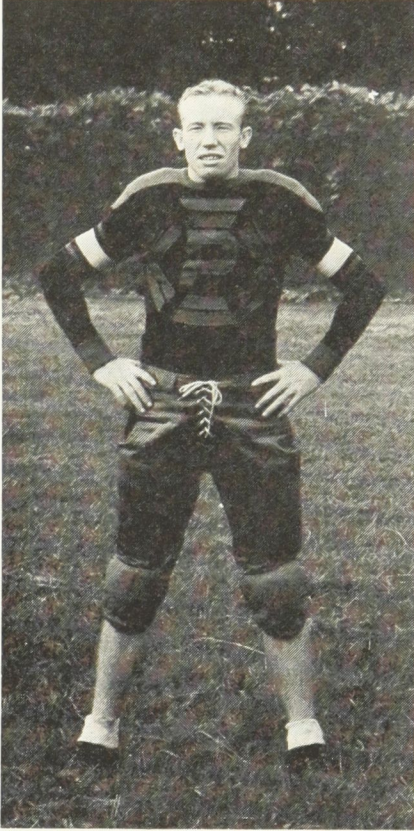
From all appearances the rifle team at Poly will again consist mainly of men from Alpha Kappa Pi. Vaiden is manager, Zemetra and Hucheon are assistant managers, Kaupp and McCune veterans, with Hawkins, Serano, and Weitz trying out for the team.

That sums up the outstanding events at Delta and so adios.

WILLIAM SCHOENFELD

Eta—Presbyterian

Eta Chapter has had a very successful year athletically speaking and we expect it to be even more successful as the year continues. In varsity football this year we had four men: Marion Bird, Dick Abbott, KingKong Cappelman, and William



DICK ABBOTT

Another Halfback at Presbyterian

Cox. These men gave meritorious service throughout the year. Abbott was a fast, hip-shaking back that gained state wide recognition for his sweeping end-runs. Bird was a guard and Cox, a center. Though Cox saw little service this year he will be a powerhouse next season for he is only a sophomore and the outstanding candidate for his position on the "regulars." Cappelman was a blocking back who shown well in backing up the line.

Three pledges were regulars on the freshman team which was the best that this school has ever seen. Davis was the best guard in the school and is going to give some varsity man a hard run for his money next year. Culp was a quarterback who also shows great promise of making a splendid varsity man. Heatherly was a strong tackle on the strongest line that has ever been here.

But it is in boxing that Eta chapter really shines. KingKong Cappelman is captain of the fighters and having won all his fights last year except one, bids fair to be champion in the state in the heavy-weight division this year. Malcolm Gillis fights featherweight, and is one of the gamest fighters and hardest hitters in the state. Jackie Pitman fights light-heavy and should be in his prime when the schedule rolls into effect. All these men saw service last year. Latimer, a pledge, is going out for the first time this season. It is too early to make predictions about him, but the boys say that he has it.

We have no other definite information about the other sports yet but we are confident that Eta men will be in every field carrying the colors in the true Alpha Kappa Pi spirit.

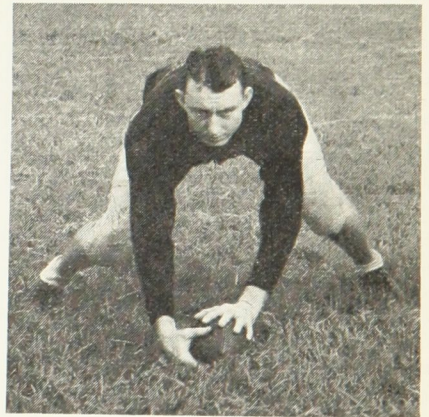
In closing Eta extends sincere fraternal greetings to all Alpha Kappa Pi's and a warm invitation to visit us at any time.

MALCOLM GILLIS

Iota—Mount Union

Pledged: George Cukro, New York City; Walter Haas, New Waterford, Ohio; Max Talkington, Bowerston, Ohio; Carl Parks, and Clyde Parks, Sebring, Ohio; Fred Hofer, Homeworth, Ohio; Robert Palmer, Thomas Hazen, and Foster Monti, Alliance, Ohio.

While our men were not prominent on the football team which placed first in the Ohio Conference for Mount Union, we of Iota chapter feel that we have very satisfactorily upheld our stand-



WILLIAM COX

Presbyterian Center

ards in football representation in the persons of Brother Hamill Hartman and Pledges George Cukro and Foster Monti. At a recent banquet of the football men, Brother Hartman was appointed Head Manager of the football team for the coming year, 1935-36. We all believe brother Hart-

man is the only man for this position and that he has well deserved and earned this place in the sun. He is the second Brother to have occupied this position in the last three years, Brother Eugene Benedetto having held this managership two years ago. It is anticipated that pledges Cukro and Monti will be battling for varsity guard positions next year.

Speaking of more intimate chapter events, we are having an initiation December 16, at which we will initiate three or four men into brotherhood in Alpha Kappa Pi.

Our dance, on January 17, is eagerly anticipated by all the brothers, and plans have been fast going forward to assume a very successful climax.

Intramural basketball has been occupying our attention these days, and we feel proud in having a pledge team that is going to do big things. Our active team is, as usual, among the best of all the fraternities.

Upholding the Alpha Kappa Pi tradition, we have again, by a large margin, taken the scholarship cup. Walter Haas, who has studied in Jamaica, Long Island, is the first freshman student to become an assistant to a Mount Union professor, being assistant to Dr. Richard C. Hildner, head of the astronomy department.

In closing, we of Iota chapter extend best wishes for the holiday season and for the new year, to all of Alpha Kappa Pi.

JAMES A. WEST

Lambda—Bethany

A Happy New Year to every Alpha Kappa Pi from your brothers of Lambda! But, as at this writing we are still in 1935, we will confine ourselves to the wind-up of this year.

The pledging and initiation of Mr. N. W. Evans was omitted from the last issue of THE ALPHA. Mr. Evans, who lives in Bethany, is the college bursar, and a fine asset to the chapter and fraternity. We are also pleased to announce the pledging and initiation of Barton Murray '38, of Warren, Ohio, and the pledging of Ashley Booth '37, of Huntington, W.Va. "Ash" attended Marshall College his first two years, and was an Alpha Kappa Pi pledge there.

Bethany came through the football season with flying colors, winning five out of eight games—the best record since 1922. We were represented on the squad by three fine players: "Tony" Bupka '37, end; Elmer Greskovich '38, guard; and Earl White-man '38, back. Next year we are hoping to see these three men help to make an even better record for Bethany.

Bill McIlroy '35, chairman of the Song Book Committee, composed a football march, "The Green Wave," and dedicated it to this successful team and its coach, John Knight.

In November we held our first Autumn Dance,

which we intend to make an annual event. The house was elaborately decorated and dancing and cards furnished the entertainment. As a contrast to this formal dance, we are planning a good old fashioned "kid party." As it is to be on the fourteenth of December it will also have the aspects



ANTHONY BUPKA
Varsity end at
Bethany

of a Christmas party. The pledges will give a stunt as a special feature. Such a party has not previously been attempted on the campus, but we're expecting it to be a "humdinger." Our last social event will be our annual stag banquet, to be held the evening preceding the last day of classes. After the banquet, the chapter will sing Christmas carols from Bethany's tower.

Then we will enjoy our holidays and return prepared to help the rest of you make 1936 a banner year for Alpha Kappa Pi.

DONALD MCILROY

Mu—Marshall

Pledges: John Light, Paul Dempsey, "Benny" Oswald, James Heins, George Cowden, Russell Prichard, Miles Lee Bunch, James Shirley, all of Huntington, W.Va.; Albert Hul, Portsmouth, Ohio; Don Miller, Edwin Cummings, both of Barbersville, W.Va.; Russell Lee, Akron, Ohio; Henry Green, Youngstown, Ohio; Nash Campbell, Beckley, W.Va.; Carl Tankersley, Wheelwright, Ky.; Paul Becker, Wheeling, W.Va.; Oral Richardson, Wayne, W.Va.

Initiated: Bill Bess, Huntington, W.Va.

With the return of Waitman Christian, Jake Brown and the initiation of Bill Bess, our number of actives has been boosted to fourteen. Brother George Garner is our only post graduate back in school this semester.

Many brothers and pledges attended our annual Thanksgiving Day dance on Nov. 26. Everyone had a very pleasant evening. Music was furnished

by Brother Hazeldine and his orchestra. We were greatly pleased to have a number of brothers and pledges from Psi chapter visit us and hope they will hop back soon for another visit.

Brother Rafeld, Zeta Province Chief, was down to see his Alma Mater vanquish the hard-fighting Marshall eleven in a mud battle in our annual Thanksgiving Day classic. He made Mu chapter a present of a new house plaque. Mu chapter extends its deepest thanks to Brother Rafeld.

Mu chapter is very fortunate in having two of our brothers elected by the student body to positions on the student council. Our president, Brother Bunch, and Brother Otis Brumfield are the two holding these positions. It will be up to Brother Brumfield to select the next year's student body president.

Alpha Kappa Pi won the championship of the fraternity football league, but lost out in the school championship play-off.

Two teams in volley ball and basketball are making a good showing. Brother Reynolds conducted a very successful ping-pong tournament at the house in which all actives and pledges took part.

Plans for a minstrel under the direction of Brothers Garner and Prichard are forming rapidly. One of the highlights will be the Alpha Kappa Pi quartet formed this year. The quartet is composed of Brother Ball, 2d tenor; Brother Bunch, bass; and pledges Light, 1st tenor; and Dempsey, baritone. Brother Norman Hazeldine accompanies them at the piano.

In my last round-up here I want to extend for Mu chapter an invitation to all brothers or pledges passing through our neck of the woods to stop in for a visit with us. Come one, come all, we have plenty of room.

BERNARD BALL

XI—North Carolina State

Another year has ended, and we at Xi can be proud to look back on a very successful year.

This fall, in the way of intramural sports, Xi has competed in football, swimming, and horseshoes. We won three of our four football games, and went to the semi-finals in horseshoes, but in swimming we did not fare so well as our representatives failed to place in any of the events. We are looking forward to a championship basketball team, which will be built around two of last year's All-Campus forwards, Schoof and Baerthlein.

In November Xi awarded the scholarship key to Bill Bain, and the activities key to Herb Schoof. Bill is president of Xi; vice-president of Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternity; member of Phi Eta Sigma and Phi Kappa Phi, both scholarship fraternities; winner of White Spades Cup, awarded to Junior with highest scholastic average.

Herb Schoof is secretary of Sigma Pi Alpha, honorary language fraternity, and is also a student assistant in the Zoology department. In the fraternity Schoof has been very active and has held the offices of chaplain, housemaster, alumni news editor, and treasurer, the office which he now holds.

Xi has been very happy to welcome a number of its alumni back during the first few months. "Speck" Beran, who has just graduated from the University of Oklahoma, visited us the first week in December. Others whom we have seen are Carter Williams, Tommy Gardiner, Pop Sauls, Charlie Garner, and Dave Whitehead.

Three dances have been held at the house since the opening of school in September, and as usual we had a large crowd at each one, and a very good time was had by all.

Xi was not represented in varsity sports this fall, but two of our freshmen pledges, Hubert Knott and Eddie Lovelace, won their numerals as members of the freshman cross country team. This winter Honeycutt and Pledge Keating will give us representation on the varsity basketball team, and the coming of spring will find Brother Baerthlein playing his third year as a member of the varsity golf team.

Now in closing, the brothers of Xi wish to extend to their brothers in all the other chapters best wishes for a very happy and prosperous and successful new year.

HERBERT R. DENTON

Omicron—Penn State

Houseparty, with its never-to-be-forgotten incidents, was held on November 8, 9, and 10. As in the previous years, Omicron chapter joined the Theta Xi chapter at Penn State and participated in the scintillating social event of the year—Fall Houseparty. Much labor and patience were expended by Brothers "Sinc" Adam, "Bud" Pennypacker, and "Pete" Greiner in keeping up with the traditional theme of decorating extravagantly and unusually well throughout the house. Nautical effects were supplied with realism, even if we did have to borrow the Delta Gamma 400-lb. anchor to achieve this result. Excellent backdrops of open sea and steel cabins of the modern liner were painted on canvas at a great expense. The decoration theme was modern throughout. Down in the Chapter Room, adequately termed the "bilge room," a streamline bar and modernistic cabaret tables had been erected. The dancing floor in the Club Room was illuminated by white and blue nautical lights. The dashing, incomparable Bill Bottorf furnished music Friday and Saturday nights. Like foregoing functions this Houseparty was pronounced the "best-ever," and the social committee, composed of Brothers Heckendorn, Kutzer, and Hayes, deserves

much commendation for a really successful occasion.

On Wednesday, December 18, the formal Christmas banquet held sway on the eve before we traveled back to our relatives and friends. Christmas gifts with appropriate poems and sentiments attached were presented anonymously, by unknown donors. Each of the chapter's guests gave a short after-dinner series of remarks, filled with the usual wit and good humor. The following day we left State College for a brief two-weeks Christmas vacation.

Brother Frank Osterlund completed another successful soccer season at State. Last year Frank was selected as inside right on the second team of the All-American teams selected from the Eastern Intercollegiate circuit. This year Frank was named honorable mention for first team All-American and was given outstanding mention for his work in the Navy game.

Pledges "Kurt" Yamas and "Gordy" Thomas are prominent in the men's dancing chorus of the Thespians. Pledges Oliver and Palmer are candidates for the swimming team. "Warny" is out to sew up the breast stroke, while "Charley" is strutting his stuff in the back stroke. Statler plays cornet in the Sophomore R.O.T.C. Band. "Georgie" is expected, through his fine playing performance, to make the well-known Blue Band next year. Thompson and Karn are seeking berths on the Freshman fencing team. So far they haven't had a chance to pull any Don Juan stuff around the house, but wait until they get good!

Brother "Bill" Way writes technical articles for the Penn State Engineer and is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. "Bill" also pounds out the latest dope for columns in the A.S.M.E. paper.

Brother "Tub" Sherer is manager of athletic activities at Omicron and at present is working out a schedule for competition in the house. There will be a ping-pong tournament, wrestling and boxing matches. Boxing will go three rounds for two minutes each. Wrestling bouts will last eight minutes. Competition for house champions will of course be determined by weight.

JOHN H. OESCHGER

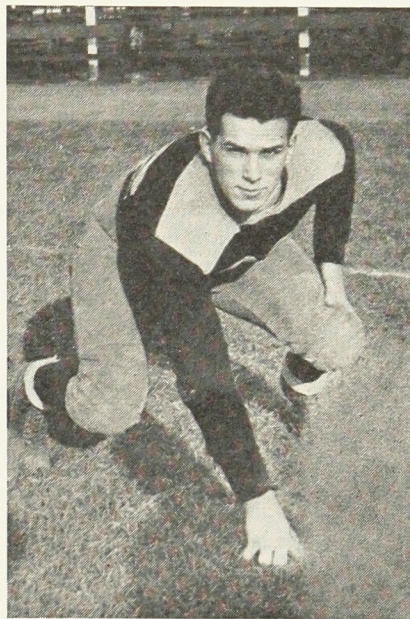
Pi—New Hampshire

Pi chapter has been comparatively quiet this term. The campus and town have shifted their centers of activity to the other end of Durham. Our house is located in what used to be the center of the town; in fact the town hall is the next building to our chapter house. But as all the other fraternities have moved away from us we have found it necessary to move too, or pledging activities will be considerably hampered.

Starting in January Pi chapter will be housed

in a beautiful large house which is situated in the very center of the fraternities and sororities of this campus.

Brother Ralph Morang is back in school this year after being out for a year. Brother Grasso is



RANDALL DODGE
Rutgers Freshman Guard

working this term but will be back with us in January.

LEONARD S. MOORE

Rho—Rutgers

We are well under way now; the freshmen are finding themselves; seniors are wistfully sighing as weeks fly by; and the handwriting on the wall gives ominous warning of exams to come.

We are all recovering from the bliss and excitement of the Soph Hop Week-end. It was great while it lasted, but it was just the slightest bit fatiguing; and Lord, the work to be made up! The crowning feature of the entire festival was the appearance of Fred Schaffert '35, distinguished banker and financier in the Big Town, wearing a feeble shadow on the upper lip. Maybe Fred has read the inspiring life of Commodore Vanderbilt, who boasted a full beard at twenty. Incidentally, the splendid decorations at the Hop were created by the Hortus Club, under the leadership of Brother Collins '36, its President, and the very material aid of Brother Wright '37.

We are proud to announce that an ancient shade tree in front of the house has been removed by the body politic, and an "enfant terrible," gift of

Brother Connors, professor at the School of Agriculture, substituted. As yet, the baby organism wouldn't afford shade to an ant, but we're dreaming dreams.

Rho is making great strides in the field of letters. Brothers Newcomb and Schmidt have been initiated into the Philosophian Society, honorary senior literary group, whose influence dates back over a century. Newcomb has also been appointed associate editor of the *Anthologist*, literary quarterly of the University. Brother Krommelbein '37, is art editor, and Schmidt '36, contributing editor of dramatics. After three years of outstanding work in the School of Journalism and *The Targum*, Brother Newcomb has been honored with the presidency of The Deadline Club, honorary press society. Your correspondent often wishes that Brother Dick would ghost-write his ALPHA articles.

Pledge Walker Bickel is gaining campus-wide fame for his spirited bass-viol accompaniment in the Jeff Jeffry Orchestra. It is likely that his orchestra will accompany the University Glee Club on their eight day trip to Bermuda next month. Brothers Newcomb and Gordon and Pledge Dodge will also enjoy tropical skies as vocalists in the group. As they commence their 1936 season next Sunday with the Christmas choral service we wish them good audiences and clear throats.

Rho continues its representation in the R.O.T.C. corps. We are proud to announce the appointment of First Sergeant William Krommelbein and Platoon Sergeant John Gordon.

Rutgers is preparing to meet other schools in at least seventy debates this year. Brother Leslie Leonard is busy arranging schedules for the thirty-five freshmen under his care. Brother Bill Collins, senior varsity manager, is preparing for the huge program and will accompany seniors on a two thousand mile trip through the middle West. Brother Bill Schmidt enters his fourth year of debate participation.

At the end of the gridiron season, Rho looks back on the fine work done by brothers in the great American sport. Brother John Deschu '36, brings to a close his brilliant career as quarterback on the Rutgers 150 pound team, undefeated since its inception, having met this year such teams as Princeton, Yale, Villanova, and Penn. Brother Frank Tilley has carried faithfully the onerous burdens of Junior Manager for the team. Pledge Randall Dodge, who came to Rutgers with a fine high-school record, has performed well in guard position on the Freshman football team.

Rho wishes a most Merry Yuletide to brothers everywhere and a Christmas vacation full of good things.

WILLIAM H. SCHMIDT

Tau—Tufts

Initiated: Paul Flaherty '37, Whitney Lawrence '37, Walter Morton '37, Richard Farmer '38.

Pledged: Anthony Radvilas '36, George Versakis '36, Lou Jens '36, Fred Newman '37, Robert Lampard '37, William Sculley '37, Elmer Witham '38, Clarence Morehouse '39, Floyd Tremberth '39, Runo Johnson '39, Bradford Lawrence '39.

By the time this letter is thrust upon our unsuspecting readers, Tau and the world in general



JOE PALMIERI
Varsity Guard at Tufts

will be throwing snowballs instead of footballs, and Tufts will be glad of it. Tufts fielded an undefeated, untied squad last year, but this year saw a team sadly riddled by injuries, and handicapped by a pair of heavy ends, run head on into disaster.

Nevertheless, Tau is proud of the fight and gameness shown by its representatives on the team. Paul Bratenas, Tony Radvilas, Lou Abdu, Joe Palmieri, and Lou Ranieri managed to win varsity letters.

Paul and Tony made a sweet pair of tackles, and along with Joe Palmieri at guard, formed a bulwark of strength and stamina in the line. In Lou Abdu, sophomore, playing in the major portions of all games as fullback, it looks as though coach Lou Manley has found a heady, dependable "mity mite," who can successfully fill the shoes of Walt Froelich, last year's Tufts captain. Although Lou tips the scales at only one hundred and fifty five, he is a vicious tackler and dependable line plunger. Although Chesy Philpott, Joe Grates, Warren Chace and Whit Lawrence failed to earn the coveted letter, they turned in creditable performances, and what is far more important, showed their love of the sport by sticking with the squad the entire season. Lou Ranieri, president of Tau chapter, came through this year to prove that he is really one half wildcat and the other half kangaroo. Besides passing every ball perfectly during the sea-

son, Lou showed some of the most sensational tackling ever seen at Tufts. He was absolutely one hundred and fifty pounds of Tarzan and King Kong rolled into one.

Of the above crew, Lawrence and Chace will now turn their attention to wrestling while Bratenas will turn his attention to track. Paul amuses himself by heaving cannon balls at imaginary professors, and thus practices his shot-putting. When the professors begin to run, he attempts to spear his fleeing nemeses with a javelin. He really has a prolific imagination, don't you think? But with such an incentive is it little wonder that he holds the college javelin record?

Tony Radvilas is a cinch for center position on the varsity basketball team. He handles a basketball as you and I would handle an orange. It would be sheer injustice to call his hands "hams," but one might closer approach a description by calling them the whole darned pig.

The other members of the house are now occupied with interfraternity bowling and basketball. Under the able leadership of Lou Veilleux, the bowlers came within a hair of winning the first leg on the bowling trophy. Strengthening by new men, the basketball team is pointing for easy time in winning the interfraternity cup in this sport.

Brother Grates, lowly fireman, welcomes the approach of winter weather with a twinkle in his eye—a twinkle similar to that in the eyes of F. D. Roosevelt when he meets William Randolph Hearst.

Two brothers from Pi chapter visited our domicile a short while ago, and were enticed to sleep on our outdoor porch. Reports are, that they either were inveterate sleep-talkers, or else they were extremely agitated by the well known New England cold weather. Be consoled brothers of Pi, however, for Brother Veilleux now retires to bed at-

tired in stocking hat, mittens, and woolen stockings after he ties down Brother Chase so that the latter will not be blown out of bed during the course of the night.

Brother Hay, engineer, has made computations showing why the third floor sleepers fall into the arms of Morpheus so much more quickly than the second floor sleepers. His data shows that on an average winter evening, the rafters sway to and fro through an angle of about ten degrees, thus providing a natural cradle rocked by a cross between a hurricane and a cyclone.

Tau extends hearty greetings for a happy holiday and heartier and more sympathetic hopes that mid-years will come and go without incurring any decrease in Alpha Kappa Pi's roster of undergraduates.

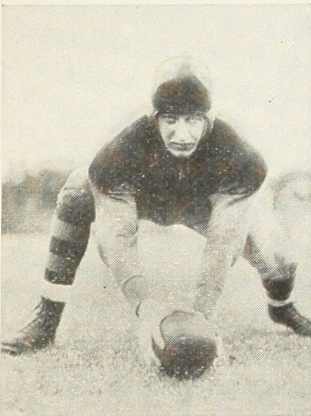
J. EDWARD CROWLEY

Upsilon—Centre

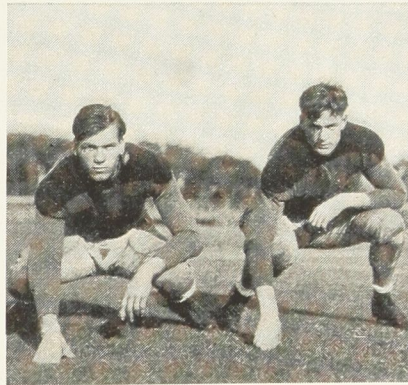
Pledged: James Copeland, Roger B. Thompson and Leslie Gray all of Fern Creek, Ky.; Phillip Foley, Danville, Ky.; William Lominac, Anchorage, Ky.; Woody Jennings, Louisville, Ky.; and Fred Meibel, New Albany, Ind.

We are proud to present the above named group of pledges to the other chapters of the fraternity. In addition, there are several other good prospects whom we hope to be able to introduce to you as pledges in the near future. Our six active brothers together with these men and two alumni members who meet with us frequently, form the nucleus for what we hope will be one of the best years in the history of the chapter.

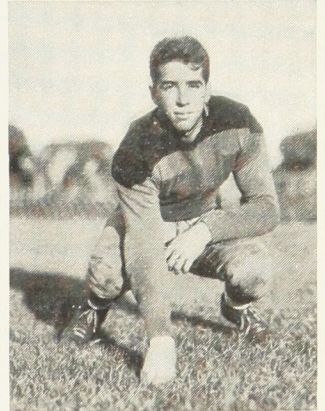
Our first formal dance of the year was quite a hit here at Centre. The decorations were of the combined colors of Alpha Kappa Pi and of Centre



RANIERI
Center



BRATENAS AND
RADVILAS
A Pair of Tackles



PHILPOTT
Guard

MORE VARSITY LINEMEN AT TUFTS

College and the music was of that character which tends toward a very happy occasion for all.

Upsilon placed third in the scholarship race among the fraternities at Centre last semester with a high C rating. This was far above the average and almost at the top. In addition to maintaining a high scholarship standing we are well represented in all campus organizations and are in full control of our share of the activities.

In closing may we of Upsilon wish to all of our brothers the happiest greetings of the season.

BURK WILLIAMS, JR.

Phi—St. John's

Pledged: E. C. Poppelein, Jr., Reisterstown, Md.; W. D. Stallings, Annapolis, Md.; J. C. Hill, Rock Point, Md.; J. M. Tindall, Waterbury, Md.; W. B. Welling, Sykesville, Md.; G. C. Beneze, Annapolis, Md.; T. Lyles MacNemar, Castle Point-on-the-Hudson, N.Y.; C. L. Kibler, Greensboro, Md.; W. Nielson, Teaneck, N.J.; R. J. Hodges, Hagerstown, Md.; C. A. Hodges, Jr., Annapolis, Md.; R. Albera, Glastonbury, Conn.; C. A. Mosby, Jersey City, N.J.; and L. Brooks, Washington, D.C.

Phi's rushing season has ended for another year and we all are proud of the results of our efforts. On our night during the past week, we entertained the rushees at a banquet in town and a smoker at the chapter house for the remainder of the evening. We were very fortunate in having with us that night, Brother Crawford, one of St. John's outstanding graduates of the class of 1933.

This year's class elections have turned out very successfully for Phi. We are happy to state that in the senior class, we have, Brother Blakistone as Vice-President, Brother Bradley as Sergeant-at-Arms and Brother Westcott as Historian; in the junior class, Brother Waters as President; in the sophomore class, Brother Cover as Secretary-Treasurer and Pledge Bushong as Historian.

Up to the present time, we have had but one dance. This dance was held just before Halloween and it was in the form of a barn dance. The house was appropriately decorated for the occasion. All of the fellows wore overalls (I suspect this made more than one of us homesick) and the girls wore dresses that were equally appropriate. A swell time was had by all who attended and much credit is due Brother Kopp and his social committee. After our mid-year exams we are expecting to have a full schedule of social events.

In closing Phi extends its best wishes for a very happy and prosperous New Year to all the brothers.

JAMES P. BRADLEY

Psi—West Virginia Wesleyan

Initiated: Don Crane '38, Browning Coleman '38, Dale Van Hyning '38, and Bud Ward '37.

Pledged: Rene Andre, Howard Arnett, Jim Ellis, John Hann, Jim Herndon, Bud Hicks, Jack Min-

near, Jim Moyer, Haven Perkins, Vaughn Rice, John Saunders, Harry Widney, Joe Galunisky, Don Gatewood, Paul Gatskie, Butch Jones, Pete Kurlinski, Joe Mackey, Kenneth Moore, Meade Mullins, Vic Dean, and Tom Ross. Prep master, Brunson Williams.

Psi again came through the rushing season with flying colors and the chapter is well satisfied with the group of fellows that took the pledge to Alpha Kappa Pi. Psi pledged twenty-two men immediately following rush week. Of this group only one is an upperclassman. "Long Tom" Ross who towers six feet six inches above terra firma has cast his lot with Psi. Pledge Ross is a member of the basketball team, a good student, active in campus activities, and is one of the best liked fellows on the campus.

Four men were initiated into Alpha Kappa Pi by Psi chapter on October 15, 1935. They were Don Crane, '38, Albie Coleman '38, Bud Ward '37, and Dale Hyning '38. Van Hyning and Coleman were out for the football team and saw quite a bit of service. Brother Ward is a member of the tennis team. Brother Crane is very active in campus activities, a good student, and one of the most popular men on the campus. Sunday afternoon, December 15, two more men will take the formal initiation. They are Paul Jackson '38, of South Charleston, W.Va., and Howard Gebing '38, of South Salem, New York. Pledges Whidney and Vaughn Rice will move into the house at the end of the first semester.

As is the custom Psi again contributed rather heavily to the Wesleyan Bobcats in the way of football material. No less than 17 actives and pledges of Alpha Kappa Pi represented the Wesleyan Bobcats on the gridiron at home and on foreign fields against some of the most rugged opposition. Woody Burton again played the part of the iron man of the team, until the Geneva game when he was out because of an injury. Brother Burton who was the only senior regular on the team was one of the best centers ever to don a Wesleyan uniform. Jack LaBay playing his second year as a regular took his old post of blocking back and handled it in the best possible manner. Roy Bachtel, triple threat halfback, is probably the most versatile man in the backfield. Incidentally, he pulled a Frank Merriwell stunt in the last two minutes of the Marshall game and galloped 50 yards for the winning touchdown. Kenney Moore who weighs only 180 pounds held down a regular tackle berth on the varsity his first year and made a good name for himself. Dale Van Hyning who plays guard or tackle, Mike Branchik a 195 pound tackle, Pete Kurlinski and Vic Dean each of whom tip the scales at 175 play the guard positions, Don Gatewood, an accurate snapper-back, "Butch" Jones former star end on the West Virginia U. freshmen, "Tuffy" Joe Gilmore, a fast flying halfback, Browning Coleman, and "Moon" Mullins, both triple-threat fullbacks, Paul Gatskie a big rugged tackle, and Bus Green, 253

pound tackle, all proved themselves to be dependable reserves. Brother Walker, and pledges Herndon and Ellis served as managers for the Bobcats this past season.

With the basketball season only a couple of weeks away and varsity football men barred from basketball it is hard to say who will hold down regular positions on the team. Psi is well represented by Ross, Herndon, Gatewood, Ellis, Mackey, Gatskie, and Long. Brother Long held down a regular forward berth and has a good eye for the basket. Ross who takes advantage of his height is one of the best shots in the state, while little Jim Herndon keeps one stepping to keep up with his tricky ball handling.

Brothers Williams and Murray have again come to the front in their field and have major parts in the play, "The New Henrietta." However, pledge John Saunders stole the spotlight by having the lead in the play. Pledge Gene Stewart will also have a part in the play.

As usual with the opening of the hunting season several members of Psi cleaned and oiled their trusty guns and took to the hills in quest of game. Brothers Tucker, LaBay, Burton, Van Hyning, and Pledge Branchik had fairly good luck and supplied the table with fresh game several times. Brother Tucker entertained the chapter at a dinner on November 23, at the chapter house. Elk meat which was killed the past September in the wild and

woolly country of Wyoming by Brother Tucker was the main dish.

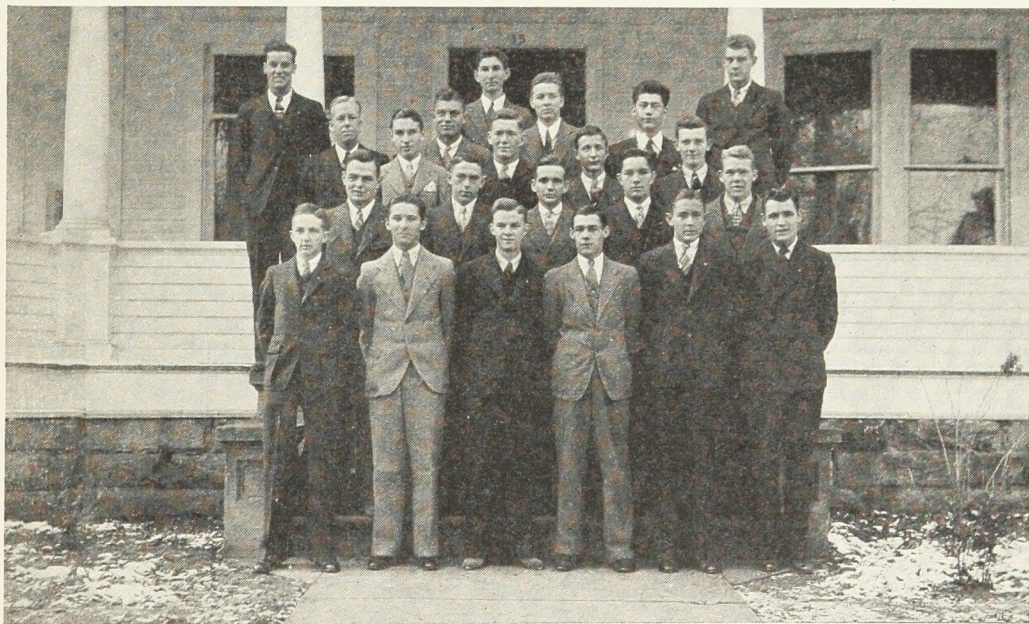
The Wednesday evening before the annual Turkey day battle between the football teams of Wesleyan and Marshall college, Mu chapter gave its annual welcome dance in honor of Psi. Psi wishes to thank Mu for the fine spirit and success of the event, and the fine time had by every Psi man who was fortunate enough to attend.

Brother "J. P." Morgan designed and supervised the decorations in, on, and around the house at the Homecoming game this year. The general theme predicted a Bobcat victory over the Yellow Jackets of Waynesburg. Psi's decorations took first place on the campus and received quite a few fine comments.

Psi's winter formal dance will be given on the Saturday following the return to school from the Christmas holidays, January 11. The social committee headed by Brother Morgan has been working very hard on the plans for the dance. Through much effort they have secured the services of one of the finest dance bands in the tri-state region.

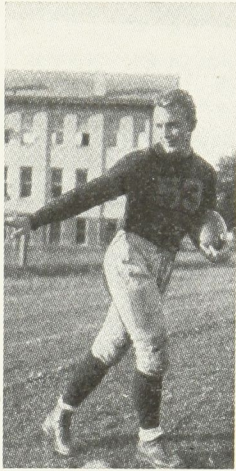
Psi's alumni entertained the active chapter and the pledges with a dance November 24, in honor of the new pledges. The dance was held in Whitescarver Hall and a good time was had by all.

Psi is very fortunate in having such fine alumni living in Buckhannon as Al Crane, Charles Green, Archie Snyder, and Allen Hammer. They are con-

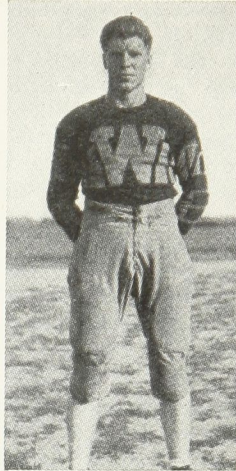


PLEDGE DELEGATION AT PSI

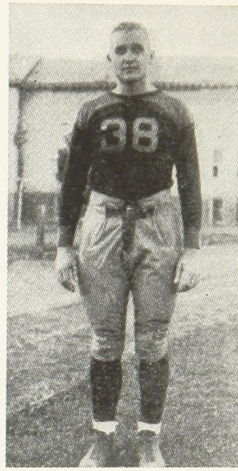
*First Row—left to right: Mowyer, Galunisky, Herndon, Hicks, Linger, and Rice.
 Second Row: Dean, Minnear, Arnett, Perkins, and Kurlinski.
 Third Row: Ellis, Mackey, Widney, and Andre.
 Fourth Row: Jones, Moore, Hann.
 Back Row: Mullins, Saunders, and Gatewood.*



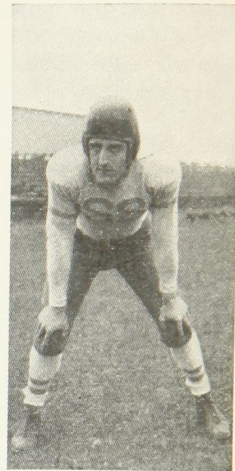
BACHTEL
Halfback



BURTON
Center



BRANCHIK
Tackle



LA BAY
Quarterback

THEY MAKE WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN'S BOBCATS GO

tinually doing some little thing to help the active chapter or are offering some helpful suggestions.

In recognition of his football ability Waynesburg College awarded Brother LaBay a place on the second team of their all-opponent team. Hub Randour of Pitt, all-American halfback, was the only reason Brother LaBay was kept off of the first team.

We notice that at present the Dupont Co. at Belle, W.Va., is now employing four men of Alpha Kappa Pi as chemical engineers. They are Brothers Cody, Hayes, Reppert, and Chapman.

In closing, Psi wishes to extend to her fellow chapters a Happy New Year.

JAMES WALKER

Alpha Beta—Tri-State

Due to the fact that it has only been a short time since our installation, we do not have much to offer in the order of news.

Since the initiation we have all been scouting for prospective pledges. Thus far we have only obtained three pledges but are assured of as many as we can handle upon the return of our coming Christmas holidays. We hope to be at the top of the list in all events when the next official records are taken of the ratings of the fraternities.

Following the initiation, and the departing of Grand Second Vice-President Fraim and Province Chief Rafeld on November 10, James Krebs, our Vice-President and David Davis, a pledge, were unfortunately involved in an automobile accident. It does seem as though they would have picked on something smaller than a freight train but Jimmie always said a Pennsylvania Dutchman could take it. He had his opportunity and he proved his

statement. The car, a Ford coupe, unfortunately belonging to Brother Cooper, was completely demolished. Krebs and Davis were both in the hospital for a few days but both are making the rounds again. Davis seemed to get the bad end of the deal for he had to drop school for the rest of this term and return home, but Jimmie, just as hard boiled as ever, is back at work again although he is a little lame. That is the old Alpha Kappa Pi spirit.

On Wednesday, November 26, Brothers Johnson and Erlandson went with a delegate from the Tri-State Interfraternity Council to the National Interfraternity Conference in New York City. The Tri-State Interfraternity Council was accepted as an undergraduate member of the National Interfraternity Conference. Alpha Beta of Alpha Kappa Pi was given full credit for this achievement by all other fraternities on the campus but that is just another sample of good old Alpha Kappa Pi. We lead where we live and where we are we shall never die.

While in New York at the National Interfraternity Conference, Brothers Johnson and Erlandson stayed at the Delta House of Alpha Kappa Pi. They were treated royally as guests of Prof. Fraim and the members of the Delta chapter. Alpha Beta wishes at this time to thank and extend their most deep-hearted appreciation to Delta chapter and its members. We extend our thanks to all other chapters of Alpha Kappa Pi for the welcome we received upon our becoming one of you. We shall always try to do our best to make Alpha Kappa Pi the leading fraternity, not only on our campus, but wherever we may be by upholding it to the *n*th degree.

It looks as though Alpha Beta of Alpha Kappa

Pi is going to have very nearly her own way on Tri-State campus in the near future. We are well represented in every organization that is of any importance on our campus. The following are some of the positions that are held by our members; Brother Cooper, Vice-President of Chi Epsilon, honorary chemical engineering fraternity, and Secretary and Treasurer of the Tri-State Interfraternity Council; Brother Krebs, Vice-President of Sigma Epsilon, a society of advanced students in administrative engineering; Brother Erlandson, President of the Mechanical Engineering Society; Brother McCormick, President of the Civil Engineering Society; and Brother Budman, Treasurer of the Civil Engineering Society. With these men as represent-

atives we are assured of a good future.

Brother McCormick as President of the Civil Engineering Society, leaves shortly with a group of Civil Engineering Students for Chicago where they will be engaged in a three day inspection tour of the construction going on there.

Brother Erlandson announces that he has engaged an educational film on engineering to be shown soon through the auspices of the Mechanical Engineering Society. It will no doubt prove interesting.

For a last few words, Alpha Beta wants the privilege of wishing all officers, alumni, and active members a more prosperous New Year than ever before.

JOHN T. MCCORMICK

ALUMNI CHAPTERS

Baltimore Alumni Chapter

Within the last week we had the pleasure of visiting the Phi Chapter on their Rush Night. The Brothers had arranged for a splendid banquet at Old Carvel Hall. A fine group of prospective pledges was present, and we all feel that Phi is about to have its most successful year. After the banquet we all returned to the chapter house where we spent a pleasant evening talking to the prospective men and renewing our old acquaintances. We were very pleasantly surprised when we saw the numerous improvements which the brothers have made in the chapter house. New curtains, new rugs, snappy looking red leather furniture, and a large number of very clever rooms have given Phi one of the most attractive houses on the St. John's campus. Needless to say brothers at Phi were greatly enthused over their seventeen active members and the fine showing which they have made this year. We want to take this opportunity to congratulate them for the great work they have done under the able leadership of the small but mighty Herb Eccleston, their president.

ROBERT C. CRAWFORD, *Phi '34*
President

Huntington Alumni Chapter

The Huntington Alumni Chapter is always striving to perfect its internal organization. When a plan is proposed to strengthen the chapter and make it run more smoothly, that plan is adopted immediately if it is found to be good. Two such changes were made last spring. One concerned the date of election of officers, and the other the inclusion of a chaplain in the list of officers. It was deemed advisable to elect and install officers at the beginning of the chapter's fiscal year, which begins in June, in order that they might become familiar with their duties during the lull of the summer

months. The addition of a chaplain to the list of elective officers was made to give a steadying note of dignity to the meetings, which have always been intimately informal.

At the May meeting officers were elected for the coming year. The perennial Cecil L. Brammer was reelected president for the third consecutive year. The rising young school executive, R. F. Brooks, was elected to the vice-presidency without opposition, and Durward D. Darnell was returned to the office of secretary-treasurer for the third time. The new office of chaplain was given to Charles A. Point. To these four is entrusted the duty of leading the chapter throughout the year. They shall succeed, for they have the ability, and, too, they have the suggestions and advice of Grand Secretary Kitchen, an earnest student of fraternity affairs.

Each year near the end of school, the alumni chapter joins with Mu chapter in a farewell banquet honoring the seniors who are soon to leave the active ranks and become alumni. They end their activities with the college chapter, but are offered the opportunity of continued fraternal activity in the alumni chapter. This year a large, joyous crowd met on the evening of May 25 to perpetuate the established tradition.

Another event rapidly becoming a tradition is the annual party at the home of Wylie R. Dunfee. This summer Mrs. Dunfee, Brother Dunfee's gracious mother, extended a cordial invitation to all Alpha Kappa Pis in the city the evening of June 28 to enjoy dinner and games after. You can just bet every man within miles of Huntington was there, for they knew what to expect.

And their expectations were more than justified in every respect. The dinner was no dainty affair of wafers and tea—far from that, it was a delicious, bountiful feast. A long, wide table stretched clear from here to there, laden with countless dishes piled high with appetizing food. Many of

the heartier ones visited the table twice and a third time, to refill emptied plates.

For a long time the large group of healthy young men sat at card tables, on the porch bannister, on the steps, indulging in the delights of applied gastronomy—a fascinating study. After passing successfully the last course, the whole crowd climbed the hill to dip into a large container of good old vanilla ice cream. After this the whole crowd shuffled the quoits with varying degrees of skill and luck. An elimination contest was arranged, allowing everyone present a chance to win one of two prizes—and who should win but G. S. Kitchen and Harry Moreland. Much of Sam's success can be attributed to the strength of his voice in the noisy arguments—and Harry was no timid soul either. The prize to each was a pair of sports hose.

As usual when the Dunfees are visited, the guests come early and stay late. So it was this time. The night was so warm, the hilltop so cool, the game so interesting the boys stayed until they were ashamed to stay longer. This party is about the biggest thing around these parts during the summer—we hope it continues to be.

In accordance with its established custom, the Huntington Alumni Chapter was the donor of a house plaque to the new Alpha Alpha chapter at Hartwick College. A similar plaque is now in preparation for the even newer Alpha Beta chapter at Tri-State College, which is to be installed early in November. To them we offer our congratulations and a hearty welcome to the active ranks of Alpha Kappa Pi.

DURWARD D. DARNELL

To the Editor

TO THE EDITOR:

In spite of THE ALPHA and its Editor, Alpha Kappa Pi goes onward. It is gratifying to note that we have started well on the way of double letters. I am looking forward to the Tri-State issue, since I have heard many fine remarks via Rafeld concerning this campus, and I am curious to read the Kramer version of this installed chapter.

I have, my friend, exhausted my mind trying to "brew up" a thought to take up the challenge of contributing to the Great Magazine. In all probability I shall turn loose with satire, cynicism and what have you, until you shall make a move to have me dishonorably discharged from the fraternity. Take heed, Mr. Editor, and retract your invitation for one day I shall bring cause to make you rue this act. . . .

The only respectable letter from the chapters in the last ALPHA came from Tau. The others, all meaning well, seem to overestimate their strength and fill us with a conglomeration of Tom, Dick and John (I frown on Harry). Tau handles the situation very nicely, in an intelligible fashion, filled with life and vigor that must be significant to that chapter. . . .

Seriously speaking, I am inclined to believe that

AKPI is going places, and anything I can do for the good cause will be freely done.

NICHOLAS CODY, *Psi*
Belle, West Virginia

TO THE EDITOR:

Let me congratulate you on the November ALPHA. I have looked through many fraternity magazines three times the size and not found so much. After all it is quality and not quantity that counts.

In particular, may I as an old fraternity man, commend your selection of Mr. Darling's "The Function of the Fraternity in the American College" as your front page selection. Nothing quite so good has been written in a long time. May Alpha Kappa Pi and all fraternities take it to heart. - - -

WALTER A. CONANT, *Sigma Nu*
Temple, New Hampshire

Mr. Darling's article was taken from the Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly in line with our policy of giving our readers significant articles of general fraternal interest which appear in other fraternity journals.—Ed.

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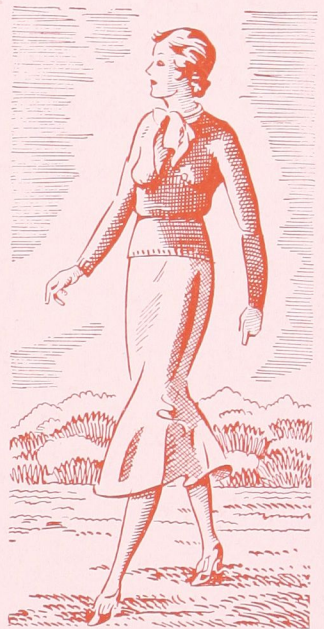
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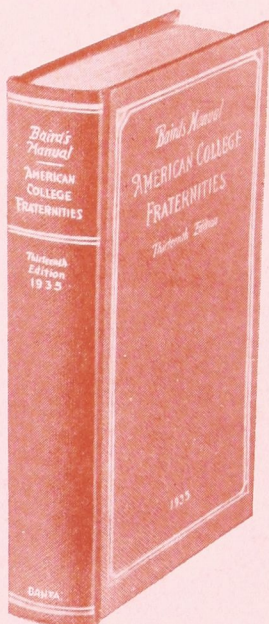


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