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## Just a Minute—

WE ARE NOT quite sure if we can justify the return to an out cover to be observed in this number of THE ALPHA. The step was taken after weighing carefully the argument, pro and con. We hope the change will cheer our soldier brothers with a newer evidence of their fraternity's exoteric will to continue. Not only have we returned to the out cover, but we selected, as to color, what is known as the Ohio Red, and thus chosen in honor of our long time, and faithful Grand Treasurer, Frank J. Krebs, Scio, Ohio. Of him it might be said in the portion of that old Ohio song: "Buckeye born, Buckeye bred, and Buckeye 'till I die." We trust that you like the cover. We know that you agree with the dedication.

It is comforting to be appreciated. Dr. Carroll L. Hill, the new president, Milton College, Milton, Wisconsin, replies in fine spirit to the greetings sent to him by THE ALPHA, of the Alpha Kappa Pi, pledging the loyalty and support of chapter and fraternity: "May I express appreciation of your pledge of support on the part of the Alpha Kappa Pi Fraternity. The ties that bind men together are extremely valuable in these trying days." Again we renew the sincere and lasting support of chapter and fraternity.

The list of Golden Stars lengthens. Some of our finest and noblest have paid the great price for freedom, which in terms also means fraternity. May their deeds and their memories remain fresh and inspirational in all our lives. THE ALPHA pledges all the brothers to live more inspirationally for the fact that we were privileged to name them brothers.

We suggest that the chapters read, and digest carefully, the article herein appearing, captioned Bill of Rights, and make use or help others to make use of the offers made known there, if there is need of accepting such educational means to a more extensive education.

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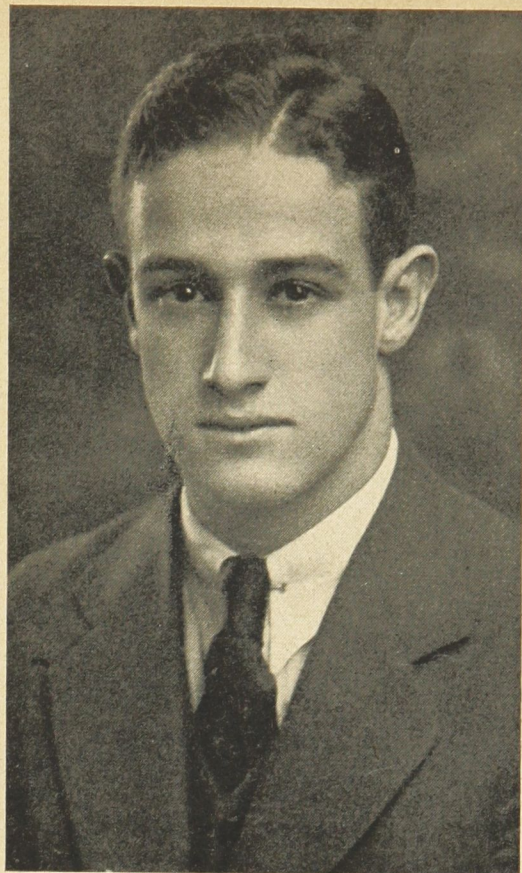
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# Editor Kramer

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C. RUSSELL KRAMER

WHEN THE CALL for men of leadership was issued by the United States Army, and the need of the best in the land requested, there is no surprise among the Alpha Kappa Pi men, to find that the Editor of THE ALPHA, C. Russell Kramer, Rho chapter, Rutgers University, laid aside his law work in Newark, N.J., bade farewell for the time to his wife and little daughter, and as a buck private entered the service of and for country.

Once more there is no surprise to learn that it is now First Lieutenant C. R. Kramer, and he is located in Washington, D.C., with the Office of Air Judge Advocate. Lieutenant Kramer is now residing in the historic Town of Silver Spring, Md., and making arrangements to bring his family there as soon as accommodations are found. To address Lt. Kramer officially send communications to First Lieutenant C. R. Kramer, Office of Air Judge Advocate, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

While attending Rutgers University he was not only the leader in placing the Rho chapter, of Alpha Kappa Pi, on that campus, but he was a standout in many of the athletic and publication organizations. Just to mention one or two he was Manager of the football team and crowned it all with a Phi Beta Kappa key. It will be a great day for the fraternity when the Lights of Peace come on again, and Editor Kramer is back at THE ALPHA desk, and established once more in his practice of law.





# *The* ALPHA of Alpha Kappa Pi



## Silver Anniversary\*

■ IT IS WELL for the members of the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity to call to mind the fact that on January 1, 1945, we will have reached our twenty-fifth birthday; hence the celebration of Alpha Kappa Pi's Silver Anniversary. Before another volume of *THE ALPHA* has been sent from the publishers this momentous date of founding will have reached us. Briefly let us record a few salient facts that have taken place within these twenty-five years.

First of all we must never overlook the genesis of our founding, and the courage of a group of men at the Newark College of Engineering, taking the first steps that was one day to bring into the college life of America a fraternity, founded on Truth and Fidelity, and so equipped to extend its principles, that on March 23, 1926, it was an easy matter to start the national life of this closely knit and deeply fraternal order of college men, and the Beta or second chapter was placed at nearby Wagner College, Staten Island, New York. Some readjustments were made when this national step was taken, but to all intents and purposes, the fraternal ideals and precepts remained intact and inclusive of the teachings that have been the force that has stabilized and made strong the present forward going Greek Letter fraternity, honored and received among all other fraternities of the American college world. Alpha and Beta

chapters have remained always two of our most loyal and forceful chapters, both being the pioneer fraternal groups on their respective campuses.

After this step in nationalization the growth of the fraternity, in collegiate chapters, has been vigorous and yet with a definite knowledge of the program engendered. It was held in mind that, before swinging into far flung places, the fraternity should place its emphasis on making the New York City area a strongly entrenched home base, from which other lines of endeavor might be undertaken with safety. This policy has prevailed and has shown its wisdom in so choosing. Every year since 1926 there has been at least one chapter added to the fraternity roster excepting the years 1934 and 1939. Of the total 36 charter grants twenty-one of them are within the borders of the States, touching on the Atlantic Ocean, and crediting West Virginia as still sympathetically, and socially, aligned with Old Virginia, 24 charter grants, or two thirds of the total grants, are thus homogeneously established. The greatest number of charters granted, within any one year, was in 1929 when five were issued.

As for future extension there is no set limitation, but a recognition of the undisputed fact, that colleges are increasing in numbers, and in quality of instruction, throughout the United States, and the very need, for well ordered fraternities, will make

\* An article a priori to stem into preparation.



it incumbent on Alpha Kappa Pi from time to time to share its possessions. The last chapter of the fraternity was placed at the fine and growing State University of Connecticut.

It is well to recall that added strength came to Alpha Kappa Pi for reason of many old local societies chartered. Among them such outstanding groups as were honored at Stevens Institute of Technology, Brooklyn Polytechnic, Marshall College, Lehigh University, Pennsylvania State, Rutgers University, Tufts College, West Virginia Wesleyan, and Tri State College. Then the chapters at Franklin and Marshall College, Toledo University, and the University of Cincinnati, chartered after the Sigma Delta Rho national society had disbanded; and then the final ending of the famous, or otherwise, Theta Nu Epsilon when the two remaining, and exclusive in membership chapters, at Rensselaer Polytechnic and Ohio Northern University, were merged into the Alpha Kappa Pi family. From all these designated places strong alumni came into membership with their undergraduate members, and thus a maturer and even sobering influence began playing a part in the government of this fraternity. In actual initiated members, as of date October 23, 1944, the total stands at 3962, and with pledges ready to be initiated the membership may be justly stated as hav-

ing reached, if not surpassed, the 4000 figures. Then from time to time the potential-members, alumni of the absorbed local societies, return for their ritual and badge, so counting these figuratively, the membership lifts another 500.

Financially the fraternity may boast justly, at this Silver Anniversary, for there are no debts but a considerable equity in the hands of our Grand Treasurer. This financial integrity, has been aided no little for reason that no officer serves other than for the love of that service, thus with no alluring financial emoluments Alpha Kappa Pi has been able to keep the deeply interested, and self sacrificing officers, at the helm of its first twenty-five years of history.

In patriotism the fraternity may lift a proud head and a grateful heart. There were, and there are no slackers, wearing the five-pointed star. When this World War No. 2 has ended, and the story of its valorous deeds have been recorded, the name of Alpha Kappa Pi, through the services of her willing and valiant sons, will stand high on the scroll of honor and accomplishments.

So, men of Alpha Kappa Pi, hold in mind the coming date of January 1, 1946, and with ready hand and warm heart, resolved to make the following twenty-five years, greater and more illustrious, for the fraternity, than the quarter century just passed.

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## Interfraternity

Alpha Kappa Pi was well represented, at the 36th Annual Session, of the interfraternity Conference, Hotel Commodore, New York City, November 24 and 25, 1944. Delegates Arba S. Taylor, Parke B. Fraim,

Frank J. Krebs, A. G. Jahn, H. B. Anstaett. Visitors: H. H. Heins, Rowland Conklin, Lt. C. W. Rogler, L. R. Kleman, J. M. Spiker, and Adviser A. H. Wilson.



# Looking Forward

■ GRAND PRESIDENT ARBA S. TAYLOR, Elizabeth, N.J., is facing the future tasks of the fraternity in a most realistic manner. There is nothing being left to chance when the war is ended and our chapters are to be in full service once more. To be on the alert, and to act as key men, organizing the alumni behind each respective chapter in the fraternity, these men have been named for that responsible post. THE ALPHA herewith sets forth the names for each chapter and with the urge that they attend their duties in the usual Alpha Kappa Pi way, vim, vigor and victory:

<i>Chapter</i>	<i>College</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>
Alpha Beta	Newark Engineering Wagner	Paul E. Schweizer Dr. Lee T. Davidheiser	14 Stewart St., Arlington, N.J. c/o Wagner College, Staten Island, N.Y.
Gamma	Stevens Inst.	Dr. Paul Allen	c/o Stevens Inst., Hoboken, N.J.
Delta	Brooklyn Poly.	Prof. Parke B. Fraim	38 Livingston St., Brooklyn, N.Y.
Eta	Presbyterian	David S. Blankenship	2355 Dellwood Dr., Atlanta, Ga.
Theta	Columbia	Byron S. Becker	2160 E. Tremont Ave., New York City.
Iota	Mount Union	Frank J. Krebs	Scio, Ohio
Lambda	Bethany	Dr. Newton W. Evans	Bethany College, Bethany, W.Va.
Mu	Marshall	W. S. Kitchen	Box 706, Bluefield, W.Va.
Nu	Lehigh	Woodrow W. Horn	Box 107, Bangor, Pa.
Xi	North Carolina	Henry K. Saunders	78 Parkway W., Bloomfield, N.J.
Omicron	Pennsylvania State	G. D. Kissinger	People's Nat. Bank Bldg., State College, Pa.
Rho	Rutgers	E. N. Wheaton, Jr.	25 Myrtle St., Bloomfield, N.J.
Tau	Tufts	H. C. Philpott	41 Homer Rd., Belmont 78, Mass.
Chi	Wake Forest	Dr. H. M. Parker	Box 87, Wake Forest, N.C.
Psi	West Va. Wesleyan	Dr. Ralph Brown	c/o Wesleyan College, Buck- hannon, W.Va.
Alpha Alpha	Hartwick	Dr. Leroy Weller	300 Main St., Oneonta, N.Y.
Alpha Beta	Tri State,	Prof. M. E. Collins	308 Maumee St., Angola, Ind.
Alpha Gamma	Franklin and Marshall	Dr. Herbert B. Anstaett	50 N.W. End Ave., Lancaster, Pa.
Alpha Delta	Toledo	Dr. J. B. Brandeberry	c/o Toledo Univ., Toledo, Ohio.
Alpha Epsilon	Cincinnati	Ray D. Allison	4142 Pillars Dr., Cincinnati, Ohio.
Alpha Zeta	Wayne	David McElroy	12826 Marlowe Dr., Detroit, Mich.
Alpha Eta	Milton	Dean John N. Deland	Milton, Wis.
Alpha Theta	Wofford	Wilmot Mitchell, Jr.	Box 1162, Spartanburg, S.C.
Alpha Iota	American	Bert Heinmiller	13th and K Sts. N.W., Wash- ington, D.C.
Alpha Kappa	Rensselaer	Chas. L. Rabolli	2171 14th St., Troy, N.Y.
Alpha Lambda	Ohio Northern	Dr. Thomas J. Smull	Ada, Ohio.
Alpha Mu	Carthage	Calvin Sifferd	18 College Ave., Carthage, Ill.
Alpha Nu	Connecticut	C. H. Schroeder	19 Bishop Rd., Hartford, Conn.



# Alpha Kappa Pi News

## Gold Stars

Ensign Lee Fox, *Alpha Gamma*, Franklin and Marshall College.

2nd Lt. Roy H. Baxter, *Tau*, Tufts College.

Cadet Kenneth W. McCormick, *Alpha Gamma*, Franklin and Marshall College.

Flight Sergeant C. Rightor Dixon, *Rho*, Rutgers University.

Private Samuel Bull Stone, *Alpha Iota*, American University.

Maurice Alger, *Alpha Kappa*, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Private Earle W. Krumwiede, *Alpha Alpha*, Hartwick College.

Private George Lake, *Alpha Eta*, Milton College.

Jacob Hartzell, *Nu*, Lehigh University.

William Graham, *Nu*, Lehigh University.

C. Lowell Liebau, *Nu*, Lehigh University.

Lt. Eustace N. Keese, *Mu*, Marshall College.

Major Robert C. Hawkins, *Tau*, Tufts.

Sgt. John B. Scopa, *Tau*, Tufts College.

William Richard Gamber, *Alpha Beta*, Tri State.

Thomas George Roscoe, *Alpha Beta*, Tri State.

Arnold Kent Knight, *Alpha Beta*, Tri State.

Walter Frank Cerkenik, *Alpha Beta*, Tri State.

Weldon Arthur Reeder, *Alpha Beta*, Tri State.

## Nu's Bereavement

Word received by THE ALPHA from chapter counselor, Robert F. Herrick, secretary of the Lehigh alumni association, Bethlehem, Pa. brings the sad tidings of Nu's loss of three brothers in the world war now raging. These men were reported lost in the following manner: Jacob Hartzell was never reported back after an operational flight over the Continent; William Graham was killed in a training flight accident in this country, while C. Lowell Liebau was killed in action in France. To the chapter and the parents of

these lost brothers THE ALPHA offers the sincerest sympathy. As our losses mount in Alpha Kappa Pi the more determined should be the spirit of the entire brotherhood to carry along. These three brothers were splendid young men, from a splendid chapter, and we mourn unashamed for their going from us.

## Blocks the Nazis

It is with pride that THE ALPHA speaks of the outstanding work of Brother James Pfeffer, Jr., now Captain Pfeffer, who was the officer in charge of perfecting the new rocket projectile currently used with success against Nazi tanks and gun emplacements. Captain Pfeffer has been overseas eighteen months and is head of the engineering office, Air Command's Ordnance Section, Headquarters, U. S. Strategic Air Forces. Captain Pfeffer is from Nu chapter, Lehigh university, and a great athlete at college.

## Supreme Sacrifice

Lieutenant Eustace N. Keese, *Mu*, '33, has paid the supreme price in country's defense. He gave his life while fighting in the Pacific war zone. Again THE ALPHA offers sincere sympathy to chapter and relatives. While we are in comfort and safety let us not forget the bells keep tolling.

## Killed in Accident

Major Robert C. Hawkins, a hero in several major engagements in the Pacific, and one of the stand-out figures at Guadalcanal, was killed in an airplane crash, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, on August 10, 1944. Brother Robert Hawkins is a brother of Captain William L. Hawkins, the first Marine to land on Guadalcanal. Both the Hawkins brothers are from Tau chapter, Tufts College. The entire fraternity had come to know these men of national fame, for reason of their daring and victorious leadership, and the entire



brotherhood extends sympathy to the parents and other near relations in the death of Major Robert Hawkins.

### The Shining Mark

Alpha Beta chapter, Tri State College, has become the shining mark in the striking losses in World War No. 2. The entire fraternity bows in fraternal sorrow in the greatest loss that has as yet come to any Alpha Kappa Pi chapter. Read these five names reverently, then consider the price we are called upon to pay for our own liberty in living: William Richard Gamber, Fayette, Ohio; Thomas George Roscoe, Chicago, Ill.; Arnold Kent Knight, Picayune, Miss.; Walter Frank Cerkenik, Cleveland, Ohio; Weldon Arthur Reeder, Northeast, Md. To their heroic deeds and memories we pledge to hold them in remembrance.

### Alpha Kappa Pi Jeep

In a buying bond drive, on the University of Toledo campus, with all organizations competing, the Alpha Delta chapter came through the big winner. The prize for such accomplishment carried with it the honor of naming a Jeep for Army service. Then it was that the chapter named The Jeep the Alpha

Kappa Pi and sent on its way for the designated service. THE ALPHA compliments the Toledo brothers in their splendid achievement, as well as in honoring our fraternity.

### Ph.D. and Badges

Brother William Bevan, Jr., *Alpha Gamma*, recently completed his work toward a Ph.D. degree, and needs only his Thesis to possess that honored distinction. This work was pursued at Duke University, Durham, N.C., and immediately thereafter joined the Navy and took his training at Princeton University, N.J. While at Princeton he remarks in a letter to THE ALPHA: "I have uncovered three splendid Alpha Kappa Pi brothers: S. J. Pasternak, *Alpha*; J. R. Richardson, *Alpha Theta*; and L. L. Grant, *Tau*. While at Duke Brother Bevan worked hard to organize a chapter for the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity, but the war demands put an end to his labors.

It is interesting to note that Brother John M. Bevan, the pledge member, leading in the renaissance of the Alpha Gamma chapter, Franklin and Marshall College. After all there is something in a name.

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## Grand Officers

- IN CONSERVING PAPER, and news space in THE ALPHA, the usual addresses of all officers, and collegiate chapters, have been temporarily discontinued. However, with some of the chapters returning to active service, it is well to give the addresses of the Grand Officers as follows:

*Grand President*, ARBA S. TAYLOR, 637 Salem Ave., Elizabeth, N.J.

*Grand First Vice-President*, DAVID S. BLANKENSHIP, 2355 Dellwood Dr., Atlanta, Ga.

*Grand Second Vice-President*, PARKE B. FRAM, 38 Livingston St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

*Grand Secretary*, W. SAMUEL KITCHEN, Box 706 Bluefield, W.Va.

*Grand Treasurer*, FRANK J. KREBS, Scio, Ohio.

*Grand Historian*, ALBERT G. JAHN, 3620 N. 15th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

*Grand Chaplain*, PHILIP CLOUGH BENTLEY, 4529 Lowell St. N.W., Washington, D.C.

*Office of THE ALPHA*, 163 E. 111th St., New York City, N.Y.



# Bill of Rights

■ THE "G.I. Bill of Rights," a war veterans' aid measure providing for education among other things, has been passed by both Houses of Congress and approved by the President of the United States.

The National Interfraternity Conference has asked that all fraternities, through their offices and magazines, give wide publicity to the educational benefits under the law so that there should not be any ignorance as to the plan and opportunities in the mind of any undergraduate now in country's service.

Any person who served in the active military or naval service on or after September 16, 1940, and who was not over 25 years of age at the time he entered the service, and shall have been honorably discharged, and who either shall have served 90 days or more, exclusive of any period he was assigned to an Army or Navy college training program, which was a continuation of his civilian course or was pursued to completion, or as a cadet or midshipman at one of the service academies, or shall have been discharged from active service by reason of an actual service-incurred injury or disability shall be eligible for educational benefits.

Such educational course must be begun not later than two years after either the date of his discharge or the termination of the present war, whichever is the later, and the benefits will not be extended beyond seven years after the close of the present war.

Any such eligible person shall be entitled to education for one year. After the close of the first year the veteran, if in the opinion of the institution he is attending has shown satisfactory progress, shall be entitled to additional periods of education not to exceed the time such person was in active service after September 16, 1940, and before the termination of the war, but in no event shall the total period of education exceed four years. He may enter an elementary school, trade or technical institution, college or graduate school. During this period he will receive \$50 a month if single, \$75 if he has one or more dependents. The Government will pay up to \$500 for each person for an ordinary school year for tuition, laboratory fees, books, and supplies exclusive of board, lodging, other living expenses and travel.

Those who were over 26 when they entered the service will receive the same benefits if they can prove that their education was "delayed, interrupted, impeded or interfered with," which probably will not be made difficult.

It has been estimated that at least 1,000,000 soldiers will return to the classroom. Do your part to keep the members of your fraternity advised of their opportunities so that your postwar chapters may have as many as possible members of prewar fraternity training.

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## New Post

Grand President Arba S. Taylor is now a member of the Re-Employment Committee, Draft Board, Elizabeth, N.J., Colonel E. H. Bloomer making the selection.

Brother Taylor is also Chairman of the Health and Safety Committee, Union Council, Boy Scouts of America. A busy man accomplishes things.





# CHAPTER NEWS

## **Alpha—Newark Engineering**

*Initiated:* Robert John Dickie, Jr. '48, Maywood, New Jersey; Henry William Hartmann, '48, Rutherford, New Jersey.

## **Beta—Wagner**

*Pledged:* Donald Allen '46, Staten Island, New York; Louis Crivione '46, Brooklyn, New York; Thomas Guastavino '46, Staten Island, New York; Gustav Huf '46, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Per Hellevig '46, Staten Island, New York; Reginald Kerfoot '46, Staten Island, New York; William Monsees '46, Union City, New Jersey; Frederick Olsen '46, Narrowsburg, New York; Donald Stoughton '46, Staten Island, New York; Eugene Scala '46, Staten Island, New York; Edward Smith '46, Staten Island, New York; Fred Scholz '46, Bridgeport, Connecticut; Albert Timm '46, Staten Island, New York.

The fall term opened with five Alpha Kappa Pi men on the campus, and ready to carry-on. Changes had to be made owing to the demand for residence space, so our chapter room is now in what was the Cunard Mansion and used meanwhile by three of the brothers. However it is a wonderful room and the master room when Cunard resided here, with a magnificent view over the New York Bay, whether it is night time or day. We will make out.

Despite handicap in small membership Beta chapter has kept the spirit of Alpha Kappa Pi, as is shown in our most successful pledging season. Thirteen of the best to be found at our college are now wearing the pledge emblem of the fraternity. Formal pledging was given, Monday evening, November 6, and besides the active members there were present Dr. Stern of the Wagner Faculty, and fraternity adviser, A. H. Wilson. Among the new pledges we have outstanding young men in all lines of college life. Pledge Donald Stoughton is the son of President Stoughton, Wagner College; Pledge Scala the brother of Anthony Scala '40, while Pledge Huf is the son of the President of Mt. Airy Seminary, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Beta chapter is highly gratified with all her pledged members and introduces them to the fraternity with much satisfaction.

On November 7, 1944, alumnus brother, Ensign Walter Norris, and Miss Mabel Vivian

Thiele, were married at the First Presbyterian Church, Stapleton, Staten Island, only a short way from the Wagner campus. We extend all good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Norris.

Beta chapter is just a half hour's sail by ferry from New York City, and not too great a distance from the St. George Ferry, Staten Island. All Alpha Kappa Pi brothers are invited to visit us and our college when in New York City.

WALTER KORTREY

## **Delta—Brooklyn Polytechnic**

*Initiated:* Alfred Thomas Brown '48, Jersey City, New Jersey; Sabastian Correia Ribiero '44, Braga, Portugal; Frederick William Sheppard, 3rd '48, Ozone Park, New York; John Sinnott '48, Brooklyn, New York; Frederick Dahl Zeuthen '46, Port Washington, New York.

*Pledged:* Edmund Kmiotek '48, Brooklyn, New York; William H. Germer, Jr. '48, Woodhaven, New York; Roy Olsen '49, Brooklyn New York; Joseph Colleti '45, Brooklyn, New York; William Young '49, Brooklyn, New York; Robert Haase, '49, Brooklyn, New York; Earle McGuigan '49, Brooklyn, New York; Dominick Casale '49, Brooklyn, New York; Anthony Di Carlo '49, Brooklyn, New York; Robert Rickenbacker '49, Brooklyn, New York; Michael Grosso '49, Brooklyn, New York; Nicholas Klepper '49, Brooklyn, New York; Robert Wilson '49, Brooklyn, New York.

Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, at the present, numbers some 325 students in the day courses, and of that number one hundred and twenty have entered the Institute for the first time in September. With this class to draw from the pledging of Delta chapter has been highly successful. As for the chapter membership we returned twelve brothers at the start of the fall term.

The chapter, in its Lodge Rooms, right near the Institute, finds it most convenient to keep in touch with all the affairs of the college as well as to contact the men we desire to know and pledge. We intend keeping this arrangement for the duration of the war.

As for the rating of Alpha Kappa Pi in student affairs we are able to name a few of the honors held by the brothers as indicative of our place on campus. William Stolze is president of the student council with Joseph Kren secretary of same



council. Sebastian Ribeiro is treasurer of the A.I.E.E. while Frederick Roberts is president of the lower sophomore class. As time moves along other places of trust will be found resting in the hands of our chapter.

Delta's rooms are most convenient for visitors to reach us since all roads and subways lead to Borough Hall, Brooklyn, and 118 Livingston Street, is a short walk from that center of metropolitan activities. Come and see us. Alpha Kappa Pi's will find us most cordial.

FREDERICK G. ROBERTS, 3RD

### **Eta—Presbyterian**

*Initiated:* Henry Keith Hill, '48, La Grange, Georgia.

*Pledged:* Du Bose Dent '48, Columbia, South Carolina.

Eta chapter is small in numbers, but determined to carry along. We are proud to introduce Henry Keith Hill, a sophomore, from La Grange, Georgia; as our latest initiate, and Du Bose Dent, Columbia, South Carolina, as our most recent pledge to Eta chapter. Both are fine students and grand fellows and will help the chapter in every way.

Brother Robert G. Hall, our graduating president, is now studying at the Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia. Brother William H. Kryder has been made chapter president to fill the vacancy caused by Brother Hall leaving us. We hated to see him go.

Despite our membership of five brothers and one pledged brother Eta chapter has done a grand piece of work in redecorating its chapter room. We are working under serious handicap, but we feel sure that Eta will be ready for the bigger opportunities after the present war has been won, and the usual life resumed at the Presbyterian College.

WILLIAM H. KRYDER

### **Iota—Mount Union**

Grand Treasurer Frank J. Krebs is not only the guardian of the fraternity's national finances, but is keeping a close surveillance over the affairs of the Iota chapter house corporation. Recently a letter from overseas, and from Brother Malcolm Kienzle, in service, enclosing an order for ten dollars to help "a little in keeping things going while we are away." Here is an example worthy of imitation even by home Alpha Kappa Pi brothers, who have not lived in fox holes or gone forth to stop the advance of an enraged enemy. With such devotion Iota chapter will weather the storm. At present the chapter house is rented and keeping the place in splendid condition, and also helping to bring the day when Iota will own its house in fee simple.

Since Grand Treasurer Krebs has gone to Scio, Ohio, as superintendent of the city schools, his alma mater, Mount Union College, has placed a scholarship at that place worth \$500 per annum. This is indeed a tribute to the teaching ability of our Grand Treasurer.

At the opening of the fall term Pledge Henry Hansen, Canton, Ohio, has returned to the campus and is already seeking the direction as to how to bring Alpha Kappa Pi back to the campus. If all goes well we are confident that it will not be long until the badge of our fraternity will be seen again on the campus of this historic college. Meanwhile the record being made by the members of this chapter, in war service, is an outstanding one.

### **Chi—Wake Forest**

*Initiated:* Ralph Edwin Tate '47, Belmont, North Carolina.

Chi chapter is happy to be back in service once more. We are able to state that Wake Forest College, through her football victories, is once more "The Famous Deacons," and at the present time heading the Southern Conference. Brother Nick Sacrinty is one of the stars on the fast stepping footballers.

### **Alpha Beta—Tri State**

*Pledged:* Paul Bryson '47, Reading, Pennsylvania; Gordon Bachman '47, Howell, Michigan; James Crowl '47, Pleasant Lake, Indiana; Robert Schauder '47, Dayton, Ohio.

Alpha Beta chapter has opened the fall term with eleven brothers and four pledges. The pledged members are soon to be initiated. All of them are worthy of the badge of Alpha Kappa Pi, and we are happy to number them among our chapter mates.

The chapter is still going along with zest, and although small in number of members, we are confident that Alpha Beta chapter will continue to remain active.

We have been greatly grieved to have been informed of the loss of five of our finest brothers in this war now raging over the earth: Brothers Gamber, Roscoe, Knight, Cerkvenik and Reeder have paid the supreme price for freedom.

Our officers are as follows: president, George Xenakis; vice president, Anthony Adolina; secretary, Walter Grome; treasurer, Roland Carlson.

WALTER GROME

### **Alpha Gamma—Franklin and Marshall**

*Initiated:* John Morgan Bevan, Graduate Student, Plains, Pennsylvania; Francis Ellsworth Ringer '48, Jeannette, Pennsylvania; Jones Miles



Acker, Jr. '48, Anselma, Pennsylvania; Ray Lindford Harwick '48, Souderton, Pennsylvania; Ray Landis Bowers '48, Lincoln Park, New Jersey; Luther John Binkley '45, Wernersville, Pennsylvania; Robert Anderson Smith '45, Greenville, Pennsylvania; Theron McClure Snyder '46, Hanover, Pennsylvania; Raymond Alexander Faulds, Jr. '48, Munhall, Pennsylvania; Joseph Henry Miller '46, Womelsdorf, Pennsylvania.

After several months of inactivity the Alpha Gamma chapter, Franklin and Marshall College, was restored to a lively chapter, Thursday, November 2, 1944, when ten enthusiastic young gentlemen took the vows of the fraternity. It was a very impressive occasion as these ten pledges to Alpha Kappa Pi removed their buttons and received the badge of full and honored membership. From a flourishing chapter, of some months ago, the life line had dwindled until only one pledge, John Morgan Bevan, and College Librarian, Dr. Herbert B. Anstaett, stood between the chapter and full extinction. Then the miracle happened, plus careful planning and hard work on the part of the two brothers mentioned previously. The first prospect approached and won to a lively interest in the renaissance of the chapter was Francis Ringer, and from that time on the building up of the pledged members was quickly accomplished. Then the November date when the chapter was fully equipped for service.

Since the chapter house was given up at the start of the war demands, and the furniture placed in storage, the chapter is now meeting in one of the upper rooms of the Seminary Dormitory, where chapter matters will be carried along until the proper time to take up chapter house life.

The initiation, on November 2, was held in one of the rooms at the Fackenthal College Library, and it was here that the ten outstanding Franklin and Marshall young men, took their vows and received the ribbons, flower and badge, and were fully prepared to establish once more the Alpha Kappa Pi life on the campus of this historic and honored campus.

The ritual ceremony was in charge of fraternity adviser, A. H. Wilson, assisted by Brothers Herbert Anstaett, *Alpha Gamma*; James O. Le Van, *Alpha Gamma*; James Heider, *Alpha Gamma*, and Joseph A. Benner, *Omicron*.

## Alpha Delta—Toledo

*Initiated:* John Dale Henzler '47, Toledo, Ohio; Charles Thomas Zimmerman '48, Toledo, Ohio.

Correspondence from Alpha Delta chapter to THE ALPHA of the Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity, has been scant for the past few months. This has been occasioned by the campus conditions occasioned by the war, and the changing and at times depleted membership of active brothers. However, with the new year, Alpha Delta finds

itself in a much better position on the university campus. Plans are already under way for a most interesting social program.

The past college year found the chapter initiating several splendid men despite the fact that the number men in college was way below par. Owing to this condition the house corporation decided that it would be wise to sell our chapter house on Montebello Road. This was accomplished, and the money placed in the building fund. After the war a house will be built on the campus. At present chapter meetings are held in the Student Union, on campus, this is wholly satisfactory but we are looking forward to the time when we are in our own home again.

Last year the chapter worked together as a unit despite the continual change in leadership owing to the war demands. Robert McCullough was elected Freshman King. Brother Muttart was a representative to the Student Council, and almost every organization on the campus had its Alpha Kappa Pi representatives. Thus we succeeded in remaining the most active fraternity at Toledo University.

In a social way Alpha Delta was not lacking, and with dances, roasts, and informal get-togethers the usual pleasant times were experienced.

An important activity on the campus last college year was the naming of a Jeep, by the group which bought the largest number of war bonds. This chapter of the fraternity won with a record breaking number, and named the Jeep "Alpha Kappa Pi."

Since so many of our brothers are in the country's service, we, who remain, feel it our duty to correspond with them and thus keep them informed of their chapter's doings. More recent enlistees from Alpha Delta are: Brothers John Hamel and James McCarthy. Pledge Fred Hohl recently received a medical discharge and we are happy to welcome him to the chapter once more. Every brother in Alpha Delta is engaged in this World War. Those of us who are not in actual service, are engaged in vital war work or special courses in study.

Our officers for the present are: Robert O'Shea, president; Wesley Taylor, vice-president; Lawrence Muttart, secretary; Richard Villwork, treasurer; Robert Douglass, historian; Price Marshall, chaplain; Robert McCullough, pledge master.

The alumni, headed by Brother George Maludy, are strongly organized and are aiding us greatly. Advisors Dr. J. B. Brandeberry and James McCrimmon, are unfailing in their continual support and inspiration.

Alpha Delta is not only determined to build a strong Alpha Kappa Pi chapter at Toledo university, but to do everything in our power to help establish other chapters in this part of the college world. Right now our big task is to make our pledge selections and this work is being vigorously



attended. Meanwhile we would be pleased to hear from other AKII chapters, and sincerely hope they have been able to re-organize as we have been able to do at Toledo University.

ROBERT C. DOUGLASS

### *Alpha Theta—Wofford*

After stating that fraternities might become active on the Wofford campus, September 1944, the faculty committee on fraternities and their affairs, have changed again and stated, that owing to the constant change in the student body, and the cost to the fraternities re-organizing, the fraternities are asked not to become active as such until some later date. However if there is a boy in college desiring to join a fraternity, and the alumni of that fraternity desires to initiate the young man, there will be no objection on the part of the college to such initiations. However there will be no active chapters, of any of the Wofford fraternities, until such time as the war demands are less rigorous in inducting the student into active service. Wofford College is a highly organized military college along with its other ranking qualities.

During the early Fall season Alpha Theta had a little touch of social life, as a group of fraternity brothers, and enjoyed a wiener-roast at the home of Brother Crosby. Besides the young ladies present there were Brothers Crosby, Koopman, Cato and Mitchell. We really had a swell time and laid plans for restoring Alpha Kappa Pi at Wofford College as soon as the faculty word is favorable.

Brother Trakas, the last brother to be initiated before Alpha Theta became inactive, graduated from Wofford with a Phi Beta Kappa key, and is now at the University of Old Mexico, taking a Masters in Languages. He is greatly pleased with

the life and teachings at the university. Alpha Theta is not dead, nor even moribund, but just hobbled until the green light has been turned on once more.

WILMOT MITCHELL, JR.

### *Alpha Mu—Carthage*

Fraternities, by edict of the college, are still quiescent at Carthage College, but the spirit of the Alpha Mu chapter is being kept alive through the labors of chapter counselor, Calvin S. Sifford, although no longer a resident of the Town of Carthage but head of the public schools, Birmingham, Iowa, not a great distance from his old college and chapter. He will continue to keep the oversight until the lights come on again for Alpha Mu and Alpha Kappa Pi. The boys in service have been receiving the News through the sending out of the same by Brother Sifford.

The building fund for Alpha Mu chapter is growing and in time will provide an adequate home for the men at Carthage. Meanwhile there will be excellent accommodations since the new College President, Dr. Erland Nelson, formerly of Newberry College, and one of his first steps is to arrange for the building of a men's dormitory costing \$200,000.

The Alpha congratulates Brother Sifford in being invited into membership in the educational fraternity, Phi Delta Kappa, while studying at the University of Illinois the past summer. Here is another example of what even one loyal alumnus, on or near the scene of action, is able to do for his chapter during these testing days. Our hats are off to Brother Sifford, and his work in keeping the fire burning at the AKII shrine in Carthage College.

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## War Bonds

The Alpha Kappa Pi fraternity is seeking to do all in its power to help win the war. In the Sixth War Bond Drive another one thousand bond was purchased. The fraternity now owns, in matured value, \$4000 in these bonds.







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