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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:

- I THAT THE OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES OF THE FRATERNITY SHOULD BE IN ENTIRE ACCORD WITH THE AIMS AND PURPOSES OF THE INSTITUTIONS AT WHICH IT HAS CHAPTERS;
- II THAT THE PRIMARY LOYALTY AND 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;
- III THAT THE FRATERNITY SHOULD PROMOTE CONDUCT CONSISTENT WITH GOOD MORALS AND GOOD TASTE;
- IV THAT THE FRATERNITY SHOULD CREATE AN ATMOSPHERE WHICH WILL STIMULATE SUBSTANTIAL INTELLECTUAL PROGRESS AND SUPERIOR INTELLECTUAL ACHIEVEMENT;
- V THAT THE FRATERNITY SHOULD MAINTAIN SANITARY, SAFE, AND WHOLESOME PHYSICAL CONDITIONS IN THE CHAPTER HOUSE;
- VI THAT THE FRATERNITY SHOULD INCULCATE PRINCIPLES OF SOUND BUSINESS PRACTICE BOTH IN CHAPTER FINANCES AND IN THE BUSINESS RELATIONS OF ITS MEMBERS.

THESE CRITERIA SHOULD BE APPLIED IN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITIES OF THE INSTITUTIONS. DETAILED METHODS OF APPLICATION WILL NECESSARILY VARY IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL CONDITIONS. IT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE NATIONAL INTERFRATERNITY CONFERENCE TO OFFER DETAILED SUGGESTIONS, AFTER FURTHER STUDY AND INVESTIGATION, REGARDING PRACTICAL STEPS TO MAKE THIS COOPERATION EFFECTIVE.

The Alpha of Alpha Kappa Pi

By the Way—

■ NOT only does this volume of ALPHA herald in the year of 1938, but it marks the first issue to be published by a group of assistant editors. We hope that we have upheld the high rank that THE ALPHA has held among college fraternity publications in the past.

■ IT HAS been rumored that the alumni members in the vicinity of Cincinnati are organizing, and they hope to establish an alumni chapter sometime in the early part of 1938.

■ IN THIS issue will be found a copy of the National Interfraternity Conference "Fraternity Criteria," a copy of which was presented to each chapter which had delegates at the last convention in New York. The editors suggest that every loyal member of our fraternity once again read through this "Criteria" and see if he can't better his fraternity and himself by living up to the six main points that it brings out.

■ SPECIAL note should be taken of the Grand President's New Year's Greeting, and the editors at this time wish to join him in extending to every member of Alpha Kappa Pi a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

■ DR. HARRY WOODBURN CHASE's article on the coöperation between colleges and fraternities is well worth reading. From this article, fraternity men all over the world will realize that Dr. Chase has chosen a very excellent subject for his address.

■ THE ADVISER'S Corner this month contains many important items for all fraternity men to dwell upon. When Brother Wilson says that "procrastination is not only the thief of time but the ruination of otherwise forceful and successful chapters," he has, in the editors' opinion, hit upon a subject which is of vital interest to all active fraternity members.

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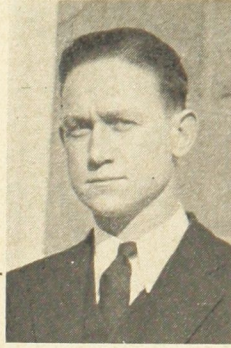
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A New Year's Greeting from the Grand President

¶ The year 1937 has just passed into history. Let us pause for a moment and cast up the ledger. We find that a steady and healthy growth has taken place; that our chapters are sturdy and sound with a fine spirit of fraternal coöperation evident; that a sound financial condition exists, chapter and national; and we note a dominant fraternal spirit of work-and-pull-together for the good of the whole. We can smile with a certain satisfaction known only to one who has done work well.

¶ But, we can pause for only a moment, 1938 is here and we must march with the rising sun. The accomplishments of 1937 must serve only as starting momentum for the coming year. Let us go forward as a unit ever working for our Fraternity.

¶ It has oft been said that one gets out of his fraternity in proportion as he gives to his fraternity. These words are true. Test them, and you will be well rewarded.

DAVID S. BLANKENSHIP,
Grand President, Alpha Kappa Pi



The ALPHA of Alpha Kappa Pi



Coöperation Between Colleges and Fraternities

By Dr. Harry Woodburn Chase,
Chancellor of New York University

■ THE past few years have brought about great changes in the educational system; we have receded from our former conception of mass production, and the individual as such is emerging once more to the full enjoyment of his rights and privileges.

Moreover, a chaotic world has brought home to our educational institutions the fact that intellectual training alone will not prepare the individual for the tasks that await him after graduation, that he must receive as thorough a training in his social relations and responsibilities, if he is to occupy a position of usefulness to himself and to his fellow men.

For a good many years the fraternities of the country have occupied the social field, and have dominated the social activities of our undergraduates, almost unheeded, and certainly undirected, except as interested alumni have concerned themselves with the affairs of undergraduate chapters. And with equal certainty it may be said that there has been little awareness of any educational importance in the supervision which the social life of our undergraduates received.

And now we are confronted with an interesting alternative: If the college is to meet

this demand for an intelligent socialization of the student, and give him a standard of social conduct and social responsibility which will give society some assurance that his intellectual training will be used for the good of society, either the college must preempt many of the prerogatives hitherto enjoyed by the fraternities, even to the exclusion of the fraternities, or it must secure their closest and most understanding coöperation, so that the work of both may be directed to the same objectives.

Let me say at once that, in my opinion, the second alternative is the only satisfactory one; for the strength of the fraternities lies in the fact that they represent what our undergraduates are doing for themselves, and that is education at its best. The college cannot educate its students; it can only inspire them to educate themselves. And the function of the college is to give that sympathetic guidance which will lead the student to educate himself properly.

Every large institution in the country is trying to break its student body down into units small enough to make possible treating the student as an individual, and thus to insure an effective process of socializing him.

The fraternities of America have some twenty-five hundred chapter houses, whose members are chosen on the basis of congeniality and common tastes. What better units for the individual development of its students could any institution desire, if these chapter houses are controlled by the same objectives as is the institution itself?

Fortunately, the fraternities have realized this need of coöperation, and have been heading toward it for some years. Your efforts to improve the scholarship of your members has allied you with the college. And quite recently you have given the college all the assurance that it needs that you realize, in theory at least, that basically college and fraternity have the same interests, and should therefore have the same objectives; because we both deal with the same individual, and neither of us can deal with him without becoming immediately aware of his relations with the other. Moreover, there is little difference between what each of us hopes that four years at college will do for this same individual.

It would seem then that we have the will to coöperate, and that all that we need is the technique, and a clear understanding of objectives and inter-relations. This will bring the effort and the influence of the fraternities into complete harmony with what the college must do. For its graduates cannot be counted on to play a worthy part in the affairs of the world, unless, in addition to a sound mental training, they have a full realization of their social responsibilities, and the strength of character to bring both to their fullest fruition.

The most serious obstacle to coöperation, it seems to me, is the absence of a clear conception of what the social life of a college student should be. We have in this country no pattern of social life for the college campus which differs in any way from the social life of men who have had few educational advantages. And, similarly, fraternity life does not differ in any marked degree from the life of small-town clubs from which its members have attempted to escape.

Henry Seidel Canby, in *Alma Mater*, has

said that the alumni are a difficult problem to the average college because they bring to a changing educational process the point of view of the outmoded Nineties. Isn't this at least as true of the fraternities? And perhaps we find here the answer to much of the present restlessness and uncertainty in the undergraduate's mind about a number of aspects of the fraternity problem. And the college administrator, intent upon meeting the challenge of revolutionary times, finds himself equally baffled by a static attitude in the midst of change.

Here then is our point of attack, if college and fraternity are to come together in a common effort which will increase the usefulness of both. And should we not start out by recognizing that not only should the group life of young men engaged in the most glorious intellectual adventure that they may ever have be radically different from the life of a political or an athletic club, but that it should reflect and promote this adventure as definitely as the athletic club promotes only physical prowess?

By necessity, man must live in and work with groups. The fraternity is the best of the various efforts on the average campus to inculcate a successful technique for doing this. But has the fraternity worked in full realization of this unique advantage? Have the fraternities taken themselves seriously enough, and made enough of their opportunity? You have been called the best demonstration of democratic living to be found on the campus. Are your graduates noted for their demonstration of democracy in later years? Nothing that you do or acquire at college has much value if divorced from its social import. Has that been the underlying philosophy which has given form to your group living?

Let me at this point suggest a practical test. What are you doing with the material that is handed over to you at the beginning of the freshman year? What price, if any, must your members pay for the process of socialization on the fraternity pattern? Several years ago, at the University of Illinois, we found that

the expectancy of our students, as revealed in the mental tests given them on entrance, was realized better among the non-fraternity men, than among fraternity men. Moreover, other institutions have made the same study, and with the same result. Does this mean that the price of fraternity membership is too high? Yes, and No! For I see no basic relation between the two phenomena. You have merely not been aware of the problem. Here then is a real job for the fraternities if we are to have the close coöperation of which we have been speaking.

I am not asking the fraternities to take over any of the work which belongs properly to the institution. But I am suggesting that if you wish to give meaning to what you are doing,

and if you wish to make the fraternity indispensable to the life of the college, as it might so easily become, you integrate its activities and its influence so completely with the objectives of the college, that no one will be tempted even to undertake a work which is done best by the undergraduates themselves. To do that, you must be fully abreast of every movement that is reshaping the educational process, and you must work hand in hand with those who are attempting to make education serve a disturbed world more realistically than it has ever done before.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This Address was presented by Dr. Chase at the Twenty-ninth Annual National Interfraternity Conference in New York City on November 26, 1937.

By the Way

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■ FOR the first time in the history of THE ALPHA, the editors have attempted in their humble way to indulge in a bit of sporting hypocrisy. It has, indeed, been an enduring time trying to categorize the results from our far-flung scouts as to the prowess of the various Alpha Kappa Pi men, who have attained the heights of footballdom during the past season. We sincerely hope that no one will be offended by our choices for we honestly believe that we have represented on our First Team the finest talent that the Alpha

Kappa Pi Fraternity as a whole could present on the gridiron. See the center two pages of this issue for the selections. Photographs of McNamara, Mu, and Evans, Eta, were not available at time of printing.

■ THE Rafeld Historian Trophy goes to Mu chapter of Marshall, which is second winner of this award. A very close runner-up was Psi chapter of West Virginia Wesleyan, who was the winner last year.

THE EDITORS

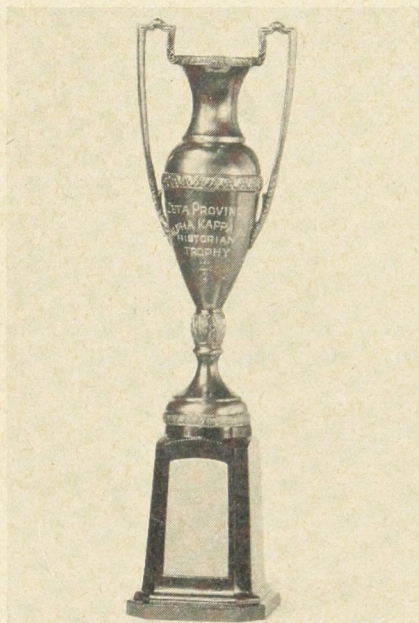
WAYNE UNIVERSITY INSTALLATION

The editors wish to join the other members of Alpha Kappa Pi in extending to the newly pledged Alpha Zeta chapter at Wayne University their heartiest wishes for the New Year, and congratulate them on the number of fine men who were pledged on January 11, 1938.

Rafeld Historian Trophy Goes to Mu Chapter

Chapter at Marshall College Second Winner of Award

■ THE Historian Trophy, awarded to the chapter in Zeta Province which has submitted the best letters to THE ALPHA for the school year, goes to Mu chapter at Marshall College on the basis of the chapter letters submitted last year. This trophy was presented in May, 1936 by Zeta Province Chief Jackson W. Rafeld.



MU CHAPTER IS SECOND WINNER OF THIS TROPHY

The chapters eligible for the award are Iota at Mount Union, Alpha Beta at Tri-State, Lambda at Bethany, Mu at Marshall, and Psi at West Virginia Wesleyan. The chapter letters are judged by the ALPHA Staff on the following requirements: promptness, news, coöperation, and literary style. Any chapter failing to submit a letter for an issue or sending in copy after the deadline is automatically eliminated.

During the past year, Iota of Mount Union

and Alpha Beta at Tri-State both missed one chapter letter by missing the deadline. A close race resulted between Psi, Mu, and Lambda. The chapter letters from Lambda were rather short and lacking in literary style when compared with Mu and Psi.

The editors ended a difficult task by awarding the Historian Trophy to Mu. Our heartiest congratulations! Mu was found to have the ideal chapter with Psi running a very close second. Mu never failed in promptness, their letters being the first to reach the ALPHA Editors. The coöperation which Mu chapter gave to the editors is that which we feel every chapter should give. The editors feel that the literary style is all that could be asked from any Historian. Thanks!

In reviewing the chapter letters, we find that Mu chapter was bothered by the flood as was Psi chapter the year before. Their chapter house was practically under water for sixteen days. As for activities, one can hardly keep up with Mu chapter. More power to you Mu!

For the benefit of the new chapter Historians in Zeta Province herein are listed the points upon which awards are based. Other chapter Historians may well copy for improved chapter letters.

1. *Promptness*

Any chapter failing to meet a deadline will automatically eliminate its chances for the cup that year.

2. *News Value*

The general interest of the chapter news letters to the readers of THE ALPHA.

3. *Spirit of Coöperation*

Furnishing of numerous cuts, photos, and other matter for publication.

4. *Literary style*

Interesting, original, well written (*double space typed copy*) and requiring a minimum of editing before publication.

The All Alpha Kappa Pi "Football Team" Selections

Selected by *The Alpha Staff*

THE editors have taken upon themselves the task of gathering together information about Alpha Kappa Pi football players so that we are now submitting to the fraternity the first annual "Alpha Kappa Pi All American Football Team." In making the selections for this team, the editors took into careful consideration the playing ability of each man, and the strength of the opposing teams. However, inasmuch as it was impossible for us to see every one of the games played during the last season, we had to rely on the newspapers and our numerous scouts throughout the country, and with this assistance, we feel that we have chosen for our first team the men who have proved themselves most capable as allround football players during the 1937 campaign.

One of the greatest fights for berths on the first team was among those men who played throughout the season at guard and tackle positions. For the tackle position, the editors had these men to choose from: Evans, *Eta*, Presbyterian; Campbell, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan; Tennant, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan; Wilson, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan; Kurlinski, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan; MacNemar, *Phi*, St. John's; and Fuerbach, *Alpha*, Newark College of Engineering. These men caused the editors many headaches in trying to determine the most capable, but after many hours of looking over newspaper clippings and considerable deliberation, the following four men were found to stand slightly above the rest: Evans, Fuerbach, MacNemar, and Campbell. Evans, due to his superior playing for the past two seasons and MacNemar for his sensational playing on the St. John's eleven were finally chosen as the candidates for the two first team tackle positions on the Alpha Kappa Pi "All American."

The guards likewise caused considerable

consternation to the editors with the following men being considered; Strain, *Eta*, Presbyterian; Cukro, *Iota*, Mt. Union; Branchick, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan; and Evans, *Chi*, Wake Forest. Evans and Cukro stood slightly higher in the minds of the editors than Strain and Branchick, and were therefore given the first team berths.

The ends likewise offered quite a problem to determine the most capable from among the following: Decker, *Lambda*, Bethany; Dugan, *Alpha*, Newark College of Engineering; Gatskie, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan; Scala, *Beta*, Wagner; and McNamara, *Mu*, Marshall. After careful consideration, we feel that McNamara stands head and shoulders above the other candidates for this position and was, therefore, given the berth on the first team. However, the other candidate offered another problem, with Gatskie being finally chosen over Scala and Dugan.

The center position did not offer the same difficulties to the editors as did the other positions, due to the fact that Moore, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan, was the bulwark of his team's defensive as well as offensive strength. However, for the second team, Gatewood, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan was only a shade better than Paschal, *Eta*, Presbyterian, consequently giving him the place on the second team.

The greatest headache of all came when we tried to choose the Alpha Kappa Pi "All American" backfield. After exchanging many telegrams with our far flung scouts, we condensed the field to the following men: Culp, *Eta*, Presbyterian; Godfrey, *Eta*, Presbyterian; Coon, *Lambda*, Bethany; La Bay, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan; Mackey, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan; Coleman, *Psi*, West Virginia Wesleyan; Abdu, *Tau*, Tufts; Griffin, *Tau*, Tufts; Taska, *Alpha*, Newark College of Engineering; and Morleck, *Mu*, Marshall.

There's a mean bunch of backfield men to choose from! The easiest position to choose men from among the candidates for was that of quarterback with La Bay standing way out in front for this berth. His team mate Mullen, we felt lacked just a little bit of the power shown by Taska so that the fullback position went to the beef trust from Newark. The halfbacks were much more difficult to pick from, but we feel that the superior playing of Abdu and Mackay earned for them places on the first team. However, Coon,

Godfrey, and Morleck were close on the heels of these men and rightfully earned their second team berths.

Perhaps some of our selections do not agree with others, who might also call themselves football experts, but with the information we had on hand, we are honestly convinced that our unbiased selections truly represent the finest talent that the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity had on hand for the 1937 football campaign.

Suggested Outline for Alpha Contributors

- IN PREPARING news letters or chapter reports the following rules should be observed:

Use a fair quality of unruled white paper 8½ by 11 inches in size.

Write on one side, use a typewriter, and double space.

See that the type is clean and the ribbon in good condition.

Reserve the upper half or three-fourths of page one for information regarding the news letter.

Allow a margin of one inch at the top (except page one) and the left side, and a margin of one-half to one inch at the right side and the bottom.

Number pages (except page one) at the middle top and enclose the figure in parentheses.

Write the title (together with the subtitle, if you have one) at, or slightly below, the middle of page one. At the very

end of the report put your name (if you are the author) and your chapter thus: By Homer R. Adams, Alpha.

Begin the article or letter two spaces below your name.

Indent each paragraph beginning one inch.

Put the end mark (#) at the conclusion of the report.

Observe the standard practices governing capitals, abbreviations, figures and the like.

In conclusion, remember that you are engaged in an important work as a chapter correspondent. It is within your power to do your work well or poorly. Being a correspondent is often a thankless job. But self-satisfaction in a work well done and rendered in a spirit of willingness and painstakingness is to be had by those who are big enough to do this without thought of praise or compensation.



THE ADVISER'S CORNER

■ THE New Year always calls for reviewing our plans and purposes. At this time of the year many students are plaintively asking: "What good will higher education do me?" To this inquiry the eminent Dr. Richard Burton has given the perfect answer: "It will give you a state of mind which you will find the equivalent of a Rolls-Royce car."

We might ask what good does it do a man to go fishing in the South Sea waters? What good does it do a man to live in an expensive home? What good does it do a man to wear expensive clothes, or to become an expert golfer? Again the answer: It gives one an exalted state of mind. There are some persons so constituted that they can achieve this state of mind only by living in a forty room house; others by cruising the waters in a private yacht worth a King's ransom; others by burning up the highways in a ten thousand dollar automobile; others by ordering everything at the tailor's emporium. Still others can get this same exalted state of the mind from looking at an etching, a marble figure, or from reading a book, from looking at a sunset, or even a tree, from listening to a Beethoven symphony, from an evening's conversation with a congenial friend.

That's all there is to culture. It's a way of easing the spirit, simplifying life, reducing the cost of a happy and high minded existence. That is what your real education will do for you. Give youth a trained mind to grasp truths and to estimate their true values. That is the outstanding good that your education will do for you. It is magnificently worth while.

■ THERE is one asset that will make any chapter house a most agreeable place in

which to live, and once that asset is found, will make the dormitory life appear drab and unattractive. This one thing means more to the chapter house than fine furniture, expensive rugs, and monogrammed silver, and that one thing is cheerfulness. A chapter house without a spirit of comradeship is indeed a dismal set up. We all realize that a cheerful person is like a sunny day which sheds its brightness all around. Most of us can, if we choose, make of this world either a palace or a prison. Where would your chapter house rank if judged by this standard? Happy indeed is that home where sunshine and cheerfulness abound.

■ PROCRASTINATION is not only the thief of time but the ruination of an otherwise forceful and successful chapter. How much better to have this program: If you are going to do a good thing, do it now; if you are going to do a mean thing, wait until tomorrow. The first part of this program would bring cheer to the chapter treasurer when bills are promptly paid, and to the Editor of THE ALPHA when chapter letters are forwarded at the first call. Let all members of the different chapters stop postponing and making unworthy excuses and meet every obligation, of whatever kind, immediately that task has been assigned or the promise has reached the date of maturity. Then Alpha Kappa Pi would not only be a fraternity, but a super-fraternity. Surely if the fraternity is worth anything it is worthy of the best that we have to offer.

■ LET Alpha Kappa Pi remember always that the fraternity is still building and ever will be engaged in that work. There-

fore choose the membership everywhere on the right estimates. Only the man with innate courtesy is capable of fulfilling the full demand of fraternity requirement. Otherwise bores and disturbers will gain entrance within the inner circles to retard true progress. Therefore let us look beneath the surface and

hold tenacity to this challenge: "Charm strikes the sight, but merit wins the soul."

■ THE year 1938 is with us. May it be the most prosperous in all the history of Alpha Kappa Pi, and a happy one to every wearer of the seven pointed star.

ALBERT HUGHES WILSON

Fraternity Statistics

■ ONCE EACH year the late beloved Billie Levere of Sigma Alpha Epsilon gathered together the latest figures concerning college fraternity membership, chapter growth, and number of chapter houses. Since his death the work has been carried on first by Eric Dawson and now by Lauren Foreman, national secretary. The facts given below are as of May 1, 1937, with the exception of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, which is carried up to June 1.

	<i>Chapters</i>	<i>Members</i>
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	111	46,727
Kappa Sigma	107	39,753
Phi Delta Theta	105	46,848
Sigma Chi	97	40,388
Sigma Nu	94	35,852
Alpha Tau Omega	94	34,350
Beta Theta Pi	89	41,844
Lambda Chi Alpha	86	20,000
Delta Tau Delta	74	30,816
Phi Gamma Delta	73	33,633
Kappa Alpha Order	69	27,100
Sigma Phi Epsilon	67	18,874
Phi Kappa Psi	52	26,425
Theta Chi	51	13,983
Delta Kappa Epsilon	47	20,000
Phi Sigma Kappa	46	15,155
Theta Kappa Nu	42	7,024
Phi Kappa Tau	41	9,102
Tau Kappa Epsilon	41	7,500
Delta Sigma Phi	40	10,200
Phi Kappa Sigma	39	13,164
Pi Kappa Phi	36	7,368
Zeta Beta Tau	35	5,663
Theta Xi	34	9,870
Chi Phi	34	13,746
Delta Chi	34	11,500
Sigma Alpha Mu	33	4,835

Alpha Gamma Rho	31	7,828
Phi Epsilon Pi	31	5,000
Sigma Pi	29	6,546
Theta Delta Chi	28	13,353
Zeta Psi	28	10,000
Beta Kappa	28	4,538
Alpha Sigma Phi	27	9,429
Acacia	27	10,572
Alpha Delta Phi	26	12,150
Alpha Kappa Pi	25	2,063
Chi Psi	25	11,188
Alpha Chi Rho	19	5,403

NPC Sorority Statistics

■ COMPILED from the statistics found in this issue of Leland's Annual are these NPC Sorority facts concerning membership and chapter strength, corrected to October 1, 1937:

	<i>Chapters</i>	<i>Members</i>
Chi Omega	91	24,500
Delta Delta Delta	88	24,233
Pi Beta Phi	80	29,647
Kappa Kappa Gamma	72	27,000
Kappa Delta	69	15,500
Kappa Alpha Theta	65	25,000
Alpha Chi Omega	61	15,688
Zeta Tau Alpha	61	11,000
Phi Mu	56	12,000
Alpha Delta Pi	54	13,500
Alpha Xi Delta	54	13,000
Delta Gamma	49	17,000
Gamma Phi Beta	46	15,000
Alpha Gamma Delta	44	10,500
Sigma Kappa	41	9,555
Alpha Omicron Pi	40	10,000
Delta Zeta	40	10,000
Alpha Phi	36	11,250
Beta Phi Alpha	30	2,900
Theta Upsilon	25	3,900
Beta Sigma Omicron	18	6,000
Alpha Delta Theta	17	
Phi Omega Pi	16	4,550

COMMENTS OF FELLOW



ACTIVITIES OUR GREEKS

- PHI KAPPA TAU has placed a chapter at Colgate University. The Delta Pi Sigma local society was taken under Phi Kappa Tau direction. Fraternities at Colgate are: Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Theta Chi, Lambda Chi Alpha, Sigma Nu, Kappa Delta Rho, Alpha Tau Omicron, Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Chi. There are 1000 men enrolled at Colgate.
- COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY has revamped its fraternity life and the following fraternities are carrying on at the college: Alpha Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Delta Upsilon, Delta Phi, Delta Psi, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Delta Chi, Acacia, and Alpha Kappa Pi. Also the fraternities for Hebrews: Zeta Beta Tau, Pi Lambda Phi and Beta Sigma Rho.
- SIGMA NU has entered chapters at Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida and the Utah State College, Logan. At Rollins are: Kappa Alpha, Theta Kappa Nu, and Phi Delta Theta. At Utah State: Sigma Chi, Phi Kappa Alpha, Beta Kappa and Sigma Phi Epsilon.
- LAMBDA CHI ALPHA has entered Washington College, Chestertown, Maryland. Kappa Alpha and Tau Kappa Nu are established there.
- ALPHA TAU OMEGA has entered a chapter at the Mississippi State College where fraternities were taboo for many years. Among those fraternities established there are: Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Kappa Alpha, Kappa Alpha, Sigma Rho Epsilon and Delta Sigma Phi.
- KAPPA SIGMA has withdrawn from William Jewell College, Missouri. This leaves Phi Gamma Delta, Kappa Alpha and Sigma Nu on that campus.
- FRATERNITIES at the University of South Carolina have been legislated out of houses into the campus dormitories. To accommodate the fraternities entire sections are set aside for their use in residence and social requirements. Splendid dormitories and a beautiful campus should not work an untoward hardship toward the chapters there.
- KAPPA ALPHA (S.O.) has entered its third chapter within the State of Oklahoma and at Tulsa University. The other chapters are at the State University and at the Oklahoma State College. At Tulsa Phi Kappa Alpha and Lambda Chi Alpha are established also.
- ALPHA DELTA PHI and Psi Upsilon, two of the oldest so-called Eastern fraternities are not members of the Interfraternity Conference.
- ALPHA GAMMA DELTA housed fourteen girls whom fire in Mansfield Hall, girls' dormitory at DePauw, had deprived of everything except lives and pajamas. The girls now occupy the third floor of the house. The same chapter has adopted two six-year-old girls for the daily luncheon hour. The girls see that the children are washed, fed and sent back to school on time.
- KAPPA ALPHA THETA's Long Beach, California, club contributed to the Community Chest and the Tuberculosis Association.



AMONG THE ALUMNI

R. D. Tilton, *Alpha Epsilon '37*, is now a junior engineer for the Allis Chalmers Manufacturing Company.

R. B. Howard *Alpha Epsilon '36*, is soon to be field superintendent for the Carrier Corporation, manufacturers of air-conditioning units.

James Robb, *Beta '35*, is now assigned to the cruiser *New Orleans*, of the Pacific Coast Fleet. He is a naval air pilot and was graduated from the Naval Air School at Pensacola, Florida.

Rev. Thomas VanPelt, *Beta '34*, was recently ordained, and has received his first charge in Brooklyn, N.Y. Brother VanPelt was graduated from Hartwick Seminary.

Frank Tellefsen, *Beta '37*, and past vice-president, was inducted into Alpha Kappa Kappa, national honorary medical fraternity, on December 4, at the Flower Hospital, N.Y. Brother Harry Thoms, *Beta '36*, is also a member.

Walton Kibat, *Beta '37*, and past president, is slaving away at N.Y.U. Dental School.

Alfred F. Knoll, *Omicron '33*, graduated from Temple University Medical School in June '37. He is now an interne at West Penn Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

James C. Hamilton, *Omicron '34*, after several years at architecture joined the American Bridge Company in June 1937. He spent several months on a job in Vermont and on October 16 he sailed from New York for Nicaragua, Central America. He will be engineer on the building of three bridges on the Inter-American Highway.

Lloyd C. Heckendorn, *Omicron '37*, is with the Hamilton Watch Company in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. He lives at 830 Marietta Avenue in that town.

Jack Hoyt, *Nu '37*, will be going to the International Business Machine Company's school in Endicott, New York, for six months starting January 1, 1937.

Paul L. Brogan, Jr., *Omicron '36*, was horseback riding on September 3, 1937, when an automobile struck his horse and threw him. He was taken to the hospital with a concussion, double fracture of the lower jaw, six teeth knocked out and six more knocked loose. We are glad to report that Brother Brogan has recovered and is again back at work.

Victor L. Johnson, *Omicron '29*, after teaching history at the University of Pennsylvania transferred his efforts to the students at Muhlenberg

College in Allentown, Pennsylvania. He lives at 401 N. 23rd Street in that town.

Robert T. Sheen, *Nu '31*, is president of the Philadelphia Alumni chapter, and is filling that office very capably. Through his efforts his brother, Milton R. Sheen, Jr., has been pledged at Omicron and his protege, Jack Betz, has been pledged at Nu. Brother Sheen's work for our Fraternity serves as a model for all of us to follow in serving Alpha Kappa Pi.

Kenneth H. Hallman, *Omicron '31*, gave up school teaching and is now chief clerk of the Montgomery County Registration Commission in Norristown, Pennsylvania.

Frank Osterlund, *Omicron '37*, is going with Remington Arms Company in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Walter W. Hill, *Nu '37*, is with the York Ice Machinery Company in York, Pennsylvania. He is living at the Yorko Club on Company Street in that town.

Richard M. Wilson, *Nu '35*, is with the Marine Engineering Division of the Westinghouse Electrical & Manufacturing Company in Lester, Pennsylvania.

John Oeschger, *Omicron '37*, is in the advertising business with McKee, Albright & Ivey in the Girard Trust Building in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Brother Oeschger lives at 234 W. Winona Avenue, Ridley Park, Pennsylvania.

Sinclair Adam, *Omicron '36*, after a year's battle with the problem of making a living decided to go in for further education and is now attending the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. Brother Adam lives at R.D. #1, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Austin B. Moore, *Omicron '32*, is teaching drama and speech at Wildcliff Junior College in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.

William J. Robinson, Jr., *Omicron '35*, is attending Eckels College of Embalming in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. After completion of his course he will go into his father's undertaking business in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Bob Bowe, *Alpha '35*, is showing them how to put up the buildings at the World's Fair.

Jack Skinner, *Alpha '37*, is building destroyers for Uncle Sam at the Federal Works in Kearny.

Lew Connor, *Alpha '36*, is an industrial engineer for Gair in Piermont, N.Y.

Bill Stephens, *Alpha '37*, an unemployed elec-

trical engineer, spends his time working on THE ALPHA.

Stan Pasternac, *Alpha '37*; Tom O'Malley, *Alpha '37*; and Dick Wilkinson, *Alpha '37*, are looking for a fourth for bridge at the American Hardrubber Works in Butler, N.J.

Arthur C. Hardy, Honorary President, Alpha Beta chapter '37, announces the arrival of a baby son, H. Hugh Hardy. Art now resides at 56 Wellington St., Brantford, Ontario, Canada.

Jack Treece, *Sigma '28*, is handball instructor at Illinois.

Robert Jordan, *Sigma '30*, is carrying on extensive research in the University Theoretical and Applied Mechanics department at Illinois University.

Alton "Bud" Wholf, *Psi '33*, has been recalled by the B. F. Goodrich Co. from his position as service store manager at Fostoria, Ohio, and is training at Akron to be sent out shortly as a travelling auditor.

Howard "Pinky" Bachtel, *Psi '34*, is coaching wrestling at South High School in Akron, Ohio.

Roy "Cookie" Bachtel, *Psi '37*, is located at Ashland, Kentucky where he is working for the American Rolling Mills Co., and played last fall on the company football team in the Mid-West Professional League.

J. Edmonck, *Delta '35*, is working for the Aluminum Co. of America in their Cleveland castings plant.

Herbert Ecleston, *Phi '36*, is in his second year at medical school at the University of Buffalo.

Rev. Clifford Earl Butterer, *Alpha Alpha '34*, was installed as pastor of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Greenport, Long Island on November 17, 1937.

For any information regarding railroads drop in and see Bill Schmidt, assistant editor of the *Railway Age* at 30 Church, New York City.

Ed Holloway, *Rho '29*, is now supervising principal of schools at Wharton, New Jersey.

Bucky Teichman, *Rho '36*, is now with the Hercules Powder Co. at Parlin.

Karl Frederick, *Rho '32*, is now with the Essex Floral Co., wholesalers of cut flowers, in Newark. That accounts for the ever present boutonniere.

Joe Marino, *Rho '36*, is coaching the J.V. football team at the New Brunswick High. His team recently trounced George Kramer's, *Rho '34*, second Rayway team but Marino allegedly used varsity men.

While speaking of the floriculturists, Sam Burnett, *Rho '34*, and Ken Ayers, *Rho '34*, are with Burnett & Son, seedmen in Jersey City; Cy Morse, *Rho '31*, is with Bobbink & Atkins, nurserymen, in Rutherford; and Arne Kalma, *Rho '27*, has his own greenhouses on the Cheesequake Highway near Matawan.

Marriages

Miss Mary H. Lupton was married to Richard M. Wilson, *Mu '35*, on June 19, 1937, in Woodbury, New Jersey. The Wilson's are living at 906 W. Park Square, Prospect Park, Pennsylvania.

Miss Doris M. Taylor was married to Adolph W. Lubbers, *Nu '35*, on June 19, 1937, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The Lubbers are now living at 50 Elm Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland.

Miss Mary A. Felber was married to John H. McConnell, *Nu '35*, on July 10, 1937, in Youngstown, Ohio.

Miss Barbara J. Witmer was married to Joseph A. Benner, *Omicron '35*, on November 4, 1937, in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Arba S. Taylor, *Tau '26*, to Emily Newton Thurston on November 27, 1937.

Stanley W. Horrocks, *Alpha '34*, to Mildred Anna Fische.

James E. O'Hara, *Alpha Beta '34*, to Elizabeth Theresa Walsh on June 21, 1937.

George C. Ort, *Rho '29*, to Helen Boy Gemmel on July 17, 1937. Now living at 28 Brittin St., Madison, New Jersey.

Ed. Brockhurst, *Rho '32*, to Frances Theresa Tanguay on October 9, 1937.

Richard Corcoran, *Rho '35*, to Alice Lang on November 28, 1937.

On October 30, Brother W. B. Elam *Alpha Epsilon '32*, was married. It was a great surprise to those who were acquainted with him, inasmuch as he was considered to be a confirmed bachelor.

Brother George Koch, *Beta '34*, was joined in marriage to Miss Alice Bernesconi of Staten Island, New York, in November at the Castleton Hill Moravian Church of Staten Island, New York.

John Bergland, *Beta '35*, and past president, married into the Wagner College faculty staff by taking Miss Gladys Winters, college dietitian, as bride in October. "Jack" is employed as Chemist by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

Dr. Wes Rogler, *Beta '32*, and a promising young dentist with an up-coming practice in Weehawken, New Jersey, was married in October to Miss Betty Tully, a High School German Teacher, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Weehawken, New Jersey.

Prexy Newcomb, *Rho '36*, of the alumni association took some time out from mortgage troubles to get married. The place was Hasbrouck Heights; the date November 6; and the girl, Miss Alice Cornelia Erwin also of the Heights. Paul Strassburger, *Rho '35*, was the best man and Bill Schmidt, *Rho '36*, Les Leonard, *Rho '36*, and Bill Asay, *Rho '36*, were among the ushers.

The old married men have also broken into the news. Dr. Al Graeter and Dede Kusanobu, *Rho '32*, our champ wrestlers, both became fathers on the same day—August 28.

ALUMNI CHAPTERS

Philadelphia Alumni Chapter

Meetings of the chapter have been held in November and December, and it is planned to continue them monthly until next summer. The evening starts with a dinner at Mosebach's restaurant, 3736 Germantown avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. President Robert T. Sheen, *Nu '31*, very kindly offered his home at 222 Harrison avenue, Glenside, Pennsylvania, for our meetings. Brother Sheen's courtesy is greatly appreciated by the alumni because our last year's meeting place, the house of a medical fraternity, was lost because of the graduation of Al Knoll, *Omicron '33*. Richard H. Martin, *Omicron '34*, gave a talk on law, its history and development in the United States, which was appreciated by the large number of fraters present at the December meeting.

The January meeting will be held on the 20th. Dinner at Mosebach's and the meeting at the home of Brother Rev. Harold W. Reisch, *Beta '32*,

Oxford avenue and Fillmore street, Fox Chase, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Brother Rev. Martin O. Dietrich, *Beta '32*, will talk on and show motion pictures of his tour through eight European countries during the past summer. Election of officers for 1938 will take place at this meeting.

On Lincoln's birthday, February 12, 1938, we are planning to hold our first ladies' night. It will be held at Fort Side Inn on Bethlehem Pike near Whitmarsh, north of Philadelphia. The inn is operated by Theodore A. Krum, *Omicron '31*. The fraters will bring their wives and girl friends for an evening of dining, dancing, cards and socializing. We hope to have a large turnout. All Alpha Kappa Pi's who care to join us will be welcomed.

To all Alpha Kappa Pis our chapter extends its sincere Best Wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

A. G. JAHN

President of Boy Scouts in Shenandoah Area

■ REV. GEORGE E. OWEN, *Lambda '31*, and Grand Chaplain of Alpha Kappa Pi, was elected president of the Shenandoah Area Boy Scout Council in January. Brother Owen is pastor of the Church of Christ at Winchester, Virginia, and active in civic affairs. He is president of the Winchester Ministerial Association, president of the Valley District of the Disciples of Christ, and vice president of the local Central Relief Association. Brother Owen is also a Mason, a member of the I.O.O.F. and vice president of the local Lions Club.

"Tux Bureau"

■ WHAT seems to us an elegant idea is the establishment of a "tux bureau" by Frederick Bale at Mount Union College. A card index is in process of compilation listing every man who owns a tuxedo, with his height, weight and size. Men lacking tuxes apply at the bureau, receive one conforming as nearly as possible to their own bodily peculiarities, pay \$1.25 and depart in peace. The fee covers pressing, laundering, and leaves a quarter revenue for the capitalist who owns the garment.—*The Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Chemistry of the Fairer Sex

Symbol—WO.

Member of the human family.

Specific Gravity—Variable; molecular structure exceeding variable.

Occurrence—Can be found wherever man exists.

Physical Properties—All colors, sizes and shapes.

Generally appears in disguised condition; natural surface rarely free from an extraneous covering of textiles or film of grease and pigments.

Melts readily when properly treated. Boils at nothing and may freeze any moment.

Ordinarily sweet, occasionally sour and sometimes bitter.

Chemical Properties—Exceedingly volatile, highly inflammable and dangerous in the hands of an inexperienced person.

Possess great affinity for gold, silver, platinum and precious stones of all kinds.

Capable of absorbing astonishing quantities of expensive foods and beverages.

Reacts violently when left alone. Turns green when placed next to a better appearing specimen.

—*Quarterly of Phi Beta Pi.*



CHAPTER NEWS

Alpha—N.C.E.

Pledged: Douglas Banks '40, Sherwood Roper '40, Frank Muench '40, John Bermingham '40, William Hoffman, '40, Douglas MacEvoy '40, Raymond Hall '40, Raymond Sachtleben '40, Wilbur Zuest '39, William Anderson, '39, David Mallon '39, Edmond Bauer '39.

The termination of Alpha's fall rushing season on November 17 found us with an exceptionally large number of fine pledges, although we were practically the last fraternity on the campus to commence pledging. However, the old adage that the last shall be first again held true, for most of our pledges are campus luminaries in one field or another. Doug Banks and Sherry "Vintage" Roper are respectively president and vice-president of the sophomore class, while John Bermingham is chairman of the Soph Hop Committee. William Hoffman is treasurer of the Athletic Association and a varsity track man in field events. Athletics also claim the attention of Ray Hall, stellar guard on the basketball team, and Will Zuest, dependable guardian of the initial sack on the varsity baseball nine. All the pledges will be initiated at a formal banquet in February.

The chapter football team, composed of eleven of the most stalwart Alpha-ites ever to be assembled, again outclassed every rival to annex another leg on the interfraternity athletic trophy. For the past decade and longer, Alpha Kappa Pi has conquered the opposition of all the other fraternities on the campus, a record of which we are justly proud. The stars who scintillated most brightly this year were Johnny Taska, Ted Feuerbach, and Gene Sauerborn, credit for our enviable season being largely due to their efforts. Taska, a flashy runner and passer, was a varsity end at Tenafly H. S. and is also captain of a local amateur team. Feuerbach played a fine consistent game at tackle, a position which he also held down at Fort Lee H. S. Sauerborn, a fast, elusive player extremely hard to catch, rounded out this ideal triumvirate. With such aces as these all the rest of us needed to do was grunt between and during plays.

The social season now being in full swing, Alpha is staging a group of parties which have, so far, proved to be nothing short of sensational. The post-Thanksgiving affair held at the house Novem-

ber 26 was an extremely tasty morsel, well attended by both active and alumni members. Gobs of gorgeous gals (snappy alliteration) graced our venerable halls, and everyone trucked and tramped to the rhythm of the old-fashioned Big Apple and the Paul Jones. The annual Christmas party, held on December 23, exuded the Yuletide spirit and provided us with a more or less official start to the long-awaited Christmas vacation. Here's to more power to the aggressive social committee which is guided by Brother Lou Wenzel, ably assisted by Brother Fiorentino and Weis.

The chapter organ known as the *Alpha News*, inaugurated by Brother Roy Cleveland last year, is again being published this year. Brother Doug Benedict is at the helm as editor, valuable aid being supplied by Brother Harry Forristel, assistant editor. The paper, which is issued every month, contains many interesting tid-bits and has proved to be a very worthwhile project, even though it is still in the stage of development.

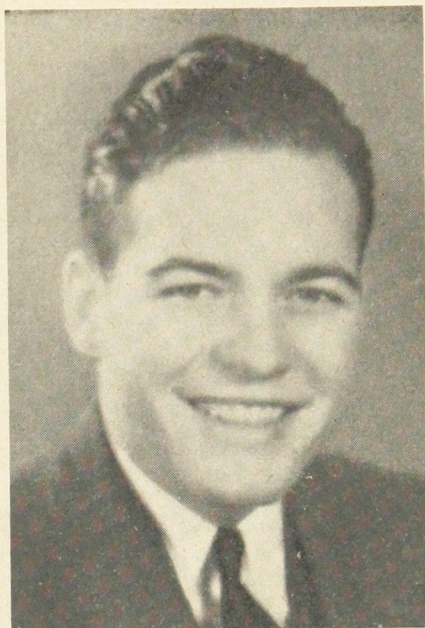
Finally, Alpha hopes that all its brothers spent a most enjoyable Christmas recess and are now successfully entrenching themselves in a do or die effort to combat the inevitable exams and the new semester.

FRED B. DUGAN

Beta—Wagner

Pledged: Valentine Bristow, Richard Barnhart, Frank Betancourt, John Carney, Alfred Danielson, Gerhard Dietrich, Sigfried Dietrich, Luther Eberhardt, John Guttler, Elbert Harris, Werner Johnson, Ray Miller, Bernard Mullick, J. Clark Mullin, Allan Piersall, Hector Quintana, Lloyd Rice, Kenneth Rogler, Kenneth Schultz, Robert Seybolt, Henry Sondergaard, and James Teahan.

The formidable list of pledges above represents Beta chapter's share of pledged-men at Wagner—as many men as the two other Wagner fraternities pledged together. Five of the above men had brothers who were members of Beta, and we're hoping they will follow their older brothers along the paths of the Fraternity. On Thursday, November 18, four days after the end of Silence Week, the pledges were inducted into the ranks of neophytes at a formal pledging ceremony. The neophytes have since organized and elected Ray Miller



CHARLES DE GROAT, *Beta '38*
Chapter President

as captain of the pledges, and Frank Betancourt as secretary. Formal pledge meeting will be held every two weeks, and the pledges have expressed their desire to have some of our fraternity officials over to speak to them—especially Doctor Wilson. Plans are pending. To top everything the pledges are giving the brothers a "sharpie" social on January 6, 1938. Besides having all the brothers, guests, and pledges come dressed in very loud clothing such as unmatched suits, bright socks, summer ties, etc., every fellow *must* take a co-ed. Of course, this will be a terrible sacrifice for some, especially Brother White, but it will have some interesting and unusual effects on the party.

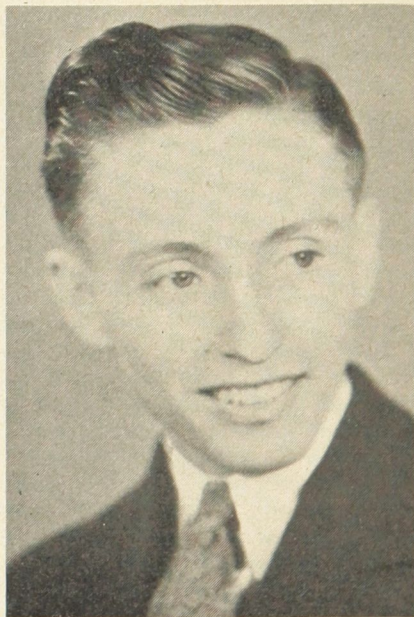
Beta's Fall Formal, the hit of Wagner's social season, was held on December 4 at the Hotel Winfield Scott in Elizabeth. Ninety-seven couples swayed to the sprightly tunes of Charlie Schamberg and his orchestra. There were over 50 Alpha Kappa Pi brothers present, and about 15 Alpha Kappa Pi pledges. Our alumni turned out with 20 couples, which made us realize how efficiently and energetically they back us up. Alpha, Gamma, Delta, and Rho chapters were well represented at the dance. Perhaps the greatest surprise was to find a brother from Tau chapter at Tufts College there. We were especially glad to see Brothers Kramer and Wheaton present, and hope they will come earlier next time. One of the most encouraging things to Beta chapter is the growing interest and fellowship between the nearby chapters, and the interest and help of our other chapters really made

the Fall Formal a never-to-be-forgotten dance.

Brothers Barbes, Gollnitz, Sheldon, and Chris Holmstrup want to thank Delta chapter for the swell time they had on November 13 at their pledge-social. Brothers Chris Holmstrup and Barbes also dropped in on Gamma, Alpha, and Rho chapter during November, and were very well received. How about dropping us a penny-postal when you boys have a social or formal? Figuratively speaking, we are only a stone's throw from one another, and we ought to get together more often.

Santa Claus, in the form of Brother White dropped in on the brothers of Beta on Monday evening, December 13, at the annual Christmas social. True to tradition, he left gifts for all the brothers which were highly amusing to the guests as well as the brothers who were "goats" of Santa's humor. St. Nick didn't forget our faculty brothers either, for he left Dr. DeWalsh a wrist watch that didn't work—so he could get to his classes late once in a while, and Dr. Davidheiser received a large, evil-looking cigar to combat the chem. lab. fumes. Dancing and "eats" followed the handing out of gifts, and according to reports, a good time was had by all.

Some of the brothers and pledges have been honored by election to important positions, since our last letter. Brother Roy Holmstrup will be editor of the 1938 *Kallista*—the school yearbook. Brother William Gollnitz is photographic editor of the publication, and Brother Jack Cooper is advertising manager. Pledge Sigfried Dietrich is the business manager. This staff ought to put out the



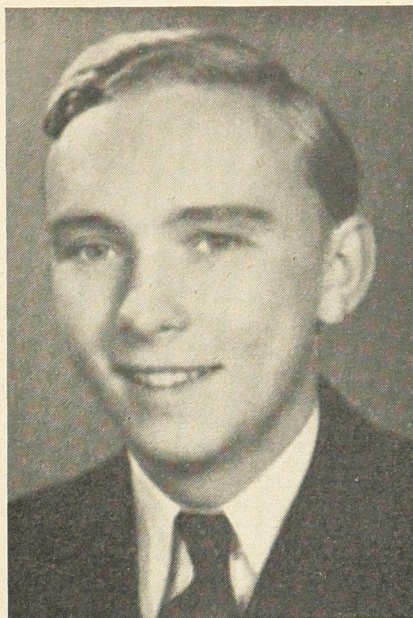
ANTHONY SCALA, *Beta '39*

best yearbook yet. Along the line of publications, we commend the work of the publishers and editor of *The Beta*—the new chapter paper which made its appearance on October 29, and has had 3 issues in all—each one improving on the previous issue. Brother Scala—Wagner's "Watch-charm End" has been devoting a lot of time to this project. Brother Chris Holmstrup has been elected chairman of the Junior Prom Committee, and on January 27 Wagner ought to have a Prom that will be the envy of every other school of its size.

The end of 1937 finds Beta chapter a strong, active, and enthusiastic part of the great Alpha Kappa Pi Fraternity. Pledges, brothers, and alumni are one! All present indications are for a busy and ideal spring semester. We'll give you all the dope in our next letter, so until then—Happy New Year, and best wishes to all the chapters and brothers of Alpha Kappa Pi.

For many years now football at Wagner College has been suffering poor seasons due to lack of experienced men and material. With a student body of only 205—with 65 women, and 140 men, there isn't such a large group to choose from. To add to the difficulty, the Administration has absolutely refused to subsidize any sport.

Under Ray Kirchmeyer, coach, and former all-American at Columbia, the team expected a good season. However, expectations proved disappointing and Wagner again had a bad year. Yet, good fighting spirit and hard work was shown by all men in all positions, and with the help of the



NORMAN KRAFT, *Beta '39*
Football Manager

Alpha Kappa Pi men on the team, the 1938 season ought to be much better than the 1937.

The Wagner squad this year had 22 men of which the following were connected with Alpha Kappa Pi:

Brother "Bob" White—175 lbs. 6 ft. Tackle. The only man on Wagner team to play every minute of all 5 games. His second varsity year.

Brother Ernie Graewe—165 lbs. 6 ft. First football experience. Came along fastest of rookies, and just began to be appreciated in the last games. Played center.

Brother Anthony Scala—132 lbs. 5 ft. 6½ inches—19 yrs. old.—Wagner's watch-charm end. Smallest player on a small team. Incongruously named "Chubby" by teammates. Never played before.

Brother Norman Kraft—Manager.

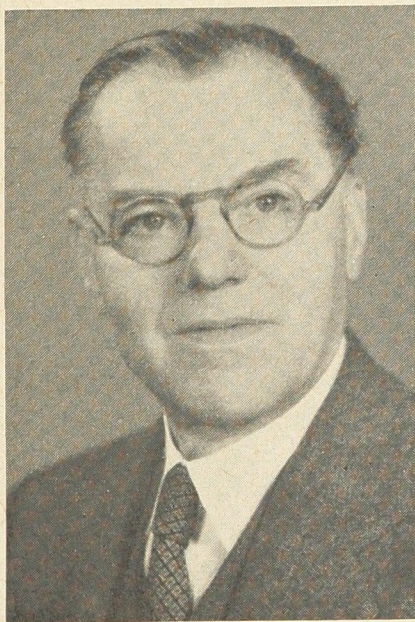
Brother Ed. Sheldon and Pledge Lloyd Rice—assistant managers.

Pledge Hector Quintana—150 lbs. 5 ft. 10 in.—Quarterback. Formerly played with Fort Jay Army team. Hurt in 4th game.

Pledge Kenneth Schultz—165 lbs. 5 ft. 11 in. Halfback.

Pledge J. Clark Mullin—230 lbs. 6 ft.—the heaviest man on the team. Nicknamed "Moon."

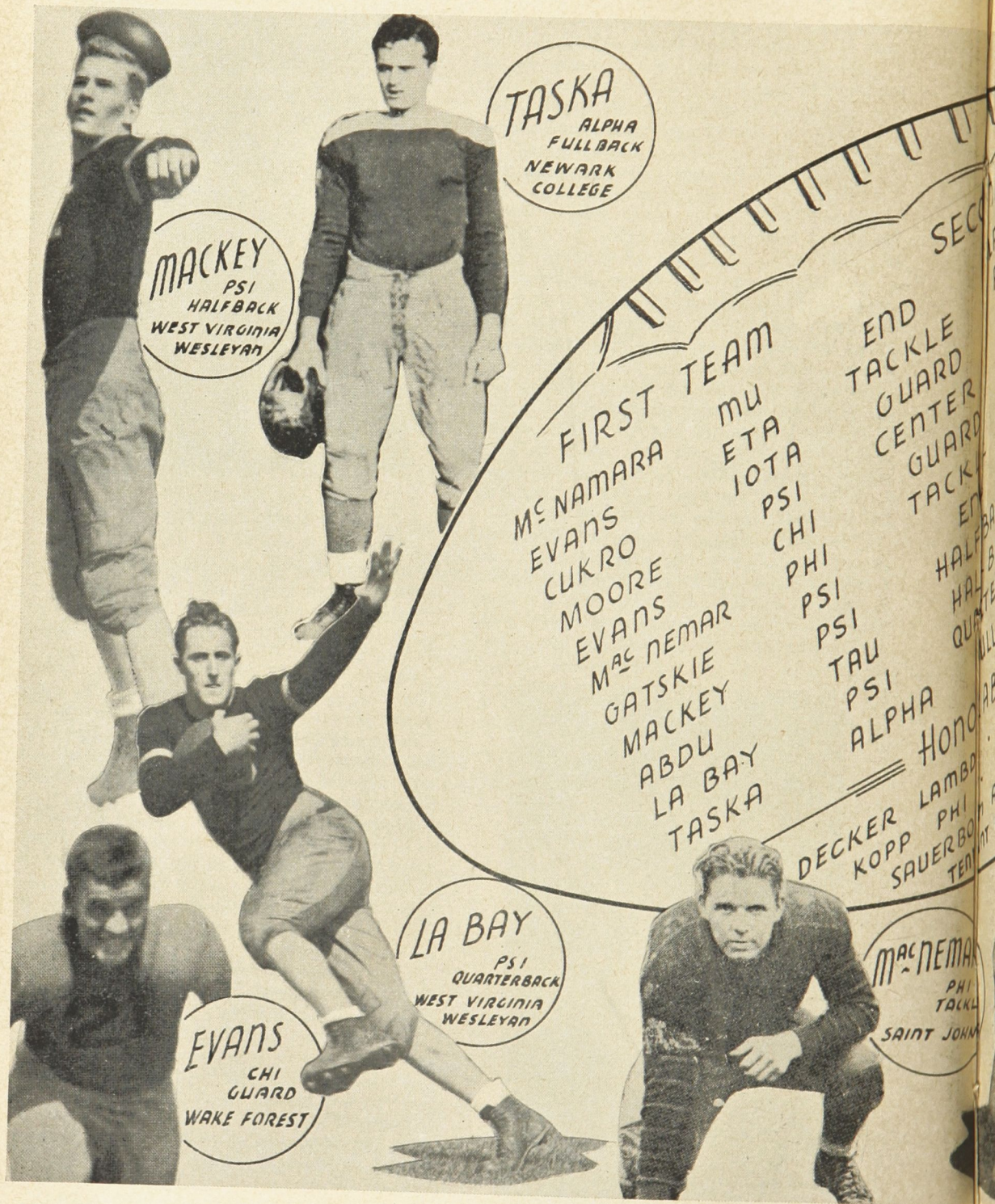
Pledge Werner Johnson—160 lbs. 5 ft. 11 in. Only freshman to get varsity letter this year. Played center, battling Brother Graewe for the position.



DR. LEE Y. DAVIDHEISER
Faculty Adviser

C. P. HOLMSTRUP

The All Alpha Kappa Pi Football



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Gamma—Stevens

Following the Stevens' Dramatic Society presentation of the play "The Ghost Train" a closed house party was held on December 18. The dancing and games were cause for much merriment during the evening. The currently popular Big Apple, requested by Professor Jacobus, climaxed the night's fun.

New pledges, since the last letter, are Jack Jones '38, Henry Barchi '39, and John English '40. Jones is the president of the Dramatic Society this year, while Barchi is president of the junior class and is a member of the basketball squad. Brother Groome, also a member of the basketball squad, holds down a varsity forward berth this year.

Having heard from Brothers Denzler, Hartman and Keeler who attended the last I.N.A. convention at Lehigh, we want to thank Nu chapter for their hospitality during the visit of our men. Gamma hopes to reciprocate sometime.

The ping-pong ladder tournament, underway since November, is very popular among the members. Brother Gela held the top rung position for a while but he has been replaced by Groome, who now holds first position. Groome is being hard pressed by such capable players as Anselmi, Noyer, Quirolo, Yeannakis, Spann and Beaufre in addition to Gela.

The boys are learning the shag under the guidance of Barchi, Frio and Anselmi. The prize pupil is Harry Anastasia who also struts a mean Susie-Q.

There is a certain nameless game being played by Maurice Noyer, Frank Kuirolo and Anthony Vadino. Tony has persistently attempted to put the "hot-foot" on "Murray" and Frank and scored a point when "Murray," caught unawares, was forced to tear off a shoe, but the intended victims retaliated by locking Tony in various closets about the house.

Ever since Brother Yeannakis brought that box of chocolate the boys have held innumerable bull sessions over a cup of the hot beverage. Upon taking a package of chocolate from the box the usual procedure is to deposit two cents, but judging from the receipts some must take two packages for one cent. The man most experienced in the art of preparing the chocolate is Al "Call me Chef" Beaufre, who also prepares menus for meals, much to everyone's regret.

Interfraternity basketball is due to start soon at the "Stute" and Gamma is sure to be a strong contender for the title. Last year, after capturing the league crown, a close championship game was lost. We're out for the championship this year.

JULIAN FOEHL

Delta—Brooklyn Poly

On Saturday, October 16, the brothers held an open house dance at which there were present

many alumni and pledges. A joyous atmosphere was created with a Paul Jones, led by Bob McCune, and the Big Apple. As the night drifted on, the couples thinned out, and the boys started giving exhibitions, in their own little way, of the new, modern swing dances. Finally the last of the dancers rushed off to make the last train out of the city.

The sisters of the Delta Psi Gamma sorority were entertained at the Delta house on Saturday, November 27. Most of the evening was devoted to whirling the young ladies around to the tunes of Jim Hawkin's orchestra. Affairs, such as these, are what aids the men along the trail in their social life. When it came time to leave, the young ladies were escorted home.

The house has its members working hard in doing odd jobs, decorating the rooms, and fixing new tables. A sample table was constructed by Roy Helgeson and Pickles Heinzleman. With its value foreseen, five more tables are being made with added help.

As Poly opens its sport season, we find Brothers Meagher and Sam Ferrante with varsity berths on the wrestling team. Pledges Bob Lindemann, Dick Schwarting, and Stan Kowalczyk as mainstays on the freshman basketball team. Brother Al Braummuller replaces Brother Hutchison as manager of the championship rifle team. Bill Hunter has been elected to head his class of '41, and the freshman wrestling team. Brother Bob Meagher and Pledge Perkowski have turned politicians and are now members of the Student Council. Some of the brothers have been elected to honorary fraternities. George Schaaf was elected to Tau Beta Pi; Bob Meagher, to Eta Kappa Nu and Bill Horton, to Phi Lambda Upsilon.

Our new officers for the school year—1937-38 are: President, Bob McCune; vice-president, John Laestaduis; secretary, Bill Horton; treasurer, Serafino Ferrante; chaplain, Al Braummuller; marshal, James Seelig, Jr.; sentinel, Charles DeCarlo.

BOB MEAGHER

Eta—Presbyterian

Eta chapter of Alpha Kappa Pi is well into a successful year. On the football team we are well represented with five players. Hood Strain and Walker Evans played a large part of every game our team took part in. J. L. Culp also played much of the time until he was painfully injured in our contest with Emory and Henry. These three received letters for the season, it being the second one for Brother Evans. John Godfrey and Jack Paschal also saw some service. Strain played at guard, Evans at tackle, Culp in the backfield, Paschal at center, and Godfrey in the backfield.

We are also well represented in the military

department. Woods Wannamaker is a senior in the advanced. Brothers Culp, Evans, and Fuller are in the Junior class. Among the corporals are Wallace Barnhill, Jack Paschal, and Milton Norton.

Wallace Barnhill was awarded the Scholarship Cup which is given by the local chapter of the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity to the freshman with the best scholastic record.

Since the rush season we have pledged Milton Norton which makes the number of new pledges nine.

R. K. TIMMONS, JR.

Theta—Columbia

Pledged: Alfred Giacommetti '40.

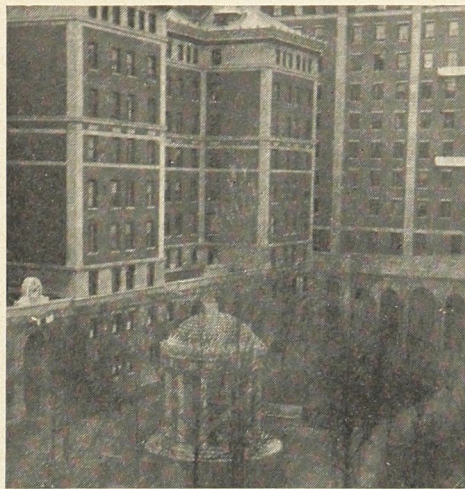
Alfred Giacommetti, whose pledge we are both pleased and proud to have, is a fine looking, young man with a pleasing personality, adding greatly to the wealth of friendship and fraternal spirit at our chapter.

The momentum of Theta was further accelerated by the election of officers held on October twenty-fifth. The new officers are: president Joseph Lawler; vice-president, Richard Sheppard; treasurer and sentinel, Augustin Schatzel; chaplain, Roy Mitchell; secretary and historian, Philip Unhoch. These men were sworn in on the same evening and have already taken hold in such manner that the chapter is realizing bounteous returns.



THETA'S OFFICERS

Left to right: Roy Mitchell, chaplain; Dick Sheppard, vice-president; Joseph Lawler, president; Augustin Schatzel, treasurer; Philip Unhoch, secretary.



THETA'S QUARTERS ARE IN BUILDING ON LEFT

As for the activities that our men are represented in: Brother Schatzel is a crew man, pulling along quite well in a varsity heavyweight boat; Brother Sheppard is on the basketball squad, spending much of his time at the hoop; Brother Mitchell is attempting to gain the managerial post of the University band.

In answer to the question of Brother H. G. Steffens "Why not music for your chapter?" Theta replies that it possesses an inimitable choral group. Its renditions are truly incomparable and its interpretations leave lasting impressions. The group's last impromptu recital was accomplished with an ingenious accompaniment. Brothers Schatzel and Mitchell took glasses and bottles and, filling them to different heights with water, arranged a scale of notes. This contrivance was then made to belch forth music when tapped with spoons in the able hands of the inventors. The repertoire consisted of a goodly number of the old stand-bys as well as many currently popular pieces. "Theta," for that is the name selected for the chapter's mascot, a green canary contributed by Brother Lawler, soon joined in the songfest. All would have been well except that a group of dormitory men had amassed a swing-band in the hallway, which was swinging Christmas carols.

At the last meeting, Theta chapter voted unanimously to accept the petition received from Wayne university, Detroit, Delta Psi fraternity in application for admission into the ranks of the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity.

As a parting shot let me say that decorating the rooms is nearing completion and Brother Lawler has found utility for his javelin, deer horns and lariat, as well as an Indian rug of Brother Mitchell's.

Theta chapter wishes our Brothers in the Alpha

Kappa Pi fraternity the best of luck and fraternal well-being throughout the year of 1938.

ROY MITCHELL

Lambda—Bethany

The season's greetings to all of our worthy Knights. May you live long, die happy, and have a prosperous Christmas and New Year in Heaven! We hope to see you there—

At this writing we have just "three more days 'till vacation" and are looking forward to it with an unusual amount of interest and expectations. Christmas is not the big day of the year though, to our brother and vice-president, Herbert Grosick: NO! A thousand times, NO! December 24 is his wedding day, and it is his first time. I wonder how he will act—incidentally, he is wondering too. The bride-to-be is Miss Ellenrosan Peters of Pittsburgh, and she has been one of our Lambda sweethearts almost as long as we have known Brother Grosick. The ceremony will be a very quiet one with only the members of the immediate families attending, plus, of course, several members of Lambda chapter. (With that aggregation present I wonder how quiet it will be! I wonder!)

Now into some of the other social high-lights of good ole Lambda. Saturday evening, December 11, was the occasion of our own new and different fraternity party. At eight o'clock all the brothers, pledges and their current "big moment" assembled in the auditorium at Commencement hall, the hall having been leased for the evening. The place looked like the movie-house back home on a Saturday evening when every one escorts his best-gal to the show.

No common theater party was this. The entertainment was of a distinctly superior quality. Brother Perry, as master of ceremonies, presented a remarkably talented cast from among the pledges and announced that they would present the world premiere of a sparkling new opera, "The Hey-heyzing of a Freshman." This production, the result of the relative genius of Pledge Decker, depicted the trials and triumphs, the heart-aches and the smiles, of a freshman who is just learning what this thing called college is all about. The cast—the senior, played by Darrel Wolfe; the junior, played by Allen Shaw; the sophomore, played by Jack Ryan; and the freshman, played by Bert Decker.

Following this superlative performance on the stage the man in the projection booth took over the show and presented "San Quentin," a realistic picture starring Pat O'Brien.

At the conclusion of the movie a drawing was held to determine the winner of the bank-night award. Strange, but everyone held the winning number, and so the girls received their favors.

But that was only the beginning, folks. From

the theater we all repaired to the chapter house and whiled away the later hours with dancing and eating and merry chatter. President McIlroy then rallied the brothers for a sing at the close and the fair sex were ushered to their homes.

Believing a sound body helps to develop a sound mind, we are taking a whole-hearted interest in sports as well as books, music, forensics, etc. Now that we have retained the scholarship cup for two years, we are determined to set it off with some athletic cups.

Basketball season is just about to begin, and with only Pledge Holland of last year's team not back, and with the addition of promising material in the pledge group, we feel we will be able to make a strong bid for the interfraternity championship.

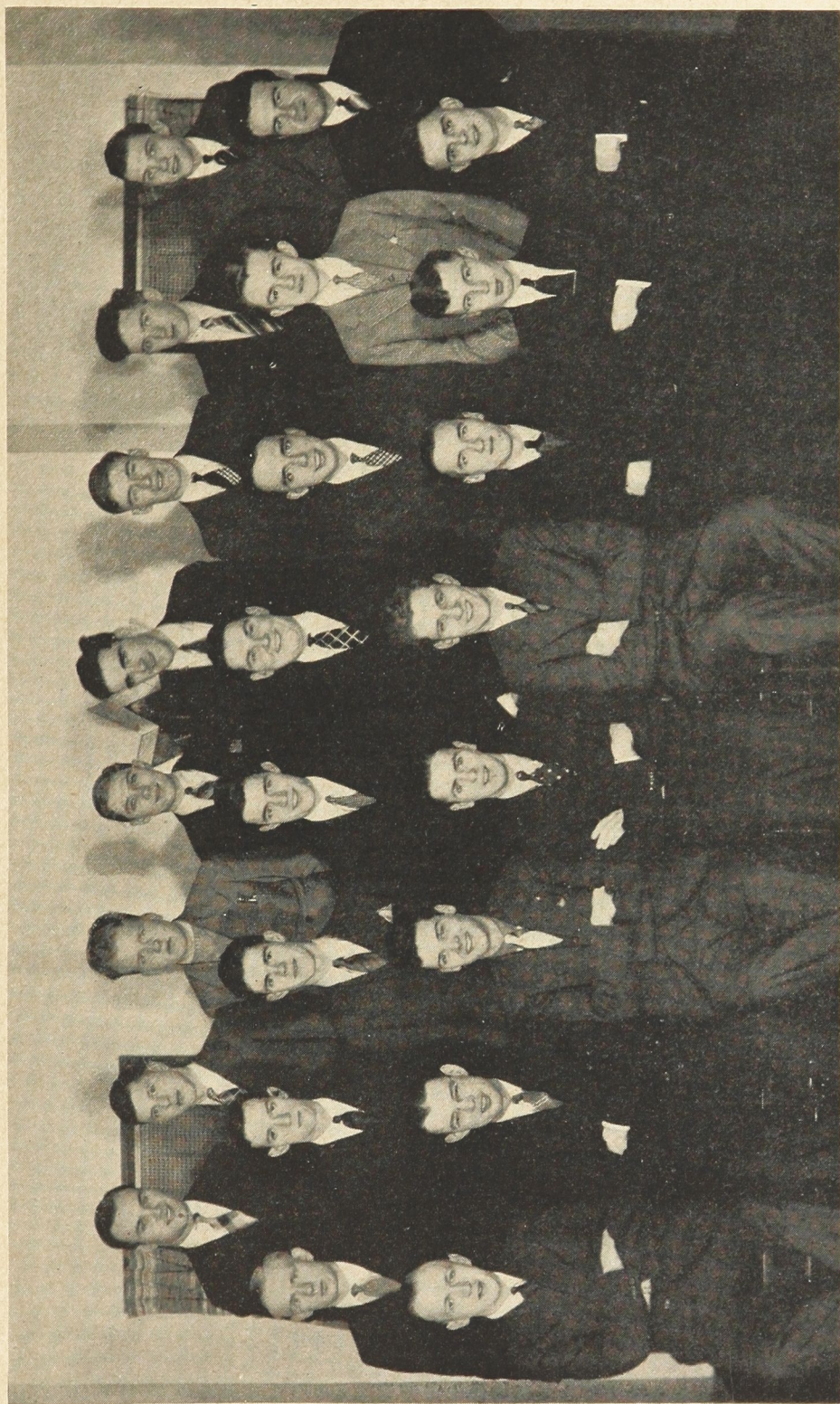
Though Bethany's football team was not very successful, two of our pledges did their bit for it. Bob Coon of Glen Falls, N.Y., played in the backfield and in spite of the fact that he was crippled most of the time, was one of the "fightingest" men on the team. Bert Decker, end, from Scranton, Pa., played a fine game. Incidentally, he caught a pass to make the first touchdown of the year—even though he darn near stopped on the 10 yd. line, thinking it was the goal line—was his face red?).

Concurrent with the football season, the "Scanty Clads," (cross-country team) were prancing over the nature trail. Though not so popular as football the team produced better results, winning three meets and losing only to the Pitt varsity. We are proud to say that all but two of the squad were Alpha Kappa Pis. Pledge Parker, Glens Falls, was consistently far ahead to hold down the No. 1 position. Pledges J. F. Ryan, Waterford, N.Y., and J. W. Ryan (not related) of Elyria, Ohio, were usually in the first five. The only men to be lost by graduation are Brothers Kuti and McIlroy, so next year looks promising.

At the present time, Bethany's first boxing team is starting workouts. Pledge J. F. Ryan, is expected to be a consistent winner in the 155 pound class, as is Pledge Coon in the 145 pound class. Brother Kuti, Whiteman, Cutlip and Pledge Clemens, are making their first "jabs" at the manly art of self-defense.

We have an up-and-coming sport going on right here in the house. Nearly all the fellows have spent some extra moments in the cellar playing Ping-Pong. Though our table is a makeshift affair, we have hopes that Santa Claus will do something about providing a regulation one. We should be able to "take" the interfraternity Ping-Pong championship too. The cup came to Brother McIlroy last year—remember?

Last but not least, may we take this opportunity to thank you for your kind and manly Christmas



LAMBDA CHAPTER

Front row, left to right: Chas. Phillips '38; Frank Woltz '38; Scott Perry '39; Don McIlroy '38; Herbert Groick '38; Albert Kuit '38; Barton Murray '38; James Miller '38. Second row: Pledge Paul Deatenbaugh '40; Pledge Thomas Grim '41; Pledge Harry Clemons '40. Third row: Pledge Bert Decker '41; Spencer Adamson '39; Edward Sparks '39; Pledge Allen Shaw '41; Pledge Jas. F. Ryan '41; Pledge Marvin Robinson '41; Pledge Jack Ryan '41; Randal Cutlip '40.

and New Year remembrances. Now, again, Lambda says, "A very happy and prosperous New Year to YOU, and YOU, and YOU."

SPENCER M. ADAMSON

Mu—Marshall

Well, gee whiz! After all I said the last time about almost being too late to get my write-up in, it didn't show up in THE ALPHA—and maybe these Mu chapter fellows didn't preach my funeral. I guess it does look good to see your name in print after all. Say, don't let anybody tell you this alumni chapter isn't interested either. They read that ALPHA like it were their rich uncle's will. Not a word misses their sharp eyes.

I believe I said something in that write-up that didn't go to print about sending in a picture of our Homecoming Day float. Well, there seem to be no good pictures available. There were plenty of snapshots taken of it because it was a very popular float but none of the snapshots seemed to get the whole float. It didn't win the cup but we seem to think we won a "moral" victory because the crowd liked ours best—the judges didn't. You see, our float had a little "devilish" joke connected with it. I always says, "There's nothing like *good clean fun*."

Well, this Big Green football team took the Buckeye Conference in stride and then went on to lick West Virginia Wesleyan (the home of Psi chapter) and came out unscathed for the year. And who made any nicer jaunts with that old apple tucked under his arm than our own little Pledge Jack Morlock? That boy certainly can wave his hips. Why, even Mae West could take lessons from him. Another one of our pledges, Bob McNamara, saw plenty of action at one of the ends and played some very convincing football. Both the boys are now on the varsity basketball squad and it looks like one of them is going to squeeze one of the older heads off the starting line-up.

Basketball and bowling are being run off now on the intramural program and it looks like our first team will be found in there fighting when the debris is cleared away sometime in March. Under the captaincy of Pres. Jack Bates, the boys have played and won one game, and that in a very convincing manner.

Well, those Psi chapter boys were here again Thanksgiving Eve. A dance was given in their honor at the Student Union building, "and a good time was had by all." We always enjoy seeing those fellows come down heré. You'll have to go far and wide to find a finer bunch of fellows. We hope to see them again next year.

Boy, oh boy! My mouth's been watering for a week. Yes, it's another banquet—the Anniversary Installation Banquet, which will be held at the

Governor Cabell Hotel, Tuesday night, December 14, at 7:30. Here's what the reservation cards have to say about it:

Dear Elmer:

Don't be silly! Of course I intend to be present for the MU CHAPTER 8TH ANNIVERSARY INSTALLATION BANQUET. I know a good thing when I see it. What is more—I'll be there with bells on!

Kindly reserve.....plate(s) with plenty of elbow room for some high-powered action.

Signed.....

Can't you just see this bunch losing themselves in all that food? Excuse me, I'm getting behind on this third helping! Well, Merry Christmas folks.

WILLIS STINSON

Nu—Lehigh

On October 22, 23, 24, Lehigh held its fall houseparty. On Friday night the brothers indulged in a bit of "swing and sway with Sammy Kay" followed by a bit to drink and victrola dancing at the chapter house. Saturday, following the Lehigh-Gettysburg football game, a tea dance was held at the Maennerchor, a local German singing club. In the evening Nu entertained many guests at the chapter dance. After the orchestra left at two A.M. refreshments were served, the vic loaded with records, and dancing continued until daylight.

The annual Alumni Homecoming found many of the grads and their guests back at the chapter house. Judging from the numerous letters received since then, a good time was had by all.

Nu continues to have its share of campus activities. Brother Welker, president of the E. E. Society, treasurer of Arcadia, and secretary of Eta Kappa Nu, was initiated into Tau Beta Pi; Brother Naisby is president of Alpha Phi Omega, as well as treasurer of Inter-fraternity Council; Brother Nelson is vice-president of Alpha Phi Omega and Brother Jackson is on the Junior Prom Committee. The brothers are continuing their activities of last year, and the pledges are all in at least one outside activity.

The intra-mural football team completed a very successful season by winning the league football cup with a record of one defeat, six victories, and no ties. As yet the basketball team has not begun to function, but we expect a good season on the court. Teams are also being organized in swimming, wrestling, and baseball.

Nu has entertained convention delegates from all over the country this fall, including men from Minnesota, Illinois, Ohio, and the Eastern States.

Best wishes for the New Year to all brothers of Alpha Kappa Pi.

FRANK JACKSON

Xi—North Carolina State

Initiated: H. M. Peninger, Concord, N.C. '40.
Pledged: J. H. Atkinson, Rocky Mt., N.C.

From the brothers at Xi come best wishes for a successful year. With the new year come new resolutions, new leaves turned over, new pledges, new life—boy this is new(s)!

Down here at N.C. State we have finished a full term's work. It certainly does feel good to be able to start the new year without exams staring us in the face. Following exams some of us feel relieved, while others were relieved.

Xi has had a busy term since September. Right after things got going scholastically, the intramural season opened up. The good brothers will recall the mention made of our intramural football team. It so happens that Xi chapter has the fraternity championship won so far as football is concerned. In five games Xi scored 95 points. The team was undefeated, untied, and unscored upon. The boys at Xi are quite proud of this record. Out of our stellar line Xi will place at least two men on the all-campus team as well as one or perhaps two men from our flashy backfield. In our other intramural sports Alpha Kappa Pi has finished in good standing. Xi finished third in fraternity wrestling as well as having one all-campus wrestler and a runner up. In horseshoes Alpha Kappa Pi went to the semi-finals. The boys claim cold weather defeated them. As fish (the boys are only good in one instance and that is being caught on a line), Alpha Kappa Pi did poorly in the swimming meet, however the boys' efforts were appreciated.

Alpha Kappa Pi has not only had a sporting time this term but an educational time in many ways other than scholastically. During the term 'Ted' Mercer a YMCA worker who knows the ups and downs of life gave the boys some sound and wholesome advice. Some of his experiences set many of us thinking.

Then, too, in a social manner Alpha Kappa Pi took a great step forward in establishing good will between the faculty and Alpha Kappa Pi. An open house was held at which time several professors visited us and enjoyed themselves immensely along with the boys.

In closing Xi chapter again heartily extends best wishes, greetings and salutations to all Alpha Kappa Pi men everywhere.

L. R. PARSONS, JR.

Rho—Rutgers

Each year a number of men are selected from the junior class to take the advanced course in R.O.T.C. This year the juniors chosen from the house are Brothers Jim Dean, Phil Stowell, and Bill Boes. Our up and coming Gus Beyer tried

out and succeeded in making the Scarlet Rifles, crack drill team of the R.O.T.C. Of course the army boys need music to march to, and Brothers Giv Cuthbert and Frank Kuszen, and Pledge John Schiller handle this end very well as members of the band. They have 40 to 50 others to help them. Speaking of music reminds us of singing. Pledge Warren Geigel is our competent representative in the Rutgers Glee Club while Brother Dean is listening to the Alpha Kappa Pis, among others, sing loud and lustily under his leadership as a Junior Songleader.

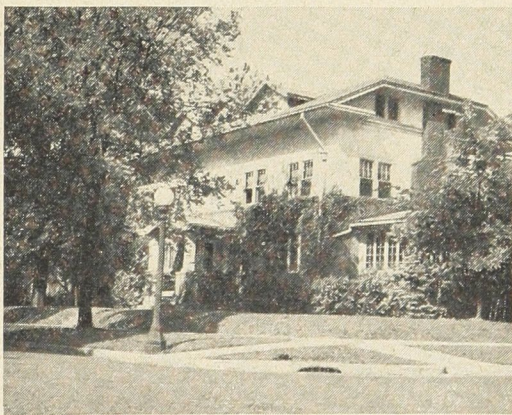
Turning to socials for the moment, we find Brother Fred Prosser acting as chairman of the Ticket Committee for the Sophomore Hop.

In the way of sports we have Brother Fuzzy Darby a letter winner in 150 pound football. His first year out too! Brothers Cuthbert and Kuszen are junior and sophomore managers of crew, respectively. Pledge Zollie Takacs has done great work as end on the varsity football team. Brothers Jim Cortright and Fred Potter and Pledge Andy "Redlight" Kroessler distinguished themselves in J. V. football. Jim was the high and only scorer on the team. Quite an honor!

P. M. STOWELL

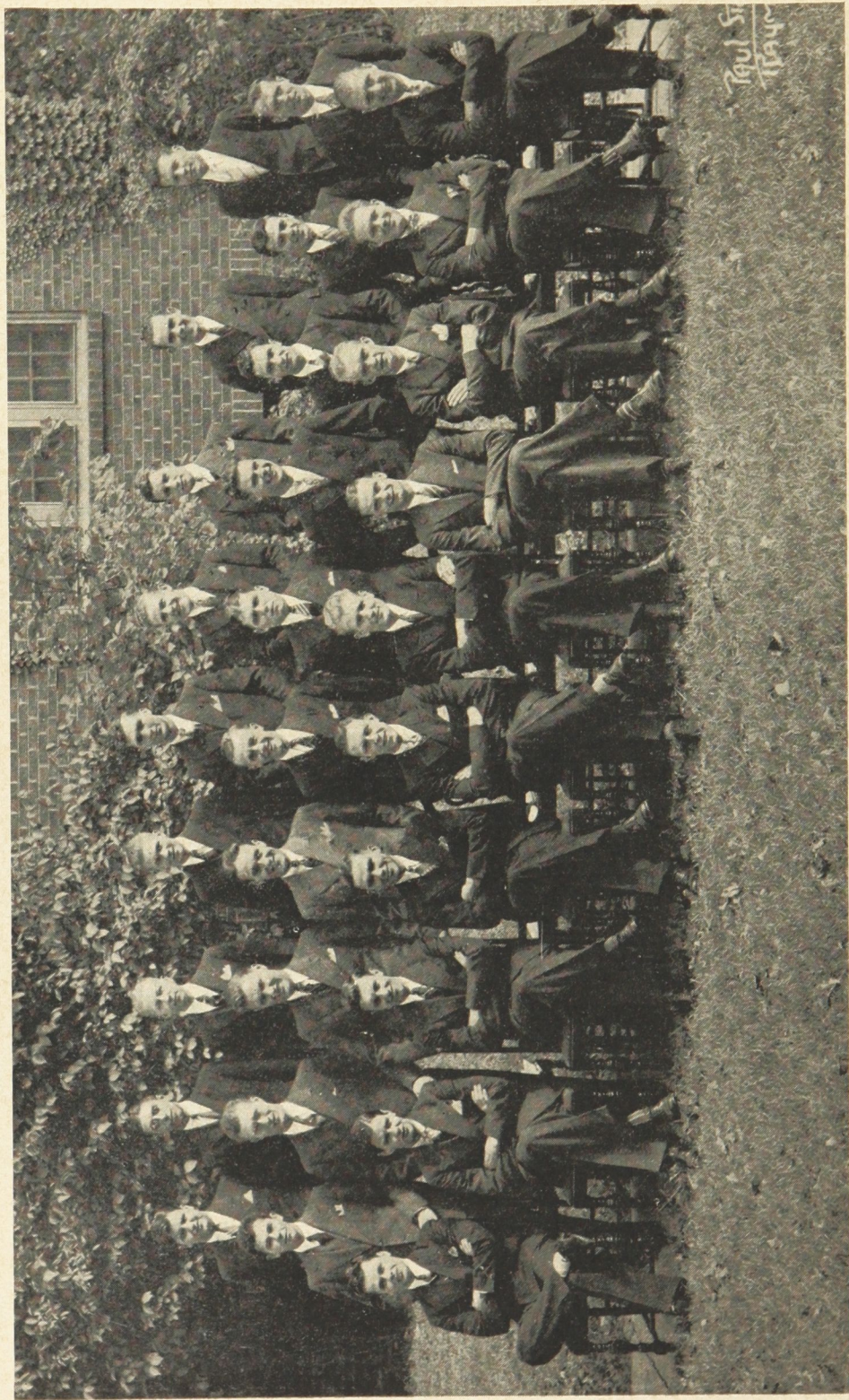
Sigma—Illinois

With winter in full swing Sigma chapter is enjoying a very prosperous year. The championship soccer team of 1936 has made a fine show-



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ing in the intramural soccer league. The team seems set to retain the championship, having won one game and tied another. The annual pledge-active basketball game is to be played in the near future. This struggle was started last year with the actives completely outclassing the pledges by a score of 20-14. The winners of this year's battle will be the proud owners of a silver cup. This



SIGMA CHAPTER

Front row, left to right: Sellers, Ettrington, Schmalenberger, Bain, Rawie, Tucker, Tritthardt, Ryden, Houkal, Pillar. Middle row, left to right: Sasco, Hunter, Nelson, Sokol, Popkins, Matheus, Black, Rubmann, Costabile, Jordan. Third row, left to right: Conway, Shinkoff, Foreman, Lindquist, Bain, Nicot, Quallizza, Delaney, Vallumstad.

cup will be passed on from one year's winners to the next year's winners. The activities of the pre-Christmas days are to be climaxed with a radio dance to be held on December 17.

Since the last issue of THE ALPHA many personal traits of the fellows have been brought out. The pledges have justly dedicated the popular song "You can't stop me from dreaming," to their gallant pledge master, Louis Piller. As rumors have it Cliff Hunter can't wait until he is initiated so some coed of Cornell college can take possession of his pin. Stan Ryden seems to have finally found his true love, at least he spends a lot of time at Main Hall. Cupid seems to have scored once again as pledge Jack Sellers was married in November. President Rex Rawie has just gotten a new pin since he claims he lost his last one. Did you really lose it Rex?

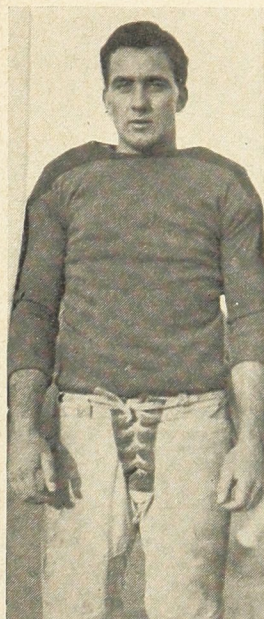
WARREN SCHMALENBERGER

Tau—Tufts

Pledged: W. Douglas Leggat, Edward Quinn, Edward Whitney, Alexander Parker, James Kaldy, Russell Pyne, Clemente de Vasconcellos, William Bird, Lewis Loring, John Dee, James G. Tynan, Lloyd Shand, and Allen Hatch.

Initiated: Alexander Budzynkiewicz, Robert C. Hawkins, Clyffeton Hill, Jr., Gunnar Larson, Charles T. Lambrukos, Floyd W. Tremberth.

If there are any typographical errors in this account, it is simply because the historian is sitting at a desk wrapped up in four bearskin coats and eight pairs of mittens, trying to type



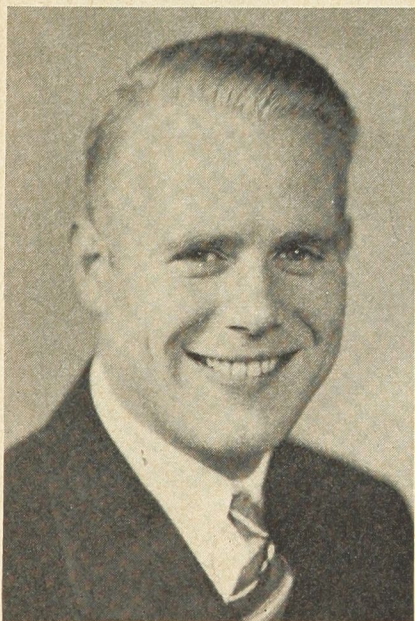
ART GRIFFIN, *Tau*

and at the same time trying to hold on to his chair in opposition to an eighty-mile gale that is blowing through the uncompleted side of the new house here at Tufts. Furthermore, my vision is hindered by the veil of smoke of Epsilon Chief Abbott's Christmas cigars.

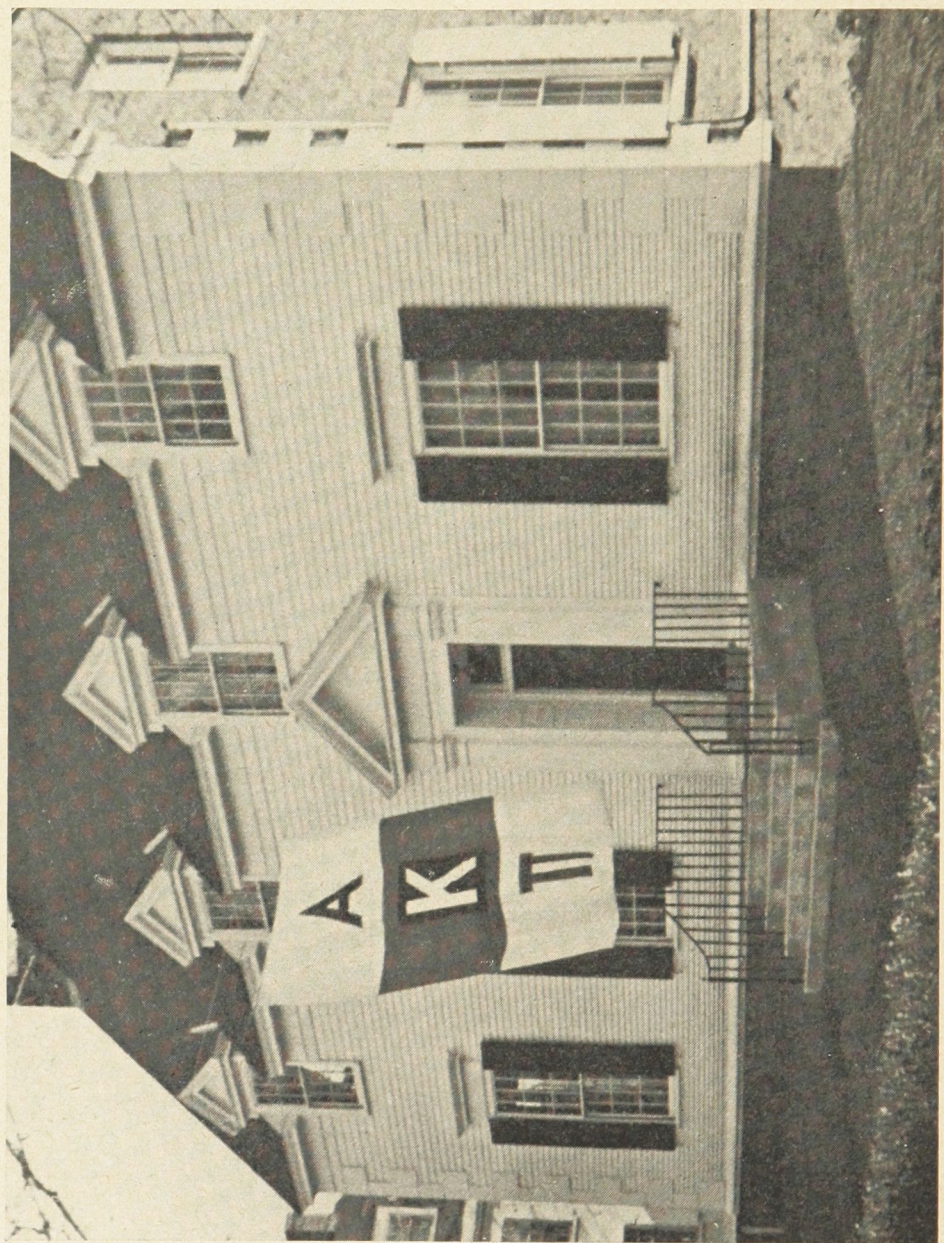
While the house wasn't exceptionally well represented in the fall sports, we have hopes of competing against colleges majoring in all types of winter activities, getting plenty of practice from experiencing the icy blasts and snow drifts within the proposed structure of the new Tau house. To accumulate sufficient funds to purchase suitable raiment for withstanding the severe winter, we are thinking of trading in the new edifice on an igloo.

Rushing week for us this year has been an altogether new experience. Never before have we been shaking hands with prospective pledges and at the same time using the free extremity to plaster walls and paint ceilings. Those unfortunate freshmen who got caught under falling beams and half-drowned in buckets of paint are now sporting the small seven-pointed-star pin. As soon as we can afford a gallon of turpentine, we'll wash their faces with it and find out what we obtained from the rushing-week melee.

Relative to the football season, brother Abdu and pledge Griffin were outstanding men on the varsity team. Griffin, only a sophomore and an exemplary representative of the beef trust, supplied the blood and thunder element in the games. Lou Abdu, president of the senior class, known to



RICHARD FARMER '38
Tau President



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his friends as the "Brockton Bookie," exhibited another year of his usual stellar performances, as well as taking top scoring honors for the season. In addition to his prowess on the varsity eleven, Lou is a member of Tower Cross, senior honorary society at Tufts, a member of Student Council, and a past member of Ivy Society and Sword and Shield, junior and sophomore honorary societies respectively, and a past member of the Junior Class Day committee. As a socialite, he is an exponent of all the latest dance steps, with special emphasis on the "Abdu Wiggle," an original step taken from the former "Abdu Squirm."

Abdu isn't the only socialite in the house, as is proven by the turnouts that we had for our annual hallowe'en party and pledge formal at which the pupils of St. Vites Dance tripped a mean fantastic toe. It is quite an accomplishment to waltz to the strains of Strauss, enveloped in galoshes and water-wings, made necessary by two untimely floods caused by an oversight on the part of the contractors.

The weather here has been mild and the zephyrs soothing. If we can raise enough money to buy a dog-team and a snow plow we'll have our representative at the convention, but right now we're on short rations while holed-up temporarily by the heaviest snowfall seen in these parts during the past week. The inclement weather is taking its toll on pledge Vasconcellos, native son of the sunny Azores, who is quite unaccustomed to drinking his coffee and Christmas cordials with an ice-pick.

Now, in a more serious vein, we are reminded of the night of the informal initiation. As is our custom here at Tau, the newly-initiated members were subjected to the ordeal of being the recipients of some attempts at tonsorial artistry. We now have a fine assortment of heads that would do justice to an African tribe of head hunters.

Brother Abbott, Epsilon province chief and house adviser, is the designer and builder of the "Abbott-Built-In-Bunk," the type of sleeping device that is flagrant in the Rancho Kappipie. Evidently, his slide-rule and "T" square were not working efficiently because the Grim Reaper is endeavoring to take his toll each time one of the springs or mattresses bounce off the molars and bicuspid of the snorers in the lower shelves.

Now, having monopolized more than the rightful amount of space that this tale should merit, we shall close with the wish that our other brothers experience a New Year abundant with scholastic, athletic, and fraternal success. Don't interpret this letter as being indicative of insanity but drop in and experience our Eastern hospitality. Well, here comes a representative of the Audabon society, so I'll hop back into my clock.

WILLIAM H. MURRAY

Phi—St. John's

Pledged: Osburn Duval '40, Annapolis, Md.; Louis Jones '41, Annapolis, Md.; Luis Moran '41, Porto Rico; Charles Vayne '41, Baltimore, Md.; Dexter Haven '41, Rhode Island; Edward Graef '41, Annapolis, Md.

Phi chapter has experienced a successful rushing season. Desirable men were scarce due to an extremely small freshman class. Our pledge party was held December 2, and a good time was had by all. President Boeris and our faculty adviser, Brother Allen, gave short talks on the value of



GEORGE KOPP
Phi's Powerhouse

a fraternity to the college man. We have scheduled our first pledge dance for shortly after the Christmas vacation. These dances have always been one of our best social functions and we have great expectations for this one.

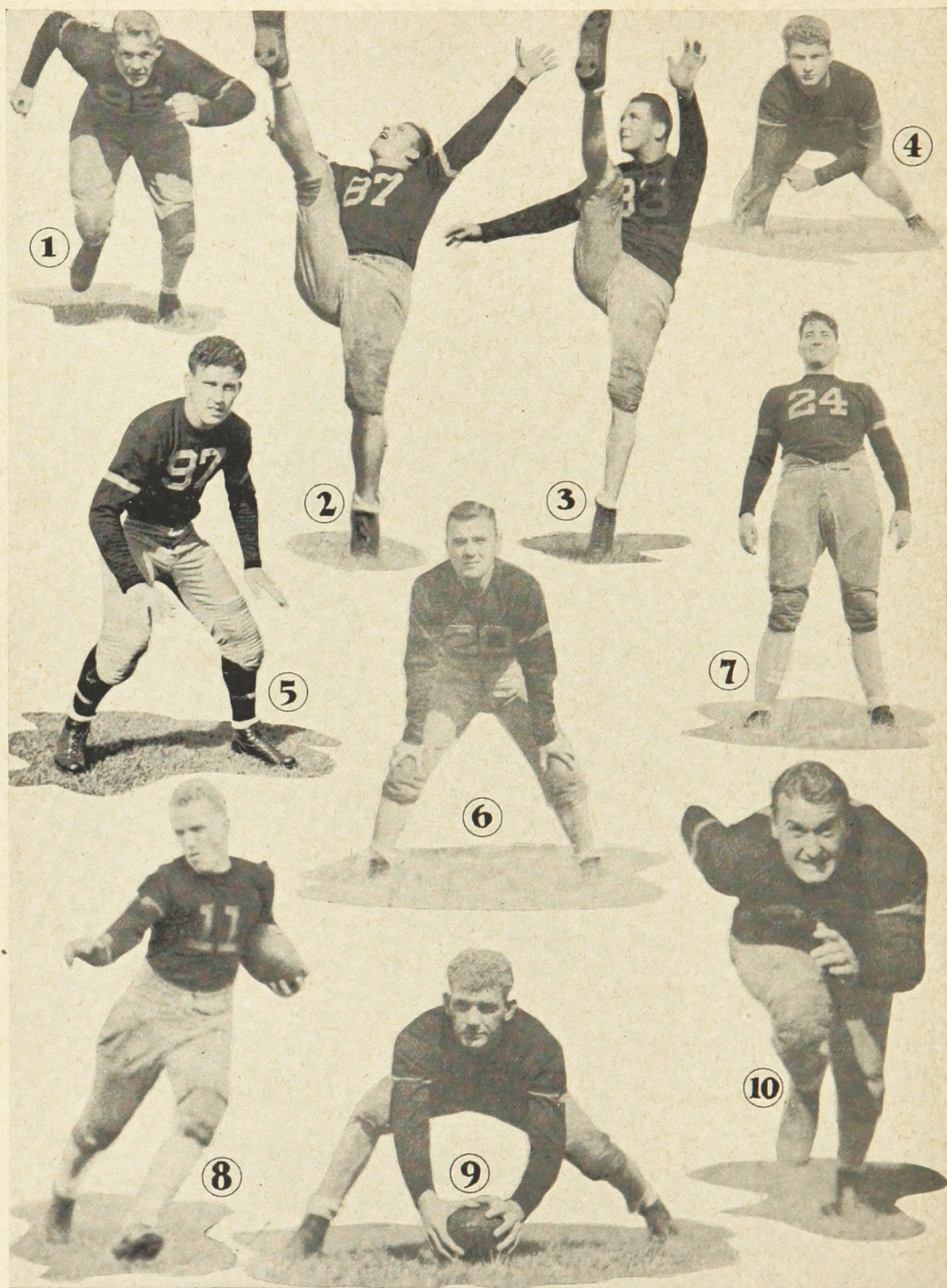
Pledge MacNemar held a regular position on the varsity football team this past season as tackle. From his pre-season showing Brother Kopp was assured of a regular berth but after suffering an injury in the first game he was forced to drop the sport. The house won the intramural softball championship for the fall season, and, as a result we stand first in intramural points. We hope to hold this lead by means of our basketball team.

All fall the brothers have been working on a new recreation room in the basement, and now it has become the most popular room in the house. It is very simply decorated and is the scene of most of our parties.

ROBERT F. HODGES

Psi—West Virginia Wesleyan

Initiated: Kenneth Moore '39, Clarksburg, W.Va.; Pete Kurlinski, '39, Glen Dale, W.Va.;



FOOTBALL MEN AT PSI

(1) Pete Kurlinski, tackle; (2) Moon Mullen, fullback; (3) Albie Coleman, halfback; (4) Dave Tennant, tackle; (5) Jim Campbell, tackle; (6) Del Walker, center; (7) Bill Wilson, tackle; (8) George Grubb, halfback; (9) Don Gatewood, center; (10) Mike Branchik, tackle.

Stromede Mullen, '39, Wheeling, W.Va., and Merwin Ellert, '40, Plainville, Conn.

Pledged: Joseph Bailey, Buckhannon; John Bloyd, Glen Dale; Marvin Bush, Burnsville; James Cain, Red House; David Carter, Mt. Hope; Doyle Davidson, Kanawha Head; George Denham, Clarksburg; John Edmiston, Buckhannon; Carroll Ford, Buckhannon; Bert Hall, Cunard; John Hall, Buckhannon; Robert Lowe, Fairview; Brooks Lohan, Charleston; Jack Moore, Clarksburg; Hayden Morgan, Adrian; William Morrison, Sutton; John Orr, Weston; Fred Peters, Grafton; Richard Reppert, Buckhannon; Marcus Rickards, Wheeling; George Snyder, Wheeling; Donald Steele, Buckhannon; Forrest Stump, Buckhannon; Joe Summers, West Union; Morrel Tatum, Raymond City; and Bill Yutzy, Baltimore, Md.

A very pronounced sense of jubilation is on our lips as we compile Psi's latest contribution to THE ALPHA, the reason for which may be readily seen in the excellent list of pledges above.

Each year we feel proud of our chapter at the close of the rushing season, and especially is this the case this year when we scored with the finest crop of newcomers in many, many years.

Just as was promised in the last edition, Psi came through with the cream of the crop in fresh talent and Brother Branchik's perennial cry that everything was "all set" panned out as predicted. When the smoke cleared we had 26 pledges safely in our midst, smothering the local Kappa Alpha chapter, which counted only 10 preference slips—and to add insult to injury they had to hold an extra rush party or two to bring their number above humiliation!

Brother Jack LaBay, the energetic, is serving as prep master and announces that everything is under control.

Wesleyan's football team ran into some tough luck this year, suffering probably its worst season in history, gaining but one victory and a scoreless tie out of a nine-game schedule. Nevertheless, the many men who represented Psi on the gridiron stood out with several fine performances worthy of note.

Three seniors, namely LaBay, Branchik, and Albie Coleman performed. The former two wrote finis on their college careers, but Coleman, who has played but three years of football, proclaims he will be back again next year to assist with the backfield chores.

K. Moore, playing at tackle and guard but most frequently at center, was brilliant throughout the season as a bulwark of the forward wall, and Kurlinski, Tennant, Gatskie, Campbell, Gatewood and Orr were also steady performers along the line.

The Bobcats were able to score but three touchdowns throughout the year, and Brother Allen

"Red" Mackey was responsible to a large degree for all of them. Red invaded the promised land twice and passed to a teammate for the other market. "Moon" Mullen won great acclaim for his able ball-toting and fine relief punting for Coleman. Besides the aforementioned, Grubb and Walker also saw service.

For the first time in several years the Mu boys down Marshall way got the last laugh on us in the traditional Turkey Day gridiron classic. The Big Green rang up a decisive victory which curtailed our holiday celebrations somewhat, but not to the extent that we were unable to enjoy a perfectly swell dance the Huntington chapter "threw" the night before. In fact at the present instance we are at a loss to recall a reception at which we felt more at home, and Psi appreciates this extended courtesy more than mere words can express. The rebounding Mu is a fine chapter and we give its brothers our heartest endorsement!

During the current reign of King Football, Pledge Jim Herndon again assumed the duties of head football manager and handled his post with the utmost dexterity. He was ably assisted by Pledges Jim Cox and Forrest Stump, the latter being the latest addition to the already long list of Psi athletic managers.

Basketball began with three weeks of pre-vacation drilling and from all indications the Alpha Kappa Pi candidates will have a great deal to say about the outcome of the ensuing hardwood campaign. No less than 13 delegates from a squad of 18 are representative of Psi, which pretty nearly makes it a fraternity team.

Lack of space prevents an elaborate description of each cager but to describe the most prominent will suffice. The diminutive "Oley" Herndon is back once again with his five-feet, five-inch, 125-pound frame and threatens to record a sensational season at one of the forward berths.

Don Gatewood returns for service at the pivot position and Mackey will probably be used as a regular at either center or forward. Other regulars in the making include Coleman, Gatskie, and Mullen, forwards, and Turner, a guard. LaBay, who suffered a leg injury in football, reported late and is gunning to retain his old guard post which he has ably held down for the past three years.

An exceptionally talented trio of freshmen is on hand also, including Jack Moore, Jimmy Cain, and Donald Steele, all of whom will undoubtedly see action their initial season, not to mention Kiddy and Wilson, two Sophs who are fast proving their mettle.

Brother Jim Thornhill is back as head basketball manager for his fourth consecutive year.

Several recent improvements on the interior of the chapter house are mentionable. On the eve

of the rushing all the tenants pitched in and gave each room a thorough going-over and for a period the mansion fairly reeked with bubbling excess energy. Floors were varnished, waxed, and shined, woodwork was gone over, walls were painted, and several new fixtures added, including carpets, stair mats, and lamps.

Speaking of new fixtures, one of the most serviceable additions was a combination radio and victrola which was provided for the radio room. Since its appearance there the swing-minded brothers have kept an undying wave of assorted stomps, waltzes, and jam sessions in the air.

Shortly before the Christmas recess Brother Don Baughman and Pledges Joe Summers and Bill Yutzy moved their belongings to the third floor, thus filling the house once again to its capacity of 17 residents.

This year the broad-minded leader of the college, in reality Prof. Randall Hamrick, former president of our local fraternity, revolutionized the social policy of the institution on organizing an all-student forum which is held each Sunday night. Pledge Dale "Zeke" Turner was chosen as president of the forum and his superb judicial traits, which have enabled him to lead the movement so capably, have been the talk of the school. The gifted Turner was also chosen to represent Wesleyan at the National Youths' conference the latter part of December at Miami university, Oxford, Ohio.

Psi had a gala turnout for the annual inter-fraternity dance, held on December 6. According to the more pedantic members who made an actual count, our delegation far outnumbered the rest. Brother LaBay, chairman of the committee on arrangements, was in charge.

The all-college Christmas party "came and went" and with it the chapter presented another stunt which will no doubt be recorded in the minds of the student body as a neat bit of wit to brighten their memory during the months to come. The idea was the result of joint brainstorming of Brothers Kurlinski, Hicks, and Crane, and displayed a remarkable bit of ingenuity on their part. Incidentally, with the rise of Kurlinski has come the solution to the question: Who will take Morgan's place? Morgan, of course, was the "idea man" of Psi for several years—with Kurlinski's arrival another brilliant genius has been born to the interior decorating field, which insures the originality of our future ventures.

But to tell about the stunt, out of old sacks and other promiscuous scraps of material was constructed a Camel creation, to which the mechanical machinery was furnished by Pledge Dave Carter, our bass-slapping cohort, and George Snyder, who proved to be the "butt end" of the joke. With these two as "undercover men," Pledges Bill Morrison, John Edmiston, and Marvin Bush, the

three "wise guys"—barefooted, and clothed in lounging robes—did a "Big Apple" routine as they led the beast across the spacious "sands" of the gymnasium floor. Hooked on behind the animal was the "Ship of the Desert," bearing the inscription thereon "S. S. Alpha Kappa Pi," and inside the ship the boys had cleverly concealed a portable victrola which played the strains of "Caravan" all the while the act was presented.

If one is to take the enthusiasm of the audience as final, the stunt stole the show, although our fondest hopes were squelched when authorities failed to select judges and did not announce the winner.

Incidentally, in speaking of Pledge Morrison, it has been discovered that his bird-like musical facilities rate him the term of a second Elmo Tanner. He has appeared in several performances recently and is much in demand wherever a top-notch whistler is needed. Boasting a little more of our pledges, we might mention that Bert Hall is president of the freshman class and Donald Steele is class representative to the student council.

Local hunters would do well to take a few pointers from our game-seeking sportsmen, namely, Brothers Mackey, Branchik, LaBay, and Hunter. According to themselves, (no one else would say so) they know all the fine points of the sport. However, rumors from the fraternity eating table have it that the boarders have yet to feast on one of the quartet's victims.

At present all attention is turned toward the annual formal dance, which will be held in the Masonic Temple, Weston, on the evening of January 8. Brother LaBay, heading the social committee, has secured the services of Tom Care and his Virginians, a very prominent orchestra of the Pittsburgh district, to furnish the music. Very lovely favors are being ordered and neither effort nor expense is being spared to make the event "tops" on the year's social calendar. We expect a big turnout from the alumni.

So with thoughts of this fast-approaching event on our minds, and our supply of information exhausted we reluctantly bid adieu once again and wish our brothers the best of luck throughout the coming year!

JAMES L. ELLIS

Alpha Alpha—Hartwick

Alpha Alpha is already preparing for the spring rush season! We invite four men to the house every two weeks. These men are selected from among the freshmen, and transfers. We have had three of these small parties thus far!

January 8 we are going to have our first big house party. If the weather is with us, we are going to have a sleigh ride after which we shall return to the house. We expect to invite some of the best prospects to this house party.

Alpha Alpha is very proud to announce that it won the intramural volleyball championship! Tuesday, December 7 we played the Alpha Delta Omicron team for the championship. Alpha Alpha won four games out of five. Both teams had lost just one game all season.

Now that volleyball is over, we must begin to look forward to the basketball season. Our prospects are not as bright as they might be for basketball. You may be sure that we are going to fight hard! After the smoke has cleared perhaps we may be on top again.

We are getting new fraternity coats. They are to be green with the Alpha Kappa Pi crest burned on white leather on the breast pocket. Every man in the chapter is getting a coat.

ORRIN D. HOPKINS

Alpha Beta—Tri-State

Pledged: Arthur Scarlett, Alvin Biegay, James Thorington, Rolland Miller, David Davis, Donald La Clair, and Francis Piefer.

House elections were held and Alpha Beta is looking forward to a very successful term under the supervision of the new officers. Our new president is Brother Edward Stearns; Francis Hoagland, vice-president; Edward Neekamp, secretary; Lenfred Zerkel, treasurer; Bruce Deyoe, historian; George Clark, chaplain, are the other new officers. Charles Scheidecker retains his position as sentinel.

Another term has passed quickly by and with it go three of our brothers. Brothers William Hartsook, Wallace Taylor, and Henry Hamburg are graduating. Brothers Hartsook and Hamburg received a bachelor of science degree in aeronautical engineering and Brother Taylor received a degree of bachelor of science in civil engineering. Alpha Beta wishes these men all the success possible.

Socially this term has been very successful. Our pledge dance, held at the house on November 19 was a very enjoyable affair.

The interfraternity dance was a closed dance this term for fraternity men and pledges only. Usually it has been an open dance, and although they have always been very successful, it was thought that closed dances would afford more of an incentive among the students to become fraternity men. The hall was nicely decorated, Jonny Morris's orchestra being featured.

Tri-State has an inter-collegiate basketball team this year. It is the first in many years. Brother Poweska is doing work as forward on the team.

In January, with the beginning of a new term, Alpha Beta is planning on moving into its new home. It is expected that it will be completed by then. So we will start the New Year with high

hopes, we have already planned a house warming party.

GEORGE CLARKE

Alpha Gamma—Franklin and Marshall

Initiated: J. Edward Long '40, Altoona; Wayne Winters '40, Lancaster; and Kenneth McCormick '40, Upper Darby.

On November 13 the pledges entertained the brothers at a dance. About 30 couples, including Brother Thomas, 37, accompanied by several very beautiful southern gals (hey what John and Jim) helped make it a huge success. The house was very artistically decorated in green and white streamers. Congratulations pledges.

Alpha Kappa Pi got the jump on the rest of the fraternities in as much as they held a gala house party on the week-end of December 17. Heading the list was the winter formal scheduled for December 18. It was held at the Iris Club and was the social event of the year (1937).

Even with the aid of our husky center Alpha Gamma could not hit its stride in the past football season, winning only 1 game and tying 2. However we have given fair warning in basketball. We really have something there. In Brothers Ruth, DeSilva, Haun, Waltman, Long and McLaughlin from last year and the addition of Brother Ed. Long and several of the pledges we have a power house. We have already played a game with the Paradise High School varsity.

F. & M. is sponsoring a "Stunt Night" this year. Alpha Gamma will be right on the spot led by Bill "Rubinoff" Richley and Ken "Choo Choo" McCormick.

Brother Haun was honored by the fraternities of Franklin and Marshall, being selected to represent the combined groups at the fraternity convention held at New York over the Thanksgiving recess.

Happy New Year to all alumni and brother chapters.

F. WENDLE McLAUGHLIN

Alpha Delta—Toledo

Pledged: James LaFrance '40; Harry Masters '41; William King '40; Jay H. Faunce '41; James Jansen '41; William Phillips '41; Harry Henning '41; Duane Cadmus '39; Allen Hannum '41; Calvin Miller '41; William Muntz '41.

We of Alpha Delta chapter found ourselves at the end of rushing season with eleven new pledges. In the excitement attendant to buying a new house, we have had little thought for anything else, so we have discontinued rushing until we have a new home and are settled in it. We hope to evolve a plan whereby all the members can live at the

house almost as cheaply as at home. The quality of houses inspected has improved as we kept looking, and it is quite probable that we shall have a new house by the time this is published.

Brother Beierla, Thompson, and Eyres visited Alpha Epsilon chapter during the Thanksgiving vacation. Although it was an inopportune time, as many Alpha Epsilon brothers had gone home, these three were much impressed by the cordial hospitality of our Cincinnati brethren. Alpha Delta chapter invites them and all our other brothers as well to visit us whenever possible.

Brother Ahrberg, chairman of the Christmas formal committee, has planned a dinner dance to be held in the New Secor Hotel on December 18. This is always the biggest affair of our social year, and this promises to surpass all previous ones.

Intramural basketball and boxing start after Christmas. Alpha Kappa Pi has three experienced ringmen who are expected to bring back championships in their divisions, while the basketball team will have as a nucleus several former high school players who promise to make things hot for the opposition.

The Mothers Club has elected Mrs. Ahrberg president and Mrs. Schmeltz secretary. Pledge mothers will be their guests at a Christmas party December 17. This group has proven to be of invaluable aid, and we heartily endorse a like organization for those chapters where it is feasible.

DEAN POWERS

Alpha Epsilon—Cincinnati

Pledged: Grover Church, John Dodson, Earl Ganslein, Guy Gessendorf, Edison Henderson, Robert Henning, Benjamin Hudson, Louis Karably, Albert Mechem, Ray Semmler, Ralph Swartz, Gayle Shearer, and Joseph Wachsmith.

With the opening of the College of Engineering and Commerce, on September 13, Alpha Epsilon began a fairly successful school year, obtaining ten new pledges, six of whom are now living at the house.

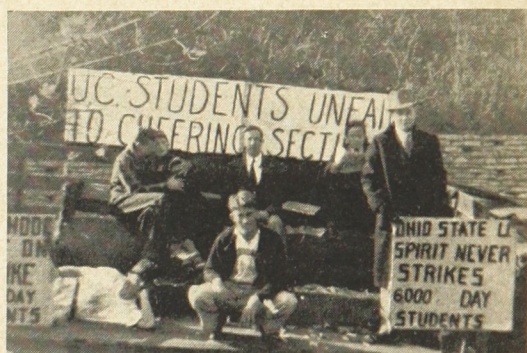
On October 9, a dance was given at the house, and the new pledges were given their first taste of fraternity social life.

The intramural touch football season opened, and the chapter, although not obtaining the height of champion, did make a good showing. Lack of men and time in which to practice was probably the reason.

During the week-end of section change, October 30 and 31, in which the first section engineers go to work and the second section return to school, a millionaires party was given. Each man, upon entering the house was presented with a large amount of stage money, with which he and his

date could gamble to their heart's content. The pledges had prepared numerous game tables upon which the gamblers were to play. Among them were roulette, dice and horseracing. At the zero hour, playing ceased and a prize was awarded to the party holding the most "money."

Each year it is the duty of the pledge class to prepare a float for the annual Homecoming Day parade at the university. This year it was held on November 13 at the U. C.-Ohio U. game. The float presented by Alpha Epsilon was a ridicule of this years student cheering section, which had gained notoriety for its indifference, and inattention to the cheer leaders. The float did not win a cup, but caused quite a bit of laughter in the audience.



ALPHA EPSILON HOMECOMING FLOAT

About November 20, the chapter was honored by a visit from a member of the canine world. Because of his likeness to the character in the current moving picture, "The Awful Truth," he was promptly dubbed Mr. Smith. Like most wanderers, he needed a bath and was given one by the pledges. Many plans were made for "Smitty," but the bath must have insulted his dignity, for he left the following Friday, just before he was due for another one.

On November 29, six pledges completed their pledge lessons, making a total of eight men who are eligible for initiation, which is to be held during the month of February.

On December 6, President Allison, at the request of the dean of men, gave a talk before a group of mothers at the university on "Training the Freshman."

A ping-pong tournament was started at the house, and is still going strong at the time of this writing. The pledges seem to have the upper hand in this game.

The fall season ended on December 17, when most of the pledges and actives went home for the holidays.

G. G. SHRIVE, JR.

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